Flatt receives political nurse activist award

Registered nurse and Michigan Nurses Association (MNA) leader Margaret Flatt has been awarded MNA's 2001 Political Nurse Activist Award. A professor of nursing and department chair, Flatt was recognized for her role in promoting the profession of nursing at the local, state and national levels.

She was presented the award during MNA's annual state convention Friday, Oct. 5 in Troy.

Professional Profile

• Alfred Bracciano, professor of occupational therapy, announced that the American Occupational Therapy Association Inc., presented its Student Membership Award to SVSU for having 93 percent of OT students enrolled in the organization. The OT program received $250 for winning the award, which is the second time SVSU has won (1996).

• Carlos Ramet, professor of English, published an article in the August 2001 edition of The Popular Culture Review. "A Most Remarkable Writer". The Symon Myles Mysteries and the Non-Series Hero" examines two early Ken Follett novels written under a pseudonym. Long out of print, and never distributed in the United States, these two novels provide insight into the initial stages of Follett's career.

• Melissa Ladd Teed, assistant professor of history, presented "Crafting Community: Women Teachers in 19th Century Hartford" at the annual meeting of the History of Education Society at Yale University, Oct. 18 through 21.

Have You Heard?

• Flu Vaccine is available in Health Services, W267, for a fee of $10. Walk-ins accepted.

• The Saginaw County Crime Prevention Summit IV has been rescheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, in the Performing Arts Theatre. The keynote speaker will be Attorney General Jennifer M. Granholm. Refreshments will be served after the program.

• Activities and special events to be included in the Winter 2002 Calendar of Events should be sent to the Office of University Communications no later then Monday, Nov. 5. Includes 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. Call Tammy Elliott at 790-4039 or E-mail ucomm@svsu.edu with questions.

• A presentation on Digital Video is set for 4 to 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the Performing Arts Theatre. The presentation, which is free and open to all students, faculty and staff, will focus on Final Cut Pro and DVD authoring with DVD Studio Pro. For more information, contact Kevin Wyzkiewicz at 790-5636 or E-mail kwyzkie@svsu.edu.

• The new Faculty/Staff Directory will be delivered soon. E-mail changes to ucomm@svsu.edu. Requests for additional copies should be submitted to prayearan@svsu.edu.

• The 2001-02 Christmas Holiday Schedule is: Dec. 24 and 25 are SVSU paid holidays; Dec. 26 and 27 are additional paid days; Dec. 28 is a required vacation day, and Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 are SVSU paid holidays.

• SVSU Resource Grant application forms are available in the Foundation Office (W307). The deadline is Dec. 1. Grants will be made only for programs or projects that benefit SVSU students. Foundation Resource Grants must be utilized to enhance scholarship, further the academic and cultural missions of the University and/or have significant impact on the University community. For further details, visit: www.svsu.edu/sponsoredprograms/ internal.htm, or contact Emmie Bisch at 790-4052 or E-mail bisch@svsu.edu.

• The Student Nurses Association is hosting its annual job fair Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Brown Concourse. There will be opportunities for on-the-spot interviews and a chance to speak with potential employers.

• Faculty and staff may bestow the Alumni Scroll to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement on Friday, Dec. 14. Call Cheri Ayaj at 790-4384 to make arrangements.

High Five

• Football (8-1) defeated Findlay 49-21 on Oct. 27. Travels to Michigan Tech on Nov. 3. Fans can ride the Cardinal Express Fan Bus, which will leave Nov. 2 and return Nov. 3 after the game. Cost is $75. Overnight accommodations may be made by calling the Best Western at (906) 482-5000. Call 791-7306 to reserve your seat on the bus.

• Men’s Soccer (4-10-1) lost to Lewis University. Travels to Northwood Nov. 1.

• Women’s Soccer (3-13) lost to Northern Michigan 2-1. Travels to Northwood to take on the Timberwolves Oct. 31.

• Volleyball (9-23) lost to Northern Michigan 2-1, but defeated Lake Superior State 3-1 over the weekend. Visits Wayne State Oct. 31.

SVSU to host Genetics Symposium

SVSU will host four experts in the area of genetics Monday through Thursday, Nov. 5 through 9 as part of its Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Visiting Scholars and Artists Program. Speakers will include a professor of philosophy, the author of science fiction and fantasy novels, a consultant on emerging ecological movements and the politics of biotechnology and an associate professor of human genetics and associate research scientist for the Institute of Gerontology at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. All lectures are open to the public at no charge and will take place in Founders Hall.

The symposium will open at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 5 with “Should We Put the ‘Xeno’ in ‘Transplantation’?”, with Laura M. Purdy, professor of philosophy at Wells College.

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Purdy was a postdoctoral associate in the Program on Science Technology, and Society at Cornell University (1975-77), Irwin Chair at Hamilton College in 1988-89, and a bioethicist and professor of philosophy at the University Health Network and University of Toronto from 1997-2000.

She is author of *In Their Best Interest?: The Case against Equal Rights for Children, and Reproducing Persons: Issues in Feminist Bioethics, and co-editor of Feminist Perspectives in Medical Ethics (with Helen B. Holmes), Violence against Women: Philosophical Perspectives (with Stanley French and Wanda Teays), Embodying Bioethics: Recent Feminist Advances (with Anne Donchin), and Bioethics, Justice, and Health Care (with Wanda Teays), as well as many articles on such topics as reproductive technologies and xenotransplantation.

Bear is especially noted for science fiction concerned with biotechnology. He has been awarded two Hugos and four Nebulas for his fiction, one of only two authors to win a Nebula in every category. Bear’s last novel, *Dawin’s Radio*, a novel about human evolution, has been nominated for the Hugo Award and the Nebula and has been honored with the Endeavor Award.

Toker has been an activist since the early 1970s in the peace, anti-nuclear, Green politics and environmental movements, and a leading critical voice in ecological activism. He is the author of *Redesigning Life?* (2001), *Earth for Safe: Reclaiming Ecology in the Age of Corporate Greenwash* (1997), and *The Green Alternative: Creating an Ecological Future* (1987, 1992). Toker has been a member of the faculty and coordinator of the Biotechnology Project of the Institute for Social Ecology at Goddard College in Vermont.

After receiving his Ph.D. in Molecular Biology from Washington University in St. Louis, Burke was a post-doctoral fellow in Molecular Genetics at Princeton University. He has served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Gerontology-Biological Sciences* and *Genome Research*. Burke has received honors and awards from the National Science Foundation, The Chicago Community Trust, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

The theme of this second Dow symposium at SVSU is “Genetics.” Each of the four speakers will consider the implications of genetic research from his or her own particular perspective: genetics research, bioethics, science fiction and ecology.

**‘Web Team’ services available**

The Web Services Team has established standards and guidelines for building SVSU Department web pages. Those who plan to create or update an SVSU Department page will save time by becoming familiar with these standards. The standards are found at: http://www.svsu.edu/webtech/standards/index.html.

For further information, call 497-4976, 791-7747. For Partnership Grant related projects, contact Patti Doty at 791-7305.

**‘Preparing for Dying & Healing in Grief and Loss’ program on tap**

SVSU will host two programs in mid-November for the public, as well as for health care professionals. The first program, “Preparing for the Process of Dying: Journey of the Spirit,” will take place at 5 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 11 in Founders Hall. The second program, “Healing in Grief and Loss: Balancing Body, Mind and Spirit,” will take place from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday, Nov. 12 in Curtiss Hall.

The two programs are sponsored by SVSU, the Crystal M. Lange College of Nursing and Health Sciences, and the Parish Nurse Program – new this fall at SVSU.

The guest presenter for both days will be Miriam Schneider, RN, CRHN, co-author of *The True Work of Dying: A Practical and Compassionate Guide to Easing the Dying Process.*

To register, or for more information, call Carol Vos at 497-2759, or E-mail Vos at cmvos@svsu.edu.

**Concerts scheduled for November**

SVSU’s Marching Band will be in concert Monday, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Theatre. The band is under the direction of William Wolter, associate professor of music.

SVSU’s Valley Wind Quintet will perform at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. The group’s repertoire is extensive and includes wind chamber music as well as standard quintet literature.

Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets to both concerts by call the SVSU Box Office at 790-4261. General admissions tickets are $5, and $3 for students and senior citizens.

**Career Planning and Placement office sponsors employment fairs**

SVSU’s Office of Career Planning and Placement will sponsor a *Science, Engineering, Technology and Business Employment Fair* from 12:30 to 5 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 6 in the Curtis Hall Banquet Rooms. Students will have an opportunity to discuss Cooperative Education, internships and full-time employment opportunities with representatives from area companies.

Students should be advised that professional dress and résumés are required for this event. Both undergraduate and graduate students (including those in the Master of Arts in Communication and Multimedia program) are welcome to participate.

A Graduate and Professional School Fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 12 in Groening Commons. Representatives from various universities will be present to answer questions and provide information to students interested in pursuing graduate degrees.

Admission to both fairs is free of charge. For more information, contact the Career Planning and Placement office at 497-4954. Information also is available online at www.svsu.edu/careers.

**SVSU held groundbreaking ceremonies Monday, Oct. 22 for the new Regional Education Center in Macomb County. Preparing to break ground are Jerry Armstrong, superintendent L’Anse Creuse Schools; Ken Wahl, dean of the College of Education; Dan Shaw, associate professor of educational leadership; Sally Nefke, professor of teacher education-early childhood special education; and Eric Gilbertson, president. The University purchased a five-acre parcel from the L’Anse Creuse School District for the new facility, which is located on Hickey Road near Gratiot and 24 Mile. It will consist of six classrooms, a computer lab and interactive telecommunication classroom, staff and faculty offices and student lounge/study areas.**

**Michael Panhorst**
Director of the Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Museum

4 to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9 Emerit Room

Please join us in wishing Michael well as he leaves SVSU after 12 years of distinguished service and moves on to his new position as director of the Chesterwood Museum and Estate in Massachusetts.

**Mary Harmon**

**Patrick Pan**

**Judith Kerman**

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Teachers, coordinating the English and social studies teams. She was co-director of the Saginaw Bay National Writing Project.

Pan’s research lies in an area of pure mathematics, where original and valuable results are often difficult to obtain.

Since 1995, Pan has produced nine papers that have appeared, or are scheduled to appear, in refereed journals. He has given several presentations at conferences and workshops, many to international audiences.

Pan often is invited to make presentations or give workshops by colleagues in other institutions.

Kerman, a recent Fulbright Scholarship recipient, has authored seven collections of poetry, most recently a chapbook titled 3 Marbles (Cranberry Tree Press, 1999). Kerman’s book, *Mothering*, has gone through two print editions, a hypertext edition, served as the source material for her play *Dream of Rain* and as its original form, won an honorable mention in the Great Lakes Colleges Association New Writers’ Award Competition. Beyond her collected works, Kerman’s poems have appeared in several literary journals. She also has edited the collection of critical work on *Blade Runner* as well as an anthology of poetry by leading science fiction. Her most recent book is *Places: Poems of the fantastic*. In 1971, Kerman founded *Earth’s Daughter*, the oldest U.S. feminist literary magazine still publishing.

**SVSU Hosts 26th Annual Foreign Language Day**

SVSU’s 26th annual Foreign Language Day will take place from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the Performing Arts Theatre, Rhea Miller Recital Hall and Groening Commons. More than 500 high school students, teachers and guests will attend.

Students will compete in contests in their respective languages. For additional information on Foreign Language Day, contact David Barker, professor of Modern Foreign Languages (French), at 790-4303.