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Welcome to Ottoville!

Ottoville -- a quaint little town where everything, from the houses to the bushes, is orange; where the alphabet begins with the letter "O" and where possession of a blue flower can get you arrested.

This may sound like a possible *Twilight Zone* episode, but it won't be found on T.V. Instead, the SVSU Theatre will house this bizarre setting during its production of *OPQRS, ETC.*, by Madge Miller.

The inhabitants of Ottoville, all SVSU students, are Vicky Penland from Mayville as Stacia the Silly; Merrill's Julie Stroebel as Quilla the Quiet; Jim Bader of Vassar in the role of Peter the Prudent and Saginaw's Amy J. Turrill as Rozelle the Rebellious. Ottoville is ruled by Otto the Official, played by Dan Magnan of Sterling Heights. The hero of the play, Edward Johnson, is played by Hemlock's Donn Fink.

OPQRS, ETC. tells the story of an Ottoville family that lives in fear of the tyrant, Otto the Official. Otto tells them that he is always right, even when he says that it is 2 a.m. while the sun is shining brightly. When Rozelle breaks the law and brings a blue flower (orange is the only acceptable color) into the town, the story begins to unfold.

The authority of Otto finds its greatest challenge when Edward Johnson, an artist who is lost during a walking tour, stumbles upon the scene. With his help, Otto's eyes are finally opened to the many colors of the real world.

The play's director, Dr. Janet Rubin, SVSU professor of communication/theatre, has scheduled three public performances of the

play: Friday, March 30, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 31, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 1, at 2 p.m. Ticket prices are \$4 for general admission, \$2 for students and senior citizens and \$1 for children 12 and under. **Each faculty and staff member may receive two complimentary tickets by calling ext. 4492.**

SVSU Hosts Civil War Day

People coming to the SVSU campus on Saturday, March 24, may get the impression that they've taken a trip back through time and landed in the middle of Union territory. Not to worry, it's only an exhibition; no one will be enlisted to fight the Confederates.

On this day, SVSU will host its third annual Civil War Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. "Soldiers" from the 5th Michigan Unit will pitch tents, cook meals and demonstrate how union troops lived during the war. The unit's leader is former SVSU history student, Jim Maxim.

Two discussions dealing with the beginning and the end of the Civil War will be given during the day. The first, by Dr. William S. Hoffmann, SVSU professor of history, will begin at 10:30 a.m. His lecture will address "The Coming of the War."

Following Hoffmann's presentation will be a discussion of the "Surrender at Appomattox" by David Finney of Farmington High School and Oakland Community College. Finney is a former historical guide for the U.S. Park Service. Both presentations will take place in the student lounge on the first floor of SVSU's Melvin J. Zahnow Library.

Civil War Day is free and open to the public. There is a small charge for those wishing to sample food typical of the era. For more information, call ext. 4335.

The second Presidential Forum for students takes place March 22 from 4-5 p.m. in Brown Concourse.

The Faculty Association Awards Banquet has been rescheduled for Wednesday, May 2.

Worksite Program To Focus on Health Promotion

Forty-five SVSU employees have been randomly selected to participate in an innovative program designed to promote wellness. The group will begin by undergoing health evaluations at Ryder Center on Monday, Mar. 26.

Called the Worksite Health Promotion Program, the activity is funded by a \$3,000 grant from the state-funded Michigan Health Initiative Worksite Health Promotion. Senior physical and health education major Mike Agius and Human Performance Lab coordinator Dr. Jennifer Bridges obtained the grant to implement a health risk appraisal.

According to Bridges, the testing will be conducted by St. Luke's Hospital Wellness Network, and will include tests for lung function, flexibility, strength, body composition, cardiovascular function (stepping test) and blood analysis. "This is a wonderful opportunity for employees to receive a \$50 'preventive health check-up' at no cost to them," Bridges said.

The testing will require only 45 minutes and participants will receive fruit and juices from Campus Dining. Presentation and explanation of results will take place within one month to individuals who were tested, Bridges said. "Suggestions for personal improvement and a question/answer session will be included."

Bridges stressed that individual data will remain confidential. "However, group results will be used to determine the current level of employee wellness and interests," Bridges said. "Group results will not reveal individual names or results."

For more information about the program, call Bridges at ext. 7324.

SVSU's Volunteer Services Bureau will sponsor an Easter candy sale on Tuesday, Mar. 27 in the Zahnow/Science Concourse. You may place your order for chocolates of your choice between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Orders will be ready for pick-up on April 10.

Library Offers Computer Demonstrations

The Zahnow Library, which anticipates replacing its current CLSI system within the next year, has invited several vendors to demonstrate their library computer systems. The replacement system will contain modules for circulation, cataloging and an online public access catalog. All interested faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the demonstrations.

The Dynix Corporation is scheduled to demonstrate their system on Thursday, Mar. 22 at the Butman-Fish Library in Saginaw and in Z-302 on Friday, Mar. 23. CLSI will show their updated system on Wednesday, Mar. 28 in the large seminar room, Administrative Services Building, and on Thursday, Mar. 29 in Z-302.

Data Research Associates will give a demonstration on Wednesday, April 4 in the large seminar room, ASB, and on Thursday, April 5 in Z-302. Demonstrations from other companies may follow within the next few months, according to Douglas Koschik, head of technical services and systems for the library.

Contact Koschik at ext. 4238 or Louise Dukarski at ext. 4330 for agendas and other information about the demonstrations.

Vote Scheduled on New Student Government Constitution

On March 21 and 22 SVSU students will have the opportunity to adopt a new constitution for Student Government. The election site is the second floor of Zahnow Library on Wednesday, Mar. 21 and in Doan Lobby on Thursday, Mar. 22. Voting takes place between noon and 7 p.m. each day.

Election of Student Government officers and student senators is scheduled for April 9-11, with results to be announced April 11.

The Career Adjustment Planning Program sponsored by the Lifelong Learning Center begins this evening with a session on SVSU employee benefits conducted by Larry Fitzpatrick and Alice Comejo. Six other Tuesday evening sessions follow, all scheduled from 6:30-9:30 p.m. in the large seminar room, Administrative Services Building. Other topics are: financial planning, social security and medicare/health benefits, community resources, housing options, volunteering, work options, SVSU services, fitness for life, and role changes in career adjustment. For more information, call Jean Chesney at ext. 4267.

Professional Profile

-- Dr. Janet E. Rubin, professor of communication and theatre, recently presented a paper and demonstration at the East Central Theatre Conference in Wilmington, DE. "Creative Drama for the Middle School Literature Class" focused upon using creative drama as a way to teach the literary concepts of plot, foreshadowing, setting and characterization.

-- Dr. Gail E. Kantak, associate professor of biology, presented a research paper titled "Implications of Resource Abundance to Size of Home Range in *Tamias Straitus*" in the zoology section of the 1990 annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters held March 9 at Albion College.

-- Dr. Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, assistant professor of management, presented a paper at the 94th annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters. His presentation, co-authored with Mrs. Gloria Cheek, was titled "The Effect of Weekly Reports (Feedback) on the Success of Students with Failing Grades: A Field Study."

-- A photo by Mr. Hideki Kihata, assistant professor of art, has been accepted by the Great Lakes States; Works on Paper competition at Buckham Gallery in Flint. Juror Alain Joyaux from Ball State University selected 60 works from over 500 entries. The exhibition will be open from April 7 to 28.

-- Dr. Barbara M. Yarnold, assistant professor of political science, has had an article, "Administrative Policy Making: Adjudication by the Board of Immigration Appeals 1980-1987," accepted for publication by *Policy Studies Review*. Another paper, titled "Policy Typologies and U.S. Asylum Policy: Joining Statist and Group Theories," co-authored with Andrew McFarland, has been accepted for presentation at the April 1990 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

-- The SVSU Choir in combination with the Bay Chorale and an orchestra, all under the direction of Dr. Eric Nisula, professor of music, gave a successful performance of the Mozart *Requiem* Saturday, Mar. 10 at Burton's St. Nicholas Orthodox Church. The choir, orchestra and soloists were given a standing ovation, and the concert was recorded for rebroadcast by WFBE, public radio, Flint.

Briefly Speaking

-- The Campus Women's Support Group will hold an organizational meeting today at 5 p.m. in 209 Wickes Hall. For information, call ext. 4248.

-- Entries for Campus Recreation's Racquetball Singles Tournament are due today in 226 Ryder Center. The tournament begins Sunday, Mar. 25. Call ext. 7321 for details.

-- Honors theses will be presented by Honors Program students Catherine McMahan and Linda Caprathe at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Mar. 22 in the Zahnnow student lounge.

-- "Thumb Day 90" offers insights on college preparation for Thumb area high school students on Friday, Mar. 23. Activities begin with a 9:30 a.m. tour of campus.

-- The expressionist paintings of Benita Goldman will be on display through March 30 in the University Art Gallery.

-- "Science Day" for regional high school students takes place Friday, Mar. 30.

Faculty and staff may bestow the Alumni Scroll to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement on May 5. Those who wish to do so should make arrangements with Sue Browning at ext. 4096.

Lecture Circuit

-- Greg Domagalski, staff photographer for the Senate Republican News Office, will discuss his environmental portraiture at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Mar. 21 in 112 Arbury Center.

-- The Zahnnow Lecture Series continues with a 12:30 p.m. presentation by English professor Gary Thompson on Wednesday, Mar. 21 in the Zahnnow student lounge. Thompson's topic is "Canon to the Right of Them, Canon to the Left of Them."

-- The SVSU Science Club continues its 1990 Seminar Series with a discussion of "Waste Management" by Lisa Kapp, environmental quality analyst for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The lecture will take place at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Mar. 29 in 109 Brown Hall.

Across Campus

-- Athletic Trainer Dave Bertie and his wife, Chris, are the parents of a son. Nickolas David weighed in at 6 lb., 5 oz. Chris Bertie coaches SVSU's volleyball team.

-- Gabriel and Catherine Soto express their thanks to the campus community for support during the period following the death of Gabriel's mother, Maria Del Carmen Hernandez, on February 15. Gabriel is a custodian and Cathy an administrative secretary in the Physical Plant department.

Around Town

-- Local radio station WKQZ is offering unpaid internships for persons interested in learning how radio works. The position is unpaid, but has many non-cash benefits, according to WKQZ's Laura Ward. Please encourage students interested in joining the "Z-Team" to call 695-5115 for more information.

-- Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village offer a discount card program entitling holders to a 20% savings on admission. For more information, contact Eric Koehler at (313) 271-1620, ext. 376.



Officer Penny Phelps of the Bay City Police Department discussed "Women in Police Work" during a March 15 Women's History Month lecture. Other activities in observance of the month include a lecture/demonstration on "How to Make a Positive Impact with Your Body and Your Voice" by Lucille Beuthin in lower level Doan Center at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Mar. 22. Two events on March 29 conclude the observance. At noon that day Florida Morehead will be in lower level Doan to discuss "Women in Science." At 8 p.m. Sarah Weddington, attorney in the Roe v. Wade case, will be on stage at the SVSU Theatre with a presentation on "The Constitutional implications of Roe v. Wade."

The third of five regional forums designed to increase understanding of the importance of a strong system of public universities for Michigan's economic future will be held in Detroit March 29. The forums bring together the presidents of Michigan's 15 public universities and alumni, community leaders and others. Blenda J. Wilson, chancellor of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, and Diether Haenicke, president of Western Michigan University, are featured speakers at the Detroit program, to be held in the Rackham Building, beginning with a 5 p.m. reception.

Personnel

The following positions will be open for a period of one week to all regular employees of the University.

ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVE - Full-time (replacement) position. Bachelor's degree required. Salary negotiable.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING CLERK, Office of the Controller; full-time (replacement) position. Grade level 2; \$6.99 per hour.

All applications must be received by the Personnel Office by Friday, Mar. 23. SVSU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

High Five

-- Senior Sue Breternitz earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division II **Indoor Track & Field Championships** in Vermillion, South Dakota, last weekend. She finished sixth in the shot put with a toss of 44-1½.

The Lady Cardinal softball team is in the midst of an 18-day layoff after opening the season with a 13-3 record on its spring trip.

The SVSU baseball team lost a double header at Lewis University Saturday by scores of 14-1 and 3-2, then swept a twin bill at the University of Indianapolis, Sunday, by 5-1 and 7-4 scores. The Cardinals have a 5-7 overall record.