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SVSU faculty, staff have opportunity to become "Rush Lecturer"

Thomas and Hilda Rush strongly believe that distinguished academic leadership involves the creation of scholarly or artistic work, as well as excellence in teaching. Therefore, the Midland couple created the Rush Endowment in support of The Thomas and Hilda Rush Distinguished Lectureship.

The award will recognize and reward Saginaw Valley State University staff and faculty members who, by their creation or development of significant scholarly or artistic work, have distinguished themselves and brought recognition to the University. The award is intended to motivate and encourage others.

The Rush Endowment will provide resources for an annual award to a faculty or staff member who will present his/her work in an academic convocation conducted for that purpose. The recipient will be known as a "Rush Lecturer."

Thomas and Hilda Rush have made a generous gift to SVSU to establish the endowment.

"This award is intended to complement the several existing prestigious awards at SVSU — providing recognition from a little different perspective than the others," Dr. Rush said, adding the lectureship was the "brainchild" of President Gilbertson.

"Hilda and I felt that this idea was very exciting and should help SVSU attract and retain the outstanding faculty and staff that is so vital in achieving the academic excellence to which we are committed at SVSU. Because each teacher impacts so many students, we feel that this represents a leveraged investment which should pay off handsomely in the coming years."

The Rush Lecturer will be selected annually. A cash award will be made to the recipient as a stipend for an academic presentation that the recipient, the Rush Lecturer, will make during an academic convocation to take place during

the fall semester each year. The amount of the annual award will be based upon the funds available from the endowment fund earnings, in accord with SVSU Foundation policies then in effect.

The Rush Lecturer will be selected each year by the SVSU Foundation Board of Directors, or a committee of it, from among the SVSU faculty and staff, as recommended by the President of the University.

Thomas Rush is an orthopedic surgeon in Midland and has served in several leadership roles as a physician in Midland, including chief of surgery for several terms, chairman of the medical staff executive committee and president of the Midland County Medical Society. Rush serves on the board of MidMichigan Health. He also has participated in the community as a division leader in the United Way of Midland County and a member of the Board of Directors at Comerica Bank-Midland.

In 1991, Dr. Rush was appointed to an eight-year term on the SVSU Board of Control. He was chairman of the board of two terms. He also is a member of the SVSU Foundation Board of Directors, since 1991, and in 1997 he was leader of the University Division of the successful Campaign for Distinction.

Mrs. Rush has a long and distinguished career as a professional office and business manager in the health care field. She has been a leader in many professional organizations throughout Michigan and has contributed extensive additional voluntary time and energy to civic, political, business and professional activities in her local community. Mrs. Rush has served many years as a board member of both the Midland Area Chamber of Commerce and its subsidiary, CBM Credit Services Inc., and was a founding member of the Midland Practice Manager's Association and the Michigan Orthopaedic Group Management Association.



ITD WORKSHOPS

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Corel Presentation
for Beginners
2-5 p.m., Feb. 12

Corel Presentation
Advanced Training
9 a.m.-Noon, Feb. 13

Scanning & Digital
Camera
9 a.m.-Noon, Feb. 20

PhotoShop I
9 a.m.-Noon, March 13

PhotoShop II
9 a.m.-Noon, March 20

All sessions will take
place in C154.

SVSU announces enrollment figures

Enrollment for the Winter '98 semester is 5.09 percent greater than Winter '97, according to J. Chris Looney, Registrar. Total headcount for Winter '98 is 7,394, up from 1997's 7,036.

Significant growth was realized among new graduates, with a 51.82 percent increase above 1997, accounting for 167 new students. Undergraduate enrollment increased 1.15 percent, to 5,376. Graduate student enrollment is at 1,185, up 22.54 percent above 1997's total of 967.

Retirees event postponed

The SVSU retirees luncheon, scheduled for February, has been postponed to accommodate more participants. A date will be established later and retirees will receive notification. The luncheon is designed to update SVSU retirees on University plans and events, and to receive input from them as the University continues to grow.

All-University Awards Banquet coming in April

A weekend getaway package, dinner for two to one of many fine restaurants in the Tri-Cities . . . a terrific meal and good company . . . All

combine for the Ninth Annual All-University Awards Banquet Friday, April 17.

SVSU faculty and staff, and their guests, are invited to the banquet — at no charge — in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms. Employees will be honored for 30, 25, 20, 15 and 10 years of service. In addition, many awards such as the Franc A. Landee Teaching Excellence, the Rueben Daniels Community Service Award, and many others, will be announced.

Drawings will take place for dinners at area restaurants, and a weekend getaway package for two to Atlantic City, including hotel and airfare. The evening will begin with a reception at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:45.

SVSU presents Health Yourself '98

SVSU's Office of Health Services will host "Health Yourself '98" from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10 and Wednesday, Feb. 11 in Alumni Lounge.

More than 20 area agencies will be on hand to provide information on pregnancy assistance, blood pressure and blood screening, substance abuse treatment, mental health myths, healthy eating habits, cancer risk assessment, vision screening, safety tips and more.



35 inducted into SVSU Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society — The Michigan Delta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society inducted 35 new members during ceremonies Feb. 1 in Founders Hall.

The SVSU Chapter is one of more than 300 at four-year colleges and universities across the country. Since its installation in 1986, more than 550 junior and senior students have been inducted locally. Gretchen

Mooringham, professor of mathematical sciences, serves as the chapter's faculty advisor.

Students who have a grade point average of 3.50 or better and who are ranked in the top 10 percent of their major field of study are nominated by the faculty members from various departments. Criteria for the recognition includes "intellectual capacity, breadth of general knowledge, ability to communicate, intellectual curiosity, classroom contribution and creativity."

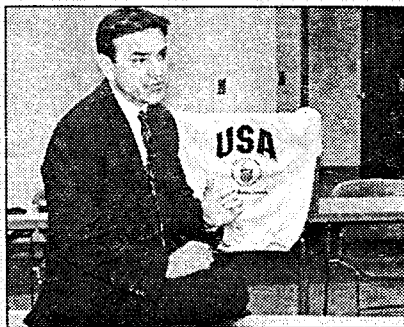
SVSU personnel appear on Fox 66

SVSU Director of Multicultural Programs and Affirmative Action Craig A. Tatum is joined by John Pugh and Daniel Soza of Delta College, and Lyle Kleman, director of Saginaw's Bridge Center for Racial Harmony, on WSMH-Fox 66 during *Mid-Michigan Focus*, a program for and about people and issues in the Saginaw Valley. The men trace the civil rights movement from the 1960s to today. The show will air at 10 a.m., Monday, Feb. 16.

Hosting and producing the show was Cecilia Jerome, director of Information Services. The show's director was Keith Frye, electronic media distribution and production technician.

Professional Profile

- **William K. Barnett**, professor of anthropology and sociology, presented a paper, "Creation and Use of Cultural Assimilators in Teaching Japanese Culture," at the Fourth Annual Conference of the Japan Studies Association in Honolulu, Jan. 7. Barnett also was elected to serve on the editorial board for the association's publications. Following the conference, he conducted an afternoon workshop at the East-West Center, University of Hawaii, on "Critical Incidents in Eastern Cultures."
- **Donald Himmelsbach**, adjunct English faculty, recently had a story published by Clemson University. "Nudes" appeared in Vol. 30, No. 1 of the *South Carolina Review*.
- **Don Wiseman**, professor of accounting, presented a paper titled "The General Theory of Security Analysis Techniques" at the 1997 Global Business Trends Conference, Acapulco, Mexico, in December. Wiseman acted as discussant for another paper and substituted as chair for that session (finance).



Steve Sotir, director of the U.S. Olympic Training Center, gave a brief presentation Jan. 29 in Curtiss Hall as part of a Wellness Program for SVSU personnel. For more information on activities to enhance wellness, contact Lynn Grant at ext. 4108.

**fourth
club
friday**

**Friday, Feb. 27 • 4:30 p.m.
President's Reception Area**

Refreshments Served

**Come and enjoy the company of
your colleagues and friends!**

Expert to discuss UFOs

Robert Hastings will lecture on "UFOs — The Hidden History" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16 in the SVSU Auditorium.

The 90-minute lecture and slide show draws together Hastings' findings on documented information, once hidden in the secret files of the CIA, Defense Intelligence Agency, FBI and the U.S. Air Force.

Hastings will review formerly classified documents such as the 1947 analysis to the Pentagon from Air Force General Nathan F. Twining who concluded that UFOs are "real." Also reviewed in the lecture will be a series of Defense Department documents from 1975 that report a number of UFO sightings at nuclear missile sites and atomic bomb storage facilities. An FBI memorandum stating that the Air Force has secretly recovered "flying saucers" that crashed in New Mexico, and reveals what was discovered within them, will be discussed.

For more information, call the Campus Life Center at ext. 4170.

Award-winning children's author to appear at SVSU

Joyce Hansen, award-winning author of young adult and children's literature, will speak at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17 in Founders Hall.

Hansen received the 1997 Coretta Scott King Honor Book award for her most recent novel, *I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly*. Two other works by Hansen, *Which Way Freedom?* and *The Captive*, also were named Coretta Scott King Honor books in the past.

Hansen is highly regarded for her range of work. She has been honored for her realistic contemporary fiction and her nonfiction. Hansen's Feb. 16 through 18 visit will include visits to area schools. She also will speak to classes at SVSU Feb. 17.

For more information, contact Jean Brown or Elaine Stephens, professors of teacher education, at ext. 4073 or 4317.

Have You Heard?

- All faculty and staff should have received a copy of the nomination form for the **Rueben Daniels Community Service Award**. All nominations are due Friday, Feb. 27 to Gene Hamilton, chairperson of the selection committee. The committee will announce the award during the April 17 All University Awards Banquet.
- Faculty are requested to submit proposals for an April 3 workshop titled **"Online to the Future: New Directions for Teaching and Learning."** Sponsored by the Epiphany Project, the workshop will feature the newest in software and multi-media applications and the best in computer-aided instruction classroom practices. The deadline for proposals is Monday, Feb. 23. To submit a proposal, or for more information, contact Diane Boehm, director of University Writing Program, at ext. 7728 or by E-mail at dboehm@svsu.edu.
- Faculty are asked to announce to students that the deadline to apply for the **SVSU Faculty Association Endowed Scholarship** is Friday, March 20.
- Health Services thanks the donors who gave 87 pints at the Jan. 21 **blood drive**. The next opportunity to donate will be March 25.
- The Office of Academic and Student Support Services will host a **Career Fair** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17 in Curtiss Hall. Area employers will be available to answer questions from students and alumni about careers and employment opportunities. For more information, call ext. 4286.

Campus Happenings

- **The Digital Print: Computer Images** — on display through Feb. 25 in the University Art Gallery. For more information, call ext. 4391.
- **Center Stage Performing Arts Series** — 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, Performing Arts Theatre. "Area High School Showcase" will feature a variety of talents, from one-act plays to readings and more. Admission is \$3. For more information, call ext. 4170.
- **Auditions for *The Fantasticks*** — 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10; 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11; Performing Arts Theatre. The production will take place March 26 to 29. For more information, call ext. 1936.
- **Black History Month Event** — 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Donna Liebman, African dancer, will per-

form and lecture on African dances. Admission is free of charge. For more information, call ext. 4397.

- **Roosevelt Ruffin Lecture Series** — 9 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Albert Rawlins will present "A Sampling of Music from the 12th to 18th Centuries." For more information, call ext. 4397.
- **Third Wednesday Poetry Workshop** — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18 at Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Tittabawassee Road. For more information, call ext. 4063.
- **Winter Theatre Production** — 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22 in the Performing Arts Theatre. *Selkie*, by Laurie Brooks Gollobin, tells the story of a young woman who seeks her true identity. Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets by calling ext. 1936.
- **Black History Month Lecture** — Noon and 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24 in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Room. Elaine Richards will present "Beyond the Ebonics Debate." Refreshments served. For information, call ext. 4397.
- **Valley Film Society** — 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27 in the Performing Arts Theatre. *Farinelli* will be the featured film. Admission is by season pass, available at the door. For more information, call ext. 4015.

Across Campus

- **Kirker Kranz**, audio/visual assistant, received the 1998 Friends of the Bay County Libraries Volunteer of the Year Award. Kranz received notice of the award in January after volunteering to restore some 700 video and audio tapes for the Bay County Library System.
- The campus community extends sincerest condolences to:
 - **David Dalgarn**, professor of biology, whose brother recently passed away
 - The family of **Fred Meyer**, who passed away Jan. 24. Meyer retired from SVSU in 1982.

High Five

- **Men's Basketball** (7-7, 11-11) — defeated Northern Michigan University 91-81 Saturday.
- **Women's Basketball** (18-4, 10-4) — beat seventh-ranked, league-leading Northern Michigan University 89-87 Saturday. The win leaves SVSU tied for third in the GLIAC North Division.

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Board Report

A Report of the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control

February 2, 1998

Issuance of general revenue bonds tops February Board agenda

The Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control Monday, Feb. 2 authorized the issuance of general revenue bonds for the construction of Instructional Facility No. 3, refinancing existing debt, new on-campus student housing and renovation of existing residence halls. The state of Michigan will pay \$18.75 million toward the IF-3 project, which is estimated to cost \$25 million. The new student housing would add 330 beds at an estimated cost of \$10 million. The residence hall renovation is expected to cost \$2.375 million. Controller James G. Muladore indicated that interest rate indexes for general obligation bonds are at their lowest levels since October 1973, and that it is now a good time for SVSU to maximize its borrowing potential. The Board authorized total borrowing of up to \$27 million, inclusive of bond issuance costs.

The Board also authorized the site work and construction of a bell tower and amphitheater. Funding for the two projects has been received from private donors. The project is expected to cost less than \$500,000. The bell tower will be 62-feet tall and placed on the grassy area at the sidewalk leading into Curtiss Hall. The amphitheater will be constructed in the area outside the Performing Arts Center and provide seating for up to 80. The bell tower will be constructed through the generosity of William and Julia Edwards. The amphitheater is being funded by Melvin J. Zahnnow.

In other Board action:

- The Board accepted the federal awards audit for the 1996-97 fiscal year, as conducted by Andrews Hooper & Pavlik, PLC.

- The board approved the addition of a ninth grade to the New Directions Institute in Pontiac to better service more at-risk students in the community.

- Confirmed board members for previously authorized charter schools, including Grattan Academy, Chatfield School, the Creative Learning Academy, Traverse Bay Community Schools, the Sunrise Education Center and Northwest Academy.

- Robert Maurovich, vice president of student services and enrollment, told the Board that preliminary numbers indicate winter 1998 enrollment is up more than 5.18 percent above 1997 figures, for total student enrollment of 7,394. Chris Looney, registrar, said enrollment for undergraduate students is up 1.6 percent above 1997 figures, and returning student enrollment is up 4.9 percent.

- Larry Hatcher, assistant professor of psychology, and Matthew Margres, professor of psychology, updated Board members on projects they researched collaboratively with students for a February presentation before the Michigan Association of Governing Boards.

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of Board
activities.
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