

Dow Visiting Scholars & Artists Symposium focuses on Middle East

Saginaw Valley State University will host three speakers and a panel discussion with the Middle East as the topic. The week-long symposium, which will take place Nov. 18 through 20, is sponsored by the Dow Visiting Scholars and Artists Series.

The first speaker of the week will be Manochehr Dorraj, professor of political science at Texas Christian University (Fort Worth) and a much-published specialist on Middle Eastern affairs and comparative government. Dorraj will speak at 10 a.m., Monday, Nov. 18, on "The Bush Administration and the Middle East."

A Tuesday evening presentation by Stephen Zunes will focus on "The Prospects for Peace and Security in the Middle East." Zunes, of the University of California-San Francisco, is a frequent guest of NPR. Zunes will speak at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 19.

Augustus Norton of Boston University will discuss "America in the Minds of Muslims" at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 20.

All events take place in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall and are open to the public at no charge, through the generosity of the Herbert H. & Grace A. Dow Foundation. The events are being held in conjunction with the national International Studies Week.

Zunes also will facilitate a panel discussion and recap the week's events at 1 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 21 in a Curtiss Hall location to be announced. "Passion



Dow Visiting Scholars and Artists, Nov. 18 through 20, include (from left): Manochehr Dorraj, Stephen Zunes, and Augustus Norton.

and Politics: The Human Dimension in the Middle East," will open with a presentation by Zunes, followed by the panel discussion, which will include a number of SVSU faculty members.

Coordinating the events is Robert C. Braddock, professor of history. Braddock said plans for the symposium began

nearly a year ago and continues a series of events to promote a discourse on how others view America. In March, SVSU, through the Dow Visiting Scholars & Artists Series, hosted a symposium on China.

For more information the symposium, contact Braddock, at ext. 4360.



The Saginaw Valley State University Cardinal Marching Band will present its 27th Annual Indoor Concert at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 6 in the Performing Arts Theatre.

The SVSU Marching Band, comprised of students from various departments of the University as well as music majors, perform at all home football games and other fall events on campus. The band is under the direction of William Wollner, associate professor of music. Cheryl Wolters and John Withey are co-drum majors.

The concert will feature music from this season's halftime shows and will include performances by featured twirler, Alisha Dougherty, and the Flag Corp. Music to be performed includes selections by Chuck Mangione, The Beach Boys, and Charlie Brown the Musical. Several soloists and sections of the band will be featured.

Complimentary tickets are available to faculty and staff by contacting the Box Office at ext. 4261.

Faculty and staff may bestow the alumni scroll to graduating members of their immediate family during the Commencement ceremony, at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 13. Call Norma Zivich at ext. 4075 to make arrangements.



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Celebrating 40 years of distinctive education in 2003

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Saginaw Valley State University students and alumni have several opportunities throughout the year to connect with prospective employers through on-campus interviews and job/career fairs. The Office of Career Planning and Placement works with employers to make recruiting SVSU graduates effective and convenient. In addition to posting job opportunities and hosting on-campus events, the office helps connect candidates and employers who are a good match.

Career Planning and Placement maintains a network of contacts who can assist students and alumni with their employment campaigns, and help students identify a career path that fits their personality, interests and goals.

Jennifer Frank and Marcy Emmendorfer discuss internship opportunities with Susan Pearsall, manager of Compensation Analysis for Walt Disney World. Frank is a sophomore from Bay City majoring in English Education; Emmendorfer is a sophomore elementary education major from New Lothrop. Job recruiters from Walt Disney World visited campus Oct. 22.

The office also provides videotaped practice interviews to help candidates feel confident and ready to excel. Additionally, staff critique résumés and cover letters as candidates ready them for a potential employer.

For additional information on the many services available through Career Planning and Placement, call ext. 4954, or go online at www.svsu.edu/careers.



It's Everybody's Business!

New opportunities for occupational therapists

Julie Dorsey, East Central Regional Director for Easter Seals Michigan, will be the keynote speaker for the Annual Occupational Therapy Professional Conference and Employment Fair Wednesday, Nov. 13. Dorsey will speak on "The Spirit of Rehabilitation."

The Occupational Therapy Conference will provide networking opportunities and updates regarding current OT practice, and provide access to employment opportunities in occupational therapy. In addition, the program promotes a better understanding of OT, and increases community awareness about the OT program at SVSU.

Registration begins at 8 a.m., followed by Dorsey's presentation from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Concurrent sessions will begin at 9:45 a.m., followed by a networking luncheon where senior occupational therapy students will have the opportunity to meet with area clinicians to discuss opportunities and changes in occupational therapy. The day will conclude with a Recruitment Fair located in Groening Commons. This event runs concurrent with the Student Nursing Association Career Fair.

The conference is free for students and OT professionals, but registration is required. All students and alumni are welcome to attend, especially those in Occupational Therapy and Medical Technology programs. For more information, contact Shannan Schewe at 832-2543, or Kathy Stavely at ext. 4153.

New winter course factors in management success

SVSU will offer a new management course for the 2003 winter semester. "Management 290: Factors in Management Success" will take place Tuesdays from 4 to 6 p.m. in Room 102 of Curtiss Hall. Coordinated by David Hall, executive in residence in the College of Business and Management, and William Bowen, a retired plant manager from GM Powertrain Division, the class is designed to teach you how to be effective in the business world.

Subjects of the class will include dress for various occasions, speaking to an audience, personal management of time and resources, table manners, networking, how to start a conversation without talking about the weather, as well as mentoring and the advantages of being mentored. Each presenter is an experienced professional in his or her field to help students in their efforts to overcome whatever fears they may have going into the work place. For more information on the course, contact the College of Business and Management at ext. 4064.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to **Patti Wenglikowski**, associate webmaster, on the loss of her grandfather, Quentin Carpenter, who died Oct. 22.

It's a boy!

Congratulations to **Tim Inman**, associate director of university communications, and his wife, Amy, on the Oct. 23 birth of a son, Joshua Timothy (7 lbs., 6 oz., 20 in.).

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Professional Profile

• **Jerry Baker**, professor of educational leadership, presented "Training Current and Future School Administrators in Human Resource Management" at the 64th Annual Conference of the American Association of School Personnel Administrators, Oct. 16 through 19 in Vancouver, British Columbia. The presentation discussed the development and field testing of an instructional book Baker co-authored with Madeleine Doran of Barry University, Miami, Fla. The book, *Human Resource Management: In-basket Exercises for School Administrators*, recently was published by Scarecrow Press, Landham, Md.

• **Eric Gardner**, associate professor of English, has an entry on Elizabeth Taylor Greenfield in the October 2002

supplement to the *American National Biography Online* (www.anb.org), which is published by Oxford University Press and the American Council of Learned Societies. A print edition is forthcoming. Greenfield, a 19th-century African-American singer, achieved international fame in the 1850s performing across the U.S. and Great Britain (including a performance for Queen Victoria).

• **Michael R. Mosher**, assistant professor of art/communication and multimedia, presented "E-Learning and the Global Interface" at the E-Learn 2002 conference in Montreal. Mosher's short paper discussed interface design principles in the international classroom, plus new mobile technologies used by students and faculty in Japan that he saw during his spring semester teaching at Shikoku University.

Saginaw Valley State University was well represented at MITESOL, the state conference for teaching English as a second language, on Oct. 19 at Oakland Community College in Auburn Hills. ESL Specialist Jeannine Lorenger presented "Some Tips on Trouble Spots in Pronunciation;" Tracy Brown demonstrated a program, "The Legend of North Carolina: A Spooky Internet Adventure;" Elizabeth Niergarth, Jeannine Lorenger, Carol Sparapani, and Judy Youngquist took part in a panel discussion titled "Teaching of Grammar: To Teach Grammar as a Separate Course or in Combination with Other Skills."



Michael R. Mosher, assistant professor of art/communication and multimedia, supervises approximately a dozen students who are painting a wall mural at the Trinity/St. John Community Center in Saginaw. In addition to painting the mural, students were given instruction by Mosher at the Marshall M. Fredericks Museum, which obtained a grant from the Family Independence Agency to fund the project. The mural will focus on significant figures in African-American history and highlight social issues identified by the students and Community Center staff. To estimate the impact of the completed mural, it is important to note the Center is typically used over 11,000 times a year by more than 1,000 area youths. A dedication ceremony is planned for the near future; for more information, contact Andrea Ondish at ext. 7096.

Board of Control welcomes newest member

Saginaw Valley State University's Board of Control welcomed its newest member, Sandra M. Cotter. Cotter was named to SVSU's governing board by Gov. John Engler. She is a partner in the Lansing office of the Detroit-based law firm Dykema Gossett.

Cotter, whose term expires in 2005, will fill the seat vacated by Robert H. Walpole.



Sandra M. Cotter

The campus community is invited to a reception in appreciation of Walpole's years of service to the Board of Control. Walpole is retiring from the Board after more than nine years of service. **The reception will take place from 4 to 5:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 11 in the Emeriti Room; RSVP to ext. 4042.**

Faculty Association honor peers at annual banquet

Two faculty members were given Service Awards and two more were honored with Scholarship Awards by the Faculty Association during its annual Fall Banquet, Friday, Oct. 25.

Randy Hock, associate professor of computer science, and John Mooningham, professor of mathematical sciences, were given Faculty Association Service Awards for their leadership and commitment to the Faculty Association.

Scott Julian, associate professor of management and marketing, and Steve Sepanski, associate professor of mathematical sciences, were honored with Faculty Association Scholarship awards.

Several students also were recognized with scholarship awards, including eight for FA Scholarships and one for the Chrysallis Scholarship.

Accelerated Certification Education Program offers unique opportunities for teachers

SVSU's Accelerated Certification Education program is not for sissies! Just ask any of the graduates. But while it may be a tough program to get through, graduates – nearly 100 percent of whom are employed – will tell you it's well worth it.

A typical week in the life of an ACE student: During the day – substitute teaching and student teaching; each evening, three to four hours of class, plus outside homework and class preparations.

The ACE program is unique in Michigan, according to Stephen Barbus, dean of the College of Education. The program takes SVSU's state-approved teacher certification program and condenses it into one year for those with bachelor's or master's degrees in other field.

Students must select a major or minor from approved degree programs and meet all requirements of the traditional

program, including maintaining a 2.75 GPA.

Teachers from Bay City, Lanse Creuse, Saginaw and Utica public schools come into the collegiate classroom to meet with the students before they hit the ground running.

Barbus said the ACE students have a variety of careers before embarking on one in teaching. Graduates of the program include attorneys, chemists, engineers and journalists.

SVSU offers the program in both of its College of Education sites: SVSU and Macomb County's Regional Education Center.

Students have a choice to become certified in two programs in each of elementary and secondary education programs. The benefit to both districts is tremendous, Barbus said. The districts have a built-in cadre of substitute

teachers and they have an opportunity to "interview" the candidates for a full year. The cooperating district guarantees students in the program an interview at the end of the year.

Fall 2002 marks the third year of the program, which is coordinated by Susie Emond, professor of teacher education; and Carol Wolfe, associate professor of teacher education.

All 54 of May 2001 graduates are employed in teaching. There were 72 graduates in May 2002 – 98 percent of whom are employed. This fall, more than 100 students are enrolled in the program.

The ACE program is aimed at non-traditional students, mid-career, and the program provides clinical teaching experience under the supervision of expert teachers. There is intense coaching and mentoring by veteran teachers, and candidates go through the program as cohorts.

Prospective students may call the Certification Office at ext. 4057.

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SVSU Endowed Chairs featured in video to be broadcast on Midland community TV

The SVSU Foundation has produced a video highlighting the research of four of SVSU's endowed chairs, who receive grant support through Midland area foundations. The video will air beginning Thursday, Nov. 7 on Midland Community Television (MCTV), channel 3. Scheduled to air 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., Thursdays through November, the video is part of the "Money Matters" program, hosted by Joyce McManus. McManus, a long-time supporter of SVSU, is a member of the Foundation's Annual Fund Committee.

The video highlights the works of David Swenson, Herbert H. Dow Chair in Chemistry; Christopher Schilling, Charles J. Strosacker Chair in Engineering; James Leming, Carl A. Gerstacker Chair in Education; and George Puia, Dow Chemical Company Centennial Chair in International Business.

During the program, each chair highlights his research efforts and the value of the support given by Midland foundations.

Swenson, whose research is in gene studies, pointed out that foundation support allows him to perform research in areas considered more "risky."

Schilling, who is researching ways to turn

agricultural waste products into fuel, discussed the value of these opportunities for SVSU students.

Leming talked of the way "character education" connects youth with other people. In addition to character education, Leming's research focuses on economics education.

Puia, who is researching ways in which companies can compete internationally, talked of the ways in which businesses who are more international in scope can be more competitive.

Lucille Beuthin, executive director of the SVSU Foundation, was executive producer of the video.



"Behind the scenes" assistants for the SVSU Foundation's video include executive producers Brian Mudd (left) and Lucille Beuthin (seated, right). Also pictured are producers Erik Horn (seated, center), who also was director; and Lyle Mikolanz (right), who also served as technical director.

Maximize your giving . . . minimize your cost

Your pledge to the *Creating the Future* campaign is an opportunity for employees of SVSU to participate in creating a

legacy for future students, faculty and staff. There's still time to make a contribution to the Campaign and take advantage of tax credits before the end of the 2002 tax year.

Remember: The Michigan Tax Credit enables employees to keep here at SVSU more than half the money we regularly send to Lansing and Washington. If you're not sure how that works and would like information on how you can pledge to the campaign and get more than half back in state tax credit and federal deductions, call the Foundation Office at ext. 4052.

Any contribution will help toward the goal of building a Student Center, the Regional Education Center and the expansion of the Zahn Library. Do not let this chance pass you by to be part of creating the future of this institution for the many students now and those who are to come.

The State of Michigan allows special tax treatment (credit) for contributions by state residents to the SVSU Foundation. The allowable tax credit is 50 percent of the gift, but not to exceed \$200 for a return filed jointly and \$100 for a single return. This credit is available whether or not you itemize deductions on your federal tax return. Contributions toward

higher education are tax deductible on your federal return if you itemize deductions. The value of the deduction will vary depending on your marginal tax bracket.

Your gift of \$1,200 will be recognized as part of a permanent donor recognition display.

The following example illustrates the potential net cost of a contribution, assuming a joint return with a 27% federal marginal income tax rate:

Annual Contribution	\$400
Michigan Tax Credit	\$(200)
Federal Tax Deduction	\$(108)
Net Annual Cost	\$92
Net Monthly Cost	\$7.67

By making a personal pledge of \$1,200, payable over three years, your commitment would be computed as follows:

Annual Contribution	\$400
Michigan Tax Credit	\$(200)
Federal Tax Deduction	\$(108)
Net Annual Cost	\$92
Years	3
Total Net Cost	\$276
Annual Contribution	\$400
Years	3
Benefit to SVSU	\$1,200

To help in *Creating the Future: Investing in Tomorrow's Teachers & Leaders*, contact the SVSU Foundation at ext. 4052.

Mentoring Program hosts orientation event

The Minority Mentoring Program is hosting an orientation from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 9 in Room 144 of the College of Education Building.

The mission of the SVSU Minority Mentoring Program is to assist African-American, Latino and Native American students in the successful transition to university life in a new community and in the successful matriculation toward a career goal during their SVSU experience.

For more information on the Mentoring Program, contact Barbara Jean Jones or Juanita Garcia at ext. 4494 or e-mail jbgarcia@svsu.edu.

Valley Wind Quintet plans 20th Anniversary Concert

SVSU will help celebrate the 20th season of the Valley Wind Quintet by hosting a concert Thursday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

The Valley Wind Quintet is the woodwind quintet of the SVSU Department of Music. The quintet was founded in 1982 and has played throughout Michigan and beyond. Members of the quintet are: Lauren Rongo, flute; Jane Bellen, oboe; Linda Hargett, clarinet; Drew Hinderer, bassoon; and William Wollner, horn.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for students. For more information, contact the SVSU box office at ext. 4261.

Wish List program seeks participants

It's time to start thinking about the Wish List again. Any office that would like to adopt a family for Christmas should look for the letter and list of families to choose from during the first week of November.

Smaller offices should consider partnering another office to take on a larger wish. For more information, call Audra Forsberg at ext. 4297.

Professional orator headlines MLK celebration at SVSU

Patricia Russell-McCloud, J.D., a professional orator and author from Atlanta, Ga., will present a keynote address at SVSU's Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Thursday, Jan. 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms.

Tickets to the dinner are \$15 for faculty and staff, \$3 for SVSU students. Advance reservations can be made through the SVSU box office by calling ext. 4261.

For more information on the celebration or Russell-McCloud's presentation, call the Office of Diversity at ext. 4397.

The Office of Sponsored and Academic Programs Support and Evaluation is facilitating "Successful Grant Projects" from noon to 1 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 13 in B212. Also offered is a workshop titled "Reviewing a Grant Proposal" from 9 to 11 a.m., Friday, Nov. 15 in C129. To register online, see www.svsu.edu/workshops or contact Barb Beck at ext. 4295.