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Honor Societies induct new members

Alpha Chi

Thirty SVSU students were induct ed as new members of Alpha Chi National Honor Society in an April 1 ceremony in Founders Hall.

The SVSU chapter is among more than 300 at four-year universities across the country. Since 1986, more than 600 junior and senior students have been inducted locally. Gretch en Moorhoud, professor of mathematical sciences, serves as the chapter’s faculty advisor. Students with a grade point average of 3.50 or better, and who are ranked in the top 10 percent of their major field of study, are nominated by faculty from various departments.

Criteria for the recognition includes “intellectual capacity, breadth of general knowledge, ability to communicate, intellectual curiosity, classroom contribution and creativity.”

Alpha Mu Gamma

The Theta Omicron Chapter of Alpha Mu Gamma, the national collegiate foreign language honorary, will have its 26th annual spring initiation of new members at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 22 in Founders Hall. In addition to the initiation ceremony, there will be a short program and refreshments will be served.

The purpose of Alpha Mu Gamma is to recognize outstanding foreign language students, and to promote goodwill and understanding among all peoples.

Student nets newspaper honor

SVSU student Justin Engel recently was named journalist of the Year in Division III for his work while a student at Delta College. The award was part of the Michigan Press Association College Newspaper Contest. Engel is the editor-in-chief of the Valley Vanguard.

SVSU highlights student art works

Ten students who will graduate with bachelor’s degrees in May will showcase their work through April 24 in the University Art Gallery. The Gallery is located within the Arbury Fine Arts Center. It is open from noon to 9 p.m., Monday and Wednesday; 1 to 6 p.m., Tuesday; and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday. A reception will take place from 3 to 5 p.m., Wednesday, April 11 in the Gallery.

Have You Heard?

• Faculty and staff may bestow the alumni scroll to graduating family members at Commencement, May 5. Call Cheri Ayayi at 790-4240 to make arrangements.

• Honors Convocation will take place Thursday, April 19 at 4 p.m. in the Performing Arts Theatre. A reception will be held in Groening Commons immediately following the ceremony.

• The Friends of SVSU will host an evening of food, drink and friendship, not to mention a chance to take home prizes, at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 16 at Ted’s Banquet Hall, 5660 Bay Road, Saginaw. Traditional brats, kielbasa and turkey brats will be served, along with cold refreshments. Cost is $10 for individuals, or $15 for pairs, will be accepted. For more information, contact Gene Hamilton, 314 Wixes Hall, 790-4069.

• Zahnlow Library will close between semesters, April 28 through May 13. Most services will be available by phone: call 790-4240 for circulation; 790-4242 for reference. For online assistance, click library.svsu.edu.

• Make reservations by April 20 for the SVSU Commencement Graduate/Alumni Brunch, which will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saturday, May 5 in Seminar Room D. Cost for adults is $11.95, and $6 for children under 10. For more information, call 790-4475.

• Departments sponsoring events during the fall 2001 semester are reminded to submit details for the Fall 2001 Calendar of Events, which is published by the Office of University Communications. Send information to ucomm@svsu.edu, or call 790-4039.

• Portraits for the Faculty/Staff Directory can be scheduled by calling 790-4086. Deadline is Friday, May 4.

Music Department hosts concerts

• Messiah — Performances take place in March 2002. Bay Chorale rehearsals take place Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Bay City. The SVSU Concert Choir is having rehearsals on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in 182 Performing Arts Center. For more information, call 790-4307.

• Concert Band Concert — 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 11, Performing Arts Theatre.

• Jazz Ensemble Concert — 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 19, Performing Arts Theatre. Guest artist Jack Carter will perform on the trombone, trumpet, piano, organ and drums.

• Music of the Renaissance IX* — 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 24 in Founders Hall. Featuring the Collegium Musicum, Early Music Collegium and Chamber Choir.

*Complimentary tickets are available for faculty and staff; call 790-4261 for details.

Faculty invited to submit proposals

The Barstow Humanities Seminar Steering Committee invites proposals for this fall’s seminar. The Barstow Excellence in Teaching Humanities Seminar at SVSU is designed to provide excellence in teaching and recognition of scholarship within the humanities.

An SVSU faculty member in the humanities will be selected, by virtue of excellence in teaching and scholarship in the humanities and the strength of a proposal, as the Barstow Moderator for the year. The Steering Committee will select the prospective Barstow Moderator on the basis of established reputations for excellence in humanities scholarship and teaching.

Please send proposals to Erik Trump, 354 Brown Hall.

Retirement Reception

Marlene Pellerito

Ceramic Instructor/Artist

Thursday, April 12

Arbury Fine Arts Center

Refreshments will be served. Please stop by and wish Marlene well as she completes 18 years of teaching at SVSU to pursue her studio activities.

Transitions

Please note the following Human Resource changes in your Faculty/Staff Directory:

SVSU Welcomes

• Brian Baciagalo, Grounds Operations Manager, 497-4964, bbaicigal@svsu.edu, Fax: 790-4069

• Floyd Coir, Reference and Distance Education Librarian, 790-7052, fcoir@svsu.edu, Fax: 790-4383

Same Face, New Place

• Tim Dupuis, Shipping/Receiving-Mail Delivery Clerk, Administrative Services Building, 790-4275

• Joan Garant, Administrative Secretary, College of Education, E122, 790-5648

• Shelly Remillard, Administrative Secretary, Ryder Center, 791-7306, srem@svsu.edu

• Kris Schonow, COE/Grants Information Technology Coordinator, 790-5696, kschon@svsu.edu

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• Shaun Bangert, 497-4893

DRUG CLUB

April 27

4:30 p.m.

President’s Reception Area

Refreshments Served