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# Orientation/Picnic Opens New Academic Year

The 1993-94 academic year will begin Thursday, Aug. 26 with orientation for new faculty and staff scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon in Arbury Fine Arts Center. The session will include tours of various campus offices.

Robert S.P. Yien, vice president for academic affairs, and Crystal Lange, associate vice president, will update faculty on progress on the NCA Institutional Self-Study Report during a noon luncheon in Doan Center. The report is being prepared as part of the accreditation process.

Following lunch, faculty will break into groups by college and meet with their respective deans from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Arts and Behavioral Sciences
   Dean Judith B. Kerman
   Room 127, Brown Hall
- Business and Management Acting Dean Wayne E. Mackie Room 207, Brown Hall
- Education
   Dean Ellen Curtis-Pierce

   Room 214, Brown Hall
- Nursing and Allied Health Sciences
  Dean Crystal M. Lange
  Room 246, Wickes Hall
- Science, Engineering and Technology Dean Thomas E. Kullgren Room 158, Pioneer Hall

The entire campus community is encouraged to attend a 4 to 5 p.m. gathering in Marble Lecture Hall. Dr. Yien will introduce new faculty and staff, and recognize faculty

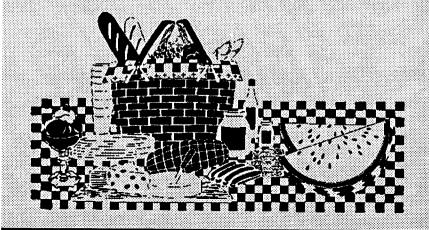
promotions and tenure. Following these introductions, President Eric Gilbertson will address the campus community.

A picnic celebrating the opening of school follows from 5 to 8 p.m. All University staff and faculty members and their families are invited to enjoy the festivities.

Join your faculty and staff colleagues and their families for a Picnic

to celebrate the new academic year
Leaping Gazelle Fountain Area
(In case of rain, festivities will be held in O'Neill Arena)

Thursday, August 26, 1993 5-8 p.m. R.S.V.P. 790-4041 by August 19



# Bay City, Saginaw Student/Teacher Teams do Environmental Research

Two teams composed of four students and two teachers from Bay City Central High School and the Saginaw Center for the Arts and Sciences began three weeks of intensive research and study Monday, July 26 under the guidance of SVSU's Institute for Environmental Policy and Education (IEPE). The summer institute is part of EarthVision: EPA's Grand Challenge to High Schools.

In a competition among regional high schools earlier this year, the Bay City team was awarded a powerful silicone-graphic computer work station for their school and the opportunity to continue working on environmental research project with the aid of a direct link with the Environmental Protection Agency's National Environmental Supercomputing Center (NESC) in Bay City.

The Bay City team also won cash stipends of \$2,000 for teachers and \$750 for students. The team from the Center for Arts and Sciences was invited to participate, and will use computer equipment provided by SVSU.

Both teams will continue their research using work stations and telecommunication links to NESC to analyze data, conduct modeling and use scientific visualization to implement their research.

During the past school year, researchers and computational science specialists from IEPE conducted Saturday tutorial sessions for the high school teams. As a result, the Bay City team developed preliminary research on their project titled "Uptake and Food Chain Transfer of Polychlorinated Bipheryls (PCB) in the Zebra Mussel (Dreissna polymorph)." The Arts and Sciences team developed a project called "A Summary of Heavy Metal Distribution Data in the Saginaw Bay and the Computer Model to Interpret These Data."

"We consider the work of these teams very important," said Ralph Coppola, executive director of IEPE. "When the teams return to their classes in the fall, what they've learned and developed is expected to serve as the basis for new educational programs at their schools. Their work is considered a keystone project by the EPA, which is sponsoring the program," he added.

A third team from Chesaning High School

also took part in the earlier program. Next year, IEPE expects to send applications to high school teams across the state for participation in the EarthVision program.

### Did You Know?...

- Cardinal Athletic Cards are available:
  Faculty and staff members may pick up their
  Cardinal Athletic Card from the Athletic Office in the Ryder Center for Health and Physical Education during regular campus office
  hours. This card grants admission to all regularly scheduled home football and basketball
  games. Additional cards for spouses and family members are \$20.
- Parking Permits are available: Reserve parking permits for 1993-94 are available at the Department of Public Safety Parking Bureau. They can be purchased for \$20 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and noon, and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. During the first week of classes the Parking Bureau will also be selling permits between 4:30 and 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Permits will be sold again between 4:30 and 7 p.m. on September 14 and 15. Current permits expire September 15. For more information, call the Parking Bureau at ext. 4140.
- Shannon Thompson Golf Classic: The 7th annual Shannon Thompson Memorial Golf Classic will take place Monday, Aug. 16 beginning at 9 a.m. at Bay Valley Golf Course. The cost is \$70 with proceeds going to fund the memorial scholarship. Faculty and staff interested in playing or donating to the scholarship fund are asked to contact Jim Dwyer at ext. 4209.

# Commencement Set for Taiwanese MBA Graduates

Nineteen students from Taiwan who have completed requirements for the MBA will be awarded diplomas in a 2:00 p.m. ceremony Tuesday, Aug. 24. The event will take place in Doan Center, and the campus community is invited to attend.

Robert S.P. Yien, vice president for academic affairs, will address the graduates. A reception follows.

## Program Board Presents Comedians

SVSU's Program Board will present a series of live comedic performances during fall semester. The first features comic Ken Sevara on Monday, Aug. 30. His program begins at 8 p.m. in Lower Level Doan Center. Admission is free.

### **Professional Profile**

- William Hoffman, professor of history, presented a paper titled "Friends of Martin Van Buren and the Nullification Crisis" at the convention of the Society of Historic Early American Republicans on July 23 at Chapel Hill University (NC).
- Enayat Mahajerin, professor and faculty advisor of the Mechanical Engineering Student Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), was awarded a travel grant from ASME. The fund was used to attend the "1993 Pressure Vessel and Piping Conference" on July 25-29 in Denver (CO). More than 700 participants from 27 different countries attended a series of eight special technical sessions where topics focused on technology in a global society.
- Scott Mellendorf, reference intern in Zahnow Library, had his article published in OCLC Systems and Services (vol. 9, no. 2, summer 1993, p. 45-48). The article is titled "A Practical Method of Using Interlibrary Loan Data to Assist Librarians with Collection Development."

• Rosalie Riegle Troester, professor of English, presented a paper at the annual convention of the National Women's Studies Association on Saturday, June 19, in Washington, D.C. Titled "Friendship, Feminism and Freshman Composition," the paper was co-authored by English major Molleen Zanger.

# **Across Campus**

- Congratulations go out to proud parents **Karen Hollenbeck**, senior programmer/analyst in Computer Services, and her husband, Mike, on the birth of Jessica Rachelle on Monday, Aug. 2 (8 lbs., 1 oz., 20½ inches).
- The campus community joins together in wishing sincerest condolences to the family of Virginia Johnston, of Midland, who died July 16 of a heart attack. Miss Johnston's service to SVSU included volunteer work in the Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Gallery as a docent.
- Congratulations are extended to Lori Lipinski, administrative secretary in Public Safety, and her husband, Wayne, on the birth of a daughter, Kelsey Lee, on Friday, Aug. 6 (6 lbs., 6 oz.)



DANCING IN THE GARDENS — Students from Shikoku University perform the Awa Odori dance, a specialty of the city of Tokushima and famous throughout the world. The activity was part of "Japan Day" held Sunday, Aug. 8 at the Japanese Cultural Center in Saginaw. The students are wearing the traditional Japanese yukata (a summer cotton kimono), obi (sash), and geta (wooden shoes). The students also sang Japanese songs and presented the sado, an informal tea ceremony, inside the Tea House.