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The Smart Podiums aren’t the only technological advances on campus. The University now is linked with Saginaw Public Schools in a venture that gives the K-12 organization greater access to technology and benefits SVSU education students. The link allows the two educational groups to video conference. SPS can participate in meetings at SVSU via video, and education students can observe master teachers in the classroom. This fiber link was purchased with funds from the Title III technology grant.

Schindler said the “connection” was made because SPS wanted Merit access, but could not find an Internet 2 connection at a reasonable price. Through the fiber link, SPS gets to Merit via SVSU. This resulted in SPS getting what it wanted from the Internet, with a cost savings, Schindler said.

A second partnership ITS developed was with Sprint. Through this arrangement, the University ran fiber to a Sprint “point of presence” (POP) in

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Correction

The Trinity St. John Community Center Mural outreach project (Nov. 5) was funded by the Saginaw Community Foundation, not the FIA. A dedication will take place at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26.

Bachand a grandfather

• Donald Bachand, dean of the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences, is a grandfather. His first grandson, Kyle Thomas Harper, (7 lbs. 11 oz., 20 in.) was born Nov. 7.

Condolesences

• The campus community extends condolences to John LaPrad, manager of network services, on the loss of his father, John LaPrad, who died Nov. 10.

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Name Change

• Dawn (Brizard) Isoler, Melissa (Larkins) Woodward

Follow your favorite athletic teams this season:

The SVSU football team will face off against Indiana (Pa.) in the first round of the Division II football playoffs. The Cardinals will travel to take on the Indians at Miller Stadium Saturday, Nov. 23. Kickoff is set for noon. The Cardinals earned their third consecutive trip to the playoffs after going 9-2. The winner of the SVSU-IUP match-up will face the winner of the Northeast region’s other semi-final between Grand Valley State and C-W Post.

Correction

The University Art Gallery will host its semiannual Bachelor of Fine Arts exhibition through Wednesday, Dec. 4. This group show of the works of SVSU senior art majors serves as a conclusion of their undergraduate program. Two candidates for graduation, John Hale and Brian VanDeVoort, will display their works during this event. The Art Gallery is open Monday through Thursday from noon to 5 p.m.

Reception for Technology Award set for 4 p.m., Nov. 21

Technology has its rewards – and at SVSU — it also has its awards. Thursday, Nov. 21, Sally Decker, professor of nursing, will receive the third Technology in Teaching Award during a special reception at 4 p.m. in Seminar D, Curtis Hall.

Decker will be honored for her creative use of technology, according to Beth Roe, assistant professor of nursing and a member of the Teaching and Learning with Technology Roundtable. Among the technology Decker uses is Blackboard, PowerPoint and the computer she took on the challenges of using the Picture-Text-Image (PITC) system with Socrates Podium to broadcast to remote sites with BlackBoard support. Decker said her students also have accepted the challenge. In one of her classes, Decker had her students tell in Real Producer of a time when they felt they made a difference as a nurse and shared it with the class of practicing nurses working on their BSN degrees.

Decker was among five individuals nominated for the award, sponsored by the Office of Robert Tien, vice president for academic affairs. The nominations came from both faculty and students, Roe said. The first year, four instructors were nominated for the honor. Eight were nominated in Year 2 and 32 this year.

“This says more people are using technology and are aware of how others use technology in their classrooms,” said Brian Mudd, a member of the TLTR. Mudd should know. As manager of the Instructional Technology Center, he knows firsthand what instructors are using.

During the first six weeks of the Fall 2002 semester, Mudd said faculty borrowed technology related equipment for classroom use at a 26.1 percent higher rate (1,543 items) than in the first six weeks of Winter ’02. The portable equipment includes laptops, video/data projectors, DVD players, remotes, and other portable equipment.

“How about the roll out of web access for registration? The numbers speak for themselves. In just two weeks, nearly 5,000 students have registered via Cardinal Direct.

Desktops are not immune from the advances of ITS. Each year, one-third of student and one-third of faculty microcomputers are upgraded. The student-to-personal-computer ratio on campus is 9.28 to 1. Plus, there are more than 30 kiosks across campus for Internet access and laptop plug-in. Students are also making great use of ‘M’ drive space that allows them to access their personal data from anywhere via the Internet, without a disk.

By next summer, Schindler said he hopes to have some wireless options in place. In addition, ITS is phasing in key data, i.e., using a ‘key’ about the size of one’s thumb, to plug into a USB port on the front of the computer to access data. This would eventually phase out Zip drives.

Blackboard continues to gain in popularity, having gone from 0 to 23 percent of all classes on campus using the technology to some degree.

ReNet is up and running, allowing each campus resident student one port. With room for 1,500 students on campus housing, 1,100 computers are in residence halls.

Also for students is a new service on campus – the Student Technology Center. Through the center, students can receive one-on-one training in particular computer software. Instructors also can make arrangements for in-class training. This service is offered through the Zahnow Library.

The campus will close Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29 for Thanksgiving holiday break.

The Valley Wind Quartet celebrated its 20th Anniversary by performing in concert Thursday, Nov. 14 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Several area musicians also performed a variety of pieces with the Quartet. Copies of the Quartet’s 20th Anniversary commemorative CD are available from Nancy Whelan at ext. 4159 or music@svsu.edu.

“We’ve come a long way in just a few years,” Schindler said. “We still have work to do. Technology has fundamentally changed everything we do here.”