SVSC READY FOR GODO'T

While the characters of SVSC's next theatrical production seem doomed to wait forever, for its actresses and crew, the moment is almost at hand.

Months of rehearsals and preparation will come to fruition when the department of communication and theatre presents the Samuel Beckett classic, "Waiting for Godot." Performances are scheduled at 8:00 p.m. in the theatre on Friday, March 18 and Saturday, March 19, with a 2:00 p.m. matinee set for Sunday, March 20.

Written in 1948, 'Godot' centers on two tramps who spend the entire play waiting for Godot. They do not know when he will come, who he is, or even what benefits he will bring. "They're so involved with waiting that they're incapable of any useful or meaningful activity in the meantime," said director Maarten Reilingh, an instructor of communication and theatre.

"It's a difficult play to produce," said Reilingh, who after this semester will return to school to complete his doctorate. "It has no conventional plot and they don't do anything but wait. Yet while they wait they talk, and their conversation is an exquisite blend of poetry, humor and ideas."

Reilingh chose Godot partially because he feels it speaks to some of the problems the Tri-Cities and Michigan are facing today. "To a certain extent many of us are victims of that same inability to act," he said. "We wait for our sub-pay to run out; we wait for the economy to turn up; we wait for another person to deliver us from our present difficulty. In fact, we need to grasp things in our own hands and effect the change right now. The characters in Godot are unable to do that."

While the play does have its comical moments, Reilingh feels it is not an optimistic portrait of ourselves. "These characters fail, and what I hope is that people will leave the theatre thinking 'there but for the grace of God go I'."

Godot has traditionally been cast with five males, yet SVSC's production features females in all roles. It is partially for practical reasons, Reilingh said, explaining that women involved in theatre at SVSC...
vastly outnumber males. "While the disintegration of the characters' sexuality is significant, their sex is not."

Kim Schultheis, a sophomore in communication and theatre from Charlotte, was initially concerned about playing the male lead of Vladimir. "At first I was worried about convincing people I was much older and male, but that's not the issue here. What counts in this play is content and relationships between the characters." Playing opposite Schultheis in the other lead role of Estragon is Keely Stanley, a sophomore psychology major from Freeland.

Filling the role of Pozzo, a domineering, materialistic brute, is junior Michelle Langley, a communication and theatre major from Freeland. Shellie Anaman, a sophomore communication and theatre major from Saginaw, plays Lucky, Pozzo's slave.

Appearing on stage for the first time will be Mary Kay Bluhm, a senior theatre and art major from Bay City. She will be acting as Godot's messenger, a little boy. Assisting Reilingh with the directing duties is junior communication and theatre major Kent Burden of Battle Creek.

The play's co-designer and technical director is Mina Foerster of Midland. She's filled that role in other SVSC productions and is active in all member groups of the Midland Center for the Arts.

A special feature of this production will be the loom-woven scenery of Saginaw artist Roz Berlin. Billed as "featured artist," Berlin has created the trees that will be part of the stage design.

Tickets for "Waiting for Godot" are $3 for adults and $1 for students and senior citizens. SVSC faculty, staff and administrators may receive up to two complimentary passes. For reservations and other ticket information call ext. 4110.

POST GODOT EVALUATION SET

Have you ever left a play saying there's something you would have done differently if you were involved? Well, there are people who want to listen to your ideas.

The department of communication and theatre is hosting a post-production forum of "Waiting for Godot" on Monday, March 21 at 6:00 p.m. in Doan Center. All who wish to discuss and critique the production are welcome. For details, call director Maarten Reilingh at ext. 4019.

SVSC HOSTS POETRY CONTEST

Classrooms will be filled with international lyrics at SVSC during the fifth annual foreign language poetry contest on Saturday, March 19.

Students from area high schools have been invited to participate in recitals of French, German, Polish and Spanish-bilingual poetry. Each language category has been divided into lower and upper level divisions. Contestants will be judged on memorization, pronunciation, intonation and overall recitation. The program is coordinated by Dr. Ricardo Pastor, chairman of the department of modern foreign languages.

Recitals begin at noon and continue until 2:30 p.m. When trophies will be awarded to the top two students in each division. All contestants will receive certificates of participation. For more information, call Pastor at ext. 4486.

BE-BOP ARTIST PERFORMING AT SVSC

Be-bop music, with its bouncy, improvisational style will be featured when the SVSC Jazz Ensemble performs on Monday, March 21. Slated for 7:30 p.m. in the theatre, the concert will showcase the talents of of Earl Perry, a be-bop pianist from Flushing.

"This concert features my kind of music," said Dr. Charles Brown, director of the ensemble. "We'll be playing charts by Thad Jones, Toshiko Akiyoshi and also 'The Bird' by Charlie Parker." Perry will play several solo pieces, including "You Make Me Feel So Young." Brown will also perform a solo number on soprano sax titled "Flap Jack Willie."

A native of the Flint area, Perry works as a professional musician. He is a member of the U of M - Flint Jazz Band and also plays in the Bob Brown Trio, which performs throughout the Saginaw area.

Tickets for the concert are $2 for adults, $1.50 for students and senior citizens. For reservations and information, call the SVSC fine arts office at ext. 4159.

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BOTH THE MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAMS TRAVEL TO KANSAS CITY FOR PLAY IN THE NAIA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT THIS WEEK. THE MEN OPEN TODAY AGAINST LINCOLN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. THE LADY CARDS WILL PLAY U. OF MISSOURI-K.C. ON THURSDAY. WATCH FOR FULL REPORT NEXT WEEK.
Hearing the concerns expressed by representatives of SVSC's student body and faculty over proposed tuition increases and other measures suggested to assist the college in meeting its current fiscal crisis occupied much of the agenda at Monday's Board of Control meeting.

Dr. John Willertz, professor of history, asked that the Board and administration make an effort to hold tuition down as much as possible. "It should not be raised at all this year," Willertz said, "or only a little bit." He went on to state his belief that athletics may be "over-emphasized and over-funded" at SVSC. Willertz also called for improvement in faculty salaries, "not a freeze or cut. Teaching loads ought to be reduced, not substantially increased," he indicated. "Under the proposal for increased productivity which Dr. Ryder suggested for consideration, there could be a substantial loss of income for many faculty members already teaching overloads."

Willertz also asked for more attention to instruction in basic skills, and continued emphasis on the mission of SVSC to meet the economic needs of students and the state of Michigan.

Speaking on behalf of Student Government, its president Fred Harring noted that there is a tendency for people to talk about generalities rather than specifics. He stressed the need for constructive action and avoidance of 'finger-pointing.' "One man's fat is another man's job," Harring stated.

He added that the administration must involve students and faculty in the decision-making process. "Otherwise there will be confrontation," he said. Harring thanked Dr. Ryder for making himself available for student forums conducted to raise questions and issues relative to a possible tuition increase. "While I realize that it will be necessary to increase tuition, I feel that 15 percent is too much," Harring said. He added that student government is undertaking a comparison of SVSC with other colleges, and will make the study available to the Board when it is completed in about three weeks.

Responding to questions raised by Willertz and Harring, Ryder noted that he is concerned about higher education in Michigan. "My concern revolves around funding. We must tax ourselves to invest in human resources. Beyond that, I concur with the faculty and students that it is legitimate to ask whether we are using our dollars in the best possible way."

Noting that he has observed a turn-around in the attitude toward education, Ryder said that we must deal with the current financial crisis in a positive way. He cited deferrals of January, February and March appropriations from the state, and told the Board, "For the first time in the 20 year history of the institution, SVSC has had to borrow money for operating purposes. The deferral of our March payment clearly will place us in a position of having to borrow further to meet future payrolls and other college obligations. Unless we can extend our line of credit, payless paydays are not unlikely by late April.

Ryder said, "It is important that we keep our people and programs together. That is why I am asking all SVSC personnel to consider an increase in productivity at no increase in salary on a one-year basis. It will also be necessary to raise tuition for the 1983-84 academic year, and we are seeking increased support from the private sector."

Board Member Charles B. Curtiss noted that, while an increase in income tax rate would
help alleviate the state's budget deficit, an economic recovery would be necessary for any improvement in funding to higher education. He pointed out that while SVSC has been able to borrow to relieve cash flow problems, anticipated income from next year's tuition is pledged to support the loans. "Some level of borrowing is appropriate, but we should realize that if we cannot deliver the services, we cannot collect the tuition."

In action items, the Board approved dormitory rate increases amounting to 4.6 percent for 1983-84. Beginning next fall, it will cost $2,360 for a student selecting the 21-meal per week plan. In seeking Board approval, Vice President for Business Affairs Jerry A. Woodcock pointed out that the increase of $104 per year would result in SVSC ranking 7th out of 12 state colleges which offer residential housing for students.

The Board acted to reappoint Dr. Ryder for a three-year term as president of the college. According to Board chairman John W. Kendall, "The college has made dramatic progress during the past eight years under Dr. Ryder's leadership as president during extremely difficult economic conditions in Michigan." Ryder's base salary, which is currently at $59,800, will be reviewed annually, effective July 1, 1983.

In other action, the Board

--Approved an extended leave of absence without pay for Dr. Gary L. Thompson, associate professor of English. Thompson has been invited to continue his teaching at the Maria Curie Sklodowska University of Lublin, Poland.

--Approved grants for faculty research and scholarly and professional growth for 27 SVSC faculty members. Some $16,670 in SVSC Foundation money will be used to fund the grants, which range from $40 to $2,000.

--Appointed Dr. James L. Mitchell and Dr. Eugene J. Hamilton to the reappointment and tenure commission. The term of Dr. Guy M. Lee, Jr. was continued, and Ms. Angelita Torrez was named to replace Dr. Ann K. Dickey.

--Appointed Frederick D. Ford to the SVSC Board of Fellows.
SVSC HOSTING CAREER DAYS

Wednesday, March 23 is "Career Exploration Day" at SVSC, and representatives from over 35 area companies will be on hand to talk with students from SVSC, Delta College and Northwood Institute. Running from noon to 5:00 p.m. in lower Doan Center, the program will give students a chance to discuss career possibilities in many fields, plus employment opportunities with specific companies.

Among the businesses participating are General Motors, Garb Co, Wickes Machine Tool and Engineered Materials, Bay Medical Center, Wolohan Lumber and WNM-TV’s advertising department.

On Thursday, March 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. SVSC will host a cooperative education workshop in Doan Center for businessmen and educators. The session will inform current co-op employers of the latest developments in programs, plus answer questions by prospective employers to give them an understanding of how cooperative education works. There is a $10 admission charge. Gary Apsey, director of placement and cooperative education, invites all interested SVSC faculty to attend. Those wanting additional information should call Apsey at ext. 4070.

SVSC HOSTING BENEFIT RECITAL

A benefit recital by violinist Zhu Pei will be held on Sunday, April 10 at 3:00 p.m. in the Saginaw Valley State College theatre.

The concert will feature works by Bach, Beethoven, Paganini, Hindemith, and contemporary pieces by Chinese composers. Zhu will be accompanied by pianist Susan Trudgeon. A citizen of the People’s Republic of China, Zhu has been studying violin under Ruggiero Ricci at the University of Michigan since 1981 and will earn his master’s degree in violin performance this spring.

Proceeds from the concert will fund the publication of Perspectives in Contemporary Chinese Literature: Essays and Stories, edited by Dr. Mason Wang (The Green River Press, June 1983). The book features critical assessments of Chinese literature in the post-Mao era, original essays by Liu Binyan, Bai Hua, and stories reflecting life during the Cultural Revolution.

Tickets at $5 each are available from the Wickes third floor faculty secretaries, ext. 4234; Forbidden City Restaurant, 4024 Bay Rd., Saginaw; and Bamboo Garden Restaurant, 2600 N. Saginaw Rd., Midland. Donations are also being accepted to support the publication. Send checks payable to the SVSC Foundation (Chinese Program) to Dr. Wang, department of English. The contribution is tax deductible and the Foundation will acknowledge your donation. For details, call Dr. Wang at ext. 4328.

ENERGY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE INVITES COST-SAVING IDEAS

Although the college uses less natural gas than it did nine years ago, Jim Finzel and other members of the energy conservation committee are still looking for additional energy saving measures. "We use 20 percent less electricity per square foot than nine years ago," Finzel said, "but if we could find ways to cut usage of electricity by another 10 percent, we would save more than $30,000."

The committee is seeking suggestions from all members of the campus community, and promises to carefully review all ideas received. "Overall energy costs for fiscal year 1981-82 approached $450,000," Finzel said. Noting that the committee is currently reviewing a suggestion presented by Dr. Thomas Harron, Finzel added, "We need not wait for suggestions to cut back on energy use. All of us who use offices and classrooms can help save by turning off lights and electrical equipment when not in use." Written suggestions for conserving energy should be submitted to any of the committee members: Bob Hanes, Jim Finzel, Tom Ferguson, Eldon Graham and Dale Irish.

SCHOLARSHIP/FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS SET

Director of Scholarships and Financial Aid Paul S. Gill has scheduled workshops to discuss changes in federal funding regulations and the new Academic Management Services budget plan. The meetings are open to all interested faculty, students and staff.

Meetings are set for 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. in room 158 Pioneer Hall and 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Wickes lecture hall on Wednesday, March 30. A third meeting will be held Thursday, March 31 in room 220 Wickes Hall. For more information, contact the scholarships and financial aid office at ext. 4103.

EDDIE BROWN BECAME SVSC’S FIRST NCAA ALL-AMERICAN NATIONAL INDOOR TRACK CHAMPION BY PLACING SIXTH IN THE 440-YARD DASH IN THE FINALS OF NCAA NATIONAL COMPETITION IN PONTIAC SATURDAY.

BROWN POSTED A TIME OF :48.48 WHILE CHALKING UP HIS 18TH ALL-AMERICAN CAREER AWARD.
VISITING ARTIST TO GIVE WORKSHOP

Artist Kent Kirby will conduct a photographic silkscreen workshop on Monday, March 28 at 9:30 a.m. in the SVSC arts workshop. He is a nationally known printmaker and photographer and a former National Endowment for the Arts research fellow and member of the Michigan Council for the Arts.

Kirby's work is in permanent collections of New York's Guggenheim and Metropolitan Museums, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Chicago Art Institute, among others. He is a graduate of Carleton College and has a master of fine arts degree from U of M. For details, call Dr. Barron Hirsch at ext. 4391.

HEALTH SERVICES FOR EVERYONE

Even though nearly 3,000 people use the health services each year at SVSC, coordinator Sandy Wight says many students, faculty and staff are not aware of the help her department offers. Medicine for cold and flu symptoms, along with TB, hemoglobin, and blood pressure tests, are free. Sandy can often help with health information needed for reports.

Dr. Dennis O'Connor, D.O., is available for consultation at health services every Wednesday from 12-2 p.m. Those wishing to see Dr. O'Connor should make appointments. There is an $8 charge for faculty/staff and $3 for students.

AAUW MEETING AT SVSC

The Saginaw and Frankenmuth branches of the American Association of University Women will join with Chrysalis Center to host an open house for women faculty and students on Thursday, March 17, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in lower Doan. The open house is in honor of senior women, and faculty are asked to encourage their students to attend. Those participating can register for door prizes to be given away at 4:00 p.m.

SUMMER ORIENTATION SET

Activities/orientation coordinator MaryAnne Lustgraaf has set the following dates for this summer's orientation, testing and registration programs: June 16 & 17; June 28 & 29; July 12 & 13; July 28 and Aug. 11. The programs are being revamped and Lustgraaf welcomes any input or ideas.

SWING YOUR PARTNER

University Club members should mark their calendars for the square dance on Saturday, April 9 at 8:00 p.m. More information will be sent out this month.

EDITOR APPLICATIONS DUE

Applications are now being accepted for the position of Editor-in-Chief of the "Valley Vanguard." They must be submitted to the office of information services by April 11 for full consideration. Applications are available in the offices of the "Vanguard", student government, and the dean of students.

"ALEXANDER" NEXT VFS OFFERING

The French comedy "Alexander" is the Valley Film Society's second selection of the month and will be presented on Friday, March 18, at 8:00 p.m. in Wickes lecture hall. Phillipe Noiret stars as a man who loses his wife and decides to live for pure pleasure, throwing his farm community into chaos. The 1967 subtitled feature is the society's second film this season by director Yves Robert, who also directed "Mon Oncle D'Amérique," shown in January.

A membership good for seven admissions can be purchased at the door for $7.50, and student and trial memberships are only $5. For details, call Dr. Thomas Harron at ext. 4332.

COFFEE HOUSE CANCELLED

The SVSC Coffee House performance featuring the Gilmour Brothers on Thursday, March 31 at 8:00 p.m. has been cancelled.

COMING EVENTS AT SVSC

Mar. 17 ... IRRA Dinner
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Mar. 18-20. "Waiting for Godot"
Mar. 18 ... VFS "Alexander"
Mar. 19 ... Foreign Lang. Poetry Contest
Mar. 21 ... SVSC Jazz Artist Concert
Mar. 21 ... Post 'Godot' Forum

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