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#### SECOND EXECUTIVE ORDER IN THREE WEEKS CUTS \$221,000

An executive order from Governor William G. Milliken is expected to be announced this Wednesday, October 21, cutting \$221,787 from the current year state appropriation to SVSC. This reduction in state assistance is three percent of the college's current allocation of \$7,392,900 for the 1981-82 state fiscal year. It follows a similar executive order on September 30, the final day of the state's 1980-81 year, when \$190,062 was slashed from SVSC's \$6.3 million 1980-81 appropriation from Lansing.

College president Jack M. Ryder has not yet received official word of the latest cut but already is attempting to find ways to replace the lost dollars. "We are trying to do everything possible to avoid a mid-year tuition increase for winter semester," Ryder said. "We feel students and their parents are already paying their fair share of the cost for their education, but this is an option we'll have to consider."

Serious thought is also being given to not filling any vacant positions, a more drastic action than the Executive Committee review of all openings which has been in effect since last December. "We can make certain decisions now but want to see how January enrollment meets our projections before taking final action," he stated.

"We're extremely hopeful that there will be no further cuts from the state and that we can avoid layoffs of any personnel. This is because we are spread thin already and the demand for services remains very

high. I will do everything possible to maintain present staffing levels."

"Three times since May 1980, monies appropriated to us have been called back," noted vice president for business affairs Jerry A. Woodcock. "In addition, the state funding for 1980-81 was actually reduced 6.13 percent from what had been appropriated the preceding year.

"Meanwhile we have experienced a year with high inflation, coupled with increases of twelve percent in headcount and credit hours of fifteen percent at SVSC. There is no way we can provide increased services these extra students need at the same time that appropriations are being reduced by this magnitude."

"We're coming to an impasse in our ability to provide services. This is a severe situation and comes after our Board of Control cut SVSC's general fund budget from \$12.345 million as approved in August to just over \$12.2 million. We still haven't specifically identified where \$40,000 of the September 30 cutback will be found, so this latest reduction compounds our problem," Woodcock pointed out.

Ryder recently joined other members of the Presidents Council of State Colleges and Universities in warning that Michigan has a dangerous continuing trend toward underfunding higher education. A statement from the group expressed "growing concern over whether Michigan's system of higher education can continue in its present form, given the continuing series of budgetary shocks caused by reductions in support from the State..." Before this latest budget cut, the presidents said that "in the last two years, state support, adjusted for inflation, has dropped sharply. We recognize the difficult situation facing the State of Michigan, but it is our

obligation to point out that Michigan's public higher education system may be approaching a final crisis. Without improved budgetary support for higher education, our capacity to serve Michigan's citizens and to lay the foundation for the state's future growth is in jeopardy... Further budget cuts will result in the dismantling of basic components of the system. A structure which took over a century to build is, in some cases, moving toward a struggle for real survival."

The college presidents predicted that cuts of the type being announced this week "will result in higher student costs, restricted access to educational offerings, reduced research support, and damage to the ability of colleges and universities to contribute to Michigan's economic recovery."

Ryder indicated that "any efforts which proceed at the expense of further cutbacks in higher education will be self-defeating and will cripple the new drive for economic recovery in Michigan."

#### NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR "WHO'S WHO"

Nominations of SVSC students for "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" are being sought by dean of students Dr. Philip E. Beal. To be considered for this honor, students should have an outstanding scholastic record and demonstrate participation and leadership in academic and extra-curricular activities. Also important is citizenship and service to the college, plus potential for future achievement.

Only currently enrolled juniors, seniors and graduate students are eligible for nomination. A screening and selection committee chaired by Dr. Beal and including members of the faculty and student body will select the final slate of candidates to be forwarded to "Who's Who."

All faculty, students and SVSC staff are encouraged to submit names for consideration. Nomination forms are available in the dean

of students' office, student government office, and offices of academic deans. Completed forms will be accepted in Dr. Beal's office through Monday, November 9.

#### PRIZES OFFERED IN UNITED WAY DRAWING

Anonymous contributors have again donated prize money for a drawing involving those who contributed to this year's campus United Way campaign. First prize in the drawing will be \$35, while second prize is \$20. Each contributor will have one ticket in the drawing for his or her first \$20 United Way gift, with another ticket for each additional \$10 contribution. Your ticket will be entered automatically into the drawing as soon as you contribute.

For further information about contributions, pledge cards or the prize drawing, please contact Dr. Guy Lee or Sue Hentschel at ext. 4293. They remind you that your support of the United Way will contribute to the success of our campaign and add that "the best way is the United Way!"

#### HOLMES, SHAFER WIN LAW AND FINANCE AWARDS

Jeffrey L. Holmes, 869 N. Scheurmann, Essexville, has received the Wall Street Journal Award and a \$150 scholarship for having the highest grade point average in the law and finance department. A winter 1981 graduate, Holmes attained a 4.00 all-A record for all his SVSC course work. The Wall Street Journal Award includes a year's subscription to the publication and a leather bound inscribed notebook.

While at SVSC, Holmes participated on the College Planning Resource Council and earned numerous academic awards. He is the son of Lucian and Irma Bienkowski, Dearborn Heights.

Debbie Shafer, 1617 N. Oakley, Saginaw, received a \$150 award from the law and finance department for compiling the highest grade point average in law classes. A spring graduate, she had a history major and legal studies minor.

Her college honors include receiving the award for excellent scholarship, Triskelions scholarship and participation in the college honors program. She is the daughter of Harold and Madeline Shafer, Saginaw.

Both scholarships are contributed by local business firms and persons interested in the study of law and finance. Current SVSC students interested in applying for next year's awards should contact Dr. William G. Elliott, professor of business law, at ext. 4323.

### RECRUITING VAN AND SCIENCE SHOW TO VISIT

A U.S. Air Force recruiting van and science show will be on campus next Wednesday, October 28. The exhibit includes a 15-minute science show scheduled periodically throughout the day. Housed in a semi-trailer unit to be parked in lot "C" (gated lot near Wickes Hall), the exhibit and show are open to SVSC students, employees and the public free of charge.

James Moton from the Flint Air Force recruiting office will also be on hand, to explain scholarships available to students enrolled in undergraduate science or engineering programs. These grants are part of a program which includes a tour of active duty as an Air Force officer following graduation from college. For more information, please contact Eldon Graham at ext. 4127.

### MAYDAY, MAYDAY!!

SVSC admissions office has an emergency. A table-top display used for various kinds of exhibits and recruiting is missing. The display was checked out, but because the borrower did not leave his/her name, it cannot be located. The materials in the kit are urgently needed for events scheduled by admissions personnel, so your cooperation in returning them will be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office at ext. 4200 immediately if you have information about the display unit.

### QUESTIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Q. The Midland K-Mart will not accept our SVSC membership card for the new Metropolitan Insurance prescription plan and they told me to pay for the prescription myself and seek reimbursement from the insurance company. Why can't I simply get the cost paid by the insurance?

I tried to use the new insurance drug plan for a prescription at State Vitamin in Saginaw without success. Rather than turn in receipts and get paid back by the insurance company, could I instead cancel the drug plan part and have the college pay me that amount of money (equal to the cost of the prescription drug rider) directly?

A. Plastic unembossed cards were distributed with payroll checks on October 9. If a spouse and college-age children are included in your coverage, cards for them were also included. If you did not receive a sufficient number, please call the personnel office at ext. 4108.

The personnel office has been made aware of several problems such as the one with Midland K-Mart and has contacted the pharmacies promptly in each case. A "floating" part-time pharmacist at the Midland K-Mart did not understand the process, and store officials there say there should be no future difficulty.

State Vitamin is now becoming a participating pharmacy, as are a number of smaller and/or independent area drugstores. Any college employee experiencing difficulties with any pharmacy should contact Ann Schulte at the personnel office.

The prescription drug plan is an integral part of the health insurance program, and it is not possible for some individuals to drop out. In starting a new plan of this complexity, some problems are sure to develop, but we believe that most can be solved readily. Again, please contact the personnel office at ext. 4108 if you are experiencing difficulties.

Q. Our group is planning a Wine and Cheese party and would like to advertise it. Does this conflict with the college policy on alcohol? It would be less effective to say it's a "Refreshment and Cheese" party!

A. How about calling it a "Grape and Cheese Party" instead? College policy states that no events can advertise that alcoholic beverages will be served. If the planned event receives college approval, two other conditions are necessary -- admission cannot be charged either for the activity or for beverages served there, and an alternate non-alcoholic beverage must also be available.

Remember that if you have a question involving campus issues or policies and you're having difficulty obtaining up-to-date information, please submit it in writing or by phone to the office of information services at ext. 4054. Answers received by Tuesday afternoon can generally be answered in the following week's "Interior."

## ACROSS CAMPUS--

--Assistant professor of music Dr. Eric Nisula has scheduled a campus performance by the Midland Horn Society. Set for 12:30 p.m. on Friday, October 30, in the theatre, the recital is open to all interested SVSC students, staff and faculty free of charge. The seven-member Society plays compositions and arrangements for French horn. Their recital will include several Baroque and classical selections plus modern pieces, some with a jazz flavor. For more information about this unique concert, please contact Nisula at ext. 4307.

--New chairman of the Energy Conservation Committee for 1981-82 will be Dr. Alistair Brett, dean of science, engineering and technology. Serving as vice chairman will be Dr. Albert Menard of the physics department. Also representing the staff and administration again this year will be Robert Becker, Tom Ferguson, Brian Gano, Bob Hanes, Dorothy Horwath, Guy Lee (ex-officio), Sandy Madison, Craig Maxwell, Jim Muladore and Ann Schulte. Faculty members on the committee include George Eastland and Eldon Graham, while student members are Mark Kulon and Joe Welch. The final report of activities by the committee this past year have been reviewed and summarized by Dr. Lee and soon will be shared with other members of the campus community.

--President Jack M. Ryder has been named to the Board of Directors of St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw. His appointment was confirmed on October 14.

--A series of open houses at the SVSC observatory are set for each clear Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. beginning this Friday, October 23. Local star gazers can view fall constellations through a 16-inch Kassegrain telescope. There also will be short movies and slide presentations about astronomy. The open house series concludes December 18 and is not scheduled for Friday, November 27, following Thanksgiving. Interested individuals or groups of 20 members or less may attend any open house free of charge. For additional information or group reservations, please call Dr. Frank Chen at ext. 4137.

--Foreign language day activities are set this year for Wednesday, November 11, in Cardinal gymnasium, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Watch for additional details next week.

--Information services staff members Greg Branch and Lindy Babcock have received Honorable Mention awards in the 1981 College Publications Contest sponsored by the National School Public Relations Association. Branch won separate awards for his 1980 Football and 1981 Basketball Media Guides, while Babcock's recognition came for her design of the 1980 Profile and Campus Map.

--The French film "Cousin-Cousine" will be shown in 231 Wickes Hall next Tuesday, October 27, at 7:00 p.m. The movie is open to the public free of charge and is the third in a special series sponsored by SVSC's department of modern foreign languages. For information about the series, please call Dr. Ricardo Pastor at ext. 4486.

--With 426 runners representing 43 area community organizations, the first Cardinal Run at SVSC raised pledges of more than \$30,000 on Saturday. Final figures will not be available until sponsor sheets can be computed with the number of laps run by each participant.

State senator Robert Young, Saginaw, and state representative Michael Hayes of Midland were joined by mayors Ann Hachtel of Bay City, Joseph Mann of Midland and Paul Prudhomme of Saginaw and Saginaw city manager Tom Dalton.

Completing the most laps on the 400-meter Morley Field track were members of the SVSC track and cross country teams, each of whom made it around 40 times in the allotted one hour run time. Tom Spence of Saginaw completed 33 laps and, with run chairman E. B. "Ted" Morley, Jr., was one of the top two fund raisers. SVSC Triskelions president Ruth Bridge of Midland completed eight laps despite recent heart surgery.

Only injuries reported were three cases of blisters. Funds raised will be shared by the college and participating groups, with the SVSC portion to be used for locker room renovations and new laundry equipment.

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