PORTABLE SCIENCE TABLE AIDS HANDICAPPED STUDENTS

Welding glass so there is no indication of a break may not be unique in glass blowing classes. Certainly not to those students enrolled in Dr. Peter Moehs' class.

To Greg Gerard, Saginaw senior, trying to get close enough to the flame to heat the glass proved to be more of a challenge than he felt was necessary.

Therefore, with the aid of Richard Thompson, dean of student affairs, and Jerry Woodcock, vice president for administration and business affairs, Gerard instigated the search for a portable science table.

Gerard took the glass blowing class as a hobby, he said, but found he had no way of getting close enough to the work site to safely work on assigned projects. The standard laboratory tables have nowhere to place a chair.

The portable table, valued at more than $4,000, is self-contained and includes vacuums and air controls and an access site for students in wheelchairs.

Gerard said the group stumbled across the portable table while in Lansing reviewing assorted tables to better assist handicapped students. He said the portable table is much less expensive than purchasing a special table for each laboratory. (Cont. pg. 2.)

Etceteras . . .

. . . The SVSC Department of Public Safety announced last week that investigation into the cause of the Wickes Annex fire was reopened following an October 18, 1986, arson in the forest adjacent to the Pine Grove Apartment complex. Similarities between the fires led to re-examination of the 1985 fire. While there are suspects in both fires, no arrest warrants have been issued. SVSC police are seeking additional information about incidents surrounding the Wickes Annex fire.


. . . Nine modular units housing 11 SVSC administrative offices, plus the majority of records and all equipment and furnishings contained in the structures were destroyed.

. . . Over $900,000 was received from insurance sources toward constructing and equipping a replacement facility. The State of Michigan provided a special appropriation of $240,000 toward construction of the replacement facility (the Administrative Services Building).
Through use of the portable table, students may have their laboratory needs set up wherever their classes meet.

In addition, Gerard said he felt the portable table and its potential safety features would decrease the College's liability because there would be less chance of harm coming to a handicapped student.

The portable table is not without its drawbacks, however. Gerard said a problem could arise if more than one handicapped student were to enroll in a science class at one time. He added that more handicapped students might be likely to enroll in science classes now.

"I think the table's an added feature that will enhance the College," he continued. "It will add to the attraction of Saginaw Valley's seemingly almost barrier-free environment."

Gerard said nearly 98 percent of the College campus is now barrier-free, leaving just a few spots that pose problems for handicapped students.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, FACULTY RECEIVE SVSC WELCOME**

The College conducted its own version of the United Nations the afternoon of Wednesday, January 21 when members of the College community and international exchange students, faculty and researchers gathered for a reception.

Faculty, staff and administrators, including President Jack Ryder and Dr. Robert S.P. Yien, vice president of academic affairs, gathered to visit with the foreign travelers and learn of their impressions of the United States, as well as their native countries.

More than half of the 35 exchange students at SVSC were present during the afternoon reception. All those gathered told their hosts they have enjoyed life in America and the hospitality and helpfulness of SVSC students and faculty.

Faculty and researchers talked of the cooperative ventures between their native colleges and SVSC.

Jin Wang, a student from China, will graduate in computer physics in May 1988. Wang said during her nine months here SVSC students have made her feel comfortable.

Three Mexican students, who had not known each other prior to their journey to the states, said their greatest challenge here has been the way the people speak.

"People speak very fast," Norberto Escobedo said.

Escobedo is majoring in computer science, while his cohorts, Santiago Hidalgo and Helmut Junghans will major in accounting and industrial engineering, respectively.

Hidalgo said he hoped to improve his English during his stay here. Junghans said the trio also hoped to improve their understanding of other cultures.

Junghans added that while it is "very, very cold" in Michigan, "the snow is great!"

A Korean student recently made use of the fluffy white stuff and ventured to northwest Michigan for a jaunt on one of the ski mountains. Others are enrolled in skiing classes at the College.

SVSC is hosting two researchers from China, three faculty members from Australia, Japan and Poland and approximately 35 students from a host of other countries.

Visitors to the College represent such countries as France, Thailand, the Philippines, Norway and Peru.

Pierre Richard, France; [from left] Chiyo Kodama, Japan; Yosuko Tamimoto, Japan; and Dhisna (Mort) Sritavaj, Thailand, mingle during a reception for visiting faculty and students. The event was hosted by the Office of Continuing Education and International Programs at the Wickes Library. At present, there are five visiting faculty members and 35 visiting students at SVSC.
**THREE PROGRAMS NET GRANT MONIES**

Three grants, amounting to more than $36,000, were recently awarded to programs at the College.

Project SOLVE: 1987, a site license for CADKEY and the development and implementation of a field officer training program for the department of public safety received the grants earlier this year.

For the second straight year, Project SOLVE: 1987 (Science Outreach Leadership Venture for Excellence) received funding. The $34,820 is a continuation of Project SOLVE: 1986 and is designed to fine tune and expand the joint project to upgrade middle school teacher science content and educational methodologies for gifted and talented students in science.

In addition, the program will provide a teacher/staff development model for areas serviced by the College.

Dr. Walter Rathkamp, professor of biology, will serve as project director and will be responsible for the implementation of all phases of the project, which will include teachers from Tuscola, Huron, Sanilac and Saginaw counties.

Dr. Thomas Kullgren, dean of the school of science, engineering and technology, will serve as the project administrator.

A site license for CADKEY was also approved. The level of funding, however, is dependent upon the number of copies of software SVSC receives.

CADKEY is a computer aided design software with three-dimensional graphic capability for use in the engineering and technology curriculum. The CADKEY program would be used in instruction for mechanical engineering and industrial engineering and supervision students.

The project's director is Eldon Graham.

The field officer training program will receive $1,852 in order to send two officers to Florida for seminars, according to Lt. Craig T. Maxwell.

Maxwell said the training will provide himself and one other officer with the skills needed to properly orient new officers to the campus and the department of public safety.

He added that he hopes in the near future to provide similar seminars for other area law enforcement agencies, since there are none in the state.

**ACROSS CAMPUS**

-- Dr. David Rayfield, professor of philosophy, is recuperating at home following surgery performed in December. He reports that he is feeling well and expects to resume his teaching assignments in mid-February. The campus community joins in wishing Dr. Rayfield a speedy recovery.

**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

-- Dr. Donald Bachand, associate professor of criminal justice, has been notified that material he co-authored will be published in a new book titled *Older Offenders: Perspectives in Criminology and Crime*. The title of Bachand's chapter is "Perspectives on Crime and the Elderly Offender: An Empirical Analysis, 1964-1984." Dr. George Chressanth, formerly an assistant professor of economics at SVSC who is now a member of the Texas Tech faculty, is co-author of the chapter. The book is being published later this year by the Praeger Publishing Co.

**BISHOP, JAZZ ENSEMBLE TO PLAY**

Bishop Kenneth Untener, of the diocese of Saginaw, will perform on the piano with the SVSC Jazz Ensemble Monday, February 2.

The 7:30 p.m. concert will take place in the SVSC Theatre.

Tickets are $3 for adults and $2 for students and senior citizens.

For reservations, call the fine arts department at extension 4159.

**GRAHAM TO SERVE AS CHAIRMAN**

Eldon Graham, associate professor of mechanical engineering, will serve as interim chairperson of mechanical engineering and technology.

Graham's appointment is effective through August 24.

On August 25, Dr. Terry Ishihara will resume his duties as chairperson.

**SECOND BUDGET PRESENTATION SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 5**

President Jack Ryder will make his second budget presentation at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, February 5, in Wickes Lecture Hall.

President Ryder will give his annual State of the College address at 12:30 p.m., Friday, February 6, in Wickes Lecture Hall.
ENTREPRENEURS MEETING TO DISCUSS INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES

Those interested in learning more about the proper procedures during a personal interview may do so during the Wednesday, February 11 meeting of the Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club.

The meeting will feature Michael R. Maher, district executive of the Michigan Department of Civil Rights. Maher will discuss the legal implications of the pre-employment interview process and will provide an explanation as to why some questions may be discriminatory.

The meeting in the lower level of the Doan Center is scheduled to begin with a social networking hour at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:45 and Maher at 7:45.

Applications are due to the Business and Industrial Development Institute by Friday, February 6. For more information, or to register, call extension 4047.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- Dr. Ann Dickey, director of Institutional Research and Planning, and her husband Clayton Dickey, will discuss "Russia's Four Grand Cities and Chernobyl" as part of the International Lecture Series. The lecture will take place today, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the faculty lounge of Wickes Hall.

-- "Why the Constitution," a lecture by Larry Glynn, associate professor of history at Delta College, will kick off a series of events marking the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution at SVSC and Delta colleges. His lecture is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, in the Delta College Theater.

-- "Harbingers of the Modern Movement" is the topic of a slide lecture of modern Latin American art by Hope Palmer of the Detroit Institute of Arts, at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 29, in the Theatre.

-- The Breakfast Club features a breakfast buffet of eggs, toast, fruit, juices, coffee, meat ... and a host of other goodies for $1.99 in the Snack Bar every morning between 7:15 and 8:30 a.m.

-- Comedy Night featuring the ventriloquist performance of Barber and Seville is scheduled to take place at 10:00 p.m., Monday, February 2, in lower level Doan.

-- Two flutes and a keyboard will provide background for a noon lunch Wednesday, February 4, in lower level Doan. The early Valentine's Day Concert also features submarine sandwiches.

-- Exhibits of New York painter and printmaker Richard Mock will be displayed in the arts workshop February 2-25. For information, call extension 4391.

PERSONNEL

The following position is open to all regular employees of the College:

CUSTODIAN, full-time, permanent (replacement). Third shift, Sunday through Thursday. $5.75 an hour. Questions about work assignment or building location should be directed to Bob VanPelt at extension 4080.

All internal applications must be received in the Personnel Office no later than Thursday, January 29.

HIGH FIVE

-- The men's basketball team used a starting line-up of four freshman and a junior to upset Michigan Tech, 79-62, in Great Lakes Conference action Saturday. SVSC outscored MTU 18-4 in the last five minutes of the game to win going away. The Cardinals' record now stands at 2-5 in the GLIAC and 8-9 overall. Phillip Miller led the Cards with 21 points and 12 rebounds. Freshman Herb Schoepke scored 18, Robert Goggins had 16 points, and freshman guard Pat Schluter added 11.

-- Playing time is plentiful for all the players on the women's basketball team this season. The Lady Cards destroyed Michigan Tech, 90-46, in a GLIAC game Saturday in which everyone played at least seven minutes. SVSC ran its record to 7-0 in the GLIAC (first place) and 17-0 overall. Also, the game represents SVSC's 56th straight home win, 32nd straight regular season win, 20th straight GLIAC victory and 17th consecutive win over Michigan Tech.

EVEN WATCH

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Feb. 2...Comedy Night
Feb. 2...Jazz Concert
Feb. 4...Valentine's Day Concert

For times and details see monthly calendar or call Information Services