November 28, 2000

Lawrence recipient of first technology in teaching award

STEPEN S. LAWRENCE, professor of chemistry, has been presented the first Faculty Award for Innovative Use of Technology in Teaching. The $1,000 award was presented during a ceremony Thursday, Nov. 16 in the Emeriti Room.

Others who received “Honorable Mention” for their work in incorporating technology in the classroom were Jeffrey D. Koperski, assistant professor of philosophy, and the team of Gloria Lawler, reference librarian, and Scott Mellendorf, reference Internet librarian.

“It took two years of work to bring this award to fruition,” commented Lynne R. Craft, lecturer of English and a member of the Teaching and Learning with Technology Roundtable (TLTR) Task Force. “Dr. Yien really helped us out by supporting the award and sponsoring a reception for the recipient.”

Lawrence noted that he started to develop a website about five years ago as a teaching tool for his chemistry classes.

“The site provides a means for students to access materials for the course, including computer programs that can be imported into Excel and QuatroPro,” said Lawrence.

“The information I include in the site allows more interaction between myself and the students, and saves time and repetition in copying information for my lectures,” he added. “The technology frees up the students’ time, enabling them to look and listen, which enhances the learning process.”

In addition to developing the site, Lawrence was commended for obtaining copyright clearance from publishers for learning materials that were added to the site.

Robert Yien, vice president for Academic Affairs, presents the award to Stephen Lawrence during a Nov. 16 reception in the Emeriti Room.

Terry Moore, president of MidMichigan Health Systems, presents the keynote address at a Student Community Service Luncheon, Nov. 16 in Curtiss Hall. The luncheon, which will be an annual event, was sponsored by the SVSU Board of Fellows to honor students who are actively involved in community service projects. In his address, Moore complimented the students for their unsselfish commitment to volunteerism. “You don’t have to look very far to see the positive effects of volunteering,” Moore said. “If you lift others up, it will lift you up.” He emphasized that it is not enough to offer to help other people, you must act. Moore cited the Board of Fellows as an example of those who act on their beliefs of the importance to better the university and the students who attend SVSU.
SVSU Highlights Student Art Works

Five students, who will graduate with bachelor of fine arts degrees in December, will showcase their work Dec. 4 through 15 in the University Art Gallery.

A reception with the five student artists will take place from 3 to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 6 in the Gallery.

This group show of the works of senior BFA candidates serves as a completion of their formal undergraduate art program. Many different art and design mediums are included.

The student artists are Jason Arnold, Sarah Christiansen, Tricia Fabbro, Ryan Klenk and Gary Rocha.

Jazz Ensemble to perform Dec. 7

The SVSU Jazz Ensemble, with director Jeffrey Hall, will present a concert at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 7 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. The concert will feature pianist Cliff Monear, who has been working as a professional pianist for more than 20 years. He is a freelance musician and works regularly around North America doing shows and concerts, and has toured with national acts such as “The Temptations.” His musical education includes the well known Berklee College of Music in Boston. His group, “The Cliff Monear Trio,” is one of the busiest rhythm sections in the Midwest.

The concert will feature a variety of music: *Sweet Georgia Brown, Red Top, Satin Doll, Little Brown Jug, Every Day I Have the Blues,* and *Lover Man.* Admission is $3 general and $2 students and senior citizens. Tickets are available through the Box Office, 790-4261.

Choirs Plan Holiday Concert

The Concert Choir, Early Music Collegium and the Michigan Brass will perform a number of favorites of the holiday season at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 9. The concert, “I’ll Be Home for Christmas,” will take place at Peace Lutheran Church, corner of Mackinaw and Adams roads in Saginaw.

The concert will feature the three ensembles performing Pinkham’s *Christmas Cantata,* popular songs of the season and a carol sing-along.

Tickets are $7 for general admission, $5 for students and senior citizens. They are available at the door or by calling (517) 790-4261.

Comic D.L. Hughley appearing at SVSU

Comedian and TV star D.L. Hughley will bring his unique brand of humor to the mid-Michigan region Saturday, Dec. 9. Hughley, star of UPN Network’s “The Hughleys,” will appear in Ryder Center at 7 p.m.

Doors will open at 6 p.m.

Tickets are $15 for the general public, $10 for SVSU students with ID (limit of two per student).

Only those 18 years of age or older will be granted admission to the event. Tickets are available at all TicketMaster outlets, 754-4800; and the SVSU Campus Life Center, 790-4170.

SVSU Polish Students’ Club plans 24th annual Wigilia

The Polish Students’ Club will present Wigilia, a traditional Polish observance of Christmas, at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16 in the Banquet Rooms in Curtiss Hall. The event focuses on the universal human brotherhood and is open to people of all races and faiths.

Wigilia, considered the holiest of all nights in most traditional Polish homes, centers on the sharing of an unleavened wheat wafer called Oplatek. The wafer symbolizes the unity of all people of good will and the sharing of it means mutual forgiveness and love. Polish tradition also calls for the setting of extra places around the table for those absent or for unexpected guests.

Before the dinner begins, the head of the household, with the Oplatek in hand, shares the wafer with those gathered while exchanging greetings and best wishes. All others do the same.

This year, the sharing of Oplatek will be followed by a five-course dinner with some Polish traditional dishes. Following will be a musical performance by renown tenor David Troiano. It will include a medley of Polish and international operatic arias.

A sing-a-long, a visit from St. Nicholas, and a raffle of gifts also is on the agenda for the evening.

Reservations for Wigilia are due Dec. 2. Tickets are $20 for adults, $10 for children ages 4 to 6; children under 3 years will be admitted free. Tickets are available only through the SVSU Polish Students’ Club; they will not be available at the door. To obtain tickets, call Karen at 686-5925 or Dina at 793-7903.
Professional Profile

• John V. Jeziorski, professor of history, has engaged in a number of recent professional activities connected with the publication of his book, *Enterprising Images*.

  Jeziorski made an appearance with host Mark Loeffler on TV 19, “Bookmarks,” Oct. 4.

  He made appearances at book signings at the Historical Society of Saginaw County, the SVSU Bookstore, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Jacobson’s College Night Benefit, Michigan Photohistorical Society Trade Show (Novi), Dguerreian Society Trade Fair (Dearborn), and the Frankenmuth Historical Association.


  Also, Jeziorski’s work on the Goodridge Studio was featured in “Michigan Time Traveler,” an educational supplement for young readers published by the *Lansing State Journal* in its Nov. 8 edition and syndicated statewide.

  The book supplement for the *Detroit Free Press* (Nov. 15 edition) chose *Enterprising Images* as one of its “Holiday Picks” for 2000.

• Jill Wetmore, professor of finance and assistant dean of the College of Business and Management, presented a paper titled “Interest Rate Risk of Commercial Bank Stocks: Refinements and Changes (1986-1997)” at the Southern Finance Association Conference, Savannah, Nov. 17. Wetmore also served on the conference program committee and as a discussant for another paper presented at the conference.

Have You Heard?

• The Curriculum/Academic Policies Committee (CAPC) will be holding a special meeting to consider General Education course proposals on Friday, Dec. 15. Proposals passed during that meeting, and at other meetings early in 2001, will be in the Winter Ratification. There are a number of course proposals that have passed the GEC but for which proposals are not yet in the hands of CAPC. CAPC encourages faculty to submit such GE proposals by 4:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11. Please deliver them to Cindy Clifford, third floor Curtiss Hall.

  • Pull stations will be tested from 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, Dec. 3 in Wickes Hall, Brown Hall, Zahnnow Library and Science Building. Sprinkler systems in Curtiss Hall, Groening Commons and the Performing Arts Center also will be tested during this period. Building occupants will experience random activation of the building fire systems. For more information, contact Physical Plant at 790-4396.

  • The Personal Counseling Office will conduct free mental health screenings from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dec. 5 through 7 in Alumni Lounge. Included will be eating disorders, anxiety, and depression. Also available will be self-help brochures, videos and slides. For more information, contact Jenny Noonan, social work intern in Personal Counseling Services, at 790-5600.

  • Any faculty interested in teaching/lecture opportunities at our sister schools in Japan or India should contact Woody Pelton, special assistant to the president for International Programs, by stopping at 141 Wickes Hall, or call 790-4473, or E-mail pelton@svsu.edu.

  • Cranes will be used to install the new Wickes Hall emergency generator in mid-December. The generator will provide back up for the campus data network, telephone system and emergency lighting and heating in the building.

  • The deadline for gifts to be into the Office of University Communications for the United Way "Wish List" program is now Wednesday, Dec. 6. If you have not requested a family, please contact University Communications at 790-4039 by Friday, Dec. 1. Each family has a "wish number." Each package in the family’s total should have that number on it, as well as the family name. If at all possible, please wrap all gifts. If you give food items, please be sure there are no perishable items, such as frozen turkeys, breads, etc. Again, thank you for sharing the holiday spirit with those who are less fortunate in our community.

Across Campus

• Congratulations go out to Marc Gordon, assistant professor of theatre, on the birth of a son, David Parker (6 lbs., 13 oz., 18-3/4 inches), Nov. 11; and to Kristen Monroe Bernius, assistant to the executive director of Continue Education, and her husband, Richard, on the birth of a daughter, Grace Corrine (8 lbs., 14 oz., 20 inches), Nov. 10.

• The campus community extends condolences to Kathy Marenich, Physical Plant custodian, on the death of her brother.
The SVSU International Students Club hosted its fourth annual Food Fair Tuesday, Nov. 14 in Groening Commons. Some 600 students sampled dishes that ranged from snow noodles (Taiwan) and githeri (Kenya) to curry chicken and keher (Pakistan).

**Library to move Circulations**

The Library Circulation Department will move to the second floor of the library for winter 2001 semester. This temporary relocation will result in limited shelf space.

Beginning Monday, Dec. 18, the library will return faculty reserve materials, along with a copy of the Reserve Usage Report. Faculty are requested to review and, if possible, reduce the number of reserve items before returning materials beginning Thursday, Jan. 4. For further information, contact the Circulation Department at 790-4240, 791-7749 or E-mail circadm@library.svsu.edu.

**Campus Happenings**

- **One Man and a Piano** — 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 28 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Steve Schalchlin will provide a unique HIV/AIDS educational experience.
- **Dr. Honggang Yang**, Dean of the School of Social and Systemic Studies at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., will be on the SVSU campus to make two presentations on Distance Learning Graduate Program Development on Wednesday, Nov. 29. The sessions are set from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in 130 Curtiss Hall, and again at 1:30 p.m. in Founders Hall. The focus will be on graduate distance education, but all are welcome.
- **The Frogs** — 8 p.m., Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2, 8 and 9; and at 2 p.m., Dec. 3 and 10 in the Performing Arts Theatre. For more information, call 790-4261.
- **AIDS Walk-Around** — 10 p.m. to 8 a.m., Friday, Dec. 1 in Ryder Center. Gather your team of four people and raise funds to support community agencies working with HIV/AIDS. Registration materials and pledge sheets available in Curtiss 112. For more information, contact Personal Counseling Services at 790-5600.
- **World AIDS Day T-shirts** — Available now! Raise campus and community awareness. Stop by 112 Curtiss Hall to purchase your World AIDS Day T-shirt. The grey long sleeve t-shirt is $8. The front of the t-shirt has “SVSU” with a red ribbon set into it. The back reads “Red Pride means more than school spirit - World AIDS Day 2000.”
- **The Leadership Saginaw Alumni Association First Friday Luncheon** — noon Friday, Dec. 1 at the Horizons Conference Center. David Saunders, pastor of the AME Church of Saginaw, is the guest speaker. His topic is “Saginaw’s Future.” The cost for the luncheon is $10.
- **Role of Faculty in Retention** — 4 to 5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 5 in Curtiss Hall Seminar Room F. Refreshments served. Part of Select Student Support Services’ (45S) efforts to improve retention for at-risk students. For more information, call 790-7034.
- **Celebrate the Holidays: Student Spotlight** — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 6 in Doan Café. Part of the Lunch Break Concert Series. Admission is free of charge.
- **Midland Chamber of Commerce Annual Holiday Party** — 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 14 in Garden Room at the Midland Center for the Arts. The party is co-sponsored by SVSU and Damons. Donations of cash and food items will be collected for the Salvation Army. Faculty, staff and alumni are invited. Complimentary hors d’oeuvres will be served. RSVP to 790-4068.
- **Commencement** — 7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 15 in Ryder Center.

**Directory Revision**

- **Shaun Bangert**, number in the back section of the Directory should be 497-4893.

**High Five**

- **Men’s Basketball** (2-1) — defeated Lincoln Memorial University (Tenn.) 86-64, Saturday.
- **Women’s Basketball** (1-3) — lost to Lake Superior State University, 79-64, Saturday and to Aquinas College, 70-62, Friday at the Grand Rapids Press Tournament.
YOU'RE NEARLY FINISHED with a multimedia project on your computer, and, without warning, your computer screen freezes! Ever get the urge to kick the megabyte right out of it?

You could call Deb Roberts for assistance. An instructional technology specialist, Roberts will provide you with expert advice on how to create a multimedia program.

Or, since Roberts has a yellow belt in tae kwon do, she literally could drop kick your system into a far corner of cyberspace.

“I’ve felt like giving my computer a good round-house at times,” joked Roberts. “As much as I enjoy working on computers, there are times when learning how to do something can be really challenging.”

Roberts is well-versed in a number of computer software programs. Macromedia Director, PowerPoint, Front Page, Microsoft Publisher, Corel Presentations, Dreamweaver and Fireworks are among the multimedia programs Roberts has mastered. She also can assist others with using wordprocessing, spreadsheet and scanning software.

“Right now, I’m focusing on providing one-on-one training to faculty who are interested in developing interactive CDs that are used in the classroom to help students learn,” Roberts said.

“The first thing we do is determine content and how that will be presented,” she continued. “Then we will create the video, add some music and develop the graphics, which will include backgrounds and buttons for navigating through the program.”

Some faculty members, Roberts noted, have developed interactive CD programs that students can purchase in the Bookstore at a fraction of the cost of textbooks.

“The advantage of the CDs is that the information is tailored to the course, and it is designed to fit the instructor’s teaching style and preferences,” she said.

Multimedia presentations are expected to become more popular in classrooms as instructors become more comfortable with incorporating technology into their curricula.

“When I first started working full time in 1998, a lot of the requests for assistance were for web site development,” Roberts said. “But now we have Blackboard, which enables faculty to put course information online without the need to design web pages.”

With an undergraduate degree in biology and a master’s in educational leadership, Roberts admits that much of her computer expertise is self-taught.

“It’s always been easy for me to learn how to use a computer application,” she said. “It is challenging to learn new programs, but I can spend hours at the computer and it feels like only minutes have gone by.”

The ITD lab currently is equipped with nine PCs and four Macs. The lab also includes flatbed and film scanners, digital cameras, audio and video capture boards (for transferring audio and video to computer), and film recorders for making slides from electronic files.
STUDENTS interested in computer graphics (ME 202) and computer-aided design (ME 290) are gaining an international insight from Stanislov Popov, a guest faculty member at SVSU during fall semester.

Popov is chair of the Descriptive Geometry and Computer Graphics Department at Novgorod State University in Novgorod, Russia. He is team teaching this semester with Eldon Graham, associate professor of mechanical engineering, and also has joined a marketing class.

“Courses here are very compact compared to what we teach at Novgorod State University,” observed Popov, who has taught mechanical engineering for 20 years. “We have a lot of courses geared to different specialties — mechanical engineers, architects, designers and future teachers.

“For example, in Russia architects and designers must take eight semesters of computer graphics,” he noted.

Russian students also do not have the option of taking electives. According to Popov, once a student decides on a major, the courses are predetermined through the next five years of the student’s academic career.

“Our students spend 50 hours each week on their studies,” Popov added. “We expect them to be in class for 25 hours, and study at home for 25 hours.”

Popov said American students can opt to take their most “complicated” courses near the end of their degree program, while the technical coursework is spread throughout a Russian student’s years at a university.

After completing his own undergraduate education, Popov was invited to participate in post-graduate schooling.

“After that, I prepared my scientific research and defended my thesis for a ‘Kandidat’ degree, which is considered to be equal to a Ph.D. in this country,” Popov said. “I know that many people in the United States go through these same stages to teach at a university.”

Two years ago, Popov spent three weeks at the University of Rhode Island. The brief visit helped further his interest and research in marketing, which he calls his “hobby.”

In comparison, Popov said he is enjoying his stay at SVSU primarily because he has more of an opportunity to work with students.

“Here I am involved in the teaching process directly,” he said. “I am gaining an in-depth view of an American university. I will definitely go back and be able to talk about what American students are like, which is of great interest to Russian students.”

Popov said he is hopeful that more exchange opportunities will be made available between American and Russian universities.

“It is very difficult to find Russian faculty who are fluent in English,” Popov said. “Most faculty who come to America teach English courses. Faculty from other disciplines often have difficulty communicating on a professional level.”

Novgorod State University has a student enrollment of approximately 10,000. The school was established 10 years ago when several smaller institutions merged.
Board approves housing rental rates, increase in general service fee

IN A SPECIAL formal session Monday, Nov. 27, the SVSU Board of Control authorized the administration to make capital expenditures, approved rental rates for fiscal year 2001-02, authorized an increase in the general service fee beginning with winter 2001, and reconciled the 1999-2000 general fund budget.

The Board approved the 1999-2000 operating budget for auxiliary services that anticipates a contribution to the reserves and also recognizes reserves will be used for various capital improvements throughout the year. Jerry Woodcock, vice president for administration and business affairs, told the Board the actual budget differed somewhat from that initially projected. Woodcock said he was now able to share with the Board figures based on actual housing numbers, instead of anticipated totals. Revenue is placed in a reserve account for future facility development, renovation and repair. Recent renovations include exterior siding and installation of University network equipment into Pine Grove Apartments.

The Board also approved an increase in apartment and student housing rental rates for the academic year 2001-02. First-year suite rates will range from $4,875 to $5,620, per person, per academic year, depending on meal plan. The Living Center rates will range from $3,350 to $4,565, per academic year, depending on the number of occupants. University Village rates will be $3,600 per person for the townhouses and $4,175 for single occupancy units for the academic year. Apartment fees per month will range from $285 per person to $675 for a family.

Woodcock said SVSU ranks sixth lowest in housing rates among the 12 state universities with on-campus housing. The Board also approved an increase in room and board rates for conferences.

A $1.45 per credit hour increase in the general service fee for fiscal year 2000-01 was approved. The fee per credit hour will be $10.55, effective winter semester 2001. The revenue will be targeted toward capital projects, including additional parking facilities, renovation of the Science Building and development of a proposed Student Center. President Eric R. Gilbertson said the Student Association governing board has supported the increase to begin to dedicate a revenue stream toward capital needs. The proposed Student Center will also be developed through donor contributions, he added.

The Board received the 1999-2000 general fund budget and approved modifications to that operating budget. Gilbertson told the Board this was its final action for that fiscal year budget, which ended June 30. He said the University completed the year with a positive balance, which will be added to the fund balance.

This is an unofficial report of Board activities. Official minutes are on file in Zahnnow Library.
ADVERSE WEATHER POLICY INFORMATION
(Please keep a copy at home.)

Adverse weather conditions, especially those associated with Michigan winters, may affect the normal operations of the University. The decision to cancel classes and/or close the main campus will be made by the vice president for Administration and Business Affairs. If adverse conditions necessitate cancellation or closing, the decision to do so will be made prior to 6:30 a.m. for day classes (those beginning before 4 p.m.) and by 2:30 p.m. for evening classes.

Because commuting students, faculty and staff come from such a broad geographic area, it is extremely difficult to arrive at a decision that is appropriate to each vicinity. The quad-county area alone includes approximately 2,000 square miles and weather conditions rarely are uniform throughout this large area. There is no one decision that will satisfy everyone; however, a diligent effort is made to arrive at a reasonable decision that considers the safety of students as well as their right to receive instruction. Under no circumstances does SVSU ask students, faculty or staff to assume undue risk in traveling to class in inclement weather. Each person should use his/her own judgement about driving to the campus.

Information about class cancellations/closings will be relayed to radio and TV as soon as the decision has been announced. The following messages will be broadcast on WNEM TV-5, WJRT TV-12, WEYI TV-25, WGER-FM, WHNN-FM, WKNX, WKQZ-FM, WKYO/WIDL-FM, WMAX, WMPX-FM, WSAM, WKCQ-FM, WSGW, WIOG-FM, WTLZ-FM, WUGN-FM, WUCX-FM, WCMU-FM and WKJC-FM.

1. Daytime classes and SVSU operations – except for Conference Bureau & Continuing Education – are canceled.
2. Evening classes and SVSU activities – except for Conference Bureau & Continuing Education – are canceled.
3. Campus is closed during the day, including Conference Bureau & Continuing Education.
4. Campus is closed this evening, including Conference Bureau & Continuing Education.
5. Campus is closed for both day and evening classes – except for Conference Bureau & Continuing Education.
6. Campus is closed for both day and evening classes, including Conference Bureau & Continuing Education.

No announcement is made when the University is open.

When campus is closed, or classes/activities canceled, only designated employees are to report to work.

The SVSU Weather/Information line – 790-4477 – has taped messages about the open/closed status of campus activities. If you need clarification of media announcements, you should call the weather line for a detailed message. The weather line will run one of the following messages:

1. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. The University is open today, and classes and activities are continuing as usual. If weather or other conditions necessitate canceling classes or activities, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. for day classes scheduled to begin before 4 p.m., or by 2:30 p.m. for evening classes scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. or later. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

2. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled to begin before 4 p.m. have been canceled. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475. If conditions necessitate canceling evening classes and activities scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. or later, an announcement will be made on local radio and television by 2:30 p.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

3. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. or later have been canceled. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475. If conditions necessitate canceling classes and activities tomorrow, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line in the morning.

4. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, the campus is closed for day classes and all activities – including conferences and continuing education programs.

5. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, the campus is closed for evening classes and all activities – including conferences and continuing education programs.

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6. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled for today have been canceled. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475. If conditions necessitate canceling classes and activities tomorrow, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

7. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled for today have been canceled, including conferences and continuing education programs. If conditions necessitate canceling classes and activities tomorrow, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

For a full statement of the SVSU weather policy, see the SVSU Operations Manual.

Instructors who are prevented by weather from reaching their classes when the campus is officially open must notify the appropriate dean or supervisor. In addition, faculty who cancel classes individually should record a conditional message on their voice mail. They should remind students periodically during the semester that they may call the instructor's office number to learn the status of specific classes during inclement weather.

Students who are prevented by weather from reaching their classes when the campus is open should report the nature of their absence to their instructors as soon as possible. Employees who are prevented by weather from reaching campus while the University is open should call their supervisors immediately to report the nature of their absence.

On appropriate occasions, the campus voice mail system will be used by administrators to post a message to each voice mailbox. This is an additional source of information for employees when emergency situations arise. Whenever possible, voice mail announcements will follow the same schedule as radio and television announcements. Therefore, employees may obtain information by calling their office number from home or other off-campus locations.

Occasionally, weather may necessitate delaying the opening of campus for part of the day. Updates will be made to radio and television stations, as well as posted on the weather line.

Your patience and cooperation is appreciated in dealing with emergency weather situations.

Weekend Adverse Weather Policy Information

Because Saginaw Valley State University schedules some weekend classes, as well as weekend library hours, gallery hours and events, we have added weekend service to our closing and cancellation announcement system. Policies, procedures and messages will be similar to those that apply Monday through Friday.

Summary of weekend weather announcement information

- Whenever possible, the weather information line (790-4477) will be updated to carry messages regarding weekend cancellations and closings. (In some cases of extreme weather, personnel who monitor the weather line may be unable to drive to campus to change the recorded message promptly.)

- Faculty and staff may use the "conditional message" feature of the voice mail system to record weekend weather-related cancellations when appropriate.

- The campus voice mail system can be used by the administration to post a message to each mailbox when weekend conditions warrant.

- Announcements will be made on a limited number of radio and TV stations. (Most radio stations are automated on weekends and are not staffed to receive and relay messages.) The following stations will be used for weekend announcements:

  WNEM TV-5
  WJRT TV-12
  WEYI TV-25
  WSGW/WIOG
  (AM 790/FM 102.5)
  WSAM/WKCO
  (AM 1400/FM 98.1)
  WKYO/WIDL
  (AM 1360/FM 92.1)

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SVSU FOUNDATION

TYPES OF GIFTS

❖ Your contribution may be given as unrestricted or designated.

❖ Unrestricted funds are used primarily for student scholarships. Some of the designated opportunities are listed on the previous page.

GIFT CLUBS AND MEMBERSHIPS

❖ Gift Club categories for donor listings in the Report of Annual Giving:

- Advocates Club: $5,000 and above
- Deans Club: $1,000 - $4,999
- Valley Club: $500 - $999
- University Club: $200 - $499
- Century Club: $100 - $199
- Spirit Club: $10 - $99

❖ AASVSU: The Association for the Advancement of SVSU

Donors who contribute $200 or more to SVSU (except to the Cardinal Club) are given membership in the AASVSU for the year of their gift. Members of the AASVSU, a donor recognition organization, are eligible to receive the “Advancement Association News” and occasional invitations to the events and activities at the University.

❖ Cardinal Club

This is the official booster association for SVSU athletics. The Cardinal Club raises funds to provide scholarship aid and operational support for SVSU’s student athletes. Members enjoy hospitality events at Cardinal football and basketball games.

TAX CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS

The State of Michigan allows a credit for contributions by state residents to the Saginaw Valley State University Foundation. The allowable tax credit is 50% of the gift, but not to exceed $200 for a return filed jointly and $100 for a single return. This credit is available whether or not you itemize deductions on your federal return. Contributions toward higher education are tax deductible on your federal return if you itemize deductions. The amount will vary depending on your tax bracket.

Reducing Your Actual Cost....
The following examples are an illustrative guide to the potential net cost of a contribution. Please check with your tax advisor for precise figures. If you are in the 28% tax bracket, the calculation for your net contribution might look like one of these examples:

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SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY  
Once-A-Year Faculty-Staff Campaign  

WHY GIVE?............
Your contributions assist students with scholarship funds and support program areas and other needs not covered by the general fund budget. Additional information about contributing is printed on the reverse side. If you have any questions, please contact Norma Zivich, Director of Annual Giving & Development Communications, at ext. 4075 or E-mail ngzivicv@svsu.edu.

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(please print name(s) as you would like them to appear in publications)

☐ I prefer to remain anonymous, please do not print my name in publications.

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**TOTAL** $ __________

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

☐ Check Enclosed  
Make check payable to SVSU Foundation

☐ Credit Card  
☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover  
Card # __________
Expiration __________
Signature __________

☐ Payroll Deduction  
*Complete section below*

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☐ I hereby authorize SVSU Payroll Department to deduct $ ________ per pay period beginning __ / ___ / ___ until further notice.

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Signature ___________________________  Social Security Number ___________________________  Date __________