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NCDAW Events Planned

Substance abuse. Drug czars. The "War on Drugs."

These and similar phrases appear almost daily in our headlines, especially with the recently completed presidential conference in South America.

"It is common knowledge that substance abuse and its effects are increasingly visible in our society," notes Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist Marie Helveston. She is coordinating several local activities in conjunction with National Collegiate Drug Awareness Week. While the designated week runs Feb. 25 - March 3, SVSU activities begin Feb. 21 and conclude Feb. 28.

by Ann Robinson, chief executive director for Saginaw-Bay Substance Abuse Services Commission, will present information on "The Impact of Drugs on the Black Community."

Dr. Bob Goldman, considered the nation's foremost authority on the dangers of anabolic steroids, will conduct a presentation at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 in the Ryder Center. TV-5 anchorman Rick Lockridge, who moderated the station's substance abuse forum, also will participate in the event.

"There is a fear that steroid use is becoming the No. 1 drug problem in athletics today," said Athletic Director Bob Becker. "Education on the topic is vital."

Many of the week's events will take place in the Zahnow Corridor. They include a "Party Smart" booth on Monday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; "Banner Signing" on Tuesday,

The first Presidential Forum for students takes place Feb. 28 from 4-5 p.m. in Brown Concourse.

SVSU faculty members have pledged class time to drug-related issues during observance of National Collegiate Drug Awareness Week.

Events range from those mostly social to seminars, and topics cover a variety of substances, from the mind- or mood-altering drugs to body-building steroids.

The week opens on a musical note with RHA sponsorship of a "Putting on the Hits" lip sync contest. Admission is \$1 to the drug-free event, which begins at 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the theatre. And, if you want to compete for prizes, call RHA at 4255 for entry information.

A taco bar lunch will be available in lower level Doan Center from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for participants in a Feb. 23 workshop. Dempsey Allen, chief executive officer of the First Ward Community Center, and Dr. Bob-

Feb. 27; and a "Prove You're Not a Dum-Dum" booth on Wednesday, Feb. 28 from noon to 4 p.m.

At 2 p.m. on the 28th, judges will determine the winner of a window painting contest. First prize is dinner for eight at Flips. For contest information, call ext. 4255.

The week closes Wednesday, Feb. 28 with a 10 p.m. showing and discussion of "Tough Talk for Tough Times," a documentary produced by WNEM TV-5. The activity takes place in the Large Private Dining Room of Doan Center. Ice cream will be served.

For more information on any NCDAW activities, call ext. 4168.

Nursing Instructor Sends Legislative Alert

Associate Professor of Nursing Margaret "Peg" Flatt passes along a legislative alert for those interested in the Family and Medical Leave Act (H.R. 770). The bill is up for floor debate during the last week of February, she notes.

"This bill guarantees job security, seniority, and health benefits for workers needing leave for their own health needs or those of their dependent children or parents," she points out. "Unpaid medical leave for the worker would be limited to 15 weeks per year. Unpaid leave for care of a family member would be limited to 10 weeks in two years.

"With the aging of our society and the growth in two-income families, such legislation is needed," she believes.

The legislation would cover employers with over 50 employees and personnel who work at least 20 hours per week and have been employed by the company for at least one year. Protections are included for employers as well as employees.

Flatt urges support for the bill, minus potentially weakening amendments, through contacting legislators by Feb. 26. One method is to send a telegram by dialing 1-800-257-4900 and asking for Hotline Operator 100. The cost for this service is \$5.50.

For more information, call Flatt at ext. 4131.



Getting to Know Me -- Janelle Wilson (reclining) took advantage of a Health Fair booth to discover the facts about her body makeup. The electronic analysis of body weight composition was performed by Jan Harlukowicz, weight management coordinator at Saginaw General Hospital and former SVSU nursing student. Weather shortened the fair by a day.

Fredericks Gallery Attracts Many

Initially, limited viewing hours and the task of informing the public of the gallery's existence prevented a heavy flow of traffic through the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery. However, the addition of Dr. Michael Panhorst as museum director has provided impetus for both creating awareness and serving those who want to catch a leisurely glimpse of the larger-than-life works of Marshall Fredericks.

Panhorst reported a record 925 people toured the gallery in January. This total includes groups only; others simply dropped in during open hours for self-guided tours.

Among the groups touring the facility in January were the art faculty from Kellogg Community College in Kalamazoo, the GM Newcomers Club, 4th and 5th graders from Hemmeter Elementary School, the Soviet Girls Volleyball Team and their entourage, and gifted students from McAlear-Sawden School in Bay City and from Beaverton Middle School. The Michigan Association of Community Arts Agencies (MACAA) also held a reception in the center.

Panhorst says the higher attendance figures are due to several factors. "First, we have extended our hours and thus are open for students more than ever before. Those who have never found the gallery open at a convenient time are now dropping in," he notes.

He also credits some of the record January attendance to people who came to see the Roecker retrospective exhibit in the University Art Gallery, also housed in Arbury Center, and then stayed to tour the Fredericks gallery.

Tours by area school groups constituted about a third of total attendance in January, Panhorst notes. "We will watch to see how many of the children return with their parents over the coming months."

He views the MACAA reception as an excellent opportunity for people in the art community to become aware of the gallery. "We expect there will be additional tours in the following months as a result of this meeting," he adds.

Mozart's 'Requiem' to be Performed

When nearly 100 of the area's finest musicians and vocalists are assembled for a concert, the composition must be one worthy of such attention. So when the SVSU choirs, the Bay Chorale and selected members of the Midland and Saginaw Symphonies join forces on Friday, Feb. 23, they will perform Mozart's "Requiem," one of the master composer's most famous pieces.

The concert will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the SVSU Theatre. The group also will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24, at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in Burton and at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 25, at St. Stanislaus Church in Bay City. In addition to the "Requiem," the choirs also will present music of the Russian Orthodox Church appropriate to the season of Lent.

The "Requiem" is the last major work composed by Mozart. In fact, he died before its completion and it was up to his pupil, Sussmayr, to complete it.

Dr. Eric Nisula, SVSU professor of music and director of the SVSU choirs and the Bay Chorale, notes there was some mystery surrounding the inception of the project. "Mozart, who wrote largely by commission, was approached by a stranger, dubbed in popular accounts as the 'grey messenger,' with an offer of 50 ducats to produce a requiem. The commission turned out to have been on behalf of a Count von Walsegg-Stuppach who wished, upon the death of his wife, to purchase this work by Mozart and pass it off as his own."

Mozart chose the dramatic Medieval sequence "Dies Irae" -- "Day of Wrath" for the centerpiece of his "Requiem." Nisula continues, "From the terror and anguish of this Day of Judgments, Mozart moves to the final movement where the music softens as it sings of the 'Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.' Mozart, who was not especially religious, appears to approach the 'Requiem' above all as a musical challenge, seizing on the various emotions to engage his powers of depiction."

Tickets for the SVSU concert are \$4 for general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens and may be purchased at the door, or in advance by calling ext. 4159.

E Lot to Close for Event

E Parking Lot will close to normal usage at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28. The Ryder Center will be the site of a basketball game between Buena Vista and Nouvel Catholic high schools that day, necessitating the closure, according to Public Safety officer Craig T. Maxwell.

CIESIN Information Session Set

Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert S.P. Yien will be available at 12:30 p.m. Friday, March 2 to meet with faculty and staff members who have questions about the nature of the CIESIN project and SVSU's role in it. Yien chairs the CIESIN executive board. The March 2 meeting will be held in 108 Science Building.

Briefly Speaking

— Dr. Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, assistant professor of management, will discuss **"African Trade Unions: Problems and Prospects"** at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the Zahnow student lounge. The free presentation is part of the Zahnow Library Lecture Series.

— **Career Exploration Day** takes place Wednesday, Feb. 21 in Brown Concourse.

— **Black History Month** activities continue with a 2 p.m. videotape and discussion on Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the Zahnow student lounge. The topic is "Minorities in the Classroom." Call ext. 5663 for information.

— **Michigan's Ombudsman Dr. Eugene Henderson** will discuss "Black Men: the 1990s" at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26. The Black History Month presentation will take place in the Zahnow student lounge.

— **Dr. Earl Nelson**, director of the Office of Minority Equity, will be the featured speaker at the Black History Month dinner Wednesday, Feb. 28. Activities, free to students and \$4 for others, begin at 5 p.m. in lower level Doan Center. Call ext. 5663 for information.

— **Signups for several intramural and recreational activities** currently are underway. If you did not receive winter semester calendars or need more information, call ext. 7321.

The first 1990 Honors Thesis presentation is set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 in the Zahnow student lounge. Daniel G. Williams will discuss **"Nursing Autonomy and Uniform Preferences: Is there a Correlation?"** Sharon Lytle will present **"Teaching Sylvia Plath."**

Professional Profile

-- Dr. Eric Nisula, professor of music, was a guest Friday, Feb. 16 on WSGW Radio's "What's Your Question?" show.

-- Dr. Barbara M. Yarnold, assistant professor of political science, will present a paper titled "A Multi-Disciplinary Approach to Judicial Decision Relating to Criminals: State Court Rape Determinations" at the annual convention of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences on March 16 in Denver.

Across Campus

-- Best wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to Dr. Gene C.H. Yang, professor of biology. He is recovering at St. Luke's Hospital following a Feb. 9 auto accident.

-- The campus community extends sympathy to Dr. Louis E. Cohen Jr., associate professor of psychology, on the Feb. 14 death of his father, Louis Cohen Sr.

Because of special events scheduled in Ryder Center, open hours will vary during spring break. The Center will be closed for the State Cheerleading Finals on Saturday and Sunday, March 3-4. On Monday through Thursday, March 5-8, there will be open recreation hours from noon to 6 p.m. and the pool will be open noon to 2 p.m. Open recreation hours are noon to 5 p.m. on March 9. The Home Builders' Show will pre-empt open hours on Saturday, March 10. Also, the O'Neill Arena will be closed on March 6-8 and 11 due to the show, and three racquetball courts will be used for the show on Thursday. The pool, fitness center and gym only will be available for open recreation on Sunday, March 11 from 5-9 p.m.

Around Town

-- Delta College is presenting its third annual Global Awareness Week, with the theme "1990s: The Global Decade." A variety of activities are planned between Monday, March 12 and Friday, March 16. For a detailed schedule of events, call Barbara Tedrow at 686-9485.

-- The ceramic art pieces of Helen O'Neill Pottery (yes, the name is correct) will be on display at the Art Kaleidoscope Gallery, 512 N. Lincoln in Bay City, through March 16. Gallery hours are noon-4 p.m. Tues. through Fri. and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Sat.

Sanback Heads Microcomputer Labs

Effective immediately, Robert Sanback is assuming responsibility for microcomputer labs B-213, B-215 and Z-230. All requests and questions about these labs should be directed to him in Computer Services at ext. 4225. Douglas Koschik, interim coordinator of microcomputer laboratories, has relayed all lab schedule requests received to date. Future requests, including those for summer and fall semesters, should be sent to Sanback. Lab schedules for winter 1990 semester will remain as posted.

High Five

-- Senior captain Tom Badour was named "Male Athlete of the Meet" at the GLIAC Indoor Track Championships Saturday at Hillsdale College. Badour won the long jump (23-4), triple jump (45-3) and high jump (6-9), was third in the 600 (1:24.09) and anchored the runner-up Cardinal 1,600-meter relay team, which had its best time of the year (3:23).

SVSU finished second to Ferris State and had a total of seven first-place finishes, including senior David Sturm in the pole vault (15-1), freshman Brant Major in the 55-meter high hurdles (7.59), junior Todd Graham in the 1,000 (2:29.44) and senior Dean Fuerst in the 800 (1:55.80).

The women's track team had four first-place finishes and finished fourth behind champion Hillsdale. Sophomore Becky Duda shared the "Female Athlete of the Meet" award. She broke her own GLIAC record in the 5,000 meters (17:28.3) and also won the 2,800 meters (9:27). Junior Sue Breternitz won the shot-put (44-3½) and senior Marcia Killian won the high jump (5-6), setting a league record.

Senior forward Herb Schoepke scored 13 points to move into second on the all-time men's basketball scoring list Saturday. SVSU lost 61-59 to Michigan Tech, however, and fell to 14-10 overall and 6-7 in the GLIAC.

The women's basketball team won the first-ever overtime game in O'Neill Arena, nipping Michigan Tech by a 69-68 margin Saturday. The Lady Cardinals are 17-7 overall and 8-4 in the GLIAC.

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The Best of Two Worlds

Julie Voelck grew up nurturing twin career desires; she wanted to be a teacher, but also had a strong interest in becoming a librarian. Her position as head of public services for Zahnow Library is the best of both worlds, she says.

"I teach in group settings and one-on-one," she says, while other duties at Zahnow satisfy her goal of being a librarian.

One of the library's services that is most satisfying to Voelck is the high school research assistance program, which she initiated over three years ago. "It started out because we received inquiries from teachers in area high schools who wanted to bring groups here," she notes.

The project grew through word-of-mouth, so the next step was to make it available to high school classes with term paper assignments.

"We found we were working with (SVSU) freshmen that had never had background with an automated library system," she says. The high school research assistance program gives college-bound students a head start in using library resources effectively.

As the project took off, Voelck worked with the SVSU admissions office. Together they developed a brochure describing the assistance program, and the admissions office

contacted area high school English teachers.

"There has been a lot of response to this," she says.

This year the program has evolved another step. Mae Sumption, librarian at Nouvel High School, worked out a system for bringing Nouvel classes and their teachers to use Zahnow's resources. Sumption works directly with the Nouvel classes, so Zahnow staff are relieved of this responsibility.

"In exchange, (for access to Zahnow) she assists with other high schools who bring groups," Voelck says. "It is a real plus for both of us." Sumption also works at the reference desk, helping high school students who come during evening hours to work on papers.

Voelck earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan-Flint and taught at the high school level for two years "until I could get a nest egg for graduate study." She completed an M.L.S. degree at Western Michigan University with the aid of a graduate assistantship. She finds her teaching background helpful as she teaches the research process to library users.

Zahnow Library is gaining a reputation as a good academic research library, she says. Much of the success is owed to a dedicated staff, she believes. "The thing that really makes the library is not books and computers, but the staff."

In her off-the-job time, Voelck still remains involved with library work through the White Pine Regional Cooperative. She also was instrumental in implementing a telefacsimile agreement that presently includes some 15 colleges and universities. Through the reciprocal agreement, materials are "faxed" from one source to another, expanding resources.

The only drawback to her job, Voelck notes, is being too busy to read the many books that surround her daily. Instead, her limited reading time is devoted to professional journals and newspapers.



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Accounting Paradox Fascinates Professor

Professor Don Wiseman frequently has been called upon to share his valuation knowledge as an expert witness in court cases. The legal fraternity, he says, typically is not trained in the finer points of this process.

An accounting paradox that came to Wiseman's attention through his expert witness status led him to research and author a paper on "Neutral Pension Valuation at Divorce -- the Tax Adjustment." He will be presenting the work in March to the accounting segment of the Mid-West Business Administration Association conference.

His study deals with the valuation of company-sponsored pension benefits when divorce occurs prior to retirement.

"If there is a lump sum settlement, somebody has to put a value on the pension. The firm promises to pay, at some future point, X amount, but what is the value of that benefit today?" In divorce cases, the husband may buy out the wife's equity in the future pension.

"But he will pay taxes on the pension when he receives it," Wiseman notes. Therefore, Wiseman advocates that the settlement be adjusted to account for the future tax liability.

He points out that accounting for "OPEBs" - other post employment benefits -- is an area

gaining increasing attention. "In the divorce setting there certainly is an argument that such benefits should be viewed as assets jointly earned by the marital enterprise."

He notes that a wife may anticipate certain benefits, such as health care, in retirement years through her husband's employment, but may lose them through divorce. If divorced partners are compensated at all, it generally is through alimony.

Aside from establishing values for potential divorce settlements, there is concern among the accounting community that firms begin to account for post-employment benefits, just as they now do for pensions.

Wiseman also is engaged in research regarding methods of accounting for corporate earnings per share, when so-called dilutive securities are outstanding; and has submitted a paper dealing with this topic. He admits his concept of using the current values of securities, including holding gains and holding losses, has been viewed as "radical" by more conservative accountants. The traditional approach was to use historical cost accounting concepts.

But recent discussion memoranda prepared by an FASB task force, if accepted, will provide a conceptual framework to support Wiseman's proposal. He first began advocating such an approach a decade ago.

Wiseman enjoys his career, which builds on his academic preparation in finance and accounting. He also is "very, very proud" of the SVSU accounting department and its students. He points to results of the CPA exam as indicators of the success of SVSU's accounting program.

Off the job, Wiseman has a variety of interests, including sailing, canoeing (which he has taught), "some chess and bridge," and, surprisingly, hypnosis. He taught himself the art by reading about the subject, but notes he rarely uses his skill. Legal and ethical implications call for restraint, he says.

