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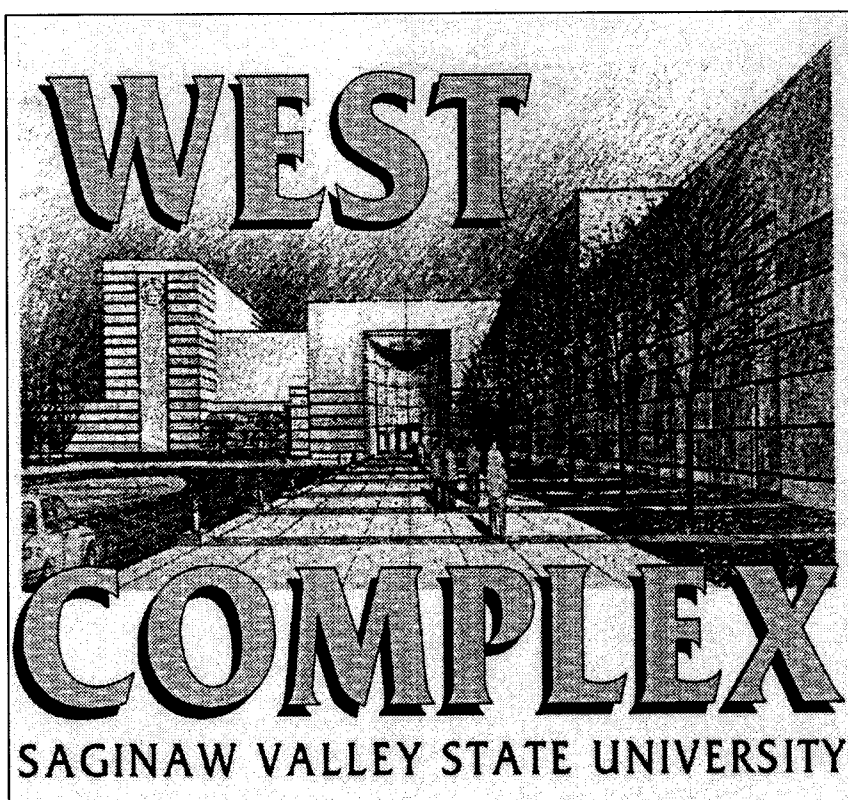
Reception for students and faculty first event in West Complex opening ceremonies

A series of activities is planned for Monday, Dec. 2 to mark the long-awaited opening of West Complex, beginning with a 2:30 p.m. reception for faculty and students. While there will be facility tours available, the reception is concentrated on the first floor of Curtiss Hall.

"Many student services, such as Housing and Minority Services, will be moving into the east end of Curtiss Hall's first floor, so we wanted students and faculty to have the opportunity to see these spaces," said Ed Minnock. Minnock, who chairs the planning committee for opening ceremonies, noted that the area also includes space for student clubs and organizations, as well as several lounges and meeting rooms.

Following the student/faculty reception, a ribbon cutting ceremony takes place in Groening Commons. The 3:30 p.m. event includes recognition for individuals whose efforts have helped make the complex a reality, as well as a written message from Governor Engler. The architect and contractor will present building keys to University officials prior to cutting the ribbon for the symbolic opening.

At 4:30 p.m. a second reception, open to the public as well as the campus community, begins in the second floor banquet rooms of Curtiss Hall. Students and faculty whose schedules did not accommodate the earlier reception are welcome to attend. "We are encouraging everyone who can to attend the ribbon cutting and also to enjoy as many of the



other activities as their time permits," Minnock said.

Guided tours will be available beginning at 5:30 p.m., and signs will be posted for those who wish to view the complex on their own. Activities will conclude by 7:30 p.m.

Merry Jo Brandimore and Penny Bailey are recruiting and training students willing to serve as tour guides or hosts/hostesses for the opening celebration. Faculty and staff can assist with this effort by asking interested students to contact the Campus Life Center at ext. 4170, room 141 Wickes Hall, by Monday, Nov. 25.

**fourth
club
friday**

Friday, Nov. 22
4:30-6 p.m.
President's
Reception Area

Refreshments
Served

Everyone
is welcome
to attend

Alice Tait comes to SVSU for talk on "African Americans in the Media"

Alice A. Tait comes to SVSU to present "African Americans in the Media" from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 in Lower Level Doan Center, and from 6 to 7 p.m. in 106 Science Building.

Tait has a B.A. and M.A. from Wayne State University, and a Ph.D. in mass communications research and theory from Bowling Green State University. She received a Teaching Fellowship at Central Michigan University in 1989, Performax's Outstanding Marketing Award in 1989 and CMU's 1990 Teaching Excellence Award. During the 1991-92 academic year Tait was a visiting scholar at Butler University, Indiana.

Admission to this King/Chavez/Parks Lecture is free. For more information contact the Office of Multicultural Programs/Affirmative Action at ext. 4397.

Public Safety Department seeks suggestions for pedestrian safety

Police officers in the Public Safety office are encouraging members of the campus community to provide suggestions for motorist and pedestrian safety on campus.

"A special campus pedestrian safety committee will be meeting soon to review this issue," said Craig T. Maxwell, director of public safety.

Past recommendations made to the department have been implemented, including switching reserved parking for faculty and staff from D lot to F lot (near Founders Hall), and changing Collings Drive back to two-way traffic. Other changes include the construction of pedestrian crossing warning signs equipped with yellow flashing lights, lower posted speed limits in pedestrian areas and enforcing speed limits through the use of radar.

"It is important to know that College Drive provides the majority of east to west traffic flow through the campus," Maxwell said. "Pedestrians crossing College Drive *do not* have the right-of-way, and should use caution when crossing."

Contact the Public Safety office by calling ext. 4141.

OT Program to hold induction ceremony

The College of Nursing & Allied Health Sciences will recognize outstanding students majoring in occupational therapy at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19 in Founders Hall.

Nine students will be inducted as charter members of the SVSU chapter of Pi Theta Epsilon national honor society for occupational therapy. The students are Sherry Goff, Brooke Bauer, Jennifer Smith, Janet Schultz, Krista Burdo, Deanne Andres, Kathleen York, Katie Hammerbacher and Sheri Miner.

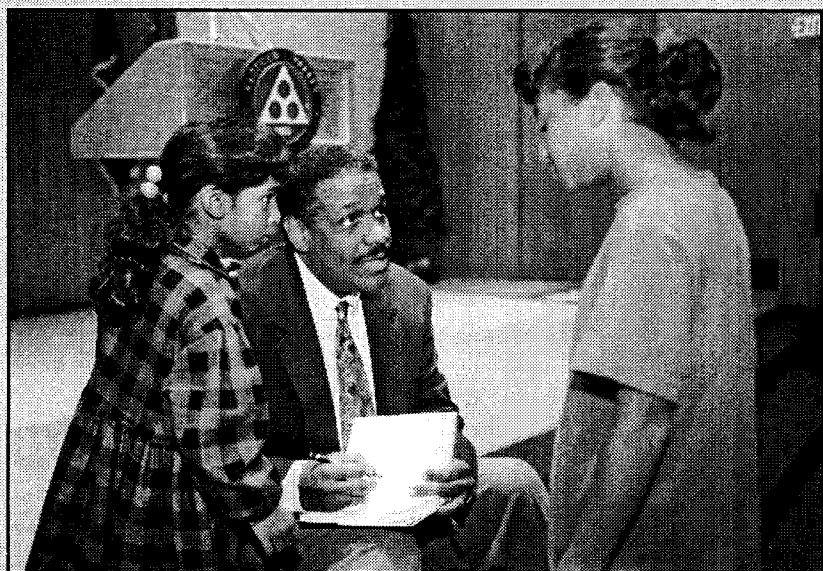
Refreshments will be served. For more information contact Kathy Stavelly at ext. 4153.

Educational tours available

The Office of Continuing Education has information on a "Travellearn" opportunity for people interested studying abroad.

SVSU is a member of a network of 293 universities in the U.S. that offer educational tours for adults to 17 countries worldwide. Costs range from \$2,000 to \$5,000 for tours to China, Indonesia, Egypt, Morocco, Ireland, Greece, Turkey and many more countries. The average size of each tour is 14 people, providing individualized attention and ample opportunity for flexibility in traveling.

For more information, write the Office of Continuing Education or call ext. 4475.



Sydney Curtis, left, helps sign autographs with her father, **Paul**, author of *The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963*. The elder Curtis, who first lectured at SVSU in June, returned November 11 to read from his work for an audience of elementary school children as well as an adult audience. The book tells the story of a warm, funny and quirky Flint family who visit relatives in Birmingham, Alabama and find themselves caught up in one of the most painful chapters of our Civil Rights history.

Two-Hawk Singers and Dancers take stage November 20 at SVSU

SVSU will celebrate Native American Month with a presentation by Two-Hawk Singers and Dancers, a group of Native Americans who will perform traditional songs and dances, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 in the Theatre.

Two-Hawk Singers and Dancers offer educational and cultural experiences to non-native people through presentations that focus on the Native American view of their history and existence in society today.

Following the performance, Two-Hawk will participate in a group discussion on the historical and cultural themes relevant to the Native American Tribes of Michigan, including the Ottawa, Chippewa and Pottawatomi.

This event is sponsored in part by the SVSU Office of Multicultural Programs and the Campus Life Center and is supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs through the Saginaw Community Foundation, its Region 7 Regranting Agency.

Limited general admission to the Center Stage Series is \$3; free to SVSU students and one guest. Discount coupons are available at area Target and Hudson's stores through the TREATSEATS program.

For more information call the Campus Life Center at ext. 4170.

Campus Happenings

• **Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop** — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 at Studio K Caffe. Call ext. 4062 for more information.

• **QSA Auditing to QS-9000 Seminar** — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 and Thursday, Nov. 21 at the Holiday Inn of Saginaw, 1408 S. Outer Drive. Registration fee is \$365 per person for companies sending one or two registrants. Companies sending three or more attendees will receive a \$40 discount per person. For more information, contact SVSU's Center for Manufacturing Improvement at ext. 5615.

• **Faculty Forum** — 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 22 in Doan Center. The topic will be the Writing Associate Program at SVSU. Participants may have lunch from the Doan Cafe courtesy of the Writing Program. For more details, call Diane Boehm at ext. 7728.

• **Valley Film Society** — 8 p.m. Friday, Nov.

22 in Marble Lecture Hall. "Un Coer en Hiver" will be screened. Admission is by season or guest pass, available at the door. Call ext. 4015 for further information.

• **Holiday Pipes III Concert** — 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3 in the SVSU Theatre. The Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Early Music Collegium and Collegium Musicum will be joined by guest performer Leslie Whittaker. Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets by calling ext. 4159.

• **Jazz Ensemble Concert** — 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5 in the SVSU Theatre. Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets by calling ext. 4159.

Polish Club observes 20th annual Wigilia celebration

The SVSU Polish Students Club will present *Wigilia*, a traditional Polish observance of Christmas, at 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 1 in Lower Level Doan Center. The event focuses on unity and is open to people of all faiths.

David Troiano, a tenor from St. Clair Shores, will provide this year's entertainment. Troiano has degrees in philosophy and music from Wayne State University and has performed with the Lyric Opera of Cleveland, Des Moines Metro Opera and the Lyric Theater of Illinois and Michigan. He has received rave reviews for his work in Oratorio performances of *The Messiah*, *Elijah*, *Carmina Burana* and *St. John Passion*. Among the numerous vocal awards he has received are the Frederick Schorr International Voice Competition. Currently Troiano instructs vocal music at Macomb Community College and is the music director at a metro-Detroit church.

Wigilia, considered the holiest of all nights in most traditional Polish homes, centers on the sharing of an unleavened wheat wafer called *Oplatek*. The unleavened wheat wafer symbolizes the unity of all people of good will and the sharing of it means mutual forgiveness and love. Polish tradition also calls for the setting of extra places around the table for those absent or for unexpected guests.

Before the five course dinner begins, the head of the household, with the *Oplatek* in hand, addresses his family, then extends greetings as he shares the wafer first with his wife, then with all others. After dinner, the celebrants sing carols around the *Choinka* (a lighted Christmas tree).

Reservations for *Wigilia*, which are \$15 for adults, \$7.50 for children under age 12, should be made by calling 793-2299, 790-6691, 793-7903 or 793-1079. For additional information about the *Wigilia* celebration, contact Anna Dadlez, professor of Polish, at ext. 4315.

Have You Heard?

- The campus will close for **Thanksgiving Holiday** at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27. Normal University operations will resume Monday, December 2.
- **Doan Cafe** will close at 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 and will reopen at 7:15 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2.
- **Parking information** published on page 3 in the fall 1996 and winter 1997 course schedules should read:

Every residence hall student who is going to park a vehicle on campus during the semester must register the vehicle with the Department of Public Safety on Pierce Road. There is no registration fee.

All campus parking lots are controlled by signage. There is an abundance of free parking throughout the campus. Questions regarding parking should be addressed to SVSU Parking Services at 790-4140.

- **Emergency information** published on page 3 in the fall 1996 and winter 1997 course schedules should read:

In case of an emergency requiring police and/or medical assistance, contact Saginaw Central Dispatch at 911 (from off campus) or 9-911 (from on campus).

- Public Safety is requesting that members of the campus community report the presence of **suspicious persons** collecting pop cans on campus by calling ext. 4141. Public Safety officers will respond to such reports by identifying and questioning the subjects, and asking them to leave campus if they have no connection to SVSU.
- Faculty and staff may bestow the **alumni scroll** to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement exercises on Friday, Dec. 13. Contact Emmie Busch at ext. 4052 to make arrangements.

Across Campus

- The campus community extends condolences to the family of **Larry A. Sahr**, who passed away Saturday, Nov. 9 at the age of 46. Sahr, who earned a bachelor's in sociology in 1973

from SVSU, was presented the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1991 for his volunteer work with the Saginaw Valley Multiple Sclerosis Society. The Sahr family strongly encourages memorials to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society or Zion Lutheran Church of Saginaw.

Transitions

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

SVSU Welcomes

- **Joan Garant**, senior secretary, Business & Auxiliary Services, ext. 4102
- **Keith Frye**, electronic media distribution production technician, Zahnow Library, ext. 4244
- **Kevin Hurlahe**, director of academic and student support services, ext. 4259
- **Robert Sonnenberg**, coordinator of campus and student life, ext. 7321
- **Richard (Tony) Thomson**, personal counselor, ext. 4271

Same Face, New Place

- **Doris Becker**, custodial specialist/working foreman, West Complex, ext. 4279
- **George Velasquez**, custodial specialist, West Complex, ext. 4279
- **Gabriel Soto**, duplicator operator II, Graphics Center, ext. 5658

Moving On

- **Dave Lewis**, director of minority services

Accent on Alumni

- **Lisa E. Burnell** (B.S., nursing, 1988) joined Health Delivery Inc., Saginaw, as medical services director. She is responsible for continued development and implementation of quality procedures for clinical practice and using review under managed care.
- **Ernie Seebeck** (B.A., physical and health education, 1991) was named head football coach at Beaverton High School. A native of Gladwin, Seebeck had served as an assistant under three different coaches at Beaverton before gaining the head coaching position this season.

1996-97 HOLIDAY CLOSING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	DEC. 23 CAMPUS OPEN	DEC. 24 PAID HOLIDAY	DEC. 25 PAID HOLIDAY	DEC. 26 PAID PERSONAL	DEC. 27 PAID PERSONAL	DEC. 28
DEC. 29	DEC. 30 VACATION DAY	DEC. 31 PAID HOLIDAY	JAN. 1 PAID HOLIDAY	JAN. 2 SVSU REOPENS		

Professional Profile

• **Barron Hirsch**, professor of art, has been appointed visiting artist for 1997 at the GMI Engineering and Management Institute in Flint. He will have a solo exhibition in the GMI Art Center from April 7 to May 2 and lecture on the development of his ideas to students in the Institute's humanities program.

• **Hideki Kihata**, associate professor of art, will display his works in the Saginaw Art Museum's first floor center gallery from November 21 to January 3. The exhibition consists of about 15 silver dye bleach prints. This process involves the use of pre-exposed film to produce a lighter or "bleached" final image. Kihata's exhibition, titled "State of Mind," is his effort to reflect his actual state of mind during particular periods in his life.

• **Judith Kerman**, dean of arts and behavioral sciences, has had her poem, "Summer House, a Fine Old Family" published in *The Hiram Poetry Review* #58/59 (Spring 1995-Winter 1996). Her book work, *St. Petersburg 1993*, has been accepted by the Alma Statewide Print Competition for its 1996-97 traveling exhibition.

• **Gretchen Owocki**, assistant professor of teacher education, led a two-day workshop on the writing process for elementary teachers in St. Charles.

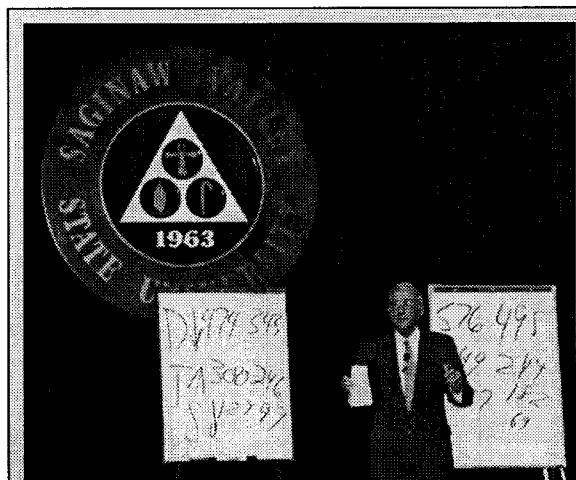
• **Michael W. Panhorst**, director of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery, recently participated in a Community Campus Pilot Project for SOS! Save Outdoor Sculpture in Jackson, Michigan. Panhorst and Virginia N. Naude, a conservator of outdoor sculpture from Philadelphia, conducted a condition assessment of the outdoor sculptures in the community. In addition, they presented a public lecture on the significance of that sculpture and the importance of regular professional care for outdoor sculpture. They also met with school children at a sculpture site and addressed a general assembly of fifth graders at Frost Elementary.

The Community Campus Project in Jackson is one of three pilot programs nationwide funded by the national SOS! organization and local sponsors. In Jackson, the Ella Sharp Museum coordinated activities. The purpose of the program is to stimulate efforts to appreciate and preserve local outdoor sculptures. Panhorst has been asked to speak about the Jackson project at the "Playing for Keeps" National SOS! Conference in Washington, D.C., Nov. 16-19.

• **David K. Pugalee**, assistant professor of teacher education, recently made two conference presentations. The first presentation on November 1, titled "Writing as a Tool in the Learning and Assessment of Mathematics," was made at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Central Regional Conference in South Bend. The presentation centered around five domains of learning and the potential impact of writing in those areas. Guidelines for assessment of writing in mathematics were presented along with procedures for developing scoring methodologies. The second presentation, titled "Scientific Inquiry and Problem Solving: Mathematics and Science in Context," was presented at the School Science and Mathematics Association Annual Meeting in Little Rock on November 8. This presentation included models for designing lessons that mesh science and mathematics, including one currently under development by Pugalee. Several lessons were presented to clarify and expand upon the models. Appropriateness of Internet resources in the design process was discussed along with potential sites.

• **Janet Rubin**, professor of communication and theatre, had a paper titled "Creative Drama and Music Methods: Introductory Activities for Children" published in *Linnet Professional Publications*, November 1996. The text was co-authored with Margaret Merriam, dean of fine arts at Ball State University.

• **Bethany Rusch**, Public Safety officer, has been named president-elect for 1996-97 of the Michigan Consortium for Substance Abuse Education. The consortium is a state-wide organization of professionals representing law enforcement, substance abuse prevention and social work organizations. The organization sponsors prevention programming throughout the state. Rusch has been a board member for the past two years, and will serve as the organization's president in 1997-98.

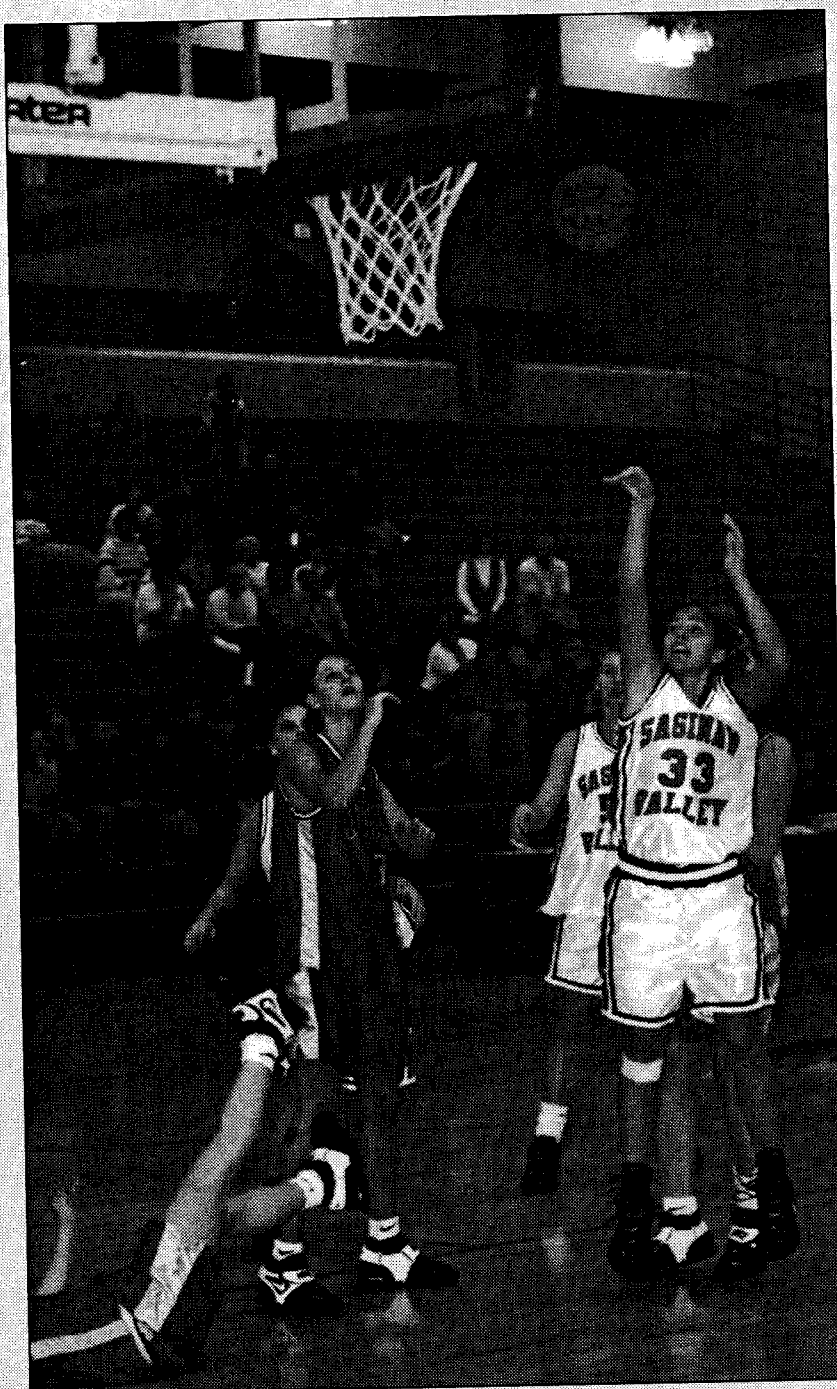


Gene Stanaland discussed economic indicators during the third annual First of America Economic Forecasting Forum, Nov. 7. Responding to questions by audience members, he stated his belief that the country is not in any danger of a recession. The president of GSE, Inc., Stanaland is one of the most sought-after speakers on economics in the U.S. today.

High Five

• **Football** — finished their season 7-3, both overall and in the MIFC, following a 52-42 defeat at Northern Michigan University on Saturday. The loss eliminates the Cardinals from post-season playoff consideration, and places them in a tie with NMU for third place in the MIFC. Senior receiver Charles Davis closes his career with 244 all-purpose yards and five more records. He caught four passes for 76 yards to break the MIFC career receptions record (140), returned three kickoffs 108 yards and had three punt returns for 60.

• **Women's Basketball** — claimed the championship trophy in their Tipoff Tournament this weekend. The Cardinals defeated Aquinas College 83-72 in Saturday's championship game after pounding Michigan Christian College 81-30 on Friday. Newcomer Teirynne Fisher hit a trio of three-point shots over a four-minute span in the second half to thwart a comeback by the Saints. Sophomore forward Angie Peterson was named tournament MVP (see photo below). The Cardinals' next home game will be Saturday, Nov. 23 against Siena Heights College. Tipoff is 3 p.m.



Sophomore forward **Angie Peterson, 33**, scores two of her 27 points against Aquinas College in a 83-72 Cardinal win on Saturday. Peterson added 18 rebounds in the game, and her 42 points and 28 rebounds in the two-day tournament earned her Most Valuable Player honors. "If you watch Angie, all you see out there is effort and heart," said second-year coach Suzy Merchant of her star player.

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STAFF MEMBER

OF THE MONTH

**Penny
Bailey**

**Director,
Conference
Bureau**

**December
1996**

Anyone with an extra pair of rollerblades might consider loaning them to Penny Bailey. They could be an asset in keeping up with her many duties.

As director of SVSU's Conference Bureau, Bailey has multiple responsibilities. First she must market the University's conference capabilities to external groups. When interest has been attracted, Bailey follows through with complete conference services.

Other duties handled by Bailey include providing a transcript service for the State Board of Education's CEU (continuing education units) program and administering a number of testing programs, such as the real estate exam, GMAT, LSAT, TOEFL/TSE, ACT and the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification.

Bailey came to SVSU in 1992 after a seven-year stint as director of convention marketing/sales for the Saginaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau. "My role was to market Saginaw County as a meeting destination," she says. "Here my role involves more than just marketing."

Her varied duties include preparing bids in response to inquiries, showing the services and facilities that SVSU can provide and the costs for them. "My previous job was helpful, because it put me in touch with community leaders and meeting planners," she notes.

"However, here I not only sell, but service. Once we book an event we have to worry about all the little details that go along with it." That can range from coordinating food service and arranging for needed audio/visual equipment to having someone on hand during the event to handle minor emergencies.

"After the event is over, I follow up to get the repeat business," Bailey says.

Her efforts have paid off in a sizable increase in conferencing activity at SVSU since she arrived. She expects another surge when West Complex opens next year, and in fact already has bookings for the conference areas of the facility.

Bailey credits her success to teamwork within the University. "With this position I really rely on a lot of other people and departments," she says. "If it were not for them, these events would not be successful. We have a good team of people. They understand the needs of meeting planners and are supportive of them."

Until the opening of West Complex, SVSU has limited capacity to handle outside groups. All activities are organized around the academic calendar and academic activities have first priority for space.

"After the first of the year we will have some 'dedicated conference space' in West Complex, so we can book two to five years in advance," Bailey says. "We'll also be able to accommodate groups up to 1,000. Before we only had space to serve groups of 200 or fewer people. I am enthusiastic about the facility."

The University also will be using new software for booking facilities. Called "Schedule 25," the program first handles academic scheduling. Next priority goes to internal events booked through the Conference Bureau. Then Schedule 25 automates the assignment of conference space.

Bailey keeps very busy even when she's not on campus. She and her husband, Bill, have produced several travel guides for Midwest states, combining travel with research. They also are the parents of two boys, one in high school and the other in kindergarten. "I have a built-in baby sitter," she jokes.





INNER VIEW

FEATURING FACULTY OF SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Filling a need

Al Bracciano is a man with a mission. And to a large extent his mission is fulfilled.

A Caseville resident, Bracciano was completing a doctoral degree at Western Michigan University in 1989 and often stopped to study and use the library at SVSU. He also was a practicing occupational therapist in the Thumb and had noted a shortage of certified therapists in the region. So he approached Crystal Lange to suggest starting an O.T. program at SVSU.

"Crystal said, 'Let's get some facts and figures.' I came up with an extensive survey that covered the University's 14-county service region and more. We covered locations from Port Huron to Flint and up to Traverse City and the eastern half of the U.P.," he says. "This included the Saginaw Valley and Northern districts for O.T.A. (Occupational Therapy Association).

"These were the only two districts that did not have an O.T. program. Our research showed that there was a maldistribution of therapists. They tended to practice where they went to school or did their internships."

That resulted in a dearth of professionals to serve small towns and rural areas.

Armed with figures demonstrating a need, Bracciano worked with Lange to establish a pro-

gram at SVSU. The process for adding an academic program is arduous and requires both internal and external approvals, Bracciano found.

Once the curriculum had been developed and approved by SVSU faculty and administration, it was reviewed by the Presidents Council of State Universities (twice) and by A.O.T.A., as well as by Michigan universities then offering occupational therapy programs. "Ours became the first new program to be accredited in Michigan since 1943," Bracciano says.

The program's curriculum is targeted toward preparing therapists for practice in rural areas. "In small hospitals and rural settings, therapists don't have the advantage of specializing," he says. "They must be generalists. Our program is very intensive. There is a lot of coursework and six months of full-time internship, half concentrating in psychosocial dysfunction and the other three months in physical disabilities."

The goal of occupational therapy, Bracciano says, is to help people engage in the roles they had prior to being injured or disabled. "These jobs, occupations, are really what motivates us," he says. "We try to create a balance among work, play and leisure for our clients."

There are mechanical devices that assist people who have lost mobility, Bracciano notes. Locally, St. Mary's Medical Center is working with a Thumb resident to redesign certain farm equipment so injured farmers can return to work. And Bracciano's desk sports a set of arm rests adapted from devices used on wheelchairs to assist patients with spinal cord injuries. An occupational therapist redesigned them to help prevent carpal tunnel syndrome.

The father of four children and married to "a very supportive wife," Bracciano is involved in several state and national occupational therapy organizations and has ancillary staff privileges at Huron Memorial Hospital. He also squeezes in time for water sports and biking to keep balance in his own lifestyle.

