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North Central Team to Visit Campus

A seven-member team from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools will visit campus this month to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of University programs and facilities. The visit, which will take place March 14 through 16, is part of the process leading to continued accreditation for SVSU's baccalaureate and master's degree programs.

Prior to its site visit, the team received copies of SVSU's Self-Study Report. The document resulted from a campus-wide self-study process that began in September 1992 and involved a cross section of operational units through nine subcommittees. Input was sought from other campus personnel through a series of open forums.

The report addresses the following criteria established by NCA for accreditation:

1. The institution has clear and publicly stated purposes, consistent with its mission and appropriate to a postsecondary educational institution.

2. Human, financial and physical resources are effectively organized into educational and other programs to accomplish institutional purposes.

3. The institution is accomplishing its purposes.

4. The institution can continue to accomplish its purposes.

The self-study committee was chaired by Crystal Lange. She notes that the team will examine outcomes assessment activities and how the results are used as they evaluate the University's programs and processes.

"The team will ask to meet with department chairs and there will be open meetings with faculty and students," Lange said. "In addition, team members will visit most every office on campus that relates to students and academic programs, as well as support services." She stressed that everybody who wishes to do so will have a chance to meet the team.

"I encourage everyone to review the Self-Study Report with special emphasis on the areas where they are involved," Lange said.

Lange said that team members probably will eat some of their meals in the Doan Center cafeteria so they can meet students in an informal setting.

Team members are: Fred L. Cook, Denver, CO; Dr. Lillie P. Howard, associate vice president, academic affairs, Wright State University, Dayton, OH; Dr. Clyde T. Jacob, vice president, academic affairs, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK; Dr. Charles W. Manning, chancellor, University System of West Virginia, Charleston, WV; Dr. Constance T. Rockingham, vice president, student affairs, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, IL.; and Dr. Stephen A. Roderick, dean, school of education, Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO. The team is chaired by Dr. Kay Schallenkamp, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Whitewater, WI.

Following the visit, the team will prepare a report that will be reviewed, along with the Self-Study Report, by a Readers' Panel and/or a Review Committee. The panel's and/or committee's recommendations will be considered by the NCA Commission, which takes official action on accreditation.

SVSU's last NCA accreditation was awarded in 1987. Persons with questions about the team visit or the accreditation process may contact Lange at ext. 4145.
Valley Festival Caters to Families

After a long winter of ice, snow and bitter cold, SVSU welcomes the advent of Spring with the return of the "Valley Festival of the Fine Arts."

The two-day event, now in its third year, features events and arts activities for every member of the family.

Activities will take place in Ryder Center, Arbury Fine Arts Center and the University Theatre from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, and from 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 20.

A Fine Arts Fair and Sale, Children’s Fun Art Factory and Woodcarving Demonstrations are the events on tap in Ryder Center. In Arbury Center will be an SVSU Showcase of Performances and Visual Arts, a Buster Keaton Comedy Film Fest and tours of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery. The Department of Communication and Theatre will present performances of the Jungle Book in the University Theatre.

A trolley service will be provided to help participants make the trek to any of the three activity sites. Refreshments will be served.

Women’s History Month Committee Honors SVSU Nursing College Dean

Dr. Crystal M. Lange will be recognized by the Women's History Month Committee for her achievements and for her work in establishing and supporting programs for women.

Lange, who is dean of the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences and associate vice president for Academic Affairs at SVSU, will be presented a Resolution/Certificate of Award that acknowledges her personal commitment to the advancement of women students and staff at the University.

The award will be presented at a campus luncheon on Tuesday, March 22 in the second floor conference room in Ryder Center. Lange will be given special recognition at a reception for SVSU graduating women on March 10 in the lobby on first floor Wickes Hall.

Lange is credited with obtaining funding and providing leadership for the development of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Master of Science in Nursing and Occupational Therapy programs. She arrived at SVSU in 1976 after serving on the graduate faculty for the M.S.N. program at Wayne State University.

Lange once was chair of the Division of Nursing at Delta College and assistant director of the School of Nursing for Saginaw General Hospital. A recipient of the National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship Award, Lange presently serves on the National League for Nursing's Executive Committee of the Council of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs. She has published numerous research projects, including instructors' guides and films on nursing skills and techniques.

Lange, who has served as a nursing consultant throughout the country and internationally, is involved in the World Health Organization. More recently she has developed international exchange programs between SVSU, China and Australia.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the Valley Festival of the Fine Arts. Faculty and staff members who are interested in helping out should contact Marilyn Boyd, senior secretary in the Office of Student Life, at ext. 4170.
Yun Memorial Scholarship Established

SVSU has granted the wishes of relatives and friends of the late SVSU physics professor Suk Koo (Tom) Yun to establish a scholarship fund in memory of Yun's 25 years of scholarly research and teaching at Saginaw Valley State University.

Yun, who passed away January 29, 1994, was an established scholar in the field of high energy physics. He served as chair of the Department of Physics for more than two decades after joining the University in 1969.

Contributions toward the scholarship fund should be submitted to the SVSU Foundation. All donations to the SVSU Foundation are tax deductible as provided by law.

Nominations Sought for Service and Recognition Awards

The SVSU community is encouraged to submit nominations for the ninth annual Earl Warrick Award for Excellence in Research.

Only individuals presenting work of the highest quality over an extended period of time are eligible for this award, which is presented to the recipient at the May 1994 Commencement exercises. Deadline for submitting nominations is March 18. Additional information and criteria are available from Dr. Ralph K. Coppola, selection committee chair, at ext. 4295.

There still is time to submit nominations for the following awards:

- Faculty Recognition Awards: deadline to submit nominations is March 8. Send nominations to Melissa Hayden in Brown 223.
- Outstanding Cocurricular Involvement: For nomination forms and information on criteria, contact Joe Vogl at ext. 7300.

Student Leaders Forum Accepting Nominations

SVSU faculty and staff are asked to encourage students to complete an application for the "Governor's College Student Leaders Forum," which takes place in August. Interested students must have their applications postmarked on or before March 15, 1994.

Eligible students must be attending a Michigan public or private four year college or university and must be enrolled for the 1993-94 academic year.

The Governor's College Student Leaders Forum was created in 1991 in honor of Gov. John Engler. The program is designed to help student leaders develop and enhance practical skills of leadership and organizational development. Forum participants will have the opportunity to interact with government and corporate leaders and develop a network of support and opportunity.

Advise students to contact the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs or the Office of Student Life for an application.

REACHING SKYWARD — A quick glance at the area surrounding Doan Center reveals that workers are making rapid progress on the renovation project. "We're really excited to see the remodeling moving along so well," said John Curry, director of campus dining services. Curry said he hopes to move at the end of May into whatever areas are completed so that demolition and remodeling can commence on the current kitchen space in Doan Center.
Campus Happenings

• Organizational Leadership for Lunch Series: Merry Jo Starrine, director of Housing and Residential Life, will present "Becoming More Creative," 12 noon, Tuesday, March 15 in Alumni Lounge. Admission is free.

• Program Board Lecture Series: Rosey Grier, a former athlete who now is an ordained minister, will talk about improving our country's inner cities. His talk is set for 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 21 in the University Theatre. General admission is $3.

• Department of Communication & Theatre: will present the Jungalbook, a play by Edward Mast and adapted from Edward Kipling's The Jungle Books. Performances are at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, March 18 and 19; 2 p.m., Sunday, March 20. Faculty and staff may reserve a complimentary ticket by calling ext. 4492 or 5627.

New Roles Announced in Student Affairs

In an effort to more effectively serve students, some positions in the Student Affairs Division have been realigned.

The Office of Academic Support Services has been renamed "Academic and Career Development Services." Each staff member in this department will serve as an academic and career advisor, with specialty in another area. Staff will provide each student with an educational plan to assist in reaching career and life goals. Monitoring student progress and intervening as necessary is a priority of this office.

Jean Chesney, in her newly-created position of Director of the Commuter Student Resource Center, will broaden her role to include all commuting students, in addition to non-traditional students. Supervision of the Office of Evening Services will become Chesney's responsibility.

Cynthia Woiderski, who has been named Coordinator of Disability and Mentoring Services, will assist students with learning and physical disabilities. She also will coordinate a mentoring program designed to enrich the collegiate experiences of all freshmen students.

Linda Gloden, who will continue her role in Personal Counseling, also will provide assistance in the area of academic advising. Students with difficulties related to substance abuse should be referred to Gloden.

Keleen Marciniak, who will remain coordinator of Student Employment, now will report to William Healy, director of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid.

Three new teams have been established to further new divisional goals. The Student Tracking Systems Task Force, headed by Angie Torrez, will establish procedures to monitor academic progress and provide necessary intervention. Woiderski will lead the Mentoring Program Task Force. Gloden will chair the Crisis Prevention Task Force, which will identify students who are at risk of emotional crisis and develop appropriate outreach and support programs.

Transitions

Please make the following changes in your Faculty/Staff Directory:

New
• Christine Greve, coordinator of Small Business Services, BIDI, ext. 4388.
• Susan Manke, Cashier (part-time), Controller's Office, ext. 4212

Promoted/Transferred/New Title
• Tim Burke, Academic & Career Advisor/Academic Progress & Intervention Specialist
• Jean Chesney, Director of Commuter Student Resource Center
• Diana Gutierrez, Academic & Career Advisor/Career Planning Specialist
• Linda Gloden, Personal Counselor/Academic Advisor
• Chris Looney, Academic & Career Advisor/Advising Information Specialist
• Kim McDonald, Academic & Career Advisor/Learning Skills Specialist
• Angie Torrez, Director of Academic and Career Development Services
• Cynthia Woiderski, Coordinator of Disability and Mentoring Services

Left/Leaving
• Kay Phelps, formerly Office Clerk, Math/Science Center