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Education Professor December Commencement Speaker

Dr. Jean E. Brown, professor of teacher education, has been selected to deliver the address at SVSU's first fall semester Commencement ceremony. She will speak on "The Challenge and Responsibility of a College Education."

A faculty member here since 1982, Brown earlier this year received SVSU's Faculty Association Award for Scholarly Achievement. She recently received the Charles Carpenter Fries Award from the Michigan Council of Teachers of English (MCTE) "in recognition of a distinguished career in the teaching of English and dedication to the advancement of the profession."

Brown is a former president of MCTE and has served as editor of the Council's newsletter, *The Michigan English Teacher*, since 1988. On the national level, she serves as an elected member to the Support for the Learning and Teaching of English (SLATE) Steering Committee of the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE). She also serves on the Commission on Intellectual Freedom for NCTE and currently is editing a commission book titled *Preserving Intellectual Freedom*.

Brown earned her B.A. and M.A. from Pacific University and completed her certification in secondary teaching at Utah State University, returning there after four years' teaching to earn her doctorate. She is a prolific writer with over 60 articles and book chapters to her credit, as well as two books co-authored with Dr. Elaine Stephens and Barbara Quirk.

About 134 graduates are expected to participate in the 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14 Commence-

ment ceremony in Cardinal Gymnasium. Approximately 250 students are eligible to receive baccalaureate degrees at the close of fall semester, with another 53 expected to complete requirements for Master's degrees.

Seating for family, guests and friends begins at 6 p.m., with the processional set for 7 p.m. Following the ceremony, a Dean's reception will be held at 8:30 p.m. on the main concourse of the second level of Ryder Center.

Pinning Ceremony Set

Eighteen nurses, graduating this month with Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees, will receive pins indicative of their professional status in a 2 p.m. ceremony Sunday, Dec. 16 set for the SVSU Theatre. The pins are presented by the nursing program faculty and the SVSU Nurses Alumni Association.

One of the 18 graduating nurses will receive the nursing alumni association's "Outstanding Student Award."

Dr. Crystal M. Lange, dean of nursing and allied health sciences, will deliver the keynote address. Following the ceremony, a reception takes place in lower level Doan Center.

Mary M. Graiver, assistant professor of nursing, believes the graduating class will help fill a serious shortage of qualified nurses in the area.

"This graduating class will be providing needed service in the Tri-Cities and Thumb because most of the graduates will be staying here," Graiver said. She added that the class "will serve as excellent role models for others considering nursing careers." Class members list residences in nine area communities. Seven are from Saginaw, with others hailing from Bay City, Freeland, Kawkawlin, Essexville, Caro, Sterling, Sebawaing and Pewamo.

Heat will be reduced and campus buildings will be locked during holiday break. More detailed information will be available in the Dec. 18 issue of the *Interior*.

Health Fair Invites Booths

"Health Yourself — 1991" will be held in the Brown Concourse from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 13-14. The annual event promotes wellness through learning.

Campus offices are invited to participate by sponsoring a booth. Health Services Coordinator Gloria Hansen suggests that booths provide some participative activity for those who visit the fair. Call her office at ext. 4271 for more information. Booth reservations are due by January 4.

SVSU, Delta Receive Grant

Opportunities for minority students to continue their education after completing two years of college study will be enhanced by a \$74,061 grant from the Michigan Department of Education. The 12-month grant, announced by the Office of Minority Equity, will extend an SVSU/Delta College initiative that is part of the Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) program operated by eight colleges and universities around the state.

The third-year award to the two institutions takes effect July 1, 1991. It represents an increase from the two previous MICUP \$50,000 grants. The additional funding will be used to provide educational incentives for participating students, planners say.

The MICUP program encourages minority student to continue their education beyond the level required for graduation from a community college. Mentoring by upper class students at SVSU, conferences, workshops and other joint activities involving students and faculty at both institutions helps students make the transition from college to university.

Program administrators indicate 39 students have participated to date, and another 13 have expressed interest in the program.

Students Advise Credit Union

One group of SVSU business students is finding that their course has special relevance in the "real world." Since October they have been conducting a marketing survey and offering advice to help a local credit union increase service and assets for its members.

The 14 students in Dr. Robert Cheek's "Executive Strategies and Policies" course are assisting officers of Catholic Federal Credit Union to develop a five-year strategic plan. They will present their recommendations and results of their fall semester research to credit union decision-makers at a Wednesday, Dec. 12 luncheon meeting.

Cheek, associate professor of management, says the course is "designed to unite our SVSU students with our business environment by providing an opportunity to serve with a hands-on experience and to involve our business community in the educational process."

David Kindy, marketing director of the credit union, says the work of the students is taken seriously.

"In the past couple of years we've done marketing studies with other students," he said. "One of their recommendations was to open on Saturdays because there was an unmet need for service. Now we open Saturdays."

Midland Company Awards Scholarships to SVSU Seniors

Two senior engineering students will be awarded scholarships as a result of the salesmanship of a Midland equipment distributing firm. By meeting six- and nine-month sales goals during the past year, Midland Engine Inc. won the right to select the recipients of two Ingersoll-Rand Construction Equipment scholarships.

The \$500 merit-based awards went to Michael Popovich and Dennis Fryzel. A mechanical engineering major, Popovich has a cumulative grade point average of 3.56. Fryzel carries a 3.31 GPA with a double major in electrical engineering and computer science.

John Inman, sales representative for Midland Engine, said, "the company is glad to work with Saginaw Valley State, a local university with an excellent facility, to be able to keep the scholarships in this area."

E LOT TO CLOSE TODAY

Parking Lot E was closed at 7 a.m. today (December 11) and will remain closed until 5 p.m. The basketball game between Saginaw High School and Arthur Hill High School is being played in Ryder Center, necessitating the parking lot closure.

BOARD REPORT



A Report of the
Saginaw Valley State University
Board of Control

December 10, 1990

In preparation for the first-ever fall semester commencement (see story on pg. 1) set for Friday, December 14, Board of Control members Monday gave their approval to a list of over 300 names presented to them. The list represented those students expected to complete requirements for graduation this semester. President Gilbertson noted that more than 130 students indicated they would be participating in the graduation ceremony.

SVSU Faculty Association President Basil Clark informed Board members that the association's executive committee had met with President Gilbertson during breakfast December 3. "We appreciated this opportunity," Clark said.

He also noted that "the Faculty Association is in the process of formulating a budget committee to provide input into the University's budget preparation."

Board members approved sabbaticals for 12 faculty who had met all requirements and been recommended by a committee of their peers and by the administration. Those who will be on sabbatical during summer semester in 1991, 1992 and 1993 are Dr. David Dalgarn, professor of biology; Dr. Eric Nisula, professor of music; and Dr. Eric Petersen, professor of history.

Fall 1991 semester sabbaticals will be taken by Dr. William Elliott, professor of business law; Dr. Mahendra Kanthi, professor of economics; Dr. Enayat Mahajerin, professor of mechanical engineering; and Dr. Arnold Melnick, associate professor of accounting.

Dr. John Jezierski, professor of history; Dr. David Rayfield, professor of philosophy; and Dr. Sam Sarkar, professor of economics, will be on sabbatical winter semester 1992.

Completing the list are Dr. Albert Menard, associate professor of physics, and Dr. Donald Wiseman, professor of accounting, who will be teaching a reduced load and taking sabbatical time during the full 1991-92 academic year.

Salary increases of four percent for 1991 were enacted by the Board for President Gilbertson and vice presidents Fallon, Woodcock and Yien. All had received favorable performance evaluations.

The CPA firm of Ernst & Young was reappointed by the Board to conduct SVSU's financial audit for the 1990-91 fiscal year. This will be the fourth year that Ernst & Young has supplied this service. They initially were selected after reviewing several proposals.

In compliance with a 1981 recommendation by the State Auditor General, Board members annually review variances between budgeted and actual spending and revenue patterns. At Monday's meeting they approved variances in actual and budgeted figures shown on the audited financial statements for the 1989-90 fiscal year.

Actual revenues for 1989-90 were nearly \$200,000 above anticipated revenues. Tuition and fees generated \$110,338 more than budgeted, departmental and other revenues were \$86,929 above estimates, and state appropriations were \$2,000 more than expected.

Spending, on the other hand, was less than budgeted. The largest differential was in compensation, which was \$273,567 less than anticipated. Capital expenditures also were \$82,116 below projections, but cost of supplies, materials and services was \$345,207 higher than anticipated, leaving a net of \$10,476 fewer dollars spent than budgeted.

Action Agenda

1. Approve December Graduates
2. Faculty Sabbaticals for 1991-92
3. Administrative Staff Compensation
4. Reappoint Auditors
5. Reconcile 1989-90 General Fund Budget
6. Appoint Secretary to the Board of Control

While the original budget had projected a modest deficit after prior year contractual commitments, the actual revenues and expenditures resulted in a positive balance.

The Board's final action of the meeting was appointment of Richard E. Payne as secretary to the Board of Control. He replaces Vice President for Public Affairs John A. Fallon in that capacity.

Angie Torrez, director of academic support services, was recognized by the Board for her selection as Staff Member of the Month for December.

Board members received a personnel report listing the recent hiring of Fred H. Porterfield as Director of Public Information and Cynthia L.B. Woiderski as Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist.

The meeting concluded with a report on current activities in the College of Science, Engineering and Technology. Dr. Thomas Kullgren, dean of the college, provided background data on the involvement of women and minorities in mathematics, the sciences and engineering nationally. He noted that those groups traditionally have been under-represented in these academic and career areas and outlined programs at SVSU directed at improving participation by minorities and women. Among such efforts is the Mid-Michigan Minority Pre-Engineering Program (M³PEP).

Thanks to a grant of \$150,000 from the Midland-based Strosacker Foundation, the M³PEP program will be expanded from a six-week summer program to a year-round effort involving University faculty and students with high school and junior high teachers and selected students in grades 7 through 12. The program also will utilize funding from a NASA College Space Grant and contributions from SVSU.

Program planning for the project begins in January and participants in a summer workshop will develop the mechanics of the expanded activity. The program will be phased in gradually and is expected to be fully operational by the end of the 1993-94 school year.

Kullgren also reported on the Regional Math/Science Center, noting that Consumers Power Company recently donated a van for

use by the Labs on Wheels program the center operates.

Dr. Terry Ishihara, professor of mechanical engineering and technology, and Dr. Mohamed El-Kasabi, associate professor of electrical engineering and technology, reported on curriculum and the status of the American Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET) accreditation effort. The ABET site team visited campus earlier this fall to review programs and gave a very positive exit interview. A final report and recommendation is expected in the near future.

Kullgren noted that Dr. George Eastland, professor of chemistry, recently received a patent, #7,386,342, for a process to recover chromium from industrial waste streams and recycle it for further use. The process also can be applied to other heavy metals used by industry. A local electroplating firm is utilizing the patented technology.

Dr. Gail Kantak, associate professor of biology, reported on her efforts as director/coordinator of the Saginaw Bay Research Institute. The project is funded through the Michigan Sea Grant program, and Kantak is investigating the possibility of affiliation with the Michigan Center for Environmental Excellence. The Sea Grant program is designed to promote understanding of the Great Lakes and the wise use of their resources.

Dr. John Mooningham, associate professor of mathematical sciences, reported on activities in his department, including the recent VIM grant. (See story pg. 2, Nov. 6 *Interior*.) He noted that enrollments in math classes are up, partially because of new General Education and Basic Skills requirements.

Note: This is an unofficial report of Board activities. Official minutes are on file in the library.



INNER VIEW

FEATURING FACULTY AND STAFF OF SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Bridging Cultures

Sachiko Claus is well versed in multicultural living. Born in Japan, she came to the U.S. in 1968 as a student and has remained here.

She is married to an American with a German surname — one that causes some confusion around this time of year. Although her husband's given name is Richard and the surname is pronounced differently than the "jolly old elf's," the phone directory listing attracts calls from those trying to reach the presumed North Pole dweller.

"I don't know what to say when a young child calls me," she confesses. "In my heart, I really want to be nice to the child and say nice things. I don't want to spoil their wishes."

Throughout the year, Claus keeps in touch with her native Japanese culture while living and practicing her profession in another setting. Because she values her heritage, this summer she had a small tea house constructed in her back yard.

"I sit in my tea house, make tea and meditate," she says. The tea ceremony creates a sense of well-being and relaxes tensions, she says.

"I did not know how to enjoy my life until very recently," she admits. "Most people in the working force are that way." She says the phenomenon we refer to as the "Protestant work ethic" is "a way of life in Japan." There, loyalty to the organization comes first and personal life comes second, she indicates.

Claus also expresses her Japanese heritage through such activities as flower arranging, origami and volunteering at Saginaw's Japanese Tea House.

It is not surprising that her balancing of dual cultures finds expression in Claus's professional life as well. This fall she spent her sabbatical immersed in the daily work routine at St. Mary's Medical Center. She took on a temporary assignment as supervisor of the trauma unit at night, partly to regain direct contact with the field.

"I saw the reality of the nursing shortage and how nurses and staff are coping with it," she says. "I have a better idea of why nursing education is needed."

But her assignment also had a deeper mission.

"By my engaging in activities during the sabbatical, I was exploring the possibilities of establishing collaborative relationships between the University and area health care agencies. I believe that such activities would enhance the curriculum and instruction in the nursing program."

She cites ideas such as the mutual exchange of expertise through consultation and committee membership. For example, she proposes that SVSU appoint qualified local professional nurses as preceptors, guest speakers and/or adjunct faculty. In return, SVSU faculty would be invited to participate on committees and workshops in selected areas of nursing practice. Claus plans to develop a model for implementing this type of exchange.





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Lure of the North-woods

"Most hunters are unsuccessful in their pursuit of deer, and yet they continue to go hunting every year," notes Craig Maxwell.

Although he didn't mention his success rate, Maxwell is among those who make the annual trek north in quest of the whitetail. In fact, he manages to stretch the season from October through December by participating in bow, rifle and muzzle-loading rifle hunting.

For Maxwell, the allure is not so much the bagging of a deer as it is the opportunity to be outdoors and to join with family and friends in a united activity. He feels this is true of many of the estimated 750,000 who trek through Michigan's fields and woods each year.

"The actual hunting is only the excuse that deer hunters use to take advantage of opportunities to be outdoors," he says. Maxwell has participated in the annual rite since age 14. "I started with my dad, my family and friends," he says.

Maxwell particularly enjoys the bow hunting season in October. "You get to watch the seasons change when you go out there. Octo-

ber is nice because of the color change." He usually schedules a week then and another in November. The rest of his hunting takes place on weekends.

Maxwell is quick to debunk the stereotypical idea of the deer hunter "who doesn't bathe for a week or two" while inhabiting a rustic camp. "That doesn't describe me, and fewer and fewer hunters fit that picture," he says.

Michigan's unpredictable weather discourages camps without creature comforts, he says. Also, environmentalists and DNR officials have emphasized the need for responsible behavior among hunters. "In Michigan now each new hunter is required to take a safety course prior to obtaining a license," he points out. The study focuses on gun safety, but includes related topics. "Hunters are required to wear blaze orange, and that has lowered accident rates significantly."

Of course, most of the year Maxwell's focus is on his role of lieutenant in SVSU's Department of Public Safety. "It is both frustrating and challenging," he notes. Frustrations mainly are due to budget constraints that limit the services the department can offer. "I would like to be able to do more. We have to look at what we have and figure out how to do more without having more. Mostly we are pretty successful at that."

He feels the success is due to the professionalism of the staff. Most are long-term employees who have continued to upgrade their credentials. He notes that the nature of their work makes for sometimes adversarial relationships, an image they work to overcome.

Maxwell and his wife, Greta, are the parents of three children, including four-year-old twins. "Twins are more than twice the work," he laughs. "There's an exponential factor. I never dreamed it would be like that."



SVSU Students Join Desert Shield Operation

Although detailed information is incomplete, indications are that at least 10 SVSU students have been assigned to active duty in Saudi Arabia. According to Registrar Paul Saft, verification often is delayed because military personnel receive little advance notice when being called to active duty.

"Also, because the semester is nearly over, students may be able to finish up and may not have to contact us for withdrawal," he said. Those who do are granted tuition refunds.

Saft said those known to be involved in the call-up are attached to several units. "They typically spend about two weeks in a stateside location before going overseas," he said.

University staff are attempting to obtain overseas addresses for all SVSU students involved in the Desert Shield operation. "We want to encourage members of the campus community to keep in touch with these students," he said.

Campus and local news will be welcomed. A list of names and addresses will be published in January.

Academic, Service Achievements Recognized at Awards Banquet

Student actors from Dr. Ricardo Pastor's Spanish 498 "Spanish American Theater" class were rewarded with laughter (in the right places), enthusiastic applause and chants of "Give them an A, give them an A" for their performance at the December 6 Bilingual/Migrant Awards and Recognition Ceremony. The group presented *El Censo*, a comedy that centers on a census taker and his encounter with a family that does not wish to be counted.

The evening was a celebration of the achievements of students in SVSU's Bilingual/Bicultural Teacher Training Program. Parents, friends and representatives from several communities gathered to honor the students.

In her welcoming remarks, Dr. Raquel Ontiveros, interim director of the Bilingual Center, noted that the event helped to promote dialogue, communication and cooperation be-

tween the community and the University. The U.S. Office of Education, Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs and the Michigan Office of Bilingual/Migrant Education sponsored the banquet at the Sheraton.

The evening opened with musical entertainment by Espinoza Productions, with vocal solos by students Ana Maria Fleitas and Hilda Rodriguez. Following dinner, certificates were presented to students in the bilingual program who had been named to the Deans' List or the President's List during any of the past three semesters. Eight students who had graduated from the program also were recognized.

Community service awards were presented to Ruth Gomez, administrative secretary in the college of education; William Healy, director of scholarships and student financial aid; Angelita Torrez, director of academic support services; Kathy Lopez, assistant director of admissions; Ann Valderas, Bay City parent volunteer; Minnie Cadena, Saginaw Parent volunteer; and Jose Gurule, director of Chicano/Latino Services, Delta College.

Plaques of appreciation were presented to Alberto Chia, manager of the Sheraton Hotel, and Dr. Jose Valderas, former director of the Bilingual Center. Senator Jerome Hart also will be presented with a plaque for his support to SVSU and the bilingual program.

Professional Profile

-- **Amy Ballantyne**, director of entrepreneurial resources for the Business & Industrial Development Institute, recently was elected to serve on the executive committee for the Bay County Growth Alliance board of directors. She has been a member of the board since 1988.

-- **Dr. Robert Check**, associate professor of management, has obtained approval of the board of directors of the Credit Union Executives Society, Madison, Wisconsin, to enter into a joint project with SVSU. The two-year study is titled "Significant Human Resource Development Needs — Credit Union Industry." Check also has been selected to conduct a feasibility study and write a proposal for funding to the Michigan Department of Labor for the JTPA Saginaw, Midland, Bay County Training and Development Consortium. The study focuses on implementing the case management concept in employee training.

Public Speaking Contest

The SVSU Communication Guild is sponsoring a public speaking contest open to all SVSU students. Cash awards will be presented to the top three contestants. March 19 has been set as the tentative date for the contest. For more information, contact Dr. David E. Schneider, assistant professor of communication/theatre, at ext. 4398.

Putting Holiday Help through the Hoops

The SVSU basketball program is enjoying a prosperous early season and is hoping to share its good fortune with less fortunate members of the Tri-Cities. Fans are asked to bring two non-perishable food items as admission when the Cardinals host Alma College Monday, Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m. All collected goods will be delivered to the East Side Soup Kitchen.

In addition, the Cardinals join local rival Northwood Institute and the U.S. Marines in a "Toys for Tots" campaign. The Marines are collecting toys for distribution in the Tri-City area. Fans are asked to bring a toy of \$5 value or greater as admission when Northwood hosts SVSU Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m. Toys should be in their original package and should not be gift wrapped.

High Five

-- Senior free safety **David Cook** was named to first-team Kodak All-American honors by the American Football Coaches Association. Cook, who tied the SVSU record with eight interceptions, joins **Eugene Marve** and **Joe Rice** as previous Kodak All-Americans for SVSU.

-- The **men's basketball** team lost 72-70 to four-time defending GLIAC champion Ferris State in the league opener for both schools, Saturday. The Cardinals beat Grand Rapids Baptist College Thursday by an 86-64 margin for their fifth straight win.

-- The **women's basketball** team dropped an 84-67 contest to Ferris State Saturday, ending a string of nine straight wins in GLIAC openers for the Lady Cardinals. The loss also ended SVSU's four-game season win streak.

-- Junior setter **Chris Baird** was named to first-team Academic All-GLIAC honors in volleyball and also earned second team All-GLIAC honors. Senior **Jenny Robison** earned Honorable Mention Academic All-GLIAC honors.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Friday, December 14 — Annual Holiday Luncheon, noon, Lower Level Doan Center

Friday, December 14 — Snack Bar closes for holiday break at 2:30 p.m.

Friday, December 21 — Campus offices, Marshall Fredericks Gallery and Ryder Center close at 4:30 p.m.

Monday, December 24 — Campus fire alarm system will be tested beginning at 8 a.m.

Thursday, December 27 & Friday, December 28 — Ryder Center open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, December 29 and Sunday, December 30 — Ryder Center open from noon to 6 p.m.

Monday, December 31 — Ryder Center open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Open pool hours from December 27 - 31 are noon to 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 — RYDER CENTER CLOSED

Wednesday, January 2 — Campus offices reopen; Ryder Center open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pool open noon to 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 3 and Friday, January 4 — Ryder Center open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pool open noon to 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 5 — Ryder Center open noon to 6 p.m.

Pool open noon to 4 p.m.

Sunday, January 6 — Marshall Fredericks Gallery open 1 to 5 p.m.; Ryder Center open noon to 9 p.m.

Pool open noon to 6 p.m.

Snack Bar reopens at 7 p.m.

Monday, January 7 — Classes begin; Ryder Center resumes normal hours