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# Campaign grant establishes Endowed Professorship in Education

Professorship in Education was established through The Campaign for Distinction to recognize, reward and promote scholarly performance in K-12 teacher preparation at SVSU. A grant in the amount of \$250,000 from the Dow Corning Foundation will support the endowed professorship. Income from the endowment will provide funding for promising individuals to enhance their knowledge and teaching skills, with a particular focus on technology and the integration of technological advances into educational programs and processes.

"The Dow Corning Foundation took the opportunity to enhance the education of future teachers in our area and around the state by establishing this professorship," said Burnett Kelly, president of the Dow Corning Foundation. "Technology is now an integral part of all of our lives, and teachers — both those currently in the area classroom and those who are being trained — need to develop a good understanding of how to integrate technology into classroom learning.

"Technology is a wonderful tool," Kelly continued, "but it must be viewed as a means to the end of learning continuously throughout life, rather than an end in itself."

The holder of the Dow Corning Foundation Professorship will be a distinguished teacher and scholar associated with SVSU.

"We expect that the professors who fill this position will help established and new teachers become comfortable with using technology effectively to teach in new and innovative ways," Kelly said.

The individual will be required to present a plan for use of the Dow Corning Foundation Professorship proceeds in support of academic and professional development activities, including the expected outcomes from those activities. Such activities must be designed to strengthen and improve the teaching and learning of mathematics and science disciplines in the elementary and secondary schools of the mid-Michigan region through the incorporation of technology in the educational experience.



Carlson accepts new post

When Severin Carlson leaves Aug. 14 as dean of the College of Business and Management, he will leave behind a revised M.B.A. program, greater internationalization of the business curriculum, and some

"really nice people."



S. Carlson

Carlson accepted the post of dean of the school of business for the College of St. Rose in Albany, NY. Sponsored by the congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, the college has an enrollment of around 3,500 to 4,000. Once there, Carlson will have the opportunity to expand his faculty by 25 percent.

"They're looking for some growth," he said, and strengthening ties to the business community. Carlson added that the school of business has a "pretty strong faculty and has done some recent hiring.

There's a good mix of assistants, associates and full-time professors."

The College of St. Rose bears a striking resemblance to SVSU. Most students are commuters, although there is some housing available on campus — much of it in Victorian homes. The graduate programs are similar in that the classes mostly take place in the evenings to accommodate work and family commitments. Along with the school of education, the school of business is one of the college's strongest programs.

Looking back on his four years at SVSU, Carlson said he is most pleased with the progress the College of Business and Management made toward revising the M.B.A. program, much of that in the foundation courses. A recent U.S. Department of Education grant will enable the College to further develop international courses at the M.B.A. and undergraduate levels, including the potential to add a major in international business at the undergraduate level. Also, the development of the Wickes Foundation grant to develop a chair in international business — currently held by Norbert Elbert.

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Back to School Picnic 5 to 8 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 27 Gazelle Fountain (Curtiss Hall in the event of rain)

RSVP ext. 4041 by Aug. 20

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"These things differentiate us from other schools," Carlson said. He is quick to add, however, that these things are not so much the work of the dean, but the efforts of the dean to provide the environment to make these things happen.

He said he would miss the people most of all, particularly the faculty, whom he described as "really solid in the teaching area and concerned with where the students are going." So much so, Carlson added, that he and fellow Dean Thomas Kullgren in the College of Science, Engineering and Technology, a few years back developed the Corporate Education Council with their respective Dean's Advisory Committees. The group works with prospective employers for a professional viewpoint of the progress made toward readying students for the workplace. The assessment also includes surveying recent alumni and soon-to-be graduates to see how well prepared they think they are.

Accepting the position in Albany puts Carlson, his wife, Janice, and their daughter Rachel, 9, closer to family in the Northeast region of the country. Carlson hails from Massachusetts, his wife from Rhode Island. Four years' worth of 15-hour trips back home began to wear on the family of three who lived in Midland. It also puts the ski-loving trio in greater proximity to the slopes — some within 40 minutes of Albany. Carlson starts his new job on Aug. 24.

A reception in honor of Carlson will take place at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12 in the President's Reception Area.

# McMillon joins SVSU staff

SVSU and Saginaw High School graduate Vincent D. McMillon is SVSU's new director of equal opportunity and special programs. McMillon recently completed his master's



degree in social work from Michigan State University. He received a bachelor's degree in social work from SVSU in 1997. Prior to his appointment at SVSU, McMillon was assistant director of the First Ward Community Center in Saginaw.

V. McMillon

In his new position, which began Aug. 3, McMillon is charged with promoting cultural understanding on campus among the faculty, staff, students and visitors. He will consult and advise on equity, diversity, equal opportunity and affirmative action matters. McMillon also will be responsible for investigating and monitoring discrimination complaints.

Among his duties will be the development of programming in K-12 and intermediate school districts to recruit minority students and employees to SVSU. McMillon will serve as a resource for the University's Minority Services Department in the recruitment and retention of students.

# Bilingual Education Center's funding increased

SVSU's Bilingual Education Center recently received notice from the U.S. Department of Education that it would receive an increase in program funding through the year 2000-01 — \$174,665 for each of the three years, for a total of \$523,995. The funding is through the DOE's Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs for Title VII funding for SVSU's Bilingual Teacher Training Program.

Gladys Hernández von Hoff, director of the Bilingual Teacher Training Program (BTTP), said the funding will be used to educate students who seek the bilingual endorsement to become teachers in Spanish. The increase is nearly 66 percent above the previous funding level of \$105,599 per year.

"This significant increase in funding is an acknowledgment of our program's quality, reputation and number of students served," von Hoff said. "The increase in funding now gives SVSU the opportunity to recruit additional students into the BTTP."

# Taiwan students graduate

Seventeen Taiwanese students who have completed requirements for an M.B.A. degree from SVSU will participate in Commencement ceremonies at 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13 in Founders Hall.

Dr. Margaret Meng-Yang L. Li, director of the Cultural Division for the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) in Chicago, will deliver the Commencement address. TECO-Chicago is one of six consulates of Taiwan. Li is responsible for all cultural exchange programs between Taiwan and the U.S. for the nine states in the Midwest region.

Li's address will emphasize the role of U.S. higher education in the economic development of Taiwan.

### **Professional Profile**

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• Hong Y. Park, professor of economics, presented a paper titled "Global Sourcing, Foreign Direct Investment and Transaction Cost," at the 73rd Annual Western Economic Association International Conference, June 28 through July 2 in Lake Tahoe, Nev. Park also chaired the product demand and collusion session at the conference and discussed a paper.

In addition, Park gave an invited talk at the annual joint seminar sponsored by Korean-American Scientists and Engineers Association in America and the Association of Korean-American Professionals in the American Automotive Industries, June 20 in Novi. Park's topic was "Korean Economic Crisis, Economic Competitiveness and Transaction Cost."

# **Across Campus**

- The campus community extends condolences to **Robert Tutsock**, director of Physical Plant, for the loss of his stepfather, John Blevins.
- Gene Hamilton, special assistant to the president for government and community relations, extends his gratitude to the SVSU community for the support given his family in the loss of his mother, Mayme Hamilton. Mrs. Hamilton was an ardent support of SVSU.

### **Have You Heard?**

- Parking permits for 1998-99 will be available beginning Aug. 17. Current permits expire Sept. 15. The \$20 permits can be purchased Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and also are available by mail. For further information, contact the Parking Bureau at ext. 4140.
- Activities and special events to be included in the Fall 1998 Calendar of Events should be submitted to the Office of Information Services by Thursday, Aug. 6. Please provide name/type of event; time, date and location; a brief description of the event or brief bio of the artist/lecturer; admission information, including ticket prices; and a phone number for more information. Information returned by Aug. 6 also will be included in the Alumni Announcer (when appropriate). As SVSU offers even more activities, the calendar becomes increasingly important. Faculty and staff cooperation is greatly appreciated. Send information to the Office of Information Services, call ext. 4039 or send E-mail to infoservices@svsu.edu.
- Sprinkler systems will be tested in Wickes Hall, Brown Hall, Zahnow Library and the Science Building Sunday, Aug. 9 from 8 a.m. to noon.
- The College of Extended Learning and Tri-County chambers of commerce have joined forces with Franklin Covey to offer **TimeQuest**, a seminar to increase productivity through value-based time management. The program will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 26 in Curtiss Hall. All participants will receive a day planner system. A program discount is available to those who already own a planner. Early registration is encouraged, as seating is limited. To make a reservation, call the Office of Continuing Education at ext. 4475.
- The Office of Information Services is scheduling **portrait appointments** for the 1998-99 *Faculty/Staff Directory*. To make an appointment, call ext. 4039 or send E-mail to infoservices@svsu.edu.
- You may recycle your **old phone books** by placing them beside your regular recycle bin.
- Participants are needed for the 1998 Community Corporate Games. Among the events that require competitors are Team Banner, Basketball Shoot, 400M Relay, Obstacle Course, Tug of War and 4x50 Swim Relay. For further information, or to sign-up for an event, contact Mike Holliday at ext. 5683.

### **Transitions**

### **SVSU Welcomes**

- Elizabeth Gutierrez, Administrative Assistant, 4-S Grant Program, 249-1661, eagutier@svsu.edu, Z134
- Karen Turpin, Administrative Secretary, Academic & Student Support Services, 249-1696, W120
- Vicky Johnson, Technical Services/Audio Visual Clerk, 790-4247 or 790-4244
- Michelle Johnson, Visiting Professor of Humanities, 4-S Grant Program, 249-4621, Z227
- Becky Mietz, Senior Secretary, Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery, 790-5623
- Vincent McMillon, Director, Equal Opportunity & Special Programs, 790-4397, W332
- Susan Cheney, Catalog Librarian, 790-7503, Z125
- Lori Flaherty, Head Women's Basketball Coach, 791-7312, R208
- Robert Shaw, Associate Professor, Teacher Education-Elementary/Special Education (one-year temp), E183
- Patricia Trautman, Assistant Professor, Teacher Education-Middle/Secondary Education, E168

### Same Face, New Place

- Jane Girdham, Associate Professor, Music, 790-4386, jgirham@svsu.edu, A226
- Mary Hedburg, Associate Professor, History, 790-5687, hedburg@svsu.edu, B334
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- Jill Wetmore, Interim Dean, College of Business & Management, 790-4064, iwetmore@svsu.edu, C320

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- Kathy Lopez, Advisor, Academic & Career Services, 790-4167, klopez@svsu.edu, W119
- Janice Thomas, Custodial Specialist, 791-7333, Ryder Center

· Wynn McDonald, Director, Graduate

Admissions/Transfer Student Programs &

Services, 790-5673, wpm@svsu.edu, W122

### **Moving On**

- · Karen Koroleski
- Kay Warmbier
- Melissa Hayden
- Severin Carlson
- Monica Carr
- Lisa Verdoni
- Craig Tatum

# **High Five**

Lori Flaherty has been named SVSU's head women's basketball coach. She becomes the fifth head coach of one of the most consistently successful programs in the country. SVSU has had only one losing season in 24 seasons of varsity competition.

Flaherty spent the last five seasons as head women's basketball coach at West Virginia Wesleyan College, where she compiled a 65-63 record. She inherited a team that had not won more than six games in seven previous seasons and led the Bobcats to a top 25 NAIA national ranking three years ago. WVWC was a dual member of NAIA and NCAA Division II, until recently dropping its NAIA affiliation.

She also spent five seasons as head women's basketball and softball coach at St. Mary's College, an NCAA Division III program in Winona, Minn. She was named softball "Coach of the Year" by the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Association in 1992.

She holds a bachelor's degree in physical education/health from Missouri Western State College and a master's degree in physical education from the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse. Flaherty began her career as an assistant basketball coach at her alma mater in 1987-88. During her four-year playing career she earned All-American honors, was named "Most Valuable Player" and was "Rookie of the Year."

She also had an illustrious softball career, highlighted by All-District and All-Conference honors as team captain.

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# Return to Journey's Beginnings

"There were atrocities committed upon many during World War II by Germany and the USSR," said Anna Dadlez, professor of modern foreign languages (Polish), who also teaches history and political science.

In her book, Journey from Innocence, Dadlez chronicles the plight of many of her countrymen during the Nazi and Soviet occupation of Poland in WWII, a war that began in Europe two years before American involvement. Dadlez's father was murdered by the Soviets and she and her mother were among the two million Polish women and children banished to camps in Siberia and Kazakhstan.

She was 12 at the time. Dadlez and her mother remained in Soviet detention for two years. When Germany, previously a Soviet friend, attacked the Soviet Union in 1941, Stalin granted "amnesty" to all Polish prisoners. According to Professor N. Davies (British), their survival rate was below 50 percent, Dadlez said.

Dadlez said she was careful to use historical documents as the basis for her book so *Journey from Innocence* would not be "just another memoir."

"Everything that happened to me is documented. These events were not discussed publicly in Poland until the Communist government collapsed in 1989. Apart from using easi-

ment collapsed in 1989. Apart from using easi-

ly available sources, I utilized declassified documents from Poland, the CIA and the KGB. Even though the book is about me, it has historical background. It comes from my life, and also from my studies."

Dadlez and her mother fled from the USSR to Iran, then under the British protectorate. They were encamped in Iraq, Egypt and Lebanon before heading to Great Britain. While in Beirut, Dadlez received her "Polish Matura" (diploma) from the Polish preparatory high school. She completed her B.A. at the University of Durham, England. In 1956, Dadlez and her mother headed for the United States, where Dadelz's future husband had already been residing for two years. His family had been devastated by the Nazis, as well as the Soviets.

Dadlez received her Ph.D. from Syracuse University (New York), in the social sciences. Her major was political science with two supporting disciplines: history and economics, with concentrations in Eastern Europe and Soviet Studies. Dadlez arrived at SVSU in 1976 as an assistant professor and director of the Polish Institute.

Recently, Dadlez visited her homeland to participate in the awarding of a prize named in memory of her father, Roman Gasowski. The award annually recognizes graduate students in the department of history at Wrocław University whose theses describe Communist atrocities committed by the Soviets against Polish civilians.

Dadlez said she is considering another book describing her life in the U.S. since *Journey* told of her life up through her undergraduate years.

She would like to see greater understanding among various groups in the U.S. and the world. "This could only be reached through the awareness of their history and culture," Dadlez said.

"People everywhere are becoming conscious that reconciliation of different groups is the hope of the U.S. and the world," Dadlez said. "Establishing channels of reciprocal communication with other peoples is vital for peace."

# SIGILIAL CALLS OF THE MONTH

# Jim Chasnis

Dorm Custodian, Physical Plant

August 1998

When SVSU resident students have a maintenance request, they call ext. 7039 where they hear, "The big guy with the bib overalls . . ."

That description refers to Jim Chasnis, whose work apparel has become his trademark among campus residents.

"I started wearing these years ago," Chasnis said. "I just like wearing them, and you won't see me without them."

Between the dorms and apartments, a total of 611 people may contact Chasnis with various maintenance or repair requests. Another 325 beds will be added to Chasnis's workload when construction of new housing units is completed by fall 1999.

Chasnis supervises eight student employees during the school year and about 40 during the summer months. His student crews do everything from cleaning carpets and waxing floors to painting walls and washing windows.

"This is a unique position because I can't handle it all by myself," Chasnis said.

"Anytime I need it, I know I can get help from people in the maintenance or grounds departments, and from Ryder Center and West Complex. So it's not just me doing all of this—there just isn't any way that one guy can keep all of these 611 people happy. The only

reason we have this kind of success in housing is because every department on campus helps us when we need it."

In addition to assisting residents during the fall and winter semesters, Chasnis and his crew maintain housing units for summer camp visitors.

"We have about 4,000 to 5,000 campers who stay on campus every summer. Some stay a week, some only a few days," Chasnis said. The first group of campers arrive as soon as winter semester ends in early May, with camp activity concluding in mid-August.

"Camps create most of the work for me here because many of the campers are hard on the rooms," he said. Since classes ended in April, Chasnis already has cleaned the carpets in F and G houses three times because of heavy use by camp participants. Chasnis noted that after the Detroit Lions complete their preseason training camp, he will have about five working days to ready 32 apartments and 18 dormitory suites for the start of fall semester.

In addition to maintenance, Chasnis also provides limited maid service for suites and apartments occupied by the Lions.

"We vacuum the rooms, take out the trash and change the linens on 144 beds every Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the Lions players; the 32 beds used by the top Lions staff are made up every day," he said.

After working all summer Chasnis looks forward to taking several days in the fall for his vacation, which he uses to hunt deer and rabbit.

His home collection of hunting trophies includes an 11-point rack from a Michigan buck. "My living room looks like 'Deer Haven,'" he joked.

Prior to joining the Physical Plant staff at SVSU in May 1989, Chasnis worked in General Motors' Nodular Iron plant in Saginaw. He and his wife, Shelly, and their three children, Jacob, Jessica and Megan, live in Saginaw Township.

