Former Board Chairman To Receive Honorary Degree

Dr. Richard H. Gilmore, who served on SVSU's governing board from 1971 through September 1988, will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree during May 6 Commencement ceremonies. Gilmore chaired the Board of Control in 1986 and 1987. He also served as vice chairman in 1985.

Born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, Gilmore graduated from the University of Pittsburgh Dental School. After serving with the U.S. Army Dental Corps, he conducted private practice dentistry in New Castle, Pennsylvania from 1946 to 1949.

In 1951 Gilmore received a master of science in orthodontics from the University of Michigan. He came to Saginaw that year and began a successful career in orthodontics spanning some 30 years.

His direct involvement with SVSU began as a member of the Board of Fellows in 1968, where he served until 1971. In 1988 he was again named to membership on this advisory board.

Both as a Fellow and as a member of the Board of Control, Gilmore and his wife, Alma, served SVSU in varied and significant ways. Gilmore promoted Saginaw Valley Dental Society support for scholarships at SVSU. He has served for 12 years on the SVSU Foundation board of directors, assisting with various fund raising efforts for the University. The Gilmorees played an active role in the successful campaign to secure private funds for the Arbury Fine Arts Center and donated a bronze, "Persephone," for the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery and Garden that is part of the Center.

Gilmore holds numerous professional memberships, including the Saginaw Valley District Dental Society (former president), the Saginaw County Dental Society (former president), the Michigan Dental Service Corp., the Michigan Dental Association, the American Dental Association, the Great Lakes Society of Orthodontists and the American Association of Orthodontists. He was selected as a "Fellow" in the American College of Dentists in 1972 and served on the board of directors of Delta Dental Plans of Michigan from 1959 to 1969.

Always active in community endeavors, Gilmore's past and current organizational memberships include Optimists Club, Saginaw JayCees, Saginaw Rotary Club, Saginaw Club, Germania Club, the Masonic Lodge, Saginaw Art Museum, Saginaw Valley Torch Club and Saginaw Y.M.C.A. In 1987 he was named a Paul Harris Fellow by Saginaw Rotary Club. His interest has extended to the political arena and includes leadership in local Republican Party affairs. He chaired the regional meeting of the Michigan Association of the Professions to organize a campaign supporting passage of the proposed Constitutional Convention in 1963. He is listed in "Who's Who in the Midwest."

His experiences at SVSU have been "fulfilling," Gilmore said. "SVSU is excitement, excitement! The absence of deeply-rooted tradition can be liberating. New customs and characteristics can be forged in a dynamic day-to-day process with people who are shapers and creators. I am left with a pleasant, profound realization that our community has an institution in place whose duration and rewards are unlimited."

Gilmore married Alma Marie Williams in 1946. They have one son, Richard Scott Gilmore, a daughter-in-law, Vicky, and two grandchildren, Nicole and Melissa.
Four Presidential Candidates Visit Campus

Four candidates have visited the SVSU campus since that phase of the search began April 5. The first was Dr. Robert W. Carrubba, dean of the graduate school of the University of North Carolina. He was followed by Dr. Lon W. Weber, provost and vice president for academic affairs of Kearney State College, Nebraska.

The third visit brought Dr. Raymond M. Burse, recent president of Kentucky State University at Frankfort, to SVSU April 20 and 21. The following week Dr. Eric R. Gilbertson, president of Johnson State College, Vermont, greeted campus groups.

The visits were set to allow the campus community to become better acquainted with the candidates and for the candidates to explore the opportunities SVSU has to offer. Response forms were available for all who met the candidates. Abstracts extracted from each of the forms, which were due to the search committee office by May 1, will be reviewed by the committee when it meets this week.

The committee expects to submit the names of approximately three candidates, unranked, for Board of Control consideration. "The search is a continuing process until the final appointment is made by the Board," noted search committee chairperson Florence "Jo" Saltzman. "At present, however, no further campus visits are scheduled."

Holiday Schedules Announced

Fourth of July ...
Tuesday, July 4 will be a University-paid holiday. Monday, July 3 will be a work day.

Christmas, New Year ...
The campus will close for the holiday break beginning at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 22. Except for offices that provide necessary student services, the campus will remain closed through Tuesday, Jan. 2 and will reopen for operations on Wednesday, Jan. 3. The regularly scheduled holidays for employees are Dec. 25 and 26 and Jan. 1 and 2.

Additional paid personal days will be granted by the University for Dec. 27 and 28; Dec. 29 may be covered through the use of vacation or personal leave, or unpaid time. Any employees required to work on Dec. 27 and 28 will be granted additional personal time to be taken at a later date.

Snack Bar to Close for Semester Break

The Cardinal's Nest Snack Bar closed at 3 p.m., Friday, April 28. It will remain closed until 7 a.m., Monday, May 8.

Around Town

-- "Glass Transparencies: Sculptures in Glass," featuring the work of artist Mark Bleshenski, will run through May 26 at the Art Kaleidoscope Gallery in Bay City (892-8552).

Those who slipped out early from the April 23 dinner honoring outgoing SVSU President Jack M. Ryder missed the surprise grand finale - an announcement that the University's new health and physical education center will be named in honor of Ryder.

At the close of the "Tribute to Jack and Lila Ryder," past and present Board of Control members gathered on stage, donned red, white and blue bowlers and sang (to the tune of "Daisy, Daisy...)
"Ryder, Ryder, we have a gift for you." They presented the obviously surprised Ryder with a model of the building and a plaque listing the building name as "The Jack M. Ryder Health and Physical Education Center."

"We had no idea," Ryder said. "That's ... that's something. It's really great." The Ryders also received lifetime passes to events held in the Center.
Commencement Ceremonies May 6

The 24th annual Commencement Ceremonies on Saturday, May 6 will mark two milestones for SVSU. It will be President Jack M. Ryder's final opportunity to preside over an SVSU Commencement, and it will be the first Commencement in the newly-named Jack M. Ryder Health and Physical Education Center.

Festivities begin at 10:30 a.m. with the annual Graduate/Alumni Brunch in the Cafeteria. Commencement will begin at 1:30 p.m. with more than 400 graduates. Faculty and staff planning to wear regalia during the procession should contact the Bookstore.

This year's Commencement honorees will include Dr. Richard Gilmore as the recipient of an SVSU honorary doctorate (see article on Page 1). Dr. Enayat Mahajerin, associate professor of mechanical engineering, will receive the Landee Award; Dr. Hong Park, professor of economics, will receive the Warrick Award; Andrea R. Willis will be honored as the Distinguished Alumna.

Following Commencement ceremonies, at 5 p.m., the pinning ceremony for graduates of the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences will take place in the Theatre.

Workshops Stress Drug Abuse Prevention

The SafeHaven office during May will sponsor two workshops on drug abuse prevention on university campuses. The workshops will take place Thursday, May 11 and Tuesday, May 16.

During the May 11 discussion, Dr. Ross Rapaport, associate professor of counseling at Central Michigan University, will conduct a morning-long session. Rapaport will address "Substance Abuse in the University Setting" beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Seminar Room of the Administrative Services Building. He will follow with a discussion on intervention.

On May 16, Dr. Pauline Brooks, assistant professor of social work and psychology at California State University at Los Angeles, will conduct three workshops for SVSU students: "A Decision Skills Approach to Substance Abuse Prevention," "Self-esteem and Substance Abuse Prevention" and "Problem-solving Self-assertiveness and Substance Abuse Prevention." Brooks' discussion will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Lower Level Doan.

Reservations are due to SafeHaven by Friday, May 5 -- extension 5600.

Briefly Speaking

-- The Valley Film Society will conduct its annual meeting to nominate films for the 1989-90 season at 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 5, in Room 108 of the Science Building. All who join VFS for the 1989-90 season will have the opportunity to vote on all nominations. For information, call 777-4127.

-- The Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club will announce its Master Entrepreneur and three Entrepreneurs of the Year during its final meeting of the 1988-89 season. The evening will begin at 6 p.m., May 10 in Lower Level Doan. For registration information, call BIDI at extension 4048.

NSF Officer to Visit Campus

The director of the Office of Undergraduate Science, Engineering and Mathematics Education for the National Science Foundation will be making a milestone appearance on campus on Friday, May 5. Dr. Robert Watson's day-long visit will mark the first such by the NSF on the SVSU campus.

According to Dr. Ralph Coppola, director of Sponsored Programs, Watson's visit not only is the first visit by a high level administrator from NSF, but the first on-site visit from the NSF.

"This is a major event for Saginaw Valley," Coppola said.

Watson will meet with university officials as well as K-12 administrators. The meetings will address NSF programs, priorities and policies. Among the programs administered by the Office of Undergraduate Science, Engineering and Mathematics Education are Research Experiences for Undergraduates, Graduate Research Fellowships, Minority Graduate Research Fellowships, Research Opportunity Awards, Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement Programs and Research Opportunities for Women Scientists and Engineers.
Professional Profile

-- Dr. Ann K. Dickey, director of Institutional Research and Planning, on April 25 presented a paper titled "What Happened to the Enrollment Collapse of the 1980s? Will It Come in the '90s?" to the Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan. Today, Dickey will participate in a panel discussion on "Use or Misuse: Using Data and Information to Set Higher Education Policy at the State Level" during the 29th Forum of the Association for Institutional Research in Baltimore. Other panelists include Dr. David Adamany, president of Wayne State; Dr. William Sederberg, chairman of the Michigan Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Dr. Diane Smolen, supervisor of the Postsecondary Education Database within the Michigan Department of Education.

-- Dr. José Valderas, director of the Bilingual/Bicultural Center, was a presenter during the April 21 Educational Personnel Training Program Conference in Arlington, Va. Valderas discussed SVSU's bilingual teacher training program as a student retention model.

-- Mr. Matthew Zivich, professor of art, had two sculptures accepted for showing in the 16th biennial Michiana Local Exhibition at the South Bend Art Center in South Bend, Ind. Both works have been exhibited locally and won prizes at the Saginaw Art Museum and Township Art Exhibit. The two are "Fountain" (formerly, "Sculpture After Duchamp") and "Schlage Musik." The exhibition runs through June 25.

Faculty Part of Literature International

Four SVSU faculty members will make presentations as part of the Bay Arts Council Literature International Program. The May programs will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Trinity Episcopal Church, corner of Fifth and Grant streets in Bay City.

Dr. Gary Thompson, associate professor of English, will discuss "Recent Polish Literature: A View from the Orbis Bus" on Tuesday, May 2. Dr. Mason Wang, professor of English, will talk about the "Contemporary Chinese Literary Scene" on Tuesday, May 9. Dr. Thomas Hcarron, professor of English, on Tuesday, May 16, will discuss "Fresh Voices in African Literature." On Tuesday, May 23, Dr. Kerry Segel, assistant professor of English/reading, will discuss "Language and Literature: The Persian Collection."

High Five

-- The baseball team dropped a home doubleheader to Wayne State Saturday, falling by shutouts of 3-0 and 1-0 in eight innings. The Cards rebounded to sweep the Tartars in Detroit on Sunday: 7-5 and 4-1.

-- The softball team won three of five games to finish second in the University of Wisconsin-Parkside Tournament last weekend.

-- Three tracksters had first-place finishes at the Hillsdale relays Saturday.

-- The golf team finished second at its own invitational this weekend.

-- Northwood won the NAIA District 23 women's tennis tournament at SVSU this weekend, snapping a string of eight straight titles by the Lady Cardinals.