

Interior

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SVSU recognizes community leaders, faculty and staff

A pair of professional couples and an author/historian were honored along with several SVSU faculty and staff members during the All-University Awards Banquet, April 19.

Linneaus and Phae Dorman, and **Thomas and Ginger Marx** received the University's Distinguished Service Medallion. **Paul Kavieff** received the Stuart D. and Vernice M. Gross Award for Literature.

A number of SVSU faculty and staff also received recognition for outstanding achievement and dedicated service during the 13th annual banquet.

The list of faculty winners is led by **Ranjana Dutta**, assistant professor of psychology, who received the prestigious Landee Teaching Excellence Award. The Earl L. Warrick Award for Excellence in Research is shared by **Al Bracciano**, professor of occupational therapy, and **Gretchen Owocki**, associate professor of teacher education (elementary, early childhood and special education). The House Family Award for Teacher Impact was awarded to **Susie Emond**, professor of teacher education (elementary, early childhood and special education). **Sharon A. Robinson** was presented the Mary H. Anderson Adjunct Faculty Award.

The Ruben Daniels Community Service Award was presented to **Merlyn Mondol**, professor of psychology. Co-recipients of the Terry Ishihara Award for Outstanding Co-Curricular Involvement were **David Swenson**, H.H. Dow Endowed Chemistry Chair, and **Walt Head**, head baseball coach.

Eugene J. Hamilton, vice president for public affairs, presided over the event, which also recognized 59 faculty and staff who have each provided between 10 and 35 years of dedicated service.

The Dorman, of Midland, established a pair of scholarships at SVSU for students whose leadership and devotion to community issues and academic performance parallel the lives of Martin Luther King Jr. and Rosa Parks.

Linneaus Dorman began his career at The Dow Chemical Co. in 1960 and retired in 1994 as a senior associate scientist. Dorman also is a community leader and has been active in numerous professional and civic activities, including the SVSU Board of Fellows, for which he was president from 1983 to 1985. He received an honorary doctor of science degree from SVSU in 1988.

Phae Dorman joined The Dow Chemical Co. in 1973 and retired in 1994 as manager of the Business Information Center. She is the author of *Chemical Industries: An Information Sourcebook*, a guidebook to the business-related publications of the chemical industry.

The Marxes, of Bay City, have a storied history with SVSU, that begins with the ownership of the Ryder Center property by the family of Mrs. Marx and continues to the current day with the donation of the intramural fields on the west side of campus by their company, Champagne & Marx Excavating Inc. Service to the University also includes their participation on the SVSU Foundation's Annual Fund Committee since 1992, their generous support of many development campaigns and Mr. Marx's recent appointment to the SVSU Foundation Board of Directors. The two were recognized for their efforts on behalf of the University during Homecoming 1999, when they were named "Honorary Alumni."

Dutta, assistant professor of psychology, joined SVSU in 1998. She is noted for her research in personality and social psychology.

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Linneaus & Phae Dorman



Thomas & Ginger Marx



Ranjana Dutta



Al Bracciano

Professional Profile

- **Eric Gardner**, associate professor of humanities, has a poem titled "Vows to an Old Lover" in the current issue of *The Higginsville Reader* (12.2 [Spring 2002]: 2).
- **Paul Munn**, professor of English, conducted the workshop "The American Poem as Cultural Index" at Ataturk University, Erzurum, Turkey, April 15, and at Yuzunjul Yul University, Van, Turkey, April 17.

Transitions

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

New Staff

- **Doug Dawson**, director, Staff Relations, W314, 964-4111

Promoted, Transferred, Title Change

- **Robert VanPelt** (Title Change), Custodial Operations Manager, Custodial & Grounds Operations, Campus Facilities, 964-4314
- **Brian Bacigalupo** (Title Change), Grounds Operations Manager, Custodial & Grounds Operations, Campus Facilities, 964-4964

Have You Heard?

- SVSU will participate in the **MidMichigan Regional Expo**, Wednesday, May 8 in Ryder Center. Admission to the Expo floor is free of charge. For more information, visit: www.midmichiganexpo.com. Barry Asmus, senior economist at the National Center for Policy Analysis, is the keynote speaker at the Expo luncheon. Doors to the banquet rooms open at 11 a.m., with lunch served at 11:30. Tickets are \$35 and are available by calling the University Conference and Events Center at 964-4348.

- The Arbury Fine Arts Center is scheduled for a **fire alarm drill** at 10 a.m., Thursday, May 23.
- The University will conduct a **"garage sale"** May 14 and 15 in O'Neill Arena to dispose of old furnishings from Pine Grove Apartments. The sale will only be open to faculty, staff and students on May 14, and will be open to the public on May 15. Hours of operation for both days will be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Terms of the sale will be cash and carry, and all items will be sold in as-is-where-is condition. Some items included in the sale will be bunk beds, chests of drawers, sofas, chairs, end tables, and tables with chairs.

- **New signs** in the entryway of each facility on campus show the recommended area of refuge on the first floor of each building in the event

of a tornado warning. Stay away from exterior windows and large open areas with raised roofs such as the O'Neill Arena. A new warning siren, near Pine Grove Apartments, will complement the siren installed in the south campus area last year. If a tornado is sighted in Saginaw county, both sirens will be activated automatically (the sirens will emit a continuous, uninterrupted tone).

- SVSU placed among the top 10 teams at the **26th Lower Michigan Mathematics Competition**, April 6 at Olivet College. Thirty-one teams from 11 institutions participated in the competition.

- Faculty and staff may bestow the **alumni scroll** to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement. Call 964-4384 to make arrangements.

Campus Happenings

- **Science East Café** – open Spring semester Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Second Floor Library Entrance** – closed through August.
- **Emergency Siren Test** – 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 1.
- **Valley Film Society Film Selection** – 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 3, 100 Curtiss Hall.
- **Friends of SVSU PAC Party** – 4:30 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 22, Ted's Party Hall, Bay Road, Saginaw. First prize: Two game tickets to a Detroit Lions' game (Oct. 20 vs. Chicago), and overnight lodging at one of the Detroit area's finer hotels (compliments of the Four Points Sheraton); Second Prize: A "mini-case" of fine wines; Third Prize: Four "top-grade" New York strip steaks (compliments of Ted's Meat Market). Traditional brats, kielbasa and turkey brats will be served, along with cold refreshments. Contributions of \$10 for individuals, or \$15 for pairs, will be accepted. For more information, contact Gene Hamilton, 314 Wickes Hall, at 964-4069.

High Five

- **Football** – SVSU's broadcast team of JJ Boehm, Dave Slaggert and Cameron Knowles won a Michigan Associated Press first-place award in the live sports category for "Cardinal Comeback," the call of SVSU's first-ever NCAA playoff win. Also, Boehm earned first place in the sports feature category for "Titans Remembered," about Herman Boone's experiences and recollections of the movie *Remember the Titans*. Boone made a visit to SVSU last year during Homecoming week.

Saginaw Valley State University will consolidate its five phone number prefixes (249, 497, 790, 791, 797) to one exchange – 964 effective **Saturday, May 11**.

For a short time following implementation, a recording will notify callers to the other exchanges that the number has been changed to a 964 prefix. The number change also will be reflected in the 2002-03 SBC/Ameritech telephone books, which come out in June in Bay and Saginaw counties, and September in Midland County.

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Bracciano, professor of occupational therapy, joined SVSU in 1993. With more than a dozen articles in national and international journals, Bracciano is known for his interest in cross-cultural studies of occupational therapy and practices.

Owocki, associate professor of teacher education (elementary, early childhood and special education), joined the SVSU faculty in 1996. She is considered a leading scholar in the field of early childhood education and has written three books. Owocki's *Making Way for Literacy* has been adopted in many states as one of the authoritative readings in teaching the way young children learn.

Emond, professor of teacher education, joined the SVSU faculty in 1978. She coordinates SVSU's U.S. Department of Education grant for *Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to Use Technology* and *CHILD: Communicating How Individual Learning Develops*, a recent addition to SVSU's undergraduate program for elementary teacher education majors.

Robinson has been a part-time instructor in the Mathematical Sciences Department since 1979. For the more than 20 years Robinson has taught at SVSU, she is noted for her enthusiasm and encouragement of students.

Mondol, professor of psychology, will retire this spring after serving on SVSU's faculty since 1969. In addition to her 35 years of service to SVSU, Mondol is recognized for her contributions to the community, among them her involvement with the Rotary Club, and with *People to People*. In the First United Methodist Church, Mondol sings in the choir and serves on several committees, including her current position on the church's executive board.

Head, baseball coach, has been with SVSU for 20 years. He has won numerous championships and has graduated in four years nearly 98 percent of the those who have played for him. He led SVSU's baseball team to the NCAA playoffs in 2000 and 2001 – the first time for SVSU. Head's squads have set school records for victories and winning percentage, while claiming conference titles in the last seven seasons.

Swenson, the H.H. Dow Endowed Chemistry Chair, came to SVSU in 1996. Students speak highly of Swenson's consistent mentoring with his words and actions of encouragement, and his willingness to listen.



Susie Emond



Merlyn Mondol



Walt Head



David Swenson



Paul Kavieff

Kavieff is a U.S. organized crime historian whose interests include everything from post-Civil War outlaws to 20th century organized crime groups. His first article was published by the Detroit Newspaper Agency in 1995. Kavieff's first book, *The Purple Gang: Organized Crime in Detroit 1910-1945* was published in 2000. He received the Gross Award for his book, *The Violent Years: Prohibition and the Detroit Mobs*.

SVSU awarded Foundation support for New Education Center

The SVSU Foundation recently was awarded a challenge grant of \$500,000 from The Kresge Foundation toward construction of the Regional Education Center and renovation of the Melvin J. Zahnnow Library, as part of the University's "Creating the Future" campaign. The University will need to raise \$1.5 million in additional support to release the \$500,000 grant before January 1, 2003.

The Regional Education Center will add 130,000 square feet and \$30 million to the University's physical plant and be the home of the College of Education. Project completion is targeted for August 2003.

The Zahnnow Library expansion will add 30,000 square feet and cost more than \$10 million.

SVSU names Kelly 'Executive-in-Residence' for MLPA program

Burnett S. Kelly of Midland was recently named the "Executive in Residence" for the Master of Arts program in Leadership & Public Administration. Kelly serves on the SVSU Foundation Board and the Annual Fund Committee. He retired this year from the Board of Control, which he had been a member of since 1993 and served as chair from 1999-2001.

Students march in May 11 Commencement ceremony

More than 530 students are expected to participate in Commencement, which will take place in O'Neill Arena at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 11. The 539 people expect to complete degree requirements this semester and indicated they plan to don regalia and march in the ceremony.

They are part of a graduating class that includes 478 who will receive bachelor's degrees and 176 who will be accorded master's degrees.

Students earn writing recognition

Eighteen students recently were recognized for their exemplary writing efforts during the Fifth Annual Writing Awards reception.

Ten students were honored with Ruth & Ted Braun Awards for Writing Excellence. The University Writing Committee is chaired by Patricia Calahan, associate professor of teacher education, and includes Andrew Swihart, associate professor of psychology.

Braun recipients include: Elden Kohn, "Bilingual Education: Going, Going . . .;" Ryan Wilkinson, "Effects of Money on Inflation;" Stephanie Wolfgang, "Congestive Heart Failure in a Mental Health Patient;" Diane Bowden, "All My Sons: A Crash of Lightning;" Erik Krueger, "Micro-Partitioning of Pyrene in Alcohol/Water Co-Solvent Systems;" Rebecca Stumpo, "Art, or Not;" and Monika Sciba, "A Study of Obstacles that Non-Traditional Students Face at SVSU."

The Tyner Prizes for Writing Excellence in the Humanities were coordinated by Debra Combs, assistant professor of English. The recipient was Leigh Grant for her poems "Vintage 2000," "A Walk, After Sunset," "REM Phase I" and "Ice Dance."

All papers written since Jan. 1, 2002, will be eligible for the 2003 Braun Awards. Nominated papers may be submitted to the Writing Center at any time during the year.

America Reads program accepting students

Faculty are requested to encourage students to apply for the AmericaReads program, a work study program in which SVSU students work as reading tutors in area schools.

If eligible for financial aid, students can work as America Reads tutors and earn \$10/hour up to 40 hours a week during Spring semester. Advise students to contact Robert Lemuel at 964-4393 or E-mail: lemuel@svsu.edu.

Water fitness program offered

An aquatic fitness training and certification program will be offered at SVSU May 16 through 19 in the Ryder Center. The WaterART™ Fitness Training Program, sponsored by SPEEDO, is the integration of exercise design with the properties of water so as to empower users to individualize their workout sessions.

The four-day program will begin Thursday, May 16 with American Red Cross lifeguard certification – a 22-hour course.

Friday through Sunday, May 17 through 19, the program includes 16-hour instructor training tracks. These tracks lead toward certification in Fundamental Instruction, a Specialized Populations Instruction, Parkinson's Disease & Movement Disorders, Arthritis Certification and Kidz Certification.

Cost of the program varies according to course option.

For additional information on WaterART™ at SVSU, contact the University Conference & Events Center at 964-4348.

SVSU Foundation awards Resource Grants

The SVSU Foundation Board approved four requests for Resource Grants totaling \$9,770 at its April 2 meeting.

Deborah Huntley, associate professor of chemistry, was awarded \$3,915 for a Science and Engineering Symposium that will feature advanced student work.

Julia Youngquist, Writing Center coordinator, was awarded \$1,261 for Writing Center Language Training for tutors and international students.

An NCAA Speakers Grant Program, coordinated by Angela Brames, compliance coordinator in the Athletics Department, was allocated \$2,094 to educate student athletes and staff about drug/alcohol abuse in intercollegiate athletics.

A grant of \$2,500 was provided to the International Students Organization for "Intercultural Night 2K2," a program aimed at educating the campus and broader community about countries outside, and minority cultures within, the U.S. through dance, dress, song and displays. The event took place April 17 in Curtiss Hall.

The next "round" of grants has an Oct. 1 application deadline.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to:

- **Cindy Clifford**, senior secretary for the College of Business & Management, and **Becky Clifford**, senior secretary for the College of Arts & Behavioral Sciences, whose father-in-law/grandfather, Robert Clifford, died April 18.
- **Sandra Nagel Randall**, assistant professor of psychology, on the loss of her father, Emil O. Nagel, who died April 20.
- **Bob Sells**, head volleyball coach, whose mother, Marjorie J. Sells, died Sunday, April 14.