Grant to fund faculty, staff projects that are geared toward students

A new grant program will enable SVSU faculty and staff to receive funding toward programs and projects they develop to benefit SVSU students. Through the SVSU Foundation, faculty and staff may request funding to enhance scholarship, further the academic and cultural missions of the University and/or have significant impact on the University community. Programs or projects typically should be completed within one year. The grant program is not intended for faculty research.

The SVSU Foundation Board on Sept. 15 approved the Grant Guidelines and Procedures that will be used to administer the program. However, Chuck Graham, executive director of the Foundation, said, “Awarding grants is new to us. Consequently, the grant procedures will be refined with experience.”

After Oct. 1, grant applications will be available from the Foundation at ext. 4052. The application must include a current budget and a one page “Executive Summary.” Grant requests will be reviewed by the Evaluation Committee quarterly and recommendations then are submitted to the Foundation Board of Directors for action. Requests are due March 1, May 1, Aug. 1, and Nov. 1 of each year.

The Foundation staff will discuss any funding requests. An interview with a Foundation staff member may be requested after an initial review of the application.

“We in the Foundation are really excited about providing financial support to those worthy projects that will benefit students,” Graham said.

Funding requests should include answers to the following eight questions:

- Why is this project needed?
- How will the students benefit?
- What will happen as a result of this project?
- How will those results occur?
- Who will do the work?
- How will the success of the project be measured?
- How much will it cost?
- What happens when the grant runs out?

Funding for the grant program will come from an endowment established utilizing unrestricted gifts to the Campaign for Distinction and other unrestricted funds within the Foundation, Graham said. This created a “resource fund” of approximately $1 million. During this first year, $47,000 will be available for distribution.
SVSU enrollment tops 8,000

SVSU has crossed the 8,000 threshold with its fall enrollment. The University reported a record enrollment increase of 7.0 percent for the fall 1998 semester — 8,054 students. The enrollment includes 962 freshmen students, a 10.3 percent increase over 1997 fall figures. That figure shows an increase of nearly 100 freshmen from the previous year.

In addition, the University realized a nearly 19 percent increase in transfer enrollments — 108 new transfers for a total of 702. The transfer student total is the second largest in the school’s history. The largest number of transfers in one year was 709.

For the second year in a row, the largest growth was in the graduate programs area. Graduate enrollment is up 310 students (29.7 percent) over 1997 fall figures.

Enrollment for fall semester indicates a 38 percent increase in the number of Presidential Scholarship recipients (from 26 to 36) and a 21 percent increase in Awards for Excellence recipients (from 23 to 28). In addition, the number of enrolled freshmen with a high school grade point average of 3.50 and above increased by 26 percent (from 205 to 259).

The number of new freshmen and transfer students living in residential housing also increased this year. Those using on-campus housing is up 8 percent (357 students) over 1997 figures (331 students).

Wickson-Nickless lecturer to focus on “Building a Great Organization”

Robert E. Quinn, Margaret Elliot Tracy Professor of Organizational Behavior and Human Resource Management at the University of Michigan, is SVSU’s Wickson-Nickless Distinguished Lecturer. His presentation, “Building a Great Organization: Confronting the Dilemma Nobody Wants to Discuss,” will take place at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

Quinn also is director of U of M’s Management of Managers Program and is involved in the presentation of workshops and seminars for corporate leaders. He is the author of eight highly-regarded books and more than 50 articles published in management journals. Of his most recently published books, Becoming a Master Manager: A Competency Framework integrates four management perspectives into a comprehensive foundation for effective management.

There is no charge for Quinn’s lecture. For more information, call ext. 4064.

Faculty members to lecture on assisted suicide, paranormal

Three SVSU faculty members will make presentations as part of the University’s Valley Lecture Series. Each lecture will take place from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in Founders Hall. There is no admission charge for the lectures and a reception will follow each.

Drew Hinderer and Judith Hill, professors of philosophy, will discuss “Playing God: The Ethics of Suicide” Tuesday, Oct. 20.

Gerald Peterson, professor of psychology, will present “How We Know What Isn’t So: How People Come to Believe in the Paranormal” Tuesday, Nov. 17.

“There are many new programs which enable us to invite visiting faculty, lecturers and performers to our campus,” said Hinderer, chairman of the lecture series committee. “The Valley Scholars Lecture Series provides a regular opportunity for us to enjoy and celebrate some of the most interesting work being done by our own faculty.”

The College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences sponsors the presentations. For more information, call ext. 4062.
Across Campus

- The campus community extends condolences to the family of Pamela Kay Watt, an SVSU student who recently passed away.

Homecoming activities set

The theme selected for Homecoming '98, "35 Years of Magic," is reflected in a variety of activities for SVSU students, faculty, staff and alumni.

Leading off the festivities on Homecoming Day, Saturday, Oct. 3 will be a Z93 Tailgate Party, featuring free food, music and giveaways by WKQZ radio personalities. Look for the Z93 banner near the entrance to Wickes Memorial Stadium.

The third annual Homecoming Parade will wind through campus, beginning at the west side of Curtiss Hall and finishing near the football stadium in time for the kickoff. This year's Grand Marshal will be Bob Becker, athletic director.

The game will pit the Cardinals against Michigan Tech University. Kickoff is set for noon.

At halftime of the game, the Homecoming Court will be introduced on the field, and the King and Queen will be announced.

SVSU faculty, staff and students are invited to join alumni for an afterglow in Ryder Center immediately following the game. In addition, the Alumni Board of Directors will announce the 1998 Honorary Alumnus.

Later that evening, a semi-formal dance will take place in the Curtiss Hall banquet rooms from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the door.

For more information on Homecoming, contact the Campus Life Center at ext. 4170.

Members of the Detroit Society of Women Painters and Sculptors view the artists' works during an opening reception in the University Art Gallery. The exhibit continues through Sept. 30. For gallery hours, call ext. 4391 or 4159.
Ned S. Arbury, founding chairman of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery Board and an honorary doctorate recipient, passed away Sept. 5, 1998 at his home in Midland. The Arbury Fine Arts Center is named for Mr. Arbury and his wife Dorothy (Honey) Doan Arbury. Mr. and Mrs. Arbury were instrumental in raising funds for and establishing the Fine Arts Center and the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery.

A Midland County native, Mr. Arbury was a former president of A.S. Arbury & Sons Insurance Co. and International Loss Adjusting. He was a founder and past director of Panax Corp. of Michigan, Ultra Carbon Corp. of Michigan and Texas, Health Resources Inc., and Microcom Wireless Cable of Saginaw.

Mr. Arbury earned both his bachelor of arts and master of science degrees from the University of Michigan. In addition to his Doctor of Laws degree from SVSU, Mr. Arbury received an honorary degree from Great Lakes Junior College.

Remembered as a civic-minded man with a gentle and keen sense of humor, Mr. Arbury succeeded in keeping much of his generosity a secret. He is noted for his involvement as an economic development activist, civic fund raiser, donor and businessman.
Professional Profile

• Norbert Elbert, H.R.Wickes Professor of International Business, recently had an article published in the Journal of the International Academy for Case Studies, July issue. Titled "Human Resource Issues in a Transitional Economy: Cultural Problems Surrounding a Termination Case at a Newly Privatized Hungarian Plant," the paper received the Outstanding Paper Award at the Allied Academies National Conference last April. In October Elbert will present a paper titled "Evolution of People Management in Central Europe: Past, Present, and Future" at the International Management Center in Budapest, Hungary.

• M. Yousef Jabbari, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, attended the 11th International Heat Transfer Conference where he presented a paper titled "Mass Transfer Downstream of a 90 Degree Bend in a Square Duct." More than 600 scholars from around the world presented their research at the conference, which meets every four years. This year’s conference took place Aug. 23 through 28 in Kyongju, South Korea.

• Tai-Chi Lee, professor and chair of the Computer Science Department, presented a paper titled “An Object-Oriented Model for Complex Data” at the 1998 Summer Computer Simulation Conference, July 19 through 22 in Reno, Nev. The conference was sponsored by the Society for Computer Simulation International.

• Carlos Ramet, associate professor of English, published an article in The Michigan Academician (Aug. 1998). “Reinvigorating the Thriller: Eye of the Needle as Literature” engages in a close reading of Ken Follett’s 1978 bestseller to demonstrate that many of the devices that account for the book’s popular success also are the elements associated with serious literature.

Transitions

Please note the following Human Resource changes in your Faculty/Staff Directory:

SVSU Welcomes

• Robert Bock, Custodial Specialist, Ryder Center, Physical Plant, 791-7333
• Mary Chambers, Teacher, Children’s Center, 753-8631
• Amee Beth Deskins, Assistant Women’s Basketball Coach, Ryder Center, deskin@svsu.edu, 791-7302

• Rebecca DeWald-Rahl, Coordinator of Transfer Student Programs & Services, W120, rad@svsu.edu, 790-4220
• Kelly Helmreich, General Accounting Clerk, Cashier, Controllers, W166, jkh@svsu.edu, 790-8417
• James E. Hewitt, Director of Clinical Experiences (one semester temp), College of Education, E119, jhewitt@svsu.edu, 790-4470
• Carol Jacob, Reference Librarian (Part-time Temporary), Zahnow Library, 790-4242
• Tami Jacobs, Coordinator/Teacher, Children’s Center (Part-time), 753-8631
• Barbara Sageman, Assistant Director of Admissions, sageman@svsu.edu, 790-4011
• Alice Sias, Reference Librarian (Part-time Temporary), Zahnow Library, 790-4242
• Francis Silvernail, Associate Professor, Educational Leadership & Services (one semester temp), E167, fds@svsu.edu, 249-4626
• Joey Skutt, AIS Programmer/Analyst, Computer Services, W275, jlskutt@svsu.edu, 790-7040
• Tom Wisniewski, Maintenance I, Physical Plant, 790-4274

Same Face, New Place

• Jose Ruiz, Custodial Specialist, Ryder Center, Physical Plant, 791-7333
• Amy Zastrow, Senior Accounting Clerk, Controller’s Office, 790-4213
• Richard D. Leininger, Acting Assistant Dean, College of Business & Management, C320, leininge@svsu.edu, 790-4065
• Barbara Beck, Administrative Secretary, Office of Sponsored Programs & Faculty Development, W265, bbeck@svsu.edu, 790-4295

Directory Revision

• Tish (Drexler) Yaros (name changed because of marriage)

Moving On

• Kathleen VanPelt
• Jim Schmidt
• Mike Nesbitt
• Ray Flores
• Pamela Tarras

Supervisors are asked to provide release time to members of the SVSU Support Staff Association during its annual meeting Friday, Oct. 2. The meeting will take place from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Cardinal Gym. For additional information, contact Human Resources at ext. 4108.

Beanie Baby craze hits SVSU — SVSU is selling raffle tickets for a wicker basket of Ty bears that was donated by Yvonne Guerra, general manager of The Sky Room at MBS International Airport. The winning ticket for the basket and the entire set of six bears — including Curly, Erin, Glory, Peace, Princess and Valentino — will be drawn at halftime of the SVSU vs. Grand Valley State University football game on Family Day, Saturday, Oct. 17. Kickoff is at noon in Wickes Memorial Stadium. Raffle tickets may be purchased for $5 each at home football games, including Oct. 3 vs. Michigan Tech and the Oct. 17 contest vs. GVSU. Proceeds will go toward the Bob Becker Scholarship Fund for SVSU women athletes.

Zahnow Library now offers a Canon 350 Color Laser Copier for use by the campus community. Cost of copies are $1.25 each. Copies can be made on 8½x11 or 8¼x14, and also can be enlarged or reduced. The copier has a coin box and also accepts the Icon copy cards.

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Corporate Games conclude — The 1998 YMCA Community Corporate Games closed Saturday, Sept. 12, with SVSU finishing second overall behind EDS. Thirty-six faculty, staff and student employees representing the University won a total of 42 medals in 14 events. SVSU teams finishing in first place were the golf team consisting of Marc Strain, Joyce Payne, Jerry Stuart and Ron Portwine, and the 5K bike race team consisting of Robert Braddock, John Guettler and Pat and Nancy Samolewski. SVSU teams placed second in volleyball, the 5K walk/run, and the tug-o-war; and took third place in bowling, 4x50m swim relay, innertube relay and crescendo time-predicted swim relay. The tug-o-war participants, above, included (from left) Kevin Hankerson, Monika Sciba, Jeff Ashley, Nancy Samolewski, Pat Samolewski, Robin Beckrow, Patrick Pan, Leslie Ashley, Mike Holliday and Amanda Gribowskas.

**Have You Heard?**

- The Central Stores catalog now is available on-line at www.svsu.edu/supplies. The catalog can be accessed only through computers physically located on campus. Review items available through this site and **forward a supply requisition as usual**. Catalog information will be updated weekly as well as price changes as they occur. A printed catalog also is available for those who do not have on-line capability. For additional information, call ext. 4275.

- The campus community is invited to the Silver Anniversary Celebration Banquet of the SVSU Faculty Association at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16 in Curtiss Hall Banquet Room A. Tickets are $15 per person. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 7.

- Donations are being accepted for a book drive for the Commission on Aging. To donate, or for more information, contact Dee Storey at ext. 5625.

- A History of SVSU, written by Basil Clark, will be available for purchase at the Homecoming football game Saturday, Oct. 3. The book outlines the growth of SVSU from 1963 to 1989. There will be a cost for the books, which has yet to be determined.

**High Five**

- **Cross Country** — the men’s squad finished first and the women third in the Ferris State University Invitational Saturday, Sept. 19.

- **Football** (3-0) — defeated Wayne State University, 44-13, Saturday, Sept. 19.

- **Women’s Soccer** (2-2) — defeated Adrian College 6-0 Saturday, Sept. 19.

- **Tennis** — won all six singles seeds in a 7-2 victory over Wayne State University Saturday, Sept. 19.

- **Volleyball** (10-3, 2-0) — defeated Ferris State University Saturday, Sept. 19.

**This is how we’re building a caring community**

Members of the SVSU community have joined to support the United Way efforts in employee communities. Although SVSU does not benefit directly from the campaign, it is a major employer in the region. SVSU cooperates with United Way agencies by extending the payroll deduction option to those employees who wish to simplify their United Way commitments.

The United Way appeal is made just once a year. But the good works of United Way agencies in our communities are felt all year long. Many SVSU employees also volunteer their time to United Way agencies.

Members of the SVSU United Way Campaign Committee ask employees to return the pledge forms they recently received in the mail.

Questions and concerns may be directed toward any member of the SVSU United Way Committee. For Bay County: Dori Becker and Jan Blecke; for Midland County: Basil Clark and Dave Jerome; for Saginaw County: Bob Thaler and Kathy Waxell.

1998 SVSU United Way Committee members are, clockwise from left, Basil Clark, Jan Blecke, Bob Thaler, Doris Becker, Bill Scharff (United Way representative), Dave Jerome, Kathy Waxell and George Politt (United Way representative).