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### SUMMER ENROLLMENT UP 18%

College officials don't know if it's because of the economy, the growing reputation of SVSC or simply making available the right courses, but summer enrollment has set a new record with 1142 students registered. That's 18% above last year's 967 students.

A number of Michigan colleges have reported head count increases this year, but without a corresponding growth in credit hours. At SVSC, however, the credit hour count is up 15.6%, to 5,056 versus 4,372 in summer 1979. Credit hours equate to income, so everyone is extremely pleased that summer projections have been exceeded.

### AREA HOUSING SOUGHT FOR SVSC STUDENTS

Increased interest in SVSC residential programs has filled student housing for fall semester beyond capacity, and college officials are seeking area rooms, apartments, duplexes or other accommodations for fall semester.

"We are accepting applications for housing until August 1, as earlier announced to students," says Denise Ottinger, coordinator of residential life. "But it appears applications will far exceed our number of rooms available. Thus we're looking for clean, reasonable living spaces close to the college and within students' expense accounts."

Persons knowing of space within a five mile radius of the college are requested to call the residential life program at 790-4255. Preferred will be homes where one or more meals per day could be included.

To make every possible on-campus space available, student health services will move from their present dormitory suite to Wickes Hall, thus opening eight additional spaces for resident students.

To provide more classroom and office space as reported earlier, eleven mobile units are being moved to SVSC from the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus where they are no longer needed.

President Jack M. Ryder pointed out that although SVSC's new instructional facility no. 2 is proceeding on schedule, it is unlikely that construction will begin before next summer. "At the earliest, occupancy is 2½-3 years away, while enrollment continues to grow along with an accompanying need for additional classroom, office and student space."

That the new space is needed is evidenced by SVSC's record-high admissions figures for fall semester. Current reports show a whopping 40.6% growth in the number of transfer students admitted. Tri-county freshman applications are 18.1% over a year ago, especially bolstered by a 28% rise in Saginaw county. Midland county freshmen are up 8%, while Bay county is even with last year, when a 22% spurt occurred over the year before.

Fall semester registration continues at SVSC daily through August 1 for both new and returning students, with a payment deadline of Monday, August 11, for those pre-registered. A special registration day on Thursday, August 14, will be followed by an adjustment or "drop/add" period for paid students on Wednesday and Thursday, August 20-21. The final two days of special registration will be Tuesday and Wednesday, August 26-27, with delayed registration for fall on Wednesday and Thursday, September 3 and 4. After classes begin September 8 there will be drops and adds from Tuesday, September 9, through Wednesday, September 17, and late registration is September 10-17.

### CONCERT TO FEATURE BLUEGRASS UNDER THE STARS

A folk and bluegrass concert under the stars is coming to campus Friday, August 15, with the public invited to attend. The 7:00 p.m. performance will take place in Owsley Grove north of Wickes Circle.

According to concert organizer Richard McKean, at least four musical groups will participate. They include Pat and Sandy McGuinn, who play 12-string guitar and banjo and are accompanied by Andy Rogers on violin. The McGuinn act includes a comedy routine.

The multi-talented Rose and John Kohut, billed as "Your Average Natural Act," will perform on piano, accordion, harpsicord, guitar and string synthesizer. Their minstrel music ranges from contemporary to classic, traditional to original.

A third group, "The Loose Caboose," plays the entire spectrum of bluegrass from old to new. They use both the hammer and lap dulcimer as well as the claw hammer, banjo, and mandolin for their bluegrass arrangements.

George Herritier will play country blues on guitar and harmonica. Other area performers will be sitting in as well to round out the program.

To help defray costs, a \$1 donation will be collected.

### ALUMS PICK NEW OFFICERS

Timothy L. Lipan of Lansing is new president of the 4,000-member SVSC Alumni Association. He was chosen to succeed James L. Gaertner, who had served since 1973 and did not run for re-election.

Serving as vice president of the group is Nadell Pake of Bay City, while Bert Schafer of Holt is acting as secretary.

Newly elected to the association board of directors are James Dwyer and Sara Schweinsberg, both of Saginaw, and Joseph A. Vogl of Zilwaukee, while Schafer and Judith Magyar of Bay City were re-elected.

Lipan is employed as national field representative and state legislative liaison officer for the American Red Cross. Dwyer is an admissions counselor at SVSC, while Ms. Magyar teaches second grade at Bangor West elementary school, Bay City. Schafer is program manager for the Governor's energy awareness advisory committee and has worked for the state of Michigan for 14 years since graduating with SVSC's charter class in 1966. Ms. Schweinsberg is an accountant at Dow Corning Corporation and Vogl serves as assistant registrar and assistant golf coach at SVSC.

Five persons are elected annually to three-year terms on the 15-member SVSC Alumni Association Board. Graduates of the college seeking election next year should have their names placed in nomination by next March 1. Inquiries should be directed to the Alumni Affairs Coordinator, office of development and college relations, or phoned to ext. 4050.

### SECRETARIAL/CLERICAL UNION ELECTION SET FOR WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday, July 23, will be the date when 63 SVSC secretarial/clerical employees decide if they wish to be represented by the MESPA union. According to director of personnel Larry K. Fitzpatrick, it is important that everyone vote. "It is the majority of those voting, not a majority of all employees, who will decide whether there will be a union. Persons who have already signed a union card are still perfectly free to decide to ultimately vote 'No' to having the union," he noted. "Many times union advocates in an organizing campaign feel that the union victory is certain because the union has a majority of 'Yes' votes 'sewed up.' This could lead to a decision of some to not bother voting. No one knows how people will vote because it will be a secret ballot election -- please be certain to make the effort to vote."

Fitzpatrick pointed out that MESPA union dues at Grand Valley and Ferris State College amount to \$90 per year. He said that it is common for unions to negotiate contract provisions requiring everyone in the bargaining unit to pay these dues, or an equivalent service charge, whether they want to or not, as a condition of continuing working.

"One important question you should ask yourself is whether you will obtain enough benefit for payment of this amount. If the union wins the election, all it wins is the right to be the exclusive bargaining representative for all of the secretarial/clerical employees in the unit. Any contract would have to be negotiated, provision-by-provision, between the College and the union representatives. Dealing with employees directly as individuals will be prevented. All terms of employment, wages, hours and working conditions will have to proceed through the union," he said.

The union will by law become the exclusive bargaining representative of the secretarial/clerical employees if it wins the election, Fitzpatrick added. "There is no automatic follow-up election when a union is selected. Without the initiation of a fairly cumbersome decertification process, a successful union election can mean union representation forever. On the other hand, if you do elect to give our internal college structure a greater chance, a new union election petition can be filed in one year, or anytime thereafter if you are dissatisfied," he emphasized. "In other words, voting 'Yes' can be a final decision, while voting 'No' would simply provide a greater opportunity to evaluate employment without a union."

Fitzpatrick asked the secretarial/clerical employees to consider what has been accomplished at SVSC without an outside union and union dues. "I believe the college administration has made good faith, effective efforts to solve problems. "Some time ago, the administration recognized that its secretarial/clerical compensation was not competitive in many areas, and began to work on the problem over time. Of the 21 secretarial/clerical employees who were working at the college during 1975-76 and who remain here, 17 have been upgraded or reclassified between that date and the present date. Salaries for this group of employees have been increased by approximately 58%.

"We already have a grievance procedure available where unresolved complaints can be taken. While use of this grievance procedure has been surprisingly slight, individuals who have filed grievances have had prompt responses -- in some instances with the grievance being granted in whole

or in part and in all instances promptly and with a full explanation made of the situation. I feel the grievance procedure was established in good faith and I would like to see it given a greater chance," Fitzpatrick concluded. Persons with questions are asked to contact the personnel office at ext. 4108.

#### SUNDAY STORM STRIKES SVSC

Tangled wires and toppled trees were a common sight Monday morning following the severe thunder storms that swept through the Saginaw valley Sunday night. Although many employees experienced or witnessed heavy losses in their home communities, there was only moderate damage to the SVSC campus.

According to plant services manager Tom Ferguson, the high winds which accompanied Sunday's storm blew out one window on the southwest corner of the second floor of Wickes Hall, as well as removing four residential hall windows. The skirts around the base of Wickes annex were also torn away from some sections of the modular units.

Proving that Mother Nature deals as harshly with her own creations as those man-made, some large trees were uprooted in Owsley Grove. One of the pine transplants and several small branches from campus trees also fell victim to the storm.

Power was interrupted for about an hour and forty minutes during the night, but was fully restored for normal campus operation by Monday morning. In all, Ferguson felt SVSC had fared quite well. "I will be surprised if we discover any storm-related problems beyond those already noted," he stated.

#### MSU/UM CONNECTION MAKES COMPUTER PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

SVSC is a member of the Merit/MICIS computer network, and the microfiche Merit/MICIS computing resources data base directory is now available for use on campus. The directory is a catalog of available computing software at Michigan's publicly supported universities and colleges. Types of software included in the directory are programs, subroutines, packages, data, documentation, subroutine-libraries, macros and commands. Included in this edition is software available at the Inter-University Consortium for Political and

Social Research (ICPSR), Michigan State University, Michigan Technological University, the University of Michigan, Wayne State University and Western Michigan University. The resources directory is divided into three main sections, including the introduction, main entries and indices. Further information is available by contacting James Finzel, director of computer services, or Dr. Ann Dickey, director of institutional research and planning.

#### CAMPUS NOTES --

--The panel discussion on "Women's Roles and Options in Society Past and Present," sponsored by SVSC's Chrysallis Center and the Museum of the Great Lakes has been postponed. Originally planned for July 23, it will be rescheduled sometime in September.

--Dr. Richard A. Koch, assistant professor of biology, presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Phycological Society of America held July 14 at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. Titled "Association Analysis Ordination and Cluster Analysis of Some South Eastern Ohio Cliff-Algal Communities," the paper was based on a research project undertaken by Dr. Koch. The July 14 meeting was part of the third annual meeting of North American Botanists.

--Assistant professor of sociology Dr. Harriet Tillock will be in charge of the Sunday worship service next Sunday, July 27, at Countryside Church on Weiss Road, Saginaw. Her sermon at 9:30 a.m. is titled "The Christian Household: Past and Present." The public is welcomed to participate.

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These positions 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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#### CEDAR POINT TRIP PLANNED

The SVSC Math and Data Processing Club is planning a trip to Cedar Point on Saturday, August 9. Cost of the excursion is \$24 per person, which includes transportation and admission ticket. The event is open to all members of the campus community.

Departure points and times are:

SVSC - 5:00 a.m. - Parking Lot B

Flint - 5:45 a.m. - Kroger store east of  
Corunna exit off I-75

Detroit - 7:10 a.m. - Flatrock Lanes, US-24  
(between I-75 & I-275,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south of  
Flatrock State Police Post.)

The SVSC vans will arrive at Cedar Point by 9:00 a.m. and are scheduled to leave at 9:00 p.m. for the return trip to Saginaw. Van drivers are needed, and anyone selected to drive will receive a discount on the \$24 trip price.

Reservations should be made by July 31, accompanied by checks made payable to "Math and Data Processing Club - SVSC." For more information contact Don Seidel at ext. 4220.