



THE INTERIOR

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SVSU community supports Fallon Scholarship

He has been described as a person of great character and outstanding leadership ability, and it is for these reasons those characteristics are identified as criteria for "The John A. Fallon Scholarship Award for Leadership."

Foundation Executive Director Chuck Graham said Fallon, a former SVSU Vice President of Public Affairs, shared his expertise with community organizations and nurtured an interest in young athletic teams. Fallon served as the University liaison with the Michigan Legislature and coordinated the efforts of several administrative and student service departments within the University.

Fallon's involvement with the community demonstrated his belief in the value of community involvement and his commitment to the development of individual potential. Fallon also coached various youth athletic teams.

The Fallon Scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to individuals who are of high character with leadership potential and are current members of an SVSU non-revenue

producing athletic team (sports other than football and men's and women's basketball).

Recipients must be full-time students who have completed one academic year at SVSU. They also must have a minimum 3.00 grade point average.

Fallon believed in the benefits an individual could achieve in personal growth through participation in athletics, Graham said.



John A. Fallon

Fallon's friends and former coworkers established the award. They contributed more than \$5,000 to the endowment through The Campaign for Distinction, much of it from the campus community. In addition, because Fallon was instrumental in the development of the SVSU/Signature Bank affinity card during his tenure at SVSU, it was deter-

mined the accumulated earnings (not previously designated) be

transferred to the endowment. Nearly \$11,000 in gifts and pledges have been received toward the endowment.

"The scholarship is a nice gesture," Fallon said. "It is both appreciated and quite humbling."

SVSU presents an
M.B.A.
OPEN HOUSE
Monday, Nov. 17
5 to 7 p.m.
Curtiss Hall

To RSVP, or for additional information, contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at ext. 1696, or send E-mail to gradadm@svsu.edu.

Art students exhibit works

Three SVSU art students will display their art during the BFA Senior Exhibit at the University Art Gallery Dec. 1 through 15. The students all are candidates for Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees. The campus community is invited to an opening reception from 4 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 3 in the gallery.

Chad M. Geiger, Mark Johnson and Bethany Rienstra will have artwork on display Monday and Wednesday between 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 5 p.m.

For additional information on the exhibit, call ext. 4159.

Latent Image sponsors competition

Entries for the Latent Image VIII Photo Competition are being accepted from 8:30 a.m. through 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20 and Friday, Nov. 21, and from 1 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22. Entry fee for up to three pieces is \$10 for students and \$15 for non-students.

Art selected for an exhibit will be shown in the University Art Gallery Jan. 14 through 30. An opening reception will take place from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20.

For contest details and entry forms, contact Hideki Kihata at ext. 5644.

Polish Club hosts 21st Wigilia

The SVSU Polish Students Club will celebrate *Wigilia*, a traditional Polish observance of Christmas, at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7 in Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms A and B.

"In Poland, for 10 centuries, the Christmas Eve celebration of the coming of Christ also was seen as a feast honoring motherhood and as recognition of human brotherhood, independently of race, gender, religion or status," said Anna Dadlez, professor of Polish.

An unleavened wheat wafer, *oplatek*, is shared by all those gathered before the supper. *Oplatek*, which indicates mutual forgiveness and love, often is mailed to absent family members and friends.

According to tradition, extra places are set at the table for anyone who may appear. Welcoming the guests, invited or uninvited, is seen as part of the affirmation of Christianity.

Wigilia will consist of a five-course dinner featuring traditional Polish dishes and a performance by two accomplished musicians — Catherine McMichael, pianist, and Rod Beber, violinist. Their repertoire will include a medley

of classical Polish compositions. Audience members also will have an opportunity to participate in a sing-along in Polish and English.

Admission is \$15 per person, \$7.50 for children under 12. For reservations call Dina at 793-7903, Karen at 686-5925 or Maria at 790-6691.

BIDI receives safety grant

The Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services recently awarded a \$40,000 Safety Education and Training (SET) grant to SVSU's Business and Industrial Development Institute (BIDI).

SVSU has partnered with the Michigan Association of Home Builders to develop a safety training program and manual, specifically geared toward the relatively small companies in the building trade, i.e., single family dwelling general contractors, multi-family dwelling contractors and commercial and residential remodelers.

"Due to the small size of these companies — typically less than 18 employees — it is difficult to cost effectively develop and implement formal safety training programs," said Jo A. Peterson, grant writer and director of BIDI.

The manual also will include information about SET services and encourage builders to contact SET for assistance.

BIDI had received an SET grant the last three years to provide safety training and develop video tapes for the grain handling industry.

Scholarship students recognized

Nearly 60 SVSU freshmen scholarship recipients attended an Oct. 25 brunch in their honor. The students were among 210 who received scholarships for newly-admitted students who demonstrated academic excellence.

The recipients represented those honored with Presidential Scholarships, Awards for Excellence, The University Scholar and Deans' Scholarships.

Each student at the brunch had the opportunity to introduce themselves and accompanying family members.

President Eric R. Gilbertson told the students that more than a year before they came to campus, their applications were reviewed for merit. Kristi Beck, a recipient of a Deans' Scholarship and the McCabe Scholarship, talked about the challenging transition from high school to SVSU during her freshman year.

Lions decide to return next year

The summer of 1998 will see the Detroit Lions back in uniform on the SVSU campus. On Nov. 5, the Lions announced the team would exercise its option to return for a second year. More than 108,000 fans turned out for the 1997 camp, which took place during July and August. Negotiations continue in an attempt to develop a long-term arrangement. It is hoped that agreement will be finalized in the spring.

Lions' Vice President Larry Lee and SVSU Athletic Director Bob Becker made the announcement during a news conference in the Ryder Center on Nov. 5. It also was announced that plans are under way to bring in another NFL team to practice with the Lions during the training camp.

Dates for the 1998 camp are yet to be determined.

SVSU among candidates for award

SVSU is among 13 individuals and organizations being considered for the Saginaw County Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) Pinnacle Awards. SVSU was nominated for its efforts in bringing the Detroit Lions training camp to Saginaw County.

As many as six individuals or organizations will be selected by a panel of three judges to receive an award — the first of its kind for the Saginaw CVB. The award recognizes volunteerism from the hospitality industry, historical preservation, community relations and the economic impact derived from a conference or convention.

Winners will be honored during a Nov. 21 luncheon.

SVSU personnel to appear on Fox

Two Saginaw Valley State University staff members and four local police officers will be the featured guests on WSMH Fox 66 during *Mid-Michigan Focus*, a program for and about people and issues in the Saginaw Valley.

SVSU Chief of Police Craig Maxwell and Officer Marc Strain will discuss the history of "community policing" and SVSU's efforts. The second half of the show, efforts in community policing are discussed by officers from Saginaw Township and the city of Saginaw, including SVSU alumnus Officer Danté Elmore. The show will first air at 10 a.m., Monday, Nov. 17.

Hosting and producing the show is Cecilia Jerome, director of Information Services.

Directing the show were Keith Frye, electronic media distribution and production technician for the Zahnnow Library, and Brian Mudd, head of audio/visual services.

Polish Club unveils sculpture

SVSU's Polish Students' Club unveiled a sculpture of the Polish and American hero, Tadeusz Kosciuszko, Monday, Oct. 20 in the Emeriti Room.

The event included the unveiling of the bas relief sculpture by renowned Bay City artist Rita Greve; an address of "Kosciuszko in Polish and American History;" and comments and questions pertaining to Poland in the 1990s.

The sculpture is mounted in the area outside SVSU's Office of International Programs located on the first floor of Wickes Hall.

Renowned physicist to visit SVSU

Dr. Clifford E. Swartz, professor emeritus of physics at SUNY-Stony Brook, will present two public lectures at SVSU on Thursday, Nov. 20. Swartz will present a "non-scientific" lecture at 7:30 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Rectal Hall. He will present "Order of Magnitude Calculations" at 3:30 p.m. in 108 Science Building. Admission to both lectures is free of charge.

Swartz's visit to SVSU is sponsored by the American Institute of Physics Visiting Scientist Program in Physics, the SVSU Department of Physics, the SVSU Physics Club, the SVSU Science Club and the office of the dean of Science, Engineering and Technology.

Campus Happenings

- **Valley Film Society** — 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, Performing Arts Center Theatre. *Carrington* will be the featured film. Admission is by season pass, available at the door.
- **Rhea Miller Concert** — 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Featuring oboist Andrea Gullickson. Admission is \$5. Call ext. 4159 for reservations.
- **Valley Wind Quintet Concert** — 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, Rhea Miller Recital Hall. For complimentary tickets, call ext. 4159.
- **Marching Band Concert** — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19. For more information, call ext. 4159.
- **Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop** — 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 19. Call ext. 4063 for further information.

**KCP Visiting
Professor**

**Ivan
Van Sertima**

**"African
Voyages before
Columbus"**

**4 p.m.
Wednesday,
Nov. 12
Rhea Miller
Recital Hall**

**Refreshments
Served**

**For more informa-
tion, call ext. 4397**



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Professional Profile

• **Eric De Vos**, associate professor of psychology, presented a paper, "Biosocial and Psychosocial Dimensions of Transgenerational Continuity and Change in Parenting and the Self," at a symposium he co-convened with Dr. Dinesh Sharma, a research fellow at Columbia University. The symposium, "Child Care and Sociocultural Change: Interdisciplinary Perspectives," was convened at the International Council of Psychologists (ICP) regional conference, "Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Human Development," July 21-23, Padua, Italy.

• **Matthew Zivich**, professor of art, has two works on display at the University of Michigan Art Department's Alumni Art Show, "Embracing the Spirit." The two recent works are *30 Croatian Cravats*, a photographic work, and *Yo, Petrushka*, a painted relief done with acrylic on foam core. The relief sculpture is the first finished piece that Zivich has completed as part of his sabbatical. The works will be on display through Nov. 15 in the Slusser Gallery.

Across Campus

• Congratulations go out to **Mary Aumann**, lead operations specialist, and her husband, Martin, on the birth of a son. Brendan Michael (9 lbs., 6 oz., 21 in.) was born Friday, Oct. 24 at 6:24 p.m.

• The campus community extends condolences to:

- ▶ **Jim Connor**, women's soccer coach, whose father, Milo Conner, passed away Nov. 3.
- ▶ **Tamie Grunow**, coordinator of employment & compensation, whose brother-in-law, Tim Grunow, passed away Nov. 5.
- ▶ **Susan Leonard**, executive secretary, whose father-in-law, Fred Leonard, passed away Oct. 26.
- ▶ **MaryLou Taylor**, administrative secretary, whose brother, Robert Scarlett, passed away Oct. 26.

• SVSU wishes a speedy recovery to **Holly Furlo**, staff accountant, who is recuperating at home from surgery.

Have You Heard?

• Please submit all information for the **Winter 1998 Calendar of Events** to the Office of Information Services no later than Wednesday, Nov. 19. The calendar will include all events open to the public that take place from Jan. 1 through April 30.

• SVSU and TIAA-CREF are hosting two financial education workshops. "Principles of Sound Investing" will be offered from 10 to 11:30 a.m., followed by "Approaching Retirement" from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Both programs will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 18 in Curtiss Hall Seminar Room G. Make reservations by calling the Office of Human Resources at ext. 4108.

SVSU alumnus to coach Cardinals

Warren Wood, 34, has been named interim men's basketball coach for the 1997-98 season.



Warren Wood

Wood takes over for Robert Pratt, who retired from coaching in October after a 24-year career at SVSU.

Wood graduated from SVSU in 1994 with a B.A. in management. He currently is enrolled in SVSU's Educational Leadership graduate degree program. He also attended Concordia College in Seward, Neb., where he was a three-time letter-winner in basketball and earned one letter each in football and baseball.

Wood has previous coaching experience at the junior varsity level for Valley Lutheran and Bay City John Glenn high schools. He also spent time coaching youth leagues at the Saginaw YMCA and in Saginaw Township.

Wood and his wife, Shirley, have two children and reside in Saginaw.

Klopf among top Division II athletes

SVSU Cardinal quarterback Jeff Klopf was selected as one of six players from the region nominated for the Harlon Hill Trophy. The honor goes to the NCAA Division II Player of the Year. The top two from each region are placed on the national list of 23 to be voted on by college sports information directors.

High Five

• **Football** (8-2, 7-2) — defeated Hillsdale College, 30-13, Saturday. The victory ties a school record for season wins. The team completes its regular season this Saturday at home against Northern Michigan.

• **Volleyball** (15-15, 7-10) — dropped an 8-15, 5-15, 13-15 decision to Michigan Tech University Saturday. In Friday's action, the Cardinals defeated Lake Superior State in five games, 15-13, 12-15, 15-1, 10-15, 15-5.