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SVSU Community Pays Tribute to Hispanic Cultural Heritage

SVSU is in the midst of celebrating the achievements and contributions of Hispanic people as part of "Hispanic Heritage Month," September 15 through October 15.

The observance, which recognizes the diversity on the SVSU campus and increases awareness of Hispanic culture, continues through mid-October with a series of events open to the University community.

Included are three films, a guest speaker, an informal gathering and a dinner honoring outstanding Hispanic students and civic leaders. Dates and times of events are:

Thursday, Sept. 24, 12 noon - 1:30 p.m.
At the Movies: "The Buried Mirror" ◇ Held in Alumni Lounge. Free popcorn.

Tuesday, Sept. 29, 12 noon - 1 p.m.
"Christopher Columbus: Lost Explorer" ◇ Hear Jose Gurulé speak in the Alumni Lounge. Bring your lunch.

Thursday, Oct. 1, 12 noon - 1:30 p.m.
At the Movies: "Official Story" ◇ Held in Alumni Lounge. Free popcorn.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 6-7:30 p.m.
"Recognition Dinner" ◇ Lower Level Doan Center. R.S.V.P. by Sept. 25, 790-5631. Admission is free.

Friday, Oct. 9, 12 noon - 1:30 p.m.
At the Movies: "Ahi Esta el Detalle" ◇ Held in Alumni Lounge. Free popcorn.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 4-6 p.m.
Free coffee and Mexican pastries, served in Brown Concourse.

The month-long celebration is sponsored by Evening Services, the Bilingual/Bicultural Education Center, Minority Services, Student Life and the Hispanic Student Association. For more information on events, call ext. 4494 or 4092.

Homecoming '92 Activities Set

SVSU faculty and staff are invited to attend a variety of activities that welcome alumni back to campus for Homecoming '92.

Leading off the celebration is the annual Cork & Cheese Party, sponsored by the Faculty Association, on Friday, Sept. 25. Join faculty, staff, students and alumni on the third floor of Brown Hall between 4-6 p.m.

A Spirit Breakfast will be served on the Ryder Center concourse on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Families with small children can participate in the Saturday Morning Children's Hour, which runs from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Children's Center.

The Alumni Association is hosting a pre-game Pig Roast from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. The class of 1982 will be honored during their 10th year reunion at this tailgate party in Ryder Center parking lot.

The Cardinal Football team will kick off at 12 noon against Homecoming foe St. Joseph's College (IN). At halftime will be the coronation ceremonies of the King and Queen, as well as entertainment by the SVSU Marching Band, under the direction of Bill Wollner, associate professor of music.

The day wraps up with a post-game party in O'Neill Arena from 3:30 to 6 p.m.
Dean Mitchell Retiring

When Dean of the College of Business and Management James L. Mitchell retires December 31, he will conclude a distinguished career in higher education that has spanned more than three decades.

Mitchell, who was named acting dean of Business and Management in 1978 and earned the post on a permanent basis the following year, first joined SVSU as professor of accounting in 1977. Prior to that he served as assistant/associate professor of accountancy at Western Michigan University for 13 years, three years as assistant professor of accounting at Eastern Michigan University and two years as instructor of accounting at Michigan State University.

Mitchell’s credentials also include extensive experience in consulting for local and state governmental groups. He designed programs for implementing budgeting systems, developed instructional materials and coordinated instruction for state-wide educational programs. During this period he co-authored *Local Government Budgeting: Financial Planning and Operational Control*, published in 1977 and *Basic Budgeting for Michigan Townships and Villages*, published in 1975.

During his tenure as dean, Mitchell was noted for his effectiveness in working with the area business community. Under his leadership the University’s Master of Business Administration program achieved maturity and the M.B.A. program for Taiwanese students was implemented. Mitchell also guided development of the college’s undergraduate business core and cognate requirements for admission to business and management majors.

In November Mitchell will travel to Taiwan to teach the capstone course for the first graduating class in the Taiwanese M.B.A. program. He will remain for graduation ceremonies there December 20 honoring the 29 students.

"Program development in our College of Business and Management has benefited enormously from Dr. Mitchell’s administrative ability for the past 14 years," said Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Yen. "Jim has been extremely dedicated to SVSU, participating in many activities and events. Further, he contributes his time and considerable talents to community organizations outside the University."

"We hope that Jim and his wife, Barbara, will find his retirement years rewarding."

A meeting has been set for Friday, Sept. 25 to set details for the search for Mitchell’s replacement.

University Receives Bequest

Saginaw Valley State University students will benefit from a bequest recently received from the estate of Caro resident Oscar W. Kloha.

Kloha, who died November 18, 1991, specified that SVSU receive $20,000 to be added to the University’s endowment fund. "The income from the bequest will be used to provide scholarships for needy students," said SVSU Foundation Executive Director Albert Beutler. "We are grateful for Mr. Kloha’s interest in higher education. His bequest will further Mr. Kloha’s concern for students."

A well-known area merchant, Kloha owned and operated the Kay’s Stores in Caro and Bay City for many years.

Foundation Elects Officers

The SVSU Foundation board of directors recently elected officers for 1992-93 and reappointed three members to its ranks.

The board will be chaired by Thomas H. Mutton of Bay City. He replaces Martha G. Arnold, who chaired the board for two years. Arnold, of Midland, was lauded for her outstanding service and leadership.

Robert Vitito of Saginaw will serve as second vice chair. Melvin J. Zahnow, also of Saginaw, will serve as secretary. Eric Gilbertson was named first vice chair and Jerry Woodcock treasurer for the University’s fundraising organization.

Current board members Arnold, Dorothy (Honey) Arbury and John W. Kendall were reappointed for terms of one, two and four years respectively. Each will have completed eight years’ service at the conclusion of their new terms.

The Foundation board also recognized the SVSU Board of Control’s appointment of Dr. Thomas E. Rush and Charles B. Curtiss to four-year terms as Foundation directors.
Annual Fund Campaign Undergoes Reorganization

The campus Annual Fund campaign has been reorganized this year into a decentralized structure. Memos already have been sent out with information about this campaign.

Annual Fund gifts can be unrestricted or designated for a specific area. Each fall, solicitation letters are mailed to alumni, SVSU employees and more than 2,500 people in the quad-county area.

Tax-deductible gifts to SVSU are easily made through the payroll deduction option. For further information, contact Norma Gase Zivich at ext. 4075.

BIDI Conference Removes the Mystery from ISO 9000

Business owners, CEO's, managers and others who want to learn more about ISO 9000 series (9000-9004) quality standards are signing up for an Oct. 7 seminar sponsored in part by the Business and Industrial Development Institute of SVSU (BIDI).

The seminar will be presented in easy-to-understand, non-technical language. Registrants will receive the ISO 9000 standards; check lists covering the costs, benefits and certification procedures; and sources of information and assistance. The conference faculty include experts in quality and productivity training services.

The seminar, which will be held in Lower Level Doan Center from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., is $135 per person. Registration deadline is Thursday, Oct. 1. For further information, contact the BIDI office at ext. 4048.

Flûtée Concert to Feature Premiere Work

A specially commissioned work of chamber music for flute and harp will be premiered in concert by Flûtée, SVSU's quartet in residence, at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 23 in the University Theatre.

Floris, a multi-movement composition by acclaimed Saginaw pianist and composer Catherine McMichael, will feature Flûtée members Pollee Lloyd, Mary H. Anderson, Kim Jeannette Teal and Deanna Popielarz performing on piccolo, E-flat flute, alto flute, concert flute and bass flute. Founded in 1987, Flûtée has previously commissioned compositions for flute quartet and trumpet and arrangements for flute quartet and soprano, as well as their own arrangements.

Joining the quartet for the premiere will be guest artist Kimberly Rowe, a free-lance harpist from Ann Arbor. The holder of bachelor and master of music degrees from the Cleveland Institute, Rowe has performed throughout the United State and Japan. She has been principal harpist with the Youngstown Symphony and has played with the Erie Philharmonic, as well as symphony orchestras of West Virginia, Akron, Shreveport, Toledo and Flint.

Commissioned by a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs through the Saginaw Community Foundation, McMichael's composition is the latest of her works that include compositions and arrangements for piano, chamber ensembles and choir.

Flûtée will offer other compositions during the concert including Adagio by Barber; Concerto by Vivaldi; Suite Italienne by Desportes; Sinfonia zu "Die Hochzeit des Figaro" by Mozart and Stars and Stripes Forever by Sousa.

SVSU faculty and staff can obtain complimentary tickets to the concert by calling Nancy Whalen at ext. 4159.

University Loses Two Friends

Max P. Heavenrich Jr., a well-known Saginaw retailer who was a member and past chairman of the SVSU Board of Fellows, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 15. He was 81. For those who wish to make an expression of sympathy, several charitable organizations have been suggested, including the SVSU Library Fund.

An official for Dow Chemical Co. and a member of the SVSU Board of Control died Saturday, Sept. 12. Gerald (Jay) Hornsby, 58, who lost a six-month fight against cancer, was appointed to the Board in 1989. The family has asked that memorial donations be sent to the SVSU Scholarship Fund.
Professional Profile

- **Rick Dalzell**, educational statistician and school improvement specialist with GSVREC, was elected president of the Michigan Association of Computer Users in Learning and also was named a research officer for Phi Delta Kappa.
- **Judith Hill**, associate professor of philosophy, will conduct a workshop on abortion for the Obstetrics Unit at Saginaw General Hospital on Wednesday, Sept. 23. She also will chair a panel discussion of autonomy at St. Luke’s Hospital on Oct. 21.
- **Ann Rae**, chairperson of the department of social work, completed training at the Harvard Geriatric Center, Harvard Medical School, and Simmons College of Social Work in Boston (MA), July 1992. Rae also was elected by members of the Michigan Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers as a delegate to the Delegate Assembly of NASW, the policy-making body of NASW.
- **Tirumale Ramesh**, assistant professor of electrical engineering, submitted a final manuscript of an accepted regular research paper titled "Reconfigurable Shared and Dedicated-Bus Multiprocessor for Parallel Computing" to the Journal of Computers and Electrical Engineering. The paper will be published by Pergamon Press, London. This paper focuses on a reconfigurable parallel computer architecture, the system design considerations and performance.
- **Joe Vogl**, Ryder Center operations manager and golf coach, was appointed chairman for the men’s golf committee, NCAA Division II, District IV, which includes golf programs in Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee. As committee chair, he will be responsible for overseeing district rankings, the district golf tournament (that determines which teams go to the national golf tournament), and represent the district at the annual coaches meeting.

Events/Activities

- **Candidates Forum** — Wednesday, Sept. 23, 3-5 p.m., Lower Level Doan Center. Political candidates from six area districts will answer questions from the audience. Reception follows at 4:30 p.m.
- **Film Series** — Sunday, Sept. 27, 8 p.m., SVSU Theatre; also Tuesday, Sept. 29, 7 and 10 p.m., SVSU Theatre. Featured film is *Dying Young*. Admission is free of charge.
- **Herb Heider Retirement Reception** — Friday, Oct. 2, 3-5 p.m., Controller’s Office, third floor Wickes Hall. Refreshments served.
- **Valley Film Society** — Friday, Oct. 2, 7:45 p.m., SVSU Theatre. Featured film is *Caravaggio*, about the 17th-Century painter who influenced and scandalized contemporaries with his art and resistance to the social mores of his time. Admission by pro-rated membership. Call ext. 4015 for details.

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS — This storage shed (left) for furniture from Pine Grove Apartments is one of a variety of campus improvement projects. Also currently under construction is a reduction of an earth berm along the Bay Road side of the water retention pond (to improve visibility). Other planned projects include a new parking lot with some 200 spaces to go south of the Science Building; addition of a blacktop sidewalk from Pine Grove Apartments to the bus stop for K-12 students; a new blacktop entrance ramp to '68 Building for the mail truck; and remodeling of Cardinal gym space for faculty offices.