



# THE INTERIOR

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## Senator Cisky receives honorary doctorate at Commencement

State Senator A. Jon Cisky (R, 33rd District) was accorded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree at Saginaw Valley State University's December 13 Commencement. Ceremonies began at 7:30 p.m. in O'Neill Arena with some 374 summer and fall semester graduates participating.

Cisky was elected to the Michigan State Senate in November 1990. As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, he is chairman of the Corrections, the State Police and Military Affairs Subcommittees and vice-chairman of the Higher Education Subcommittee. He also serves as a member of the Judiciary Committee and the Legislative Council.

Currently Cisky is heading the implementation of a new legislator training orientation program. He also has established an annual grant seminar to assist local governments and organizations in learning about state and local funding possibilities.

A former police officer who attained the rank of sergeant, Cisky has continued to fight crime since his election to the Senate. He has introduced and supported several key bills to crack down on the incidence of crime in Michigan. He also has worked to make 21 major tax cuts, reform product liability, reform welfare and rewrite the Mental Health Code.

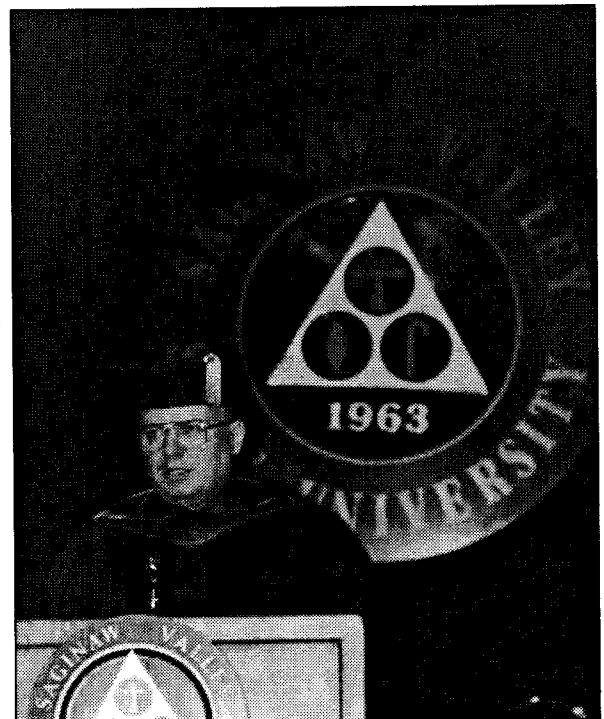
Among the awards Cisky has earned are "Legislator of the Year" by the Michigan Judges Association and "Guardian of Small Business" by the National Federation of Independent Businesses. He was named "Legislator of the Year" by the Deputy Sheriff's Association in 1994, the Police Officers Association of Michigan in 1993 and the Michigan Sheriff's Association in 1991.

In his position as vice-chairman of the

Senate Higher Education Subcommittee, Cisky has worked to increase SVSU's fiscal year 1997 state appropriations funding by 15.6 percent. In 1993, he obtained an additional \$320,000 supplemental appropriation for deferred maintenance and in 1995 his efforts helped earmark more than \$505,000 in lapse funds for the University. He played an instrumental role in providing state funding for SVSU's \$33.5 million West Complex and for a \$3.5 million upgrade in the campus heating and cooling system. Through his efforts a \$25 million classroom building has been budgeted to complete the core campus.

Prior to his election, Cisky was a professor and chairman of the Department of Criminal Justice at SVSU, where he taught courses in criminal and constitutional law, criminology and corrections. He also founded "Crime Stoppers."

Eligible for graduation in December were 276 students who completed bachelor's degree requirements in fall semester and 60 who earned master's degrees. Students who completed degree requirements during the summer semester also had the option of participating in the December event.



Jon Cisky addresses the audience during Friday evening's Commencement ceremonies.

## **Annual SVSU fund drive sets goal**

Saginaw Valley State University fund-raisers have set a target of \$375,000 for the annual campaign that supports scholarships, faculty research, purchase of library materials and various student needs. The SVSU Foundation and the Annual Fund Committee launched this year's activities October 3.

During the past 19 years, the annual campaign has raised \$2,839,164 for the University. Jerome Yantz is the general chairman of this year's annual fund committee, which is composed of 67 community friends of the University from the Tri-counties and Thumb area.

Among new members of the committee are; Mrs. Alma Gilmore, a community leader in the city of Saginaw and long affiliated with SVSU; Dawn Clifford, First of America Bank, Midland; Timothy Dijak, manager/vice president, First of Michigan Corporation, Midland; Janet Hoffman, manager/accounting and tax departments, Rehmann Robson & Co., Saginaw; Cecilia Jerome, Midland Chamber of Commerce; Frankenmuth resident Phillip L. List, community bank president, First of America, Michigan; John Nagy, president, Saginaw Products; Michael Olgaard, manager/vice president, First of America, Saginaw; Judge Harvey D. Walker, retired, Saginaw; and Dr. Earl L. Warrick, retired research scientist, Dow Corning, Midland.

In addition to benefiting from federal and state tax deductions for giving to non-profit organizations, donors to the Annual Fund will be listed in SVSU's *Report of Annual Giving*.

Credit cards may be used to charge gifts during the campaign, which continues through December 31. Fund-raisers expect to top last year's effort that saw 1,929 donors contribute \$314,674, according to Norma Gase Zivich, director of Annual Giving and Development Communications.

For additional information, please contact Zivich at ext. 4075.

## **More parking made available on campus**

The official opening of West Complex also signals the opening of University Drive and the J Lot parking areas. Originally called North Drive, University Drive now extends south from College Drive to Collings Drive.

Vehicular traffic will be limited to 15 miles per hour on University Drive, and vehicles will be

required to stop for pedestrians using the main crosswalk.

The J Lot parking area is divided into four sub lots. J-1 contains free and metered parking. J-2 contains free and handicapped parking, although it may be reserved for conferencing. J-3 is reserved for faculty and staff (permit required). Those who have purchased a permit for K and F lots will discover their permit also is valid in lot J-3. J-4 contains handicapped, metered and free parking.

## **Strong turnout hears award-winning author speak at SVSU**

Marion Dane Bauer, award-winning author of fiction for children and teenagers, offered a presentation at SVSU on Dec. 2 in Founders Hall. A Minneapolis resident, Bauer's stories range from realistic fiction to fantasy, and the universality of her themes connect with a wide range of readers.

A partial listing of her most popular books include: *What's Your Story?*, an ALA Notable Children's Book; *Rain of Fire*, which received the Jane Addams Peace Association Children's Book Award; and *On my Honor*, a Newberry Honor book, an ALA Notable Children's Book. *On my Honor* is recommended on a number of highly regarded reading lists, such as the School Library Journal list of Best Books of the Year; the ALA Booklist, Children's Editors' Choice; and Publisher's Weekly, The Year's Best Books.

Elaine Stephens, professor of teacher education, reported that approximately 75 people attended the presentation. The audience included undergraduate and graduate students, area educators and several members of the general public. Stephens said she was very pleased with the amount of interest in the program.

Nola Carvey, administrative secretary for Government and Community Relations, would like to extend her sincere appreciation and admiration to all those SVSU people who gave so generously to the "Holiday Wish List" families this year.

"I'm sure there will be little smiling faces, full tummies and warm, happy memories of the Christmas of 1996 for at least 22 families," Carvey said. "As in years past, I have coordinated this effort and every year it overwhelms me that people can be so generous!"

"A big thanks to the Physical Plant people who deliver all these gifts to the Voluntary Action Center."

## Professional Profile

• **Janet E. Rubin**, professor of communication and theatre, recently presented two papers at the national Speech Communication Association conference in San Diego, CA. Both "Touring Theatre: Charting a Smooth Course" and "Keeping the Memory Alive: Using Theatre to Educate about the Holocaust" were juried presentations.

• **Scott M. Youngstedt**, assistant professor of sociology, presented a paper titled "How to Pray: Ongoing Decisions Among Hausa Migrants in the City" at the 95th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, held November 20 in San Francisco, CA. Youngstedt presented a second paper titled "Attraction, Repulsion and Deception: Islam, *Bori*, and Christianity Among Hausa Migrants in Niamey, Niger" at the 39th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, held November 23 in San Francisco.

## Across Campus

• The campus community extends condolences to **Arthur Andrewes**, professor of chemistry, on the loss of his mother, Lillian, who passed away earlier this month.

## Have You Heard?

• The **Historical Museum of Bay County** is seeking volunteers to help run their museum gift shop on Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. The position includes gift shop sales and assistance, and answering phones. Training is provided. Interested persons should contact Tina Stevens, community coordinator, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 893-5733.

• All facilities in **Ryder Center** will close for holiday break beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22. Regular operations will resume Thursday, Jan. 2.

## Campus Happenings

• **Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop** — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, Studio K Caffe. Call ext. 4062 for more information.

## Transitions

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

### SVSU Welcomes:

- **Elaine Kueffner**, relief nurse, Health Services, ext. 4272
- **Rex Rossman**, facilities production manager, Continuing Education
- **Pam Tarras**, nurse practitioner, Health Services, ext. 4272

### Same Face, New Place:

- **Doreen Bierlein**, shipping and receiving clerk, Bookstore, ext. 4262
- **Tim Rex**, groundskeeper, Physical Plant, ext. 4148
- **Mike Wenglikowski**, custodian/assistant foreman, Physical Plant, ext. 4279

### Moving On:

- **Craig Bell**, Public Safety officer

## Accent on Alumni

- **Anthony J. Ceccacci** (B.S., mechanical engineering, 1979) in August 1995 was promoted to group leader of the Propulsion Systems Group of the Guidance Propulsion Systems Branch at NASA/Johnson Space Center.
- **Barry Schafer** (B.S., chemistry, 1990) recently was promoted to senior biochemist at Dow Elanco of Indianapolis.
- **Jeffrey Schulz** (M.B.A., marketing, 1982) has been named a national account manager for AT&T, handling the Ameritech account in Chicago. Additionally, he has started on a second master's degree in East Asian Languages at the University of Chicago.

## High Five

- **Men's Basketball** (1-1, 3-3) — dropped a 74-61 decision to Oakland University Saturday. Freeland freshman forward Josh Ode led the Cardinals with a career-high 16 points. SVSU will travel to the Cal State-Bakersfield Holiday Tournament next weekend.
- **Women's Basketball** (0-2, 6-2) — lost to Oakland University 75-51 Saturday. Oakland came into the game ranked 10th in NCAA Division II.

## 1996-97 HOLIDAY CLOSING SCHEDULE

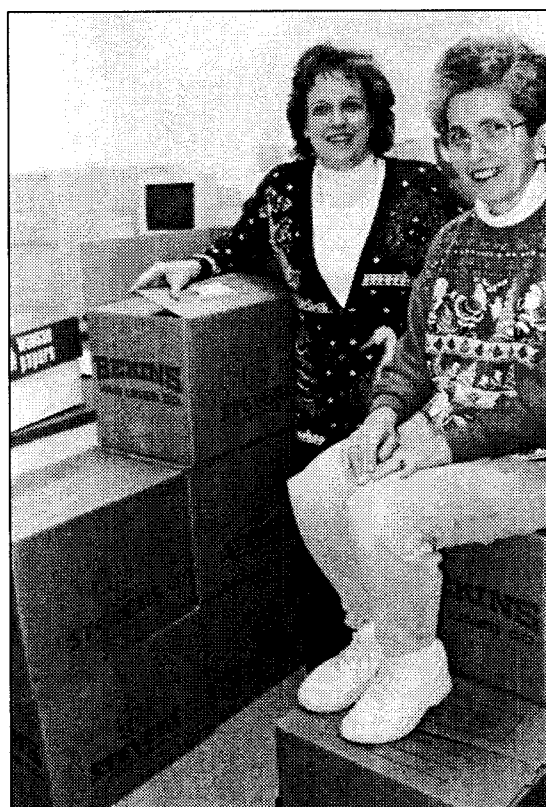
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**A number of campus offices** had begun moving to their new locations in West Complex as of last Friday. Among those busily packing their office materials were Sharon Chenette and Linda Haas, above, in the Center for Manufacturing Improvement; and Christine Greve and Carol Fisher, right, in the Business and Industrial Development Institute.

The Office of Information Services will be publishing another temporary *Faculty/Staff Directory* early in winter semester. This will reflect new office addresses for faculty and staff who move before the beginning of the semester. In most cases phone numbers will remain unchanged, but there may be added extensions in certain cases.

Faculty and staff who have e-mail should be aware that their e-mail addresses *will be published*. Those who do not wish to have their e-mail addresses listed with their office number and phone number should contact John Guettler in Computer Services, ext. 5666, regarding procedures to close their accounts.



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