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SVSU to Honor Groening during West Complex Groundbreaking Ceremonies

The list of dignitaries expected to participate in groundbreaking ceremonies for West Complex includes a member of the group that inspired the creation of SVSU.

William H. Groening Jr., who retired as vice president and general counsel for The Dow Chemical Company in 1977, was instrumental in the establishment of SVSU. He was the first chairman of the Board of Control when the school was chartered as a private college in 1963. He was re-elected chairman once Saginaw Valley became a state college in 1965.

In honor of Groening's commitment to the University, the SVSU Board of Control voted to name the West Complex atrium "Groening Commons." The area will be the main entryway into the building, which is expected to be completed in about two and one-half years.

"I guess I have to say I'm thrilled," Groening said when informed of the honor by President Eric Gilbertson. "This comes as a big surprise."

Groening's interest in higher education in the Saginaw Valley dates back even further than the founding of SVSU. He was a member of the "Committee of 300," which consisted of people from Saginaw, Midland and Bay City

who worked to create both Delta and SVSU.

"I firmly believe that every person who has received a college or university education and has achieved material success has a moral obligation, by voluntary efforts or monetary contributions or both, to give back to higher education some of the benefits bestowed upon that person," Groening said.

"So when the Committee of 300 was organized in 1955 I joined it, which was a marvelous experience because we were pioneering—we were building for the future. We were bringing higher education to the students of the area—many of whom for financial, family or other reasons were unable to go away to college."

In addition to his 41-year career with Dow's legal department, Groening served for six years on the Midland city council and was mayor from 1950-52. Groening also was involved in several local United Way campaigns and was president of Catholic Family Services. In 1974, Groening was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from SVSU. A member of the SVSU Foundation since 1977, he was elected as the group's first honorary director in 1985. Groening, 81, has been living in Delray Beach, Florida, since 1989.



William H. Groening Jr.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE WEST COMPLEX GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1994 • 10:00 A.M. • NEAR THE SOUTH ENTRANCE OF THE ARBURY FINE ARTS CENTER
IN THE EVENT OF BAD WEATHER, THE GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES WILL BE HELD IN THE ARBURY FINE ARTS CENTER LOBBY.

Dignitaries from the Michigan State Legislature who are expected to be present:

- Governor John Engler
- Rep. Dick Allen (R-Caro)
- Rep. Roland Jersevic (R-Sag. Township)
- Rep. James E. O'Neill Jr. (D-Saginaw)
- Rep. Michael Goschka (R-Bridgeport)
- Rep. James McNutt (R-Midland)
- Sen. Jon Cisky (R-Saginaw)
- Sen. Joel Gougeon (R-Bay City)
- Rep. Howard Wetters (D-Kawkawlin)

Minority University and College Students Take INROADS at SVSU

About 70 minority students, ranging from incoming freshmen to seniors from the Detroit metropolitan area, spent two days in a professional development retreat on the campus of SVSU July 16 and 17. The students, enrolled at various colleges and universities around the country, spend their summers working as corporate interns preparing for roles as business and community leaders.

During their weekend stay at SVSU, the interns received extensive professional development training in a mandatory workshop involving management skills, effective communications, business sophistication, community involvement and academic and technical skills. The training, conducted by the staff of INROADS/Metropolitan Detroit, Inc., was part of the interns' summer corporate work experi-

ence for which they receive "competitive salaries."

In addition to the workshop, INROADS provides interns with year-round coaching and academic support focusing on personal, career and academic concerns. Academic assistance also may include provision of resources for tutorial services.

Heretofore, the program has not been available to students outside metropolitan Detroit; however, James Semmes, managing director of INROADS/Metropolitan Detroit, Inc., says plans are underway to expand the internship opportunities to the Flint and Tri-Cities area. "We want to grow into this area" he said. "We have been talking to some possible corporate sponsors in Flint and expect to open discussions in Saginaw this fall."

"After we have lined up corporate sponsors in the area, we expect to be in contact with SVSU and local high schools seeking highly qualified intern candidates," Semmes said. He added that internships are almost exclusively for business and engineering majors.

Interns are required to volunteer their services and time in at least two community service activities each summer. The group participated with *Habitat for Humanity* in Detroit earlier this summer and have another project planned before returning to classes this fall.

A non-profit corporation funded through sponsor fees, INROADS/Metropolitan Detroit, Inc. lists 34 client companies participating in the Michigan program that began in 1989. Founded in Chicago in 1970, more than 1,200 companies now sponsor INROADS college interns in 43 affiliated chapters. Client companies include manufacturing, retail, advertising, insurance, banking, consumer products, health care and other industries.

Among the 1994-95 participating Michigan corporations are Ameritech; AT&T; Chrysler Corporation; Arthur Anderson and Company; Coca-Cola Bottling Company; Comerica, Inc.; Ford Motor Company; General Motors Powertrain; General Motors SPO; K-Mart; Marathon Oil; Price Waterhouse; Procter and Gamble; United American Healthcare; Unisys; and others.

For additional information, please contact James W. Semmes, Managing Director, INROADS/Metropolitan Detroit, Inc., Buhl Building, Suite 721 535 Griswold, Detroit, MI 48226-3602. Or call (313) 961-6464.

HAVE BOOKS, WILL TRAVEL

— Karen Bohren, manager of the bookstore, inspects the delivery of several cases of books that were hauled over to the new location in Doan Center. Bookstore staff started moving items into the new site last week. Students will be able to shop for textbooks, supplies and other SVSU paraphernalia in the new, 4,670-square-foot facility. An official grand opening date will be announced in the near future.





William J. Sharratt, left, district manager of Lakehead Pipeline Company, presents to Al Beutler, executive director of the SVSU Foundation, a \$2,000 contribution for a scholarship fund. To qualify for the grant, students must be of at least sophomore standing and be enrolled in the applied sciences. Lakehead Pipeline Company, Inc., with an office in Bay City, has donated to the fund for 25 consecutive years. Faculty should advise students interested in applying for the scholarship to contact the Office of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid at ext. 4103.

Accent on Alumni

• **Brad D. Fechter** (B.S., 1973) performed well in a Carrollton Board of Education temporary post—well enough to earn him the job for another year.

Members unanimously selected him to serve as president. He took the reins in February after James J. Walters, president for six years, moved out of the district.

"We are on the right track," Fechter said, "although obviously there is always room for improvement."

The board has set curriculum development and improved test scores among its top goals.

Fechter, 42, graduated from Carrollton High School in 1969 and worked there as a teacher from 1974 to 1980. The district laid him off, and he took a job as a computer systems engineer for Electronic Data Systems in Saginaw. He has served on the panel since 1987.

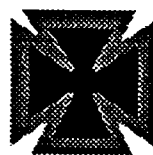
• **David Pendleton**, (B.B.A., 1979), a Frankenmuth Board of Education member since 1985, will serve another term as president.

The 36-year-old Pendleton is a vice president and financial consultant with Smith Barney Shearson, Inc., in Saginaw.

Shikoku Students Host Japan Day

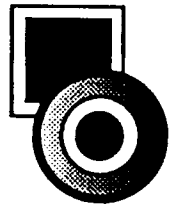
Japan Day will take place Sunday, Aug. 7 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Japanese Tea House and Gardens. Students visiting SVSU from Shikoku University will perform the traditional *Awa Odori* dance, sing Japanese songs, and display forms of Japanese culture and crafts. The event is free of charge and open to the public. For additional information, call ext. 4473.

WICKES SHOWCASE



AEROPLANES OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR

1:48 SCALE MODELS
CONSTRUCTED FROM 1957 - 1959 BY
MATTHEW ZIVICH



The Wickes Showcase features the boyhood work of **Matthew Zivich**, chairman of the Art Department. Recently discovered in his parent's attic, the 26 scale model WWI aeroplanes were constructed between 1957 and 1959. The models will remain on display until September 16.

According to Albert J. Beutler, executive director of development and the SVSU Foundation, the University has received \$75,000 from the Wilbert T. Neubauer estate. A Saginaw resident who passed away in August 1993, Neubauer included the University in a will devised in 1992.

PULL OUT YOUR DESK CALENDAR!

**1994 Faculty/Staff
Orientation**
Thursday, Aug. 25
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Followed by the
Welcome Back Picnic**
5-8 p.m.
**Leaping Gazelle
Fountain Area**

R.S.V.P. by August 18
Call ext. 4041

Professional Profile

• **Elaine Stephens and Jean Brown**, professors of teacher education, arranged a June 22-23 visit by Joyce Hansen, African American author of literature for young adults. Hansen spoke to more than 300 educators, parents, children and community members during her stay in the Saginaw area. A teacher and staff development specialist in the New York City Public Schools, Hansen writes realistic fiction, historical fiction and nonfiction for young people. The visit was funded through joint efforts of SVSU and Saginaw Township Schools.

Did You Know?...

- The Graphics Center will be printing **SVSU letterhead** in July. Place orders through the Office of Marketing Research and Information Services as early as possible, ext. 4039.
- SVSU is hosting students from Shikoku University through August 24. The visitors will be studying English as a Second Language, as well as touring the area and visiting Niagara Falls. Three of the students will stay at SVSU for the 1994-95 academic year.

Members of the SVSU campus community are invited to a **reception for the Shikoku students at 4 p.m., Tuesday, July 26 in Alumni Lounge**. Also, anyone interested in hosting one or more students for a weekend (either July 30-31 or August 20-21) should contact International Programs at ext. 4473.

- The Office of Marketing Research and Information Services is making portrait appointments for the **1994-95 Faculty/Staff Directory**. If you are interested in having your picture taken or retaken, call ext. 4086 for an appointment.

Across Campus

- **Virginia Krawczak**, media clerk in Zahnow Library, will retire July 29, 1994 after 19 years of service to the University.
- The campus community extends sincerest condolences to the family of **Napoleon (Louie) Lewis**, who passed away suddenly last week. Lewis worked in the SVSU Graphics Center and in Ryder Center. A viewing will be held Friday, July 29, 1-7 p.m., at Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, July 30 at New Mount Calvary Baptist Church, 3610 Russell, Saginaw.

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Deadline for articles is the Thursday prior to the publication date. Call ext. 5641 for information.

High Five

- **Basketball** coach Robert Pratt announced the signing of eight recruits, including five transfers, to take over for nine graduating seniors.

Topping the list is Arthur Hill/Delta College guard Antoine Brown, a 6-foot-2 junior college all-league player who averaged 21.5 points per game for the Pioneers. Shawn Jackson, a transfer from Western Michigan University and a Buena Vista High School star, also joins the Cardinal backcourt. The 5-9 point guard will add depth and Division I experience.

St. Charles' Brian LePla, a 6-9, 275-pound center, was an inside force in high school and could offer the same talents at the college level. Julian Taylor, a 6-2 wingman from Saginaw High, is transferring from Wiley College in Texas. Bridgeport's Manvel Trice, also 6-2, led the Bearcats with 12.9 points per game last season. Another freshman for the Cards is Josh Force, a 6-7 center from Linden who averaged 13.5 points and 11.1 rebounds per game last year.

Carey Fouty, a 6-6 junior transfer from Owens Tech College in Toledo and Matt Jansen, a transfer from Grand Rapids Baptist College, round out the new signees. Fouty led his team to a 33-2 record and No. 2 JC national ranking. Jansen, of Clawson, scored an average of 22.8 points per game for GRBC.

- **Walt Head**, SVSU's **baseball** coach, signed two pitchers for his squad. Pete Lacey, a 6-5, 225-pound right-handed hurler, will transfer from Macomb Community College where he compiled a 10-0 record with a 2.92 earned-run average. Lacey struck out 54 batters and walked 32 in nearly 62 innings of work.

Utica's Brian McGuire, a 6-0, 180-pound left-handed pitcher, also will play for the Cards. McGuire had a 3-2 record with five saves and a 3.25 earned-run average.

SVSU returns 22 lettermen from last year's 38-15 team, which was ranked as high as No. 17 in NCAA Division II polls.



STAFF MEMBER

OF THE MONTH

Cynthia Bala

**Grant Accountant
Office of the
Controller**

August 1994

The bumper sticker that reads "I'd Rather Be Fishing" is only partially true for Cynthia Bala.

While Bala is avid about fishing for bass, she is equally enthusiastic about her work as a grant accountant in the Office of the Controller.

"I'm kind of the grant watch dog," she says. "Basically my job is to oversee grant contracts for the University."

When grants are awarded to SVSU faculty and staff, Bala is required to read the actual grant, assign account numbers and discuss the guidelines of the grant with the account managers.

"My job is to make sure that the account managers are totally familiar with all of the rules and regulations of a particular grant," she says. "Depending on the grant, there can be a lot of different guidelines that have to be followed.

"There's a process of financial reporting that has to take place, no matter if it's a state or federal grant. Then I have to make sure the money is being spent as stated in the rules and guidelines in the grant."

Bala points to CIESIN as an example of a large grant that required SVSU to serve as a fiscal agent.

"CIESIN was a big grant, although we no longer are a fiscal agent for them," she says. "There are some sub-tasks that we still handle under the terms of the grant, but even those are expiring soon."

Bala joined SVSU in 1988 as a senior accounting clerk, but after three years she transferred to a position as payroll accountant. For a short period of time, Bala performed both the payroll and grant accounting functions.

"There was a transition period during which I was learning the job that I now have," she says. Changes in staff positions required her to handle some payroll responsibilities.

"Payroll was a fun and challenging job," she says, "because during that time the payroll had to be put on the new computer system.

"That was fun, working with the people in the Computer Services area. We started from scratch entering each employee and every benefit they had. The challenge was to go live before leaving for Christmas break. Everything had to be up and running by the end of December so that employees could receive their checks in January."

While Bala doesn't have any "fish stories" related to work, she does like to talk about her weekends at various Michigan campgrounds where she and her husband, Tim, go bass fishing.

"We recently went camping at Indian River," she said. Her husband belongs to a club that sponsors three summer tournaments. Bala said that while the tournaments are open only to men, she and her husband will arrive at the site a few days early to do some angling before the tournament actually gets underway.

