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Faculty Association honors two, awards scholarships

Two SVSU faculty were honored by their peers at the SVSU Faculty Association's April 29 banquet. The occasion also was highlighted by presentation of \$2,165 scholarships to three students.

E. William Gourd Jr., professor of communication, received the 1996 Faculty Association Award for Service. An SVSU faculty member since 1978, Gourd holds a bachelor of arts from the University of Connecticut, a master of fine arts from The Ohio University, and a Ph.D. from Bowling Green State University. Prior to joining SVSU, he held several teaching positions, including five years at Cleveland State University.

Gourd has served as chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre at SVSU since 1978. Throughout his tenure he has served on numerous campus committees, including the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences committee on General Education, the library committee, the Basic Skills Committee and several faculty evaluation teams. He also serves on a University budget advisory committee and has served on the theatre and music subcommittee for the planning of the Performing Arts Center in West Complex.

For two years he served as advisor to "Theatricity," SVSU's student theatre organization. Presently he is faculty advisor to GALA, another student organization. In addition, Gourd has served on a panel that selects nominees to the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame.

The Faculty Association Award for Scholarship was presented to Tai-Chi Lee, professor of computer science. Lee joined the SVSU faculty in 1988. He earned his undergraduate degree from National Taiwan Normal

University, and holds master of science degrees from Southeastern Louisiana University and from the University of Illinois at Chicago. His Ph.D. is from the University of Utah.

Well regarded in his field, Lee was invited to serve on a National Science Foundation (NSF) review board in 1994 as part of a team evaluating ILI (Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement) program grant requests from colleges and universities nationwide. Earlier, Lee was the principal author of a successful grant application that was awarded \$37,000 from NSF to establish SVSU's "Creativity Center for Student Design Projects in Engineering and Computer Science."

Lee's professional credits include numerous research projects. Among the most recent are three completed this year, one in 1995 and four between 1991 and 1993. He is the author of a book on learning DOS and applications, and another on learning Microsoft Windows and applications.

Lee is competent in several computer programming languages and operating systems and regularly teaches courses in these areas.

The association presented scholarships to Heather Bradford, Leslie Duperon and Cynthia Lyman. Bradford, a senior majoring in English education, is from Hemlock. Her faculty mentor will be Mary Harmon, assistant professor of English.

Duperon, a sophomore from Saginaw majoring in history, will be guided by Rosalie Riegle, professor of English.

Lyman, who resides in Bay City, is a junior with an English major. Her faculty advisor will be Janice Wolff, assistant professor of English.



E. William
Gourd



Tai-Chi
Lee



William Washabaugh



Norma Washabaugh



Beatrice Washabaugh



Steven Letherer



Frederick Haney



Sandra Haney

Executives from Clare business garner "1996 Master Entrepreneur" award

The leaders of four area businesses were recognized for their persistence and achievement when the Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club made its annual presentation of the "Entrepreneur of the Year" and "Master Entrepreneur of the Year" awards at the 13th annual awards ceremony Wednesday, May 8. The names of this year's winners were added to the list of 50 previous recipients who are among the area's most successful entrepreneurs.

O. David Rogers and Richard I. Rogers represented Rogers Athletic Company-StageRight Corporation, Clare, in accepting the award for 1996 Master Entrepreneur of the Year. Receiving "Entrepreneur of the Year" awards were: William, Norma and Beatrice Washabaugh of Northern Concrete Pipe, Inc., Bay City; Steven Letherer of Letherer Truss, Inc., Clare; and Frederick and Sandra Haney of Tech Spec, Inc., Midland.

Established in 1967, Rogers Athletic and StageRight were based on innovative products that established new paradigms in their markets. Rogers Athletic manufactures and distributes football practice equipment. StageRight Corporation manufactures portable platforming systems for churches, arenas, convention centers and other public event facilities.

Northern Concrete Pipe, Inc. manufactures concrete pipe, manholes, catch basins, custom concrete structures, pre-cast concrete bridges and culverts at its plants in Bay City and Lansing.

Steven Letherer started Letherer Truss, Inc. in June 1989 with a staff of 17 employees. A builder of wholesale roof and floor trusses, the company experienced steady production increases during the next six years.

Tech Spec is an established manufacturer's representative and distributors sales agency. The company provides customers with a reliable source of engineered components for industry. They also market the company and the product lines that they represent.

Mary Ellen Sheets, founder and CEO of Two Men And A Truck International, Inc., was the evening's keynote speaker. Sponsors for the event included Chemical Bank-Bay Area, Chemical Bank & Trust, Comerica Bank, First of America Bank, Michigan National Bank, NBD, Second National Bank of Bay City and Second National Bank of Saginaw.

Humanities Series plans Valley pc program

Local writers are invited to become part "An Evening of Saginaw Valley Poets," to presented by the SVSU Humanities Lecture Series this fall. The committee planning the popular series is inviting area poets to submit their work for the October program.

Interested Saginaw Valley poets should submit three poems by June 15 to be considered for inclusion, according to committee chair Harold Evans. "The works selected will be read by professional interpreters," Evans said, "and we will make their own final choices, taking into account their reading style and dramatic flair."

Submissions should be sent to: Humanities Lecture Series Committee, c/o 1710 N. Charles Saginaw, MI 48602-4848. No manuscripts will be returned. Poets are advised to enclose a self addressed stamped envelope to receive the decision of the selection committee.

For more information about the Evening with Saginaw Valley Poets or the Humanities Lecture Series, contact Evans at 792-2069.

SVSU selects registrar

J. Christopher (Chris) Looney has been named registrar at SVSU, effective May 6. He was chosen from a group of finalists from Michigan and Indiana.



Looney has been employed at SVSU since 1978. He began as an English instructor and in 1979 moved to the Office of Academic Support Services, where he served as coordinator of Basic Skills in English. In 1994 he was named academic and career advisor and academic information specialist in the Office of Academic and Career Services. He was promoted to assistant director in 1995.

As registrar, Looney will maintain student academic records, coordinate semester course registrations and monitor compliance with academic policies and procedures. He will supervise a staff of seven.

Looney holds both bachelor's and master's degrees from Michigan State University. He replaces Paul H. Saft, who for the past two years has served in a dual administrative role as both registrar and director of institutional research. Saft will continue with the institutional research position on a full-time basis.



BOARD REPORT

A REPORT OF THE SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF CONTROL

May 3, 1996

Board approves faculty promotions, elects 1996-97 officers

At its May 3 meeting the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control approved promotions for 13 faculty members, effective July 1.

Three English department faculty who joined SVSU in 1991 were promoted from assistant professor to associate professor. They are: Marianne Barnett, Sally Cannon, and Mary Harmon. Also promoted to associate professor in the English department was Janice Wolff, who came to SVSU in 1992.

Others who attained the rank of associate professor were Eric DeVos, psychology; and Robert Lane, political science. DeVos and Lane have taught at SVSU since 1991.

Seven faculty representing various disciplines were promoted from associate to full professor. Those persons, with their discipline and year of hire, are:

- Jennifer Bridges, physical and health education, 1987.
- Steven Erickson, communication and theatre, 1991.
- Paul Munn, English, 1988.
- Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, management, 1987.
- Tirumale K. Ramesh, electrical engineering, 1984.
- David Schneider, communication and theatre, 1987.
- Steven Sherlock, sociology, 1988.

Four Board members who served as officers for the current academic year were elected to serve additional one-year terms for the upcoming academic year. They are: Ruth A. Braun of Saginaw, chair; Robert H. Walpole,

Cass City, vice chair; Donna J. Roberts, Midland, secretary; and Elias J. Escobedo Jr., West Bloomfield, treasurer. Board members are appointed by the Governor to eight year terms on the University's governing body.

Board members set the stage for the May 4 Commencement ceremonies by approving a resolution to grant baccalaureate and master's degrees and two other resolutions granting honorary degrees to Reverend Roosevelt Austin Sr., and James V. Finkbeiner.

They also commended the 1996 bowling team for its second place finish in the National Collegiate Championship competition and thanked outgoing Student Government officers for their service.

Newly elected officers of the Student Association, which replaced Student Government effective May 1, were introduced and congratulated. Laura (Alex) Bernard will serve as president for 1996-97 and will have a seat at the Board table for all regular meetings.

The Board also took action to increase the authorized spending limit for three new apartment units from \$1.6 million to \$1.85 million. Site preparation for the facilities, which are expected to be finished for fall semester occupancy, is underway by GP Graham Construction Co. of Saginaw County. The units will add accommodations for 48 students. Rent is set at \$325 per month for individuals or \$620 per month for families.

Following the action agenda, Board members heard reports on the University Writing Program and an update on programming and occupancy for West Complex.

**This is an
unofficial report
of Board
activities.
Official minutes
are on file in
Zahnow Library.**

SVSU and Delta College combine to offer law enforcement certification

The SVSU Department of Criminal Justice has joined efforts with Delta College to offer state certification in law enforcement for students who meet enrollment criteria, plus complete a basic training program.

The new agreement allows SVSU criminal justice majors to take their final 12 credits through Delta's Police Academy if they are opting for careers as law enforcement officers. Prior to the inter-institutional contract, graduates of SVSU's criminal justice program received a bachelor's degree, but then had to complete a police academy course to meet state certification requirements.

Michigan law requires all county and local municipal law enforcement officers to achieve certification, obtained by meeting requirements established by the Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Training Council (MLEOTC). The training consists of 494 hours over 15 weeks, offered by an accredited academy.

According to Don Bachand, professor of criminal justice, the agreement is one of two in Michigan and the only one on the east side of the state. Western Michigan University has a similar agreement with Kalamazoo Community College in west Michigan.

Steve D. Balog and Kelly A. Shanks are the first two students to graduate under the new arrangement. The pair, who received diplomas at SVSU's Commencement ceremonies, also participated in Delta College Police Academy graduation exercises April 26.

Balog, a four-year football letter winner from Plymouth, accumulated a 3.00 GPA as a criminal justice major. Shanks, who hails from Carsonville, earned a 3.60 GPA while completing her SVSU studies.

Public Safety joins "Safe & Sober" effort

Police officers at SVSU are joining with several law enforcement agencies across the state in a campaign to boost motorist safety. Called "Safe & Sober," the two-pronged campaign focuses on promoting safety belt/child restraint use and on reducing the occurrence of drunk/impaired driving.

The program consists of three enforcement initiatives, or "waves," targeting the two areas, according to Officer James D. Rich. "The first wave, which will be conducted May 19

through June 2, and the third enforcement wave from August 26 to September 8, will focus on the use of seat belts and child restraints," he said.

Drunk and impaired driving will be targeted during the second enforcement wave, conducted from June 27 through July 7. Rich noted that every law enforcement agency in the state has been invited to take part in the campaign. "Motorists are advised to expect increased traffic enforcement throughout the summer, especially during the three enforcement waves," he said.

For more information about the Safe & Sober program and activities planned by University Police, contact Rich at ext. 4165.

SVSU to launch "The Card"

SVSU faculty, staff and students will be beneficiaries of a versatile new transaction card about to be launched by the University.

According to University Controller James G. Muladore, the multipurpose card, dubbed "The Card," is expected to be available during 1996 fall semester.

"A primary purpose of The Card will be to serve as both an identification and transaction card," Muladore said. "It will contain a color digital image of the holder.

"The Card also will include the bar code for the Zahnaw Library, allowing its use for checking out books and materials," he said. Other options available to cardholders include use as a pre-paid debit card. The debit card can be used at all ML Pay® locations, as well as for campus purchases ranging from snacks in vending machines to books. It will operate selected copier machines on campus, and food and laundry facilities for residence hall students.

Cardholders also will be able to arrange for electronic deposit of financial aid and student employment payments, effectively eliminating the necessity to wait in a cashier's line. Additionally, The Card functions as an ATM card and has the capacity for use as a Sprint® long-distance calling card if desired.

"We wanted to provide a card program that would have the ability to process a wide range of financial transactions in addition to providing traditional identification functions," Muladore said. Other possible uses of The Card are being examined, including as a replacement for keys to the residence halls.

For more information about SVSU's transaction card project, call Muladore at ext. 4218.

FOURTH
FRIDAY CLUB

Friday, May 17
4:30 to 6 p.m.
President's
Reception Area
Third Floor
Wickes Hall
Everyone is welcome

Professional Profile

• **William K. Barnett**, professor of sociology, and Arnold Parks, Lincoln University of Missouri, presented a paper titled "Criminal Victimization Among the Black Aged in Selected Missouri Communities" at the 14th Annual Meeting of the Association for Gerontology and Human Development in Historically Black Colleges and Universities in February in Houston. The research for this paper was partially supported by a grant from the SVSU Foundation.

• **William G. Elliott**, professor of law and finance, presented a paper titled "Acculturation in Teaching Business: Some Observations and Comments" at the North Atlantic Regional Business Law Annual Meeting. **Robert E. Cheek**, associate professor of management, co-authored the paper.

• **David K. Pugalee**, assistant professor of teacher education, presented a workshop at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics annual meeting April 25 in San Diego. The workshop, "Integrating Data Analysis into the Pre-Algebra Curriculum," provided participants with models that can effectively connect mathematics to the process of data collection, analysis and presentation. Central to the workshop was the use of reflection to get teachers to think about underlying mathematical connections to the world around them. Pugalee also was invited to participate in a focus group sponsored by Prentice Hall. The focus group discussed teaching experiences, content and pedagogy related to the teaching of introductory and intermediate algebra.

• **Thomas Renna**, professor of history, recently returned from Macerata, Italy, where he taught at the American Heritage Association for the winter semester. His most recent publications are: "Aelred of Rievaulx and Isaiah," in "The Joy of Learning and the Love of God: Studies in Honor of Jean Leclercq," ed., E. Rozanne Elder, *Cistercian Studies*, 160 (Cistercian Publications: Kalamazoo 1995), pp. 253-68; "The Wilderness and the Cistercians," *Cistercian Studies Quarterly*, 30 (2, 1995) pp. 179-89; "The Psalms in Early Medieval Theology," *Michigan Academician*, 28 (1, 1996) pp. 1-10; review of Cosimo Quarta, *L'utopia plantonica. Il progetto politico di un grande filosofo*, 2 ed. (Bari 1993), in *Utopian Studies*, 6 (2, 1995), pp. 214-15.

• **Elaine Stephens** and **Jean Brown**, professors of teacher education, presented at a symposium

at the International Reading Association Annual Conference in New Orleans. For the symposium, "Electronic Mentoring: Using Technology to Motivate Reluctant Readers," they described their work connecting SVSU teacher education students with public school students via e-mail.

• **Carol S. Wolfe**, assistant professor of teacher education, co-presented a paper with Dr. Kathleen Sernak, Purdue University, at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association in New York. Their paper, "Creating Multicultural Understandings and Community in Preservice Teacher Education Through E-mail," was based on a three-semester collaborative computer writing research project between Wolfe's TE 302 students and Sernak's students, who were involved in a required multicultural studies course.

Transitions

Please note the following personnel changes in your *Faculty/Staff Directory*:

SVSU Welcomes

• **Eric Buschlen**, director of campus and recreation programs, ext. 4267

• **Laurie Veihl**, computer operator, Computer Services, ext. 8595

Same Face, New Place

• **Mary Aumann**, manager, computer operations, ext. 5678

• **J. Chris Looney**, registrar, ext. 4091

• **Jay Pelepchuk**, programmer/analyst, Valley Library Consortium, ext. 8880

• **Tammy Steele**, administrative secretary, Information Services, ext. 4039

Moving On

• **Janie Smock**, personnel assistant, Personnel Office

High Five

• **Baseball** (15-7-1, 24-26-2) — swept a doubleheader against Grand Valley State University, winning by scores of 5-4 and 7-1.

• **Track** — completed at the Indiana Wesleyan Invitational Saturday. Angie Sneider and Kim Aubert took first in the long jump and 100 hurdles, respectively.

SPRING/SUMMER RYDER CENTER HOURS

Day	Building	Pool	Fitness Ctr.
Mon-Thu	8am-9pm	11:30am-1:30pm 4:30-8pm	11:30am-8pm
Friday	8am-9pm	11:30am-1:30pm 4:30-8pm	11:30am-6pm
Sat-Sun	Noon-6pm	1-4pm	Noon-5pm

The campus will be closed Monday, May 27 to observe Memorial Day.

"Diffi & Simi" will be featured in a musical concert at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 15 in Ryder Center. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$2.50 for children. Call ext. 4181 for tickets.

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