October 24, 1989

Inauguration Ceremony to be Conducted November 28

On Tuesday, Nov. 28, Eric Gilbertson will observe two occasions. The date marks the completion of his third month as SVSU president, and he will be formally installed in that office during a 3 p.m. inauguration ceremony in the Ryder Center for Health and Physical Education.

In keeping with President Gilbertson’s wishes, the ceremony will be modest with an emphasis on involving the campus community. Faculty, students and staff all are encouraged to attend the inauguration and/or the reception immediately following the ceremony.

Like other academic ceremonies, the inauguration is steeped in tradition. It is a time of celebration, but also a time to re-examine institutional history and goals, as well as to articulate future direction.

Some have compared the inaugural ceremony to a wedding. In each case, there is wide latitude in setting the tone of the ceremony. Some inaugurations include a week or more of activities leading to the installation ceremony, and conclude with a ball. Others focus on a simple afternoon of ceremony. Guest lists may include invitations to all U.S. colleges and universities and perhaps some international institutions, or, like SVSU’s list, may have a distinctly regional flavor.

Regardless of the magnitude, all inaugurals share common elements. The ceremony begins with a procession of people clothed in academic attire. The procession is conducted by a marshal, who may carry a mace. Appropriate music accompanies the march.

Once the platform party is seated, the program begins with greetings and salutations to the new president from various groups. As head of a publicly supported university, President Gilbertson will receive salutations from elected officials. Students, faculty and alumni representatives also will present greetings.

The actual installation, or investiture, is conducted by the chairperson of the governing board -- for SVSU, Mrs. Florence F. Saltzman. Through his response, the president accepts the authority and responsibility of office. Activities conclude with a recessional, followed by a reception where audience, guests and the platform party can join in celebration.

To facilitate campus attendance, faculty with classes between 2:30 and 5 p.m. may dismiss classes that day. Those who teach sessions beginning at 4 p.m. may delay class starting time until 5 p.m. All other classes will meet on schedule.

Faculty and staff who wish to march in the processional should contact the Bookstore immediately if academic regalia is needed. It will be provided at no charge.

*Inaugurations are a chance to think of the university in its entirety as compared with its constituent parts.*

Clark Kerr, former University of California president

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Academic regalia dates to the Middle Ages. The style of caps, gowns and hoods evolved from costumes worn during early religious processions. Color, trim and style denote various degrees and disciplines.

The mace is a symbol of authority. Its name derives from the Latin maceola, meaning mallet or staff. In the Middle Ages, such staffs were used as weaponry. The SVSU mace was designed by Victoria Gillespie, wife of Professor of Mechanical Engineering Thomas Gillespie. She rebuilt the mace after its remains were located in the ashes of the 1985 Wickes Annex fire.
Japan Center Receives $16,000 Grant

The Japan Center for Michigan Universities has received a $16,000 grant from Mitsui & Co. (U.S.A.), Inc. to purchase instructional computers. Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert S.P. Yien, who chairs the Michigan consortium, traveled to East Lansing last week to accept the check, which he says will buy four or five computers for the center.

The Japan Center was established through an agreement between the Shiga Prefecture of Japan and the state of Michigan. Governors Inaba and Blanchard signed the agreement on Sept. 19, 1988, and the first contingent of Michigan students traveled to Japan this September to begin a year of studies.

Educational programs at the Center include credit courses on Japanese language and culture for full-time students enrolled at any one of the 15 public Michigan universities. Initially, 30 scholarships (one for each university and 15 "at-large") provided partial support (up to $7,500) for two semesters of study.

Presently, 32 Michigan students are at the Center -- 30 with scholarships, and two who are personally paying for a semester in Japan. Stephen Renico, a criminal justice major from Saginaw, is the scholarship recipient from SVSU.

The check presented by General Manager

William Manfredi represents the first gift Mitsui has made to a college or university. Mitsui U.S.A. is a wholly owned U.S. trading subsidiary of Mitsui & Co. The firm's $135 billion annual volume of business places it in Forbes' list of the top 25 public companies outside the U.S.

Annual Scholarship Luncheon Recognizes Student Achievers

As has been the tradition for some 11 years, SVSU scholarship recipients were honored at a luncheon Oct. 19. They were recognized for their accomplishments and challenged to continue striving for excellence.

"We share a great pride in your scholastic achievements and pride in the potential for what you will become," President Eric Gilbertson told them. "It is not enough that you do well here. It is important that you lead," he said.

Citing the results of surveys showing a trend for declining educational achievements, Gilbertson urged the scholarship students to develop leadership skills and the ability to understand people. "Others will look to you for leadership," he said. "You are here because you have a chance to become great."

Karen Steno, a junior math major from New Lothrop, quoted from Robert Frost's The Road Less Traveled in her response. She said the common link among students at the luncheon was their willingness to be different, to think independently. "Our choice was to take the less traveled road," she said, noting that each student had chosen the "path of excellence at SVSU." She concluded by congratulating recipients for the "hard work that led to a scholarship."

14th Foreign Language Day Nov. 8

The 14th annual Foreign Language Day for high school students, sponsored by the department of modern foreign languages, is scheduled to take place Nov. 8. Activities are planned by the department for student of French, German, Latin, Polish and Spanish. Events will include a fair with booths oriented toward the respective foreign cultures with ethnic entertainment, skit/song/dance contests, a cheerleading contest and various foreign language items for sale.
AAUW Divisional Meeting Oct. 28

The American Association of University Women is planning to have its annual fall workshop on campus Saturday, Oct. 28. A divisional meeting, the workshop includes all Michigan chapters. The title of the program is *Choices and Challenges for Tomorrow*.

Dr. Harriet Tillock, professor of sociology, is co-chairman of the conference.

The day-long seminar begins at 8:30 a.m. with registration in Doan Center, followed by a video on the AAUW and an introduction of guests.

Lorraine Weber, project director on the Task Force on Gender Issues in the Courts, will provide the keynote address at 9:45 a.m. Weber will discuss "Are the Courts Eroding Our Liberties?"

Workshops will begin at 10:50 and be repeated at 2:15 p.m. Among the workshop choices are "The Sandwich Generations: 40 to 60 & 60 to 80," by Tillock; "Drug Use and Misuse: Focus on Women and Elderly," by Nancy Kildsig, consultant pharmacist; "Coping with Teen Pregnancy: Community Strategies," by Darlene Blair, R.N., regional perinatal coordinator, Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn; "The Changing Workplace and Pay Equity," by Melissa Barker, MSU assistant professor of sociology; and "Vocational Education: Equity in the Making?" by Dr. Sherry Anderson, sex equity coordinator, Michigan Department of Education.

Following lunch, at 1:10 p.m., a video on diversity by Rosabeth Moss Kanter, *A Tale of O*, will be discussed by Ellen Wasman, psychology instructor and housing director at Delta College.

At 2 p.m., Kathy Tobin of the Michigan Division of the AAUW, public policy, will explain tax proposals A and B.

Members of the campus community interested in attending the Fall Workshop may go as guests of Tillock. Contact her at ext. 4373 for information.

Briefly Speaking

-- The *Observatory* will be open from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Fridays through Dec. 8, weather permitting. The observatory will be closed on Nov. 24 to celebrate Thanksgiving. The open house is co-sponsored by the SVSU Observatory and the Tri-city Sunset Astronomical Society.

-- The Valley Film Society will show *Sullivan's Travels*, an American film starring Joel McCrea, William Demarest and Veronica Lake, at 7:45 p.m., Oct. 27 in the Theatre. A director of hit comedies wants to make a dramatic film and embarks on a journey across America. For ticket information, call extension 4332.

-- A *WordPerfect Users Group* meeting will take place at noon, Oct. 25 in Room 204 of Zahnow. A preview of WordPerfect 5.1 will be given by a representative of WordPerfect. For reservations, call ext. 4295.

-- The *Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery* will be open from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., Oct. 25; and 1 to 5 p.m., Oct. 29.

-- Children from the Children’s Center will be trick-or-treating between 10 and 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 31 -- Halloween.

-- The *Lunchbreak Concert* on Tuesday, Nov. 14 will feature Barbara Jean Crandall, Miss Michigan 1984. Crandall uses a mix of music and ventriloquism. The concert begins at noon in Lower Level Doan.

*MURALS FIND HOME* -- Artist John Dempsey stands beside one of several of his murals on display in the University Art Gallery through Oct. 25. The works, *Homeless Murals,* can be seen until 5 p.m. today and from 2:30 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday.
Directory Alterations

Please make the following alterations in your Faculty/Staff Directory:

-- For Dr. Phyllis Hastings, associate professor of English, an office address of 319 Science Building, extension 4376; and her home address, 3423 Archwood Place, Saginaw 48603; 791-3449.

Personnel

The following positions are open to all regular employees of the University:

SENIOR SECRETARY, Conference Bureau -- Long-term, temporary (until 6-30-90) (new) position. Grade level 3. Rate of pay: $7.38 per hour; 20 to 25 hours per week, variable schedule.

Anticipated position: ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, Sponsored Programs/Greater Saginaw Valley Regional Education Cooperative -- one-year, grant-funded position. Grade level 4. Rate of pay: $7.75 per hour.

Anticipated position: ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, Sponsored Programs/Regional Math-Science Center -- one-year, grant-funded position. Grade level 5. Rate of pay: $8.09 per hour.

Additional funding may be received by the University for the above positions.

All internal applications must be received by the Personnel Office (ext. 4112) by Wednesday, Oct. 25.

SPECIALIST FOR PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND GRANTS, Sponsored Programs -- full-time, one-year temporary (new) position. To stimulate and initiate activities in research, curriculum development, facilities and equipment procurement. Bachelor’s degree required; master’s preferred. Salary negotiable.


COORDINATOR OF CAREER COUNSELING, Placement, Cooperative Education and Counseling Services -- full-time (replacement) position. Master’s degree in counseling or related field required. Salary negotiable. Available Jan. 3.

All internal applications must be received by the Personnel Office by Monday, Oct. 30.

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High Five

-- The soccer club tied with GMI on Saturday, 2-2, setting the squad's record at 1-2-2. The club travels to FSU on Friday.

-- The football team dropped to 1-5 overall following a 28-27 loss Saturday at NMU. The squad hosts WSU on Oct. 28.

-- The volleyball squad won one and lost two matches last week, dropping its overall record to 9-16. The Lady Cards fell to FSU and Madonna College and defeated Hillsdale. The women host FSU tonight at 7 p.m.
Dr. David Barker is a man of many words. Fluency in two languages helps and definitely expands his verbosity. Barker and the other four faculty members in the department of modern foreign languages annually share their bilingualism with more than 400 high school students during Foreign Language Day. This year marks the 14th year of the program. It will take place on Nov. 8. (See related article on Page 2.)

Barker has been a member of the SVSU faculty since 1971 and has been involved in the foreign language event since its inception. As a matter of fact, prior to the Foreign Language Day (which includes students studying French, German, Latin, Polish and Spanish) Barker and Pam Renna, now an adjunct faculty member, organized a French day for high school students.

Participation in the yearly affair has been "very good," Barker said. In the past few years 400 to nearly 600 students have participated.

"And that's with only five full-time faculty," Barker said. "It looks like participation for this year will be similar."

When the program began 14 years ago, invitations were primarily extended to high schools in the tri-cities. Current involvement includes high schools in the Thumb area and even Grayling.

"Most recently, the list is expanding simply by schools asking to come," Barker said.

The Foreign Language Day includes contests in skits, songs, dance and even cheerleading.

Students in all four grades in high school are invited to the event and many participate as much as three of four times during their high school careers, Barker said, adding that many SVSU foreign language students said they took part while in high school.

"It's not just for the department," Barker emphasized. "It's for the institution. It gets students out here to consider college here. It is sort of a recruiting tool; but not directly."

Barker estimated that 85 teachers from 25 to 30 schools annually are invited and participation usually includes 20 to 25 teachers from 12 to 15 schools.

"Some teachers have been here every year; some once in a while; and others, it's their first time.

"I enjoy it. I must, I keep doing it.

"Every once in a while there are glitches and every year something new comes up."

Another area in which Barker is involved and recently certainly has included "something new" is preparing marchers for academic processions.

For several years, Barker has been responsible for the Commencement processional and this year will tackle the job of an inaugural promenade.

"I try to make it not a traumatic experience." That is quite a challenge when one considers this year Commencement included nearly 450 students, plus faculty, plus administration, plus ...

The inaugural processional should be considerably smaller, since fewer students will not be part.

That should be a relief for Barker!
'All for One, One for All'
This Trio Has Fun Hitting Little Ball

Huey, Dewey and Louie they are not; but Gary, Bob and Joe were found in portions of Disney World in Orlando, Florida, Oct. 13 through 16. The trio, with two other area golfers, participated in the Oldsmobile Scramble national golf tournament in Orlando. Apsey, Becker and Vogl were joined by Rick Quellman, head Bay Valley pro; and Ron Kochany.

To earn the berth to Disney World, the five had to win the Michigan Olds Scramble, which they did in September at the St. Clair Golf Club. The qualifying tournament for the state match was won by Apsey, Becker, Vogl and Kochany in July at Bay Valley.

The Quellman team was one of 116 teams to qualify for the national tournament. The squad tied for 35th, thus failing to make the 24-team cut for the final day of golf. Had the crew made the cut, it would have teamed with a touring PGA pro.

"For the amount of practice we put into it, we did alright," Becker said, on Oct. 18.

"We had a great time," Apsey said, adding that the group had discussed "dissolving" after the tournament. "But, we're not."

The four (minus Quellman) have played together and won the local tournament the past three years.

Vogl was the only member of the SVSU squad with national tournament experience, having participated on the Cardinal golf team in NAIA tournaments.

The team played three days of golf, 18 holes a day.

How does one cope with "grueling golf" in 90-plus degree weather? Well, each still has to assume his role and play to his best ability -- for the team!

Prior to their departure, the SVSU-ites described the role of each respective member to the team's success.

"Becker motivates us," Apsey said.

Becker said Vogl is the team's "anchor."

"If the others of us screw up, Joe's there to help out," he said.

"(Becker) is, to a degree, the motivator," Vogl said. "There are times we needed to do something and he got it to happen or said something that caused it to happen."

"No holds barred -- I get after them," Becker said. (That probably comes for his many years as coach of the Cardinal golf team.)

"We know each other's strengths and weaknesses," Vogl added.

"We're just lucky," Becker said.

Vogl agreed, describing situations during the local and state tournaments in which the team performed their own "Hail Mary" plays to win.

"I'd rather be lucky than good," Becker said. "You gotta be lucky."