Thirteen programs receive Foundation support

The SVSU Foundation Board, during its June meeting, approved 13 Resource Grants totaling $45,030.

The SVSU Writing Center received $5,250 for a consulting program. The program would provide students with “real world” experience serving as consultants to Bay Central High School students in establishing a writing center. The program was introduced by Diane Boehm, writing center director.

A three-day water exercise instructor training program introduced by Jack Romine, associate professor of physical and health education, was approved for $1,500. The program will train and certify students, faculty and staff.

A second program facilitated by Romine, was approved for $750 in funding. The funding will support a one-day professional development program at SVSU for the state’s K-12 and pre-service physical education teachers.

Jo Peterson-Brownlie, director of the Center for Corporate and Professional Development, received funding for a one-day review for occupational therapy students. The $1,500 will go toward providing OT students with a one-day review session to prepare for the state certification exam.

A program to bring international students into contact with diverse members of the community to enhance their linguistic and cultural skills received $1,000 in funding. The community-based learning for international students project was proposed by Susan Dyste, ESL specialist in the English Language Program.

The SVSU Concert Choir trip to the Czech Republic, proposed by Eric Nisula, professor of music, received $6,000 to help reduce the cost of travel by 40 students during Spring Break 2001.

The National Youth Sports Program received $5,000. This funding, requested by Ava Lewis, associate professor of nursing, will help with the NCAA/President’s Council on Physical Fitness and Sports program on the SVSU campus. The program provides structured sports and education programs to disadvantaged youth.

Funding was provided to help bring a motivational speaker and sports psychologist to campus for student athlete orientation. The Foundation Board approved $1,500 of the request by Camille Rutherford, senior woman administrator and compensation coordinator in athletics.

The Foundation Board approved $5,000 toward enhancement of the Lunchbreak Concert Series. Eric Buschlen, director of campus and recreational programs, requested the funding to enhance the monthly concerts in Doan Café, which entertain students and also results in the hiring of student talent for some performances.

Morteza Marzjarani, professor of computer science, received funding of $5,210 toward the development of a shell for a course in Computer Science in Artificial Intelligence and Expert Systems. The activity would involved two student programmers, supervised by faculty.

Student attendance at professional nursing meetings was granted $4,560 toward the total cost. Margaret Flatt, professor of nursing, requested the funding to encourage nursing student attendance at national events. Flatt said attendance is encouraged by the organizations that accredit nursing programs.
Resource Grants (Continued from Page 1) also enhances a student's ability to communicate on a professional level and exposes them to the benefits of membership in professional organizations.

Support of $3,760 was given for student attendance at a Mayo Clinic conference. Sandy Mixer, instructor of nursing, said attendance serves to mentor undergraduate nursing students, thus facilitating their understanding of the phenomenon of spirituality as it relates to caring for patients.

Funding of $4,000 was given to a program proposed by Woody Pelton, special assistant to the president for international programs, to provide crisis assistance to international students. The funding will help provide assistance to students whose ability to cope with financial hardship is limited by their immigration status.

SVSU Foundation Grants may be used to enhance scholarship, further the academic and cultural missions of the University and/or make a significant impact on the University community. To be eligible, programs must benefit SVSU students. For more information, or applications, contact Emmie Busch at ext. 4052.

Teacher demand impetus for 'Cadet' training

“The demand for teachers has reached a critical stage.” Barbara Jones, assistant professor of teacher education (elementary and special education) is the author of these words, but they could have been uttered by any school administrator, teacher, parent or legislator.

In response to this need, SVSU will host Teacher Cadet Instructor Training this summer on its campus. Until SVSU acquired the right to host the program, the South Carolina Center for Teacher Recruitment had been one of the few sites approved to train teacher cadet instructors.

The Teacher Cadet Curriculum Training will focus on providing a curriculum model for teachers to use in an introductory course with high school seniors interested in pursuing teacher education as a profession. The curriculum model has proven to be an effective tool for recruiting students into teacher preparation.

"Due to low interest and lacking a specific tool to market and recruit high school students into the teaching profession, this is an ideal method to identify interested students," Jones said. "This also would help to begin to resolve some of the teacher shortage problems we are faced with."

She added that the primary goal of the Teacher Cadet Program is to encourage academically talented students to consider teaching as a career. A secondary goal is to help provide the future community leaders with insights about teachers and schools so they may become civil advocates of education. A final goal is to nurture students within urban school districts to assume the role of future educators within their own communities.

The program, slated for July 24 through 26, is co-sponsored by SVSU and the South Carolina Center for Teacher Recruitment.
Have You Heard?

- Health Services will be closed until Monday, Aug. 14.
- The 1999 Water Quality Report for SVSU is available on-line at <www.svsu.edu/admothers/phy/plant/water.html>. The Saginaw Water Treatment Plant became one of 300 members of the Partnership for Safe Water, a national voluntary initiative to promote excellence in water treatment. The Saginaw Water Treatment Plant met or surpassed all Federal and State standards in 1999. The Drinking Water Primer was written by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to provide an overview of drinking water health and safety information. Copies of the report will not be mailed to individuals. Printed copies are available through the Physical Plant Office at ext. 4080.
- The annual Math Olympics contest took place in May on the SVSU campus with nearly 500 students from 15 area schools participating. Awards were given for individual achievement, as well as for team achievement, on two levels. Participating seniors in the upper level (Level II) competed for two all-tuition scholarships to SVSU. Taking the Level I exam were 236 students, while 234 took the Level II exam. Fourteen teams competed at Level I and 13 at Level II. The day’s program was organized by the Math Department and the Admissions staff. Robert S.P. Yen, vice president of academic affairs, welcomed the students to campus, and John Mooringham, professor of mathematical sciences, presented awards to the top students.
- National Endowment for the Humanities summer stipends are available for 2001. The stipend is $4,000 for two months of study/research. The application deadline is Oct. 1, 2000. SVSU would like to nominate two people: one senior faculty, one junior faculty. Contact David Weaver, interim associate vice president for Academic Affairs, for information and assistance at ext. 4378, or drw@svsu.edu; or see program description in his office in 335 Wickes Hall.
- The Valley Vanguard recently received a first place award in the American Scholastic Press Association’s annual newspaper competition. Judges noted the Vanguard was “an excellent student publication that shows a great deal of time, energy and talent by editors, reporters, writers, photographers, layout designers and advisor.” Advisor is James Geistman, English lecturer. Editor is Sarah Schroeder, a Bay City sophomore.
- Activities and special events to be included in the Fall 2000 Calendar of Events should be sent to the Office of University Communications by Tuesday, Aug. 1. To produce the calendar, we need name/type of event; time, date and location; a brief description of the event or a brief bio of the artist/lecturer; admission information, including ticket prices; and a phone number for more information. As SVSU offers even more activities, the calendar becomes increasingly important. Faculty and staff cooperation is greatly appreciated. To submit information, call Tammy Elliott at ext. 4039 or E-mail ucomm@svsu.edu.
- A task force chaired by Jean Houghton prepared a plan that set goals for expanding the use of academic technology at SVSU for the next five years. The funding of the plan’s top two tiers of objectives recently was approved by the Board of Control. The cornerstone of the Academic Technology Plan is the selection of Blackboard as SVSU’s web-delivery system.
- The Office of Sponsored Programs and Faculty Development, led by Marianne Barnett, submitted a Title-III grant application that was just awarded by the US Department of Education. This grant will significantly improve the technical infrastructure at SVSU.

- The combination of these two initiatives will dramatically improve the academic technical environment at SVSU over the next five years. More information on these two initiatives can be found at <www.svsu.edu/~drr/actech> or by contacting Ken Schindler at schindler@svsu.edu.

- The Colleague Release-16 Implementation Team conducted its first major system test June 5 and 6. In very general terms, the “I-Team” created courses, admitted students, registered students, printed schedules, assigned student housing, awarded financial aid, billed students, processed payments from students, entered grades and printed transcripts. Project leaders Pat Samolewski and Chris Looney reported that the test “was a very positive and successful exercise of the R-16 system” with excellent cooperation among participating staff from Admissions, Graduate Admissions, Academic Affairs, Registrar’s Office, Housing, Financial Aid, Controller’s Office and ITS. While several issues were discovered during the testing, many were solved and none are considered serious enough to delay the project. The next major tests of the system are scheduled for mid-July, and early-August. The system is scheduled to “go live” in October.
Professional Profile

- **John Jeziernski**, professor of history, delivered the keynote address to the Michigan Archival Association Annual Meeting at Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth, June 23. His talk was titled “The Goodridge Brothers, 1847-1922: A Case Study in Michigan Historical Photographs.”

Jeziernski served as guest curator at the Art Gallery of Windsor for an exhibition titled “The Detroit Publishing Company: Looking at the World.” The exhibit opened June 24 at the Detroit History Museum on Woodward Avenue in Detroit and will continue until the end of February 2001. The exhibit, which is part of the History Museum’s celebration of the City of Detroit Tricentennial in 2001, focuses on the Detroit Publishing Company as a source of mass-produced color images (prints and postcards), especially of the Great Lakes Region, for the period 1897-1924.


- **Anna Dadlez**, professor of Polish, will present her book, *Journey from Innocence,* at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 19 at a “literary picnic.” Sponsored by the Friends of Theodore Roethke, the picnic will take place at the home of Theodore Roethke in Saginaw. 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.

- **Steve Erickson**, professor of theatre, will perform the premier of his new one-man show, titled *Generational: Fathers & Sons*, during the Minnesota Fringe Theater and Performance Festival. An original production, featuring original music by David Paul Britton, Erickson takes a whimsically poignant look at fatherhood in the Heartland and beyond. The show portrays aspects of the relationship between fathers and sons utilizing classic dramatic literature from Sophocles to Shakespeare to Shepard. His performances, under the auspices of the Lone Star Theatre Company of Michigan, will take place at the Phoenix Black Box Theatre July 29 through Aug. 6. The production is sponsored in part by the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences at SVSU.

Across Campus

- The campus community extends condolences to **Maryann Bothe**, administrative secretary in the College of Education, on the loss of her brother, Timothy Kostus; to the family of Craig Hasse, an SVSU student who died June 24; to **Florence (Jo) Saltzman**, former member of the Board of Control, on the loss of her husband, Arthur, who died June 18; and to **Ken Wahl**, interim dean of the College of Education, on the loss of his father-in-law, Arthur Garlick, who died June 17.

- **Toby Blosser**, head athletic trainer, gave a presentation at the American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference held in Indianapolis, Ind., from May 28 through June 3. Co-authored with Rick Canlas, M.D., one of SVSU’s team physicians, the pair presented a case study titled, “Athletic Pubalgia, Chronic Groin Pain, Football.” The presentation will be printed in the 2000 edition of the *Exercise and Science Journal*, which is published by the American College of Sports Medicine. SVSU football player Tim Neelands was the subject of the case presented.

- **Tom Waske**, director of athletic promotions and sports information, presented a paper and led discussion on “Press Box Operations – How to Run a Good, Smooth Operation – The Role of Planning Instead of Reacting” at the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) annual workshop, June 26 in St. Louis, Mo.

- Congratulations go out to **Thomas Zerger**, assistant professor of mathematical sciences, and his wife, Barbara, on the birth of a son, Ethan Zamora (8 lbs., 2 oz., 19-3/4 inches) June 15.

High Five

- New head women’s basketball coach Angela Jackson has announced the hiring of **Tempie P. Brown**, 31, as her assistant coach. Brown received a B.S. in kinesiology and an M.S. in exercise physiology from the University of Michigan. She currently is a doctoral candidate at MSU in sports psychology/program design.

Brown was the boys and girls basketball coach at MacDonald Middle School in East Lansing for the past three seasons. She also had two-year girls basketball head coaching stints at Alameda H.S. in Lakewood, CO (1994-95) and Romulus H.S. (1990-92). In addition she was an collegiate assistant coach for two seasons at Concordia College (1990-92) and has seven years of experience as an AAU coach.