



THE INTERIOR

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Consumers Power Foundation awards grant to SVSU

The Consumers Power Company this month awarded a \$20,000 grant to SVSU for the establishment of a computer-based Power System Analysis and Control Center for its engineering program.

"The Analysis and Control Center will place SVSU students on the cutting edge of electrical engineering analysis and research," said John W. Clark, senior vice president of Consumers Power Company and president of the utility's Foundation. "We are proud to support SVSU in their efforts to further our mutual goal of making educational opportunities more meaningful for students, especially those employed in the field of electrical engineering."

"On behalf of SVSU, the SVSU Foundation and the College of Science, Engineering & Technology, I would like to express our sincere thanks to the Consumers Power Foundation for continuing to demonstrate its commitment to enhancing the quality of higher education in this state," said Thomas E. Kullgren, dean of the college. "Our engineering students will be well served for many years to come by the computer-based system that will be constructed with these funds."

Kullgren added that SVSU offers a significant academic component on power systems in its engineering program. "Many of our graduates are employed in the area of power production. The grant from Consumers Power Foundation will facilitate the purchase of software and computers that aid teaching power systems courses."

Linda L. Sims, community services manager for Consumers Power's natural gas business unit, presented SVSU President Eric Gilbertson and Kullgren with the first of four \$5,000



grants that the Foundation will make to the University over the next four years. The informal ceremony was held in the president's office on February 12.

The Consumers Power Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Consumers Power Company, provides funding to areas including education, the environment, Michigan growth and enhancement, culture and the arts, social services and emerging issues. In 1996 the Foundation will make approximately \$1.5 million in charitable investments throughout Michigan.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation, is Michigan's largest natural gas and electric utility serving more than six million of the state's nine and one-half million residents in all 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

President Eric Gilbertson, left, was joined by Linda L. Sims, center, community services manager for Consumer's Power Company's natural gas business unit, and Thomas E. Kullgren, right, dean of the College of Science, Engineering & Technology, to preview plans for the computer-based Power System Analysis and Control Center to be constructed at SVSU.

College of Education invites comment in review process

The College of Education is inviting community members to share their views about SVSU's teacher education programs with its national accreditation agency.

The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) will be sending a team to SVSU in October to review the program for continuing accreditation. The University's undergraduate and graduate education programs were accredited by the Council for a five year period in 1992.

"Both NCATE and SVSU recognize that graduates, parents, school personnel and others have valuable perspectives on the quality of programs that prepare teachers and other school personnel," said Ellen Curtis-Pierce, dean of the College of Education. "We invite interested persons to submit written testimony on the College of Education to NCATE's Board of Examiners."

Comments should be addressed to: Board of Examiners, NCATE, 2010 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20036-1023. Letters should be received by July 1.

To be considered, comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of

professional education programs offered at the University. The respondent's relationship, if any, such as graduate, present or former faculty member, employer of graduates, etc., should be specified. No anonymous or oral testimony will be considered, and copies of all correspondence will be sent to the University.

Solicitation of third-party comments on program quality is a new feature of the accreditation process, which also includes a self-

study prepared by College of Education personnel and an in-depth examination by the Board of Examiners.

Accreditation by a national agency is one indicator of a high-quality program, according to Curtis-Pierce. Only about one third of the institutions who apply for NCATE accreditation meet the agency's standards for approval.

Nominations for Ruben Daniels Community Service Award accepted

Nominations are being accepted for SVSU's community service award named in honor of the late Ruben Daniels, whose life exemplified the highest level of volunteerism and service to the community.

All SVSU employees are eligible for the award, which is supported by Michigan National Bank. Nominations may be made by any person. A \$500 cash award and a plaque will be presented to the recipient, who will be recognized April 19 at the All-University Awards Banquet.

Criteria for selection includes active, long-term involvement in one or more community, civic, educational, business, fraternal, recreational, religious or service organizations, and noteworthy uncompensated contributions to the community in general. Nominations should specify names of organizations, years active, offices held, involvement in special projects, etc.

The deadline for nominations is March 8, 1996. Letters or memoranda describing the nominee's qualifications in relation to one or more of the selection considerations should be sent to Eldon Graham, selection committee chair, or any of the selection committee members: Penny Bailey, Deborah Bishop, Jean Brown, Rachel Jersevicz, Hideki Kihata, James Muladore and Kerry Segel.

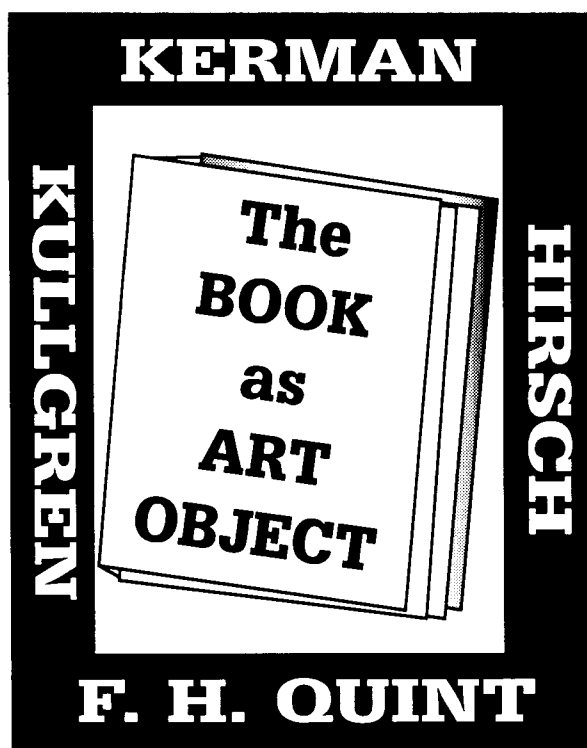
For additional information contact Graham at ext. 4127.

Career Exploration Day set for Feb. 21

SVSU will conduct its 16th annual Career Exploration Day on Wednesday, Feb. 21. The event, coordinated by the Office of Career Services, is open to students and alumni.

Representatives from more than 40 employers will be available between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to answer questions about careers and employment skills. Activities take place on the second floor concourse connecting Brown, Wickes and Zahnow Halls.

WICKES SHOWCASE



Through March

SVSU students make *Who's Who* list

The names of 69 SVSU students will be included in the 1996 annual edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

The students were selected by a University nominating committee and the editors of the annual directory for their academic achievement, service to their community or the university, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued service. To be considered for nomination, students must be juniors, seniors, or graduate students who have maintained at least a 2.50 (B minus) grade point average throughout their college careers.

See the box in the far right column for a list of selected students.

Professional Profile

• **Robert Cheek**, associate professor of management, presented two workshops at SVSU on January 28 and 29. These workshops on "Team Development for Decision Making" are a continuation of an ongoing, five-year organization development program for the Saginaw County Probate Court, Juvenile Division. Cheek was selected to develop and implement a program that would systematically impact management behavior in preparation for change. The pro-

gram now has progressed to the point where all employees will receive training in team development and decision making throughout 1996. SVSU will be the site for the training sessions. This is Cheek's sixth year of continuous service to the Juvenile Court.

• **Carlos Ramet**, associate professor of English, has published an article in the refereed journal *The Popular Culture Review*. The article, titled "Ken Follett and the Architecture of the Novel," appears in Vol. 7, No. 1 (Feb. '96).

Campus Happenings

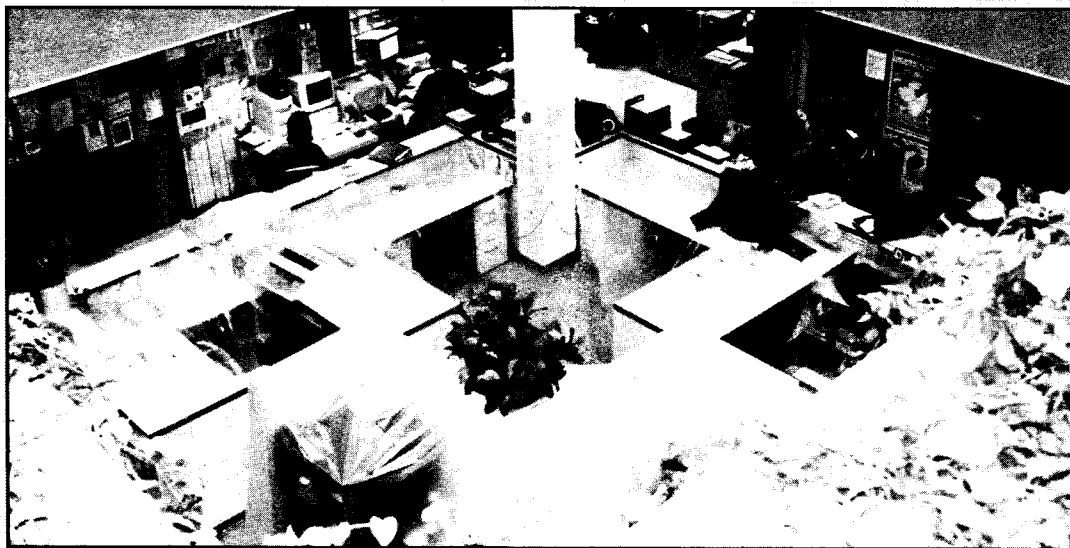
• **Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop**—7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 at Studio K Caffe.

• **Valley Film Society**—8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 in the SVSU Theatre. "Blackmail" (Great Britain, 1929) will be screened.

• **Club Night**—8 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 in Doan Cafe. Ventriloquist Ken Groves will be the featured performer.

• **University Art Gallery**—March 6-27. Works by SVSU Art Department Faculty will be displayed. For gallery hours call ext. 4159.

• **Roosevelt Ruffin Lecture Series**—4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 7 in Founders Hall. Dr. La Francis Rodgers-Rose will present "A Return to the Source: The Wisdom of Our Foremothers." For more information call ext. 4397.



Repair work nears completion in Brown Hall — Secretarial stations have been relocated on first floor Brown Hall since a ruptured water line in the sprinkler system sent water cascading down on February 5. The break was caused by frigid outside air flowing over the pipe when an air damper failed to close properly, according to Physical Plant Director Bob Tutsock. He credits quick response by maintenance and custodial staff with limiting the damage. Secretarial/clerical personnel assigned to the area also reacted quickly to move computing equipment away from the waterfall. Computer Services staff were able to dry out and rescue the equipment. Repairs to the area, including wall and ceiling replacement, should be concluded by the end of the month.

Accounting
Jason Liddell
Jennifer L. Murrick
Biology
Anne Kumar
Jennifer Lasceski
Business Administration
Darl J. Daniels
Heather L. Walther
Chemistry
Tamara Kremer
Communication
Johnathan Pope
Criminal Justice
Heather Holik
Daryl Stallworth
Education
Kevin Beardsley
Kristen Beck
Jennifer Brown
Colliene Cowper
Jennifer Drexler
Tom Gribble
Andrea Kieser
Randall Ott
Jodi Peters
Kent Sikora
Brian M. Wright
Melissa E. Zinnecker
English
Sharon Gembrowski
Sherry Olvera
Janice Waldman
Finance
Brian Paluk
History
Douglas Becker
Tobias Johnson
William Kendall
Management
Rachel R. Melcheck
Theresa Rohn
Marketing
Barb Sageman
Mathematical Sciences
Donald DeGroat
Lisa Waibel
MBA
Linda Davidson
Mechanical Engineering
Carl D. Adams
Tony Wozniak
Nursing
Brenda M. Erickson
Jeff Foxx
Nancy L. Gross
Christine L. Stocker
Janice Whitmill
Occupational Therapy
Dion Diaz
Heather Leppert
Phys. & Health Education
Sandy L. Andre
Kristyn Kurka
Angela R. Lewis
Political Science
Mohamel Fakih
Post Baccalaureate
Sandra L. Kroulik
Psychology
Emily Berner
Nick J. Messing
Amie Peloquin
Social Work
Lawrence Cohen
Jeanne Davies
Cherrie L. Dudock
Carol M. English
Jodi Hecht
Autumn Holdren
J. Brian Kyrolainen
Wendy LaFray
Beverly Layer
Kathleen Madziar
Jennifer L. McPeak
Shandelle L. Mecomber
Catherine Passalacqua
Julie Sesler
Brian Silverthorn
Jill Stahl
Sharon Walters

FOURTH
FRIDAY CLUB

FRIDAY, FEB. 23
4:30 TO 6 P.M.
PRESIDENT'S
RECEPTION AREA
THIRD FLOOR
WICKES HALL

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Transitions

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

SAME FACE, NEW PLACE

- **Susan Brasseur**, AV Clerk, Zahnow Library, ext. 4244

SAME FACE, NEW NAME

- **Kathleen Nowaczyk**, (p. 4, 43) change to Kathleen Waxell
- **Merry Jo Starrine**, (p. 5, 53) change to Merry Jo Brandimore

DIRECTORY REVISIONS

- **Jim Chasnis**, (p. 6, 18) ext. 7039

The office of Robert Maurovich, vice president for student services, is in 147 Wickes Hall. His extension is 4287.

Accent on Alumni

- **Gretchen A. Hamill** (B.A. Psychology, '91) opened Counseling Services at 2115 N. Center near State in Saginaw. The licensed professional counselor specializes in self-esteem, co-dependency, abusive relationships, depression, pet grieving and career counseling.

- **Jay Smith** (B.A. Physical Education, '84) has been named basketball coach at Grand Valley State University.

- **Judith A. Lincoln** (B.B.A. Management, '86) recently was named a partner in the law firm of Braun, Kendrick and Finkbeiner, with offices in Bay City and Ann Arbor. She will specialize in insurance defense and environmental law.

- **Rick Samson** (B.B.A. Management, '90) has joined Debut Automotive Design, Saginaw, as a sales representative for the Graphic Design Department.

- **Robert Paul** (B.A. Physical Education, '84) joined the staff of Wright-K Technology, Inc. of Saginaw as a project manager. He will supervise machine design, and build and rebuild projects.

- **Rick J. Suitor** (B.A. English, '79) also joined Wright-K as director of the company's human resource development department.

High Five

- **Men's Basketball** (16-8, 10-6)—dropped to fifth place in the conference following an 82-64 loss to Mercyhurst College on Saturday.
- **Women's Basketball** (14-10, 8-8)—suffered an 81-72 loss at Mercyhurst. The Cardinals finish the regular season this week with games at Michigan Tech University on Thursday and at Northwood University on Saturday.

Darryl Stallworth, Andrea Kieser named "Ryder Athletes of the Year"

Darryl Stallworth of Ecorse and Andrea Kieser of Sebawaing have been named "Ryder Male and Female Athletes of the Year" for the 1994-96 athletic year.

Athletic Director Bob Becker presented the awards to the athletes Friday, Feb. 16 at the SVSU Open track meet in O'Neill Arena.

During his senior season, Stallworth was named "Male Athlete of the Meet" at both the indoor and outdoor GLIAC championships. He won the indoor 55 meters, 200 meter and led off the winning SVSU 1,600-relay team. At the outdoor meet he had GLIAC titles in four events, including the 100 and 200, and ran a leg on the winning 400 and 1,600-meter relay teams.

Stallworth, an academic All-GLIAC selection last year, received his bachelor's degree in criminal justice in December 1995.

Kieser has had an outstanding season, capped by two All-American performances in track. She finished second in the shot put at the NCAA II indoor meet and was fourth at the outdoor championships. She earned All-American honors four times in the shot put, holds GLIAC indoor and outdoor shot put records and has been a GLIAC champion six times. An academic All-American as a junior, she is majoring in secondary education.

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University departments sponsoring activities or events listed in *The Interior* will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities when contacted at least three days in advance.



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DOAN CAFE/BAGEL WAGON SPRING CLOSINGS

The food court will close at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 and will re-open at 5 p.m. Sunday, March 3.

The Bagel Wagon will close at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 and will re-open at 8 a.m. Monday, March 4.



Herbert Henry Dow II

August 6, 1927
January 26, 1996

Herbert H. Dow II, former officer and director of The Dow Chemical Company, passed away unexpectedly January 26, 1996. A native of Midland, Mr. Dow graduated from the Hotchkiss School, attended Yale University, and served in the U.S. Navy from 1946-48. Following his graduation from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he joined The Dow Chemical Company, founded by his grandfather.

Mr. Dow's enthusiasm for the work of the company that shared his name was matched by his commitment to philanthropy and community service. Much of this dedication was expressed through the work of the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation established by his grandmother. Under Mr. Dow's leadership, the Dow Foundation grew in substance and provided grants that had a significant impact on the quality of life in this region.

A believer in the importance of excellence in education, Mr. Dow was one of the incorporators of Saginaw Valley College when it opened as a private college in 1963. He encouraged the Dow Foundation's support of higher learning through major grants to many colleges and universities. Saginaw Valley State University is among the institutions that have benefited from his vision and generosity. A grant of \$1 million from the Dow Foundation provided a key component in the initial capital campaign, which raised more than \$4 million to purchase land, establish a campus and begin operations before SVSU became state funded.

The Dow Foundation also contributed significant sums to the "Forward 71" capital campaign, the construction of The Pioneer Hall of Engineering and Technology and the construction of The Arbury Center for the Fine Arts. To date, donations from the Dow Foundation to SVSU total \$5 million.

In recognition of his many achievements and his commitment, Mr. Dow was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree by SVSU in 1975.



**Richard H. Gilmore,
DDS**

August 5, 1920
February 11, 1996

Dr. Richard H. Gilmore passed away February 11 at Luther Manor. Born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, he attended Hiram College and graduated from the University of Pittsburgh Dental School before serving in the U.S. Army Dental Corps. After receiving a master of science degree in orthodontics from the University of Michigan, Dr. Gilmore established a practice in Saginaw, which he maintained from 1951 until his retirement in 1981.

He was appointed to SVSU's Board of Fellows in 1968, and to the Board of Control in 1971. He served as chairman of the governing body in 1986 and 1987. In addition, Dr. Gilmore served on the SVSU Foundation board of directors for 12 years. He was known as a friend of the University, who promoted SVSU in many significant ways.

Dr. Gilmore was strongly committed to Saginaw Valley State University from its early years. He was involved in all of the capital campaigns for building and beautifying the campus. He and his wife, Alma, were supporters of the arts. They assisted with securing funds for the construction of the Arbury Fine Arts Center and commissioned bronze sculptures for the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery and its adjoining garden. For more than two decades, the Gilmores assisted individual students through contributions to the Gilmore-Williams Scholarship fund at SVSU.

The University awarded Dr. Gilmore an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree in 1989. He received a Distinguished Service Medallion in 1990, the highest award SVSU bestows on community members. In October of 1995 he and Alma were named Honorary Alumni of SVSU, recognizing their devotion to the University.

Active in many professional and community organizations, Dr. Gilmore was named a 1987 Phil Harris Fellow by Saginaw Rotary Club. He is listed in *Who's Who in the Midwest*.



STAFF MEMBER

OF THE MONTH

**Suzanne
M.
Straebel**

**Admissions
Clerk,
Office of
Admissions**

March 1996

Sue Straebel says she may have inherited her Admissions' job from her daughters. Both graduates of SVSU, they worked in the Admissions Office as students.

That was before Sue joined the staff in 1987. "I was working part-time and looking for full-time work," she says, adding that a friend told her about the opening. She applied, interviewed, and the rest is a happy marriage.

"The main thrust of my job responsibilities is related to FTICs," she says. (For those unfamiliar with admissions' jargon, that's "first time in college" students.) "I receive the applications and enter data from them into the Colleague system. I also see that applicants get the appropriate follow-up letter."

She also handles a flow of correspondence between admissions representatives and students or high school counselors. Both groups receive periodic newsletters from the office.

Work in the Admissions Office has a seasonal flow, Straebel says. When there is a break from appointments with prospective students, the entire staff is involved in a variety of outreach programs. Straebel cites such events as the Math Olympics, Computer Science Day and

spring and fall open houses for potential students and their families as examples.

The Admissions Office also coordinates orientation sessions for incoming students. "My part is to handle orientation for the parents," Straebel says. "You can almost tell the ones who are sending a child to college for the first time," she smiles.

The staff adds new initiatives to the recruitment process each year. Current plans include extending the open house opportunities to high school sophomores and juniors, as well as the seniors now invited. "We do on-site admissions at Ryder Center during these events," she says.

The staff also is beginning to do on-site admissions at high schools and community colleges. Straebel may accompany advisors to provide support at some of these sessions. "I might be figuring grade point averages while the advisor talks with students," she says.

As student recruitment becomes increasingly competitive, Straebel says, "It is easy to get caught up in the numbers, yet everyone here takes the time that each student may need. We try to make sure that they don't have to make another trip to get what they need.

"Jim (Dwyer) keeps a certain spirit going," she says. "He may post slogans, like Nike's 'Just Do It!' or lately he has encouraged us to see the movie *Rudy*."

Even the off-duty hours often find Straebel on campus. "I love taking history classes," she says. "I take them for credit—it forces me to study."

Another favorite pastime is fly fishing. While Straebel enjoys the serenity of a day engaged in the sport, her catches never become dinner. "I always catch and release," she says.

She also plays tennis, though she describes her mixed doubles play with long-time friends as "hit and giggle" tennis.





INNER VIEW

FEATURING FACULTY OF SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Psyched Out

Nature abhors a vacuum—and so, apparently, does Matt Margres. He has some 16 psychology courses on his teaching list.

Not that he teaches them all in any given semester or year, of course. “There are at least a dozen that I teach on a regular basis over the course of two years,” Margres says. At least some of them are courses that he developed because they weren’t being offered and he felt they were needed.

Margres notes that the pattern of course offerings can create scheduling problems for students. “We are trying to identify our majors early so they can be advised,” he says. “We can help them with course selection and make sure they are aware of pre-requisites, as well as times courses will be offered.”

A few years ago Margres worked on the development of a course in neuropsychology, exploring the links between physical and mental health. That course now is taught by Nancy Hansen, who has expertise in the area.

More recently Margres has worked on a course in comparative psychology. “It studies various animal systems and how animals—including people—survive in their natural environ-

ment,” he says. “It is hard to get people to see themselves as any other animal rather than as people. I tell my students they will never be able to stand in line at Meijers and look at people the same way after taking the class,” he laughs.

Currently Margres is working on a statistics textbook geared for psychology students. “There is nothing in the field,” he says. “Most studies done in psychology have a small design and population. Most studies done in other social sciences will be of a large population,” he notes. The statistical measurements need to be done differently.

“I could not find a book, so I am writing one. Every other course has a specific book, and this course should, too,” Margres is working with a publisher to determine whether there would be sufficient interest to market the book to other psychology instructors.

A menagerie of stuffed animals, toys and similar items in Margres’ office capture guests’ attention. “I like to use props when I teach,” he explains. “Of course, the toys come in handy when my three little kids visit the office, but I use these in the classroom, too.”

He explains how a fuzzy Elmo can be used to demonstrate fantasy-proneness, or how a photo of his daughter at the zoo elicits the “mock surprise” response from female students. A rather battered pizza box, strategically used in class, stimulates orders from the local pizzeria or causes other food-related behavior. And a lecture punctuated with yawns can set the entire classroom into a spasm of yawning. After any of these demonstrations, Margres explains the psychological phenomena that trigger the responses.

His enthusiasm for his chosen field keeps him moving in new directions, and he is excited about the laboratory experiences that are offered to SVSU’s senior psychology students. “They are the kind of thing reserved for graduate students at many schools,” he says.



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

MARCH 1-31, 1996

Honoring a Majority which is a Minority.

March 1 - March 31 in Brown Concourse
Women's History Month Display Kiosk

Dr. LaFrancis Rodgers-Rose

"A Return to the Source: The Wisdom of Our Foremothers"
Thursday, March 7 - 4:30 p.m. in Founders Hall

Dr. Rodgers-Rose is deeply involved in helping Black women in her many roles as Clinical Sociologist, professor, author of The Black Woman and other publications, and consultant to both private and public organizations.

Sponsored by SVSU Multicultural Programs and Women's History Month Committee.

Professor Karen McCarthy-Brown

"Haitian Images of Liberation and Spirituality"
The William E. Edwards Lecture Series

Monday, March 11 - 7:30 p.m. in Founders Hall
"Fundamentalism and the Control of Women"

Tuesday, March 12 - 10:00 a.m. in Alumni Lounge
Professor McCarthy-Brown is Professor of Theology at Drew University.

Funny Ladies: A Portrait of Women Cartoonists

Lunchbreak Film
Monday, March 18 - Noon in Lower Level Doan Center
America's best-loved women cartoonists discuss and create comic strips about politics, gender stereotypes, self-esteem and aging. Register for door prizes. Beverages and cake will be provided.

Heather Whitestone: Miss America 1995

"Anything is Possible"

Tuesday, March 19 - 7:30 p.m. in SVSU Theatre

Selected as the first woman with a disability to be chosen as Miss America, Ms. Whitestone will speak of the importance of positive thinking and how this has helped her achieve so much.
Sponsored by SVSU Program Board

Speaker from The Dow Chemical Company's Women's Innovation Network

Wednesday, March 20 - Noon in Lower Level Doan Center
A discussion of the committee formed to respond to work-family concerns of female employees. Beverages and cake will be provided.

Women's History Month Award Luncheon honoring Dr. Harriet Tillock, Professor of Sociology

Friday, March 29 - Noon in Lower Level Doan Center
Reservations are \$5.00 per person. Call Keleen Marciniak at 790-4104 for further information.

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