Triskelions Close the Book on 26 Years of Service to SVSU

For 26 years they worked to raise about $300,000 to provide scholarships for students at SVSU. Calling themselves “Triskelions,” their name symbolized the communities of Bay City, Midland and Saginaw radiating from a central point—the SVSU campus. A recognition dinner on Friday, Sept. 30 marked the end of the organization’s active involvement with the college they helped build into a university.

Stuart Gross, former assistant to SVSU’s president, remembers how the group became established in 1968 as a women’s organization to help raise money for the University. “They first operated a shop in the ’66 Building,” Gross recalled. “They sold soft drinks and miscellaneous items on campus. They were almost a traveling store and at one time were located under the west stairwell in Wickes Hall.

“Our first big fund-raising event was a concert at Arthur Hill High School,” Gross said. “They raised about $2,500.”

“For a while, we operated a gift shop in Doan Center,” said Mrs. Ruth Bridge, a past president and early board member. She received an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from SVSU for her voluntary efforts on behalf of the University and her community.

“We operated the gift shop and held bake sales,” Bridge said. “Many of our volunteers lived in Midland and didn’t want to travel to the University in the winter. A two-story house was purchased in downtown Midland, at 136 Townsend, and we opened a consignment shop.

“We did very well with our volunteers. We grew so much we had to hire a store manager and then an assistant manager,” said Bridge, who once served as consignment shop board secretary.

“We had a wonderful, loyal following of customers and people who brought things to sell. We were good customers ourselves. We recognized a good buy when we saw one,” she said with a laugh.

“But many of us are getting older,” Bridge said. “Husbands are retiring and many are moving away. We sold the store and placed the proceeds in an endowment fund in the name of the Triskelions for scholarships. We’re happy to know our funds still will be helping.”

At the dinner, the Triskelions presented President Eric Gilbertson with a check for $40,000, which will be added to the endowment.

From left, Sue McCaffrey, Kay Hand, Ruth Bridge and Alma Gilmore were among those who attended a dinner that marked the end of the Triskelions’ 26 years of volunteer service to the University.
Undergraduate Women Establish Hispanic Sorority on SVSU Campus

In April five undergraduate women established a colony of the Sigma Lambda Gamma sorority on the SVSU campus. The group became only the third to seek a charter on a university campus in Michigan and among only ten colonies across the country aspiring for full affiliation with the Hispanic-Latina international sorority.

Sigma Lambda Gamma was founded in April 1990 at the University of Iowa. The SVSU colony hopes to follow colonies at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and at Central Michigan University who established fully accredited chapters.

Sylvia Castanon, a senior from Saginaw and president of the colony, says the local group has been busy laying the groundwork for chapter approval, which they are hoping will be taking place this fall.

“We don’t have a Hispanic sorority here, even though there’s a large percentage of Hispanics in college,” Castanon says. “We thought a sorority could help establish a strong support network for Hispanic students.”

Faculty are asked to advise students interested in joining the sorority to stop by the Sigma Lambda Gamma office in room M1104 in Pioneer Annex, or call ext. 4059.

SVSU Adds Temporary Shuttle Service

Temporary shuttle bus service will help the campus community negotiate around the West Complex construction site. Construction of the $33.5 million facility is expected to continue through 1995 and most of 1996.

Anticipating the effect of the long construction period on campus activity, Jerry Woodcock, vice president for administration and business affairs, says plans were made some time ago to purchase the shuttle bus.

“We have been setting aside funds from our base budget to cover start-up costs once the West Complex is complete,” Woodcock says. “From those funds we purchased a 1992 shuttle bus with very low mileage for $30,000.

“There is no charge to ride the shuttle, which is handicapped accessible and will seat 20 to 24 passengers with a few more standing,” Woodcock says. “Bay Metro is helping us by training our drivers. Once the drivers are trained, the shuttle will be available for a variety of activities on the campus.”

The shuttle will be in service from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The route starts on Arbury Circle Drive near Wickes Hall, proceeds west on College Drive before heading south and east of Collins Drive to its second stop at the south end of Lot J. The third stop is where the walking path from Lot B crosses Collins Drive. The next stop is in the southwest corner of Lot D near Zahnwe Library. From that point the shuttle returns to the starting point. For more information about the service, call ext. 4267 or 4092.

Luncheon Inaugurates Rosalind Fredericks Educational Trust

More than 150 people attended a luncheon in the Arbury Fine Arts Center September 25 to celebrate the establishment of an educational trust named in honor of Marshall Fredericks’ wife.

The Rosalind C. Fredericks Educational Trust is an endowment inaugurated this summer with a challenge gift of $250,000 from anonymous donors. The challenge must be matched one-for-one with funds raised from other sources. To date, $40,000 has been raised toward the 1994 goal of $125,000. The Trust will fund educational programming at the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery.

Among the goals of the Trust are catalogues of Fredericks’ sculpture, videos about his life and work, and traveling exhibitions of his art or photographs documenting his achievements.

Fredericks donated two of his sculptures for door prizes. His granddaughter, Alexandra Rymal of Brighton, pulled the winning tickets from a hand-blown glass bowl. A bronze cast of Fredericks’ “Leaping Gazelle” (about 24 inches high) was won by a Midland woman. The consolation prize, a silver miniature of Fredericks’ “Ugly Duckling,” was won by a resident of Bloomfield Hills.

The next public event in the effort to match the challenge gift establishing the Rosalind C. Fredericks Educational Trust will be in conjunction with the exhibition of Fredericks’ sculpture at the Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum this November through January.

Bill Walton Presents “Rewards of a Winning Spirit” Oct. 12 at SVSU

Bill Walton, a former NCAA and NBA basketball player, will present a lecture titled “Rewards of a Winning Spirit” at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 12, in the University Theatre.

Walton, who has been pictured on 14 Sports Illustrated covers, presently is a sports commentator for NBC and an expert analyst for the Prime Ticket Network.

Admission is free to SVSU students and $3 for all others. For tickets or more information, call ext. 4170.
SVSU Foundation Elects Officers

The Board of Directors of the SVSU Foundation recently elected new officers, added new members and expressed appreciation for dedicated service by past and present members. Elected chair for 1994-95 was Robert J. Vittio, CEO and president of Second National Bank. First Vice Chair is Eric R. Gilbertson, president of SVSU. Second National Chair is James L. Wolohan, president and CEO of Wolohan Lumber Company. Secretary is Melvin J. Zahnow, retired from Wickes Corp. Treasurer is Jerry A. Woodcock, SVSU vice president of administration and business affairs.

In other action the board reappointed Florence F. "Jo" Saltzman and James L. Wolohan to four year terms on the board. Richard Gilmore was re-appointed to a one year term, extending his service to eight years with the Foundation Board. Alan W. Ott, chairman and CEO of Chemical Bank and Trust, was elected to a four year term ending September, 1998 and Jerome L. Yantz, partner in Weinlander, Fitzhugh, Bertuleit and Schairer, PC, was elected to a three year term ending September, 1997.

During its Sept. 13 meeting, the board also expressed appreciation to Dorothy "Honey" Arbury for years of devoted service on the Foundation Board and as a member of the Board of Control. She was named an honorary director of the Foundation. The board also recognized Thomas H. Mutton, senior banking officer of Great Lakes Bancorp, for two years' service as chair of the Foundation Board.

SVSU Observes National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week Oct. 16-22

The Personal Counseling Office and the Crisis Prevention Task Force are sponsoring a variety of activities during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 16-22.

Highlighting the week-long observation is a program featuring Donn Cramton, a chemical dependency specialist at Bay Haven Chemical Dependency Program. Cramton will present "Understanding Alcoholism" at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19 in Lower Level Doan Center. Refreshments will be served.

A series of films will be shown from 12 noon to 12:50 p.m. in Alumni Lounge, including: "Alcohol: You and the Family" on Monday, Oct. 16; "Disease Concept of Alcoholism" on Tuesday, Oct. 17; "Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous" on Wednesday, Oct. 18; and "Medical Aspects of Alcohol" on Thursday, Oct. 19.

In addition, weekly meetings facilitated by Alcoholics Anonymous will be held at 7 p.m. in the Office of Housing and Residential Life beginning Friday, Oct. 14. Anyone who may have questions about or a problem with substance abuse is welcome to attend. Please use the back entrance.

SVSU also will be having 12-Step Codependency Anonymous meetings on campus Thursday evenings. For further information on this, or any events for National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, contact Linda Gloden by calling ext. 5600.

Center Stage Performance Series Presents Polyester Blend

"Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and "I Only Have Eyes For You" are a couple of numbers that will be performed by Polyester Blend at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 13 in the University Theatre. The three women who make up Polyester Blend combine their diverse musical backgrounds for a wide range of lush and sassy '50s and '60s harmonies. For ticket information, call ext. 4710.

Crystal Lange (right), associate vice president for Academic Affairs, and Zhou Yaoqing, president of Jinan University in China, sign an agreement that establishes an exchange program between the two institutions. Jinan University is approximately 100 miles north of Hong Kong. The agreement was signed Friday, Oct. 7.

Graduate Day

October 12
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Brown Concourse
Representatives from the following institutions will be on hand to answer questions:
Central Michigan University
Detroit College of Law
Ferris State University
Grand Valley State University
GMI Engineering & Management Institute
Lawrence Technological University
Michigan State University
Oakland University
Thomas M. Cooley Law School
University of Detroit Mercy
University of Michigan
University of Michigan-Flint
Walsh College of Accountancy and Business Administration
Wayne State University
Saginaw Valley State University
Saturday, October 15, 1994

Y’all join us for a day of fun, food and family celebration! Families should register from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the second level, main entrance of the Ryder Center. Family Festival nametags received at registration will grant free admission to many festival activities.

Brunch with the Bunch, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Doan Center
   No reservations necessary. Tickets for $4.95 ($2.95 for children) are available are the door.

Country Open House, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., O’Neill Arena
   The Country Open House features collectibles, crafts and much more! Free admission with FFD nametag. $1 for the public.

Cactus Moon Cafe, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., O’Neill Arena
   Our own little water hole! Come sit for a spell...ala carte menu of snacks and beverages to satisfy those hunger pangs!

Children’s Concert, 11 a.m., University Theatre
   Carol Johnson delights audiences as she sings and plays banjo, piano and guitar. Free with FFD nametag.

L’il Cowpoke Fun Corral, 12 noon to 4 p.m., O’Neill Arena
   All your l’il cowpokes and l’il cowgirls will be kept mighty busy in our Fun Corral. Minimal charge for some activities.

Football Game, 12 noon, Wickes Memorial Stadium
   It’s a good, ol’ fashioned showdown as the Eagles of Ashland University face the SVSU Cardinals at high noon! Free admission with FFD nametag.

Tap Your Toes and Clap Along, 3:30 p.m., Ryder Center
   The “Lillefores” will provide clogging and square dancing entertainment.

Wild Wild West Family Style Dinner, 5 p.m., O’Neill Arena
   A sit-down, down-home dinner of chicken and fresh sweet corn to tickle your fancy! The buffet is $5 per person, $3 for children age 10 and under. Advance reservations are required for dinner seating. Call ext. 4255 to make reservations. Enjoy the festive sounds of the “Joyful Noise” Dulcimers during dinner.

Ryder Center Open Recreation
   Hours will vary. Check with the staff at the Ryder Center control desk on the ground level. All ages will enjoy open recreation in Ryder Center’s fabulous facilities. Free admission with FFD nametag.

Other University Events During Family Festival Day
   The new SVSU Bookstore will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; SVSU’s women’s tennis team hosts Ferris State University at 12 noon; the Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Gallery will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and the University Art Gallery hours during the festival will be 1 to 5 p.m.

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High Five

- Cross Country: the men’s team finished 10th while the women placed 17th at the Michigan Intercollegiate Meet held Saturday at Western Michigan University. Top finishers were Rick McDowell (19th, 26:06) for the men and Tammy Kramer (9th, 21:20) for the women.

- Football: defeated Saint Joseph’s College (IN), 13-12, on Saturday. Quarterback Robbie Reeves threw a 45-yard pass for SVSU’s first touchdown in the second quarter and scored the winning touchdown on a one-yard run in the third period. The Cards upped their season and MIFC record to 3-2. SVSU hosts Ashland University this Saturday in Wickes Memorial Stadium. Kickoff is at 12 noon.

- Tennis: defeated Northern Michigan University, 8-1, Sunday morning. The win leaves SVSU with a 3-5 record overall, 2-5 in the GLIAC.

- Volleyball: defeated Lake Superior State University on Friday in straight sets, 15-3, 15-11, 15-10. The spikers, 8-9 overall and 2-7 in the GLIAC, were led by Misty Durham’s 27 assists.
Board Hears Update on Construction Projects, Receives 1993-94 Audit

Board members learned from Steve Hocquard, director of engineering services, that work is nearly complete on renovation of Doan Center. He explained that the Book Store had moved from its temporary location to Doan Center and opened near the end of summer.

The new food court and kitchen also are open, and the new dining room opened about the middle of September. While some finishing work remains to be done, the entire project should be complete in about two weeks, Hocquard said. He noted that the renovations are within budget.

Student Government President Joel Olvera reported that students generally are happy with the changes in food service, which include a la carte selections from a variety of menu choices in separate food booths.

The contract for construction of West Complex has been awarded to Ellis-Don, Inc. of Toronto. The firm submitted a bid of approximately $25 million, which was less than the project cost estimated by the architects. Hocquard noted that Ellis-Don has completed several large projects, including facilities for other universities and the King Dome in Toronto.

Preparations for construction already are underway. Trees have been removed, barricades are in place, and the addition to J Lot is complete so actual construction can start on the complex. Work is expected to begin before the end of the month and continue for about two years.

Board members received and accepted the annual financial audit from Andrews Hooper & Pavlik, P.L.C. for the 1993-94 fiscal year. The audit, along with the audit of federal awards, was reviewed by the Finance and Audit committee and found in accordance with provisions of the Single Audit Act.

Resolutions to reconcile the 1993-94 General Fund budget to actual revenue and expenditure patterns and to approve the 1994-95 Auxiliary Services-Bonded Facilities operating budget also passed. Total General Fund revenues for 1993-94 of $33,358,800 were $153,353 more than budgeted, while expenditures were only $134,025 above planned allocations for a net gain of $19,328.

A charitable contributions policy adopted by the Board sets guidelines for solicitation of SVSU employees. The policy limits such solicitations to one per fiscal year by an organization that meets policy criteria.

Resolution of Appreciation for Dr. Roosevelt S. Ruffin

WHEREAS, Dr. Roosevelt S. Ruffin was appointed the King-Chavez-Parks Visiting Professor of Saginaw Valley State University from 1988-89, and served as the Director of Multicultural Programs/Affirmative Action from 1990 until his death on October 3, 1994; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ruffin was an accomplished educator, writer, public servant, actor and musician; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ruffin was a friend to hundreds across the community and inspired many by his sensitive understanding of others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control wishes to convey to family and friends of Dr. Ruffin its gratitude and admiration for his life and service to the University.

Adopted by the SVSU Board of Control
October 10, 1994
Professional Profile

• **William K. Barnett**, professor of anthropology and sociology, presented a paper titled "Anthropological Perspectives on Infusing Asian Studies in the Undergraduate Curriculum" at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs in Macomb (IL) on September 25.

• **Drew Hinderer**, professor of philosophy, gave a continuing education workshop presentation for the medical staff of Bay Medical Center on "Ethics and Ethics Committees." He explored factors propelling the boom in public interest about bioethics, and ways in which ethics committees can usefully respond to moral issues.

• **Scott Mellendorf**, part-time reference librarian, recently had an article published in the *Online Journal* (Sept./Oct. 1994 issue). The title of the article was "Automating Access to Internet Resources at the Reference Desk."

• **Thomas Renna**, professor of history, presented a paper titled "Jerusalem in Late Medieval Itineraria" at the 7th Annual Symposium, Klutznick Chair in Jewish Civilization, at Creighton University in Omaha on October 2 and 3, on "Pilgrims and Travelers to the Holy Land."

• **Jonathan "Jack" N. Romine**, assistant professor of physical and health education, was elected president of the National Aquatic Council of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA). The council represents the aquatic interests of NRPA's 8,000 members and specifically directs the affairs of the National Aquatic Section of NRPA, which is comprised of 1,000 aquatic professionals from around the nation.


Transitions

Please note the following personnel changes in your *Faculty/Staff Directory*:

**NEW**

• Jennifer Auer, admissions representative, Office of Admissions, ext. 4208
• Jeffrey Erickson, police officer, Public Safety, ext. 4250
• Kimberly Heintskill, teacher, Children's Center, 753-8631
• Vickie Jakiewicz, secretary for CON-CERN (nursing grant), ext. 5608
• Susie Kieffer, residence hall director, Office of Housing and Residential Life, ext. 4255
• Michael Nesbitt, admissions representative, Office of Admissions, ext. 4011
• Carmen Stricker, coordinator, 4-S Program, Office of Minority Services, ext. 7374
• Robert Taub, mechanical engineering lab technician, ext. 4155

**PROMOTED/TRANSFERRED**

• Barbara Beck, administrative secretary, Office of Student Life, ext. 4226
• Dan Strasz, coordinator of placement and cooperative education, ext. 4070

**LEFT/LEAVING**

• Diana Boudia, bilingual counselor, Bilingual Education Center

Campus Happenings

• **University Art Gallery**: on display through Oct. 26 are works by acclaimed New York artist Richard Pantell.

• **Career Presentations**: faculty may wish to announce to their classes a presentation by Jill Szagosh on "Resume and Cover Letter Writing," Oct. 12 and one by Lynda Donner on "Interviewing Techniques," Oct. 19. Both workshops are at 4 p.m. in Brown Concourse.

• **Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop**: at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 19, Studio K Cafe.

• **Valley Film Society**: 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 21, SVSU Theatre. *Room At The Top* (UK, 1959).

Did You Know?...

• Flu shots are available in Health Services, 267 Wickes Hall, for $6. No vaccines are given on Wednesdays before 1:30 p.m. Call ext. 4271 for more information.

• The 1994-95 *Faculty/Staff Directory* is being distributed this week. If your office location or phone number is missing or incorrect in the directory, please call ext. 4039. A correction will be included in the next "Transitions" column in the *Interior*. For additional copies of the directory, contact the Mail Room at ext. 4466.

• Ralph K. Coppola, director of sponsored programs, will present a *Proposal Writing Workshop* from 1:30-3 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14 in 226 Wickes Hall. The workshop will cover all types of proposals and will include a discussion of the services offered by the Office of Sponsored Programs. Please RSVP by Oct. 13 to Sandy Madison at ext. 4295.

October is open enrollment month for insurance coverage. Representatives from Blue Care Network, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Health Plus and MESSA will be on campus to discuss their respective medical, dental and vision programs.

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