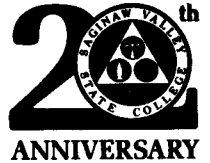


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VOTER'S CHOICE TO APPEAR ON BALLOT

The Voter's Choice tax cut proposal has received approval to be placed on the November 6 ballot. The Board of State Canvassers ruled September 7 that a second random sample of petition signatures indicated the controversial proposal had more than the minimum 304,001 signatures from registered voters required for ballot access. Voter's Choice will be officially designated "Proposal C" on the ballot.

Major provisions of the proposal would roll Michigan taxes back to 1981 levels, require a popular vote on the adoption of any new tax or any change in the base or rate of a state or local tax that would result in an increase of revenue, and require that increases in state or local fees, licenses, permits, etc. be approved either by a 4/5 vote of the appropriate governing body or by a majority of the voters in an election. Other provision would put a ceiling of .5 percent on local non-resident income tax rates, and require that ballot proposals on tax questions must state the total anticipated revenue, the intended use of the revenue and the expiration date.

Lines are being drawn by proponents and opponents of the proposal, and the issue will be debated frequently in upcoming weeks. While estimates of the measure's impact vary, there seems to be consensus that state revenues would be reduced by about 8 percent overall. The reduction to higher education could be even greater, since support for some other state agencies and programs is mandated at certain levels, leaving the difference to be made up from allocations that can be reduced legally.

SVSC President Jack M. Ryder in his fall message urged staff and faculty to register if they were not already registered, and to

"vote against Voter's Choice." As chairman of the Presidents Council of State Colleges and Universities, he will be studying closely the issues raised by the measure. Presidents Council is among numerous groups to oppose Voter's Choice.

Among the reasons listed for opposition is the expected impact on the state's ability to borrow money needed for various purposes. State Treasurer Robert Bowman said placing the proposal on the ballot would have a negative impact on the state's credit rating, which would result in higher interest on borrowed money.

Bowman also pointed out that, contrary to the message presented by Voter's Choice proponents, the September 1 reduction in Michigan's income tax rate dropped the state to 31st in terms of the size of personal income tax. With the rollback, Michigan ranks below Tennessee in level of its fixed rate income tax.

Persons interested in learning first-hand more about the issues raised by Voter's Choice may attend a September 24 meeting at Wayne State University's MacGregor Center. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. a panel of four former Michigan governors will discuss what would have occurred in their administrations had Voter's Choice been in place. Following that, a second panel composed of opponents and advocates of the measure will debate the proposal. The meeting is sponsored by the Michigan Tax Information Council. For information about conference registration, please call information services at ext. 4054 or Dr. Gary Davis at ext. 4034.

Additional information about Voter's Choice and its effect on higher education is available either from information services or Dr. Davis.

CARDINAL RUN COMING OCTOBER 13

Serious runners, joggers and once-a-year test-your-limits types will go through their paces Saturday, October 13 at the fourth annual Cardinal Run. The event is a fund-raiser with equal benefits going to SVSC's athletic program and to community organizations sponsoring runners.

While a number of organizations already have submitted sponsor and runner sheets, there is still room for anyone who wishes to run, or to pledge on someone who is running, according to Run chairman Gene Hamilton. The event is open to all area clubs and non-profit organizations, or to individuals who wish to help raise funds for SVSC. It's not necessary to be a skilled runner to take part. Participants can walk, run, jog, or get around the Morley Field Track by any other reasonable means of their choice.

Runners obtain pledges for each lap they expect to cover. After the Run, SVSC will collect pledges and send 50 percent of the proceeds to the club or organization listed on the participant's sponsor sheet. The remaining 50 percent will provide support for SVSC athletics.

"The Run is fun," Hamilton said, adding that WSGW radio personality will be on hand to announce the runners and urge them on. SVSC's marching band will perform, and other entertainment is planned. For more information about the Run, or to obtain registration forms, call ext. 4030.

HUMANITIES SERIES TARGETS SAGINAW VALLEY TRANSPORTATION HISTORY

"Saginaw Trails: Water, Land and Air" will examine the development of various modes of transportation in the Saginaw Valley. Sponsored by SVSC's continuing education division, the School of Arts and Behavioral Sciences, Chrysallis Center, and other area agencies, the series includes six Tuesday evening sessions at Ruben Daniels Lifelong Learning Center in Saginaw. Meetings are open to the public free of charge, or the series may be taken for academic credit.

The September 25 session on "Birchbark Canoe: Les Voyageurs" will be presented by Charles Hoover, executive director of the Historical Society of Saginaw County. The

presentation will focus on the birchbark canoe that became a vital link in the major transportation system of its day. During 200 years of the fur trade, the Saginaw River was the gateway into Central Michigan. Also featured on the 25th will be the Les Voyageurs, local volunteers who dress in costume and dramatize events in the lives of early French traders who followed long water trails to Saginaw. The meeting, and all others in the series, begins at 7:30 p.m.

Other programs in the series are "Overland Wagons and Plank Roads" by Stuart Gross, former assistant to the president at SVSC; "Sailing the Lakes and Rivers: Packets, Steamers and Schooners" by Floyd Dain, professor emeritus of CMU; "Ties That Bind: Tracks, Trains and Trolleys" by Jack A. Ryder, president of the Saginaw Valley Railroad Historical Society; "The Air Age: Those Daring Young Men" by Ronald Heinlein, former chairman of the Saginaw Aviation Commission and the Michigan Aeronautics Commission; and "Saginaw Bewitched: the Auto Age" by Glenn Beach, local architect and a vintage and antique auto historian.

For more information about the series, call Rose Collamer at ext. 4268.

TWO JAPANESE LANGUAGE COURSES SCHEDULED

SVSC is offering two non-credit Japanese language classes this fall. "Beginning Japanese" will start at 7:00 this evening and run for 10 weeks. "Intermediate Japanese" will meet tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. and continue for 10 weeks. Both classes will be held in room 15, '68 Building.

The classes are designed to introduce students to the Japanese language and broaden their understanding of the Japanese culture. They would be useful for anyone who plans to travel to Japan, or for business and professional people who may work with Japanese firms. Both sections are taught by Mrs. Yoko Mossner, an active member of Saginaw's People to People chapter. Mrs. Mossner has been a U.S. resident for many years, but maintains ties to her friends and family still in Japan.

Tuition for the course is \$50, and SVSC employees are eligible for a discount. For registration information, contact Kelly Higgs at ext. 4162.



COMMITMENT, SERVICE MARK TENURE OF SVSC CHARTER BOARD MEMBER

She was born under the sign of Virgo long enough ago to remember the Big Band Era and Betty Grable. She is a graduate of Kingswood School and Cranbrook Academy, and she attended Connecticut College for Women. She has two children and five grandchildren.

She was named to the first board of directors for Saginaw Valley College, then a private institution. Later, Governor George Romney appointed her to the first board of control when Saginaw Valley became a state-supported school temporarily called "Saginaw Bay State College." She's been serving ever since on SVSC's governing board.

But those sketchy facts don't begin to tell the story of the energetic lady known to her friends as "Honey." Dorothy D. Arbury is one of two who've been on the college's governing board from the first. She and Charles B. Curtiss have helped to guide the institution through its infancy and into maturity. It's a role she seems to relish.

Through all the stages of SVSC's development, and through its struggles to become firmly established both academically and financially, Mrs. Arbury has held to two important principles. "I have always felt the students are the most important aspect of the college," she said. "That is what this whole operation is about. We should give our students as good an education as we possibly can."

However, she's often found that commitment to student welfare compromised by an equally strong desire for "prudent handling of finances." She feels it is the board's responsibility to be fiscally accountable for

state and other funds granted to the college. Part of that responsibility entails letting the legislature and state fiscal authorities "understand our needs so that we can be properly financed."

Looking back from her vantage point of 20 plus years of service, Mrs. Arbury recalls the days when she was involved with SVC Community Government as among the most pleasant. "It was a lot of fun," she said. "We met every week at 5:30 p.m. for supper." She explained that the entire campus operation was housed in one building then, and "everyone knew everyone else. However, I think I always realized that the noble experiment of community government was an exercise in futility. It was just too time consuming to set policy in this way.

"I do think the close contact with the students during that period served to diffuse the upheaval that went on at colleges across the country." Noting that much of the student activism of the era was generated by attitudes toward the Vietnam war, she said, "In large degree I agreed with them (students) on this subject. What happened in Vietnam grieved me."

Mrs. Arbury's concern for higher education is shared by her husband, Ned. President of A. S. Arbury and Sons, and active in many community organizations, Ned Arbury has been supportive of his wife's role at SVSC. He's also taken an active stance in supporting funding, both private and public, for higher education. His efforts were recognized with an honorary degree from SVSC in 1983.

Mrs. Arbury remembers serving on the selection committee when Dr. Jack M. Ryder was named the college's second president. "We saw in him in large measure a commitment to providing high quality educational opportunities for this area. He took a leadership role in seeking top quality in faculty and staff. Our students need the best faculty we can find and afford."

She also credits Ryder, along with board members Curtiss and Melvin Zahnow with "steering us in the direction of providing what this community needed in higher education. When programs were added, it was with community needs in mind," she said. "Mel Zahnow stressed that we should proceed in an orderly way -- we needed to crawl before we could walk. Thus, we started with

a technology program until we were ready to add a degree in engineering.

"Mel said we should not indulge in puffery, so we called our academic units 'schools,' not colleges. The programs we added made good sense for the Tri-Counties and the Thumb. And we always aimed for quality -- do what you can do, and do it well."

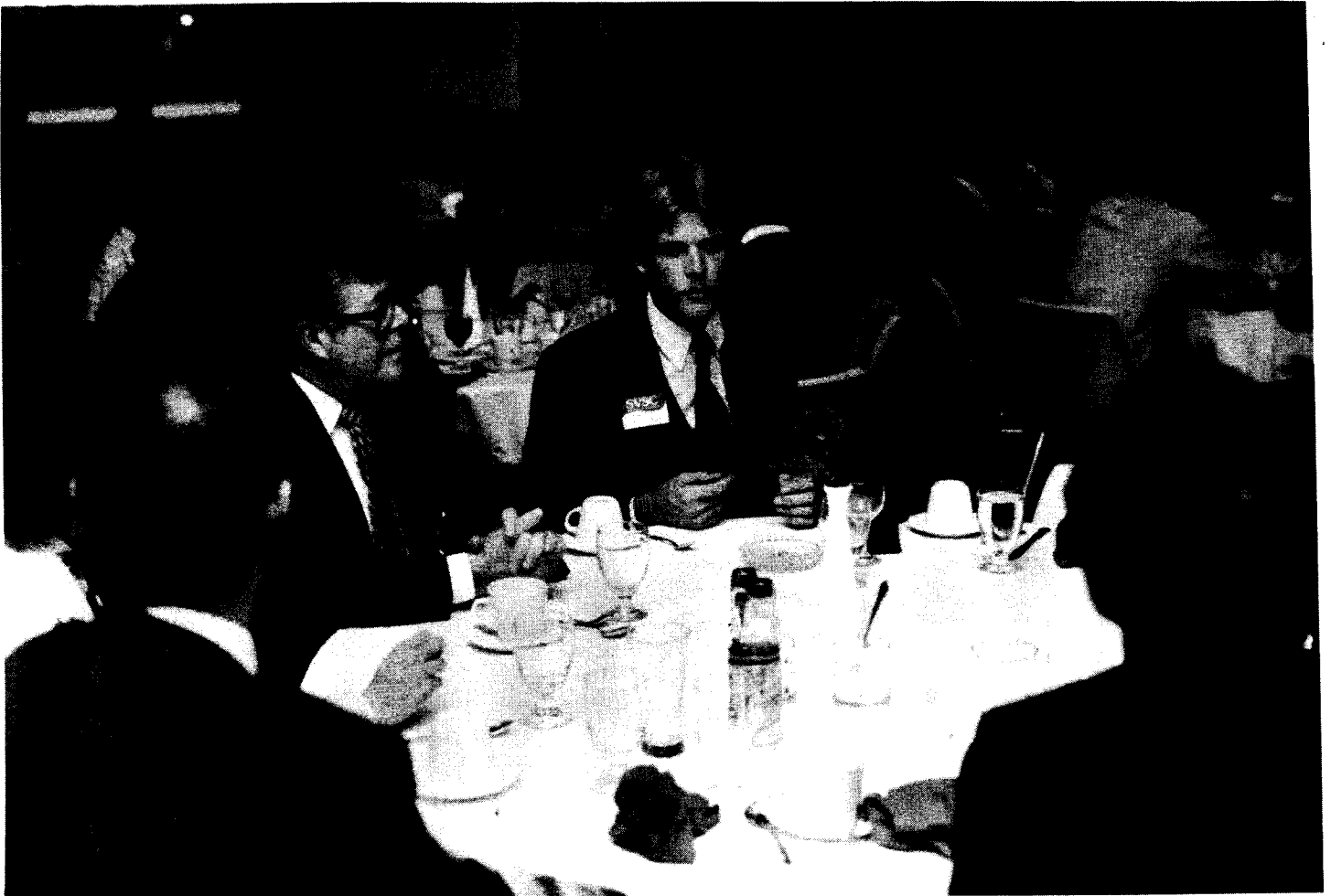
The memory Mrs. Arbury treasures most is her part in the groundbreaking ceremonies for The Pioneer Hall of Engineering and Technology. In July of 1974 she had undergone what should have been a relatively minor elective surgery that was complicated by a life-threatening accident, requiring major surgeries and an extensive recuperation period.

"Twice during this period I asked to resign my position on the board, but both times they said they'd wait for me to recover.

Then, when the board wanted to provide space for a technology program and knew the building must be constructed with private funds, I volunteered to help with fundraising. One thing I could do (while recuperating) was use the telephone. 'Let me help with the fund drive,' I asked. We got off to a good start, because the first call I placed resulted in a sizable contribution. That gave me courage to go on.

"When the groundbreaking took place in 1976, it was my first time back at the college. I fired the laser gun that sent the dirt flying at the building site." Summing up the effort that went into the campaign to fund Pioneer Hall, she said, "When you get fired up about something, your whole being goes into it."

Lucky for us that Honey Arbury so often has been fired up about SVSC and higher education for the Saginaw Valley.



MORE THAN 60 PEOPLE TURNED OUT FOR THE SEPTEMBER MEETING OF THE SAGINAW VALLEY ENTREPRENEURS CLUB AT DOAN CENTER LAST WEEK. A PRESENTATION TITLED 'DARE TO DEVELOP YOUR DREAMS' EXAMINED THE ROLE OF RISK TAKING IN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

--1984-85 parking cards now are available for faculty/staff members who wish to park in C lot. 1983-84 cards expire on September 30, and will not be accepted after this date. New cards cost \$20, and vehicle registration and proof of insurance should be presented when applying.

--A slide/lecture title "Past and Present of Rome" will be presented at 4:30 p.m. today, September 18, in room 314 Wickes Hall. Dr. Barron Hirsch, professor of art, will present an overview of the history of Rome, highlighting the developmental stages of the city's culture, art and architecture. Ricardo Pastor at ext. 4486.

--Auditions for "The Heiress" will be held at 7:00 tonight and 4:00 p.m. Wednesday in the SVSC theatre. The play will be performed November 2, 3, and 4. Members of the campus community are invited to audition for parts or assist with backstage work. For more information, contact Dr. Janet Rubin at ext. 4019.

--Monty Python fans are invited to join the Valley Film Society for a showing of "Jabberwocky" at 7:45 p.m. Friday, September 21 in Wickes Hall lecture theatre. The 1977 film has been described as a medieval version of "Jaws." Memberships in the society are available at the door. They cost \$17.50 for the season, or \$5 for a trial or student membership. For more information, call Dr. David Barker at ext. 4303.

--At 8:00 p.m. Monday, September 24, noted anthropologist Helen Fisher will discuss her research in the evolution of human behavior. "The Sex Contract" presents her findings on the courting and marriage patterns that have developed over four million years. Admission to the program in SVSC's theatre is free to SVSC students, with a small charge for others. For more information, call ext. 4260.

--The Saginaw Valley Blood Program and SVSC Health Services will sponsor a Bloodmobile on Tuesday, September 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the north concourse on Wickes 3rd floor. Sponsors hope to obtain 50 donors, and ask assistance in meeting their goal. For information about a way you can help others, call Health Services at ext. 4272.

ACROSS CAMPUS

--An article on teacher certification by Dr. Susie Emond, and Dr. Elaine Stephens, both associate professors of education, was published in the spring 1984 edition of Principal. Title of the article is "Former Secondary Teachers in the Elementary School."

--Matthew Zivich, professor of art, was one of 23 from a total of 130 Michigan artists selected to participate in the Contemporary Art Institute of Detroit's "A Road Show." Mary Jane Jacob, curator of the Museum of Contemporary Art, served as judge. The selected artists will each submit a number of works to the exhibit, which will travel to five locations across the state. "A Road Show" will be on display for one year beginning in November, with exhibitions at the Detroit Artists Market, the Jesse Besser Museum in Alpena, the McKuen Gallery in Petoskey, the Race Street Gallery in Grand Rapids, and the Midland Center for the Arts.

--Dr. Ricardo Pastor, professor of Spanish, received a favorable review of his book on Los Mejores Cuentos Bolivia Nos Del Siglo XX. The review appeared in Signo, No. 12, Spring 1984.

PERSONNEL

INSTRUCTIONAL COMPUTING COORDINATOR - Full-time, permanent (replacement). Salary negotiable. For further details about this position, contact the personnel office at ext. 4112. All internal applications must be received by Thursday, September 20.

SVSC is an equal opportunity employer, and is non-discriminatory in its policies and procedures.

HIGH FIVE

Food Services director John Curry is offering a special on Mondays after each Cardinal football victory. "Any purchase of \$1.50 or more will entitle you to a free medium beverage," Curry said. While the announcement comes a bit late for this week, it's a good bet there'll be future opportunities to take advantage of Curry's offer. The Cardinals turned in a 24-10 victory over a tough Hillsdale squad last Saturday. They travel to Indiana to play Franklin College this weekend.

All Sports Passes for admission to all home sports events are available in the athletic office, and may be picked up in person between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. All full-time college employees are entitled to a complimentary pass.

SVSC opened its **tennis** season with a 6-3 win over Oakland University Saturday. The Lady Cards travel to Sault Ste Marie for a match with Lake Superior State College this Saturday.

Cross country events are underway, with rookie coach Ev Lallas at the helm. The squad opened the season at Eastern Michigan University, with two Cards placing in the top ten. Last weekend SVSC hosted the SVSC Open, and captured the top five places. Neal Rogers led the way for the Cards with a 25:53 clocking. The Cardinal Harriers will travel to Kenosha, WI this Saturday to race in the Mid-Western Championships on the NAIA national course.

The women's **volleyball** team lost its opening round again Alma last Friday. Delta College will be at the Cardinal Gym for a contest tonight, and the Lady Cards will take on Aquinas College and Mott Community College at home this Saturday.



SVSC EVENTWATCH

- Sept. 18 ... "Rome Past and Present"
- Sept. 18 ... Exporter's Workshop
- Sept. 18-19 ... "Heiress" Auditions
- Sept. 21 ... VFS showing of "Jabberwocky"
- Sept. 22 ... Volleyball; Aquinas, Mott CC
- Sept. 24 ... "The Sex Contract"
- Sept. 25 ... Volleyball; U of M Dearborn

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