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GRAND VALLEY
STATE COLLEGE

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RECORD REGISTRATION -- September, and the beginning of the fall term, brought a record number of students registering for classes at GVSC... 1,729. Not included in this number are 58 seniors and juniors who are involved in student teaching in local schools during the fall term.

1,685 are Michigan residents, 44 are from other states, and there is one Canadian student. 759 are new students: 499 are attending college for the first time, 216 are transfers from other colleges, and 44 are "special" students.

In September of 1963, 226 students enrolled in the first class at Grand Valley.

SECOND COLLEGIATE SOCIETY -- A Separately administered second collegiate society will open next fall at GVSC, contingent upon Board of Control approval. The new society will emphasize independent studies with few formal classes; the student will work out his own program under the supervision of a faculty member. The tutorial system will be extensively employed. Spokesman for the authors of the program, Daniel Clock, associate professor of mathematics, states, "The most striking aspect of the Second Society from the student's point of view is the extensive freedom and responsibility he receives. The entire program is designed to build around his interest." Programs leading to a Bachelor of Arts or a

Bachelor of Philosophy degree will be offered. While formal graduation requirements will be kept to a minimum, Second Society students will progress from introductory to advanced work, both in the Common Program and in independent studies.

FAREWELL TO -- Kenneth VerBurg, director of personnel and purchasing at GVSC, who has taken a position as Consultant in the Bureau of Higher Education, Michigan Department of Education. He began his duties in Lansing October 23. VerBurg is a pioneer staff member who joined Grand Valley as administrative assistant in 1961. He has served as chairman of the Grandville City Planning Commission and treasurer of the Board of Directors of Grandville Christian Schools.

CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING -- GVSC Citizens Council will meet November 14 at 7:30 p.m. at The Commons. A progress report will be presented to citizens who have done so much for the college. The meeting will also offer the opportunity to meet faculty and staff members, and to see the facilities of The Commons.

SPEAKERS PANEL -- Copies of GVSC's Speakers Panel brochure are being mailed to interested area groups and individuals. The brochures list faculty and staff members who are available for speeches in the community and the subjects on which they speak. Copies may be obtained

upon request to the Public Relations Office at the college.

GRAND VALLEY COLLEGE THEATRE PRESENTATION -- "The Rivals," an 18th century comedy by Richard B. Sheridan will be presented at the college on November 15, 16, 17, and 18 at 8 p.m. in Lake Huron Hall. A matinee performance will be presented at 3 p.m. on November 15, and another at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 18. The public is invited to all performances; area English and drama classes will be specially invited to the November 18th matinee.

On November 20th a performance of the play will be given at the new Community Center in Grand Haven at 8 p.m.

"YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND" -- The GVSC Biology Dept. Fall Seminars ... held in Room 122, Loutit Hall of Science. Each seminar meets Monday at 4 p.m. for coffee; the seminar begins at 4:15 p.m. All interested individuals are invited; high school teachers and students are especially welcome. The schedule includes: October 23 - Dr. Philip Clampitt, Asst. Professor of Zoology, GVSC; "Ecology of Puerto Rico;" November 6 - Dr. Norman Norton, Professor of Biology, Hope College, "Floral Changes During the Late Cretaceous and Early Tertiary Periods;" November 20 - Dr. Henry DeLeeuw, Director of the Laboratory, Hackley Hospital and GVSC Senior Lecturer in Medical Sciences, "Smoking."

On November 8, the film "Oedipus the King" will be presented at 3 p.m. and at 8 p.m. in Room 132, Lake Huron Hall; a nominal fee will be charged by the sponsoring student group, CASC.

Guided tours of the campus, including the extensive audio-

video installation, are available every Sunday at the college from 2 to 4 p.m. through November 19. Student guides will meet visitors at the Lake Michigan Hall parking lot.

CROSS COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS -- Following three losses at Kalamazoo, Olivet, and a home meet with Southwest Michigan, the GVSC Cross Country team won its October 9 contest with Bethel. On October 14, in a triangular meet, the team successfully ran against Mackinac College at Spring Arbor.

ART NEWS -- Margaret Crawford, assistant professor of art at GVSC, had a one-man show of her paintings at the Creative Gallery, New York City, October 7 to 27.

Chester Alkema, assistant professor of art, is participating in the 1967 Michigan Liberal Arts Colleges Art Faculty Exhibition with oil paintings which have been shown at Calvin College and GVSC, and will be on exhibit in November at Hope College, in January at Albion College, and in April, 1968 at Adrian College.

UNITED NATIONS DAY -- Observance of U.N. Day, October 24, at Grand Valley included a film on the activities of the U.N.; a panel discussion, sponsored by GVSC, the Grand Rapids World Affairs Coordinating Council, and the International Relations Club of Aquinas College; and a reception which featured food from many countries. Highlight of the day was a visit to the campus by Ambassador Clare Timberlake, former U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo. The Ambassador lectured to a Political Science class, held an informal discussion on international affairs in the afternoon, and participated in the panel discussion.