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SVSU Students Win State University Association Awards

WO SVSU SENIORS from Chesaning received awards from the Michigan Association of Governing Boards (MAGB) for academic and leadership achievements throughout their college careers. Elaine S. Weisenberger and Neil Richey were among 30 students representing 15 state universities who received special recognition certificates during ceremonies on May 6 in the Kellogg Center in East Lansing.

Weisenberger, who majored in accounting with a minor in communication, graduated this spring with a perfect 4.00 grade point average. Throughout her college career she was named to the President's List, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges and the National Deans' List.

She served as vice president of the SVSU Program Board, a member of the Pine Grove Apartment Advisory Council, a tour guide and a student representative at the SVSU Scholarship Recognition Tribute. She also worked as a student receptionist on campus, and a co-op employee of the Dow Chemical Company. She currently is working in the public accounting firm of Andrews, Hooper and Pavlik.

Richey, who is a graduating senior, majored in Elementary Education with minors in mathematics and social science. He maintained a 3.90 grade point average and graduated summa cum laude. He was consistently named to the President's List, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges and recently to the National Deans' List.

On campus, Richey served as a resident assistant, assistant hall director, orientation leader, Program Board lecture chairperson,

Tennis Club vice president, Bible Study leader, Student Government senator and Election Commission member. In addition, he performed in the SVSU Talent Show and participated in intramural tennis and volleyball.

Rosalie Riegle Troester, recipient of the 1993 Landee Teaching Excellence Award, and Gail E. Kantak, recipient of the 1993 Warrick Award, represented SVSU among the distinguished faculty members from state universities who were honored for their teaching and research contributions by the MAGB.



Neil Richey and Elaine Weisenberger

SVSU FACULTY ASSOCIATION SPRING AWARDS



Donald J. Bachand
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AWARD FOR SCHOLARSHIP

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DEBORAH GLEISSNER; Jean Brown, Mentor LISA RINGLE; Brad Miller, Mentor BRIAN WARD; Hideki Kihata, Mentor JOANNE WITTBRODT; Albert Plaush, Mentor



Edwin & Marion Zehnder



Lynn & Diane Card



Richard Glenn



James & Marlene Musselman

Frankenmuth Couple Named Master Entrepreneurs

Edwin L. Zehnder, chairman of a Frankenmuth corporation, and his wife, Marion, continue a tradition of service begun by the Zehnder family in 1859. For their efforts, they received the Master Entrepreneur Award for 1994 at the Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club Annual Awards Banquet on May 11.

Others honored were winners of the 1994 Entrepreneur of the Year Awards, which went to Lynn A. and Diane L. Card, president and vice president of Bay City Platers, Inc., Bay City; Richard W. Glenn, president of RWC, Inc., Bay City; and James R. and Marlene J. Musselman, president and secretary/treasurer, respectively, of International Engineering and Manufacturing, Inc., Hope.

The Zehnders have 436 full-time and 438 part-time employees in several businesses, including Zehnders of Frankenmuth, Inc. restaurant, retail bakery and gift shop; a 137-room motel, Zehnders Bavarian Haus Motel, Inc.; an 18-hole public golf course, Frankenmuth Golf and Country Club, Inc.; and businesses operated by other parties.

Bay City Platers is an electroplating specialty company that produces interior decorative nickel-chrome, high volume orders. Since they began operating the company in 1985, the Cards have increased their employees from 12 full timers and two part timers to 18 and six, respectively. The company's profitability has increased threefold during that period and continues to improve.

RWC, Inc. is a designer and manufacturer of automated equipment for the appliance and automotive industries. Established in 1945 as a designer and manufacturer of resistance welding machines, sales peaked in the late 1980s in the face of a declining automotive market. Since Glenn joined the company as president and chief executive officer in 1988, fortunes of the company have improved. Since 1990 sales rose to a profitability level not achieved in the last 15 years. Employment by the company has risen to 220 since falling to a low of 110.

International Engineering and Manufacturing, Inc. manufactures its own product line of snowmobile traction accessories. They serve 34 major distributors throughout the United States and Canada. Since 1973, the Musselmans also have guided the company as a tool and die manufacturer where most of their business is in

studs for snowmobile tracks and runners that guide snowmobiles. The company expects to increase production personnel by 10 percent and administrative, sales and clerical staff by about 25 percent per year.

Wayne F. Vasher to Join SVSU Staff

Wayne F. Vasher will join the staff of SVSU July 1. Vasher recently announced his resignation after seven years as Superintendent of the Saginaw Township Community Schools.

Vasher will assume dual responsibilities in his new position. In one capacity, he will work with Thomas Kullgren, dean of the College of Science, Engineering and Technology, to determine the feasibility of establishing a math/science charter school on the grounds of the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base near Oscoda. The project is funded through a special grant from the State of Michigan. Vasher also will be involved with developing K-12 School/University Partnerships through SVSU's Office of Sponsored Programs.

Earlier Vasher served as Superintendent of the Lafayette (LA) Parish Schools between 1981 and 1987, and was Superintendent of Grand Blanc Community Schools between 1976 and 1981. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Eastern Michigan University and an Ed.D. from Wayne State University. He has been an adjunct faculty member at SVSU, Central and Western Michigan Universities.

Japanese Language, Culture Classes Offered by Professor from Sister City

A respected member of the faculty of SVSU's sister institution, Shikoku University, will be on campus this summer teaching classes in Conversational Japanese, and Japanese Culture and Tradition.

Openings for the classes, presented by Professor Kazuko Ikumoto, still are available for spring semester, which runs through June 28. Classes in Conversational Japanese also will be offered during summer semester June 29 through August 19.

Ikumoto also will be available to make presentations to groups in the community who are interested in learning more about Japan and Saginaw's sister city, Tokushima, where Shikoku University is located.

For additional information, please contact Woody Pelton in the Office of International Programs at ext. 4473.

Award-winning Writer to Discuss Young People's Literature at SVSU

Joyce Hansen's books for young people have been well received. She won the Parent's Choice Award in 1986 for *Yellow Bird and Me*, a novel for children ages eight through 12. In 1987, she won the Coretta Scott King Honor Book Award for a young adult historical novel titled *Which Way Freedom?* In 1989 she received the Edgar Allen Poe Award from the Bronx County Historical Society.

Hansen will be on campus in mid-June to participate in a number of presentations and discussions about multiculturalism and literature for young people. She will be the honored guest at a University-sponsored reception between 4 and 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 22 in the Arbury Fine Arts Center. In an open forum, she will discuss "Multicultural Literature for Adolescents" between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Thursday, June 23, in the Zahnow Student Lounge. Later, between 4 and 6:30 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge she will take part in "Conversations with Author Joyce Hansen."

Hansen grew up in a predominantly black, working class, poor neighborhood in the Bronx. She graduated from Pace University in New York with a bachelor of arts degree, majoring in English Literature and minoring in Secondary Education. She earned an M.A. in English from New York University and became a language arts teacher in the New York City Schools. She presently works as a staff developer in an intermediate school in New York City and teaches literature at Empire State College, SUNY.

"I wrote my very first book as an assign-

ment for my master's degree," Hansen said.
"After I wrote it (*The Gift-Giver*) the professor said he thought it was publishable. With my first book I realized this is what I was supposed to be doing.

"I think literature can help young people make some sense out of the world," Hansen said. "Writers have a responsibility to give young people something, to show them possibilities, to show them not only what is, but what can be."

Hansen has written short stories for children, exercise books and teacher's manuals for the United Presbyterian Church and articles that have been published in Caribbean Daily. The Education Digest, Essence Magazine and The New Advocate. Other books include The Home Boy, a novel for young adults; Out From This Place, a young adult historical novel (American Library Association Notable Book for 1988); Between Two Fires: Black Soldiers in the Civil War, a young adult non-fiction published in 1993; and The Captive, a novel scheduled for publication this year. Several of her writings are set in the New York City neighborhood where she works. Her historical novels about the Civil War and Reconstruction are set in South Carolina.

Hansen has been a presenter or panelist at a number of conferences, including the 21st Annual Conference on Children's Literature in Elementary Education, University of Georgia, 1988; International Reading Association, San Antonio (TX), 1993; National Council of Teachers of English Convention, Pittsburgh (PA), 1993; and others.

For additional information, please contact Elaine Stephens at ext. 4317 or Jean Brown at ext. 4073.



Jovce Hansen



DIVERSIMILARITY EXPLORED —
Joseph Ofori-Dankwa (left) and Connie
Sysak stand before groups of conference participants at a two-day workshop titled
"DiverSimilarity: The Paradigm for
Workforce 2000," May 12-13 at the Bay
Valley Resort. Ofori-Dankwa, associate professor of management at SVSU, and Sysak,
an SVSU alumna, collaborated on organizing
the event, scheduled keynote speakers and a
panel to discuss multiculturalism in the work
place. The conference was designed for managers, human resource directors, consultants
and academic researchers.

Professional Profile

- William Gourd, professor of communication and theatre, and his co-author, Janet Yerby of CMU, presented a paper titled "Our Marriage/ Their Marriage: Performing Reflexive Fieldwork" at the May 1994 Annual Stone/Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Symposium, held at the University of Illinois.
- Tirumale Ramesh, associate professor of electrical engineering, presented a paper titled "Reconfiguration Model for a SIMD/MIMD Coupled Multiprocessor System" at a special workshop on Reconfigurable Architectures held during the eighth International Parallel Processing Symposium in Cancun, Mexico. to discuss and exchange ideas for the future of this young research field and its potential in building high performance computers. The symposium was sponsored by the IEEE Computer Society Technical Committee on Parrallel Processing in cooperation with the ACM SIGARCH.
- Dee Storey, associate professor of teacher education, recently had an article titled "Critical Analysis of a Social and Scientific Moral Dilemma: Fifth Graders and Veterans Respond to Hiroshima No Pika" accepted by ERIC Documents.
- Bilingual Education Center, will serve on the Human Services Task Force of the Secchia Commission on Total Quality Government in the State of Michigan. This commission will identify the major problems facing users of state government services by Sept. 1, 1994. During the second phase of this project, the commission will report to the Governor on its recommendations by Dec. 31, 1994.

Campus Happenings

- Poetry Slam: Tuesday, May 17, 7 p.m. at the Red Eye Coffee House, 205 N. Hamilton, Saginaw. This month featuring Judith Kerman, dean of the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences and author of Obsessions, The Jakoba Poems and Mothering. Cover charge of \$1 at the door.
- Marshall Fredericks Video Documentary: Sunday, May 22, 2 p.m., Arbury Fine Arts Center. A 60-minute documentary on Marshall Fredericks will be shown. A reception for the artist and film-makers will follow at 3:15 p.m. Call ext. 5667 for further information.

- April 25-29. Ramesh also was among the panel
- · Gladys Hernández von Hoff, director of the

Did You Know?...

- · Campus offices will be closed to observe Memorial Day on Monday, May 30.
- The next Interior will be distributed to campus offices on Tuesday, June 7, 1994. Deadline for articles to be included in this issue is Thursday, June 2. Call ext. 5641 for further information.
- The Office of Marketing Research and Information Services is in the process of updating the Faculty/Staff Directory for 1994-95. Anyone who wishes to update their information in the Directory should call ext. 4039 or contact the Personnel Department. Persons wishing to have a photo taken or retaken should call ext. 5641 to make an appointment.
- Personal Counseling Services will be open only on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through June 30, 1994. Normal office hours will resume in the fall.

High Five

- Baseball: lost to Oakland University, 1-0, on Sunday in the GLIAC title game. The Pioneers won the game by scoring an unearned run in the eighth inning. SVSU defeated Oakland, 3-1, in the first game. Aric Woughter got credit for the win, with Scott Clark earning his school-record fifth save of the season. The Cardinals end their season with a 38-15 record over-all, 15-7 in the conference.
- Golf: Tony Daggett took medalist honors Friday in the GLIAC meet with a 54-hole score of 216, just three strokes over par. As a team, SVSU finished second with a 898 stroke total, just three shots back of winner Ferris State. For the Cardinals, freshman Matt Baker shot a 72, Tom Popilek had a 77 and Chris Boquette 78.
- Track: Jamie Yate had a 198-5.75 distance in the javelin toss, good enough for second place at the University of Michigan Invitational on Saturday. Daryl Stallworth was second in the 200 meter dash with a time of :21.8 and third in the 100 at :10.7. In women's events, Kim Aubert broke a Cardinal school record in the low hurdles with a :14.27 clocking. Aubert's time, seventh best in the country for Division II schools, made her a provisional qualifier for the nationals, which will be held in North Carolina. Fourth places also were won by Andrea Kieser in the shot put (46-6) and Cathy Fromwiller in the javelin throw (128-7.75).



The next meeting will be from 4:30-6 p.m., May 27 in the President's Reception Area. **Third Floor** Wickes Hall.

> **Everyone** is welcome.



In Memorium

Charlie Brown joined the SVSU faculty in 1974 as the first professor in music. His accomplishments are well known to the SVSU community, but he also was known and respected outside the University. Perhaps the best tribute following his untimely death January 11 came from colleagues and peers who participated in the Review Music Awards. The following words are excerpted from the 1994 program.



Charlie Brown was one of those individuals we are fortunate to encounter in the often flat landscape of life - creative, compassionate, with a zest for seeking magical and new opportunities that eagerly await over the horizon. Professor, author, businessman, and humanitarian, Charlie was always more than generous with both his time and talents. He was a friend to many a musician and deeply loved by students and professionals in all walks of life.

Charles T. Brown 1945 - 1994



Tom Yun's presence graced the SVSU campus from 1969 until his death January 29. He was dedicated to his field and respected internationally for his research and accomplishments. Awards and achievements throughout his career are testimonial to the character and abilities of this quiet scholar of theoretical high energy physics. A partial listing follows.

Earl L. Warrick Award for Excellence in Research
Michigan Association of Governing Boards Award
SVSU Faculty Association Award for Scholarship
National Science Foundation research grants
Research and scholarly papers and presentations

1988
several
numerous

Books:

A Vision of Beauty in Order Laboratory Manual for General Physics Readings in the Interaction of Science and Society

Biographical Listings:

Who's Who in the Midwest American Men and Women in Science Dictionary of International Biography Notable Americans Men of Achievement Who's Working on What

President, Association of Korean Physicists in America Vice President, International Society for Korean Studies



Suk Koo (Tom) Yun 1930 - 1994

We knew you well, Charlie and Tom!



May 6, 1994

Board Approves Degree Awards, Endorses Four Faculty Promotions, Elects 1994-95 Officers, Considers Role with Charter Schools

The Board of Control granted Baccalaureate and Masters's degrees to more than 700 students completing requirements for graduation. About 450 members of the 1993-94 graduating class were expected to participate in the Commencement ceremonies.

By resolution, and in person, the Board congratulated Joel Olvera for his recent reelection as Student Government President and conveyed best wishes to Vice President Tom Provoast; Treasurer, Doug Swanson; and Senators Doug Becker, Colliene Cowper, Sherry Swartz, Benjamin Wackerle, Larabeth Wise, Candace Woodget, Barry Camp, Amy Shappee, Jeannie Szenay, Sheila Welling, Jeff Finnigan and Tammy Davis.

Promotions to the rank of full professor were approved for Dr. Mohammed El-Kasabi in the Electrical Engineering Department; Dr. Bradley J. Miller in the Political Science Department and Dr. Jill Wetmore in the Department of Law and Finance. Richard Priehs was promoted to the rank of associate professor in the Criminal Justice Department.

To bring the salary of Dr. Robert S.P. Yien, Vice President for Academic Affairs, to a more comparable level with other chief academic officers of Michigan's public universities, the Board approved an increase in his base salary to \$99,300, effective immediately.

The Board also supported the recommendation of its nominating committee and elected officers for the 1994-95 academic year. Reelected were Dr. Thomas E. Rush, Chairperson; Ruth A. Braun, Vice Chairperson; Robert H. Walpole, Secretary and Charles B. Curtiss, Treasurer.

Trustee George Ward proposed that future Board actions to approve charter schools be kept separate from the function of administering the University. The proposal was discussed by the Board without resolution. Chairman Rush appointed an *ad hoc* committee to study issues related to new state legislation pertaining to such charter schools and report back to the full Board. The Committee includes Board members Thomas Rush, George E. Ward, Ruth Braun, Charles Curtiss and President Gilbertson.

This is an unofficial report of Board activities.

Official minutes are on file in the library.