

INTERIOR

Celebrating 40 years of distinctive education in 2003

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Dedication of the two new facilities included a couple of new twists on "ribbon-cutting ceremonies." At the Fitness Center, SVSU students Dahn Lyttle and Christina Johnson run through a tape. At the Student Center, Armen Hrachian, student association president, releases biodegradable balloons as Cheryl Burzinski, SVSU Alumni Association president, and Ahtisham Bhatti, International Students Organization president, look on. The SVSU Marching Band led a procession from the Fitness Center to the Student Center. (Photos by Tim Inman)

SVSU dedicates new Student Center and Fitness Center

Saginaw Valley State University held grand opening ceremonies for two new buildings, Friday, Sept. 5. The Student Center and Fitness Center provide increased space and modern facilities for students to study, socialize and exercise their minds and bodies.

The Fitness Center is a \$3.5 million facility with 15,000 square feet. It will feature weight training equipment, as well as cardiovascular devices, including treadmills, stationary bikes, elliptical machines and stair climbers. Student recreation programs will also be housed in the new building.

The \$7 million Student Center is a facility that is completely new to the SVSU campus. It has a variety of uses throughout its 34,000 square feet, including a bookstore that has doubled in size, a "Java City" coffee shop and the "C store," a

university convenience store with packaged food and frozen goods. The "Cardinal Cage" entertainment area has expanded with pool and foosball tables, video games, and large screen TVs. A new, large multi-purpose room features theater-style surround sound for movie nights, a dance floor for student dances, and technology that will allow student groups to host conferences, as well as space for blood drives, poster sales and many other student-oriented events.

The Student Center is about more than diversions, however. It features a large study atrium and three study lounges, plus a large conference room and meeting rooms for the more than 80 active student organizations at SVSU.

The Office of Student Life also will relocate into the new facility.



Transitions

Promoted/Transferred/New Title

- April Gibson-Baker, Senior Secretary, Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Museum
- Tammy Hafner, Administrative Secretary, Government Relations/Diversity Programs
- Kathy Henris, Administrative Secretary, University Housing
- Scott Jarvis, Custodial Specialist
- Stephan Kopka, Custodian
- Gary Kwaiser, Custodial Specialist
- Teri McPeak, Custodian
- Michael Wenglikowski, Custodial Specialist

New Staff

- Drago Dumbovic, Women's Soccer Coach
- Matthew Giddings, AIS Programmer/Analyst
- Michael Major, Head Women's Tennis Coach
- Kasey Robbins, Administrative Secretary, University Communications

Retired

- Gayle Koehler, William Elliott

Left/Leaving

- Sherry Anthony, Alfred Bracciano, Pharrington Douglass

Directory Revisions

- The website for Student Life is studentlife@svsu.edu
- Anita Dey has relocated her office to 104 Zahnow Library
- Kathleen Theiler Lanza, Administrative Secretary, Graduate Admissions, ext. 6096, e-mail: theiler@svsu.edu
- Lori House-Hewitt, ext. 2011

The **Christmas in July program** has come to rely upon SVSU and its strong volunteer commitment. The Christmas in July board chair expresses the organization's deep appreciation for the efforts of the following individuals: Cheryl Brow, Eric Buschlen, Rebecca Dewald-Rahl, James Hernandez, Kendra Huff, Jodi Hutchinson, Calvin McFarland, Amy McGinnis, Ann Miner, Alissa Muladore, Jim Muladore, Jennifer Pahl, Terry Paris, Ron Portwine, Shelly Reminder, Monika Sciba, Mike Simon, Dan Strasz, and Karen Turpin.

Warm appreciation goes out to all the SVSU faculty, staff, and students, along with their friends and family, who gave donations to the American Cancer Society in the Saginaw Relay for Life, Aug. 16 and 17. A special thanks goes out to Randy Awrey, the SVSU football team, and staff for all their efforts. The following people also gave of themselves by collecting donations and/or walking at Ojibway Island throughout the 24-hour relay (including some who walked from midnight until dawn): Jaime Ayala; Jennifer Bader; Sharon Chenette; Garrett, Kerry, Marne and Scott Cichocki; Colin Cole; Alanna Coronado; Cliff and Juanita Dorne; Jeremiah, Scott, and Tracy Downing; Kip Engel; Holly and John Furlo; Scott Gottleber; Deanna Gullifor; Maureen Kozumplik; Ashley Krosnicki; Courtney McFeters; Laura Rapcka; Elizabeth Rich; Ken Schindler; Craig, Jill, Spencer, and Steven Snook; Michelle Steinhoff; SVSU Cheerleaders, and Janice Wolff. Thanks also to: Campus Life, Audra Forsberg, Mary Hilla, Jason Jaime, Trista McLaughlin, Student Social Work Organization, Teresa George Sullivan, Tammy Wildfong, and Courtney Yaklin.

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Professional Profile

- **Eric Gardner**, associate professor of English, has an entry on Francis (Frank)

Johnson in the August 2003 supplement to the *American National Biography Online*, which is published by Oxford University Press and is available online at www.anb.org. Francis Johnson was one of the earliest African American composers and bandleaders.

- **Jane Girdham**, professor of music, presented a paper titled "Periphery as Center: Making Music at Home" at the International Society for 18th Century Studies, held in Los Angeles in August.

- **Tai-Chi Lee**, professor of computer science, attended and chaired the Security and Management Session at the 2003 International Multi-Conference on Computer Science and Computer Engineering, where he presented two papers titled, "Hardware/ Software Codesign for Matrix Multiplication," and "An ISEP (Improved Secure Electronic Payment) Protocol Design Using 3BC Algorithm." The conference took place June 23 through 26 in Las Vegas, Nev.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to:

- **Deborah Bishop**, professor of marketing and management, on the loss of her father. Herman Ramirez passed away Tuesday, Sept. 2.
- **Robert Maurovich**, vice president of student services and enrollment management, on the loss of his sister-in-law. Theresa Lundsted passed away Tuesday, Sept. 2.
- **Jennifer Neitzel**, ECS Specialist, on the loss of her grandfather. Frederick Covio passed away August 18.

SVSU and Field Neurosciences Institute co-sponsor James E. O'Neill Jr. Memorial Lecture

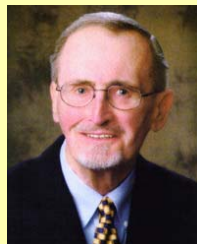
SVSU and the Field Neurosciences Institute are co-sponsoring the James E.

O'Neill Jr. Memorial Lecture Series, in honor of the late Saginaw educator, legislator and community servant. The series is intended to dynamically reflect O'Neill's passion for

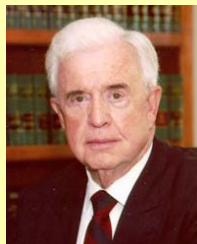
excellence in government, education and the neurosciences. It will provide opportunities for people to learn about public service from individuals who have unselfishly contributed to the betterment of the human condition.

Frank Kelley, Michigan's attorney general emeritus, will speak at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16 in the Performing Arts Theatre. Kelley's address is titled "The Nobility of Public Service."

"SVSU is proud to host this annual event and honor one of the Saginaw community's foremost public servants," said Lucille Beuthin, SVSU vice



James E. O'Neill Jr.



Frank Kelley

president for public affairs. "Jim was a true friend of the University and this lecture series is a fitting tribute to the outstanding commitment to education he displayed throughout his life."

"The James O'Neill lectureship is an extension of Jim's life," said E. Malcolm Field, M.D., medical director of the Field Neurosciences Institute. "It reflects his devotion to improve education, promote integrity in government, and foster a keen interest and compassion for those afflicted with diseases of the nervous system.

"Saginaw and its environs have been blessed by Jim's life," Field added. "We all salute his efforts, life and legacy."

Frank Kelley was appointed Michigan attorney general on January 2, 1962. He was elected and re-elected 10 times, serving in that office for 37 years. Kelley

was the first state attorney general to create divisions for civil rights, consumer protection, environmental matters and Medicaid fraud. Kelley is now a founding partner in the Lansing law firm Kelley Cawthorne, which specializes in governmental affairs.

James E. O'Neill Jr. was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1966 and served there for 28 years. After retiring from the legislature in 1994, he worked for SVSU as a consultant for government relations and public affairs. Prior to his service in Lansing, O'Neill was a teacher and administrator in the Hemlock School District. He was elected to the Michigan Education Hall of Fame in 1993. O'Neill also served on the board of directors for the Field Neurosciences Institute. He passed away December 31, 2002, at age 73.

Events planned for "Red Pride Family Day"

SVSU's Student Life Office is sponsoring an auto show and food drive in conjunction with Red Pride Family Day, Saturday, Sept. 27.

Registration for the "Cardinal Classic Auto Show" begins at 8 a.m., with judging taking place at 10 a.m. The cars can be viewed near Wickes Stadium.

The SVSU Dance Team and Student Life Center will be collecting perishable and non-perishable goods for Hidden Harvest, an agency that distributes food to the needy in the tri-county area. The goal is 1,963 cans in honor of SVSU's 40th Anniversary. All donations will be collected near the entrance to the football stadium.

At noon, the SVSU Cardinal football team will take on Ashland University. Last weekend, the Cardinals opened the season with a 30-14 home victory over Northwood University in the Axe Bowl.

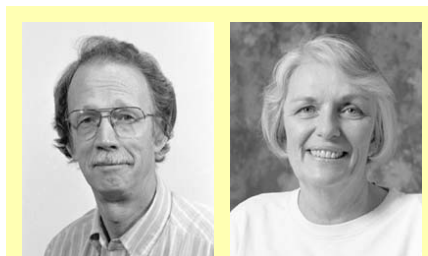
Four receive emeritus distinction from Board of Control

Two retired SVSU faculty and two retired administrators have been granted emeritus status by the SVSU Board of Control.

Faculty who earned the recognition include E. William Gourd, professor of communication, and Rosalie Riegle, professor of English. Retired dean of the College of Education Kenneth Wahl, along with retired director of the Melvin J. Zahnow Library Jean N. Houghton also were recognized with the service award.

Portraits of these four will be included with past emeriti in the President's Reception Area and in the Emeriti Room on second floor Curtiss Hall.

The four also will be honored at a "Fourth Friday" reception at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 26 in the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum Reception Hall. A framed copy of each Board resolution will be presented at that time.



E. William Gourd

Rosalie Riegle



Kenneth Wahl

Jean Houghton

The reception is open to the campus community. For further information, call ext. 4042.

FOURTH FRIDAY CLUB FALL 2003 SCHEDULE

Sept. 26 – Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Museum

Oct. 24 – ES202, Regional Education Center

Nov. 21 – Roberta Allen Reading Room, Zahnow Library

Dec. 19 – President's Reception Area, Wickes Hall



- Order **commemorative bricks** from the SVSU Foundation for installation in the new Student Center brick walkway. The bricks also can be ordered at a display table to be set up at home football games. During SVSU's 40th Anniversary, a limited opportunity is available to purchase these bricks at \$40 each (a discount of at least 50 percent). To place an order, call the Foundation Office at ext. 4052.

- An **opening reception** for the SVSU Art Department Faculty Exhibition will take place from 4 to 6 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 10 in the University Art Gallery.

- **Forever Strings**, SVSU's string orchestra, will hold a rehearsal from 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 10 in 182 Curtiss Hall. New members are welcome. For more information, contact Jane Girdham at ext. 4386, or e-mail jgirdham@svsu.edu.

- A **faculty/staff luncheon** will be held in conjunction with the Latin Food Fair on Monday, Sept. 15. Authentic Latin foods will be prepared by Campus Dining and served in the Gazelle Fountain area from noon to 1 p.m. The cost for faculty and staff is \$5 per person. Also note the following dates for other upcoming luncheons, which will be held in the Emeriti Room and will cost \$5 per person: Sept. 24, Oct. 30, Nov. 20, Dec. 3, Feb. 12, March 17, and April 14.

Participate in the upcoming **Hispanic Heritage** activities at SVSU! For a complete schedule, call the Student Life office at ext. 4170.



Sandy Holman

Cultural Diversity Initiative Workshops

- **"We All Have a Heritage—Exploring and Honoring Our Diversity"** by Sandy Lynn Holman

Thursday, Sept. 11, 7 to 8 p.m., 122 Regional Education Center

Holman is an author of children's books from Sacramento, California. She has presented to thousands of youth and adults on a variety of topics, focusing special attention on the importance of helping people to learn about others who are different from themselves and in helping individuals to learn more about their heritage.

- **"Creating the Diary of Sally Hemings"** by Sandra Seaton

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 7 to 8 p.m., Founders Hall

Seaton's text was set to music by composer William Bolcom to create a song cycle that uses fictional diary entries to express Hemings' thoughts and feelings throughout her relationship with Thomas Jefferson. Dr. Seaton is a professor of English at Central Michigan University. She won a Theodore Ward Prize for New African-American Playwrights for her play, "The Bridge Party."

- **"The House of Glass: Comedy and Survival"** by William S. Penn

Monday, Sept. 29, 7 to 8 p.m., Founders Hall

Penn is a professor of English at Michigan State University and a Native American author/essayist and scholar. He is an urban mixed-blood Nez Perce. Dr. Penn was named the Native American Prose Fiction Writer of the Year in 1997, and recently received the Distinguished Faculty Award at MSU.

- **"Leadership Action for Building an Inclusive Campus Environment"** by Robert Dungey and Diane Gilman of the National Coalition Building Institute

Friday, Oct. 31, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., 129 Curtiss Hall

This workshop by NCBI will assist campus faculty and staff to understand the dynamics of oppression by working through a series of personal and small-group explorations.

Celebrating our Differences

The workshops are open to faculty, staff, and students. Please contact the Diversity Office at ext. 4068 for more information.

- The deadline for 2002-03 **General Education course assessment reports** is Friday, Sept. 12. Send the materials to Clifford Dorne, chair of the GEC, at cdorne@svsu.edu.

- A **Study Abroad Fair** will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 23 in

the Student Center Multipurpose Room. Information will be available on winter semester programs. For more information, contact the Office of International Programs at ext. 4473 or visit www.svsu.edu/studyabroad.



An installation and induction ceremony for a new SVSU chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma took place Sunday, Sept. 7 in the Emeriti Room. The national honor society in business welcomed 13 new student members, and 12 faculty/administration. The College of Business and Management's recent AACSB accreditation enabled the University to sponsor a Beta Gamma Sigma chapter. (Photo by Tim Inman)