

# THE Interior

\* 1984-85 GRADUATES SET EMPLOYMENT LEVEL RECORD OF 88 PERCENT

\* SVSC EXCHANGE PROFESSOR DISPLAYS WORK AT SAGINAW ART MUSEUM

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## LEGISLATURE SETS 86-87 APPROPRIATIONS

On Tuesday, July 1, the Michigan House-Senate Conference Committee approved a 1986-87 higher education appropriations bill that would allocate \$12,160,201 to SVSC. That compares with \$10,369,887 received during the 1985-86 fiscal year, which, for state allocations, begins October 1 and runs through September 30.

The increase recommended for SVSC is \$1,790,314 overall, or 17.26 percent. While that is the largest percentage increase to be awarded to any of the state colleges, \$1,140,000 of the new funding is for start-up costs associated with operation of I.F. 2. When dollars targeted for that purpose are not considered, the increase over last year's general fund allocation is only 6.27 percent. Indications are that up to \$120,000 of the increase will be restricted to specific purposes, thus

reducing the portion of increase actually available for general operations.

"We are particularly pleased that we are going to have the funds to operate the new buildings," said Jerry Woodcock, vice president for administration and business affairs. "They are really going to benefit our students and the community."

Woodcock said that SVSC's budget request, presented to the State last November, asked for a 13.3 percent increase in general operating funds, as well as start-up money for I.F. 2. While the recommended allocation falls short of that request, Woodcock said "we will be able to make the appropriate adjustments to continue operating. However, we will not be able to do everything that we had planned to do."

The legislature is expected to pass the conference bill this week and submit it to the Governor for signing.

## SVSC GRADUATES FIND BRIGHTENED EMPLOYMENT PICTURE

The 1984-85 graduating class at SVSC found more job opportunities awaiting them than earlier alumni, according to a just-published survey.

According to Dr. Ann K. Dickey, director of institutional research and planning at SVSC, 88 percent of the 1984-85 graduates who replied to the survey indicated they

were employed. The figure was particularly impressive, Dickey said, because the questionnaires were distributed earlier than in previous years.

"To meet a due date for a new, statewide information request from the Michigan Council of University  
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## Etceteras...

... Employers expect to hire 1.4 percent more college graduates with bachelor's degrees in 1986 at starting salaries averaging 1.8 percent more than those in 1985, according to the 15th annual **Recruiting Trends Survey**.

More than 700 employers in business, industry, government and education responded to the survey. ... The average starting salary for all bachelor's-degree graduates was \$21,601; for master's degrees, \$26,010; and for doctorates, \$30,011.

... The earnings of people with college degrees have risen substantially higher in the last five years than for those without degrees, according to a recently released Census Bureau report, indicating that a college education is still a good value. In 1983, the median income of male college graduates of ages 25 to 34 was \$21,988, or 39 percent higher than the median income of those with only a high school degree, \$15,789. The Bureau study covers four decades.

Source: **AASCU Memo**

... In 1986 approximately one million B.A. degrees were conferred; 300,000 M.A.'s and 35,000 Ph.D.'s throughout the United States.

Source: **Congressional Record**

Placement Officers, SVSC's 1984-85 graduate survey was mailed in October 1985, three months ahead of the traditional January date. Thus, 1984-85 graduates, particularly those who completed degrees in August, were contacted soon after graduation -- only two to ten months had elapsed since their degrees were earned. Presumably, their participation in employment and further schooling will increase for a time."

The 88 percent employment rate was the highest for any graduating class since the 1978-79 graduates were surveyed in January 1980. The 1980 survey was the first canvass of SVSC graduates, and 90 percent who replied said they were employed.

A recession in the next two years caused unemployment rates in Michigan to rise above 17 percent, with a corresponding drop in employment levels for college graduates. "The low point was experienced by the class of 1982-83, just 76 percent of whom were working when they answered the January 1984 survey," Dickey said

"For many recent graduates -- particularly those from the School of Education -- better days appear to have come," Dickey said.

Her report also includes data on 1983-84 graduates, with 86 percent reporting employment. The survey replaced earlier questionnaires that had been returned by 1983-84 graduates, but were destroyed in the Wickes Annex fire before they were analyzed and tabulated. Dickey noted that scheduling changes of the last two surveys should be considered when comparing results with previous years.

Only 6.3 percent of the 1984-85 graduates said they were unemployed and seeking work. Another 5.3 percent indicated they were voluntarily unemployed. In contrast, 10.2 percent of 1983-84 graduates were seeking work, and four percent were voluntarily unemployed.

The employment picture was particularly rosy for 1984-85 graduates from the School of Education. None was unemployed, reflecting a current trend toward greater employment opportunities for teachers.

Another finding of the survey showed 29 percent of the 1983-84 graduates and slightly over 26 percent of 1984-85 graduates were continuing their studies. Their choices ranged from non-degree coursework to master's, professional and doctoral degree programs. Dickey said these patterns were within the range of 25.1 to 30.1 reported on earlier surveys. Some students were enrolled full time in advanced degree work, while others combined advanced study with employment.

If projections by a national survey are correct, 1986 graduates also will find an improved employment outlook. According to the most recent "Recruiting Trends Survey," employers expect to hire 1.4 percent more college graduates with bachelor's degrees in 1986 at starting salaries averaging 1.8 percent more than those in 1985. More than 700 employers in business, industry, government, and education responded to the survey. This year, for the first time in a decade, education moved into the top 10 fields showing the highest percentage increase in employment opportunities.

### **FIVE APPOINTED TO PLANNING RESOURCE COUNCIL**

Five persons have been appointed by President Ryder to the Planning Resource Council, an 11-member group that serves as the steering committee for the College's planning activities. Serving two-year terms that begin July 1, 1986, and end June 30, 1988, are Dr. William Barnett, dean of the school of arts and behavioral sciences; Dr. Robert Cheek, assistant professor of management; Dr. Gamal Elashhab, professor of education; Mrs. June Feeney, manager, computer programming and systems, and Mr. Jeff Gillman, student.

The new appointees will join six current PRC members in developing and proposing planning assumptions, guidelines and forms for use by academic departments and support units in completing the planning process. Dr. Ann K. Dickey, director of institutional research and planning, serves as ex-officio chairperson. Continuing members are Ms. Elizabeth Cameron, Dr. David Dalgarn, Dr. Mahendra Kanthi, Dr. Thomas Kullgren, and Mr. Edwin Nordine.

### **HANSEN RECEIVES APPOINTMENTS**

Dr. Douglas Hansen, professor of physical education, has been named to a joint appointment in the departments of physical education and curriculum and instruction in the school of education. He also will assume responsibility for directing student teaching and certification, in addition to his previous assignments. Both appointments were announced by Dr. Robert Yien, vice president for academic affairs.

**AFSCME SIGNS CONTRACT**

SVSC physical plant, maintenance and skilled trades employees have ratified a new contract with the College. Negotiations concluded when a tentative agreement was reached on Tuesday, June 24, and AFSCME members ratified the contract July 7. It will cover a three-year period beginning July 1 and ending June 30, 1989.

The new contract calls for compensation increases of 6 percent this year and 5 percent in 1987 and in 1988. Larry Fitzpatrick, who served as chief negotiator for the College, said negotiations proceeded very smoothly and that there were few language changes in the contract. Other members of the administration team were Ann Schulte, assistant director of personnel; James Muladore, controller; Mike Bock, director of physical plant; and Mike Dozier, assistant director of physical plant.

Members of the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees negotiating team were Tom DuPuis, president of SVSC local 933; Rick Kloor, council 25 representative; Napoleon Lewis, Jr., duplicator operator; and Richard Roberts, custodian. AFSME represents approximately 30 SVSC employees.

**SAGINAW ART MUSEUM HOSTS YOSHIDA DISPLAY**

Ceramic sculpture by visiting professor Naoyuki Yoshida will be on display at the Saginaw Art Museum from July 13 to August 3. An assistant professor at Shikoku Women's University in Tokushima, Japan, Yoshida exhibits extensively. His work has been shown throughout Japan

and Italy. The exhibit hosted by the Saginaw Art Museum will be his first in the U.S.

Yoshida's work is influenced by Chinese Taoist thought, according to Dr. Barron Hirsch, chairman of the SVSC art department. "His graceful abstract figures do not separate man from the environment," Hirsch noted. "His forms are simple, but strong, and reflect the long tradition of Japanese sculpture."

There will be a reception for Professor Yoshida at the Saginaw Art Museum on Thursday, July 17, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The public is invited.

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SPONSORS COUNTRY HOE-DOWN**

The campus community is invited to join the festivities when the SVSC Alumni Association hosts a country hoe-down Saturday, July 12 from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. Activities include live music, dancing, a tennis tourney, horseshoes, volleyball, the annual alumni vs. faculty and staff softball game, and plenty of food and refreshments. A chicken BBQ with all the trimmings is featured. Tours of I.F. 2 and the campus will be available. Cost is \$5.50 for adults, \$2.50 for students, with children under 10 admitted free. Call ext. 4050 today for reservations.

**SVSC GRAD ORDAINED**

Kathie S. Bender was ordained into the ministry of the Lutheran Church in America during a June 8 ceremony at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Saginaw. Bender received a B.A. degree from SVSC in 1982, graduating summa cum laude.

**BUILDING UPDATE**

**Item - I.F. 2:** Work on the I.F. 2 complex is proceeding as scheduled and a fall opening is still anticipated, according to Director of Engineering Services Robert Hanes.

**Item - Other Construction:** Foundation and footing work for the Fine Arts Center is progressing on schedule. Progress also is being made on completion of preliminary drawings for the Health and Physical Education complex.

**Item - Capital Outlay Forums:** One more time and let's get it right! The next open forum to discuss future SVSC capital outlay requests is not at 4:15 or 4:25 p.m. The correct information is:

**Weds, Sept. 17 - 3:00 p.m.  
Lower Level Doan Center**

Please plan to attend and share your ideas.

**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

--Two works by **Matthew Zivich**, professor of art, will be on display at the Artemisia Gallery in Chicago from July 1 to August 2 this summer. The pieces, "Lovers in Cars," a six-panel gouache painting, and "Concert by the Sea," a two-panel gouache, were included in the traveling "Road Show" display last year. An opening for Michigan artists will be held on July 11 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. The gallery is located at 341 W. Superior St. in Chicago.

--**Dr. Jose Valderas**, director of the bilingual/bicultural center, was selected as one of 104 persons in the nation to attend the 1986 Educational Equality Project Summer Institute from July 9 to 13 in Santa Cruz, CA.

**HIGH FIVE**

--Vickie VanSteenhouse has been named women's tennis coach for the 1986-87 season. She replaces former Lady Cardinal star Cathy Midcalf, who served one year as mentor.

The coaching position is the first for VanSteenhouse, who has deep roots in the Lady Cardinal program. She was a member of the first SVSC women's tennis team and lettered three years. She also competed in the NAIA National Tournament in 1983, winning one singles match.

VanSteenhouse graduated from SVSC in 1983 with a B.A. in secondary education. She currently is a coordinator and instructor in the diverse nanny and travel agent training programs at Delta College.

Four players will return to the SVSC tennis crew next fall, and recruiting is the first major hurdle for the new coach. Assistant basketball coach Dana Munk currently is assisting in those efforts until Van Steenhouse begins on August 1.

--Kert Lehman, coordinator of corporate relations and athletic development, is soliciting campus community comments on fall fundraising projects, including possible sales of a "Cardinal Calendar." Those interested in learning more about the project or offering suggestions are asked to contact Lehman at ext. 4165.



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The next issue of the Interior will be published on Tuesday, July 29. Information to be included in that issue should be submitted to the Office of Information Services by Wednesday, July 23.

**RECEPTIONS HONOR SVSC EMPLOYEES**--The campus community took time to honor two employees who are leaving Saginaw Valley State College. Above, Trish Novicke [second from right] discusses her future plans with [from left] Pam Thompson, Richard Thompson, and Ted Nitz. Below, Dr. Philip Beal tells a group about his new position at Hope College in Holland, Michigan.