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\* EVENTS MARK BLACK HISTORY MONTH  
\* CONTINUING EDUCATION OFFERED FOR TEACHERS

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## STATE OF THE COLLEGE ADDRESS LISTS ACHIEVEMENTS, CHARTS COURSE FOR FUTURE

"We are all part of a magnificent endeavor which has as its primary motivation the realization of human potential. When we retire and look back at this great institution we have built, an institution which will endure as long as our democracy survives, we can justly feel proud of our accomplishment."

President Jack M. Ryder's closing remarks in his "State of the College" address drew warm applause from the faculty and staff gathered in Wickes Lecture Hall last Friday.

**President Ryder opened the annual message** by quoting from a recently published report by the National Commission on the Role and Future of State Colleges and Universities, chaired by Terrel Bell. "Ignorance is the enemy of democracy. Undeveloped intelligence that falls short of potential is a tragedy for the nation as well as a catastrophic denial of personal opportunity for the individual," are the first words of **To Secure the Blessings of Liberty**.

The report continues by citing signs of a gathering storm in education. It warns that the high school dropout rate is rising, and may reach 45-50 percent for minorities in

disadvantaged urban areas. Further, studies indicate that at least 23 million adults are functional illiterates. There are more than 50 million households in the U.S. where no member holds a bachelor's degree.

It notes that federal student aid has been decreasing while college costs skyrocketed, and warns of a nationwide shortage of teachers.

**The Commission recommends** a state-by-state effort to strengthen education at all levels. By 2001 at least 35 percent of American adults should have a college degree, the group believes. The report challenges state colleges and universities to assume leadership roles in producing the one million additional public school teachers required to meet the needs of elementary and secondary education during the next decade, and it asks state colleges and universities to direct resources toward working cooperatively with public schools and community colleges to reduce the high school dropout rate by 50 percent over a ten-year period.

**"Our nation's economic future, national security and the education of our people are inexorably linked together,"** Ryder said. He said that, while federal support for education has been lacking in recent years, Governor Blanchard has made

public education - elementary through collegiate level - one of his highest priorities during his first term, and promises to do the same in his second.

"Governor Blanchard in his budget message this year states, 'We are determined to make Michigan's public education system the best in the nation and the world.'"

**"What are we at Saginaw Valley State College** doing to respond to the recommendations of the Commission report and the Governor's challenge to make our system, and our institution, one of the best in the world?" Ryder said we need to take stock of where we are before we can plan effectively for the future.

**"Over the last three years** we have done a great deal of self analysis and the results will prove invaluable in planning for our future, which I think is particularly bright."

He pointed to the **institutional self-study** completed as part of the NCA accreditation process. Other reports, including basic institutional data and programs of instruction, also were prepared for NCA review. "Soon we will learn the result of the visiting team's evaluation and the action by the Commission as to how well we are meeting the NCA criteria." He said copies of the team's

report and the Commission action will be distributed when the final report, expected Feb. 26 or 27, is received.

Ryder listed three other studies that have campus-wide impact. They include the Academic Policies Committee **study of the Basic Skills program.** "These recommendations and my response to them are under consideration by the policies committee and will come before the appropriate bodies in the weeks and months ahead."

A report by the **Enrollment Control Committee** was received early in January and recommendations for action have been forwarded to the Academic Policies Committee, Ryder said. The committee sought to achieve a balance between providing high quality instruction to the greatest possible number of qualified students and the available fiscal resources.

The third report mentioned in the address was the work of the **Intercollegiate Athletic Program Review Committee.** Copies of the report are available in the library. Ryder said he is in the process of implementing several of the report's recommendations. He has asked Dr. Ann Dickey to develop an attitude survey that would assess not only athletics but all co-curricular activities. Further, he is prepared to appoint an athletic advisory council to generally monitor and advise on relationships between the Athletics Department and the campus as a whole.

"I have sought and gained the support for a study (of general fund spending on athletics at GLIAC schools) from three of my colleagues at

their respective institutions. The knowledge gained in this process should enable us to satisfy ourselves about our relative levels of funding (for athletics)."

Ryder said both the NCA self study and the Athletic Program Review Committee recommended appointment of a budget priorities committee. "Very shortly I will appoint an ad hoc committee that will within two months time investigate the utilization and structure of similar committees at other institutions...Once these recommendations are made, I anticipate forming the budget committee." Ryder said an outside consultant will be engaged to review the Athletics Department self study and other specific studies.

**Ryder briefly reviewed** the status of construction on campus, noting that "with the most modern campus in Michigan's system of higher education, we can better serve our students and our region of the state."

In concluding the address, **Ryder listed several essential ingredients** required for Saginaw Valley to move toward becoming among the best in the world. He said additional money is needed, and that he sees some light at the end of the tunnel. He noted we have been successful in securing money to support building openings. In addition, there is indication that a new funding model may recognize enrollment increases.

Another priority is fiscal support for planning a new business and professional development center. He asked administrative and academic units to look for ways and means of serving communities in the region, and he called

for action in "dealing with the thorny issue of General Education. I encourage all members of the faculty, the deans and Vice President Yien to do all in their power to resolve the issue."

**Ryder solicited ideas** for meeting the challenges of the future, and suggestions for funding of such initiatives. He announced that earlier in the day the Presidents Council had given its overwhelming approval for establishment of a Master of Science in Nursing program at SVSC. Initially, funding for the program will be assisted by a Federal grant. This, he indicated, is an example of innovative use of College and external resources.

Ryder asked for development of specific plans for achieving independent accreditation for the business and management, engineering, and education programs. Another priority is expanding opportunities for international experience.

**"We need to be recognized for the university that we are** by changing our name to Saginaw Valley State University," Ryder informed the audience. He reviewed a proposal that asks the legislature to take that step for SVSC and three other Michigan colleges.

**Of greatest importance** in achieving SVSC's potential, Ryder said, is for faculty, administration and staff to "learn to respect and appreciate each other for the talent and commitment that we bring to these noble tasks of teaching, research, and service." He asked for cooperation and support in working toward that goal, "not for me, but for Saginaw Valley State University and all that it can mean."

**FORUMS FOCUS ON BUDGET**

Two open forums were conducted recently to examine the 1986-87 College budget and answer questions about the budgeting process. On Jan. 26 faculty and staff were invited to meet in Doan Center, and a repeat session was offered on Feb. 5 in Wickes Lecture Hall. Prior to the forums, all faculty and staff received a 16-page report providing background detail on the budgeting process, comparisons of actual State appropriations to SVSC's request for funds, copies of the 1985-86 and 1986-87 General Fund budgets approved by the Board of Control, and various other background data.

Information in the reports was reviewed by administrators, who also responded to questions from the audience. The forum was opened by Dr. Robert Yien, vice president for academic affairs, who discussed some basic assumptions used by the budget committee in preparing the current budget. He told forum participants that the committee, which included Yien, Richard Thompson and Jerry Woodcock, first looked at the amount of "new dollars" - increases in State appropriations that were not specifically earmarked for certain projects or activities, and thus available for general operations. The first priority for expenditure of those funds was the hiring of four new full-time faculty.

Controller James G. Muladore reviewed the differences between SVSC's request for funding in 1986-87 and the actual appropriations received. He explained differences between program maintenance funding available for general operations and program revision requests and other targeted appropriations. He also pointed out that the

State and the College have differing fiscal years, which affects the budgeting process.

Dr. Ann Dickey noted that State appropriations now make up 66.7 percent of the College's total budget, up from the percentage of State support received in the early 80's, but still below the proportion received prior to the recession. Tuition increases have been necessary to make up the difference. "We have had to balance two factors -- the amount of revenues needed and what students can afford." She presented several graphs comparing appropriations received by Michigan's public colleges and universities per full year equated student, as well as enrollment patterns at the schools.

Vice president Woodcock discussed SVSC's operating budget and provided information about planned library spending in response to a question raised at the Jan. 26 forum. He indicated that the College is in year three of a five year plan that calls for spending ranging from \$298,900 in the first year to \$452,000 by 1988-89. He added that, through the Special Funds Project, the Foundation hopes to establish a fund of \$550,000 that can be used like an endowment, with interest used for library purchases. The principal would be available only for emergency spending.

Comments from forum participants included a request from Larry Kickham, associate professor of accounting, that actual expenditure figures be presented, rather than only budgets. He said this would make future forums more productive. Woodcock explained that audited reports

are on file in the library, but said the request would be considered for future meetings. Dr. Hong Park, professor of economics, asked that faculty be allowed more input on developing College budgets. President Ryder responded that the College's long range planning process, "if it is working as intended," is supposed to provide the opportunity for all faculty and staff to work through their unit heads in setting goals and requesting resources. Questions also were raised about allocating necessary resources to those departments who are seeking special accreditation for their programs. Dr. Dickey said departments or schools with such requests should develop plans that include resources needed and timelines for achieving them.

**FINANCIAL AID FORMS AVAILABLE**

Faculty and staff are asked to remind students eligible for financial aid to contact the Financial Aid Office.

The forms should be mailed to College Scholarship Services by Monday, February 16 in order to process applications by April 1.

Financial aid workshops are set to take place today and Wednesday, February 11. In addition, financial aid counselors are available throughout the semester to assist students.

Many major changes have occurred in the Guaranteed Student Loan Program and in the assessment of a student's dependency status. Students should contact Financial Aid for information.

For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at extension 4393.

### SCHOOL OF EDUCATION OFFERS CONTINUING ED FOR TEACHERS

In an effort to make area school systems a "vital and integral part" of the teacher education program at SVSC, the school of education is offering "Updating Your Knowledge About Reading."

Dr. Kenneth Wahl, director of student teaching, said he hopes SVSC can serve as a hub for ideas and meetings among area school districts, and the February 16 program will be the first of many sponsored by the College.

"We have to make teacher education an on-going thing," Wahl said. "We have to keep people 'up' on what's going on in education."

The informational session will discuss current findings in reading research.

Dr. Susie Emond, professor of education; Dr. Elaine Stephens, chairman and associate professor of education, and Fran Mester, project director for Chapter I, Article 3 Reading programs K-12 in the Bangor Township School District; will conduct the two-hour workshop Monday, February 16, in lower level Doan.

"This is a small beginning, but we're really excited about the prospect of a much closer working relationship between teachers in area schools and faculty members in the school of education," said Dr. Kenneth DePree, interim dean of the school of education.

Both DePree and Wahl have several years' experience as public school administrators, in addition to work at SVSC. Wahl served as superintendent of the Bangor district.

DePree said that while he was a superintendent, most recently in Hyde Park Schools in New York, there was virtually no contact with teachers' education programs in area colleges.

"There is very little communication between (districts) and colleges," DePree said.

DePree said the state of Michigan is requiring more stringent rules for re-certification of teachers.

"We agree that's necessary," he continued. "But we would be doing this if the state weren't pushing schools in that direction."

Wahl said there has been overwhelming research that has had a significant impact on reading programs.

"We're getting so much more information on how people learn, and situations are changing so much, you can't just get certification and end your training," Wahl said. "If we can't do (the training) at the college level, then we're not really in teacher education."

DePree continued: "Teacher training schools have to assume responsibility for teachers. We have to continue to provide support for teachers."

DePree said he thinks in the future private industry will also begin to offer continuing education for teachers, thus providing more competition for colleges.

"Everybody will be competing for the same group of people," he said. "If they come here, it will be because we are offering something worthwhile."

"I really see teacher education as a two-way street," Wahl added. "Public schools need to tell us what they need and we have to tell them what we can provide."

For reservations, contact the student teacher supervisors: Charleen Adcock, Barbara Bacon, Claudia Beechuk, Libby Kelly, Barbara Kiertzner, Ruth Ann Lundgren, Carol Wolfe, or call extension 4057 for Irene Carroll in the student teaching office.

### GRADUATES AWARDED FELLOWSHIPS

Two students who earned bachelor's degrees in criminal justice have been awarded fellowships for advanced study.

Rodney M. Charles of Escanaba received a fellowship for advanced degree work in criminal justice at Michigan State University. Charles, the son of Fred Charles, earned cum laude honors. A member of the football team, he graduated in April 1986 and began coursework at MSU in the fall.

Faith Elizabeth Lutze of Mt. Morris received a graduate fellowship and research assistantship for graduate study at the University of Cincinnati. Lutze, the daughter of Wayne and Sheila Lutze, completed her degree, cum laude, during the summer of 1986.

### IF-2 BOOKSHELVES EN ROUTE

Delivery to the approximately 20 faculty members who made requests for bookshelves should begin next week.

The bookshelves were in addition to the original order made to Earl Warrick.

## **EVENTS CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

Numerous activities are scheduled to mark Black History Month in February. The emphasis of the events will be on the sesquicentennial and Michigan's contributions to black history.

Activities will kick off today beginning at 10:00 p.m. with the showing of the film "Mahogany," starring Michigan's Diana Ross and Billy Dee Williams and Anthony Perkins. The film follows a poor girl's trek from Chicago to becoming the toast of the international fashion world.

Saturday, February 14, a gospel concert will take place at 8:00 p.m. in the Theatre. Gospel choirs from throughout Michigan are scheduled to perform.

A series of films focusing on black history and culture will be shown Monday through Wednesday, February 16 through 18, beginning with "Poletown Lives," at noon and 4:00 p.m. in the large private dining room of the Doan Center. The film tracks the organizing attempts of elderly black and Polish residents as they resist the demolition of their neighborhood for a new automobile manufacturing plant in Detroit.

Tuesday, February 17, "El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz," a film which focuses on Malcolm X, who spent much of his boyhood in Michigan will be shown at noon and 4:00 p.m. in Pioneer Hall, Room 109.

Wednesday, February 18, at 4:00 p.m. in the large dining room of the Doan Center, "Martin Luther King Jr." will be shown. In the film, Coretta King and three close friends of the late civil rights

leader discuss King and his impact on the civil rights movement.

Also on Wednesday, students will model the latest styles and fashions for a "Fashion Extravaganza." The fashion show will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Doan Center.

Beginning at noon Tuesday, February 24, Dr. John Jezierski, professor of history, will discuss "The Goodridge Brothers," in Pioneer Hall, Room 213. Jezierski will discuss his research of Wallace and William Goodridge, who arrived in the Saginaw valley in the early 1860s and began one of the state's pioneering photographic firms.

Also on Tuesday, an open discussion on improving communications on campus will take place from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the faculty lounge of Wickes Hall. Nellie Monroe, associate professor of social work, will monitor a discussion on improving communications with all campus minority populations.

Events for Black History Month will conclude with a fellowship dinner beginning at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, February 26, in the lower level of the Doan Center. Ethnic foods and a number of speakers will be featured.

Events are sponsored by Program Board, Sigma Sweethearts, the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Black Students Association, History/Political Science Club, Phi Beta Sigma fraternity and Campus Activities.

For further information on any activities, please call Campus Activities at extension 4170.

## **'ORIGINAL BROADWAY REVUE' SET FOR FEBRUARY 17**

The Michigan Opera Theatre is scheduled to perform several music selections during Jerome Kern's "Original Broadway Revue" Tuesday, February 17.

The hour-long revue takes the audience on a whirlwind tour of Broadway, beginning with a tribute to Kern, the father of American musical theater. The show continues with highlights of the melodies of George and Ira Gershwin, and depicts the sophistication of Cole Porter. The musical extravaganza will close with a glimpse at some of the popular shows of this decade, including "Cats," "Follies" and "Starting Here Starting Now."

Two performances by the MOT have been aired on the Public Broadcasting Service and one musical piece was sent to Broadway.

The performance will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the Theatre. Tickets are \$2 and are available at the door or in advance through Campus Activities, extension 4170.

## **SCIENTIST IN RESIDENCE TO DISCUSS OZONE**

Dr. W. Brock Neely, the College's first scientist in residence, is scheduled to discuss "Stratospheric Ozone Problem: Fact or Fiction?" during a lecture beginning at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 17, in Room 206 of the science building.

Neely is a researcher with Dow Chemical Co. and has published articles in more than 40 publications.

The lecture is sponsored by the Biology Chemistry Club.

## FAIR OFFERS WELLNESS TIPS

The third annual "Health Yourself" fair is scheduled to take place Tuesday and Wednesday, February 17 and 18 in the Doan Center.

The two-day fair will feature more than 30 booths, including several from area hospitals and the athletic department.

Activities will take place each day from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

According to Gloria Hansen, coordinator of health services and director of Health Yourself - 1987, most of the booths will be participatory.

Booths include testing for diabetes and high blood pressure. Demonstrations will be given in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and first aid and several informational booths will be set up.

Members of a local 4-H group also will have a booth.

According to Hansen, the purpose of the fair is to promote wellness through learning.

John Curry's food service department will provide healthy snacks during the fair for a nominal fee. There is no charge for any of the other activities.

## BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- The second in the series of Constitutional events will take place at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 11, in the Theatre. A debate will focus on "The Meaning of the Constitution."

-- The **East Central Michigan Inventors Club** meeting, originally scheduled for February 5, will take place

May 7 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in lower level Doan.

-- The **Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club** will meet at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 11 in lower level Doan. The group will discuss interview techniques.

-- The Salad Bar Concert at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, February 12 will feature the **Venner Performing Arts Group** from Frankenmuth High School. The concert will take place in lower level Doan.

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

## HIGH FIVE

-- Lisa Jay was the lone **indoor track** qualifier for the NAIA indoor track nationals, to take place February 27 and 28. Jay competed February 7 in the 60-yard hurdles at the Spartan Relays.

-- The **women's basketball** team soundly defeated Oakland University February 7, 74-54. The victory was the Lady Cards 22nd of the season.

-- The **men's basketball** team dropped a 66-55 decision to Oakland University February 7. The defeat put the Cardinals at 2-9 in the GLIAC.

Both men's and women's basketball teams will host Wayne State Thursday, beginning at 5:45 p.m.

## EVENT WATCH

Feb. 11...Entrepreneurs  
Feb. 12...Venner concert  
...WBB vs. WSU  
...MBB vs. WSU  
Feb. 14...Gospel concert  
...Computer Club  
Feb. 17...Chamber Music  
...Michigan Opera Theater

For times and details, see monthly calendar or call Information Services



President Dr. Jack Ryder addresses members of the College community Friday, February 6, in his annual State of the College address. During the address, Dr. Ryder talked about the College's obligation to the community and the need for greater knowledge among the nation's population.