

Professional Profile

• **Joseph Ofori-Dankwa**, professor of management and marketing, and **Andrew Tierman**, lecturer of mathematical sciences, had an article titled “The Effect of Researchers’ Focus on Interpretation of Diversity Data” published in the *Journal of Social Psychology*, volume 142, number 3 (June 2002): 277-293.

Across Campus

• **Cathy Soto**, administrative secretary, Physical Plant, and her husband, **Gabe**, duplicator operator, Graphics Center, gave birth to a son, José Manuel (6 lbs., 11 oz., 18-3/4 in.), June 12.

• **Trish Gohm**, administrative secretary, Campus Life Center, and her husband, Chad, gave birth to a son, Timothy Aden (7 lbs., 5 oz., 19 in.), June 11.

Directory Changes

• **Kathleen Pelkki**, biology laboratory technician, has moved into a new office in 159 Dow Science West.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to:

- The family of James Reeder, a former SVSU student who died May 1.
- **Beverly Salay**, administrative secretary, Registrar’s Office, on the loss of her mother-in-law, JoAnn Salay, who died June 10.

Campus Happenings

• Two women who were deported from Poland during World War II will discuss their experiences and review the documentary, *The Forgotten Odyssey*, Monday, July 15. Viewing of the film will begin at 6 p.m., in 100 Curtiss Hall. Anna R. Dadlez, professor of Polish, and Sister Nora-Marie of St. Mary’s Convent, will answer questions and review their experiences following the film. *The Forgotten Odyssey* is a documentary which describes experiences of Polish civilians – mostly women and children – who were deported to Soviet Central Asia by Stalin’s police during World War II. The evening is sponsored by the Polish Students

Club. There is no charge for the event and refreshments will be served. For additional information, call (989) 793-1079.

• **Central Stores** will close for inventory Thursday and Friday, June 27 and 28. Orders received by Tuesday, June 25 will be delivered and charged to 2001-02 budgets. Orders received Wednesday, June 26 and beyond will be charged to 2002-03 budgets. Deliveries will resume Monday, July 1.

• The **Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum** will offer two classes for youth and one for adults this summer. Youth classes include “Saturday Art Camp at the Museum” with instructor Bill Chaltraw. The class will take place from 1 to 2:30 p.m., Saturdays, June 29, July 6, 13 and 20. Also with Chaltraw, the class will take place from 1 to 2:30 p.m., Saturdays, July 27, Aug. 3, 10, 17 and 24. Both sections of the class are designed for youth ages 7 to 13. Cost is \$45 for museum members and \$50 for non-members. An adult “Drawing and Painting at the Museum” class with Chaltraw will take place from 3 to 4:30 p.m., Saturdays, June 29, July 6, 13 and 20. Cost is \$45 for museum members and \$50 for non-members. Contact the Museum at ext. 7125 to sign up for classes or obtain more information.

High Five

• The Cardinal **football** team is ranked No. 11 in the preseason college football poll published by *Street and Smith’s Magazine*. The Cardinals return 48 lettermen from last year, in which SVSU finished with an 11-2 record.

SVSU’s Chad Lackowski was named to *Street and Smith’s* Division II pre-season All-American team. The junior tackle earned honorable mention All-America honors in 2001 from *D2Football.com*, and was a first team All-GLIAC selection.

• Essexville **golfer** Chad Horner captured the championship at the 12th Annual Cardinal Classic, hosted by Bay Valley Resort. Jon Janke of Bay City shot a one-under-par to win the senior division. The tournament, which took place June 1 and 2, was co-sponsored by Tuffy Auto Service Centers and Saginaw Bay Underwriters.



June 25, 2002

Twelve students named Roberts Fellows

A dozen SVSU students will serve as Roberts Fellows during the 2002-03 academic year, attending classes, leadership seminars and meeting with regional business, civic and political leaders. The year culminates in a three-week trip to Asia. The 12 join 36 who have participated in the program since its inception in 1999. The Class of 2002 recently returned from Asia.

The group of students was approved June 4 by the SVSU Foundation Board, upon the recommendation of SVSU President Eric R. Gilbertson. Gilbertson made the recommendations after consulting with members of the Roberts Fellows Steering Committee, based upon nominations from SVSU faculty and staff.

The Roberts Fellows Program is named in honor of Donna Roberts of Midland, a former member of the SVSU Board of Control and the Board of Fellows, and a current member of the SVSU Foundation Board. The Roberts Fellowship provides a select group of undergraduates, who have exhibited both scholarship and leadership potential, with an international travel opportunity. The 12 candidates will be supported through a year-long program of both academic course work and extracurricular activities, designed to develop their potential as future political, economic and civic leaders. The fellowship funds the 12 academic credits, course materials, and expenses associated with the international experience.

To be eligible for the Roberts Fellowship, students had to have completed between 70 and 100 credit hours with a 3.0 GPA.

The Class of 2003 Roberts Fellows includes:

- **Lorraine Allen**, a communications major from Freeland, minoring in political science

- **Sarah Chojnacki**, a finance major from Posen, specializing in financial analysis
- **Mindy Eisengruber**, a communications major, and a music minor from Sebewaing
- **Kristen Garcia**, an English major from Bay City
- **Chris Hennessy**, a history major from Bay City
- **Shanika Lampkin**, a finance major from Saginaw
- **Rachael McRobbie**, a business and management major from Bridgeport
- **Laura Miller**, a nursing major from Caro
- **John Mimranek**, a history major from Ithaca
- **Carrie Rice Sauter**, a nursing major from Midland
- **Michelle Steinhoff**, a business and management major from Peck
- **Rebecca Stumpo**, a communications and music major from Caro

For more information on the Roberts Fellowship Program, contact the program coordinator, Drew Hinderer, at ext. 4497.



The Roberts Fellows, Class of 2003, join 36 others who have participated in the program since its inception in 1999.

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Allen Foundation pledges \$1 million to SVSU program

The Allen Foundation Inc. of Midland recently pledged \$1 million to establish a research endowment at SVSU for use in areas of study related to human health. The Allen Foundation supports programs with emphases on health and nutrition.

Faculty at the University, in particular those in the College of Science, Engineering & Technology and the Crystal M. Lange College of Nursing and Health Sciences, are positioned to pursue research that could be beneficial in addressing human health concerns of both a



Participating in a check presentation ceremony at the Allen Foundation in Midland, are, from left, David Swenson, SVSU's H.H. Dow Professor of Chemistry; James Allen, Allen Foundation president; Eric Gilbertson, SVSU president; and Brock Neely, Allen Foundation treasurer.

regional and national nature. In addition, cross-department interactions within the University would be facilitated and ongoing programs provided in which undergraduate students could obtain real-life research experience.

The resources provided by the "Allen Foundation Research Fund" would provide a base of financial support and serve to help recruit the best academic and research talent to the University in order to address unmet research needs. Initial distributions from the endowment will be used to support ongoing research in genetics and nutrition. David H. Swenson, SVSU's H.H. Dow Professor of Chemistry, and his colleagues already have made significant strides with their research on the impact of nutritional intervention on the genetics of human disease. They now are positioned to undertake long-term research programs.

Major efforts currently under way at SVSU, also funded by the Allen Foundation, is evaluation of the role of specific gene mutations involved in nutrient metabolism that may impact the onset of sporadic Alzheimer's Disease. A smaller, but related project, evaluates the impact of genetic mutations in nutrient metabolism genes in Down Syndrome.



U.S. Congressman James Barcia, a graduate of SVSU, held a U.S. House of Representatives hearing Monday, June 24, in Curtiss Hall Banquet Room A. The House Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards of the Committee of Science, chaired by U.S. Congressman Vernon Ehlers, explored the topic of "Workforce Training in a Time of Technological Change." Among those testifying were Tim Clark, director of the Center for Manufacturing Improvement in the Office of Continuing Education. Others testifying included the Honorable Bruce Mahlman, assistant secretary of commerce; Cindy Ballard from the Michigan Economic Development Corp. in Lansing, and Robert Worthington Sr. from Globe Fire Sprinkler in Standish.

Have You Heard?

- Activities and special events to be included in the **Fall 2002 Calendar of Events** should be sent to the Office of University Communications by Wednesday, July 3. To produce the calendar, include name/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. All information should be submitted to University Communications, 389 Wickes Hall, or E-mail ucomm@svsu.edu.
- SVSU's **Spring/Summer Semester Commencement Ceremony** is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 16, in O'Neill Arena. Faculty and staff robing and line-up will occur in the Cardinal Gym Lobby (west side of Ryder Center). Please plan to arrive no later than 7 p.m. Order academic regalia through the SVSU Bookstore by Friday, June 28. The University continues to provide regalia free of charge to faculty, adjunct faculty, and staff.
- The deadline to make a portrait appointment for the **2002-03 Faculty/Staff Directory** is Tuesday, July 16. To schedule a portrait sitting, contact Tim Inman in the Office of University Communications at ext. 4086.
- SVSU employees can take advantage of discounts at Prime Outlets at Birch Run during its **Corporate Days Program**, through June 30. Pick up vouchers to receive a Prime Outlets at Birch Run coupon book, a list of special Corporate Days offers, a shopping bag, *Showcase Magazine* with additional coupon savings and a center directory. SVSU employees also are eligible to receive exclusive offers only available to Corporate Days participants from participating stores. In addition, SVSU employees who shop weekdays (Monday through Thursday) during this time will receive a free gift. Pick up vouchers at three locations on campus: the Cashier's Office, first floor Wickes Hall; Employment & Compensation Services, third floor Wickes Hall; or Business Services, Administrative Services Building. For additional information, contact Employment & Compensation Services at ext. 4108.
- Two **"eZediaMX" workshops** will be offered to SVSU faculty and staff from 9 a.m. to noon, July 26 and Aug. 16 in the RERC Lab

located behind the College of Education.

eZediaMX revolutionizes multimedia authoring and editing, allowing anyone to quickly create digital portfolios, multimedia presentations and slide shows, web videos, animations and interactive CD-Rom projects. The instructor is David Quesada. Online registration is required at partnership.svsu.edu/rerc. For more information, contact Renee M. Scepanski at ext. 7287 or E-mail rmscepan@svsu.edu

• **Mike Mosher**, assistant professor of art, has invited Craig Baldwin, an independent filmmaker, to visit SVSU as a Dow Visiting Artist this fall (Sept. 30 through Oct. 4). Specific dates and times for Baldwin's public presentations will be announced at a future date.

• SVSU will host a **Graduate Open House & Information Session** from 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 26 in Curtiss Hall. Program presentations by each graduate program coordinator will begin at 5:30 p.m. Participants may RSVP to the Office of Graduate Admissions by calling ext. 6096, or E-mail gradadm@svsu.edu.

• SVSU is sponsoring a team in the **Relay for Life**, a fund-raising event for the American Cancer Society. Each team member is asked to raise a minimum of \$100 from donors before the event. Donations of \$10 allows a donor to purchase a luminary bag – giving tribute to anyone that has ever battled cancer (luminary walk scheduled for Saturday night at 9 p.m.). The Relay runs from noon Saturday, Aug. 17 through noon Sunday, Aug. 18. For the 24-hour event, teams gather at Ojibway Island and take turns walking, jogging, or in-line skating on the track. Other fun activities are scheduled for all ages throughout the 24 hours. For more information, contact Maureen Kozumplik, ext. 7111; Teresa George, ext. 4170, or Holly Furlo, ext. 4211.

• The **Midland Center for the Arts** is looking for volunteers to be tour guides for The Nature of Diamonds exhibit, July 12 through Nov. 3. For more information, contact Joe Kchodl at (989) 631-5930.

• Terry Wooten is coming to **Roethke House**, 1805 Gratiot, Saginaw, at 7 p.m., June 26. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for children. Those who plan to attend should bring a chair. An open mike will be available for those who wish to recite a poem.