# Orchard Ridge provost maps out strategy for year

"In charge" are the words Dr. James Stevenson uses to describe his new job as an of control of the Control of t

been in the OCC system for the past six years.

"It would almost be like being the dean of a small college," he added. Stevenson had served as OCC's vice president of academic affairs and em-

cept of education.

"We try to provide a comprehensive educational program for students of our community at a moderately low cost," he said. "We have an open-door policy in that anyone may attend our institution regardless of their educational achievement up to that point."

OCC ATTRACTS two basic types of students, Stevenson said. One type is made up of people who stay at the community college for two years and then transfer to a four-year

ployee relations, responsible for helping to negotiate contracts with the school's eight bargaining units.

He replaces Richard Thompson, a longtime provost who becomes OCC's vice president of academic and student affairs.

One of two recently appointed provosts at OCC, Stevenson is a strong being the contract of the community college concept of education.

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their skills obsolete."
He added, "Our ability to retrain citizens of our community to meet the
changing needs of society is an important aspect of the college.
"Because of changing technology,
some of the jobs that people have are
becoming obsolete, and the workers
need to be trained in other areas. For
example, we're very active in working
with General Motors and other big corporations in trying to retrain people
into different types of positions."
These retraining efforts are among
some 40 new programs instituted since

Robert Rociofs became college president about six years ago, Stevenson said.

Don't look for any sweeping changes when Stevenson becomes provest at the Orchard Ridge campus at least not right away. The campuse has 8,000 students, 120 faculty members at 12 buildings.

ings.
"I'm going to take it step by step," he said. "I don't have any major plans right now other than to try to operate the campus in as efficient a manner as I can.

The campus in as efficient a manner as I can were proud that I we been selected. Hook forward to working at Orchard Ridge. It's an excellent sacility with an excellent staff."

STEVENSON, PRESENTLY quartered in OCC's Bloomfield Hills administrative center, soon will move to the provest's office at the Orchard Ridge campus. Hell continue to live in the Macomb County community of Utica

with his wile Jean and their three sons, James, John and Jelf. A native Detroiter, Stevenson graduated from Mackenzie High School and earned a bachelor's degree from West-ern Michigan University, the holds a master's degree from the University of Michigan and a doctorate from Wayne State University in educational admin-sistration.

State University in Land.
Each of OCC's four regional campuses (others are located in Royal Oak, Pontiac and Union Lake) has a provost. All report directly to President Roc-

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"Dr. Stevenson's experience in many phases of education, his close attention to campus personnel and campus activities . . . unquestionably qualify him for these tasks," Roelofs said.

A continental breakfast reception to welcome Stevenson is planned for 8:30 a.m. Friday at the Farmington Hills City Hall, 31555 11 Mile.



James Stevenson

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### FERRUCCIO P. DeCONTI

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Mr. DeConti, 57, of Farmington Hills
died Oct. 5 in Mr. Clemens Hospital.
Mr. DeConti, an architectural engineer, was president and founder of De-Contil Architects and Associates. He
was a member of the American Register of Architects, the American Architects Arbitration Board and the Construction Operations Institute.
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sion.

Survivors include his wife, Milli; a daughter, Diane; one sister.

Services were at the Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth. Mass was celebrated in St. Ives Catholic Church in Southfield. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

#### MAYBELLE B. YOUNG

Mrs. Young, 89, of Livonia died Oct. 8 in Botsford Hospital. Mrs. Young was a homemaker. Survivors include her daughters,

Joan Benden and Mary Ellen Kramer, 12 grandchildren and four great-grand-children. Services were Oct. 9 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills and at St. Colman Catholic Church. Burlal was in Clinton Grove Cemetery, Mt. Clemens.

Mr. McGregor, 79, of Port Austin, MI, formerly of Farmington, died Oct. 6 in Huron Memorial Hospital. Mr. McGregor was a school teacher for the Detroit and Plymouth School

son, James; a daughter, Joan Mann; sister, Ellen Hart; four grandchildren. Services were Oct. 9 at the Heency-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. George Ramsey of 1st Presbyterian Church of Farmington officiating. Burlal was in Oakland Hills Memortal Gardens, Novi.

#### NELLIE V. MASTERS

Mrs. Masters, 79, of Farmington Hills died Oct. 9 in Livingston Care

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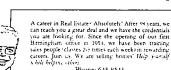
SGT. ROBERT E, BEATTIE

Sgt. Beattie was a fireman for the Southfield Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth; on, Robert Jr.; daughters, Barbara, lobin and Candy; brother, Roy; sisters, hirley and Doris; one grandchild.

Services were Oct. 13 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. William P. Soum II officia-ing, Burial was in Southfield Cemetery, Full honors were given by the South-field Fire Department with representa-tion from many surrounding depart-ments.

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Survivors include her sister, Elsle Rhaesa and two nieces.

Services were Oct. 12 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. David W. Dyke officiating, Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, De-

enter,
Born in Canada, Mrs. Masters was a

Sgt. Beattie, 59, of Southfield died
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