SVSU Names New Bilingual/Bicultural Director

The SVSU College of Education has named Dr. Gladys Amanda Hernandez-von Hoff, a former high school biology teacher from Colombia, South America, as director of the Bilingual/Bicultural Education Program. Dean David Nelson made the announcement Nov. 6.

The appointment culminates several months of work by a University search committee and consultation with representatives of the four-county Hispanic community. Dr. Hernandez-von Hoff will assume duties as permanent director on Dec. 2. The position had been filled by temporary appointments during the past 18 months.

In 1974 Hernandez-von Hoff earned a Bachelor of Arts in biology and chemistry from the Universidad Pedagogica Nacional in Bogota. She taught for several years at the elementary, high school and university levels, eventually earning a master's degree in development studies in education and another in Spanish from Ohio University in Athens (OH). She completed her doctorate in bilingual education administration at Ohio University in 1990. She presently serves as an assistant professor of Spanish in the Department of Modern Languages at Ohio University.

SVSU Students Score High in Regional Computer Programming Competition

The SVSU student chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) finished among the top 25 percent of Division 2 schools in regional programming competition at IUPU-Indianapolis, Nov. 2.

Among Division 2 schools that offer a bachelor's only in computer science, SVSU finished 13 out of 57. Overall, SVSU ranked 28 out of 90. Michigan State took top honors, while the University of Kentucky placed second.

SVSU students who competed were split into two teams. Team one included Joseph Schaar, a senior, and Keith Delong and Bruce Ricker, both juniors. Team two members were Mark Szidik, Ernie Schultz and Patty Rutkewicz, all seniors.

A new three-foot high masonry sign marks the main entrance to the University at the intersection of Bay Road and College Drive. The sign includes a one-foot high brick planter that circles the south end of the sign and parallels the length of the 44-foot wall. Ten-inch red letters are illuminated at night by flood lights. An SVSU logo, recessed in the wall, is silhouetted by back light after dark. Work on the $26,000 project began September 10.
Campus Assaults Prompt Review of Security Measures for Students, Faculty and Staff

Two recent incidents of attempted assault and an acquaintance rape prompted an open discussion of campus security practices by Dean of Student Affairs Richard Thompson and Public Safety Director Zace Rybkowski on Friday, Nov. 8. The meeting, held in the Alumni Lounge, attracted 18 students, faculty and staff members.

The forum followed attempted assaults on two female students on the evening of Tuesday, Nov. 5. Campus police apprehended a 14-year-old suspect who fit general descriptions provided by the students. The suspect, who was not an SVSU student, later was released to the custody of his parents pending further investigation.

One of the victims told Public Safety Department investigators she was verbally harassed by a youth as she walked through a second floor corridor of Wickes Hall. She said she went to a vending machine for a soda and when she retraced her steps, the youth grabbed her but she broke away.

The same evening, another student told investigators she was in a music practice studio in the Arborly Fine Arts Building when a youth of similar description made obscene remarks and gestures through the window of a locked door. Both women were commuter students who promptly contacted campus police after the incidents.

Merry Jo Starnick, director of Residential Life, agreed with Rybkowski that efforts to make on-campus students more security conscious appear to be working well, but Rybkowski added, "We need to develop more security awareness among commuter students — both male and female."

Rybkowski said a study of various locations is being conducted around the campus as part of a plan to beef up security measures. He also said he hopes to work through the newly-formed SVSU Commuter Club to develop greater security consciousness among off-campus students. He commended the Valley Vanguard for its help by publishing crime reports compiled by University police.

Referring to an earlier incident, Rybkowski said the suspect of a residence hall acquaintance rape last month had not been arrested or charged by University police because the man was being held on earlier criminal charges by police in another city.

Bryn Mawr Physicist to Lecture on Optical Chaos

Neal B. Abraham, professor of mathematics and sciences and chairperson of the physics department at Bryn Mawr College, will present two lectures on optical chaos Wednesday, Nov. 20. The first lecture is set for 10:30 a.m. in the Science Building (S204), and the second is at 7:30 p.m. in the Pioneer Hall of Engineering and Technology (P224).

A fellow of the Optical Society of America and an editor of Optics Communications, Abraham has conducted collaborative research in laser physics, quantum optics and optical chaos with researchers throughout the U.S., Spain, Germany, France and China.

Abraham’s visit to SVSU is made possible through the Visiting Scientist Program in Physics, sponsored by the American Institute of Physics. The program enables colleges to broaden their physics programs by hosting top scientists. For more information, contact Janel Russell at ext. 4138 or 5621.

GM Research Engineer to Present Auto Control Systems Seminar

Dr. J. Dobner, senior staff research engineer and program manager for the Computer Controlled Suspension Program at GM Laboratories, will lecture on the continuing progress in automobile control systems at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20 in the Pioneer Hall of Engineering and Technology (P224).

Dobner has been issued two patents. The first in 1980 was for integration of regenerative braking and conventional braking; the second came in 1986 for a power-assisted braking system with wheel lock control.

After the presentation, there will be an opportunity to meet informally with Dr. Dobner in the Pioneer Board room. Refreshments will be served. Contact Jonathan Leonard at ext. 4191 for more information.
Photography Slide Show Set

Professor Peter Glendinning from Michigan State University will give a slide presentation of his photographs from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 26 in the Arbury Fine Arts Center (A112). Glendinning also will be jurying the photographs submitted for the "Latent Image Photo Competition III" later that afternoon. A recipient of numerous awards throughout the U.S., Glendinning most recently received an Individual Artist Grant through the Michigan Council for the Arts. For more information on the slide show, contact Hideki Kihata at ext. 5644.

Events/Activities

- **Open Forum with President Gilbertson** — Tuesday, Nov. 19, 4:53 p.m., Brown Concourse. Questions, concerns and suggestions from students about SVSU will be welcome.
- **Library Lecture Series** — Tuesday, Nov. 19, 12:30 p.m., Zahnow Student Lounge. Dr. Donald Bachand, professor of criminal justice, will be the guest speaker.
- **Blood Drive** — Wednesday, Nov. 20, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Brown Concourse. For more information, call Health Services at ext. 4271.
- **Christmas Candy Sale** — Wednesday, Nov. 20, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Brown Concourse. Featuring assorted chocolate items and Christmas treats. Sponsored by Volunteer Services.
- **Library Book Sale** — Thursday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Zahnow Concourse. Paperbacks are 75 cents, hardcovers $1.50. Sponsored by Zahnow Library.
- **English Department Forum** — Thursday, Nov. 21, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Zahnow Student Lounge. Topic is "Do Teachers Impose Their Politics in the Classroom?" Free admission.
- **Valley Wind Quintet Concert** — Thursday, Nov. 21, 8 p.m., University Theatre. For ticket information, call ext. 4159.
- **Latent Image Photo Competition III** — Entries will be accepted between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4 p.m. November 21-22 in 103 Arbury Center and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. November 23 in 113 Arbury Center. For registration forms or more information, contact Hideki Kihata, assistant professor of art, at ext. 5644.
- **Valley Film Society** — Friday, Nov. 29, 7:45 p.m., University Theatre. Feature film is "Les Misérables." Admission by pro-rated membership. Call ext. 5624 for more information.

Did You Know? ...

- **AudioVisual Services** now has a pair of wireless remote units available for check-out to be used with Kodak carousel slide projectors. Unlike units that operate via infra-red "line-of-sight," these remotes utilize radio frequency signals, eliminating the need to aim the remote in the direction of the projector in order to advance, reverse and focus slides. These remote units are available on a trial basis and can be borrowed for a maximum of two days. Call ext. 4244 for more information.
- **Exterior window washing** will take place twice a year, according to the Physical Plant Department. Due to a reduction in staffing, window interiors will be washed only once in the spring.
- It's time to clear the air by participating in the **Great American Smokeout**. Health Services will be sponsoring several activities on campus Thursday, Nov. 21. "Adoption Kits" for non-smokers are available in Health Services. Call ext. 4271 for more information.

Across Campus

- The campus community offers sincerest condolences to the Hennecke Family on the Oct. 24 passing of Hans H. Hennecke, a former assistant to the president and a member of the Board of Fellows.
- **Dr. José Luis Valdieras**, a former director of SVSU's Bilingual/Bicultural program, is one of the 10 Michigan Educators of the Year. Valdieras is director of bilingual and migrant education for Bay City Public Schools. The award is sponsored jointly by the Michigan State Board of Education and the Milken Family Foundation of California. The honor brings with it a check for $25,000.
- Over 80 administrators from surrounding school districts attended a one-day seminar entitled "Administrators Do Make A Difference," Nov. 2 in Doan Center, according to Dr. Elaine Stephens, professor of teacher education. Sponsored by the Greater Saginaw Valley Regional Center for Professional Development, the seminar was conducted by Dr. Richard DuFour.
- **Michael W. Panhorst**, director of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery, reports a record turn-out for visits to the Gallery. Total attendance during October 1991 was 1,434 guests, bringing the grand total since May 1988 to 25,586 visitors.

SVSU's cafeteria will close after dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 26. It will reopen for breakfast on Monday, Dec. 2.

The Snackbar will close Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 11 p.m. It will reopen Sunday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

The Bagel Wagon will close Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m. It will reopen Monday, Dec. 2 at 8 a.m.
Professor Wins Professional Nurse/Educator Award

Dr. Janalou Blecke, professor of nursing, has been named the Outstanding Nurse Educator by the Michigan Nurses Association. She received the honor for "outstanding contributions in nursing education" at the Association's annual Search for Excellence Awards Luncheon October 21.

Blecke, who earlier this year was awarded a Ph.D. in family ecology from Michigan State University, has been a member of the SVSU faculty in the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences since 1976. She serves as a teaching professor and assistant to the dean, where she helped design and implement the current nursing program.

Blecke instructs an undergraduate course in Professional Integration and presents Advanced Clinical, Educational, and Leadership courses in the graduate program. Before joining the staff at SVSU, she instructed nursing and nursing education courses at Delta College and Capital University in Columbus, Ohio. Blecke studied nursing while attending Capital University, where she earned her B.S.N., and later earned her M.N. from the University of Washington. She completed postgraduate course work at the University of Michigan.

A charter member and elected counselor of Sigma Theta Tau, a National Honor Society for Nursing, PSI and Theta Chi Chapters at SVSU, she is a member of the MSU's chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Blecke belongs to several nursing associations and leagues throughout the states of Michigan, Ohio, and Washington and has been involved with numerous conferences, courses and special programs for the continuing education of R.N.'s in the state.

Professional Profile

- Dr. William K. Barnett, professor of sociology, attended a workshop devoted to the development of intercultural coursework on July 16-26 at the East-West Center in Hawaii. Some 40 college professors representing 15 different countries participated, all with fellowship support from the U.S. Department of State. Barnett's course in cross-cultural relations, to be offer during the winter semester, will be substantially affected by this experience. He has announcements available for next summer's workshop for those who may be interested.

- Dr. Douglas E. Hansen, professor of teacher education, presented a workshop to 130 technology and school administrators as part of the Tri-County Technology Consortium of Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties on Oct. 31 at Oakland Schools. The workshop, entitled "Strategic Planning: Providing Leadership for the Future," was designed to facilitate district teams development of a strategic plan.

- Officer James Rich, of the Department of Public Safety, recently attended law enforcement training entitled "Multi-Cultural Human Relations Training." The course covered topics in race relations and human relations skill practices, which assist the officer in handling racially sensitive encounters with poise and self-control. The class, held at Washtenaw C.C. in Ann Arbor, was sponsored by the Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Training Council.

- Dr. Janet E. Rubin, professor of communication and theatre, recently presented "The Creative Drama Player as Story Maker" at the Michigan Association of Speech Communication. Rubin is a theatre co-chair for the state organization.

- Drs. Janet E. Rubin and David F. Schneider of the Department of Communication and Theatre participated in the program "Models and Mandates: Satisfying Fine Arts Objectives Through Development of Communication Skills" at the Speech Communication Association's national conference in Atlanta. Rubin's presentation was entitled "Relating Creative Drama, Communication Competence and the Content Areas." Schneider presented a paper, written with Dr. Steve Erickson, entitled "Building Interpersonal Communication Skills in the Classroom: Identifying Growth and Decay." Schneider also chaired the panel.

High Five

- The football team ended the season Saturday, losing in the final minute of the game to league-leader Butler University, 13-10. The five quarterback sacks during the game enabled the team to break a single season record for sacks (35). The Cardinals finish tied for fourth place in the MIFC with a 5-5 record, 6-5 overall.
48 New Members Inducted into Alpha Chi at SVSU

Alpha Chi inducted 48 new members into the Michigan Delta Chapter November 17.

The Alpha Chi chapter at SVSU was established in September 1986 to foster an environment that allows development of motivated, talented students and encourages their contribution to the academic community.

A coeducational society, Alpha Chi promotes academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and honors those who achieve such distinction. Alpha Chi admits students from all academic disciplines. The organization recognizes previous accomplishments, and provides opportunities for continued growth and service while seeking to serve the needs of the students who comprise its membership.

A national organization with chapters throughout the U.S., Alpha Chi represents some of the top scholars in the nation. Juniors or seniors of good character who rank in the upper ten percent of their class may become members. Many schools have even higher standards for eligibility.

Faculty sponsors are Dr. Phyllis Hastings, official sponsor, and Dr. John Mooningham and Dr. Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, co-sponsors. Inductees included:

Pat A. Armstrong Economics
Flavio M. Bassani Economics/Marketing
Joanne M. Best Elementary Education
Christina E. Buschlen English
Lisa Michele Cheatham-Williams Nursing
Lynette K. Clark Math/Computer Science
E. Thomas Corcoran Computer Info. Systems
Mary I. Dallas Physical & Health Education
Mary Elizabeth Daly Nursing
Elise Dawkins Social Work
Sandra L. Dullinger English
Joan S. Everett Accounting
Anne M. Frederick Social Work
Stephanie Lynne Geister Chemistry
Beverly J. Godusky Finance
Joseph A. Grover Accounting
Albin Bernard Gwizdala III Chemistry
Cynthia Kay Hack Social Work
Tina M. Hawley Nursing
Neil Thomas Herzog English
Sandra R. King Accounting
Glenda J. Knepp Psychology
Joan Lightfoot English
Carole Leach Maleck Art
Lisa Kay Meyer Marketing
Janis Miller-Wood English
Jeri J. Momany-Pfrender Nursing
Leah J. Mueller Music/Art
Lori Lynn
Murawksa Social Work/Criminal Justice
Tammy L.
Murray Secondary Ed./Phys. & Health Ed.
Susan D. Niswonger Accounting
Chad R. Partaka Finance
Sheila M.
Purol Computer Info. Systems
Stephen C. Renico Criminal Justice
Theresa S. Richert Computer Science
Robin C. Samyn Biology (Pre-Med)
Jill A. Schafsniit Mechanical Engineering
Julie Ann Stewart Mechanical Engineering
Rebecca Swafford Accounting
Nancy Symons-Willinar Elementary Education
Cynthia A. Tanke English
Sarah Colleen Tice Nursing
James E. Volmering Mechanical Engineering
Francis John
Walraven III Elec. Eng/Comp. Science
William T. Walraven Mechanical Engineering
Debra L. Welsch Accounting
Kathleen Wilson Computer Info. Systems
Holly M. Zelno Psychology
Board of Control Approves Half Million Dollar Increase in Fiscal 1992 Budget, Okays First Business and Professional Center Plans

The SVSU Board of Control gave approval to a fiscal year 1992 General Fund Budget that added more than a half million dollars to the provisional budget approved last July. The action follows last month’s state appropriation of more than $16.9 million to the University, an amount less than had been requested.

When coupled with the state appropriation, this year’s expected $11.2 million in tuition and fee revenues and anticipated miscellaneous income of about $855,000, the 1991-92 school year budget tops $29 million. The amount represents an increase of more than $1.9 million over fiscal 1991 revenues and expenditures. The Board gave University administrators authority to seek a five percent increase in the fiscal 1993 state appropriation request.

As part of the University’s 1992-93 Capital Outlay Budget Request, the Board reviewed preliminary drawings of the University’s proposed Business and Professional Development Center and authorized a request for $30.1 million from the state to continue developing the project.

Developed jointly by the Southfield-based architectural firm of Yee Associates, Inc., and University faculty and staff members, the drawings illustrate floor plans and exterior views for the structure that will link Doan Center with the Arbury Fine Arts Building. Among the features of the new building are a three-story, glass-enclosed atrium that separates conference rooms and offices from a 600-seat theatre and communications complex. When completed, the 202,900-square-foot Center will be the tallest and one of the largest buildings on campus. With state approval, construction could begin as early as next October.

The Capital Outlay request also includes $32 million for a central heating and cooling plant and $7 million for planning and development of a new instructional facility.