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DISCO AS EASY AS YOU WANT

Disco dancing can be as simple or complex as you want, and is what you make it. "Sure, disco can be difficult, but it all depends on how far you go beyond the basic steps and the different twists of your hips or arm movements you add," says Jill Slasinski.

An SVSC junior in Spanish, Music, and Political Science, she is teaching fellow SVSC students all the ins and outs of the dance technique now sweeping the country.

"Disco is a spin-off from ballroom dancing, which was much shorter and quicker. The fox-trot has just four basic counts, while disco may have one count of four with six or seven different steps. There's the sidestep, backstep, front walk, backwalk, sideturn, front to back turn, mime walk, stepback step, toe-to-toe, rockback, quarter step out, and the cross out-cross out, to name a few," she says.

"I totally disagree that the disco craze has already peaked out. When it first hit, I didn't think disco would be this popular. However, I didn't take into account the fact that people have to learn it before getting tired of it, and once they know how, they want to go on. You can't get tired of it until you've done it," according to her.

"Disco looks complex but really is not because the main hurdle is simply learning the first few steps. Once you do that and get into the pattern, your mind starts thinking

disco and then you get to like it and want to learn more. That's when you start accomplishing the most. You can make it hard when striving for perfection, but it doesn't need to be."

Slasinski has been taking dance lessons for 16 years, since she was four, and says she is "lucky to have a touch of creativity". She has been teaching disco steps, dances and movements to SVSC students since fall orientation sessions last summer and feels that creativity is important. "Once you know the basic dance, you simply put in your own hip swings and head motion along with other movements and you end up creating your own dance. You don't have to be a John Travolta, because that level of expertise requires considerable practice.

"Dancing is great because it is people relating with people, something we need more of. If you think you have the capability to learn, you do. If you can say, 'I can't do it', you can also say you can. If you give up, you're giving up on yourself and that's unfair to you and to others who like you. When you can accomplish a new step or dance, it makes you a better person because it builds your self-confidence.

"These days it's too expensive to go to a bar and sit around drinking. It's more fun and less expensive to dance all night and a great way to meet people.

"When we were teaching the incoming SVSC students how to disco this fall, we found that after they learned the basic dance, the kids made lots of new acquaintances. That's because when you're out on the floor, sometimes you step on others or bump into them and then you have to say 'hi' in one way or another. In disco, you face in different directions and change positions, so you're bound to meet lots of new people."

Since 1979 is the "Year of the Child", Slasinski is planning a series of disco dance lessons in the lower level of Doan Center next Sunday, March 25, with the profits to be contributed to UNICEF. Three age groups

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will be taught, with those up to 12 years old meeting from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 13-17 year olds from 1:30 to 4 p.m., and age 18 and up from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Child care services will be provided on an advance-notice basis for a charge of \$1.00 per child, and a recreation area offering air hockey, bumper pool, ping-pong, pinball, foosball, and large-screen TV will be available.

Cost for the day is \$2.50 in advance or \$3 at the door. All proceeds will go to UNICEF's benefit to fund health care, food and safe water, and basic education among the children of the developing world. Additional information and registration may be obtained by contacting Slasinski at 792-6821 between 8 a.m. and noon daily.

MUSICIANS PERFORMING AT HOYT LIBRARY

The SVSC Chamber Choir and Collegium will be performing a collection of French early and modern music for the public this Tuesday evening (March 20) at 7:30 p.m. in the Hoyt Library, downtown Saginaw. The concert is free to the general public, and director Dr. Eric Nisula, assistant professor of music, hopes the combination of the setting in Hoyt Library and the music itself will set a mood which can't be found in a regular theater. The Library is located on the north side of Janes Street, just west of the new Saginaw Police Station.

FIVE CHOIRS HERE FOR GOSPEL CONCERT

The second annual SVSC Gospel Choir Concert is being readied for this Thursday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the SVSC Theatre. Performing this year will be the Saginaw High School Choir, CMU Gospel Choir, Mt. Zion Baptist Church Choir of Saginaw, Williams Temple Choir of Saginaw, and the Macedonia Baptist Church Choir of Flint.

General admission is \$1.00 and the public is welcome to attend. SVSC and Delta students will be admitted free by showing their student identification card.

FOURTH ALUMNI-STAFF GAME IS THURSDAY

The fourth annual SVSC Alumni Association and College Staff basketball game is slated for this Thursday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. in Cardinal Gymnasium. The Alumni are out to avenge last year's narrow defeat and will be coached by Mark Bredholt. Paul Gill will be mentor for the faculty/staff. A social hour at Das Michigan Haus will immediately follow the contest.

Faculty or staff members who want to participate should contact Gill at ext. 4106, while interested alumni should contact Bredholt at ext. 4286.

The public is welcome to attend the game, and there will be no admission charge.

PLAUSH THIS WEEK'S COLLOQUIUM SPEAKER

Dr. Albert Plaush, associate professor of chemistry, will speak on "Radiation in the Environment" at this week's Faculty Colloquium in the large private dining room of Doan Center. His presentation will take place this Thursday, March 22 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., following lunch which begins at 12 noon. All members of the campus community are welcome to attend.

Concluding the winter semester series of colloquia will be Dr. William F. Smith, associate professor of English, who will discuss the "Native Indian Heritage of American Literature" on Thursday, April 5.

NEXT PRESIDENTIAL COFFEES ON APRIL 4, 5

Just a reminder that President Jack M. Ryder will be meeting with evening students for coffee on Wednesday, April 4 from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. on the second floor (east) of Pioneer Hall. Purpose is to give evening students an opportunity to meet with the President for a discussion of mutual concerns.

The next in a series of Presidential coffees with faculty members will be Thursday, April 5 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge, Wickes Hall, third floor.

TOP MATH OLYMPICS STUDENTS NAMED

Students from Flint, Davison, Grand Blanc, Midland and Frankenmuth earned top scores in the Eighth Math Olympics at SVSC earlier this winter. Top senior is Dave Bruce of Flint Carman High School. A three-way tie for top junior was shared by William Peavyhouse of Davison High School, Bart Ephers of Grand Blanc High School, and Eric Fernandez of Midland's Dow High School.

Distinction as top sophomore was won by Jeff Mills, also of Midland Dow High School, while top freshman was Susan Schlegel of Frankenmuth High School. Each winner will receive a Texas Instruments hand calculator.

Numerous other students received outstanding scores in the competition, according to coordinator Dr. Rose Novey, associate professor of mathematics. Scholarship recipients will be chosen from among seniors whose raw scores were in the top ten percentile. These include Mike Goodrice of Flint Ainsworth, Jim Leibinger of Saginaw Douglas MacArthur, Dan Roesh, of Midland Dow High School, Gregory Aldering of Bridgeport-Spaulding, John Griffin of Flint Carman, Larry Wade of MacArthur, Jeff Smith of Dow, Chris Gugel of Frankenmuth, John Robins, Daniel Hunt, and Jim Decou of Grand Blanc, and Greg Housner of Bridgeport-Spaulding.

Outstanding juniors included John Lam of Bridgeport-Spaulding, Brian McKennon of Dow, Joe Hus and Steph Satchfield of Grand Blanc, Jeff Freidman of Carman, Tom Weeks and Ken Hollingshead of Dow, W. Kent Mays of Flint Ainsworth, T.L. Tanner of Bay City Handy High School, and Clifford Todd of MacArthur.

NATIONAL FRENCH CONTEST AT SVSC

French students from several area high schools participated in an annual contest sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French last Saturday, March 10 at SVSC.

Students were administered a test according to their respective levels of study, with substantial prizes awarded to winners on the state and national levels. Administering the contest at SVSC were Drs. Lynn Herkstroeter, assistant professor of French and German, and David Barker, assistant professor of French.

28 LANGUAGE STUDENTS VISIT DETROIT

28 SVSC students of French, English, History, and Art traveled to Detroit on March 7 to visit the exhibit of Napoleon III Second Empire French Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts. While there, the group also viewed Feydeau's "Chemin de Fer" at Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre. Part of the group remained in Detroit for dinner at the Magic Pan, a Renaissance Center "creperie". Coordinator for the activities was Dr. Lynn Herkstroeter, assistant professor of languages. Accompanying the group were Dr. David Barker, assistant professor, and Dr. Ricardo Pastor, associate professor of modern foreign languages.

KEGLERS ROLL FANTASTIC 3368 SERIES

Five SVSC keglers bowled a long-to-be-remembered 3368 series last Wednesday night at Saginaw's Bowl-O-Mat lanes. Leading the group was Fran Renteria with a 753, while Dan Bale had a 708 series. Fred Buxman scored a 645; while Dave Kowalski rolled a 635 and Mike Rehm was "low" with 627.

The group had games of 1129, 1171, and 1066, thus winning all four points. They also beat their opponents by more than 600 pins. Renteria's score was the highest in the city league this year.

SVSC WINS INDOOR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

SVSC's Cardinal track team, sparked by a 1-2-3 sweep in the two-mile run, ran to the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) indoor track championship in Big Rapids Saturday, March 17.

The Fighting Cardinals piled up 153 points. Northwood finished second with 106, followed by Ferris State with 106, Hillsdale 64, Wayne State 59 and Grand Valley 27.

It was SVSC's first conference track title and only the fourth conference championship in the school's history.

Midland freshman Duane Johnson won the two-mile run in 9:24.4, followed by teammates Pat Fitzgerald at 9:25.9 and Paul Peterson at 9:30.5.

SVSC also finished first in the 60-yard low hurdles and 440-yard dash. Joe Welch triumphed in the hurdles with a clocking of 7.6 seconds. Evans LaLos won the 440 in 51.2 seconds.

FACULTY NOTES --

-- Dr. Margaret Cappone, professor of psychology, presented a research paper at last weekend's Governor's Conference on Community Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect concerning her current research in this area. Her paper topic, presented at Detroit's Renaissance Center, dealt with the use of therapeutic day care as an interventive approach. *It summarizes a one-year research project which will form the basis of a state model for the use of therapeutic day care for the treatment of child abuse and neglect.* Other speakers included Gov. Milliken, Detroit mayor Coleman Young, and Dr. R. Helfer.

-- Ross Smith, 6-foot 3½-inch son of Director of Sponsored Programs M.S. "Cy" Smith, was named to the All-Conference First Team for the Central Michigan High School Athletic Conference Basketball League. Mike Apsey, son of SVSC Registrar Gary R. Apsey, received honorable mention. Smith was the only junior named to this year's first team. St. Charles had a 12-8 season record and was fourth in the conference.

SCIENCE COLLOQUIUM FRIDAY

The Science Colloquium scheduled for February 23 will be held this Friday, March 23, at 2 p.m. in Wickes 233. Speaker will be Dr. Kenneth Rengan, professor of chemistry from Eastern Michigan University. His topic will be "Energy from Nuclear Fission and Fusion -- Where Are We Now?". Refreshments will be served after the talk, and admission is free to all interested in attending.

NEW DEADLINE FOR "INTERIOR" SUBMISSIONS

In an effort to serve the campus community better, the Office of Information Services will be putting the "Interior" together on Monday mornings instead of Tuesdays from this issue onward. All submissions for the week

must be received by the Office of Information Services before Friday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. in order to get printed. No exceptions will be made.

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-- SCHOOL OF ARTS & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES; Dean (as of July 1), FT-P, Salary Negotiable.

-- SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT; Dean (as of July 1), FT-P, Salary Negotiable.

-- SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT; Assistant/Associate Professor of Personnel & Industrial Relations, FT-P, Salary Negotiable.

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-- SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY; Dean (as of July 1), FT-P, Salary Negotiable.

-- LIBRARY & LEARNING RESOURCES: Director (search re-opened), FT-P, Salary Negotiable. (Application deadline April 16)

-- COORDINATOR OF ANNUAL FUNDS, Office of Development and College Relations, FT-P, Salary Negotiable. This position funded by SVSC Foundation.

These positions will be open to members of the campus community for one week only. Interested individuals should contact the Personnel Office at ext. 4108.

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