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Levin promotes literacy program at SVSU

Students in Jesse Donahue's "Gender and Politics" course had a rare opportunity recently to quiz a United States senator on legislative issues that also have been the topic of class discussions.

Donahue, an assistant professor of political science, arranged a visit to campus by Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., March 26. Levin was in the midst of a 20-school, two-week statewide tour to generate support for a literacy program proposed last fall by President Clinton.

"America Reads" is a nationwide initiative to wipe out childhood illiteracy by the year 2000. To accomplish the goals of the program, one million volunteers will be recruited to serve as reading tutors in schools. Universities nationwide are participating in this effort by contributing up to half of the increase in their 1997-98 federal financial aid allocation to the College Work Study program.

At SVSU, that translates into at least 17 students who will have an opportunity to participate in the project.

"This is an important endeavor for our nation and for the Saginaw Valley region," said President Gilbertson of the America Reads program. "This unique cooperative venture provides us with another opportunity to serve our community by helping our citizens to be able to read."

Since January the University has been developing strategies to identify students who would have an interest in tutoring children eight years of age or younger. One model that is being explored is the involvement of students in the College of Education who would be able to gain experience tutoring the students one-on-one or in classroom settings.

SVSU officials involved in organizing the recruitment of tutors expect to select students by mid-summer so that training can be completed by the start of the fall 1998 school year. The amount of time each tutor would work each week is expected to be comparable to the requirements for an average Work Study position.

Since President Clinton originally announced this initiative, more than 130 colleges nationwide have committed to the cause.

For further information on SVSU's tutor recruitment effort, contact the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs at ext. 4294.



Sen. Carl Levin answers questions from political science students in Jesse Donahue's "Gender and Politics" course. In addition to promoting President Clinton's educational policies, Levin covered other challenges that face Congress when it returns from its spring recess, including efforts to maintain adequate funding levels for existing programs such as student financial aid and college work study.

Clinical ethics topic of seminar for health professionals

A seminar for area health care professionals will be offered from 8 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 6 in Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms A-B.

Diann B. Uustal, founder and president of Educational Resources in HealthCare, Inc. in East Greenwich, R.I., will present "Clinical-Ethical Decision Making: Care-based Ethics in a Changing Health Care Environment."

The \$50 registration fee includes continental breakfast, lunch and workshop materials. SVSU students can attend at a discounted rate of \$20. Sponsors for the program are the East Central District Nurses Association; CERN, Saginaw Valley State University College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences; and Theta Chi Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nurses.

Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, April 22. Pre-registrations are encouraged to assure space. For further information or to make reservations, contact nursing faculty members Jeanne Bender, Sachiko Claus or Mary Solterman, at ext. 4493, 4129 or 5612, respectively.

Area students among top achievers on math exam

Some 300 students from middle and junior high schools in the Saginaw Valley region have achieved high scores on the American Junior High School Mathematics Examination (AJHSME).

"Overall, Michigan's level of participation jumped from 12,867 in 1995 to 15,051 this year, nearly a 17 percent increase," said David B. McCloy, teacher specialist coordinator for the Center for Mathematics and Science Education at SVSU. He said the increase in participation is due to efforts by directors of Michigan's mathematics and science centers to promote the exam and, in some cases, schools that pay registration fees for the students.

Results of two levels of achievement were announced. The National Honor Roll includes all students with scores of 20 or higher, which represents the top one or two percent of all participants. The Michigan Honor roll includes students with scores of 16 or higher, which places them in the top five or six percent of all Michigan participants. The national average was 9.88 (out of a possible score of 25), and the Michigan average was 9.34.

Writing Center hosts Open House

The SVSU Writing Program invites the campus community to two events that will showcase how the Writing Center and Writing Program can work in partnership with professors and students to develop writing skills.

A **Writing Center Open House** will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 3. Faculty and staff are invited to visit the new Writing Center on first floor Zahnow to meet the staff, browse through the collection of resources (both paper and electronic) and meet informally with other faculty interested in student writing and writers. Refreshments will be served.

Writing Center Faculty Days will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, April 7 and 8 in the Writing Center. Mentors will be available to demonstrate how one-on-one sessions help develop student writers. Faculty are encouraged to bring along a sample of their own writing or an example of student writing.

For more information about these events, contact Diane Boehm, writing program director, at ext. 7728 or by e-mail at dboehm@tardis.svsu.edu; or Eric Gardner, writing center coordinator, at ext. 1662 or by e-mail at gardner@tardis.svsu.edu.

Technology Fair set for April 11

A series of presentations and workshops will be offered as part of a technology fair sponsored by the SVSU Epiphany Project. "Teaching with Technology" will take place from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, April 11.

Participants can choose between two options in each of three rounds. The first option is a series of informal, "drop-in" discussions and demonstrations of classroom applications of on-line technology. The other option is three one-hour workshops that discuss different educational uses for on-line technology.

Registration for the fair begins at 8:30 a.m. in 115 Wickes Hall. Members of the Epiphany Project will welcome participants and provide an introduction to the fair at 8:45 a.m. in 115 Wickes Hall. Sessions run from 9 to 10 a.m., 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lunch and roundtable discussions will be from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Curtiss Hall banquet room A.

Deadline for registrations is Thursday, April 3. For more information call ext. 7728.

A representative from Valley State Employees Credit Union (VSECU), will be on campus from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Wednesday, April 2 in Brown Concourse to provide information about VSECU, including how to sign up as a member. For more information, call Alice Cornejo at ext. 5669.

Music fills the air during month of April at SVSU

A number of concerts are on tap for the month of April at SVSU. All performances will take place in the Rhea E. Miller Recital Hall. SVSU faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets by calling the Department of Music at ext. 4159.

■ Concert Band

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9

The program features music by Grundman, Osterling, Fillmore, Dello Joio, Vaughan Williams and scores from *Jurassic Park* by John Williams.

■ "Concert from Spain"

7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12

The SVSU Chamber and Concert Choirs, SVSU Collegium and Bay Chorale will combine to repeat a program that was presented four times when the musicians toured Andalusia, Spain. The program includes American folk songs, Broadway favorites, spirituals and vocal jazz. Audiences also can catch this concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 13 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Bay City.

■ "Flûtée: All Jazzed Up, Again"

4 p.m. Sunday, April 13

The group promises a wide array of jazz styles ranging from ragtime to blues and swing. The program will include a newly-commissioned arrangement of Tony Rongo's jazz medley titled "The Foggy, Rainy Days of Wine and Roses," plus a new medley arrangement of Duke Ellington tunes by Lauren Rongo. Appearing as guest artists with Flûtée will be Tony Rongo on piano, David Kjellberg on bass and Robert Gras on drums.

■ SVSU Jazz Ensemble

7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17

Pianist Steve Talago will join the Jazz Ensemble as guest artist. Selections will include such works as "Star-Crossed Lovers" by Duke Ellington, "Don't Be That Way" by Benny Goodman, "Deep Purple" by Woody Herman and "One O'Clock Jump" by Count Basie.

■ "Music of the Renaissance V"

7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19

The SVSU Choirs and Collegium will perform music from the Early Renaissance period through the time of Queen Elizabeth. Demonstrations on instruments from the period will be part of the program. Modern instruments, such as the guitar and cello, also will be used.

Campus Happenings

• **Valley Film Society** — 8 p.m. Friday, April 4 in Marble Lecture Hall. *The Seventh Seal* will be screened. Admission by season pass, available at the door.

• **Polish Students Club Benefit** — 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 6 in Curtiss Hall banquet room A. Videotapes portraying Polish history and culture will be shown. Polish paties and other delicacies will be served. For more information call Anna Dadlez, professor of Polish, at ext. 4315.

• **Senior Art Student Exhibition** — Monday, April 7 through Friday, April 18 in the University Art Gallery. An opening reception will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 10 in the Arbury Fine Arts Center. For more information call ext. 4391 or 4159.

• **Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club** — 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 in Curtiss Hall. Cynthia D'Amour will discuss "Networking for Fun and Profit." Reservations are \$14 in advance, \$16 at the door. For more information, call ext. 4388.

Have You Heard?

• The SVSU Children's Center currently is enrolling children two to six years old for the spring and fall 1997 semesters. The center is open Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. For more information, call 753-8631.

• Zahnow Library is collecting full-time **faculty and staff theses**. When submitting information, include your name, the title of the thesis (Ph.D.), copyright date, university thesis submitted to and the UMI order number (if known). Send materials to Jack Wood through interoffice mail or by e-mail at jwood@tardis.svsu.edu or call ext. 5638.

• Children of University employees will receive a \$15 discount on **Summer Sports Camps**. Included are girls basketball, boys basketball, golf, volleyball, soccer, football and swimming. For more information and registration materials call ext. 7300.

• The third annual **Executive and Celebrity Golf Scamble** will take place Saturday, May 17 at Swan Valley Golf Course. Special guests from SVSU will include Jerry Kill, head football coach, and Eric Gilbertson, president of SVSU. Registration fee of \$45 includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, door prizes and t-shirt. For more information contact the College of Business & Management at ext. 4064.

..... Faculty and staff may bestow the **Alumni Scroll** to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement on Saturday, May 3. Please contact Emmie Busch at ext. 4052 to make arrangements.

All-University AWARDS BANQUET

APRIL 18, 1997



Order of Events

Reception	6:00 p.m.	Awards Program	7:45 p.m.
Buffet Dinner	6:45 p.m.	Door Prize Drawing	9:00 p.m.

Door Prizes

As in previous years, those in attendance at the All-University Awards Banquet will be eligible for door prizes, including the grand prize donated by Valley Travel of two round trip rail passes to Chicago with two nights at a first-class hotel. Other door prizes received from sponsors include:

- Dinner for Two - Crossing Restaurant
- Brunch for Two - Bavarian Inn Lodge
- Brunch for Two - Bay Valley Resort Hotel
- \$20 Gift Certificate - The Char House
- Dinner for Two - Delphine's Restaurant
- \$20 Gift Certificate - Krysiak's House
- Dinner for Two - The Montague Inn
- \$20 Gift Certificate - O'Hare's Bar
- Dinner for Two - Panda House
- \$50 Gift Certificate - Terry & Jerry's
- Dinner for Two - Treasure Island
- Family Style Chicken Dinner - Zehnder's Restaurant

Across Campus

• The campus community congratulates representatives of SVSU in the **1997 Community Corporate Games**. Jennifer Auer, Scott Youngstedt, Steve Hocquard, Jerry Stuart and James Muladore played five college-length basketball games in one day. "It goes to show that us 'age-challenged people' can still compete," Muladore said, "although the recovery period is longer." The team finished in second place.

In addition, the University will have two teams competing in volleyball events scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 26 in Ryder Center. Everyone from SVSU is encouraged to stop by and cheer on their colleagues at the games.

Transitions

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

SVSU Welcomes

- **Tammy Waugh**, computer technician, Zahnow Library, 790-4247
- **Heather Carbeno**, technical services/audio visual clerk, Zahnow Library, 790-4247
- **Barb Cohen**, foreign student advisor, International Programs, 790-7028
- **Sharon Chenette**, senior secretary, Minority Services, 790-5631

Same Face, New Place

- **Debbie Albrough**, senior faculty secretary, third floor Brown Hall, 790-7022

Campus campaign continues to receive contributions to the Campaign for Distinction

Contributions to the Campaign for Distinction are mounting, with nearly 90 University employees who have pledged or given cash support as of March 28.

Committee members remind the campus community that the names of all who contribute or pledge \$1,000 or more will be inscribed on a plaque commemorating the campaign. Also, annual gifts of \$400 per year qualify for the maximum Michigan tax credit for a couple filing jointly.

University employees who have not already done so are encouraged to make their commitment as soon as possible. This will reduce the number of phone calls committee members must make.

The University will kick off the public portion of the campaign Monday, April 28. By that date, the committee hopes to have every SVSU employee on the list of participants for the campaign.

To make a pledge or donation, or to request another pledge form, contact any member of the committee or call the SVSU Foundation Office at ext. 4423.

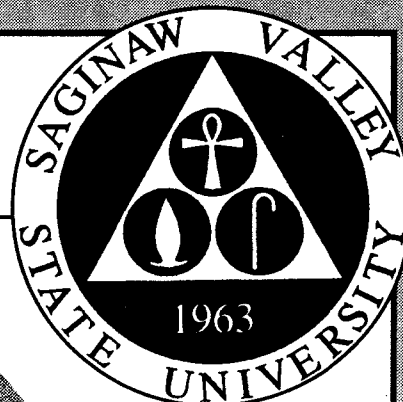
Campaign for Distinction

"Intellectual Bricks and Mortar"

University Division Goal:

\$225,000

Avg. Gift
\$1501.60



As of March 28:

\$128,180 = 56%

As of February 28:

\$40,178 = 18%

Accent on Alumni

• **Mark S. Bredholt** (B.A., history, 1977), chaplain for Oncology Services at Baptist Healthcare System, S.C., will study for three weeks at the Centro Pro Unione in Rome this summer. His completion of the seminar will be applied toward his candidacy for a Doctor of Ministry in Spiritual Direction.

• **Jeannine M. Coughlin** (B.A., music education, 1992; M.Ed., 1996) recently was recognized for teaching excellence by the Michigan Education Association (MEA) Instruction and Professional Development Commission. Coughlin took over a band program in Saginaw junior and senior high schools that had only 13 member in 1993 and today boasts nearly 130 young musicians.

Also, the MEA presented the "Irma Ramos Bilingual Education Award" to **Julie Ann Devers** (B.A., education, 1980; M.A.T., 1991) for starting a bilingual program at South Middle School in Kalamazoo, and developing

it into a program emphasizing high teaching and learning standards, skill development and respect for diverse cultures.

• **Scott D. James** (B.S., computer information systems, 1989) is a professor at GMI Engineering and Management Institute. He recently was awarded a \$77,000 grant from Microsoft Corporation and a \$7,000 grant from the Society of Manufacturing Engineers for course development. He also has published two textbooks.

• **Jeanne Murphy** (M.Ed., 1982) has joined Yeo & Yeo as marketing director for the Saginaw office.

High Five

• **Softball** (8-8) — competed in the Wayne State University Invitational last weekend. The Cardinals dropped a 4-2 decision to Northwood University Saturday. On Friday, the Cardinals split a pair of contests, beating Ashland University 4-1 and losing to Wayne State 5-2 in the second game.

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