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PROFESSOR ISHIHARA LEARNING, TEACHING IN JAPAN

After many years living in a nation where his appearance marks him as a "minority," Dr. Terry Ishihara finds it is a "different feeling" to be surrounded by people who look very much like him. "I am sure I frustrate them when I fail to respond to their verbal inquiries in my 'broken Japanese'," he writes.

Ishihara, professor of mechanical engineering and technology, is in Tokushima, Japan, as an exchange professor at Shikoku Women's University. Of Japanese descent, Ishihara had not previously traveled to his ancestral homeland. But the timing of the trip was ideal, he feels.

"I could not have chosen a better year than 1987 to be in Japan, for this is the year of the rabbit. I was born in the year of the rabbit and bought a key chain adorned by a small white rabbit or 'usagi' and a small bell. White is the male color in Japan and red is female," he reports.

The Ishiharas arrived in Japan late in December and spent a few days meeting with students and faculty who had earlier been at SVSC. "We enjoyed the (Japanese) New Year's festivities and traditions and it was one that will always live vividly in our memories.

Included was a trip to a Shinto Shrine with huge throngs of people and an ornately prepared and delicious New Year's Day dinner. While at the shrine we enjoyed snacking on many food items sold in numerous booths set up near the shrine."

On Jan. 12 Ishihara met his first class on Oral English for freshmen students. "It was a large class of about 50 students. I shared with them my own life and background, an account on Japan and America that I wrote, and a few selections of poetry and song about Japan and America for them to recite orally."

A second class of Oral English freshmen met on Jan. 14, and on Jan. 28 Ishihara began teaching a class on international understanding. On Jan. 20 he presented a lecture for all students. "I wrote the lecture on my World War II concentration camp years as a cultural experience. I plan to write out every lecture that I give so that the people here will have copies for future reference," he says. "Preparing and giving lectures outside my field of mechanical engineering is a new experience for me. However, I am enjoying it very much and also the experience being so different will serve better to rejuvenate me and put me in excellent shape when I return to SVSC."

Etceteras . . .

. . . Most cars in Japan are "conspicuously new" (less than 3 or 4 years old). A majority are called "minica" (mini-sized automobiles) that are even smaller than the Mazda GLC. Also, cars have different names (than U.S. versions), like Gloria and Crown.

. . . In general, Japanese prices are up to twice as much and more than those in the U.S., but bargains (prices comparable to U.S.) can be found by shopping around... Apples are large, but expensive - up to \$1 each... Books are cheaper than in U.S.

. . . The literacy level in Japan is one of the highest in the world. Students may be found after school in the bookstore browsing through books and magazines.

Source: Dr. Terry Ishihara

. . . Higher education in the U.S. compares favorably with its Japanese counterpart, according to studies released in January by the two governments. The reports grew out of a 1984 agreement between President Reagan and Japanese Prime Minister Nakasone to have their education agencies study each other's education systems. For report summaries, see:

**Chronicle of Higher
Education, 1/7/87**

FEMALE APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR JAPANESE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Female students are being sought to participate in a unique overseas exchange program with Japan. Faculty and staff are encouraged to nominate eligible women for the program.

Selected SVSC women will have the unique opportunity to spend five weeks in Japan studying the country's culture, language and history through the office of International Programs.

Participants in the exchange program with Shikoku Women's University in Tokushima are eligible for financial assistance through SVSC toward costs. In addition, five hours of elective academic credit will be awarded each participant.

The \$2,000 includes air fare, room and board and travel. Participants will reside in the women's dormitories. Most of the instruction is in English, but some Japanese will be taught.

Interested students should contact Dr. Eugene Hamilton at ext. 4068.

NURSING PLANS CONFERENCE ON WORKLOAD MANAGEMENT

Continuing Education for RNs (CERN) has scheduled a one-day conference for community health nurses to take place Thursday, February 19 at St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw.

The program is sponsored in part through a grant from Health and Human Services. Members of the planning committee are Anita Harrand, B.S.N., R.N., nursing instructor; MaryPat Randall, M.S.N., R.N., nursing instructor; Janalou Blecke, M.N., R.N.,

project coordinator of CERN; Sachiko Claus, Ph.D., R.N., clinical facilitator of CERN; and Margaret Swartzendruber, M.S.N., R.N., director of nursing at Saginaw County Health Department.

Reservations for the day-long conference are due Wednesday, February 4. The conference will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the school of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, ext. 4163.

CONSTITUTIONAL DEBATE SET FOR FEBRUARY 11 IN THEATRE

A debate on the role of the Constitution in the development of American society is scheduled to take place at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 11, in the Theatre.

The debate, the second event in a series celebrating the bicentennial of the United States Constitution, features John Castillo, director of the Michigan Department of Civil Rights; Zolton Ferency, attorney and professor of criminal justice at Michigan State University; and Philip Van Dam, former U.S. attorney in the Eastern District of Michigan and currently a Midland attorney.

The debate is co-sponsored by SVSC and Delta College.

MOTOR POOL ANNOUNCES RATE INCREASES

The state of Michigan has increased the vehicle rates for 1987 and will revise the rates monthly as gasoline and insurance rates fluctuate. The most recent increase, as reflected in December billings, is 1 cent per mile for large cars and wagons and 1 1/4 cents per mile for mid-

sized vehicles.

1987 Vehicle Rates		
Vehicle	New Rate	Old Rate
Omni	.17	.17
mid-size	.2125	.21
large sedan	.2425	.23
station wagon	.27	.26
*van	.34	.35

(*require a Class 3 license endorsement.)

PLANS UNDER WAY FOR COMMENCEMENT 1987

Saginaw Valley State College will celebrate its 22nd annual Commencement this year during two ceremonies in Cardinal Gymnasium.

The first will begin at 8:00 p.m., Friday, May 1, for the schools of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences; Science, Engineering and Technology; and Business and Management. The second ceremony will take place at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, May 2, for the schools of Arts and Behavioral Sciences and Education.

Individuals in need of academic regalia should place their orders with the Bookstore before Monday, February 23.

The College provides the regalia to faculty and staff at no charge. Measuring will be done at the Bookstore between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The measurements of those who have ordered regalia in the past may be on file; but individuals should verify the information.

The cap and gown company will charge \$5 for all late orders. The Commencement Committee's budget is not able to assume the late charges; therefore, late charges will be covered by those who incur them.

SCHEDULING OFFICE INTRODUCES NEW SYSTEM OF RESERVATIONS

Beginning Monday, February 9, the Conferences and Professional Development office will implement new facilities scheduling procedures.

According to Joe Vogl, the office's director, faculty and staff now need only dial ext. 4162 to reserve a room, facility or any campus service, such as food service or public safety.

When the call is made, the facilities scheduling staff will request information pertaining to the event, thereby eliminating the need for individuals to fill out a series of forms.

Vogl said his staff would then contact any departments affected by the event.

He said he and his staff spent three months preparing the forms with the assistance of various campus departments.

Once reservations have been made via telephone, the scheduling office will send a verification notice to the reserving party.

In addition, Vogl said his office also is equipped to assist with planning seminars, conferences, workshops and many other events, both on and off campus.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

In December, information was distributed campus-wide concerning the application process and deadline for the second group of Faculty Association Scholarships to be awarded in April.

The deadline for application is Friday, February 13.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to make this opportunity known to eligible students.

MARKETING MAGIC CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 18

The Business and Industrial Development Institute is sponsoring a "Marketing Magic" conference for existing small businesses, Wednesday, February 18, in the Fashion Square Conference Center.

The day-long conference will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. and consist of a series of topical discussions until 5:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, contact BIDI at extension 4048.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- Career Counseling/Placement is sponsoring an **open house** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 to 7:00 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, February 3 and 4. For more information, call ext. 5600.

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

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

-- The Valley Film Society will show "**Peau D'Ane (Donkey Skin)**" at 8:00 p.m., Friday, February 6 in Wickes Lecture Hall. The film tells the tale of a beautiful princess who disguises herself to keep from marrying her widowed father.

-- The annual **State of the College** address will take place at 12:30 p.m., Friday, February 6, in Wickes Lecture Hall.

-- The **East Central Michigan Inventors Club** will meet at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, February 5, in lower level Doan Center. For further information, contact BIDI at ext. 4048.

-- The Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club will discuss **interview techniques** during its Wednesday, February 11 meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the lower level Doan Center.

-- The salad bar concert on Thursday, February 12, features the **Venner Performing Arts Group** from Frankenth High School. The concert will begin at 11:30 a.m. in lower level Doan Center.

-- A **gospel concert**, sponsored by the Black Students Association, will take place from 6:00 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, February 14, in the Theatre.

-- The **Saginaw Computer Club** will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday, February 14, in Room 224 of Pioneer Hall. For more information, call ext. 4323.

-- The **Hispanic Student Association** will meet at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 4 in the Administrative Services Building. Students will meet with Dr. Ryder and students from Mexico.

-- The Michigan Opera Theatre will present "**Broadway '87,**" featuring the works of Jerome Kern, beginning at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 17. The Broadway tunes will be performed in the Theatre. Admission is \$2.

TRANSITIONS

This column lists several faculty and staff changes that occurred in January.

New faculty

-- **Dr. Deborah Ramirez Bishop** (ext. 4476), began as assistant professor management during the winter term. Bishop received her Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

-- **Mr. Clarence Hooker** joined SVSC in the winter term as a visiting Martin Luther King Distinguished professor. Hooker has a masters degree.

-- **Mr. Paul Weber**, hired as temporary (winter term only) instructor of finance. Weber has completed all coursework and preliminary examinations for the doctoral program.

New staff

-- **Ms. Sarah Howland Braddock**, for the new position of - foreign language laboratory coordinator for winter term. Braddock has an A.B. from Middlebury College, Vermont.

-- **Mr. Anse Cates** (ext. 4277) recently assumed the new position of Bookstore director. Cates has a B.A. from Ohio University.

-- **Mr. Harold Geistman** (ext. 4241), temporarily at the reference desk in the Zahn Library while another employee is on a leave of absence. Geistman has an M.A. from Central Michigan University.

-- **Ms. Dana Munk** (ext. 4118) hired for the new, part-time, temporary position of athletic academic advisor. Munk has an M.A. from CMU. She has also worked at SVSC as an assistant women's basketball coach.

-- **Ms. Beth Ann Robb** (ext. 4062) joined the school of arts and behavioral sciences as a part-time secretary in the dean's office. Robb has an associate's degree from Delta College.

Departing staff

-- **Mr. Arthur Espitia**, custodian, Physical Plant, January 22.

PERSONNEL

The following positions are open to all regular employees of the College:

RESEARCH TECHNICIAN, chemistry, part time, temporary (new position), for 20 to 30 hours per week through September. Salary: \$6 to \$10 per hour. Requires a bachelor of science degree in chemistry or closely related subject. Laboratory experience is desirable.

ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, education (two new positions), full time, permanent. Salary negotiable. Require Ph.D. and teaching experience.

All internal applications must be received no later than Monday, February 9, in the Personnel Office.

ENGINEERING SERVICES CLERK, Physical Plant, full-time, temporary position for unspecified period of time to assist with office typing, filing, telephone calls. Grade Level 4: \$5.92 per hour.

All internal applications must be received no later than Thursday, February 5, in the Personnel Office.

SVSC is an affirmative action-equal opportunity employer.

DIRECTORY ADDENDUMChange/Correct

Alward, Donna, (Ms.) 4271
Ghods, Abdolhamid (Dr.) 4191

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Litka, Cathy (Mrs.) 4247
Cataloger, Zahn Library
Rice, Suzanne (Mrs.) 4247
Library Technician,
Zahn Library

HIGH FIVE

-- The **men's basketball** team was defeated by Grand Valley State College, 66-58, Saturday. The loss leaves Saginaw Valley with a 8-11 mark overall, 2-7 in the Great Lakes Conference.

-- The **women's basketball** team added to their various streaks by running past Grand Valley's Lady Lakers, 88-69. Senior center Lisa Masters scored 22 points and gathered 11 rebounds. SVSC now has won 57 straight home games, 35 consecutive regular season games, 22 straight GLIAC games and seven straight over Grand Valley.

Both men's and women's basketball teams will play on the road this week. Thursday's opponent is Northwood Institute, and Oakland University on Saturday.

EVENT WATCH

Feb. 3-4...Career Counseling/
Placement Open House
Feb. 4...Valentine's Day
Concert
Feb. 5...Budget Presentation
Feb. 5...Inventors Club Meets
Feb. 6...VFS: "Peau D'Ane"
Feb. 6...**State of the College**
Address (12:30 p.m., WLH)

For times and details
see monthly calendar or
call Information Services

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE COLLEGE

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY

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- Through 25 Exhibit of the works of New York painter and printmaker Richard Mock in the SVSC arts workshop, '68 Building. Admission is free. For more information, contact Dr. Barron Hirsch at ext. 4391.
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- 5 The East Central Michigan Inventors Club, 6 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center, will host a social/networking hour followed by dinner and a program. For more information, contact the Business and Industrial Development Institute, ext. 4048.
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- 12 Salad Bar Concert featuring the Venner Performing Arts Group from Frankenmuth High School, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center. For more information, contact Program Board, ext. 4170.
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- 12 Men's and women's basketball vs. Wayne State University. Women tip off at 5:45 p.m., the men at 8 p.m. in Cardinal Gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for students. For information, call the Athletic Center at ext. 4114.
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- 14 Gospel Concert, sponsored by the Black Students Association, will take place from 6 p.m. to midnight in the SVSC Theatre. For more information, call ext. 4425.
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- 14 The Saginaw Computer Club will meet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 224 of Pioneer Hall. For more information, call ext. 4323.
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- 17 High School Chamber Music Day, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the SVSC Theatre. The day-long event is hosted by the Valley Woodwind Quintet. For more information, call ext. 4389.
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17 The Michigan Opera Theater offers "The Original Broadway Revue" from 8 p.m. to midnight in the SVSC Theatre. For more information, contact Program Board at ext. 4170.

17-18 "Health Yourself -- 1987" will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Doan Center. For more information, contact Health Services at ext. 4272.

19 Industrial Relations Research Association, dinner and meeting, 6 to 10 p.m. in the Lower Level Doan Center. For more information, call ext. 4064.

23 Women's basketball vs. Hillsdale College, 7 p.m., Cardinal Gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for students. For more information, contact the Athletic Center at ext. 4114.

25 "What Has Happened to the Constitution" is the title of a panel discussion beginning at 7 p.m. in the Delta College Theatre. For more information, contact Dr. John Jezierski at ext. 4337.

26 Men's basketball vs. Hillsdale College, 7:30 p.m., Cardinal Gymnasium. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for students. For more information, call the Athletic Center at ext. 4114.

27 Computer Science Programming Contest for high school students will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Lower Level Doan Center. The event is sponsored by the Association for Computing Machinery. For more information, call ext. 4343.
