Have You Heard?

- The grand prize at the April 19 All University Awards Banquet will be a trip to Orlando, Fla., including airfare and overnight accommodations.
- Health Services still has Influenza Virus Vaccine available for $10 per injection. Come in as soon as possible so that you will have protection from the worse flu of the season. For more information, call 790-4271 or come to 267 Wickes Hall.
- A revised “Emergency Response Plan” is included in the SVSU Operations Manual (Policy #4.2-4) on the web at www.svsu.edu/operationsmanual. Please review the plan for information regarding a bomb threat, weather emergency, biological threat and numerous other emergency situations.
- The Math Resource Center will host an open house from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 15 and 16 in SE106. Refreshments will be served.
- The mileage reimbursement rate for business travel increased from 34.5 cents per mile to 36.5 cents per mile, effective Jan. 1. The new rate is equivalent to the standard mileage rate recently announced by the IRS.
- You are invited to attend the State of the University Address by President Gilbertson at 4 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 31 in the Performing Arts Theatre. The speech will be followed with a reception in the area outside the theatre where light refreshments will be served.
- Water exercise classes are offered this winter as part of the Valley Aquatic Program at SVSU. The classes meet in the Ryder Center Pool on Monday and Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Cost is $40 for eight classes, which run in four-week blocks. To register, contact Gala Bank at 791-7327.
- Due to IF4 construction, Zahnow Library will be closed through Sunday, Jan. 13. The SVSU Regional Mathematics and Science Center will host a “Science and Mathematics Extravaganza for Kids.” Saturday, Jan. 26. The event will feature numerous hands-on activities for kids in grades two through four and five through eight. The activities will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Curtiss Hall. The $35 registration fee includes all materials and lunch. More information about individual offerings and registration forms may be downloaded by visiting the Math/Science Center website at www.svsu.edu/mathsci-center or by calling 790-4114.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to:

- Marna Ford, associate professor of educational leadership and services, whose mother died Jan. 2.
- The family of James Ford, a retired (1997) faculty member in the Sociology Department, who died Nov. 25.
- William Wollner, professor of music, whose father, Bernard Wollner, died.

Campus Happenings

- His House Christian Fellowship — 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 8 in Founders Hall.
- Second Thursday Poetry Workshop — 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 10 at Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Tittabawasee Road.
- Valley Film Society — 7:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 11 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.
- Sunshine will be the featured film. For admission information, visit www.svsu.edu/vfs or call 790-4015.

High Five

- Men’s basketball (3-9, 0-4): Lost to Findlay 88-66 Jan. 5; hosts Gannon Thursday, Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m., and Mercyhurst Saturday, Jan. 12 at 3 p.m.
- Women’s Basketball (6-5, 1-3): Lost to Findlay 58-53 Jan. 5; hosts U of M-Dearborn Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m., and Gannon Thursday, Jan. 10 at 5:30 p.m.
- Indoor Track: Competed at U of M’s Jack Harveys Invitational Jan. 5; will host the Cardinal Collegiate Open in the Ryder Center Friday, Jan. 11 at 5 p.m.

Governor appoints three to SVSU Board of Control

Gov. John M. Engler has appointed an Ann Arbor business owner, a Saginaw County doctor and a Pinconning business executive to Saginaw Valley State University’s Board of Control.

Sally Stegeman DiCarlo is vice president and co-owner of Campus Rentals in Ann Arbor. DiCarlo, whose term expires in July 2009, is replacing Burnette Kelly of Midland.

Raana Akbar is a Saginaw Township allergist. Akbar, whose term expires in July 2003, is filling the vacancy created when D. Brian Law of Bay City decided to pursue a longer term.

Law is chairman and chief executive officer of Pinconning-based Magline Inc. Law’s term expires in July 2009. He has served on the eight-member panel since 1995. Law is filling a seat vacated by Elias Escobedo Jr. of West Bloomfield.
SVSU theatre production receives honors

SVSUs production of The Marriage of Bette & Boo recently received recognition from the American College Theatre Festival. Fourteen students from the SVSU Theatre Department, along with director Janet Rubin, professor of theatre, are participating in the festival in Evansville, Ind. While at the festival, one scene from the fall production of The Marriage of Bette & Boo will be performed.

Rubin said of the many performances entered from a five-state region, just three scenes were selected for the festival. SVSUs The Marriage of Bette & Boo among them. The production was adjudicated at the associate level, therefore, the entire play was not judged for travel to ACTF.

Rubin said this is SVSU’s third year in the competition. This is really quite an honor, she said, adding that many of the productions invited are from much bigger theatre programs than SVSUs.

Among the 14 students participating from SVSU, four are Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship candidates. Also in attendance is Steve Erickson, professor of theatre.

Works by Marlene Pellerito on display in University Art Gallery

Scheduled to run Jan. 16 through 31 in the University Art Gallery is “Marlene Pellerito: Clayworks.”

A graduate of the Institute of Fine Arts in Berlin, Germany, Marlene Pellerito creates complex ceramic sculptures using elegant forms and vibrant colors.

“Her inspiration comes from nature, the creatures of the sea and the shapes of plants,” said Gallery Director Barron Hirsch. “Her work can be found in numerous private collections in both this country and Europe, and she has had more than 30 exhibits in Michigan.”

An Opening Reception will take place from 3 to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 23 in the Gallery. The University Art Gallery has open hours on Monday and Wednesday from 1 to 6 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Upcoming exhibits during Winter 2002 semester in the University Art Gallery include:
- Frances Quint: People and Places, Feb. 6 through 20
- Works by Marlene Pellerito on display in University Art Gallery
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- Women’s History Month 2002 Award

March is the designated time for Women’s History Month activities. Nominations are being accepted now for this award so that the selection can be made in a timely manner.

Please submit your nomination(s) by Jan. 31 to: Norma Zivich, WHM Committee, 307 Wickes Hall; phone 790-4075, or E-mail: nzivich@svsu.edu.

Include information concerning the nominee’s achievements and contributions as they relate to the welfare of women at SVSU.

Also mark your calendar for the annual luncheon, Friday, March 15.

SVSU Math Center receives funding

The SVSU Math Center recently received $109,339 from King-Chavez-Parks Initiative funds to develop and implement a program that provides math, science and technology academic skill development, faculty mentoring, advising and faculty development workshops. Some 1,600 students are expected to benefit from the Center’s assistance over a three-year period.