

The Valley State College Libert

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MEMORIAL DAY NEXT MONDAY

In observance of Memorial Day next Monday, May 28, most College operations will be closed for the day. Classes and normal activities resume on Tuesday, May 29.

Because of Memorial Day, the Interior will not be published on Monday, May 28. For the summer months, issues will be coming out on a bi-weekly basis. Publication dates will be Monday June 4, special Board meeting issue on Monday June 11, and Mondays June 25, July 9 and 23, and August 6 and 20. We will resume normal weekly publication on Tuesday, September 4, the day after Labor Day.

Please submit copy for inclusion in the Interior to the Office of Information Services not later than the Friday preceding publication. Effective June 1, Kris Gavit will be our new Media Coordinator, succeeding Donna Mitchell, who is awaiting a visit from the stork. Call Kris on ext. 4054 any time you have a newsworthy occurrence which should be reported in the Interior or via outside media.

SVSC ENROLLMENT UP 9.2% FOR SPRING

At the same time that total enrollment in American schools and colleges is showing a 1.4 million student decline, spring session registration figures at SVSC reflect a 9.2% increase over last year.

The U.S. Census Bureau reported last week that there are 58.6 million persons three to 34 years old enrolled in education programs across

the country. Although the Bureau estimated that college enrollment has declined from 11.4 million last year to 11.1 million currently, preliminary estimates as of last Thursday placed the headcount at 1,504 students, over 1,384 last year. Tentative counts also show credit hours to be up by 9.1%, from 6,326 a year ago to 6,942.

Last spring a 4.6% growth in headcount was reported over spring 1977. Official fall 1978 registrations were 3,706 students, or 5.0% more than fall 1977's 3,530.

Since fall 1973, when enrollment was 2,223, there has been a 67% growth, ranking SVSC number one in terms of greatest growth over that time among Michigan's public four-year colleges and universities.

Director of Admissions Richard P. Thompson is obviously pleased that SVSC is bucking the enrollment decline reported by the Census Bureau. "National figures show that high schools will increasingly experience decreases in enrollment, which are already occurring in elementary schools," Thompson says. "However, our number of 18- to 21-year-old students is continuing to grow, something which is not happening at many other colleges.

'We think this is partly because of our location, in a population center of some 400,000 people, many of whom cannot leave the area for their college training. A lot of recent high school graduates already have jobs and are coming to SVSC because they don't want to part with them, although they want to earn a four-year college degree.

"Older persons have families and job responsibilities which make attending a residential college impractical. Our average student age is now almost 27, partially reflecting the new trend that higher education is a lifelong process and that job-related training for coping with technological changes or to get promotions is a continuing thing," he feels.

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Three SVSC students were named All-Americans at the NAIA National Outdoor Track and Field Championships last week in Abilene, Texas. Senior Bill Waters placed second in the hammer throw Thursday with a 173-foot effort. He becomes the first weight man at SVSC to become an All-American.

On Saturday, senior Rob Bostater placed second in the 3,000 meter steeplechase with a time of 9:17.2. Winning time was 9:09.9. Freshman Waldo Cabriales of Pigeon was third in the marathon with a time of 2:31.09. He was one of 46 runners in the 26-mile event, which began at 6:30 a.m. in 83 degree temperatures. The winning effort was 2:26.01.

Coach Doug Hansen's team finished ninth overall with 22 points. Joe Welch just barely missed All-American honors Friday in the 110-meter hurdles when he placed seventh in a photo finish. All-American distinction is reserved for the top six entrants.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY PLANS READY

Faculty and staff members who would like to suggest changes for the 1979-80 Faculty/ Staff/Student Telephone Director are invited to do so now, as planning is well underway for this fall's effort. Please send your suggestions to John Rummel, Information Services, or phone ext. 4054.

We anticipate sending the faculty/staff portion to our printer on August 15. If you have not as yet had your photo taken for this book, please arrange to do so shortly. The computer list of students is expected to be submitted by September 20, thus enabling an earlier publication than last fall.

TRISKELIONS AWARD MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Triskelions, a fund-raising organization of campus and area women, recently awarded a \$14,000 gift to SVSC, making their total donations over 12 years \$144,000. This year, 21 incoming freshmen have been added to the ranks of students receiving stipends of \$1,000 each per four years. Each has demonstrated academic accomplishment in high school, and will receive \$250 per year. The awards cover books and supply costs and require at least a "B" average at SVSC.

They come from Negaunee to Romeo and Southgate to Parchment. They're the 315 SVSC students named to the Dean's List for scholastic excellence during winter semester 1979. In addition to Bay City, Midland and Saginaw, honor students who earned a 3.5 or higher grade point average with full-time enrollment came from Alma, Auburn, Bad Axe, Birch Run, Bridgeport, Burt, Burton, Caro, Carrollton, Carsonville, Caseville, Cass City, Chesaning, Corunna, Dearborn Heights, Deford, Detroit, East Tawas, Essexville, Evart, Fairgrove, Fostoria, Frankenmuth, Freeland, Gladwin, Grand Blanc, Hemlock, Holland, Holly, Howell, Imlay City, Kawkawlin, Kingston. Linwood.

Also from Mayville, Merrill, Middleton, Mikado, Montrose, Mt. Clemens, Mt. Morris, Munger, Negaunee, Newaygo, North Branch, Oakley, Parchment, Pigeon, Pinconning, Portage, Port Hope, Reese, Richville, Romeo, Royal Oak, Sanford, Sebewaing, Southgate, Standish, St. Clair Shores, Sterling Heights. Ubly, Unionville, Utica, Vassar, Waldron, West Branch, and Whittemore.

This shows the increasing state-wide participation by students at SVSC in a very tangible way!

YUN IS M.I.T. VISITING PROFESSOR

Dr. Suk Koo ''Tom'' Yun, professor of physics, is visiting professor at the Center for Theoretical Physics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology this summer. He is conducting research with their particle theory group. He has also been invited to visit the Theoretical Physics Division at the Fermi National Acceleration Laboratory.

Other activities by Dr. Yun recently have included a talk on "Einstein's General Theory of Relativity and its Cosmological Contents" to the Saginaw Valley Amateur Radio Association on May 4. Yun's Grand Unification Theory of All Forces for Elementary Particles, which was presented at the 19th International Conference on High Energy Physics in Japan, has been published in the conference proceedings.

Yun was also selected to be included in the 1980-81 (17th edition) of Marquis' "Who's Who in the Midwest" and the seventh edition of "Men of Achievement", published by

International Biographical Centre. He is also included in "Who's Working on What", a directory of scholarly research soon to be published by Scholars' Technical Services and in the third edition of "International Who's Who in Community Service", published by International Biographical Centre.

COLLAMER RECEIVES TWO AWARDS

Rosella E. Collamer, director of the Chrysallis Center, has been named chairwoman-elect of the National University Extension Association. The group represents college personnel who work in the areas of continuing education and extension services.

Collamer, who served last year as secretary-treasurer of the association's Student Services Division, was chosen during its annual meeting in Philadelphia this month. She will be responsible for arranging the Student Services Division program when the NUEA meets in San Diego next spring.

She has also been nominated by both the Saginaw and Midland chapters of the American Association of University Women as Woman: Agent of Change. Among other achievements, Collamer was instrumental in reinstituting scholarships for SVSC students through the Saginaw chapter of the AAUW. These stipends are intended to benefit the mature woman student who is not necessarily eligible for current financial aid programs due to income level, but may have a substantial need for assistance.

GRADUATE RECEIVES DUPONT RESEARCH GRANT

Ted Nitz the younger, son of Personal Counselor Ted Nitz, has received a research grant from the DuPont Corporation for continued graduate studies in organic chemistry. An April 1977 chemistry graduate from SVSC, Nitz has completed his second year of study and his comprehensive exams in the Chemistry Doctoral program at the University of Georgia.

He is married to April 1978 SVSC grad Nancy Mead, who is presently working on a teaching fellowship and studying in the University of Georgia chemistry graduate program.