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**MIDLAND FIRM AWARDED BID FOR WICKES HALL RENOVATION**

The College is a very busy place for construction these days: That will not let up for quite some time, as the state recently awarded the bid for the Wickes Hall renovation. Gerace Construction Co. of Midland was named the general contractor May 19. Gerace was the low bidder among five firms submitting quotes.

Gerace's base bid was $2.9 million. With the addition of three of seven selected alternatives, the cost of the renovation is expected to be $3.317 million, according to Bob Hanes, director of engineering services.

The additional work includes wiring for telephones and computers for $98,000; putting a new elevator on the north side of the building for $118,000; and replacing third floor fans with smaller, quieter and more efficient fans for $115,000, Hanes added. The College had asked for prices on seven items beyond the basic renovation. The state approved funding of three.

Representatives of the construction company and members of the engineering services staff are planning to meet Wednesday. Renovations will begin soon, possibly as early as next week, according to Hanes. The anticipated completion date is the fall of 1988, he added.

In the meantime, while renovation begins on the first and second floors and the south end of the third floor, the offices of the registrar, academic support services, deans of business and management, arts and behavioral sciences, education and student affairs, as well as student government, will remain on the third floor. Computer services will stay on the second floor. All offices will be moved to new floors as renovations are completed, Hanes said.

A major overhaul of most areas of the building is expected. Wickes Lecture Hall will receive only new carpeting and seating, but will remain closed until the building is completed, in accord with state fire and health codes.

Hanes said Gerace has not performed work for the College in the past, but was responsible for much of the construction at Dow Corning Corp., including the Dow Corning Center. Gerace also constructed a building for Northwood Institute, working in cooperation with Dow-Howell-Gilmore-Associates Inc. of Midland, the Wickes renovation architects. Dow-Howell-Gilmore-Associates Inc. was also the architect for Instructional Facility No. 2.

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... Wickes Hall was built in 1969 and originally housed the College president and vice presidents and their staffs, and business offices. As the College expanded the number of faculty and academic deans on campus, the former residents were moved to accommodate them.

... Once renovations are completed on Wickes Hall, the first floor will house all student services, including admissions, financial aid, student government, the dean of student affairs, placement, academic support services and the registrar.

... The second floor will accommodate computer services, health services, information services and the nursing program.

... Wickes' third floor will house the president, vice presidents and the business offices.

... The Administrative Services Building will contain personnel, physical plant, purchasing, engineering services and public safety offices.
BOARD OF FELLOWS ANNOUNCES NOMINEES FOR OFFICERS, MEMBERS

The SVSC Board of Fellows elected officers at its May meeting. A six-member membership and nominating committee also submitted a list of names to replace two resigning members and others who are not seeking reappointment.

New officers for the 1987/88 year are Margaret Darger, chairperson; Bert Baker, vice chairperson; and Edward Mc Ardle secretary/treasurer. Darger was vice chairperson; Baker was secretary/treasurer. Outgoing chairperson is Daniel Toshach.

JAPANESE LANGUAGE, CULTURE COURSES SCHEDULED FOR JUNE

Two Japanese Language and Culture for Business and Family courses will be offered beginning June 10 at the Japanese Cultural Center and Tea House of Saginaw.

An adult course will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, June 10 through July 15. Cost is $42 per person. A children's course will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, June 11 through July 16 at a cost of $41 per child.

The courses are designed to provide a basic "hands-on" approach to Japanese language and culture.

For further information, contact continuing education at extension 4348.

SEMINAR PROVIDES HOW-TO ON GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

The Saginaw Area Growth Alliance, Contract Procurement Office; the Bay Area Growth Alliance; and the Midland County Economic Development Corp., in cooperation with the Business and Industrial Development Institute at SVSC, are sponsoring a workshop on "Wrapping Up Government Contracts: A Workshop On How To Interpret Government Packaging Specifications."

The seminar will take place from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 24 in the large seminar room of the Administrative Services Building. Reservations are due June 22 to the office of BIDI, extension 4048. Cost of registration is $25.

Partial financial sponsorship is being provided by the Michigan Department of Commerce, the Job Training Partnership Act and the U.S. Department of Defense.

SVSC NETS GRANT TO TRAIN ADULT FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS

SVSC recently received a grant of $2,971 to provide training to adult foster care providers. The grant will be used to sponsor three courses of four sessions each (four hours per session) to 12 trainees from the counties of Bay, Midland, Saginaw, Tuscola and Huron.

The College plans to first conduct a needs assessment with area county Department of Social Services offices. The assessment will identify which courses should be offered. Realistic training then will be given to area providers to enhance their ability to provide the best possible care for adult foster care clients.

The College hopes to train a minimum of 36 people in the adult foster care industry via the courses. Two possible courses would deal with programs for aged residents and facility management.

Possible course instructors include Patricia Rae, associate professor of social work; Dr. James Syphers, associate professor of social work; Sandra Pitts, geriatric social worker with the Geriatrics Institute of Mid-Michigan in Midland; Robert Thrash, program director of Insight International Inc.; Barbara McGregor, clinical social worker with Family and Children's Service of Midland; and Andra Machul, director of social services, Hospice and Oncology Home Care at St. Mary's Hospital.

The College currently has more than 50 students in agencies in a four-county region doing their field placements.

The program will be prepared by the Office of Conferences and Professional Development Programs.

BOOKSTORE, CENTRAL STORES ANNOUNCE INVENTORY CLOSINGS

The SVSC Bookstore will be closed Tuesday, June 30 for inventory and will reopen at noon Wednesday, July 1.

Central Stores also will be closed for inventory Wednesday, June 24 through Friday, June 26. Central Stores will reopen Monday, June 29. No orders will be filled during this time; departments should plan accordingly.

FANS AVAILABLE

Employees are reminded that only College-approved fans may be used in order to prevent safety and health hazards. Energy efficient and safe-to-operate fans are available through business services. The fans will be charged to departmental accounts. They are 12-inch oscillating fans.
CAREER COUNSELING OFFERS AID TO EDUCATION STUDENTS

In light of the crowded conditions in the school of education due to the number of requests for admittance, Allyn Talg, coordinator of career counseling, has plans to provide assistance to any student not accepted.

"As a career counselor, I am willing to work with any student who is not accepted into the school of education to help them find new directions and opportunities for themselves," Talg said. She also said she will work with freshmen and sophomores considering teaching as a career.

Talg said the guidance may help those students prepare for alternative opportunities if they are not accepted into the school. Those that are accepted will have had the chance to thoroughly consider their decision and have a stronger commitment to teaching, she added.

Dr. Ken DePree, interim dean of the school of education, said the school would be "taking Allyn up on her very welcome offer."

AREA TEACHERS, PRINCIPALS RECOGNIZED BY EDUCATION

Nearly 300 area teachers and principals from 70 elementary, middle and secondary schools recently were sent certificates of recognition by the SVSC school of education for their cooperation with teacher education students.

Dr. Elaine Stephens, chairperson of curriculum and instruction in the school of education, said the certificates were sent to express the school's appreciation to the people who have worked with the College's students in field work and student teaching. "We didn't realize that many were working with us," Stephens said.

She added that those that work with the College's students do so voluntarily. Since the notes were sent, Stephens continued, a number of people have contacted her thanking the school for the certificates.

This year is the first the school has sent the certificates. However, Stephens said they will continue to be sent to those that cooperate with the school.

Certificates were sent to Bay City, Midland and Saginaw schools, in addition to school districts in the Thumb area and those north of SVSC.

"It is our philosophy that field work is a very important component of teacher education," Stephens said. "You have to have actual classroom experience. That can only be provided with the cooperation of classroom teachers."

TWO STUDENTS RECEIVE HISPANIC STUDENT HONORS

Two SVSC graduates recently were honored for their college achievements by the state office of Hispanic Education.

Ricardo Pastor Jr., a 1987 grad, was named Michigan's Outstanding Hispanic College graduate with a bachelor's degree. Pastor -- son of Dr. Ricardo Pastor, Spanish professor -- majored in electrical engineering.

Teresita Lumbereras, also a recent graduate, received honorable mention for her achievements while completing her college education. Lumbereras majored in elementary education.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- The summer book buyback, sponsored by the SVSC Bookstore, will take place from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. today and June 22 and 23. All approved paperback and hardcover books will receive some form of a refund.

-- Orientation for new and transfer students will take place from 8 a.m. to noon Wednesday and Thursday at various points across campus.

-- The Saginaw Computer Club will meet from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 13, in Pioneer Room 224.

-- A cystic fibrosis fundraiser will take place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, June 13. The Dambro's Sports Challenge will take place at various places on campus.

-- A Cardinal Youth Football Camp will take place June 15 through 19 for 8 to 14 year olds.

-- New summer hours for the Michigan Employment Security Commission representative, Jill Szagesh, will be from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the office of placement and cooperative education. The hours will be in effect until September.

-- Brenda Gasser, Chesaning senior, received the 1987 Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award in recognition of her scholastic achievements. She is majoring in business and management. Gasser was selected by professors in the law and finance department.
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extension 4397

BASIC SKILLS TESTING

Testing for basic skills by academic support services is scheduled from 4 to 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 16 in Brown 109. The writing test will begin at 4 p.m., followed by math testing at 5 p.m. and the reading test at 6 p.m.

All appointments must be completed and confirmed no later than the day before testing by calling ext. 4284.

SEMINAR FOCUSES ON WRITING

WritersFest '87, "The WritersFest Experience," will take place Saturday, August 8 at the St. Clair Inn. For information or reservations, call (313)357-0136 by July 10.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

-- Mr. James G. Muladore, controller and budget director, was among the first 22 graduates of Leadership Saginaw, a program to train future community leaders. The first participants for the eight-month program were chosen by a selection committee of community representatives. Coordinator of the program was the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce.

-- Mr. Tom Waske, sports information director, has been appointed as information director for the GLIAC. Waske had served three years as NAIA District 23 information director.

TRANSITIONS

This column lists several staff changes that occurred during May.

New staff

-- Ms. Doreen Bierlein (ext. 4080), hired as grounds specialist for physical plant.

-- Mr. Gerald Forsythe (ext. 4141), hired as part-time police officer in the department of public safety.

-- Ms. Janet Joyce (ext. 5636), hired as coordinator of microcomputer laboratories. Joyce received a bachelor of science degree from Cornell University and an M.A.T. from Texas A&M.

Transfers/Promotions

-- Mr. John Sheneman (ext. 4080), transferred to grounds/maintenance in physical plant. Formerly third-shift custodian.

Departing staff

-- Ms. Quin Brunk, formerly a temporary nursing instructor.

-- Mrs. Faith Edwards, formerly assistant professor of nursing.

-- Mrs. Pamela LaDouce, formerly staff assistant, facilities scheduling and conference bureau.

-- Ms. Marguerite Schonholtz, formerly associate professor of nursing.

PERSONNEL

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

NURSING, four tenure-track faculty positions and two one-year, temporary faculty positions are available for fall 1987. Masters of science in nursing with commitment to pursue doctoral work is required; Ph.D preferred.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, physical and health education, full-time, permanent (replacement) position. Doctorate preferred with college teaching experience. Salary negotiable.

Deadline for internal applications is June 15 to the personnel office. For further information contact personnel at extension 4112.

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HIGH FIVE

-- The men's golf team finished 16th overall in the NAIA National Tournament hosted by Tri-State University in Angola, Indiana. Members of the team took turns leading each day of the four-day tournament. Junior Vic Morgan of Freeland was the low scorer for the Cards, turning in a 304 total. He missed the All-American cut by seven strokes.

EVENT WATCH

June 10&11...Orientation
June 13...Cystic Fibrosis Fund-raiser
June 15-19...Youth Football Camp
June 22&23...Saginaw Computer Club
June 8, 1987

After considering the matter for more than an hour, Board members decided to delay action on the administration's proposal for 1987-88 tuition and fee rates. A special meeting for that purpose tentatively has been scheduled for June 29.

The discussion of tuition and fee increases began when the Board reconvened following a closed executive session to consider issues related to collective bargaining. Negotiations presently are taking place between the College and the SVSC Faculty Association, with the current contract due to expire June 30.

The Pioneer Hall Board Room was packed with students who came to express their concern over the proposed tuition hikes. While most listened attentively to the administration's presentation and the Board's deliberations, some students took a more active role, asking Board members to consider a tuition freeze.

Student Government president Lisa Tucker reminded Board members that sources of financial aid are decreasing, so tuition increases have an even greater impact. "I ask that you vote to deny any increase in tuition," Tucker said. She indicated, however, that students realize the Board is responsible for the financial stability of the College, and that some tuition increase might be deemed necessary. "If you must (increase tuition), hold the cost to the increase in the cost of living," she asked.

Dr. John Willertz, president of SVSCFA, cited figures showing that faculty salaries and fringe benefits at many Michigan colleges and universities account for only about 25 percent of general fund expenditures. If part time and summer salaries are included, Willertz said, the instructional salaries make up only 30.9 percent of SVSC's general fund budget. On this basis, Willertz said $13.32 of the $51.75 per credit hour tuition now paid by Michigan undergraduate students at SVSC goes to support faculty salaries and benefits. He suggested that the "other 70 to 75 percent" of costs making up the budget be analyzed for potential savings.

Mark Rickard, a guest student this summer, noted that the minimum wage, used as the pay rate for CWS programs, has not increased since 1981. "In the same seven year period, SVSC has increased tuition 56 percent," he said. Rickard said it is increasingly difficult for students to pay higher tuition costs, and many times their only alternative is to finance their education through student loans.

Roger Powell, vice president of Student Government, expressed concern that students did not learn the size of the proposed increase in time to present a counter proposal for the administration's consideration. "We heard of the increase last Tuesday -- six days ago. We need more time if we are to make a decision," he said.

Tucker also asked the Board to consider the demographics of the area. "Many of our students are over 25 and take less than a full load. Many have been laid off. They need education so they can return to a job and feed their families."

Board member Charles Curtiss also urged the administration to recognize that "this area has some unique problems. Staying 6 or 7 or 8 (rank for tuition rates among Michigan's 15 public colleges and universities) doesn't recognize that our economy is different than Grand Rapids or other areas. Our average wage is declining."

Tucker suggested that students might prefer larger classes if it meant that tuition increases would be smaller. "All we are asking is time to consider and present alternatives," she said.

Student senator Loren Bradley reminded the Board
that the Enrollment Control Committee's report had recommended slowing enrollment increases to keep growth in line with resources.

Board member Henry Klykylo moved to table the question and consider it at a special meeting. The motion, seconded by Curtiss, was approved, and June 29 was tentatively set for the special session.

President Jack M. Ryder indicated the administration would be unlikely to alter its proposal significantly, but would probably ask the Board to reconsider the current proposal.

The requested rates would increase tuition by $3.25 per credit hour for Michigan undergraduate students, from $51.75 to $55. The general service fee of $3 per credit hour would remain constant, so students would face a total increase of 5.9 percent. For a student carrying 31 credits per year, this would amount to an additional $100.75.

A proposed increase of $5 per credit hour would bring Michigan graduate tuition from $74 to $79 per credit hour, a 6.5 percent increase when fees are considered. Out-of-state undergraduates would pay $111 per credit hour under the proposed schedule, up from $104 for the 1986-87 year. Graduate tuition for non-Michigan residents would rise from $145 to $155 per credit hour.

Speaking in support of the proposal, President Ryder presented data showing that the Higher Education Price Index (cost of goods and services used by colleges and universities) has risen faster than the CPI (consumer price index). He noted that the CPI rose much faster than faculty salaries. "We must make up the losses that occurred during the recessionary period," he said. Ryder reviewed the College's budget request to the legislature, noting that with PRR's (Program Revision Requests) SVSC had asked for a 25.4 percent increase in next year's appropriations. He said that request was based on the assumption that there would be no tuition increase.

Ryder said it appears unlikely that SVSC's final appropriation will approach the requested figure. The Governor's recommendation for SVSC represented a 10.6 percent increase, of which about 5.6 percent was earmarked for special purposes such as opening the Fine Arts Center.

The House version uses a formula that recognizes enrollment growth and calls for a 12.4 percent increase for the College. Again, many of the funds are earmarked, leaving about 7 percent increase on general fund monies. The Senate also used a factor recognizing enrollment growth and is recommending a total 15.6 percent increase for SVSC in general fund and special use funds.

Ryder said the legislative bodies will agree on a final bill, with the "compromise likely to be between 12.4 and 15.6 percent." In any event, he said, it will not provide sufficient resources for the College to implement all of the increases in faculty and services that administrators feel are needed for offering an educational experience of the highest quality. He said even with the increase in tuition, "it is still a bargain for students in this area to attend this college for the quality of education they will receive." He said the Governor and legislature were to be commended for increasing support to higher education. Approximately 32 percent of the cost of educating a student at SVSC will be paid by students through tuition and fees next year, with the state supplying 67 percent of the cost. The remainder comes from other sources.

The administration's proposal also called for increases in some student fees, while others remained constant. Those increasing would be the athletic season pass, from $20 to $25; late registration, from $10 to $15; return check service charge, from $5 to $10 for the first billing and $10 to $15 for the second billing; Macomb Program off-campus service fee from $18 to $21 per credit hour; Oscoda/Wurtsmith Center undergraduate tuition from $70 to $75 per credit hour and graduate from $80 to $85 per credit hour; and increases ranging from $1 to $4 per credit hour for off-campus courses, based upon distance from campus.

In other action, Board members approved designating the Fine Arts Center as the Dorothy (Honey) and Ned Arbory Fine Arts Center. The name recognizes the many contributions made by the Arborys to the development of Saginaw Valley State College, and especially to the fine arts center. Mrs. Arbory served as a member of the Board of Control for more than 23 years. During that time, she served on the board of the SVC Development Fund and on the SVSC Foundation. Both Ned and Honey Arbory played key roles in securing major contributions in support of the fine arts center. Both have been major benefactors of the College, and both have received honorary doctoral degrees from SVSC.