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U.S. Department of Education awards \$9 million grant to SVSU

The U.S. Department of Education Tuesday, Sept. 7 announced the awarding of a grant totaling nearly \$9 million to SVSU toward the development of a Partnership Grant for Improving Teacher Quality. The grant provides funding of more than \$1.79 million per year for five years, commencing Oct. 1. SVSU is the only university in Michigan to receive the grant and one of only 25 in the country.

"This is the largest, most important federal grant in our history," said President Eric R. Gilbertson when notified.

The project is designed and governed through collaboration with the colleges of Arts and Behavioral Sciences, Education, and Science, Engineering and Technology; 15 regional intermediate school districts and 12 chartered schools to directly impact approximately 1,200 University pre-service teachers, 47,000 current teachers and 366,000 students in partner high-need schools in 147 school districts.

"We are really excited about the opportunity for SVSU faculty members in the three colleges to work closely with K-12 teachers," said Robert S.P. Yien, vice president for academic affairs. "The grant came as a result of the hard work of more than 20 people."

Marianne Barnett, acting assistant dean of the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences, developed the grant proposal with input from the faculty and deans of the three colleges, Cheryl Easley, dean of the Crystal M. Lange College of Nursing and Health Sciences, and Diane Boehm, director of the University Writing Program. Barbara Beck, administrative secretary in the Office of Sponsored Programs and Faculty Development, also was a team player, according to Barnett.

The federal funding will assist in revamping teacher preparation to meet these needs and develop five major innovations through partnership collaboration: (1) new University course models and K-12 subject area unit models with application materials and resources in core content, for use within the teacher preparation program and K-12 classroom; (2) new in-service models with application materials and resources in core subject areas for K-12 schools, especially in reading/writing, mathematics and sciences; (3) workshop models, sustained mentoring, and support resources for new teacher development; (4) action-oriented leadership institute models for K-12 teacher-leaders and administrators; and (5) an alternative University process for teacher certification.

The grant proposal took approximately six weeks to prepare, Barnett said, and SVSU's was one of 250 sent to the U.S. Department of Education.

SVSU sets another enrollment record

SVSU reported its largest fall enrollment, with 8,383 students — up 4.08 percent above 1998's total of 8,054. The fall 1999 total includes SVSU's largest freshman class: 1,070, an increase of 11.2 percent above 1998's freshman class of 962.

The University also saw an 11.8 percent increase in the number of students in graduate-level courses.

Enrollment for fall semester includes 55 Presidential Scholarship recipients (from 28 in 1998 for a nearly 80 percent increase). Presidential Scholarship recipients must be their high school valedictorian or salutatorian.

Thirty percent of enrolled freshmen have a high school grade point average of 3.5 and above, an increase of 24 percent (from 259 to 321).

This year, SVSU also has seen an increase in the number of freshmen living in residential housing. Those using on-campus housing has increased from 299 in 1998 to 475 this fall.



Friday, Sept. 24
4:30 p.m.
President's
Reception Area

Refreshments
Served

Come and enjoy
the company of
your colleagues
and friends!

Parking, safety focus of Public Safety efforts

The Department of Public Safety is busy improving awareness of campus safety and parking.

Parking services

The Parking Services Office is located inside the Department of Public Safety on Pierce Road next to the Observatory. All parking at SVSU is controlled by signage. Several free parking lots are located throughout the campus, although a permit always is required to park overnight.

Parking rules on campus were established by the SVSU Board of Control through enactment of the *SVSU Parking, Traffic and Pedestrian Ordinance*. The Board set fines for various parking offenses and delegated judicial oversight for the Ordinance to the 70th District Court of Saginaw County.

Those who wish to appeal parking tickets may do so by completing an appeal form, available from Parking Services. The form is sent to the 70th District Court for adjudication. Parking citations that are not paid or appealed through Parking Services within 14 days of issuance are sent directly to the 70th District Court for adjudication. Once the Court receives a ticket (through appeal or from SVSU) all decisions regarding the outcome of the ticket are at the discretion of the Court.

Questions regarding unique parking needs should be directed to Joyce Payne at ext. 4140 during business hours, or ext. 4141 in the evening until midnight. Parking Services will try to accommodate all special requests for parking, but asks that these requests be made in a timely manner.

Parking Services also offers the Motorist Assist Program, which includes assistance to those needing battery jumps, vehicle unlocks and gasoline. There is no charge for this service. Please call ext. 4141 for assistance.

Police services on campus

The SVSU Department of Public Safety employs seven full-time and three part-time police officers who utilize a community-based approach to policing.

Emergency calls for service should be directed to Saginaw Central Dispatch at 9-911 (from on campus), 911 (from off-campus). Central Dispatch coordinates emergency calls for police, fire, and medical services throughout Saginaw County. The Department of Public Safety can be contacted directly at ext. 4141, or 790-4141 from off-campus. The campus

community is encouraged to use Public Safety's direct number for any communication not involving an immediate emergency. Public Safety's phone generally is answered from 8 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Friday, and from 6 p.m. to midnight on Saturday and Sunday, with some exceptions during holidays and other times when the University is closed.

Crime on campus

The *Annual Crime Awareness Report, 1999*, now is available for the campus community. The report can be reviewed on-line at www.svsu.edu/publicsafety. Printed copies of the report are available by calling ext. 4141. SVSU experiences a very low rate of crime, with incidents of violent crime being very rare. Most reported crime involves theft or vandalism. For more information, call ext. 4141.

Traffic safety campaign begins

Public Safety will conduct a traffic safety campaign from Sept. 14 through 31. The goal of this campaign is to focus attention on vehicle and pedestrian safety in a positive manner.

University Police will focus on three types of traffic violations: 1) **speeding**, 2) **stop sign violations**, and 3) **failure to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks**. These three violations present the greatest danger to pedestrians and other motorists on campus. University Police will stop and ticket drivers for these violations.

Public Safety will aggressively enforce these three violations during the traffic safety campaign; however, warning citations will be issued during the September campaign in an effort to remind motorists to obey traffic regulations on campus.

Lyric mezzo-soprano opens 1999-00 Rhea Miller Concert Series

Katherine Kelton, lyric mezzo-soprano, opens the Rhea Miller Concert Series at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 25. Kelton's concert will be in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. There is no admission charge.

Kelton maintains an active career in which she performs an eclectic range of music including chant, opera, jazz and new compositions.

The Rhea E. Miller Concert Series underwrites expenses to bring performers to the University, without charge to spectators. SVSU established the series in 1993 and today brings four artists and groups to campus per year.

For additional information on Kelton's performance or the Rhea Miller Concert Series, call the Department of Music at ext. 4261.

SVSU names Alumni Relations director

Matthew F. Hufnagel was named director of Alumni Relations and associate development officer, replacing Kathryn Curtiss Spence who had been in the position since 1996.

Since 1997, Hufnagel was executive director of Lapeer Development Corp. Prior to that he was with Saginaw Future Inc., where he served as assistant vice president (1996 to 1997) and coordinator of business development (1994 to 1996).

A 1992 graduate with a bachelor of business administration degree, he was a research assistant and intern in SVSU's Business and Industrial Development Institute.

SVSU nets support for native plants

SVSU recently received a \$10,000 grant to install native plants of local provenance on the main campus. The funding is through the Saginaw Bay Watershed Initiative Network (WIN) and Sustainable Communities Initiative Fund of the Bay Area Communities Foundation. In addition, the United State Fish & Wildlife Service is providing several services to support the creation of the site.

The plants will be found in the north-central area of campus along College Drive West, south of Pine Grove Apartments and west of Founders Hall.

According to Steve Hocquard, director of engineering services, the plants were native to this area before the 1850s. Some of the plants remain in the area, but are not as prevalent.

"This is a demonstration area in order to help promote the use of native planting," Hocquard said. "These plants need less maintenance, are resistant to most insects and diseases in this locality and they grow better without additional water and fertilizer."

He added that the site will not only be available for people to view the planting, but seeds may be gathered for further propagation.

According to Hocquard, "local provenance" indicates the seeds for the plants were gathered from within 100 miles north or south of the university campus.

WIN is a volunteer organization that includes more than 90 citizens and organizations and focuses on opportunities to better link the economic, social and environmental well-being of Saginaw Bay communities in order to sustain and improve the region's quality of life.

For additional information on SVSU's native planting efforts, contact the Office of Engineering Services at ext. 4074.

SVSU celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

A noted author, a photo exhibit and Mexican Marketplace highlight the list of activities SVSU has scheduled in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 through Oct. 15.

The celebration begins Friday, Sept. 17 with a Hispanic Heritage Month Reception and Fiesta. The Fiesta will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Emeriti Room.

Judith Kerman, professor of English, Tuesday, Sept. 28 will discuss "Beyond Tourism: Exploring Hispanic Culture and Language." Kerman's talk with follow-up discussion will take place from 4 to 7 p.m. in Seminar Room G of Curtiss Hall.

Linda Chavez, president of the Center for Equal Opportunity in Washington, DC., and author of *Out of the Barrio* and *Toward a New Politics of Hispanic Assimilation*, will speak Thursday, Oct. 7. A panel discussion from 4 to 5 p.m. will precede Chavez's lecture. The discussion will take place in Seminar Room E of Curtiss Hall.

Chavez will address "The Future of Affirmative Action in the U.S." at 6 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

Photographs of Mexican history from the 19th and 20th centuries will be featured in the exhibit "Revolucion Mexicana" (Mexican Revolution). The exhibit, by El Centro Mexicano de Michigan, features photos taken by Cassasola, a company dedicated to preserving historic pictures of Mexico. The photos will be on display the week of Oct. 11.

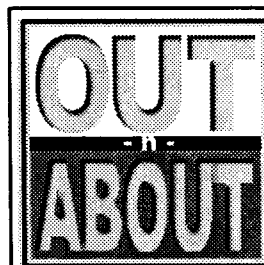
For additional information on these activities, contact the Office of Equal Opportunity and Special Programs at ext. 4397.

SVSU's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month concludes with a "Mexican Marketplace," from 5:30 to 8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 14 in Cardinal Gymnasium. The event will feature a variety of Hispanic businesses and samplers of Mexican food. For additional information on the Mexican Marketplace, contact the Office of Minority Student Services at ext. 5631.

There is no charge for admission to any of SVSU's Hispanic Heritage Month activities.

Student Association sponsors picnic

In celebration of the return to fall classes, Student Association (SA) has scheduled a Fall Picnic from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15 in the courtyard near the Leaping Gazelle Fountain. Food, giant inflatable games, music and fellowship will be offered.



• **Yousef Jabbari**, assistant professor of mechanical engineering and technology, is a member of the Persian Poetry Club, the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers-Saginaw Valley Chapter, the American Society of Heating and Ventilating-Saginaw Valley Chapter, the American Society of Engineering Education and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

• **Robert Maurovich**, vice president of student services and enrollment management, is on the board of directors of the Saginaw County American Red Cross, for which he also serves as second vice president. Maurovich also is vice president on the board of directors for Hidden Harvest, Saginaw County.

From the Community & Professional Organization Affiliation Survey, retained in the office of Gene Hamilton, special assistant to the president, government & community relations. For more information, call ext. 4068.

Full-time faculty interested in an opportunity to teach English as a Second Language in Japan at Shikoku University during the summer of 2000 should contact Woody Pelton at ext. 4473 (Wickes 141) by Monday, Oct. 11.

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Professional Profile

• Members of the Department of Nursing presented papers at the third Biennial International Nursing Conference, July 14 through 17 at the University of Wisconsin. Nurses from several continents attended "The New Nursing: Converging Conversations of Education, Research and Practice," which was last held in Europe, and next will take place in Australia.

All members of the nursing faculty authored at least two of the four papers presented by those faculty who attended the conference. One-hour workshops included: "When the Mosaic Becomes a Kaleidoscope: Reconstructing the Curriculum," presented by Margaret M. Flatt, Janalou Blecke, Sally Decker, Mary Graiver and Sandra Mixer; "Recapturing Nursing: A Reconstructed Emphasis on Family and Community in the Nurse Practitioner Role," presented by Blecke and Flatt; and "Phenomenon-based Curriculum: Discovering Knowledge in Practice," presented by Jean Bender and Marcia Shannon.

Also, Decker, Blecke, Flatt, Graiver and Shannon gave a half-hour research presentation titled "From Sage on the Stage to Guide on the Side: The Evolution of a Curricular Journey."

• **Charlene Melcher**, professor of communication, co-authored three papers presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association. The papers were titled "Long-term Effects of Language Intensity in Preventive Messages on Planned Family Solar Protection," "Laughter and Humor: The Role of Interpersonal Adaptation, Relationship Type and Gender" and "Information Technology in Elementary Schools: The Role of Parents." In addition, a chapter she co-authored titled "Film Noir, Feminism and the Femme Fatale: The Hyper-sexed Reality of Basic Instinct" recently was published in the book *Mediated Women: Representations in Popular Culture* (Hampton Press).

Transitions

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

SVSU Welcomes

- **Hasan Al-Halees**, mathematics lecturer, S343, 790-5649
- **David Branson**, microcomputer analyst, Computer Services, W264
- **Kerry Cichocki**, senior accounting clerk, Bookstore, 790-4180

- **Mary Cornford**, quality specialist, School/University Partnerships, E113, 791-7387, mcornfor@svsu.edu
- **Donald Earley**, assistant professor of occupational therapy,
- **Christopher Giroux**, English lecturer, B358
- **Craig Langmaid**, HVAC assistant, Physical Plant, 790-5699
- **Brian Lewis**, English instructor, S353, 790-4332
- **Liesel Litzenburger**, English instructor, B335, lll@svsu.edu
- **Sherry Swartz**, assistant director of admissions, W178, 790-4208
- **Molleen Zanger**, English instructor, mzzanger@svsu.edu

Same Face, New Place

- **Debbie Martin**, administrative secretary, International Programs, W141, 790-4488

Moving On

- **Randy Brock**
- **Jean Brown**
- **Jennifer Cotter**
- **Pamela Eddy**
- **W. Thomas Hearron**
- **Paul Saft**
- **Karen Selby**
- **Elaine Stephens**

Have You Heard?

- **Reserve parking permits** for 1999-00 are available at the Department of Public Safety Parking Bureau. **Current permits expire Wednesday, Sept. 15.** Permits can be purchased for \$20 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. F Lot, J-3 and half of L Lot will be reserved parking (permit required). For more information, call ext. 4140.

High Five

- Faculty and staff may pick up a **Cardinal Athletic Card** from Karen Klemish between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays in the Ryder Center athletic office.
- **Football** (0-2) — lost to Ferris State University, 56-14, Saturday.
- **Golf** — finished third at the Northern Michigan Invitational.
- **Men's Soccer** (2-2) — lost on the road to Indianapolis, 3-0, Saturday.
- **Women's Soccer** (1-2) — dropped a 3-2 decision to Wisconsin Parkside, Saturday.
- **Women's Tennis** (2-0) — defeated Wayne State University, 6-3, Saturday.
- **Volleyball** (8-3) — split a pair of matches over the weekend. SVSU lost to Northern Michigan before defeating Lake Superior State.