The SVSU Faculty Association presented several awards at its annual banquet Friday, Oct. 15. David Weaver, professor of political science, was recognized with the FA Lifetime Achievement Award. Weaver, who joined the faculty in 1967, has announced his intention to retire at the end of the current academic year. In addition, six students received Faculty Association scholarships: Cassandra Fecht, psychology; Amber Gray, English; Mark Hauman, accounting; Sarah Holdwick, international studies; Hannah Radebaugh, communication and theatre; and Jannifer Tyrrell, biology.

The Faculty Award for Service was given to Kerry Segel, professor of English, who has been a member of the faculty since 1986. Scott Youngstedt, associate professor of sociology, received the Faculty Award for Scholarship. He joined the faculty in 1996.
Grants awarded to fund special initiatives by faculty, staff at SVSU

College of Science, Engineering, and Technology
• Gretchen Mooningham, Professor of Mathematical Sciences, received $2,200 from the Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) for the support of a Sonia Kovalevsky High School Mathematics Day to be held Dec. 10. The Sonia Kovalevsky Day is supported by Elizabeth City State University and the National Security Agency.
• Christopher Schilling, Strosacker Chair in Engineering, received $52,361 from the Michigan Department of Agriculture USDA Federal-State Market Improvement Program (FSMIP) for his project titled, “Processing Agricultural Residues into Structural Material: Market Opportunity Analysis.”

College of Education
• Walter Rathkamp, Executive Director for the Center for Science and Mathematics Education, received $183,000 from the Michigan Department of Education for the support of professional development needs for science teachers at two high-needs schools in the Saginaw Public Schools and for the development of an individual self-improvement plan for each teacher. The second project component will work with the Bridgeport-Spaulding School District to deepen and sustain learning from the previously funded school year with monthly Learning Communities/Study Groups.
• Rathkamp also received $491,581 from the Michigan Department of Education to increase the academic achievement of students in grades 3-8 in mathematics by enhancing the content knowledge and teaching skills of classroom teachers. The three components include a two-week summer workshop for teachers in grades 3-5 and 6-8; sustained follow-up and support activities throughout the 2005-06 school year with monthly learning communities and study groups; and end-of-program one-week workshops. Project activities are selected and designed to meet the need in the content strand that currently are showing a lack of student achievement based on MEAP mathematics results in grades 4-8. The project will address the needs of teachers who are not “highly qualified.”
• Douglas Hansen, Professor of Teacher Education in Elementary, Early Childhood, and Special Education, received $183,000 from the Michigan Department of Education for the support of professional development for mathematics teachers at three high-needs schools in the Saginaw Public Schools, and develop an individual self-improvement plan for each teacher. A second component of the project is to work with the Bridgeport-Spaulding School District to deepen and sustain learning from the previously funded school year with monthly Learning Communities/Study Groups.
• James Leming, Carl A. Gerstacker Chair in Education, received $72,000 from the Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation, Inc. to support a research project on the teaching of social studies in elementary and middle schools.

College of Business and Management
• Harold Leaver, Executive Director for the Center for Business and Economic Development, received $45,000 for employee training with Carbone of America, Fullerton Tool Company, Powell Fabrication and Manufacturing, Inc., and Randell Manufacturing, Inc.

Maya Angelou

Internationally renowned poet, playwright, author and actress Maya Angelou will speak at SVSU Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. in O’Neill Arena.

Angelou is hailed as one of the great voices of contemporary literature and as a remarkable Renaissance woman. A passionate and powerful speaker, Angelou challenges her audiences to invest their spirits and hearts in the elevation of the human condition. Often swaying and stirring when she moves, she captivates her audiences lyrically with vigor, fire and perception.

Tickets for Angelou’s lecture are now on sale at the SVSU Box Office and Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets are $21 for the general public, $16 for SVSU faculty and staff, and $5 for students, regardless of grade level.

The SVSU Box Office is located in Groening Commons and available by phone at ext. 4261.
Professional Profile

- **Gladys A. Hernandez**, associate professor of modern foreign languages, was selected as “Educator of the Year” by the Michigan Foreign Language Association. Hernandez will receive her award at the Michigan Foreign Language Association’s annual conference in Lansing Friday, Oct. 29.

- **Tai-Chi Lee**, professor of computer science, presented “A HSEP (Highly Secure Electronic Payment) Protocol Design Using HECC (F2m) Algorithm” at the Sixth International Conference on Information Integration and Web-based Applications and Services, Sept. 27 through 29 in Jakarta, Indonesia. ByungKwan Lee co-authored the article.

- **Debbie Lively**, associate professor of teacher education/elementary, early childhood education, special education, presented the “SKI-HI Model of Early Intervention Services” to the state of California’s Early Start Workgroup, Aug. 19 in Sacramento, Calif. This workgroup is charged with selecting an early intervention service delivery model for families with young children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Their decision will impact the entire state on how they deliver services to families with young children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

In addition, Lively presented at the Children’s Trust Fund Annual Conference held on Mackinaw Island, Oct. 11. Her topic was “Great Beginnings Start Before Birth.” Lively had been sent by the Children’s Trust Fund to Prevent Child Abuse America’s prenatal training last June in Chicago.

- **Sandra M. Nagel**, associate professor of psychology, presented a paper at an international meeting sponsored by Harvard and MIT on Aug. 10. “Cortical Processing Differences in Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity and Normal Control Subjects” was recently published in the Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Biomagnetism, 2004.

- **Thomas Renna**, professor of history, read a paper titled “Princely Virtues and the Poverty Controversy in Giles of Rome” at the Princely Beginnings Start Before Birth.” Renna had been sent by the Children’s Trust Fund to Prevent Child Abuse America’s prenatal training last June in Chicago.

- **Steve Taber**, assistant professor of biology, will have a paper titled “A New Bot Fly Species (Diptera: Oestridae) from Central Texas” published in The Great Lakes Entomologist. The paper discusses Taber’s discovery of a new species of parasitic insect (a bot fly formerly unknown to science that lives in the throat of white-tailed deer in its larval stage).

Also in press at Southwestern Entomologist (Texas A&M University) is Taber’s article, “The Bee Fly Exoprosopa MacQuart in Central Texas with Notes on Conspicuities Occurring in the State.”

New Cardinals


Con condolences

- **Kathleen Chantaca-Blanchard**, administrative secretary, Student Counseling Center, on the loss of her father, Joseph Chantaca, who passed away Oct. 5.

- **Randy Hock**, associate professor of computer science, on the loss of his mother-in-law, Alice Williams, who passed away Aug. 20.

- **George Velasquez**, working foreman/custodial specialist, and **Gilberto Velasquez**, shipping/receiving/mail delivery clerk, on the loss of their mother, Cruz (Castillo) Velasquez, who passed away Oct. 21.

TIAA-CREF offers financial advice

A consultant from TIAA-CREF will be available for one-on-one counseling sessions Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 22 and 23, and Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 21 and 22, in Curtiss Hall, Room 116.

To schedule an appointment, sign up online at www.tiaa-cref.org/moc or call Linda Baker at (800) 842-2044. The consultant will be available to answer questions about your financial matters. You’ll receive help developing long-term strategies, finding the right allocation mix for you, developing your own strategy, learning about TIAA-CREF retirement income flexibility and comparing lifetime income versus cash withdrawal options.

Please contact ECS at ext. 7100 for more information.

Faculty exchange to Japan available

Faculty interested in teaching at Shikoku University, SVSU’s sister school in Tokushima, Japan, should contact Woody Pelton by Nov. 12 at ext. 4268, Wickes 160, pelton@svsu.edu for details.
SVSU wins “Battle of the Valleys”

SVSU students surpassed their counterparts at Grand Valley State University in the schools’ second annual “Battle of the Valleys” fund-raising competition. SVSU students collected $12,001, while GVSU students raised less than $8,000.

Through a week-long comprehensive program, the SVSU Student Association raised money at a variety of events ranging from selling T-shirts and ice cream sundaes to soliciting donations for SVSU President Eric R.

Zahnow Library source for popular paperbacks

Thanks to a grant from the SVSU Foundation, the library is offering popular paperback books in the Book Nook Café.

The grant was used to purchase a starter collection of paperbacks and shelving for the browsing collection. In the future, the collection will be maintained through donations of used paperbacks.

English professors Kerry Segel and Laura Yelsik first saw the need for a high-interest paperback collection in the library that would encourage more reading for pleasure among SVSU students. With the cooperation of Linda Farynk, director of the library, they secured the grant to purchase the shelving and the starter collection of books.

A committee of librarians selected the first titles for the Café Collection.

The books are located in the Book Nook Café on the third floor of the library.

Online calendar promotes Saginaw Valley arts and cultural events

People in the Saginaw Valley now can browse a single Web site to find information on art exhibits, concerts, plays and other performances: www.midmichiganevents.org. The Web site contains information on arts and cultural events for Bay, Midland and Saginaw counties.

Participating organizations include the Bay Area Convention and Visitors Bureau; the Bay Arts Council; the Bay County Library System; Delta College; the Midland Center for the Arts; the Saginaw Community Enrichment Commission; and SVSU. There are also links to the Public Libraries of Saginaw and the Saginaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau. SVSU is hosting the Web site on its servers.

Health Services administers flu vaccine

Health Services has a supply of the influenza virus vaccine. “However, due to the shortage, we are able to administer this vaccine only to those who qualify as ‘high risk,’” said Gloria Hansen, director of health services.

“This includes people over 65 years of age or anyone of any age who has a chronic illness.

“We are willing to offer this vaccine to any SVSU student, staff or faculty member who qualifies,” Hansen said. “We are also willing to offer this vaccine to qualified relatives (such as elderly parents) of any SVSU student, staff or faculty member.”

Influenza vaccine costs $15 per injection. SVSU will not bill insurance or Medicaid.

For more information, contact Health Services, W267, at ext. 4271.