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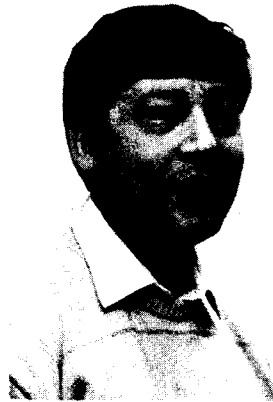
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BRENES NAMED STATE'S HISPANIC COLLEGE GRADUATE OF THE YEAR

Manuel Brenes may not be a hero; but his achievements and accomplishments are impressive just the same.

The native of Guatemala recently was named Michigan's Outstanding Hispanic College Graduate for 1988. Brenes, a Saginaw resident, was nominated for the honor by SVSU's Bilingual/Bicultural Center, directed by Dr. José Valderas.

He was one of 30 individuals nominated for the award.



Brenes, 35, received his master's of education degree

in school administration from SVSU in 1987 with a 4.0 grade point average. He currently is pursuing a doctorate degree in school administration from Michigan State University.

"Manuel is a most worthy recipient of this statewide recognition," Valderas said.

Brenes was one of the first SVSU students to receive a scholarship through the Martin Luther King/Cesar (Please turn to Page 2.)

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VASSAR STUDENT ACCEPTS JOB VENTURE IN ORIENT

If Sally Scribner plastered bumper stickers on her suitcase from all the lands she has seen outside her hometown of Vassar, the stickers surely would cover the five pieces of luggage she just packed for her latest adventure.

The beginning: In 1986 Scribner, then a sophomore at SVSC, participated in an exchange program with Shikoku Women's University in Tokushima, Japan. The university is SVSU's sister institution.

Most recently: On April 13 Scribner returned from England where she had spent nearly three months in an elementary school as a student teacher.

Now: On April 26, Scribner

returned to Shikoku University -- this time as an instructor of English. The one-year assignment puts her at the head of classrooms within which she once learned.

"I'm excited," Scribner said, prior to her departure. "I'm ready for the challenge; but I am honored, mostly, for the opportunity."

Scribner said she was looking forward to a reunion with friends she made two years ago when she was in Tokushima. There will be marked differences, however; those who once taught her will now be colleagues.

"I am there to instill confidence (in the students) and create an environment to speak English," Scribner said.

Scribner said there are many advantages to her accepting the foreign teaching position following graduation.

"It prepares me in a way a college never could," she said. "It teaches me to cope with language and cultural differences. The mannerisms are different.

"There are certain things I have to learn that will make me a better teacher."

Scribner said she could foresee problems if she spent more than a year in Japan.

"I could get out of the style of teaching American children and testing," she said. "I do want to return after a year. I am an American."

("Brenes" -- from Page 1.) Chavez/Rosa Parks graduate studies fund. He also was assistant principal of discipline and student activities at Nouvel Catholic Central High School from 1985-87.

Brenes cites as one his greatest accomplishments his role in the construction and development of a junior high school in El Estor, Izabal, Guatemala, with the Christian Bros., a religious organization.

"We received parent and community support and I presented a proposal to businesses and the idea went over," Brenes said, adding he made his plea at least 100 times.

That was in the late 1970s. In 1985, Brenes returned to the school with a group of individuals instrumental in the creation of the school.

"We received a reception as if the Pope came by," Brenes said. "The best thing was that the school expanded. There were more rooms and more shops."

Brenes returned to the United States and in South Dakota met a native Saginawian and married her. They now have three children ranging in age from 18 months to 5 years old.

Brenes was the only SVSU graduate student nominated. Four undergraduate students were nominated, but did not receive awards.

AREA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES RECEIVE SVSU SCHOLARSHIPS

Nearly 100 graduating high school seniors are eligible to receive scholarships as freshman at SVSU. The students were named recipients of the

1988-89 academic scholarships, pending their fall 1988 enrollment at SVSU.

Of the 91, four received Presidential Scholarships, 12 received Awards for Excellence, 59 received Deans' Scholarships, five were Citizenship Award recipients, five more received Minority Scholarships and six were Residential Life Scholarship winners.

Presidential Scholarship winners are Annette Bates of Mt. Clemens, Heather Hyatt of Midland, Andrew Jamieson of Harrisville and Barbara Tolloff of Reese.

Students receiving **Awards for Excellence** are Lisa Allen of Tawas City, Robert Arrowsmith and Mary Karbowski of Bay City, Michelle Ball of Birch Run, Christopher Bruman of North Branch, Tamara Cowles of Clare, Heather Davis of Pontiac, Michelle Frost of Saginaw, Matthew Hufnagel of Fowler, Jennifer Pedota of Pinconning, Jason Raasch of Zilwaukee and Michelle Trombley of Reese.

Winners of the **Deans' Scholarships** are Kristin Abbs, Kathleen Eigner, Kristine Knop and Karolynne Miner, all of Bay City; Jennifer Adkins of Alma; Amy Altman, Mary Anklam, Kristine Idzior, Karen Ignasinski, Shannon McCarthy, Valerie Newson, Walter Rathkamp, Nicole Shuler and Tawnya Voltz, all of Saginaw; Jeffrey Behm of Sebawaing; Amy Bergquist of Prescott; Shanon Blankenship of Houghton Lake and Joel Brandel of Richmond.

Also, Linda Briggs, Wendy Lanczak and Amy St. Martin, all of Pinconning; Jennifer Brooks of Corunna; Laura Carlson and Steven Gray of

Birch Run; Angela Cartwright of Caro; Suzanne Coventry of Columbiaville; Ann Craig of Kawkawlin; Tracy Czewski of Ubyly; JoLee Dominowski and Elizabeth Grzegorzczuk of Linwood; Brian Dugas of Canton; Linda Ezop and Kristine Fruchey of Fairgrove; and Brian Fehn, Derrick Hubbel and Cheryl McVannel, all of Hemlock.

Other Deans' Scholarship winners are Shelly Fritz of Unionville; Alan Gabalis, Michael Hayden, Teri Miner and Cheryl Purigroski, all of Vassar; Kristie Garn of Empire; Shane Gascho and Stacey Troyer of Fairview; Tamara Harris of Afton; Connie Haske and Chris Roberts of Reese; Kara Herkner of Hope; David Hilbrandt and Michael Hunter of Freeland; Matthew Holberton of Comins; Lynette Kauffman of Turner; William Kinney of Cass City; Tara Kirchner of Auburn; Randy Price and Doug White of Mayville; Melissa Rock of Sterling Heights, Lisa Schwinde of Whittemore and Lisa Shattuck of Otisville.

Recipients of **Citizenship Awards** are Becky Hicks of East Tawas, Heather Mikkelson of Caro, Shuna Nash of Saginaw, Leah Steece of Allenton and Troy Sakuta of Caro.

Minority Scholarship recipients are Robert Bisbee and Sandra James of Detroit, Colette Brown of Flint, Valerie Newson and Tawnya Voltz of Saginaw.

In addition, Brooks, Coventry, Hufnagel, Miner, Rathkamp and Judy Ostroske of Cheboygan all received **Residential Life Scholarships**.

JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 The Business and Industrial Development Institute will conduct a "Procurement" workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Lower Level Doan. To register or for further information, call BIDI at extension 4048.

- 8 An "All-Star Circus" will take place in Cardinal Gymnasium. For more information, call Conference Bureau at extension 4066.

- 18 The GMAT examination will be administered beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Brown Hall.

- 21- The National Cheerleading Association will conduct a cheerleading and pompon camp
24 through June 24 on campus.

- 30 The annual Board of Fellows Golf Outing will take place at the Bay Valley Golf Course.

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BUILDING UPDATE

Item -- Physical and Health Education Complex: The roof has been installed on the arena and the equipment room on the third floor has been enclosed and the equipment placed. The final concrete pours have been made on the swimming pool and the job is progressing on schedule. The tennis courts have been paved, the lighting has been completed and fences are being installed.

Item -- Wickes Hall Renovation: The second floor is complete and University personnel are continuing to occupy offices and classrooms on the second floor. The third floor is on schedule and will be completed the latter part of June.

Item -- The Arbury Fine Arts Center: Work is continuing on the landscaping and site work

and the reflection pool was put in operation prior to dedication ceremonies on May 15. Work on the road and retention pond is progressing satisfactorily and should be completed by July.

Item -- Landscaping Projects: Landscaping contractors are in the process of replacing dead trees and shrubs and fertilizing and treating lawns to eliminate weeds.

'INTERIOR' SUMMER SCHEDULE

With this issue, publication of The Interior will be according to the following summer schedule:

- June 14
- June 28
- July 12
- July 26
- August 9
- August 23
- August 30.

Classes resume August 29.

Information to be considered for submission in The Interior must be in the Office of Information Services by the Wednesday preceding the Tuesday publication date.

Information should be typewritten or printed and include the name and phone number of the person submitting the material.

For further information, contact Information Services at extension 4054.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

-- The Business and Industrial Development Institute will present a modified version of "**Ideas and Inventions: Taking Your Concept from Mind to Market,**" from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., May 25 in Lower Doan. For reservations, call BIDI at ext. 4048.

MEMORIAL DAY CLOSING

Faculty and staff are reminded that the University will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. Classes will not be conducted and offices will not be open.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

-- Dr. David Weaver, professor of political science, has been selected to attend the summer research-teaching conference on "Recent Advances in the

Study of Political Leadership." The program is co-sponsored by the William H. Spoor Dialogues Leadership Program at Dartmouth College and the American Political Science Association. The conference will take place July 17 through 22.

PERSONNEL

The following positions are open to all regular employees of the University.

GROUNDSKEEPER, Physical Plant -- full-time, permanent (replacement) position. Beginning rate: \$6.40 per hour. Requires a minimum of

two years of grounds experience, plus a good driving record.

INSTRUCTOR, SECONDARY EDUCATION -- one-year, temporary position for 1988-89. Salary negotiable. Requires master's degree with advanced coursework in secondary education and three years of appropriate teaching experience.

All internal applications must be received in the Personnel Office, extension 4112, by Wednesday, May 25.

SVSU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

HIGH FIVE

-- The Lady Cardinal softball team finished third this weekend in the NAIA National Softball Tournament in Oklahoma City. The women were seeded 14th entering the tournament and dropped their first contest on Thursday to Kearney State (Nebraska), 6-0. They played seven games out of the loser's bracket for the third place finish. Three Lady Cards also were named to the All Tournament Team: Mary Murphy, a sophomore left fielder; Julie Bydalek, a sophomore pitcher; and Beth VandenBrooks, a freshman shortstop.



'ACTION' LANGUAGE REVIEWED -- Roger Brown of Power Communications, Saginaw, discusses non-verbal communication with Alberta Lee, coordinator of Alumni Relations; Debra Newton, senior accounting clerk in the Controller's Office; and Dr. Leslie Whittaker, professor of English. Brown led a seminar on "Action" language for campus personnel on May 20.

EVENT WATCH

May 25... "Ideas and Inventions" Seminar
June 18... GMAT Testing
June 30... Board of Fellows Golf Outing

For information on campus events, contact Information Services, ext. 4054.

InnerView

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Wagener smooths union issues; frosting, too!

Tonight Gloria Wagener will be elected to her fifth term as president of the SVSU Secretarial and Clerical Association. Some may ask how one can predict such an outcome. Others may yawn because it really is no surprise.

Wagener has been the union's only president since its inception in 1980. She also is running unopposed.

Wagener compares her union duties to those she has as administrative secretary in BIDI.

"I perform my union business the same as my work in the office. The work is there and has to be done. You rearrange your schedule and do the best you can.

"The same if a problem comes up," Wagener continued. "At work, if I'm not familiar with something, I have sources I go to for help and guidance. The same with the union."

As a matter of fact, she added, her role in the union is much like a second job -- without the benefit of additional pay. However, Wagener is quick to add that she does enjoy the work.

As union president, Wagener counsels and advises employees on ways to solve problems.



"Sometimes it's just smoothing over problem areas. Sometimes it's not even a case of someone's rights being violated so much as just a simple mistake."

Wagener said the primary driving force behind her union efforts are those individuals within the association.

"I enjoy helping people; I like to watch others grow and learn and develop," she said. "It's very interesting to watch them develop. It's the same thing as the educational process on campus."

Wagener said it is unfortunate people perceive the union and administration as groups on opposing sides of issues.

"That's not the purpose of the relationship," she said. "We have the same goal ... to give the best possible education to our students."

"The union contract guidelines were devised so people can best perform their duties. Most (members) want to come in and do their job to the best of their abilities."

When Wagener isn't busy performing union tasks after a full day in the office, she enjoys baking and decorating cakes, which she has done since she was a child.

"I come from a family of five children and we always made cakes for birthdays. I got interested and bought cake books and starting practicing. The same as I did with calligraphy."

Wagener created a cake in 1979 for the opening of Pioneer Hall. The cake was an edible model of the building and was four feet long, two and one-half feet wide and one and one-half feet high.

Wagener also enjoys spending time with her dog Carmel, which she describes as a "very sensitive" animal. She and her husband Doug, building and technical director for the SVSU Theatre, live in Kochville Township.

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Hansen sets pace for physical education

Dr. Doug Hansen has seen education as a "burning" issue; and he has seen efforts to bolster education rise from those very same cinders.

Hansen, SVSU professor of education and physical education, is a school board member seeking re-election in Saginaw Township -- site of the 1987 fire that nearly destroyed Eisenhower High School.

He also is one of the primary advocates and organizers of the soon-to-be-complete Health and Physical Education Complex on campus.

Other accomplishments Hansen can boast of are his national champion indoor track teams -- which practiced minus an indoor track. Some feat!

Catching up with him can be a difficult race itself. Between his running six to eight miles daily and organizing track meets, Hansen organizes his re-election race in Saginaw Township.

He said there is an overlap between his efforts for the township schools and SVSU.

"(Being on the school board) keeps you in the trenches where the problems are," he said. "I have a grip on what's important to K-12 students and I am able to convey what I see to my (education) students" at SVSU.

Hansen also had seen enough high school physical education facilities to know SVSU was sorely lacking. After he quit coaching the track and cross country teams he was instrumental in creating, Hansen was appointed to a committee to prepare a program statement for a new health and physical education facility.

He said a year from now the University and community will be able to see the result of those efforts. The only

foreseeable obstacle in the realization of the dream is the Michigan Legislature, which may not approve start-up funding for the complex. Even if the facility is complete, the building may remain closed, Hansen said. He likened it to being in the desert for two weeks and having someone set a glass of ice cold water before you and saying you may not drink.

In spite of all the running Hansen does for SVSU and Saginaw Township, he also finds time to spend with his two sons and other groups in the community.

Why all this breathless involvement?

"I always want to give something back to the community in which I live. I am a Rotarian and our motto is 'Service above self.' That's part of the reason behind (the commitments). I also want to make sure my boys get the best education they can."

