SVSU names 2000-01 Roberts Fellows

A dozen students will serve as Roberts Fellows during the 2000-01 academic year, attending classes, leadership seminars and meeting with regional business, civic and political leaders. The year culminates in a three-week trip to Asia. The 12 join 14 who participated in the program in 1999-00, and recently completed a three-week tour of Asia.

The group of students was approved June 6 by the SVSU Foundation Board, upon the recommendation of President Eric Gilbertson. Gilbertson made the recommendations after consulting with members of the Roberts Fellows Steering Committee, based upon nominations from faculty and staff.

The Roberts Fellows program is named in honor of Donna Roberts of Midland, a former member of the SVSU Board of Control and of the Board of Fellows, and a current member of the SVSU Foundation Board. The Roberts Fellowship provides a select group of undergraduates, who have exhibited both scholarship and leadership potential, with an international travel opportunity. The 12 candidates will be supported through a year-long program of both academic course work and extracurricular activities, designed to develop their potential as future political, economic and civic leaders. The fellowships fund the 12 academic credits, course materials and expenses associated with the international experience.

To be eligible for the Roberts Fellowship, students had to have completed between 70 and 100 credit hours with a 3.00 GPA.

The Class of 2001 Roberts Fellows includes the following students:

Shah Baqar is an international student from Toronto, Canada, who is planning to study

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English professor named Rush Lecturer

Rosalie Riegel, professor of English, was named the third Rush Lecturer by the SVSU Foundation Board of Directors. Riegel this fall will discuss “Memory Matters: Reflections on Autobiography.”

In interviewing friends of Dorothy Day for an oral biography of this founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, Riegel became interested in what people remember and why. She will use the autobiographies of Day, Augustine of Hippo and Jean Jacques Rousseau to reflect on the process of memory and its affect on how we construct our lives.

She joined SVSU in 1969 as an adjunct instructor, becoming full time in 1981. In addition to serving as an English instructor at SVSU, Riegel also was acting director of the Chrysalis Center for Continuing Education in 1982 and chaired the Honors Program from 1985 to 1987 and from 1988 to 1992. She received her doctorate in English language and literature from the University of Michigan, her master of arts in humanities from Wayne State University and her bachelor of arts in business administration from St. Mary’s College in Notre Dame, Ind.

Riegel is a member of the American Studies Association, the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, Michigan College English Association, the National and Michigan Women’s Studies associations, National Oral History Association, Modern Language Association, the National Council of Teachers of English and the National Catholic Historical Society.

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Occupational Therapy. While maintaining a 3.91 grade point average, Baqar is an officer in the Health Professional Society and in the International Student Club.

Christopher Boies is a history major from Bay City interested in a career in international public policy. Since coming to SVSU, Boies has maintained a 4.00 GPA.

Meredith Hoffman, a psychology major with a 3.50 GPA, has served as a volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Saginaw and donated many hours working with children at the Saginaw Kidz Zone.

Deborah Ingersoll is a nontraditional student from Bay City majoring in history with a 3.42 GPA. Ingersoll has received several community improvement awards for her work in historic landscape restoration. She also is a volunteer in adult foster care facilities.

Shari Kendziorski is an elementary education (mathematics) major from Bay City. Kendziorski has a 4.00 GPA and is director of an after-school program and summer camp program at the Bay Area Family YMCA.

Meaghan Lautner is a biology (pre-medicine) major from Minden City. She is president of the Health Professionals Society and coordinated volunteer work and visiting speakers. She also is a member of the national foreign language fraternity, Alpha Mu Gamma, and of Alpha Phi Omega, the national service fraternity.

A nontraditional student from Midland, Richard Merling is majoring in elementary education with a 3.93 GPA. Merling left a successful career in medical supply to pursue teaching.

Casey Pratt is an English major from Saginaw with a 3.56 GPA. Pratt has been involved in the National Youth Sports Program.

Kelly Rosser, from Tawas City, is a secondary education/communication and theatre major with a 3.71 GPA. Involved in the SVSU Performance Theatre, Rosser has played leading roles in several SVSU productions and wrote a short play presented in the Studio Theatre.

Jim Schultz, a political science/public administration major from Saginaw, works in computer information systems while maintaining a 3.41 GPA.

Rachel Snell, a nontraditional student from Pinconning, has a 3.80 GPA and is majoring in secondary education. She tutors students in history, is a volunteer in science fairs and olympiads and coaches basketball and volleyball in Pinconning.

Nicholas Taylor is a Saginaw history major who has a 3.61 GPA. He was recently elected president of the SVSU Student Association.

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She has received numerous awards for her scholarship and service, including the Landee Teaching Excellence Award (in 1993), the Ishahara Award for Outstanding Co-curricular Involvement (1994), the SVSU Faculty Association Award for Scholarship (1992) and SVSU research grants (1986-1989 and 1995). Riegel also received the Saginaw NOW Equality Day Award (1989), the American Council of Learned Societies Travel Grant (1987), a GTE Foundation Lecture Series for Honors Program (1987), an NEH Summer Institute Fellowship (1985) and Carnegie Foundation Research Grants (1977 and 1979).

Riegel was the editor and compiler of Voices from the Catholic Worker (Temple University Press) in 1993 and was editor of Historic Women of Michigan: A Sesquicentennial Celebration (as Rosalie Riegel Troester). She also has another book under contract. Riegel has been published (as Rieg Troester) in Feminist Theology: The Journal of Britain and Ireland School of Feminist Theology, Double Stitch: Black Women Write About Mothers and Daughters and Michigan Voice.

Thomas and Hilda Rush of Midland created the Rush Endowment as part of the Campaign for Distinction. The 1999 Rush Lecturer was Thomas Renna, professor of history. The Rush Lectureship recognizes and rewards SVSU faculty and staff who, by their creation or development of significant scholarly or artistic work, have distinguished themselves and brought recognition to the University. The Rush Endowment provides resources for an annual presentation by a faculty or staff member in an academic convocation.

For additional information on Riegel's lecturer, or the Rush Lecture, call ext. 4042.

Elaine Schnepf Retirement Reception
3 to 5 p.m.
Thursday, June 29
Curtiss Hall third floor faculty lounge
For more information, call ext. 4234
S.K. Yun Science Award. Kratz was honored during a special luncheon Thursday, June 15. Thomas Kullgren, dean of the College of Science, Engineering and Technology, presented Kratz with a certificate and a check for $750. Her name also will be engraved on a plaque on display in the Science Building.

Kratz’s minors are science and mathematics. She plans to graduate in December 2001.

The Science Award is named in memory of S.K. Yun, an SVSU professor and chairman of the Department of Physics from 1969 until his death in 1994. The award annually is given to a student in a natural science course who epitomizes the same enthusiasm for learning as Yun did for teaching. Among the criteria for consideration for the Yun award are a grade of A or better in at least one natural science course, a demonstrated enthusiasm for and interest in subjects represented by natural science courses, and the recommendation of a science instructor.

Kratz was nominated by Stephen S. Lawrence, associate professor of chemistry. In his nomination, Lawrence emphasized Kratz’s desire to become a role model for young girls interested in science and mathematics, especially her daughter.
Transitions
Please note the following Human Resource changes in your Faculty/Staff Directory:

SVSU Welcomes
• Amy Borchard, transcript and counter clerk, 497-4926, borchard@svsu.edu
• Robert Cole, men’s soccer coach, 791-7313
• John Dotson, Bookstore manager, 790-5664
• Michael Evans, assistant football coach, 791-7326, meevans@svsu.edu
• Angela Jackson, women’s basketball coach, 790-7312, ajacks@svsu.edu
• Reginald Shaw, assistant director of Admissions, 249-1697, ras@svsu.edu

Across Campus
• The campus community extends condolences to Claudia Anderson, lead programmer/analyst, whose father, James Anderson, died May 28: Eric Gardner, assistant professor of English, whose father died; and Janice Wolff, associate professor of English, whose mother, Alice Perry, died May 31.

Have You Heard?
• Sprinkler systems and pull stations will be tested from 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, June 25 in Doan Center and Ryder Center. Sprinkler systems will be tested from 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, July 9 in Curtiss Hall, Groening Commons, Performing Arts Center, Arbury Fine Arts Center, Pioneer Hall and the College of Education Building. During these testing periods building occupants will experience random activation of the building fire systems. For further information, contact the Physical Plant office at ext. 4396.
• The Friends of Theodore Roethke are presenting a second season of literary picnics. Anna Dadlez, professor of Polish, will present her book, Journey from Innocence, at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 19. Marc Beaudin, a working poet at the Greenpoint Nature Center and an SVSU alumnum, will read from his The Lost Writing Miscellaneous Jones and from a co-authored book titled Saginaw Songs at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16. Patrons should bring their own chairs or blankets. Parking is available on side streets. Tickets are available for $13 at Online Realtors, 2080 Hemmeter, Saginaw. For more information, call Sandy Drinan at 799-4115 or Mary Kay Schaeffer at 790-2865.
• The Office of Continuing Education is offering two courses to enhance computer proficiency. MS 2000 FrontPage Introduction, set for Thursday, July 13, includes an overview of the FrontPage environment. MS 2000 FrontPage Advanced, offered Thursday, Aug. 10, includes FrontPage features to create web pages and manage web pages for the World Wide Web or a corporate intranet. Both workshops run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and meet in 141 Curtiss Hall. Cost for each course is $97, which includes all materials, continental breakfast and lunch. To register, call the Office of Continuing Education at ext. 4475.
• The Detroit Lions are returning to SVSU for their fourth preseason training camp from July 20 through Aug. 10. Call 791-7306 for information on the team’s schedule of practices.
• The University Art Gallery is showing “Selections from the Frances H. Quint Collection” through August. On display are watercolors, drawings and prints of Quint’s landscapes of Michigan lakes, the Far East and European towns. For further information, call ext. 5684 or 4159.
• A symposium on breast cancer will take place at SVSU Thursday, Oct. 26. The goal of the program is to provide information, knowledge, awareness and encouragement on this issue. The all-day event includes a keynote address by Ronnie Kaye, author, psychotherapist and breast cancer survivor from Los Angeles. Choices for breakout sessions include an interactive resource room. Cost is $20, which includes full lunch and pending CEUs. For further details, contact Joan Cummings, RN, at 894-4815.
• Two programs in MS Excel 97 are being offered by the Office of Continuing Education. SVSU faculty and staff who sign up for the courses will receive a discounted rate of $97 per person. MS Excel 97 II will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, June 23. MS Excel 97 III is set for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, June 30. Both sessions will meet in Curtiss Hall. All participants will receive a workbook that serves as a handy reference tool after course completion. To register, call ext. 4475.
• Central Stores will be closed for inventory Thursday, June 29 and Friday, June 30. Orders received by Tuesday, June 27 will be delivered and charged to 1999-2000 budgets. Orders received Wednesday, June 28 and beyond will be charged to 2000-01 budgets. Deliveries will resume Monday, July 3.
• Children of SVSU employees are eligible for a $15 discount on all summer sports camps sponsored by the University. For more details, contact the Athletic Department at ext. 7300.
Board approves budget, accepts U.S. Department of Education grant

The Board of Control during its regular June meeting Monday approved the University’s 2000-01 fiscal year budget. The budget is based on an anticipated 10 percent increase in state appropriations and a 4 percent enrollment increase. The Board also accepted a U.S. Department of Education grant for education technology. The grant for $1.5 million is for three years – June 1, 2000 to May 30, 2003.

The budget includes a 2.73 percent increase in tuition and fees for undergraduate Michigan residents. Tuition and fees for fall 2000 will be $120.25 per credit hour, up from 1999’s figure of $117.05. Tuition and fees for Michigan graduate students will be $184.25. The per credit hour fees includes a newly-implemented technology fee for academic computing labs.

President Eric Gilbertson said he is confident SVSU’s tuition rate will remain among the lowest in the state, as it traditionally has. “This is a modest, but incremental increase,” Gilbertson said.

The University’s $53.9 million budget includes a 7.73 percent increase in compensation, the majority of that due to 18 new faculty positions and a number of clerical positions. Capital expenditures are expected to be up 43.86 percent, an increase due mostly to the completion of I.F. No. 3 and upgrades to academic computing labs. The 7.41 percent increase in supplies, materials and services is primarily due to an increase in funding for merit-based scholarships – $383,000. He said the University expects 60 high school valedictorians and salutatorians to attend SVSU in the fall, up from 1999’s total of 55, which was a significant increase over the previous year’s number of top students.

The $1.5 million technology grant is the second significant grant the University has received from the U.S. Department of Education. Last fall, SVSU received a grant of $9 million over five years toward continued development of partnerships with K-12 schools in the east-central region of Michigan in teacher preparation. The technology grant, “Preparing Tomorrow’s Teachers to Use Technology Implementation Grant” (PT3) was developed in collaboration with University administrators and faculty and staff in the colleges of Education, Business & Management and Science, Engineering and Technology, as well as the University and Schools Partnership office, regional school districts and community businesses, government representatives and students and parents.

According to Marianne Barnette, director of sponsored programs and faculty development, the project’s overall goal is full implementation of a Regional Center for Educational Technology. The center will “improve teacher preparation by infusing technology across the curriculum for all preservice teachers.” The three-year project is estimated to directly impact 3,600 SVSU preservice teachers and link K-12 teachers and students in partner high-need schools in 147 districts.

The Board also approved a 10-year contract with St. Mary’s Medical Center of Saginaw in which the medical center will lease the former Children’s Center for respite care. In exchange, students and faculty at SVSU will be given opportunities with facility programs for academic or research benefits. St. Mary’s will pay $1 per year in rental and take care of all utility and maintenance costs associated with its Guardian Angel Respite Services.

In other action, the Board:
• Granted a resolution to accept reconveyance of a pumping station on University property, which had been conveyed to Kochville Township. The University also canceled the sewer line access easement granted to Kochville Township and released the township’s obligation to pay the remaining balance on the conveyance.
• Approved confirmation of board members of previously authorized charter schools. The resolution reappointed 24 board members and appointed 19 new board members for 17 schools chartered by SVSU.