Compressed Video Links SVSU Campus with Cass City

For the first time, nursing students in Cass City are enrolled in classes that are being taught via a compressed video system located in Pioneer Annex on the SVSU campus.

The Cass City students, who are RNs pursuing a B.S.N. degree, are electronically joined with 21 students on campus with the aid of computerized technology called “Codec.” A camera takes video images in analogue form, compresses them into digitized form and transmits them via telephone lines. The system accommodates offering courses with low off-campus enrollments.

Sally Decker, professor of nursing, and Mary Solterman, instructor of nursing, presented the first nursing classes using the Codec system during the first week of September.

“We started with name/face recognition where everyone in both places came to the camera and identified themselves,” Decker said. “I had sent a box of materials to Cass City with several different projects so both groups could work independently.”

Ralph Coppola, director of sponsored programs, conducted a workshop to familiarize faculty with operation of the new system.

“Images are not full-motion video, but it’s very close,” Coppola said.

Coppola indicated that another possible use for the system would be to conduct classes for M.B.A. candidates in Taiwan.

Fall Enrollment Sets Record

Tentative final enrollment figures as reported by the SVSU Registrar’s Office indicate nearly 7,300 students registered for fall classes.

“SVSU has had a record number of incoming freshmen in each of the last two years,” said James P. Dwyer, director of admissions.

“That demonstrates that we have become the number one choice for many high school students in this region to continue their education plans.”

The incoming freshman class also is among the most academically talented to enroll at SVSU, Dwyer pointed out, with nearly a quarter of them having earned high school GPAs of 3.50 or above. Thirty-one graduated either first or second in their high school classes, he said.

“The enrollment increase we are experiencing is more evidence of the strength of the institution and our success in meeting the needs of people in this region,” said President Eric Gilbertson. “We are gratified and pleased by the increase, even though it will place strains on our resources.”

Enrollment Headcount (Tentative Final)

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SOURCE: SVSU REGISTRAR’S OFFICE
KCP Lecture Series Features Advocates of Cultural Diversity

A black studies scholar heads the list of distinguished experts, jurists, authors and poets who will present their views as guest speakers in SVSU’s King-Chavez-Parks lecture series.

Robert L. Williams, professor of psychology and black studies and director of graduate training in urban minority mental health at Washington University in St. Louis, recently visited the campus to participate in informal discussions with community leaders, students, faculty and staff.

Williams is scheduled to return for more discussions on cultural diversity October 11, November 8 and February 2.

Others who will visit campus include:

- Jesus “Chuy” Negrete will address Mexican folklore, Mexican community culture and the educational process on Thursday, October 5;
- Jawanza Kunjufu will visit SVSU Thursday, October 26 and Monday, January 15 to discuss education issues;
- Eleanor Tate will make her second visit to SVSU Monday and Tuesday, November 20 and 21. Tate is an African-American journalist and author of children’s books;
- Alice Tate and Ricardo Verdone will present their views on Hispanics and African-Americans in the media Wednesday, March 20;
- Cornelius Eady, associate professor of English and director of creative writing and poetry at SUNY-Stony Ridge, will return to SVSU to give a poetry reading in March;
- Conrad Mallette, a Michigan Supreme Court Justice, tentatively is scheduled to speak Tuesday, February 20 during the University’s observance of Black History Month;
- “Omowale” Art Smith is expected to speak on African artifacts at a time and date to be announced.

For further information on the lecture series, contact Craig Tatum, director of multicultural programs and affirmative action, at ext. 4397.

Fredericks Gallery to Continue Tour Program

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery announced its School Group Tours Program will continue during 1995-96 after receiving a grant from the James and Lynelle Holden Fund, a Detroit-area foundation.

The $10,000 awarded to the Gallery will provide special guided tours for kindergarten through college classes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings when the gallery is not open to the general public.

“We are extremely grateful to the Holden Fund for their support of this important program,” said gallery director Michael W. Panhorst. The program serves about 130 classes and some 3,700 students annually.

Minnock Begins SVSU Duties

Edward W. Minnock Jr. has been appointed Executive Director of Continuing Education at SVSU, effective September 1. His responsibilities include planning and coordination of off-campus and non-credit offerings, including development of distance learning opportunities.

Minnock also will supervise the Business and Industrial Development Institute and the Conference Bureau.

Prior to joining SVSU, Minnock served as director of the Office of Continuing Education and Distance Learning at Penn State University-Harrisburg. In that capacity, he directed the credit, non-credit and management units of the University’s continuing education program. His previous experience includes assignments at Washburn University and Kansas State University.

Minnock holds a Ph.D. from Kansas State University, a master’s degree from Emporia State University and a B.S. from the University of Tampa. He is a member of a number of professional organizations and has several published articles and presentations to his credit.

The campus community is invited to Fourth Friday Club from 4:30 to 6 p.m. September 22 in the President’s Reception Area, third floor Wickes Hall. Everyone is welcome.
Disposing of Toxic Waste Focus of SVSU Chemistry Prof’s Research

Peter Moehs, professor of chemistry, recently returned from a seven-month sabbatical during which he worked with other scientists on developing more efficient ways of disposing of radioactive waste and other toxic materials.

With his knowledge of Fourier Transform Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (FTNMR) spectroscopy, Moehs had the opportunity to train several scientists in the use of a 400 MHz NMR. (NMRs are used by organic chemists to determine where atoms are in a molecule.) Moehs also assisted in editing an in-house NMR manual of procedures and experiments to be carried out by other scholars.

The site for Moehs and other visiting professors was Oak Ridge, Tennessee, where 50 years ago the world’s first nuclear bomb was developed. Moehs’ research had no direct connection with the atomic bomb.

“I contributed and worked on two basic research projects with two other scientists,” Moehs said. “This research advanced our knowledge of crown ether complexation of metal ions and their viability for use in solvent extractant systems for environmental clean-up.

“As a result of this research, it is possible to add to our knowledge of how certain metals are complexed (trapped) by organic molecules,” Moehs said. The new information also could provide better methods of treating people for heavy metal poisoning, such as lead poisoning, or treating people with depression by controlled release of lithium medication.

Moehs said he expects to publish the group’s findings in scientific journals.

Professional Profile

• William K. Barnett, professor of anthropology and sociology, attended a workshop for cross-cultural trainers at the East-West Center, University of Hawai’i, from July 31 to August 6. He was joined by 35 participants from 16 countries. Barnett’s participation was partially supported by an SVSU Foundation Faculty Development Grant and by the U.S. Department of State.

• Janet E. Rubin, professor of communication and theatre, was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Midland Theatre Guild.

• Sam Sarker, professor of economics, will present a paper titled “The Role of the U.N. in the Economic Development of the World” during the ninth annual Global Awareness Week to be held at Delta College October 23-27.

• Donald Wiseman, professor of accounting, presented a paper titled “Imputed Shares, Equity Dilution and the Cost of Option Capital” at the national American Accounting Association meeting at the Marriott World Center in Orlando, August 15. Professors in Wiseman’s session were from M.I.T., Harvard, Case Western Reserve and other universities. Wiseman’s wife, Betty, who holds an accounting major and M.B.A. from SVSU, also attended.

Janet Rubin, professor of communication and theatre, will sign copies of her recently published book, *Drama and Music: Creative Activities for Young Children*. The signing is scheduled from 2-4 and 7-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16 at Media Play, 5202 Bay Road, Saginaw.

The book is the second of three co-authored by Rubin with Margaret Merriol. The first, *Creative Drama and Music: Introductory Activities for Teachers K-8*, originally was published in 1991. A second edition was distributed by a new publisher earlier this year. A third book dealing with music and drama in the core curriculum for “Goals 2000” is expected to be published in August, 1996.

Explaining the content of the books, Rubin says, “What’s important here is the children’s experience, their personal development and how they develop self-esteem. Some children learn best through play.”
Have You Heard?

- Heath Services will sponsor a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19 in Brown Concourse. You may stop by or call ext. 4271 for an appointment. Be sure to eat within four hours before donating.

- The Cashier's Office, which used to close between noon and 1 p.m., will be open continuously from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- Faculty and staff members may pick up their Cardinal Athletic Card from the Athletic Office in Ryder Center from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. This card grants admission to all regularly scheduled home football and basketball games. Additional cards for spouses and family members also can be purchased for $20.

- Campus personnel interested in having a new portrait in the 1995-96 Faculty/Staff Directory should contact the Office of Marketing Research/Information Services to make an appointment for a photo. Portraits will be taken between 12 noon and 4 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, and between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on Tuesday and Thursday. For a portrait appointment, please call ext. 4086 or 5641.

- The Michigan Public Service Commission will hold a Consumer Forum in Saginaw at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19 at Saginaw City Hall. Commissioners will be present to address concerns related to utility issues.

Across Campus

- Congratulations go out to Janet Heinlein, an accountant in the Controller's Office, on the birth of a daughter. Bethany Rose (8 lbs., 2 oz., 20 in.) was born Monday, Aug. 28.

- The campus community extends sincerest condolences to Dave Lewis, director of Minority Services, and Ava Lewis, assistant professor of nursing, on the passing of their father, Napoleon Sr., on Tuesday, Sept. 5. Mr. Lewis had worked for SVSU in the Department of Public Safety, Physical Plant and the Department of Athletics from 1971 to 1989. Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 9.

Campus Happenings

- University Art Gallery—fall semester hours are Monday and Wednesday, 2:30-5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-5 p.m.; and Saturday, 1-5 p.m. The gallery is open at other times by appointment. Call ext. 4391 or 5684 for more information.

- Academic & Career Colloquium—Tuesday, Sept. 12, 4-7 p.m., first floor Wickes Hall. Faculty and staff are asked to announce this event to freshmen.

- Auditions for Room Service—Tuesday, Sept. 12, 7 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 14, 4 p.m., Theatre. Variety of roles available. Call ext. 4019 for more information.

- Entrepreneurs Club—Wednesday, Sept. 13, 6 p.m., Doan Center. The topic is "Planning for Successful Business." Admission is $14 in advance, $16 at the door. Call ext. 4048 to make reservations.

- Hispanic Heritage Month—Friday, Sept. 15, 3:30 p.m., first floor Wickes Hall. Faculty and staff are invited to observe the official opening of SVSU's observance. Refreshments served.

- Fiesta Hispanica—Monday, Sept. 18, Gazelle Fountain. Open to the campus community. Latino food and music will be offered.

- "Developing Contaminated Property"—Tuesday, Sept. 19, 8 a.m.-12 noon, Doan Center. Call BIDI at ext. 4048 for details.

- YMCA Corporate Challenge—Sept. 15-23, SVSU campus. See box on this page for a list of events. Call ext. 7710 for more information.

- Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop—Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m., Studio K Caffe. Local poets invited.

- Club Night—Wednesday, Sept. 20, 8 p.m., Doan Cafe. Program Board and Student Government are sponsoring a "Casino Night."

- Valley Film Society—Friday, Sept. 22, 8 p.m., Theatre. The featured film is L'Atalante (France, 1934). Admission by season pass or at the door.

High Five

- Football—defeated by Northern Michigan University, 13-12, in the season opener in Marquette on Saturday. The game will be telecast on tape delay in Saginaw at 1 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 12 and 13, on Cox Cable channel 10. In Bay City and Midland, Bresnan Communications will show the game at 8 p.m. Wednesday on channel 46.

- Men's Cross Country—finished seventh at the CMU Invitational last Friday.

- Women's Cross Country—finished eighth at the CMU Invitational last Friday.

- Tennis—defeated Oakland C.C., 6-3.

- Volleyball—posted a 2-1 record at the Northwood Invitational over the weekend.