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SVSC STUDENT EARNS OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP

An SVSC senior who once lived in the United Kingdom has been given a chance to return there. Patricia Stevens, an English major, has been awarded a Rotary Foundation Scholarship to attend the University of Stirling in Scotland.

The announcement was made by Carl Hendershot, District 6 Governor of Rotary International. Funding for the award comes from the Rotary Foundation, which has granted approximately \$18 million for more than 1,100 scholarships for the 1983-84 academic year.

Stevens, 21, is a native of Mosinee, Wisconsin who now resides in Midland. During her stay in Scotland she hopes to earn a Master of Literature degree with concentration in the work of English romantics

Commenting on her selection, Stevens said, "I'm excited about going back to the United Kingdom. When I was eight we moved to North Wembly, near London, and lived there for three years while my father was stationed in that area. I don't remember much, but I lived there long enough to become captivated by the country."

A transfer student from the University of Wisconsin at Marathon County, Stevens has distinguished herself academically since coming to SVSC in the winter of 1981. She has been named to the President's List (for students earning all A's) three times, made the National Dean's List, and been awarded SVSC's Achievement Award for three semesters.

Stevens has also been active outside the classroom. She works as a writing lab instructor and has been editor of the "Cardinal Sins," a campus literary publication. She is also a member of Alpha Mu

Patricia
Stevens



Gamma, the American foreign language honorary society.

Bay City district of Rotary International nominated Stevens for the Foundation Scholarship. Over 13,700 scholarships have been presented since the Foundation's inception of international educational exchanges in 1947 as a memorial to Paul P. Harris, Rotary's founder. The scholarships are for graduate, undergraduate, vocational, teacher of the handicapped and journalism students. All recipients study in countries other than their own.

Stevens will be invited to speak to local Rotary clubs and other groups in both the U.S. and Scotland. She is the daughter of U.S.S.N. Ret. Captain Warren Stevens and his wife, Rose Marie, of Mosinee, WI.

COMING EVENTS AT SVSC

- Jan. 19 ... Wrestling; SVSC vs. Oakland
- Jan. 20 ... I.R.R.A. Dinner Meeting
- Jan. 21 ... "Up With People" Performance
- Jan. 21 ... Reception, Chinese Scholars
- Jan. 21 ... VFS - "Mon Oncle D'Amerique"
- Jan. 22 ... M & W Basketball; home
- Jan. 22 ... Real Estate Licensing Exam

See monthly calendar or call Information Services for times and details.

SVSC FOCUSES ON STUDENT RETENTION

SVSC's Planning Resource Council has adopted "Student Retention" as its theme this year, and college-wide effort is being focused on that goal. SVSC President Jack M. Ryder set the tone for the campaign in his September 3 address to the college community. "Any retention effort worth its salt helps students realize their own objectives," Ryder said. "It relies on providing a high quality collegiate experience."

In stating planning assumptions, PRC members noted, "The entire College community can contribute to a 'staying environment' by treating students as friends and by serving them effectively." A series of unit meetings were held in December to provide background and generate ideas to be incorporated into unit plans. Part I covering winter semester projects should be completed

by February 1 and submitted to the appropriate offices as indicated in a December 17, 1982 memo from Dr. Ann K. Dickey, director of institutional research and planning. Persons with questions about the forms may contact Dr. Dickey at ext. 4299.

A student retention study committee appointed in 1980 submitted several proposals for action. Some have already been implemented, including a study of the cost of attrition; institution of mandatory academic advising for freshmen, sophomores and new transfer students; development of a writing lab; and establishment of a phone network to contact students who had not registered to return for fall classes. The SVSC Foundation has allocated \$10,000 to fund projects for improving student retention. Some of this money will be available for projects to be carried out during winter semester, according to Dr. Dickey.



WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN? Composite figures for SVSC and six similar schools showed that approximately 53.7% of freshmen entering in fall of 1976 returned for a second year of classes. Over half of SVSC's 1976 freshmen received a degree, were still enrolled, or had sent a transcript to another college by 1980. (Source: SVSC Office of Institutional Research and Planning, and Dean of Students Office)

RECEPTION TO HONOR CHINESE SCHOLARS

A reception honoring three scholars from the People's Republic of China has been set for 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 21 in lower level Doan Center. It is open to the campus community.

Professors Qi-zhe Shan and Gui-cong Chen have been studying in SVSC's physics department since February 1981. Instructors at Shandong College of Oceanography in Qingdao, China, they were joined here in April 1981 by Ming-yi Chen, professor in the department of mechanical engineering at Shanghai University of Science and Technology. All have learned holography techniques developed Dr. "Frank" Chen, professor of physics at SVSC, and have assisted with optical research for the past two years.

The professors will be returning to their homeland within the next few weeks. For more information about the farewell reception, please contact Dr. Robert S. P. Yien, vice president for academic affairs, at ext. 4296.

KING'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVED

A small but attentive crowd of students, faculty, staff and visitors took part in SVSC's tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. last Friday. After a showing of "I Have A Dream," a 35 minute documentary of King's life, Dr. Roosevelt Ruffin, principal of North Intermediate School in Saginaw, spoke on King's role in history.

"Maybe once in a hundred years a man will come along who can capture the hearts and imagination of people and lead them to a better life," Ruffin said. "King had an impact upon this nation that maybe no one will ever have again." He added that the need to march for justice may be greater today than it was in King's era. Ruffin said that the move to make King's birthday a national holiday is something the living need to keep the civil rights leader's ideal alive.

Dr. Joy Hargrove, associate professor of psychology, also spoke. She stressed that for many, King's dream has been lost. "Many Black leaders today seem to follow traditional party lines instead of principles set by Southern Christian leadership," she explained.

VFS PRESENTS FRENCH COMEDY

January's second feature on the Valley Film Society schedule is a French satire, "Mon Oncle D'Amerique. It will screen at 8:00 p.m., Friday, January 21, in Wickes lecture hall.

The subtitled film takes a humorous look at the pursuit of the American dream and life in the United States. Directed by Alain Resnais, one of France's best known directors, the movie received the Special Jury Award at the 1980 Cannes Film Festival. Dr. Thomas Hearn calls Renais' first comedy "witty, intellectual satire: humorous, but not full of belly laughs."

Pro-rated memberships and \$5 trial memberships are still available at the door. For more information, contact Hearn at ext. 4332.

LIBRARY/LEARNING RESOURCES NEWS

The IRS deadline of April 15 may seem a long way off, but the SVSC library has information assembled to assist individuals filling out their own tax forms. On reserve at the circulation desk under "IRS RESERVE" are the following titles:

- Tax Information Publications, volumes 1, 2, and 3 (714 pages listing 446 of the IRS' most frequently requested publications)
- Your Federal Income Tax
- Tax Guide for Small Business
- 1982 Reproducible Federal Tax Forms
- Taxpayers Guide to IRS Information and Assistance
- Instructions for Preparing Form 1040
- Instructions for preparing Forms 1040EZ and 1040A

There are also two folders with materials for distribution, available at the counter in the reference department: "Tele-Tax," and "Items of Interest for Individuals". Within a few weeks the library plans to have on hand distribution copies of Forms 1040, 1040A and 1040EZ, according to interim director Dorothy Horwath.

Library statistics show the facility served 94,498 persons during fall semester. The highest single day's attendance occurred on Tuesday, November 9 when 1,753 people entered the center. Average daytime attendance is 913, while an average of some 458 persons use the library each evening.

IT'S 'UP WITH PEOPLE' AT SVSC

"Up With People," a youthful cast representing over forty nations, will present two preview shows in the Doan Center Mall area. The free entertainment is set for 12 noon and 12:40 p.m. this Friday, January 21.

In the past fourteen years the "Up With People" group has appeared in 40 countries, and provided half-time entertainment at last year's Superbowl game. The cast includes more than 100 young people from around the world with a goal of building bridges of understanding. According to show sponsors, "they will sing and dance their way right into your heart with a beautifully choreographed, colorful festival of music."

The preview show will be in full costume with songs and dances from the 20s, 30s, 40s and 60s. The young musicians will present music and dances from Poland, Belgium, Ireland, China, Mexico, Canada and other countries. Admission is free and open to the public.

"Up With People" will be presenting a full-length show at the Saginaw Civic Center on Saturday, January 22. The 8:00 p.m. performance is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Saginaw Valley. For ticket information, call Paul Gill at ext. 4103.

SECRETARIAL/CLERICAL WORKSHOP PLANNED

A workshop for SVSC's secretarial/clerical personnel has been planned by the association's professional improvement committee. Set for Wednesday, January 26, in lower level Doan Center, the workshop will run from 8:15 through 11:30 a.m., with a repeat session slated from 1:15 to 4:30 p.m. Employees may attend either sessions, with reservations due to the personnel office by this Friday, January 21.

Dr. Robert Weishan, consultant for the Michigan Department of Education, will speak on "Building Morale." "Managing Stress" will be discussed by Ms. Annys Roberts, coordinator of special education for Saginaw Public Schools. Those with questions about the workshop should call the personnel office at ext. 4108 or Rhonda Kuehn in evening services at ext. 4092.

ACROSS CAMPUS

--Six SVSC theatre students attended the American College Theatre Festival XV -- Region III East in Indiana University at South Bend on January 5 through 9. They viewed six of the best college theatre productions selected this year from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Each show was followed by public critiques delivered by respected theatre professionals. Students also participated in a series of workshops in acting, stage combat and design. Funding for the trip came from SVSC Student Government and 'Theatricity,' the SVSC student theatre organization.

--Ramiro C. Gonzalez, director of bilingual education, was recently nominated for a "Special L.I.F.E Award for 1982" by the Human Relations Commission of the City of Saginaw. The award recognizes those who assist in an effort that "Liberates from Injustice and Furthers Equality."

--A watercolor by Matthew Zivich, associate professor of art, has been accepted for display at the 24th annual Mid-Michigan Exhibition, scheduled January 22 through February 18 at the Midland Center for the Arts. Juror for the show was Richard Born, curator of the David and Alfred Smart Gallery of the University of Chicago. The Zivich work is titled "The Golden Fleece."

--G. Garcia Marquez will not be attending the March 29 symposium examining his work. For details about the event, please contact Dr. Ricardo Pastor at ext. 4486.

SPORTS REPORT

The Lady Cardinal **women's basketball** team stretched their winning streak to 10 games with wins over Michigan Tech, 86-64, and Lake Superior State, 77-64.

The **men's basketball** team continues to hold the lead in the GLIAC with a 3-0 mark after dumping Michigan Tech 84-57, and Lake Superior 93-82.

The defending national champion **men's track** team opened the season in impressive fashion, setting seven new school records at the Eastern Michigan Invitational. In addition, four thinclads qualified for a return trip to the national meet.

Six Lady Cardinal **thinclads** qualified for the nationals in their first meet.

