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## MICHIGAN SUGAR EXEC NAMED SVSU DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

David H. Roche, vice president for administration at Michigan Sugar Co., is the 1987-88 recipient of SVSU's Distinguished Alumni Award. He is the 13th person to receive the honor in the school's 25-year history.

Eligibility for the award is based on service to the community, the University and/or the SVSU Alumni Association, as well as an earned degree from SVSU.



Roche received a bachelor of arts degree from then Saginaw Valley College in 1970, with majors in accounting and economics. He served as vice president of Student Government and president of the student senate. While an undergraduate, he was awarded the Wall Street Journal student achievement award.

In 1971, Roche completed requirements for the master of business administration degree at Michigan State University. He was inducted into Beta

Alpha Psi, a national accounting honors society.

From 1971 to 1976 he was employed with Touche Ross & Co., Certified Public Accountants, as a member of the audit staff. He earned his CPA certificate in 1974.

Roche joined the Saginaw Township-based Michigan Sugar Co. as controller in 1976. He was promoted to vice president-administration and assistant secretary in 1980. He also is a trustee of the U.S. Beet Sugar Association, headquartered in Washington, D.C.

A Saginaw native, Roche has served on the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce board of directors since 1983. He sits on the advisory board to St. Mary's Medical Center and has served as a division campaign co-chairman for the United Way of Saginaw County.

Roche has actively supported the local activities of Boy Scouts of America and is active with Indian Guides. He is involved with various school and church activities in Saginaw Township, including the township "Support Our Schools" committee. In 1985 he served on the Educational Needs Study Committee for the Saginaw Township Community Schools. Currently he serves as a member of the strategic planning subcommittee, finance, for the school district.

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## Etceteras . . .

Previous winners of the Distinguished Alumni Award include the following:

. . . 1976: Thomas Eynon (1973 graduate).

. . . 1977: Sen. James Barcia (1975).

. . . 1978: Dr. Rosella Collamer (1967).

. . . 1979: Henry Hatter (1966).

. . . 1980: Delight Bladeki McGrandy (1974).

. . . 1981: Marylin Atkins (1973)

. . . 1982: John Broadfoot (1967).

. . . 1983: Dr. Dennis Hensley (1968).

. . . 1984: Dr. Dennis O'Connor (1975).

. . . 1985: B.J. Humphreys (1977).

. . . 1986: Dr. Dale Moliterno (1975).

. . . 1987: Gertrude Allen (1973).

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Roche has taught accounting part time at SVSU and is a past board member of the SVSU Alumni Association.

The Saginaw Valley Chapter of the Professional Secretaries International named Roche "Executive of the Year" in 1987.

Roche and his wife Rae Ann are the parents of three children, Melissa, David and Sarah. They reside in Saginaw Township.

#### **CEREMONY PLANNED TO DEDICATE MURAL MINIATURE**

Sometimes history repeats itself. When University officials dedicate a painting April 6, they'll be recalling a bit of our institution's history.

In 1974, through the combined efforts of a local artist, the Mid-Michigan College Consortium, college officials and volunteer students, a colorful mural was created to cover the north exterior wall of Cardinal Gymnasium. Unfortunately, that mural will be lost with the construction of the new health and physical education complex. The building will wrap around three walls of the gym.

Because he considered it an important part of SVSU's heritage, President Jack M. Ryder commissioned painting of a scale replica of the original mural, which measured 103 feet by 33 feet. The new, smaller version will be unveiled during a 4 to 6 p.m. reception in the Alumni Lounge on April 6.

The original mural, and its smaller counterpart, are designed by Midland artist/muralist David Torrez, who will be on hand for the unveiling.

Titled "Dawn of Education," the 1974 mural was deemed the largest exterior mural in Michigan at the time. Torrez directed the work of 33 volunteer assistants, who created the mural in approximately 1,000 combined work hours during a 24-day period -- a day less than was originally projected for the work. Acrylic paints, estimated to have a life of 15 years, were used. The north wall of the gymnasium was selected for its location and smooth, white surface.

The mural was a gift to Saginaw Valley College from friends of the Hispanic Community. Although it employs a basic theme for Hispanics and Native Americans, it is designed so all people can relate to it. It depicts mankind's advancements through education.

The campus community is encouraged to attend the unveiling.

#### **AIDS/ARC COUNCIL MEMBERS NAMED BY PRESIDENT RYDER**

President Jack M. Ryder recently appointed six members of the campus community to serve on the AIDS and ARC Council. The members of this committee are charged with providing the campus community with information concerning Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and AIDS Related Complex (ARC).

Chairing the council will be **Gloria Hansen**, coordinator of Health Services. Members of the committee are **Richard P. Thompson**, dean of Student Affairs; **Merry Jo Starrine**, director of Housing and Residential Life; **Nancy Dieke**, Personnel assistant; **Julie Reed**, Residential Housing Association represen-

tative; **Michelle Williamson**, Student Government representative; and **Dr. Louis Cohen**, assistant professor of psychology.

In September, the SVSU Executive Committee adopted a University wide policy and procedure statement concerning AIDS and ARC. One component of that policy was to establish an AIDS Council consisting of University faculty, staff and student representation.

The purpose of the council is to review current information regarding AIDS and to recommend any necessary changes to the University guidelines based on new knowledge.

The council is responsible for developing education strategies to communicate information to the campus community about AIDS, its transmission and the prevention thereof. The Council will meet a minimum of once a semester to review current AIDS information.

#### **SECRETARIAL/CLERICAL LUNCHEON SCHEDULED**

All members of the campus community are invited to participate in a luncheon honoring the secretarial/clerical staff of SVSU at noon, Monday, April 25 in Lower Level Doan.

This luncheon is taking place in recognition of our secretarial/clerical staff during National Secretaries' Week, April 25 through 29.

Reservations for this event should be made by April 18 in the Office of the President. Call extension 4041 for more information.

### HONORS THESES PRESENTATIONS SET FOR APRIL 7, 14 AND 19

Six graduating members of the Honors Program are scheduled to present their theses beginning April 7. All presentations begin at 4 p.m. in the Student Lounge.

On April 7, Joda Serbus of Corunna will discuss "A Qualitative Study of the 7 to 10 Year Old's Perceptions of a Pet's Death"; and Roberta Uhland of Saginaw will present "Cultural Insights: Strategies in Foreign Language Instruction."

On April 14, Catherine Choate of Unionville will talk about "The Pardon Which Clouded the Presidency of Gerald R. Ford"; followed by a presentation by David Perez of Saginaw, "The Supreme Court and the Exclusionary Rule."

Presentations will conclude April 19 with Susan Suing of Saginaw and Patricia Tucker of Frankenmuth. Suing will talk about "The White Indians: A New Perspective," while Tucker will address "The Lisle Letters and the Problems of Tudor Despotism."

The annual Honors Convocation will be at 4 p.m., April 21 in the Theatre.

### IEEE PLANS CONTEST

The SVSU chapter of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers is planning a contest to display the electronic gadgets members of the club have designed and constructed.

The demonstration and judging of the projects will take place from 10 a.m. to noon April 13 in Room 220 of Pioneer Hall.

The two-year-old club is part

of the northeast section of the IEEE. The SVSU contest winner will advance to the northeast section competition. This is the first year such a contest has taken place, according to Phil Tanner, treasurer of the SVSU club.

Among the electronic gadgets on display will be an audio sampler and a mechanical arm.

There are 36 members of the club. Dr. Mohamed El-Kasabi is the faculty adviser.

### FINAL BLOOD DRIVE SET

This is the last chance for members of the campus community to give blood. The final blood drive of the school year will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., April 19 in the Brown Concourse.

For more information, call Health Services at ext. 4271.

### MATHEMATICS AWARENESS WEEK APRIL 24-30 INCLUDES OLYMPICS

Celebrations at all levels are planned during Mathematics Awareness Week, April 24 through 30. During this week, the Admissions Office is sponsoring a Math Olympics.

The Olympics, on April 22, will feature regional high school students going head-to-head in mathematics competition.

This year's commemoration of Mathematics Awareness marks 100 years of American Mathematics. Mathematicians in university, college, industrial and governmental settings will participate in activities to communicate their achievements during the first century of mathematical endeavor in America and to predict future uses for math

in our technological and scientific society.

### BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- Stanley L.S. Dombrowski, manager of environmental affairs at Dow Chemical Co., will discuss cancer and carcinogens during a **Science Club Lecture** at 7:30 p.m., April 6 in Room 229 of Pioneer Hall. His talk is titled "Of Mice and Men."

-- The SVSU Early Music Collegium, Concert and Chamber choirs will present a **spring concert** of sacred music at 3 p.m., April 10. "Amazing Grace" will take place at the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church, 203 S. Michigan, Saginaw.

-- The American Red Cross will sponsor a **Children's Health Fair**, "Your Healthy Body," on April 12 and 13 in Doan Center. Health Services is assisting with the event for first through third graders.

-- The Admissions Office will sponsor its annual **Thumb Day** on Friday, April 15. During the event, Thumb area students will tour the campus and meet with current students from the Thumb, as well as alumni.

### ACROSS CAMPUS

-- A reception and potluck supper is planned for **Ms. Bonnie Witzke**, assistant teacher in the Children's Center. The reception will take place from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., April 21. The potluck will follow. Those planning to attend the potluck should call 753-8631 for reservations. Witzke is retiring this semester after nine years with the center.

**TRANSITIONS**

This column lists several staff changes that occurred during March. Please note the changes in your Faculty/Staff Directory.

**New faculty**

-- **Ms. Elizabeth Roe** (extension 4128), hired as clinical facilitator in the nursing program. She also will be an instructor of nursing beginning in the fall. Roe received a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Northern Michigan University and a master of science degree in medical/surgical nursing from The University of Michigan.

**New staff**

-- **Mr. John Leonard** (extension 5620), instrument repair technician in the college of Science, Engineering and Technology.

-- **Ms. Anne Mahoney** (extension 4168), hired as substance abuse counselor/SafeHaven coordinator. She has a bachelor of arts degree from SVSU.

**Departing staff**

-- **Dr. Leonard Herk**, formerly director of the Business and Industrial Development Institute.

-- **Mr. David Lewis**, formerly mailroom delivery clerk.

**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

-- **Dr. Crystal Lange**, dean of the College of Nursing, recently attended the Spring Annual Meeting of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing in Washington, D.C. Dr. Ernest L. Boyer, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, was the keynote speaker.

-- **Dr. Janet Rubin**, associate professor of communication and theatre, was a presenter during the spring conference of the National Council of Teachers of English at Boston on March 24. Rubin led a session on "Creative Drama and Decision Making."

**40 ATTEND PROGRAMMING CONTEST**

Forty area students attended the third annual SVSU/Association of Computing Machinery High School Programming Contest on March 25.

Students participated in a three-hour college-level contest. Each team included three students presented with programming problems, solvable in any of three languages.

Mohammad Bidgoli, associate professor of computer science, is the faculty adviser of the SVSU Chapter of ACM.

**HIGH FIVE**

-- The men's **baseball** team finished the weekend with a 5-1 record. The Cardinals swept Aquinas Thursday by scores of 8-2 and 4-2. On Friday, the Cardinals split with Western Michigan. The Cards won the first game on a home run by Rich Sparks, then dropped the second 6-5 in five innings. On Saturday, the Cardinals hosted Alma and took both ends of a double-header. Shawn Uzarski tossed a two-hitter in the first game for an 8-0 SVSU victory. In the second game, Uzarski hit a solo home run to right field in the first inning and had a bases-loaded double that drove in three runs to start off a nine-run second inning. The Cardinals won the game 13-6. They are now 11-5 and this afternoon play at

Bowling Green State University. The Cardinal's next home game is April 16 against GLIAC-foe Oakland University at 1 p.m.

-- The men's and women's **track** teams ran in the University of Indianapolis Relays last week and qualified two individuals and one relay team for national competition. Sue Breternitz qualified for the NAIA national meet in the discus with a toss of 142 feet, three inches. The women's 400-meter team of Sabrina Arnold, Jill Bigelow, Theresa Walgus and Jeanette Ewell finished first with a time of 47.7 to qualify for nationals. Tom Badour tied a school record in the high jump and qualified for nationals with a leap of six feet, nine inches.

**EVENT WATCH**

Apr. 6...SB vs. Hillsdale  
Apr. 6...Science Club  
Lecture: Cancer  
Apr. 10..."Amazing Grace"  
Apr. 10...SB vs. NI  
Apr. 12-13...Children's Health Fair  
Apr. 13...Purchasing Seminar  
Apr. 13..."Dylan Thomas"  
Apr. 13...Entrepreneurs Club: "Show and Tell"  
Apr. 14...Student Recognition Day

For information on these and other campus events, contact the Office of Information Services, extension 4054.

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- 6 The Lady Cardinal softball team will host GLIAC-foe Hillsdale College at 3 p.m.
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- 6 "Cancer and Carcinogens" will be discussed at 7:30 p.m. in Room 229 of Pioneer Hall. Stanley L.S. Dombrowski, manager of environmental affairs at Dow Chemical Co., will be the speaker.
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- 10 "Amazing Grace," a spring concert by the SVSU Early Music Collegium, Concert and Chamber choirs, will take place at 3 p.m. at the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church, 203 S. Michigan, Saginaw. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens. For further information, call ext. 4159.
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- 10 The Lady Cardinal softball team will host Northwood Institute at noon.
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- 12- The American Red Cross will sponsor a Children's Health Fair, "Your Healthy Body,"  
13 on April 12 and 13 in Doan Center. Area first through third graders will attend the activity. SVSU's Health Services will assist with the event.
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- 13 The Saginaw Valley Purchasing Managers Association is sponsoring a one-day conference on "Purchasing: Negotiation + Profit = R.O.I." The conference will address company survival techniques in the purchasing world. It is designed for all levels of management for all sizes of firms. The seminar will take place from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Wickes Lecture Hall. For registration information, contact Conference Bureau at extension 4348.
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- 13 Dr. Leslie Whittaker, SVSU professor of English, will discuss "Dylan Thomas" at noon in Room 224 of Pioneer Hall.
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- 13 The Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club will have its annual "show and tell" of business products and services in Lower Level Doan. Area entrepreneurs will display their wares and meet potential clients. The evening begins at 6 p.m. For reservations, call BIDI at ext. 4048.
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- 14 SVSU will recognize student employees and campus leaders during its annual Student Recognition Day at 11:30 a.m. in Lower Level Doan. Certificates of appreciation will be awarded at this time. In addition, new Student Government officers and senators will be installed.
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- 14 The Lady Cardinal softball team will host Aquinas College at 3 p.m.
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- 15 The Office of Admissions will conduct its annual Thumb Day for high school students from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities include a campus tour and meetings with SVSU students and alumni from the Thumb.
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- 15 Area business leaders will discuss what it takes to become competitive internationally during a morning conference in the Theatre. "A World Competitive Issues Forum" will address this issue from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Panel members include Michael Czinkota, deputy assistant director of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and President Jack Ryder. There is no admission charge. Reservations may be made by calling Conference Bureau at ext. 4348.
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- 15 The Valley Film Society will show "A Man Like Eva," at 7:45 p.m in the Theatre. The German film features subtitles. For ticket information, call ext. 4332.
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- 16 SVSU's men's and women's track teams will host a college track invitational from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Morley Track.
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- 16 The Cardinal baseball team will host GLIAC-foe Oakland University at 1 p.m.
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- 17 The Cardinal baseball team will host GLIAC-foe Wayne State University at 1 p.m.
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- 18 The Lady Cardinal softball team will host GLIAC-foe Grand Valley State University at 3 p.m.
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- 18 Ernie Rodgers will be the featured guest artist performing on the saxophone with the Jazz Ensemble at 7:30 p.m. in the Theatre. Rodgers is chairman of the fine arts department at Detroit Northwestern High School. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. For more information, call ext. 4159.
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- 19 Jose Mendoza Caamano, consul general of Mexico, will discuss "Mexico and the U.S.A.: Next Door Neighbors," at 4 p.m., in Room 106 of the Fine Arts Center. Refreshments will be served. Caamano's speech concludes the 1987 '88 International Lecture Series.
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- 21 SVSU's annual Honors Convocation will take place at 4 p.m. in the Theatre. The convocation recognizes graduates and members of the Honors Program and includes a guest speaker.
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- 22 The Math Olympics competition will get under way at 8 a.m. in the Theatre. The event features regional high school students in a contest of mathematical abilities.
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- 22 The Cardinal men's and women's track teams will host a high school track invitational from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Morley Track.
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- 23 Nearly 100 members of the Michigan College Chemistry Teachers Association will meet on campus. The group will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For further information, call ext. 4361.
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- 24 The Lady Cardinal softball team will host Siena Heights College at noon.
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- 24 The Cardinal baseball team will host GLIAC-foe Ferris State University at 1 p.m.
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- 27 The Valley Woodwind Quintet will perform at 8 p.m. in the Theatre. The quintet features members of the SVSU faculty and Midland Symphony principals. For ticket information, call ext. 4159.
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- 29 The Cardinal baseball team will host Northwood Institute at 1 p.m.
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- 29 The Valley Film Society will show "Stroszek," a German tale of three Berlin misfits who follow the American dream to Railroad Flats, Wisc. The film will be shown at 7:45 p.m. in the Theatre. For ticket information, call ext. 4332.
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- 29- The golf team will host the Bay Valley Intercollegiate golf tournament at Bay  
30 Valley Golf Club, April 29 and 30.
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- 30 The Michigan Association of Accounting Educators will conduct a conference on campus. For further information, call ext. 4338.
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- 30 The Cardinal baseball team will host GLIAC-opponent Grand Valley 1 p.m.
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