Three SVSU faculty named Fulbright Scholars

Three SVSU faculty members will join the ranks of just five of their colleagues this fall when they begin their tenure as Fulbright scholars. This is the first time SVSU will have three Fulbright scholars serving simultaneously. The last Fulbright appointment from SVSU was Janice Wolff, professor of English, who went to Sweden in January 1999.

Joining the prestigious ranks of Fulbright scholars are Judith B. Kerman, professor of English; Thomas F. McManus, assistant professor of educational leadership; and Paul T. Munn, professor of English. They will travel to the Dominican Republic, Finland and Turkey, respectively.

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Fulbright Scholars (Continued from Page 1) international partnership between SVSU and the Kutztown Rani Channamma School in India. He is a member of SVSU’s grant development team for preparing teachers to use technology. McManus has published articles on web-based hypermedia learning environments, learning behaviors and delivering instruction on the web.

Munn joined the SVSU faculty in 1988. He will travel to Ankara University as a lecturer to teach American literature and critical theory in that university’s Department of American Culture and Literature.

Munn said he plans to participate in departmental discussions of curriculum, aiming toward program, course and syllabus revision. During his nine-month stay he hopes to give talks at Ankara and other Turkish universities on American literature and culture.

“I met the department chair of the American Literature and Culture Department at Ankara University during his visit two years ago at SVSU and he invited me to teach American literature and critical theory to undergraduate and graduate students in his department and to assist the department with curricular revision,” Munn said of his decision to pursue a Fulbright in Turkey. “At Ankara University, I look forward to figuring out ways to teach Turkish students, to working productively with Turkish colleagues, to eating several varieties of Turkish food, and to haggling in Turkish with street salesfolk.”

Munn developed the original syllabi for 19 courses at SVSU, including five pilot courses. He has been chair of the English Department and served on several committees dealing with the English curriculum and the University’s general education requirements.

Currently Munn is in Japan at SVSU’s sister institution, Shikoku University, where he served as an exchange professor in 1995. SVSU’s past Fulbright scholars, in addition to Wolff, include Phyllis Hastings, professor of English (Nigeria); Lynn Herkstroeter, professor of French and German (Germany); and Gary Thompson, professor of English (Poland). Thomas Hearron, a former SVSU professor of English, was a Fulbright scholar to Rwanda.

Student race team successfully competes in international event

SVSU’s Formula SAE race team finished 51st overall out of 125 schools from the United States, Canada, Korea, Japan, United Kingdom, Mexico, and Puerto Rico at the May 19 competition in the Pontiac Silverdome.

“Our best finish was 15th in the prestigious design event where veteran professional race car designers judge the quality of the car’s design,” said Brooks Byam, assistant professor of mechanical engineering and faculty advisor for the team.

“Collings Drive” from Fox Drive to E Lot west entrance will be closed for resurfacing starting June 11. The project could take five weeks.

The ITS Support Center Help Desk has extended its hours of operation to provide phone support seven days a week; in the evening and during the weekend. Phone support will be available to staff, faculty and students by calling the ITS Support Center at 790-4225 during the following hours of operation: Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to midnight; and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m. The ITS Support Center will provide technical support for university-owned equipment. For personal home computers, the ITS Support Center will provide limited support for dial-up access, Cardinal Link access, and/or ResNet connectivity issues. For additional information, visit www.svsu.edu/microtech.

Sprinkler Systems and Pull Stations will be tested Sunday, June 10 from 8 a.m. to noon in Ryder Center. During this testing period building occupants will experience random activation of the building fire systems. For more information, contact the Physical Plant office at 790-4396.

SVSU has launched a new website. To preview the site, go to www.svsu.edu. Highlights of the new design include a mouse-over navigation menu that allows you to reach the main areas of the website quickly; news and events; consistent look and feel across the site; and a virtual tour (www.svsu.edu/campus tour). For more information on how to navigate the site go to www.svsu.edu/ website lança.htm.

Have You Heard?

• The Athletic Department is seeking a Football Stadium Manager for the 2001 football season, and a Basketball Game Manager for the 2001-2002 basketball season. Pay is based on each home football or basketball game. For more information, contact Joe Vogel at 791-7310.

• The ITD Lab is offering the following computer workshops in 154 Curtiss Hall: “PhotoShop I: Basic Image Correction,” June 1, 9 to 11:30 a.m.; “PhotoShop II: Composite Images and Layers,” June 8, 9 to 11:30 a.m.; “Beginning PowerPoint,” June 22, 9 to 11 a.m.; “Scanning & Digital Cameras,” June 29, 9 to 11 a.m.; and “MS Publisher,” July 25, 1:30 to 3 p.m. The ITD Lab staff also provide one-on-one training on various software. To register, or for more information, call 249-1934.

• SVSU’s Regional Mathematics and Science Center is sponsoring a number of summer workshops and short courses. Sessions are available for students in grades two through high school. For a complete schedule, contact the Center at 790-4114 or E-mail mathsci-center@svsu.edu.

• SVSU’s participation in the annual Christmas in July program will take place this year in June. This change allows the project to run concurrent with the Saginaw Habitat for Humanity’s blitz build. SVSU participants are tentatively scheduled to provide home repair services on Friday, June 15. SVSU faculty and staff, including those who have never participated are welcome to join in the effort. For further information, or to sign up, call Debbie Munn at 790-4238.

• A Clothing Drive will take place Monday, June 4 through Friday, June 15. Clothing of all types and sizes, shoes in good shape, etc., will be accepted. Drop off items at Campus Life (114 Curtiss Hall), or call 790-4170 for pick up.

• Neighborhood Renewal Services is in need of clean up helpers from 9:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, June 2. For further information, call 790-4170 or 755-0433, ext. 203.

SVSU Student Nets National Honor

Linda McKellip, SVSU senior finance major from Bay City, recently was recognized for a bibliography she wrote for the 2001 Association for the Bibliography of History/ABC-CLIO Student Bibliography contest. McKellip’s bibliography was judged the best in the category of “History of Europe West of Russia 1450-1914.” Her sponsor was Mary A. Hedberg, assistant professor of history and department chair.

SVSU Cardinal Racing team members include (kneeling from left): Jeremy Tuggle, George Coppenop, Brian Malek, Jeremy McClain, Phil Suderman (in car), Yoong-Lung Wong, and Brooks Byam; (standing from left): Brady Walker, Matt Dissette, Ben Welke, Andy Bauman, Dan Deussen, Steve Robedeau, David Herald, Jeremy LaBar.