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SVSU raises more than \$13,000 for charity; wins “Battle of the Valleys”

SVSU students raised \$13,012 during the third annual “Battle of the Valleys” fund-raising competition with their counterparts from Grand Valley State University.

According to representatives of the Student Association, students at GVSU collected \$7,327.

The money raised by SVSU students will assist people who

were relocated to the greater Saginaw area after Hurricane Katrina. The United Way of Saginaw County will coordinate the distribution of funds.

The SVSU Student Association organized variety of fund-raising events Oct. 9-14. Activities ranged from traditional money-makers – such as bake sales, T-shirt sales, street corner collections, and

“penny wars,” where cash is placed into designated containers on campus – to more elaborate spectacles such as “paint ball the presidents,” where the leaders of various campus organizations, including SVSU President Eric R. Gilbertson, made themselves human paint ball targets in exchange for donations.

Begun in 2003, the event raises money for local charities by capitalizing on the interest in the annual football games between the two schools. Last year, SVSU raised \$12,001 for the Saginaw County Child Abuse and Neglect Council, winning the fund-raising competition. GVSU won the “Battle of the Valleys” in its inaugural year.



At every “Battle of the Valleys” fund-raising event between SVSU and Grand Valley, President Gilbertson has agreed to spend a night outdoors on campus if students raise a certain amount of money. And they’ve never let the President down! Among those on hand for “Rocking with the President” this year were, back row: Beth Schafer, Nick Terreck, Michelle Herbon, Monica Monor, Whitney Richmond; middle row: Gilbertson, Justin Findlay, Maggie Hammerbacher, Emily Hammerbacher, Sharidy Hathcock; and in front: “Scout,” Mike Rosalez, Leah Sherman, Drew Taylor, and Ashley Verner. Photo by Tim Inman.

Professional Profile

• Clifford Dorne, associate dean of the College of Arts & Behavioral Sciences and professor of criminal justice, organized a panel titled “Program Development and Inter-agency Coordination: Saginaw County’s Truancy Mediation Initiative” for the Association for Conflict Resolution’s annual conference held in Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 27 to Oct. 1. Dorne delivered a presentation on this panel titled “History and Planning of the Truancy Mediation Program.” He serves as the SVSU coordinator of the program, and is the co-chair of the Association’s Restorative Justice Section.

Also presenting on the panel was **Joni-Boye Beaman**, professor of sociology. She gave a presentation on the “Development and Operations of the SVSU Truancy Mediation Case Intake Office.”

Francis Dane, Finkbeiner endowed chair of ethics and public policy, delivered a presentation titled “Truancy Mediation Program Evaluation.” The panel also included presentations by mediators Theresa O’Neil and Joel Tanner, reporting on the “Mediator’s Perspective in Truancy Cases.” The truancy program is funded by a Juvenile Accountability Block Grant in affiliation with the Michigan 10th Judicial District–Family Division.

• **Eric Gardner**, associate professor of English, has 19 entries in *The Greenwood Encyclopedia of African American Literature*, eds. Hans Ostrom and J. David Macey, Jr. (Greenwood, 2005): Octavia V. Rogers Albert (1: 16-17), Henry Bibb (1: 116-118), Mary Ann Camberton Shadd Cary (1: 244-245), Fanny Jackson Coppin (1: 337-338), Samuel Cornish (1: 341-342), Joseph Seamon Cotter, Sr. (1: 349-350), Joseph Seamon Cotter, Jr. (1: 348-349), William and Ellen Craft (1: 352-355), Henry Highland Garnet (2: 605-606), Rebecca Cox Jackson (3: 836-837), Emma Dunham Kelley-Hawkins (3: 920-921), John Mercer Langston (3: 954-955), William Cooper Nell (3: 1200-1201), James Pennington (4: 1271-1272), William Still (4: 1545-1546), George B. Vashon (5: 1652-1653), Mary Webb (5: 1706-1707), William Whipper (5: 1724-1725), and James Monroe Whitfield (5: 1732-1733).

• **Gladys A. Hernandez**, professor of modern foreign languages, and Sandra Tomaszycski, a senior student in MFL, presented a paper “Infusing Hispanic Culture into the K-12 Classroom” at the Michigan World Language Association Conference in Lansing, Oct. 20-21.

• **Judith Kerman**, professor of English, gave a reading of her poetry and translations at Ferris State University Oct. 18. She also read her poetry and talked about Mayapple Press at the Ludington Visiting Writers series in Ludington, Mich., Oct. 15, on a program also featuring Mayapple Press poets Adrienne Lewis, John Palen and Conrad Hilberry.

• **Tai-Chi Lee**, professor of computer science, published an article titled “A MEP (Mobile Electronic Payment) and IntcCA Protocol Design” in a special edition of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science* by Springer-Verlag Publication, pp. 331-339, in conjunction with the First International Conference on High Performance Computing & Communications, Sept. 21-24, Sorrento, Italy. ByungKwan Lee coauthored the article.

• **Danilo Sirias**, associate professor of management, published a paper titled “Quantity discount versus lead time-dependent discount in an inter-organizational supply chain,” which was published in the *International Journal of Production Research* (Vol. 16, No. 16, August 2005, pp. 3481-3496). Satish Mehra from the University of Memphis co-authored the paper.

• **Dee Storey**, professor of teacher education, won a blue ribbon for “Best Use of Theme” at the national level for her quilt titled “Dr. Ballerina” from the Quilt of Dreamst program, sponsored by Hancock Fabric and St. Jude Children’s Hospital. Storey’s quilt, along with other winners, would have been shown at the International Quilt Expo in Houston in October 2006; however, the hurricane season has changed the expo’s schedule. The quilt will be part of a year-long traveling show, then it will be donated to St. Jude Children’s Hospital. Storey learned in August that she had won a blue ribbon at the state level, making her quilt eligible to compete nationally. Last year, some 3,400 quilts were donated to the hospital and one of its fund-raising campaigns via this program.

New Cardinals

• **Jill Gushow**, director of staff relations, had a baby girl, Sydney Ellen Reuter-Gushow (6 lbs, 10 oz., 19 in.) on Oct. 28.

• **Rose Lange**, assistant professor of nursing, and Gary Lange, associate professor of biology, had a baby boy, Theodore Michael Lange (7 lbs., 5 oz., 18 in.) on Oct. 18.

• **Sherry Morgan**, assistant director of admissions, had a baby girl, Sage Elizabeth Morgan (6 lbs., 15 oz., 20 in.) on Oct. 18.

• **Jamie Teddy**, police officer, had a baby girl, Ava Noel Teddy (9.1 lbs, 20.5 in.) on Sept. 28.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to:

• The family of **Barbara Bacon**, who worked the past 19 years for SVSU in the Office of Clinical Experiences as supervisor of student teachers. She passed away Sept. 28.

• **Mike Ohman**, custodian, on the loss of his son, Logan, who passed away Oct. 7.

• **Kerry Segel**, professor of English, on the loss of his mother, Eleanore Segel, who passed away Oct. 20.

• **Jill Wetmore**, acting assistant dean in the College of Business & Management and professor of finance, on the loss of her father-in-law, Louis Wetmore, who passed away Oct. 4.

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Noon on the Friday before the publication date.
Please send items by e-mail to: tmi@svsu.edu.

Sponsored and Academic Programs Support announces grants

The following grants were received from January through April 2005:

College of Arts & Behavioral Sciences

Scott Youngstedt, associate professor of sociology, received \$4,000 from the West African Research Association to fund his project titled "The 5th Francophone Sports and Arts Festival: The World Comes to Niamey, Niger." This project will focus on the cultural, political and economic dimensions of the 5th Francophone Sports and Arts Festival to be held in Niamey, Niger in December 2005.

John Jezierski, professor of history, received \$1,418.02 from the Palestine Exploration Fund for his project titled "Bonfils, Palestine, and the Photochrom Companies." This project helped provide funds for the completion

of Jezierski's research regarding the general history of Photochrom that he will publish as *Men of Vision: The Photochrom Companies*.

Eric Gardner, associate professor of English, received \$600 from the Rare Book, Manuscript, and Special Collection Library, Duke University: Research Grants Program for his research titled "Mary Wager Fisher's interactions with and presentations of the nascent African American literary community (George Boyer Vashon, Frank J. Webb, etc.) in Reconstruction-era Washington, D.C." Gardner used Fisher's work to help understand African American literary production in Reconstruction-era Washington and to explore connections between such productions and white literature.

Gardner also received \$5,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities for his Humanities Summer Research Program. His research used the St. Louis Court Archives to better understand how different individuals talked about slavery and race. He was also awarded \$1,800 from the Library Company of Philadelphia for his "Research at the Library" that focused on African American participation and representation in antebellum texts on magic.

College of Business & Management

George Puia, Dow Chemical Company centennial chair in global business, received \$165,074 from the U.S. Department of Education: The Business and International Education (BIE) Program to implement a two-year Global Business Initiative program at SVSU. This program

will help both business students and local businesses learn global business techniques and strategies.

College of Science, Engineering & Technology

David Karpovich, associate professor of chemistry, received \$2,437 from the American Chemical Society for two summer seed programs. This grant allowed Karpovich to supervise two students researching sustainable aquaculture and the composites of cement and biodegradable plastics.

Ming-Tie Huang, assistant professor of physics, received \$1,965 from the Sigma Pi Sigma Undergraduate Research Award Program for student Christopher Hopper's project titled "Laser Cooling and Trapping of Rubidium Atoms."

Deb Huntley, associate professor of chemistry, received \$2,500 from the Michigan Space Grant Consortium-Research Seed Grant for student Ann Marie Ways' paper titled "Nox Reduction by Ceria in Catalytic Converters: What is Possible?" This research may lead to improved automotive catalytic converter performance and reduced automotive emissions.

Staff

Jo Brownlie, director of continuing education, received \$23,125 from the Thumb Area Michigan Works! to implement Step-Up Workshops. The workshops offered include "Leadership in the Workplace," "Supervision in the Workplace" and "Entrepreneurship in the Workplace."

Diane Boehm, director of instructional support and writing program, and Janet Rentsch, director of sponsored and academic programs support, received \$43,000 from the National Writing Project to continue the Saginaw Bay Writing Project. This project has been in effect since 1993.



Hi ho, hi ho ... it's off to Einstein's we go!

In the spirit of Halloween, staff from Einstein's Food Court dressed up as characters from Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Donning costumes on Monday, Oct. 31 were, from left, Angie Schatzer as "Doc," Kelly Watson as "Sleepy," Laurie Rinas as "Sneezy," Barb Manyen as "Old Snow White," Anna Haiderer as "The Queen," Karen Erwin as "Grumpy," Janice Jones as "Bashful," Lynn Rettelle as "The Wicked Witch," Jay Dillard as "The Prince," Betty Papajesk as "Snow White," and, kneeling, Kim Henning as "Happy" and Liz Sheltroun as "Dopey." Photo by Tim Inman.

Concert to feature award-winning oboist

An oboist will be king of the stage Saturday, Nov. 5 when Nancy Ambrose King performs in concert in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. The performance is part of SVSU's Rhea Miller Concert Series.

An award-winning virtuoso, King was a first prize winner of the third New York Instrumental Competition for Solo Oboists and was named a finalist in the Fernand Gillet Oboe Competition in Austria.

An associate professor of oboe at the University of Michigan, King also serves as first vice president of the International Double Reed Society, a worldwide organization of oboe and bassoon players.

For her SVSU performance, King will be accompanied by pianist Nicholas Hutchinson, who has been a prizewinner in the Kosciuzko Foundation National Chopin Competition and the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition.

The Rhea Miller Concert Series is made possible by a generous gift from Rhea E. Miller. There is no admission charge and tickets are not required for the concert, but seating is limited. For further information, contact the Box Office at ext. 4261 or the Department of Music at ext. 4159



Nancy Ambrose King

President Mu and a group of 13 students from Shih Hsin University, Taipei, Taiwan, will visit SVSU Nov. 13-16. Shih Hsin University is one of SVSU's two sister universities in Taiwan. As part of the welcome reception, SVSU will present a very unique musical program at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 13 in Founders Hall. The program will be performed exclusively with Chinese musical instruments. The director of the Chinese Orchestra is Dr. Ming-Tie Huang, professor of physics. For more information, call ext. 4296.

Transitions

Please note the following changes in the *2005-06 Faculty/Staff Directory*:

New Staff

- Terry Bouza – Custodial Specialist, email: tlbouza@svsu.edu
- Dennis Gerald – Technical Director
- Sue May – Quality Curriculum Specialist, email: smay@svsu.edu
- Karen Roseberry - Cashier, email: ksrosebe@svsu.edu
- Lisa Samuelson – Associate Classroom Technology Specialist, email: lsamuels@svsu.edu
- Krista St. Aubin – Assistant Director of Admissions

PROMOTED/TRANSFERRED/TITLE CHANGE

- Hasan Al-Halees – Associate Professor of Mathematics
- Gary Lange – Professor of Biology
- Lucy Mercier – Associate Professor of Social Work
- Michael Mosher – Associate Professor of Art/Communication and Multimedia
- Alexander Nalbach – Associate Professor of History
- Nanette Neumeyer – Textbook Assistant
- Amy Pierce – Associate Professor of Communication
- Vicent Samarco – Associate Professor of English
- Melissa Teed – Associate Professor of History

LEFT/LEAVING

- Kristy List, Beverly Wagle

SVSU faculty to discuss famine in Africa

SVSU professors John Grolle and Scott M. Youngstedt will present a lecture, "The Current Famine in Niger: Local, National and Global Factors," Thursday, Nov. 3 at 2:30 p.m. in the Marble Lecture Hall (115 Wickes Hall).

Both scholars will share findings from the research they have conducted on the African nation.

The lecture will analyze the complex interplay of factors that have contributed to the famine in Niger, including drought and locust invasions, severe poverty, global economic policies, the failure of famine detection systems and state mismanagement.

Grolle, associate professor of history, has conducted field research in rural northern Nigeria and Niger, and has worked in rural Congo, formerly Zaire.

Youngstedt, professor of sociology, has worked in Niger since 1988, including a six-week trip during the summer of 2005 funded by the West African Research Association.

The lecture is open to the public. Admission is free of charge.

Briefly Speaking

- Commencement ceremonies will take place Friday, Dec. 16, at 7:30 p.m. Regalia orders will be due to the bookstore by Wednesday, Nov. 16.
- The commons area in the Macomb Regional Education Center has been named in memory the late Sally Edgerton-Netke. A bronze plaque in her likeness was unveiled during a dedication ceremony Oct. 26. Edgerton-Netke was considered to be the driving force for the creation of a permanent SVSU facility in Macomb County. The professor of teacher education began teaching classes in Macomb County shortly after joining SVSU in 1987 and remained active until her passing on Aug. 5.
- Faculty and staff are asked to submit nominations of students for *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Students must have a GPA of 2.75 or better; be a junior or senior (must have completed 62 credit hours); demonstrate academic excellence, leadership and service to the University and/or community. Submit nominations to Student Life in Doan 105 before 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30.
- The mileage reimbursement rate for business travel has been increased from \$.39 to \$.45 per mile effective Oct. 1. The new rate appears in the Operations Manual, Policy 2.3-1, "Travel Policy and Regulations" on the SVSU Web site.
- Employment and Compensation Services thanks those who participated in the United Way Silent Auction. A total of \$2,406.88 was raised. Employees who did not receive an SVSU Employee Pledge Card can obtain one in the ECS office (W373) or by calling ext. 4108. Pledge forms should be returned to Barb Abear in the Controller's Office by Nov. 2.
- The Valley Aquatic Program invites SVSU faculty, staff and students to exercise and socialize with their twice weekly Aquacise classes. Sessions take place every Tuesday and Thursday and cost \$2 per session, payable on the pool deck. Family and friends are always welcome and pay the same price. Sessions last from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. now through Thursday, Dec. 8. For more details, contact Gala Bank at ext. 7327.