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PUBLIC COLLEGES SET ENROLLMENT MARK

Whether it's due to the state's sluggish job market or the fact that more older students and women are attending college these days, Michigan's public colleges and universities have set an all-time enrollment record this fall.

Some 242,129 students are enrolled at Michigan's 15 four-year and graduate public colleges and universities, a gain of 1,919 over last fall. The number is also 360 students higher than the previous mark set in fall 1975. The figures were released this week by the Michigan Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers (MACRAO).

Seven of the colleges and universities set new highs this year, including Central Michigan University up 2.8%, Ferris State College, up 6.0%, Lake Superior State College, up 8.3%, Michigan Technological University up 2.3%, Oakland University up 2.4%, SVSC up 12.3% and the three University of Michigan campuses up .9%.

Highs in attendance were set in 1975 at Eastern Michigan, Michigan State, Northern Michigan, Wayne State and Western Michigan universities and in 1977 at Grand Valley State College.

Since 1975, SVSC has led the way in percentage of growth with a 35.0% increase. Michigan Tech is close behind at 32%, followed by Ferris with 18.7%, Oakland with 13.6%, Lake Superior with 5.5%, CMU with 4.0% and the U of M with 2.6%.

During that time the head count has fallen by 1.5% at NMU, by 2.5% at MSU, 2.6% at Western, 5.0% at Eastern, 5.1% at Grand Valley (actually 7% since their peak enrollment year of 1977) and by 14% at Wayne State.

Only three of the institutions -- Ferris, Michigan Tech and SVSC -- have recorded a gain each fall. Ferris has grown from 9,460 to 11,231 students since 1975, with 635 of that gain this fall. Michigan Tech has grown from 5,958 to 7,865 students, increasing 175 this year. SVSC has expanded from 3,209 to 4,331, with a 476-student increase this fall over last.

This fall there are a total of 106,989 first time college students attending institutions of higher learning. Thirty-five thousand, three hundred and thirty-nine of these are at four-year undergraduate public colleges and universities, with 7,207 attending four-year private institutions. Fifty thousand, eight hundred and thirty-eight first-time students are at public community colleges, while another 13,605 attend special undergraduate private institutions.

Total undergraduate head count for undergraduates in all types of post-high school training are 427,556. There are also 56,095 graduate students, with 50,411 at public and 5,684 at private colleges.

Fifty-one percent of students statewide are men, compared with 47% at SVSC. Fifty-three percent of the SVSC students attend part-time, compared with 21% for undergraduates and 75% for graduate students statewide.

This year SVSC also recorded the highest percentage of increase in applications received and admissions granted, with a 27.5% gain over fall 1979.

GERTRUDE LEE PASSES

Mrs. Gertrude Lee of Saginaw, wife of Dr. Guy M. Lee, Jr., died suddenly Saturday from a heart attack. Funeral services are scheduled

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for Thursday, November 13 in Evansville, Ind. Visitation will be Wednesday, November 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. at East Chapel, Alexander Funeral Home, 2115 Lincoln Avenue, Evansville.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Saginaw Chapter American Cancer Society, 3175 Christy Way, Saginaw 48603; or Multiple Sclerosis Society, 2005 S. Mountain, Bay City 48706 or Saginaw Hospice, Inc., 803 S. Washington Avenue, Saginaw 48601.

In addition to her husband, Guy, who is special assistant to the president and director of affirmative action, Mrs. Lee is survived by one daughter, Kim, a student at Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois.

BOARD MAY RAISE WINTER TUITION

The state's financial picture is still deteriorating and appropriations from Lansing are not expected to increase over last year, the Board of Control learned Monday at its regular monthly session. College officials were in Lansing last week to discuss SVSC's 1980-81 fiscal year budget, but no recommendation is expected from the governor's office until late this week. Some state colleges are apparently being told they face a four to eight percent reduction in state funding compared with last year. The state itself may end up with a budget less than the year before for the first time in memory.

As a result, the Board approved authorization for its executive committee to levy a student tuition surcharge beginning winter semester if deemed necessary. This amount would not exceed \$2.50 per credit, with the actual figure expected to be set before the next Board meeting. The surcharge, if levied, will be imposed for the winter semester and spring/summer terms only. Next fall's tuition rate would be set later, based on requirements for the 1981-82 budget.

The good news was that SVSC's situation might have been even worse, had there not been a \$126,000 surplus left from the 1979-80 fiscal year and applied to help meet expenses now. The governor's \$72,447 budget cut from SVSC would have affected our first quarter of this fiscal year, but his executive order had been anticipated and adequate money was set aside in the last fiscal year.

Because any surcharge would not be effective

until winter semester and even then will yield only half the increased money needed to operate the institution effectively this year, it now appears that the months ahead will be lean. In the past, the governor has generally recommended fewer dollars for SVSC than the legislature, but this year our Senate recommendation came in lower than the governor, the House came up with a still lower figure and the governor later lowered his recommended allocation twice.

In other action, SVSC faculty association president Donald Novey read a faculty resolution thanking all members of the college community who worked to inform the public about Proposal D before the November 4 election. He was joined by president Jack M. Ryder in commending all the persons who worked on this effort. Board chairman Charles B. Curtiss was praised for his exceptional work and numerous public appearances he made to explain Tisch II.

A housing and food service operating budget for 1980-81 was set by the Board at a total of \$1,151,353 in revenues and \$987,950 in anticipated expenditures. This would leave \$163,403 before required debt service payments are deducted (\$110,975). Remaining would be \$77,430 as the contribution toward required reserves; the actual 1979-80 comparable figure was \$117,754. The cost to students increased 10% this year and 7% in 1979-80.

Next the Board adopted a resolution to seek state and national funding for an FM radio station, if an adequate market is identified for public programming. A similar resolution was recently passed by Delta College's board of trustees. Operation of a future station could be joint in nature or by either college separately. The audit of college books for 1979-80 has been completed by Yeo & Yeo and was received by the Board. Copies are on reserve in the Library under president Ryder's name.

The Board will scrutinize long range planning in depth on Thursday, May 7 and after the May board meeting on Friday, May 8. Commencement will be Saturday, May 9. A joint meeting with the Delta board was set for SVSC's campus for 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 8. The state's need to consider changing its reliance on property tax revenues was discussed at length. Chairman Curtiss said the problem clearly remains of whether the property tax is fair and how can the growth of government be restrained. He proposed reducing the state equalized value of

property as a percentage of true cash value by $2\frac{1}{2}$ -5% per year when the Gross National Product deflator exceeds 5%. Thus at least a portion of inflation would be exempted. He pointed out that with a 10% rate of inflation, a reduction in true cash value from 50-45% would not reduce revenues but would lessen the control by local government units. "We need a cap on the rate of growth in local revenues," he claimed.

Dean of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences Dr. Crystal M. Lange reported that the State Board of Nursing has granted full approval to SVSC's nursing program, a necessary step before accreditation. A commendation was also received for the excellent administrative support of the program. A site visit for accreditation is set for February 17, with action due from the accrediting agency at its April, 1981 meeting.

Dr. Alistair Brett, Dean of Science, Engineering and Technology, told the Board that a National Science Foundation grant request has been made by SVSC for \$373,000 through the CAUSE (Comprehensive Assistance to Undergraduate Science Education) program for a campus microcomputer system. Faculty and students would receive instruction on the hardware, which would consist of both purchased and leased/purchased equipment.

SVSC BAND BRINGS OUTDOORS IN

All the sights and sounds of half-time at a football game -- minus the brisk fall breezes -- will be on tap at the fifth annual SVSC marching band indoor concert on Sunday, November 23. The 3:00 p.m. performance will feature pom pon girls, percussion lines, trumpet solos and more.

Included in this year's program will be a Henry Mancini medley, the theme from "Star Wars" and "Manhattan Serenade". Soprano soloist Marilyn Moore will present a Gershwin medley and the Cardinal percussion line will perform to "Let the Light Shine." The marching band's trumpet section will be highlighted in "Bugler's Holiday."

All the color and precision of a pom pon performance will be displayed in a routine synchronized to "On Broadway." To round out the afternoon, slides of the 1980 season set to the "Sound of Music" will be shown.

Tickets at the door will be \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for students and senior citizens. More information is available from the fine arts office at ext. 4159 between 9 a.m.-3 p.m. daily.

NEXT SCIENCE COLLOQUIUM NOVEMBER 18

"Polymer-Based Catalysts" will be the topic for the next Science Colloquium at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 18. Dr. Kenneth O'Driscoll, visiting professor at Michigan Molecular Institute, Midland, will present results of research dealing with the behavior of polymers used for attaching or entrapping diverse catalysts to immobilize enzymes. Applications of these catalysts will be discussed, with emphasis on their kinetic behavior.

The colloquium, to be held in 158 Pioneer Hall, will be of particular interest to persons studying biological sciences and living systems. All members of the campus community may attend, and refreshments will be available.

FREE SYMPHONY TICKETS AVAILABLE

With today's high inflation and dwindling dollars, we're all looking for ways to relieve pocketbook strain. If you're short on entertainment funds but enjoy outstanding music, contact Maryanne Lustgraaf at ext. 4259 to reserve a FREE ticket for the Sunday, November 23 performance by the Saginaw Symphony. Scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Saginaw Civic Center's Heritage Theatre, the concert will feature guest artists Italo Babin and Thomas Howell. 10 free tickets will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis to interested members of the SVSC community. Only one to a customer, please.

HERE'S ANOTHER DOLLAR STRETCHER

Vice president for business affairs Jerry Woodcock has another free service for SVSC staffers. He has obtained copies of the 1981 "Traveller's Toll-Free Telephone Directory" for use by faculty and staff. One copy will be kept in his office, a second in the Wickes faculty lounge and another in the '66 Building business office.

As the name implies, the directories list toll-free numbers which can be used to contact various businesses and services throughout the country. Included is a complete city and state listing of hotel and motel toll-free reservation numbers, plus other numbers for products and services.

CONTINUATION OF SVSC CALENDAR OF EVENTS -- NOVEMBER 1980

- Nov. 13 - James Mapes at SVSC theatre, 8:00 p.m. Tickets \$3 general admission, \$2 for students. Call campus activities at ext. 4260 for information.
- 15 - Football; Indiana Central at SVSC, 1:30 p.m.
- 15 - Cross Country Track; NAIA nationals, Salina, Kansas, 11:00 a.m.
- 15 - Dambros Appliance microwave demonstration at SVSC theatre; call Bonnie Blower at ext. 4162 for information.
- 15 - SVSC Women's Club International Dinner, 7:30 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center; all SVSC women and guests invited. For information call ext. 4050.
- 17 - History and Political Science Club meeting at 4:30 p.m., 238 Wickes Hall. Call Dr. Hoffman at ext. 4335 for information.
- 18 - Michigan Library Consortium, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center
- 18 - Men's Basketball; Alumni Game, 7:30 p.m. Cardinal gym
- 20 - Board of Fellows meeting, Large Private Dining Room, Doan Center
- 21 - Mid-Michigan Bilingual program workshop, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center
- 21 - Men's Basketball; Maple City Tip-Off, 6:00 p.m., Adrian
- 21 - Valley Film Society showing of movie "The Knack", 1965 Cannes Film Festival winner; 7:45 p.m., Wickes lecture hall. For information call ext. 4303 or 4337.
- 21 - SVSCFA meeting, Wickes lecture hall, 2:30 p.m.
- 22 - Wrestling; Ohio State Open at OSU
- 22 - SVSC Baha'i Club workshop, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center. Call Sally Singer at 792-8416 for information.
- 22 - Kappa Alpha Psi dance, Doan cafeteria, 9:00 p.m.
- 22 - Civil Service PACE test, 8:00 a.m. - noon, Wickes lecture hall. Call Sharon Jones at 823-8291 for information.
- 23 - 5th Annual Marching Band Indoor Concert, 3:00 p.m., Cardinal gymnasium. Open to the public; admission \$2 for adults, \$1.50 for children and senior citizens. For information call SVSC fine arts office at ext. 4159.
- 25 - SVSC program board showing of movie "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex..." at 2:00 p.m. in 317B Wickes Hall and 10:00 p.m. in Wickes lecture hall. Free admission.
- 25 - Marching Band Banquet, Lower Level Doan Center
- 27-28 - THANKSGIVING RECESS
- 29 - Bowling; St. Louis Match games
- 29 - Men's Basketball; SVSC at Wisconsin, Green Bay, Wisc., 1:30 p.m.

Weekly Events

Thursday evenings, 10:00 - 11:00 p.m., Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, Small Private Dining Room, Doan Center. Open to public; call Eldon Burkett at ext. 4449 for information.

Friday afternoons, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m., SVSC Chess Club, 153 Pioneer Hall. Call Dr. Andrewes at ext. 4300 for information.

Friday evenings, except November 28, 8:00 p.m., SVSC Observatory open house. Call Dr. Chen at 4137 for information.