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CONSORTIUM TO OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY IN JAPAN

Michigan's public universities are combining efforts with officials in Shiga Prefecture to open an educational center in Japan. The Japan Center for Michigan Universities, located in the city of Otsu, expects to begin its programs in September 1989.

The Japan Center has three primary purposes, said Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Yien. "The Center seeks to contribute to the development of stronger ties between the U.S. and Japan; especially between the State of Michigan and Shiga Prefecture, because of their long history of friendship.

"Another goal is to promote mutual understanding and respect for each other's language, culture and customs through a location where people of Michigan and Shiga can study and do research together. The Center also will be a focal point for international educational exchange, open to local Shiga communities."

Proposed educational programs include credit courses for Michigan students in Japanese language and culture. English language programs will be offered to Japanese students and adults. "The Center also provides a natural setting where Shiga students and Michigan students can practice conversational English and Japanese in an informal setting," Yien said.

Workshops and seminars for professionals of Michigan and Shiga in the areas of business, communications and technology, education, science and technology will take place on a need basis.

The Center programs are open to all full-time undergraduates of Michigan's 15 public universities. Students enrolled in other institutions may apply on a space available basis.

Costs are estimated at $8,000 for travel plus room and board for two semesters of study. Students will live at the Japan Center in Shiga.

The State of Michigan is providing a limited number of partial scholarships, worth a maximum of $7,500 each for two semesters. Eligible students must be enrolled fulltime and should apply through the contact office specified for their university.

SVSU students can contact the Office of Continuing Education and International Programs for more information. Deadline for scholarship application is Feb. 1, 1989 for the fall 1989 program. Faculty are asked to assist in alerting students to this opportunity.

Etceteras ...

... A formal agreement for the Japan Center for Michigan Universities was signed by Governors Blanchard and Inuba on Monday, Sept. 19, 1988.

... The Japan Center consortium is an outgrowth of the Shiga/Michigan sister-state relationship that has endured for more than 20 years.

... Michigan State University will be responsible for administering Japan Center programs on behalf of the consortium.

... A joint Michigan/Shiga advisory committee, comprised of distinguished representatives from government, business, industry and higher education, will assist the consortium. The committee, which will have subgroups in Shiga and Michigan, will advise on long-range program priorities, help develop public awareness for the Japan Center and assist in securing public and private support of Center programs.

... Scholarship winners will be announced by March 15, 1989.
LADY OF THE LAKE -- Members of the trio "Lady of the Lake" perform during the Nov. 9 Lunchbreak Concert in Lower Level Doan. Those gathered were treated to Appalachian, Celtic and classical tunes played on the banjo, cello, flute, dulcimer and mandolin. The concert was sponsored by Campus Activities and Program Board.

SEÑORAS STEP -- Regional high school students perform a Spanish dance in the Fine Arts Center lobby during the 13th annual Foreign Language Day on Nov. 10. Other activities included films, skits and song contests and a cheerleading contest. The day was sponsored by the department of modern foreign languages.
BE A SNOW HOST!

The Office of Campus Activities is seeking faculty and staff willing to "host" stranded commuter students on snowy or icy nights. "Snow hosts" should live within five miles of the University.

To volunteer as a host, contact Campus Activities at extension 4170 by Dec. 2.

SNACK BAR HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Cardinal's Nest Snack Bar will close at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 22 for Thanksgiving recess and reopen at 7 a.m. Nov. 28.

VALLEY WOODWIND QUINTET CONCERT TONIGHT

The Valley Woodwind Quintet and Ann Arbor's Linden String Quartet and bassist Greg Powell will perform at 8 p.m. tonight in the Theatre. The quintet's performance will be one of more than two dozen the group has performed this season.

The groups will perform Schubert's "Octet, Op. 166." The quintet will follow with Telemann's "Trio Sonata in G Minor" and Darius Milhaud's "La Chiminee du Roe Rene." The quartet will perform excerpts from a piece by Mozart.

For complimentary tickets, contact the music department at extension 4159.

ROZIER FEATURED GALLERY ARTIST THROUGH DECEMBER 8

The large-scale paintings and drawings of Robert Rozier are on display in the University Art Gallery from Nov. 15 through Dec. 8. Rozier teaches painting, drawing and design and serves as gallery director at Alma College.

In his work, Rozier defines his world -- both the physical world of nature and his personal world of friends and family, according to Dr. Barron Hirsch, chairman of SVSU's art department. "He responds spontaneously to nature, observing the effects of light and color, form and structure."

Rozier's works have been displayed in the Pontiac Art Center, Mt. Pleasant's Creative Arts Gallery, the Saginaw Art Museum and several other locations.

The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to noon, Mondays and Wednesdays; and from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For details, call ext. 4391.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- The Magic of Stuart and Lori will play at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16 in the Theatre. Admission is free to students; $2 for faculty, staff and public. The program is co-sponsored by Campus Activities and Student Government.

-- Orientation for Adult Children of Alcoholics will take place from 5 to 6 p.m., Nov. 17 in Lower Level Doan. The event is sponsored by SafeHaven during Michigan Alcoholism Week, Nov. 14 through 18.

-- Health Services will sponsor a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 17 in the Brown Concourse.

-- The Great American Smokeout will be promoted all day Nov. 17 on campus. Non-smokers are encouraged to help their smoking friends make it through the day without a cigarette.

-- Dr. Donald Bachand, professor of criminal justice, will discuss "Labor Relations" from noon to 1 p.m., Nov. 17 in the Student Lounge of the Zahnow Library.

-- The Valley Film Society will show the French film "Soft Skin" at 8 p.m., Nov. 18 in the Theatre. The film is a portrayal of the disintegration of a middle-class marriage. For tickets, call ext. 4332.

ACROSS CAMPUS

-- The American Chemical Society Student Affairs Chapter at SVSU recently received an "outstanding" rating from the ACS Committee on Education for the chapter's performance during the 1987-88 year.

-- The campus community extends its condolences to Tim Lipan and his family on the recent death of his brother. Lipan has served as president of the SVSU Alumni Association since 1980.

AROUND TOWN

-- Marilyn Gorden Dresser, formerly administrative assistant in the President's Office, has opened a gallery, the "Art Kaleidoscope." Located in Bay City's historic Academy Center, the gallery features art and contemporary craft. A "Wearable Art Holiday Show" continues through November. From Dec. 3 through 21, a photography show will feature work by SVSU's Hideki Kihata, assistant professor of art. For information, call 892-8552 or 894-5123.
THANKSGIVING CLOSING

Campus offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving holiday. There are no classes on Wednesday, Nov. 23, but offices will remain open.

Payroll time cards are due Thursday, Nov. 17 for the pay period through Nov. 19. Hours for Nov. 17 to 19 should be estimated. Checks will be distributed Nov. 23.

SPRINGING OF HOLIDAYS ...

Unlike previous years, none of the offices in the Student Affairs' unit will remain open Dec. 23, 1988 through Jan. 2, 1989. That includes the Office of Admissions. (At last -- a real holiday for the troops!)

POLISH CHRISTMAS
CELEBRATION PLANNED

A traditional Polish Wigilia (Christmas Eve celebration) will take place from 6 to 10 p.m., Dec. 4 in Lower Level Doan. Additional details will appear in the Nov. 22 issue of The Interior.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

-- Dr. David Rayfield, professor of philosophy, has two photographs in the 11th annual photography exhibition sponsored by the Traverse City Arts Council. TCAC awarded Rayfield an "Honorable Mention" for photos titled "National Lakeshore, I" and "National Lakeshore, IV." The exhibition is on display through November at the TCAC gallery. Call (616) 947-2282 for open hours and details.

-- Congratulations to Dean of

Student Affairs Richard P. Thompson on receiving the "Man of the Year" award from the St. Thomas Aquinas (Saginaw parish) Athletic Association. Thompson received the award at ceremonies conducted Oct. 24.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday on Nov. 24 and 25, The Interior will not be published on Nov. 29. Regular publication will resume on Dec. 6.

HIGH FIVE

-- The football team finished its season Saturday on a sour note, losing 14-13 to Grand Valley. Robbs Cook rushed for 131 yards on 22 carries, including a 62-yard touchdown run. Cook finished the season with 1,051 rushing yards. Kevin Mitchell rushed for 79 yards to finish the year with 1,072 yards rushing. The Cardinals end the season with a 4-5 overall record and 2-3 in the GLIAC, for a fourth-place finish.

-- The volleyball squad lost two matches last week. On Wednesday, Saginaw Valley lost to Grand Valley, 15-5, 15-7 and 15-8. Thursday, Lake Superior defeated the Lady Cards 15-10, 15-8 and 15-9. The women's record is 12-23 overall and 1-14 in the GLIAC.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM HONORED

Various members of SVSU's cross country team received recognition at the annual awards banquet conducted last week. Four received first year awards: Todd Graham, Mike Hayden, Brady Simons and Trent Hostetler. Runners Dean Fuerst and Pat Richardson earned second year awards, with third year awards going to Alan Banaszak and David Cunningham. Seniors Brad Abendroth and Shaun Butler received fourth year honors.

In addition, team members Rick Gofton, Denny Kalahar, Brad Keillor and Ken Walrath were recognized.

SVSU fielded a women's cross country club for the first time this year. Members were Michelle Belknap, Phyllis Clawson, Becky Duda, Kathy McCartney and Carline Mighty.

Dave Cunningham will succeed Shaun Butler as team captain next year. Teammates voted Butler both the Most Dedicated and Most Valuable member of the 1988 team. Recognized as Most Improved were Fuerst and Todd Graham. Recipient of Most Outstanding Performance honors will be announced following the NAIA national meet later this month.

EVENT WATCH

Nov. 15...VWQ Concert
Nov. 16...Poetry Reading
Nov. 16...Magic Show
Nov. 17...Blood Drive
Nov. 17...Great American Smokeout
Nov. 17..."Labor Relations"
Nov. 18...VPS: "Soft Skin"

For information on these and other campus events, contact the Office of Information Services at extension 4054.
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In a marathon day, SVSU Board of Control members conducted a presentation ceremony, held a special session, met in joint session with Delta College trustees and discussed business items at an open committee meeting. In between they sandwiched receptions, a luncheon, a campus tour for Delta guests and answered questions from the press.

Prior to convening the special morning session, Board chairwoman Jo Saltzman read a brief statement to accompany distribution of a 25th anniversary publication. She reminded members that the charter establishing Saginaw Valley College as a private institution had been signed on Nov. 13, 1963.

In 1966 the Board of Control released a document titled "Design for a College" that outlined the goals, curricula and services SVC planned to offer.

"It is appropriate to review our progress against the measure of 'Design for a College' and other early benchmarks," Saltzman said. She said SVSU should continue to build on its past to insure a productive future.

President Jack Ryder also commented on the publication, titled "Design for a College: Revisited: the Prophecy, the Performance, the Projection."

He attributed the success of the university to efforts of faculty, staff, students, local legislators and citizens of the communities.

"I think this (booklet) is a good description of the prophecy, performance and projections for the future. It is rather amazing in such a short period of time to have the development that we have had."

Ryder noted that Charles Curtiss had served on the Board of Control from the inception of the institution.

"It is interesting when you reach a milestone," Curtiss said, "to consider whether you are old or young. At 25 years SVSU (has existed) one-sixth the life of this state, one eighth of the life of the nation. Our form of democracy is young."

The general session began with consideration of a report to the Board on the presidential pre-search study conducted by Academic Search Consulting Service. Dr. Bruce Alton, who along with Dr. Ronald Stead, conducted the ASCS study, presented the report and responded to Board questions.

Alton said the process of recruiting a new president presents several opportunities for SVSU. "It can create an environment that allows a number of constituencies to collaborate,"

he said. "It is an opportunity to look at ourselves, to focus on ourselves. And it is an opportunity for relationships with external groups."

As part of the process, Alton and Stead identified several strengths that make SVSU unique and would be attractive to a potential candidate. They listed:

* an unusual degree of private support
* enrollment growth
* diverse student body
* presence of local legislators who hold leadership positions
* small scale that provides for interaction
* a positive relationship between the Board and the president
* a modern, attractive physical plant
* a history of cooperation with Delta College
* the autonomy of Michigan universities
* the potential to provide economic leadership in the Saginaw Valley region.

The report identified needs:

* to strengthen governance and the development of a sense of community
* to attract necessary resources
* to review all academic programs and consolidate gains
* to revise the planning process and make it more effective, respected and collegial
* to achieve a clear sense of
mission and goals
* to convey that image to the community
* to continue to develop the presidential-Board relationship with the new president.

Alton and Stead's report also suggested several desired presidential qualities. Board member George Ward asked if they saw the next president in the role of caretaker during a period of consolidation, or as a builder. Alton responded that growth could be qualitative rather than quantitative during the next period. "However, shouldn't we have someone that would be very alert to reach out to new opportunities?" Ward questioned, adding that he felt that to be important to the dynamism of the university and the area.

The report advised that the presidential search committee include three members of the Board of Control, three faculty members, an administration appointee, a member to represent the SVSU Foundation and Board of Fellows, a student representative and an SVSU graduate. In addition, it might be desirable to add an "at-large" member to balance the group for ethnic and gender considerations. All members are to be appointed by the Board chairperson, with input from constituent groups.

Alton stressed the need for members to understand the time commitment necessary, as well as the need for confidentiality. The report also suggests a time table for action that, if followed, could culminate by May 1, 1989. Alton stressed the need to remain flexible, however, to achieve the best results.

Following discussion, the Board approved accepting the ASCS report as a guide, empowered the chairperson to appoint the search committee, and adopted as a charge to the committee eight elements listed in the report. The full report is available in the library.

In a separate action, the Board voted to retain ASCS for the balance of the search, at an approximate cost of $13,500 for fees and expenses. ASCS services will include four additional campus visits and assistance in developing a national network to identify and recruit qualified candidates.

Due to time factors, the general fund budget revision discussion was postponed. A special meeting for that purpose was set for Sun., Dec. 11.

The afternoon joint Delta/SVSU board meeting began with introductions, then comments by each president. SVSU's Ryder recalled that one of his first actions after assuming the presidency in 1974 was to meet with Delta President Donald Carlyon. "It has been an extremely positive relationship," he said. "Certainly there is room for both institutions to achieve their goals in service to the people of this region. The development of both institutions is critical to the economic development of this area."

Delta President Carlyon agreed that the institutions enjoy a good working relationship and noted that is "does not just happen; it is not happenstance," but is the result of conscientious effort.

He said Delta officials are "delighted" that voters approved Delta's millage request, and expressed appreciation to Dr. Ryder and other SVSU people for their work for passage of the issue. "To have such consistent support coming from Saginaw Valley I know made a difference."

The joint boards heard reports from Dr. Ralph Coppola, SVSU director of sponsored programs; Ms. Judy Thompson, Delta director of telelearning; and Mrs. Ruby Iwamasa, broadcasting coordinator of telecommunications at Delta, on the Greater Saginaw Valley Telecommunications Network. The Network is a consortium of six institutions serving a predominantly rural population in northeast-central Michigan. Their goal is to provide a K-university interactive educational network of audio, video and computer links.

Mr. James Dwyer, SVSU director of admissions; and Dr. Betty Jones, Delta's dean of academic affairs, reported on efforts to better serve minority students. Their reports covered joint activities through the KCP initiative, as well as other programs at each institution.

The boards also heard from Dr. Hal Arman, assistant to the president at Delta; and Dr. Thomas Kullgren, SVSU's dean of science, engineering and technology, on efforts to support area economic development. They range from membership in area groups to provision of services though SVSU'S BIDI and Delta's centers for retraining.

Following the joint session SVSU'S Business and Facilities Committee met to share information on several topics that will be on the agenda at upcoming regular meetings. The list included bonded facilities operating budget, parking lot construction, designation of the SVSU ecological research area and campus signage.