DECEMBER 11, 1979

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON READIED FOR DECEMBER 20

SVSC's annual all-college Christmas luncheon is set for 12:00 noon next Thursday, December 20 at Das Michigan Haus. The buffet menu includes chicken, sauerkraut and sausage, barbecued meatballs, relish and salad bar, dessert and coffee. Cost including tax and tip is $5.50 per person. A door prize will also be given.

Come join your friends from the campus community. For reservations, kindly call Patti Zimmer, Business Services, at ext. 4101 before next Monday, December 17. Checks should be made payable to Das Michigan Haus. It is your responsibility to see that all office telephones and public contact areas in your office are adequately staffed during the luncheon. To make sure you're not left out, call Patti now at 4101.

ALL-COLLEGE DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE NOW

"So that's who that guy is!" was the oft-heard comment this past week as the new all-college directories were received on campus. For the first time, all college employees and their photos, titles, office extensions and home information are all included. So are the names, addresses, majors and class status for all 3855 SVSC fall semester students.

Additional copies of the directory are available from the Office of Information Services, Student Government or the first floor south lobby in Wickes Hall.

Should any of your information be out of date or incorrect, please call the Office of Information Services so it can be updated for fall 1980's book.

SILICONE RESEARCHER HERE FRIDAY

Dr. John L. Speier, Senior Research Scientist for Dow Corning Corporation, will speak at the next Science Colloquium, this Friday, December 14 at 1:00 p.m. in room 158 Pioneer Hall. He will be telling about "Silicone Intermediates and their use in Organic Synthesis of Drugs and other Organic Products." Named "Scientist of the Year" for 1978 by Industrial Research and Development Magazine, Dr. Speier has spent 36 years in basic silicone research and has worked in the area of organofunctional silicones. He was part of the group at Mellon Institute whose basic research led to the formation of Dow Corning Corporation, the largest producer of silicones and silicone products.

Dr. Speier holds 55 U.S. patents and has published more than 40 articles in scientific journals. His lecture is free and open to the public. For more information about the Science Colloquium, call Dr. Earl Warrick at ext. 4144.

FINAL FALL COLLOQUIUM FRIDAY

The last faculty colloquium of fall semester is this Friday, December 14, at 12:00 noon in the large private
dining room at Doan Center. Dr. Tom Hearron, associate professor of English, will read from the conclusion of his novel "Nothing". Chapter III of this work was recently published in "Just Pulp: The Magazine of Popular Fiction."

Lunch, as usual, is at 12:00; the presentation follows at 12:30.

CHILDREN'S CENTER PLANS OPEN HOUSE

Your chance to visit the new SVSC Children's Center on Davis Road is this Wednesday, December 12 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. You will have an opportunity to see how the center has been remodeled and to talk with its director Elsie Trefice and assistant director Bonnie Witzke. Refreshments will be served.

To make the center economically feasible, more children are needed to partake of its services. Preference will be given to the children of students, faculty and staff, but others are invited. So please be sure to let friends or neighbors with 2½ to 6 year olds know that the center is open and operating.

ARRIVE ALIVE FOR HOLIDAYS

With the holiday season fast approaching, SVSC's department of public safety hopes you will have a happy, safe holiday and a safe return to campus. According to director Zane L. Rybkowski, the campus police recommend that you don't drink and drive; drive defensively; be safe, smart and alert; adjust driving to road and weather conditions; plan ahead and allow enough time for travel; buckle up for safety; obey all traffic laws and drive to arrive alive.

"Remember, your most dangerous mile is the one ahead! So drive as if your life depends on it!" Rybkowski asks.

BOARD EXTENDS HOLIDAY BREAK

In action taken during their Monday, December 10 monthly session, the SVSC Board of Control decided to close operations for all but essential services on campus on Wednesday, December 26, Thursday, December 27 and Friday, December 28. This extended holiday period will not only provide the non-teaching staff with an extended holiday season, but will also save energy on campus during a time when many staff members would normally utilize annual leave to be with their families. The Board's action will be for a one year trial period. Close monitoring of electrical and fuel usages will be conducted during the time SVSC is closed, along with an analysis of demand for other college services. A recommendation regarding future Christmas and New Year's holiday periods will be forthcoming after a review of this year's experience. Members of the secretarial and clerical staff and other full-time hourly employees will be paid for the three additional days SVSC will be closed this year. So the Christmas break begins Monday, December 24 and ends on Tuesday, January 1, 1980.

In other Board action --

--President Jack M. Ryder reported on last Tuesday's disturbance on campus. He indicated that all 53 of the students arrested by various area law enforcement agencies have been released to the college and that no formal charges have been filed. The all-college judiciary, which consists of one student, one faculty member and one administrator will be conducting hearings this week involving the actions of students identified by SVSC personnel as having been involved in the actions which occurred.
Ryder explained the administration has authority to suspend students from the dormitories if cause exists. He said four have been temporarily removed because it is believed they were "involved in such a way as to require us to remove them from the dormitory situation until their hearings have been initiated and completed." Hearings for the four will take place on Thursday and they may continue to take classes and examinations in the meantime, although they will otherwise be restricted from campus.

Ryder says the college plans to move expeditiously on any students charged by SVSC personnel, to determine if there is reason for disciplinary action. He indicated that the college had only asked for one outside police car, as a backup, for what was at the time a minor disturbance. "Looking back, actions occurred which we might regret. If these were undue, the students involved will not have further discipline invoked and apologies will go forward where warranted. I feel it is important that we and other colleges have jurisdiction when backup police agencies are called in," Ryder said.

According to the President, our officers do not have jurisdiction on campus after the sheriff's department is called in, as they are merely county deputies. A bill currently before the state legislature would give college officers across the state jurisdiction on their own campuses, and Ryder indicated he supports this bill.

--Ryder also told the board that in our ever-shrinking world, knowledge of foreign languages and international study is becoming more important than many have felt in recent years. He indicated that he sees great advantages in students graduating with an in-depth knowledge and understanding of at least one other culture. "Immersing oneself in a foreign language is a good way, because as you learn the language, you also learn about the culture of another land. We ought to consider the proposition that every SVSC student regardless of their field should have this understanding. By 1982 there will be more Spanish speaking persons in the western hemisphere than English, so obviously Spanish is important. So is Chinese, European and romance languages, plus others. We need to learn other languages and to communicate with other people," he indicated. Ryder said he will be expressing his concern to the faculty. "I'm not saying we should have language as a requirement to get in and possibly not as one to get out of college, but language preparation may be more important than whether we get enrollments or not," he felt.

--The board accepted the 1978-79 annual audit of the college books, conducted by Yeo & Yeo. Copies of the audit are available under Ryder's name in the library reference section.

--Approved the 1980-81 state appropriation request for operations, which asks for $7,171,857 from the state on SVSC's fiscal year basis plus an additional $765,897 for: the School of Nursing to replace part of the HEW grant, upgrading of computer services, replacement of worn out equipment, additional faculty to support growing enrollment, partial replacement of the HEW grant to the bilingual education program, additional staff members to replace those laid off last year plus other pressing needs and additional temporary physical facilities. Last year SVSC received $6,528,600 from the state on the institutional fiscal year. The addition this year would
add $59,785 for utility cost adjustments and $583,472 for economic adjustments caused by inflation. The operating budget increase should be 21.7% on the institution's fiscal year basis or 24.9% on the state's. Both Ryder and vice president for business affairs Jerry Woodcock felt SVSC's enrollment will likely continue to increase as support decreases, due to the state's economic problems. Woodcock said the 20% reduction mentioned by some at the state level "would be so drastic I don't even want to think about it."

--Next the Board approved resolutions honoring SVSC's football and cross country teams for their successful fall 1979 seasons. Ryder said it was "remarkable given the facilities and limitations here that both teams have done so well. We're losing very few athletes due to graduation next year and the new track will also be helpful. Our success speaks well for the coaching and the outstanding young men in the program." The football team ended up ranked eighth in the NAIA national poll, while Cross Country won third place in the NAIA national meet. Both coaches Doug Hansen in Cross Country and Frank "Muddy" Waters in Football were District 23 and GLIAC Coach of the Year.

--The Board also learned that the Joint Capital Outlay Subcommittee in Lansing has: (a) included planning money for a Phys Education Building and outdoor facilities in the planning portion of the fall capital outlay bill; (b) tentatively allocated $600,000 to continue working drawings for the Central Cooling and Heating Plant; and (c) included additional money for continued planning of IF-2 as part of a lump sum for various state projects. The funds for all three are expected to be approved this week before the legislature adjourns Friday. Although the bonds for the group of projects including IF-2 are not now expected to be sold until next summer, the Board learned that remaining planning will likely take until then anyway.

--Bids to re-paint the SVSC water tower have been awarded, and it was reported that 818 evergreen trees have been moved onto the campus proper since 1977, including 270 this fall. Foreign Language Day was a large success last month, with some 600 high school students in attendance. A Nursing Capitation Grant of $11,518 was announced as approved during the October-November period on the Sponsored Programs report and no grants were denied. Sheets were distributed with information on students by their recorded first majors and on courses offered through the Office of Continuing Education. Future Board agendas will be modified to include both "Information and Discussion Items" instead of just "Information Items" as at present.

CAMPUS NOTES

--Associate professor of French Dr. David Barker was invited by the Michigan Council for the Humanities to attend a Humanist Evaluators' Workshop in East Lansing on November 30. The Council is currently establishing a group of outside evaluators for MCH-sponsored projects across the state and those at the workshop will form the nucleus of this group.

--Dr. Walter Rathkamp, associate professor of Biology, has been selected for inclusion in the 17th edition of "Who's Who in the Midwest".

--An article by professor of History Dr. Thomas Renna entitled "St. Bernard's Idea of Peace in its Historical Perspective, 750-1150" has been accepted for publication in "Res Publica Litterarum", 1980. His article on "Augustinian Autobiography: Medieval and Modern" has been accepted for "Augustinian Studies", 1980.

--Dr. Guy M. Lee, administrative assistant to the President for affirmative action, has received the Keyman Award for Community Service from the United Way of Saginaw County, for his involvement in this year's United Way fund drive.

PERSONNEL

--SENIOR SECRETARY, Office of the Registrar. (Replacement). Full time/permanent. $4.05 per hour. SVSC is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer and is non-discriminatory in its policies and practices.