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BOWLERS FOLLOWING SVSC "TRADITION"

It's been a remarkable year for athletics at SVSC. After the cross-country team won its conference and NAIA district 23 championships for the third straight year, the football team last fall took its first-ever Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title and went on to compete in post season play.

It then seemed only natural for the men's basketball team to win both the conference and district titles, finally in the NAIA nationals at Kansas City.

Next the track team won the district 23 championship. Then SVSC hosted the national NAIA gold championship, with the fighting Cardinals ending up fourth overall and placing two of its players on the all-American team.

After all that, it almost seems anticlimactic that SVSC bowling team member Fred F. Buxman is one of the nation's top four collegiate bowlers. He will represent the midwest on June 21 in the National Collegiate Individual Match Games Championship in New York City, after proving this season that he's the best male bowler in the 12-state midwest region.

Coach Ted Nitz's SVSC bowling team won an unprecedented second straight midwest regional championship in Chicago May 9, where Buxman was top finisher with a 203 average. There are no collegiate divisions in bowling as there are in most other sports, meaning that Buxman had to beat out bowlers from universities and colleges of all sizes from the region.

In that tourney, he played against representatives of Michigan State and Ohio State Universities, Vincennes (Indiana) and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to gain his national berth.

The Saginaw senior reached the national finals over a field of 600 of America's best bowlers from 200 colleges and universities. "I feel I come through well under pressure. Maybe it's a little bit of luck, but I bear down then. I want the pressure on me because I perform best when I know I have to," he says.

Buxman is no stranger to national competition. Last year in the Association of College Unions - International tourney sponsored by the American Bowling Congress in Tampa, Florida, he was both the high all-events and high singles bowler.

In April he was also the top finisher in the Marshall University Invitational Tournament in Huntington, W. Va., where his 203 average was identical to his Chicago score. He was named "Champion of Champions" and also took the all-events title after rolling past his final opponent 225-189 in the last game.

The high point of this season for him was when SVSC's team won the Michigan Intercollegiate Bowling Conference title. "It all came together for me and our team in the last three games. Championships always seem to be tense right down to the last few balls, but the crowd and team reaction there was a spectacular feeling for me."

Buxman says he'll be happy whether he wins or loses in New York. "I'm just happy to make it to the nationals. I wanted to do really well in my last year of collegiate competition, and it's great to end my college experience in the top tournament."

Rolling against him will be south champion Steve Gillispie of McNeese State University (Louisiana), east top bowler Ted Jenney from Rensselaer Polytech University (New York) and far west champion John Jelks of San Jose State University (California).

There are no divisions in bowling and all

colleges in the nation are eligible to qualify in each of the four regions. Buxman has come out on top of all other male bowlers not only in Michigan but also Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Montana, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

His current year average in the MIBC has been 195, with a high sanctioned game of 269 and a high average for the year of 205. His high sanctioned series was a 729.

Buxman's honors add up to a long list, because he's been one of the top bowlers in Michigan collegiate circles all four years he's competed. His first victory came in the Bowling Green Invitational his freshman year, and he was an alternate in the ABC's ACU-I tournament his sophomore year. He has been SVSC's most valuable player the past two seasons and was team captain for 1979-80. Coach Nitz says he's "sure happy things came together for Fred this year, because he's always been a top contender and has certainly earned this high honor."

In addition to Buxman's fine bowling performances this year, 16 SVSC athletes have earned all-American honors in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, truly a rare performance for a college of any size and all the more outstanding for one as small as SVSC. Last fall in football, defensive back Kenneth Tolfree won first team all-American honors, while tackle Robert Loftus and quarterback Steve Zott received honorable mention recognition.

In cross-country, SVSC's Duane Johnson was named to the NAIA all-American first team. In basketball, forward Michael Plowden earned 13 all-American honors.

In track, SVSC has had six all-Americans this year in indoor and one in outdoor competition at the national level. SVSC's two-mile relay team of John Darga, Scott Gaines, Steve Reese and Dave Stimpson won indoor all-American honors. So did Evans Lalas in the 440-yard dash and Joe Welch in the 60-yard high hurdles. In outdoor track, "Spence" Peterson earned an all-American berth for his 10,000-meter performance.

As reported last week, SVSC golfers, Jim Quellman and Steve Brady also became all-Americans when they finished fifth and eighth respectively in the NAIA national golf tournament at Bay Valley. It all adds up to a colossal performance for a school of SVSC's size, especially considering the young age of SVSC's athletic program compared with other institutions.

S,E&T DEAN NAMED

Alistair Morley Brett has been named dean of the School of Science, Engineering and Technology and will begin his new duties August 18. He presently is chairman of the department of chemistry and physical science at the Philadelphia (Pennsylvania) College of Textiles and Science.

A native of Cottingham, England, he is a U.S. permanent resident and has been with Philadelphia College since 1970.

Brett attended Kingston-upon-Hull College of Technology in England and earned his bachelor of science degree in physics from Chelsea College of Advanced Technology, University of London, in 1966.

After serving as a research assistant in the department of theoretical physics at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, he became a research and teaching assistant in the physics department at Drexel University, Philadelphia. He completed his doctor of philosophy degree in physics from Drexel in 1970.

Brett became an instructor at Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science in 1970, was promoted to assistant professor in 1972 and became an associate professor in 1976. He was elected chairman of his department in 1975 and re-elected in 1978.

The author of numerous publications, Brett has written extensively in the fields of stabilization and destabilization energies and effective field equations. He has held several N.A.T.O., Science Research Council and National Science Foundation assistantships. He has also compiled an active record of departmental growth in publications, external funding and student recruitment, as well as research and development activities.

Brett will succeed Dr. Earl L. Warrick, who has been serving as interim dean of the school during the past year. "We've been extremely fortunate to have a person of

Dr. Warrick's caliber working with us, and I'm confident that Dr. Brett will continue his strong record of advancement for our school of Science, Engineering and Technology," predicted Dr. Robert S. P. Yien, SVSC's vice president for academic affairs.

OUTDOOR CONCERT READIED

Your day has arrived, Linus! SVSC's summer concert band is presenting a twilight "blanket" concert on the plaza just south of Wickes Hall. Scheduled for 7:30 p.m. this Thursday, June 12, the concert will feature light music, marches and concert overtures for band. The band, directed by Thomas Root, will be joined by guest artists from the SVSC swing choir.

Admission to this performance is free and concert goers are encouraged to bring picnic suppers. In case of rain the concert will move to the SVSC theatre.

This event is a "dress rehearsal" performance for the band's appearance as the Governor's honor guard during the annual Mackinac Island Lilac Festival June 14-16. The next local performance of the band will be on June 24 in Bay City's Wenona Park.

FIVE SVSC STUDENTS GOING TO POZNAN

"For me, it's a lifetime dream come true."

The reaction of Michael Hanley upon learning he was one of four SVSC students chosen to spend two months studying at the University of Poznan this summer was typical of the entire group.

"Last fall I enrolled in a class on the Soviet Union taught by Dr. Anna Dadlez, director of SVSC's Institute of Polish Studies. Near the end of the semester she announced the opportunity to apply for the exchange program, and I began working toward that goal," says Hanley. "As a political science major, I'm excited about the fantastic experience it will be to study in a Warsaw Pact nation."

For Hanley, 418 Adams, Saginaw, selection to the program is a special bonus. Named originally as an alternate, he later received word that officials at the University of Poznan had expanded their invitation to include him because of his intense interest in the program.

"I can't believe the generosity of our Polish hosts," he says. "It's an amazing example of an educational institution making room for an individual. I'm also grateful to SVSC faculty members who interviewed me and encouraged my interest."

Others named to the exchange program are Delphine Atkins, 1322 Lamson, Saginaw; David Gilmour, 4492 Warren, Bridgeport; and Coleen Gulvas, 4081 Green Isle Way, Saginaw. Atkins is a senior majoring in political science. Gulvas is a junior with a foreign language major, while Gilmour is a sophomore working toward a degree in music. They will attend classes at the University of Poznan from June 24 through August 15.

Barbara Grey, 120 Camelot, Saginaw, was chosen by the SVSC evaluation committee to spend a full academic year in Poland. Ms. Grey is studying history at SVSC and is a junior.

On June 19 the group is scheduled to fly nonstop from Detroit to Frankfort, Germany. They will travel by train from Frankfort to Poznan, Poland, where they will be met by a student guide. Since fluency in Polish was not a requirement for selection to the program, the guide will assist them in adapting to Polish language and customs.

Currently the students are completing an orientation course taught by Dr. Dadlez. The class is designed to acquaint them with current conditions in Poland, as well as giving a brief glimpse of Polish history and an introduction to the language.

The students can earn up to 15 credits, transferrable to SVSC, while at Poznan. Classes they attend will be taught in English, though they will be encouraged to study Polish.

The evaluation committee was chaired by Dr. Robert S. P. Yien, vice president for academic affairs at SVSC. Other members included Dr. Dadlez, Dr. Crystal Lange, dean of the school of nursing and allied health; Dr. Shyamalendu Sarkar, chairman of the SVSC economics department; and Dr. Raymond Tyner, professor of English.

OPAL TO SHOW TEAPOTS

"I'm a little teapot, short and stout,
Here's my handle, there's my spout. . ."
Unlike the words of that old folk song,

teapots come in a variety of shapes and sizes and can be made from a fascinating range of materials. SVSC's Opal Colvin, administrative assistant to the president, has been collecting teapots for many years. Her collection now numbers more than 400, and it all began when her late husband purchased teapots "with personality" as gifts for her.

Opal will be sharing some of her favorites with the SVSC community beginning Tuesday, June 10. They will be on display in the SVSC library for approximately two weeks.

Her first display will all be examples of Oriental work, and later exhibits will follow other themes. "I have a group that are in animal shapes, as well as nursery rhyme teapots, French teapots, Irish teapots, English teapots, and many others," she says.

For an interesting new perspective on the world of teapots, view the Colvin collection in the SVSC library. You are also invited to call or visit Opal if you have questions or comments on her hobby. Who knows -- you may have an undiscovered treasure tucked away in the back corner of a kitchen cupboard. Chances are, if you do, Opal can identify it and tell you something of its history.

TIAA-CREF ANSWERS DISCUSSED

You are approaching retirement, and your benefits at SVSC have been divided 75% CREF and 25% TIAA. Should you move accumulated funds from one account to the other? What factors would you consider in making this decision, and what procedures would you follow to accomplish such a move? These and similar questions were discussed last Wednesday by Ms. Judith London, representative from TIAA-CREF.

Some 50 SVSC employees were on hand in the Wickes Hall lecture room to learn more about their benefits and the options available to them.

Ms. London explained that TIAA provides a fixed rate of income, currently based on a 9½% return on principal. Funds accumulated prior to January 1, 1979, earn 8½% interest. Upon retirement or death of the policy holder, several choices can be made for receiving the benefits accrued. These range from various levels of payments at regular intervals to a lump sum to payment in the event of death.

In contrast, according to Ms. London, CREF is a variable rate investment fund which fluctuates with the stock market. "For example," she stated, "the value of one unit of CREF for the month of December 1979 was $43.90. By January 1980 it had risen to $45.37, but in April '80 the value fell to $41.82." People interested in knowing the current status of CREF funds can call (800) 223-1290 toll free and hear a recorded message which gives the value for the current month at the end of the preceding business day.

Upon retirement, CREF units which have accumulated through joint contributions by SVSC and individual employees are converted to annuity units to be received by employees according to their selection of method. In response to an audience question, Ms. London noted that the 1977 through 1979 three-year average return on CREF funds was 5.6%, while the 1974 through 1978 five-year average return was 13.5%.

Ms. London also discussed the Supplemental Retirement Annuity (SRA) plan. Because SVSC is a tax-exempt, state-supported institution, its employees can opt to voluntarily contribute extra funds of their own through SRA on a tax deferred basis.

In the fast-paced and information-packed meeting, Ms. London also pointed out expense charges for various aspects of the program, as well as other factors which individuals need to consider in determining what plan to choose. A supply of booklets and brochures was available for handout, and employees were encouraged to contact the Policy Services Division of TIAA-CREF if they need additional help.

For those unable to attend the June 4 meeting, SVSC's personnel office has informational booklets on hand, as well as the phone numbers for TIAA-CREF offices. Personnel director Larry Fitzpatrick encourages employees to review their benefit package periodically to see if it still best meets their needs. "An employee is not 'locked into' the plan selected when he or she first began working at SVSC," he notes, "but can make changes to adjust to changed circumstances."

EARLY PAYCHECK PROCEDURE PROMULGATED

We're beginning to become accustomed to seeing office doors open at 7:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. as many SVSC employees give alternate work schedules a trial. Those who have opted for a variation from the usual 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday routine are finding it can be a mixed blessing with both positive and negative aspects.

One potential problem for employees who will not be reporting for work on Fridays is distribution of paychecks. The SVSC personnel and payroll offices have established a procedure for early paycheck pick-up. Provisions are:

1. On the Monday when time cards are turned in, each dean or director should provide payroll office with a list of all staff scheduled to be off work on the Friday on which paychecks are distributed.
2. Payroll office cannot accept telephone notification.
3. For persons scheduled to be off on Friday, checks will be issued by payroll between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. on Thursday if they are ready.
4. Previous written approval is required for check release (see 1).
5. Checks must be picked up personally, or by messenger who has a written permission slip signed by the employee.
6. Checks not picked up on Thursday will be available in the business office between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Friday.

Employee cooperation will aid in making these procedures work smoothly. And to those who have managed to put in a 40-hour work week by Thursday afternoon -- happy Friday! You've added a new dimension to the phrase TGIF.

BOARD LEARNS SPRING, FALL FIGURES UP

On campus, student enrollment for spring session 1980 is up 8.9% over a year earlier, but credit hours generated on campus have increased by 10.4%, representing even better news for the Board of Control. The figures were part of a report presented at Monday's monthly session of the Board. This spring there are 1,421 students on campus, compared with 1,304 in 1979 and they're taking 6,615 credit hours versus 5,990. Total student enrollment on and off campus is 1,622, up 8.2% over spring '79's 1,498. Total credit hours generated on and off campus are 7,476. That's up 8.0% over last spring's 6,920.

Especially good news was the 26.4% increase in new students this spring, as these will also have a positive effect on fall enrollment figures. Readmitted and returning students have increased 4.9%. The number of transfers who applied this spring is a boost of 68.3% over last year.

Through the end of May, applications for fall semester 1980 admission are up 7.8% in the freshman catagory and 34.1% in transfer students, with 50% of that number coming from Delta. Tri-county applications are up 16.9%, especially helped by Saginaw county's 25.4% increase. Midland county is up 22.5%, while Bay county is down 4.6%. The total for all applications received shows a 12.8% growth.

In other action Monday, the Board voted to continue general fund expenditures at a level consistent with the 1979-80 fiscal year or as changed by the president. The action was necessary because the operating appropriations bill for state colleges for the 1980-81 fiscal year has not yet been enacted. President Jack M. Ryder said that "It's going to be a difficult year unless things change dramatically." He said the administration would work toward submitting a budget for possible adoption in August, even though a final state appropriations figure is not expected. He also reported that the executive order signed by the Governor and since sustained by the legislature recently has cut the money to SVSC for the college's 1980-81 fiscal year by 1.08% or some $72,000. Although the Governor had recommended a 6.9% increase in January, last month he was forced by worsening economic conditions to reduce this request to 3.8%.

Regarding contingency planning, Ryder said, "We are taking a look at all things possible short of lavoffs. We'll do everything we can to avoid layoffs because we are convinced the recession is short term and our enrollment figures are exceeding earlier fall projections. It seems so shortsighted to reduce staff when the need is even greater to increase. We hope to maintain our current level and possibly even increase this somewhat." While the 12.1% increase in student fees enacted last month will be helpful, this "won't make up for loses at the appropriations level. It is not inconceivable that another increase

in student fees might be requested winter semester, although we won't do this unless we have to," he noted. "Other institutions are finding themselves in the same predicament."

In other action, the Board

--Endorsed passage of a bill in the state legislature which would grant authority to the Board to establish a public safety department with powers to enforce the rules and ordinances of the college. Endorsement came because the Board acknowledged "the need for our campus police to not be reliant upon other police agencies for police powers."

--Approved a resolution encouraging the sharing of library resources with Delta College and other libraries in the area. Ryder said he hoped the college would soon be able to announce a major move forward regarding computerizing of area library resources to avoid having such materials unnecessarily duplicated.

--Approved $14,300 in faculty research grants for 1980-81. These grants, funded by the SVSC Foundation from private gifts to the institution, will go to 13 faculty members. A complete listing will appear in our next issue.

--Authorized a broadened use of endowment fund earnings yielded by the Hoern Memorial fund. Previously the money was restricted to scholarships but now will also be available for use in the area of student employment. A three-year plan was outlined whereby $30,000 will be made available this year, followed by $50,000 in each of the next two years if possible. Only income from the fund and not the principal can be used. The funds are restricted to students from the tri-counties, but this is expected to free up employment money in other funds for students from other parts of the state.

--Established a meeting schedule for 1980-81. All dates will be Mondays at 9:30 a.m., except for May 8, 1981, the Friday preceding commencement on May 9. Scheduled meeting times will be August 11, September 8, October 6, November 10, December 8, January 12, 1981, February 9, March 9, April 13 and June 8, 1981. The July 14, 1980 board meeting will not be held unless a special session is deemed necessary.

--Approved resolutions honoring all-Americans on the indoor and outdoor track teams, the SVSC golf team and its all-Americans, and the 1980 college bowling team. The Board also moved to concur with a resolution approved by the student senate honoring Catherine Maziarz for being a "caring" administrator "whose understanding, dedication and willingness to help out plus genuine love and concern for students is only surpassed by her hard work and whose very special involvement takes her far beyond the call of duty."

--Learned that a $2,000 summer grant for research from the Dow Chemical Co. was recently approved for the chemistry department.

CAMPUS NOTES--

--Two promotions effective July 1 have been announced by vice president for academic affairs Dr. Robert S. P. Yien. Dr. Gene Hamilton will then have the new title of dean of placement and continuing education. Angelita Torrez has been named director of academic support services.

--Commencement speaker for graduation exercises June 4 at Saginaw Business Institute was vice president for business affairs Jerry A. Woodcock. He spoke on the importance of higher education, having goals and applying oneself at the ceremonies, which were held at First Congregational Church, Saginaw.

--Nursing instructor Eunice N. Hinz appeared on the "Day by Day" television program on channel 19 last Thursday, to discuss her "mini" water bed for infants. The project, undertaken by Ms. Hinz while a student at Washington University, St. Louis, has gained national attention as a revolutionary way of helping premature infants adjust to life in the "real" world.

PERSONNEL

COMMUNITY LIAISON - BILINGUAL/BICULTURAL EDUCATION - Part-time; length of appointment dependant on grant. Salary negotiable.

This position will be open to members of the campus community for one week. Interested persons should contact the personnel office at ext. 4108.

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