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"Once-A-Year" Campaign has immeasurable impact

Faculty and staff have the opportunity during the SVSU Foundation's "Once-A-Year" Campaign to make contributions in support of students and programs. The gift opportunities are varied and the impact isimmeasurable. Just ask such folks as Eldon Graham, associate professor of mechanical engineering and technology. Graham and his wife, Vicky, have contributed to the University for well over 20 years. So has Walter Rathkamp, executive director of the Center for Mathematics and Science Education; and Joe Vogl, manager of Ryder Center operations and golf coach, and his wife, Susan; Dick Thompson, dean of student affairs, and his wife, Sue; Gene Hamilton, special assistant to the president for government and community relations, and his wife, Mary Pat; Jerry Woodcock, vice president for administration and business affairs, and his wife, Tina; or Jim Dwyer, director of Admissions, and his wife, Cheryl.

These seven employees and their families are only a few of the faculty and staff members who annually give to the SVSU Foundation. A total of 35 percent of the more than 500 full-time faculty and staff give to the University through the Foundation. Norma Zivich, director of the "Once-A-Year" Campaign, hopes to increase that percentage this year.

"SVSU is like family to us," Graham said of his continued support of the University. "We've been associated with it since the beginning. It is a joy to see how it has progressed through the years."

Donors of $200 or more (except to Cardinal Club) qualify for membership in the Association for the Advancement of SVSU (AASVSU), a special donor organization. Contributions are tax-deductible as provided by law and the state of Michigan allows a generous tax credit for contributions. Donors may provide for designated or unrestricted funds. Unrestricted funds primarily are used for student scholarships.

Some designated gifts go toward the scholarship funding (Annual Fund, and endowed scholarships and awards), Faculty Endowed Scholarships, the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum, student-athlete scholarships (Cardinal Club), and specific academic departments.

For additional information on the "Once-A-Year" Campaign for faculty and staff, contact Zivich at ext. 4075.

Prior to its Monday, Oct. 4 meeting, the SVSU Board of Control presented President Eric Gilbertson with a gift commemorating his 10th year with SVSU. A granite boulder with a plaque rests next to the reflecting pool in front of the Arbory Fine Arts Center and Wickes Hall. A "facsimile" plaque is on the boulder until the actual bronze plaque arrives. The plaque features a passage from an essay Gilbertson was invited to write for Michigan Natural Resources Magazine, in its January/February 1995 issue:

"There is a very special pond – not especially wide or deep, not well known or celebrated – but like thousands of other ponds in Michigan, there are those of us who love it."

"There has not been a day in 10 years that I have not felt enormously privileged to be here," Gilbertson said when surprised with the gift.
To register or for additional information, contact the Office of Continuing Education at ext. 4475.

Plan ahead to attend annual banquet
Mark your calendars now for the 11th annual All-University Awards Banquet. The dinner and ceremony, Friday, April 14, honors faculty and staff for years of service and other awards. It will take place in Curtiss Hall, beginning with a reception at 6 p.m.

Good food (including a non-meat option), good friends and a good time are guaranteed. In addition, there will be drawings for dinner prizes at area restaurants and one grand prize weekend trip (but, you must be present to win!). For further information, contact the Office of Government and Community Relations at ext. 4068.

Garber to speak at SVSU
R.J. Garber, president of Garber Management Group, will present the Boutell/Citizens Bank Executive-in-Residence Lecture at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28 in the Emeriti Room. His topic is “Leading Versus Managing.”

Garber Management Group (GMG) oversees the operation of eight franchised new vehicle dealerships in Michigan, Illinois and Florida. GMG also oversees three independent used vehicle lots and its own captive finance company. For further information, contact the College of Business & Management at ext. 5626.

Positive Culture: focus of talk
David A. Weinberg, former president and past co-chairman of FEL-PRO Inc., will present the Wickson-Nickless Distinguished Lecture at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 26.

For additional information, or to RSVP for the presentation, call the Office of Continuing Education at ext. 4475.

Reserve tickets for Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
Performances for Cat on a Hot Tin Roof are Oct. 21 through 23, 28 through 30 at 8 p.m., and Oct. 24 at 2 p.m. in the Performing Arts Theatre. Faculty and staff can request two complimentary tickets to this production by calling ext. 4475.

Lunchbreak Series features ventriloquist
Ventriloquist Dan Horn will perform from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 19 in Doan Café. Admission is free of charge. In 1993, Horn was named International Ventriloquist of the Year. For more information, call ext. 4170.
SVSU plans Graduate School Day

Nineteen universities from Ohio and Michigan will meet with individuals interested in pursuing graduate degrees during Graduate School Day, Wednesday, Oct. 13. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Curtiss Hall.

The 19 universites will provide information for admission, selection criteria, application procedures and graduate assistantships. For additional information, call ext. 4286.

Campus Happenings

- Clay Invitational 1999 — through Oct. 28. Works by Guy Adamec, John Glich, Craig Hinshaw and Elizabeth Lurie will be on display in the University Art Gallery. Call ext. 4391 for more information or gallery hours.
- Mexican Revolution Photo Exhibit — through Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Curtiss Hall Mezzanine. Photos taken between 1910 and 1920 depicting life in Mexico during the war through the distribution of land and the end of a 30-year dictatorship. For details, call ext. 4397.
- “One America in the 21st Century Initiative” — 4 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12 in Curtiss Hall Seminar Room D, with Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, professor of management. Refreshments served. For more information, call ext. 4397, or E-mail: vdm@svsu.edu
- Mexican Marketplace — 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14 in Cardinal Gym. Part of SVSU’s Hispanic Heritage celebration. For more information, call ext. 5631.
- String Orchestra Rehearsal — 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14 in 102 Arbury Fine Arts Center. For more information, call ext. 4386.
- Faculty Association Annual Fall Awards Banquet — 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15 in Curtiss Hall Banquet Room A. Tickets are available at secretarial stations on third floor Brown Hall, third floor Curtiss Hall and first floor Science Building. For more information, call ext. 4235.
- Country Open House and Sale — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16 in Ryder Center. Country collectibles, furniture, bears, dolls, baskets, pottery and more. For more information, call ext. 4170.
- ITT Lab Workshops — “Basic Corel Quattro Pro” will be presented Wednesday, Oct. 20. “Microsoft PowerPoint” will be the topic Thursday, Oct. 28. Both workshops are scheduled from 1 to 4 p.m. in Curtiss Hall. To make a reservation, or for more information, call Deb Roberts at ext. 1934.

Have You Heard?

- All full-time, benefit-eligible SVSU employees and their family members are invited to information sessions on the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). Sessions will be held every half hour from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 in Curtiss Hall Seminar Room E. For more information, call ext. 4111.
- Representatives from the Mid-Michigan Employee Assistance Centers will conduct EAP supervisory training sessions from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28 in Curtiss Hall. To register, or for more information, contact Tami Groenow at ext. 4111.
- A TIAA-CREF teleconference will take place from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22 in Curtiss Hall Seminar Room D. For more information, call ext. 4108.
- Check-in for the American Heart Association Heartwalk will take place at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23 near Owlsley Grove. For further information, contact Jan Blecke at ext. 4130.
- Mentors are needed for the 4S Program (Select Student Support Services), which is designed to assist “at-risk” students. For more information, contact Dawn Hinton at ext. 7034 or Elizabeth Gutierrez at ext. 4629.
- Physical Education incentive grants are available through Sen. Carl Levin’s office. The grants can be used to provide physical education equipment and support to students, to enhance physical education curricula, and to train and educate physical education teachers in hopes of providing high-quality daily physical education programs for K-12 children. For more information, call (202) 224-6221.
- Faculty/Staff Luncheons are set for Oct. 22, Nov. 12, Dec. 2, Jan. 21, Feb. 11, March 17 and April 14. Cost is $3.95. Meet your colleagues in the Emeriti Room from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for good food and conversation.

United Way campaign under way at SVSU

SVSU again is supporting the annual United Way campaign by offering a payroll deduction option to those who wish to simplify their UW commitments. This year’s UW committee members are Bob Bradock, Merry Jo Brandimore, Ann Garcia, Gail Kantak, Bob Meadows, Kathy Waxell and Scott Youngstedt. For pledge forms, or more information, contact any of the UW committee members, or stop by 314 Wickes Hall.

OUT ABOUT

- David M. Hall, executive in residence, management and marketing, is a member of the Community Affairs Committee, the NAACP, the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity (Saginaw Alumni), ICCP and the American Marketing Association. Hall also is a member of the Bethel Federal Credit Union board, chairman of the Saginaw Remanufacturing board, vice chairman of the Saginaw Community Foundation and the Bethel AME Church Trustee Board. He also is a member of the St. Mary’s Advisory Board, OIC and the Board of Fellows at SVSU.
- Sally Shepardson, lecturer of biology, is on the board of directors for the Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed and is a member of the Chippewa Nature Center. Shepardson is a member of the Microscopy Society of America, the Michigan Microscopy Society, Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Association for University Women. She also is chair of the Tittabawassee Township Zoning Board of Appeals and vice chair of its Planning Commission.

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

- **Clifford Done**, associate professor of criminal justice, gave a presentation on “Mediation and Restorative Justice” to the fall 1999 SVSU Social Work Field Instructors’ Meeting Oct. 7. Done is a member of the Coordinating Committee of the new SVSU Mediation Institute that is housed in the Office of Continuing Education.

- **John Jezienski**, professor of history, received a grant from the Rollin M. Gerstacker and the Charles J. Stosacker foundations to publish his research into a book (Wayne State University Press) and a traveling exhibit produced by the Michigan Historical Museum. Jezienski’s book is scheduled for publication later this year. The 2,000-square-foot exhibit will open at the Michigan Historical Museum in summer 2000.

- **Helen Raica-Klotz**, English lecturer, and Pam VanHaitsma, SVSU English major, presented a paper titled “Finding and Hearing Voices: Composition Students Create A Web-based Annotated Bibliography” at the Michigan College English Association conference held Sept. 24 at Mott Community College.

- **Carlos Ramet**, associate professor of English, will sign copies of his book, *Ken Follet: The Transformation of a Writer*, at the SVSU Bookstore from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3. He also will have a book signing at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Tittabawassee Road.

- **Laurie Reed**, physics lecturer, and Tai-Chi Lee, professor of computer science, received grants from the Michigan Space Grant Consortium for educational and research projects. The awards were funded by NASA in order to promote space-related science and technology in Michigan. Reed was awarded $2,820 to develop interactive and web-based exercises for freshman physics and astronomy courses. Lee received $4,000 to explore the use of fractal image compression techniques for processing earth environment data. SVSU is a founding member of the Michigan Space Grant Consortium.

- **Ruth M. Sawyers**, English lecturer, presented a half-day workshop, “Reading Technical Writing More Effectively,” Aug. 19 to faculty and staff at the Saginaw Career Complex. The presentation was part of a series sponsored by the Saginaw Career Complex School Improvement Program to focus on reading and study strategies appropriate for students in such areas as automotive technology, business, construction, computer science, electronics, electricity, graphic and visual arts, law enforcement and medical careers. Sawyers currently is developing workshops for future sessions based on faculty and staff needs.

Across Campus

- Congratulations to **Susan**, conference coordinator, and **Gary Brassier**, assistant director of Admissions, on the birth of a daughter. Aileen Marie (7 lbs., 6 oz., 19 inches) was born Oct. 3.
- The campus community extends condolences to **Tyler Haynes**, professor of mathematical sciences, on the loss of his wife, Marie, who died Oct. 2.
- Condolences also go out to **Wayne Mackie**, professor of law and finance, on the loss of his sister, Diane Peters, who died in September.
- **Patrick C. Samolewski**, director of computer services, bowled 227, 247 and 300 games for his highest series ever (774). He raised his average from 218 to 228. This was his fourth 300 game, which occurred at Bay Lanes in Bay City. Three years ago, Samolewski bowled two 300 games within seven weeks of each other.
- Congratulations to **Kristine Schoenow**, senior microcomputer analyst, and her husband, Carl, on the birth of a son. William Kyle (9 lbs., 3 oz., 21 inches) was born Sept. 21.

Transitions

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

**SVSU Welcomes**

- **Trudy Day**, conference coordinator, Center for Corporate and Professional Development, Office of Continuing Education, 249-1952, C142
- **Mark Deschaine**, instructional technology specialist, 790-4189, E169
- **Matthew Hufnagel**, director of alumni relations and associate development officer, Foundation, 790-4071, W389
- **Trish Welke**, transcript and counter clerk, Registrar's Office, 790-4085, W151

Moving On

- **Kathryn Curtiss-Spence**

High Five

- **Football** (2-4, 2-3) — defeated Westminster 36-30 Saturday.
- **Golf** — finished third at the GLIAC Championships.
- **Men’s Soccer** (3-6, 0-3) — lost 3-0 to Gannon University Saturday.
- **Women’s Soccer** (4-8, 2-5) — bounced Northern Michigan University 3-1 Saturday.
- **Tennis** — dubbed Westminster 9-0 Saturday.
- **Volleyball** — lost in five sets to Wayne State University Saturday.
Board accepts U.S. Department of Education grants

The SVSU Board of Control met Monday, Oct. 4 and accepted two significant grants from the U.S. Department of Education.

The first grant, for $173,837 allows the College of Education to build the component of technology into the “circle of the development team,” said Marianne Barnett, interim director of Sponsored Programs and the principle grant author.

The second grant – for nearly $9 million over five years – is “the largest and most important federal grant in our institution’s history,” said SVSU President Eric R. Gilbertson. The grant, Title II: Partnership Grants to Improve Teacher Quality, will give SVSU nearly $1.8 million per year for five years. The University’s proposal was one of only 25 chosen by the U.S. Department of Education in response to its request to enhance teacher quality in the 21st century.

Barnett said the two grants will include a “development team” of SVSU faculty from the colleges of Education, Arts & Behavioral Sciences, and Science, Engineering & Technology, 15 regional intermediate school districts in the east-central region of Michigan, 12 charter schools, the Detroit City Empowerment Zone, Clare County and Flint Enterprise communities and local businesses, as well as pre-service teachers, current teachers and representatives of regional school districts.

The SVSU Board also approved a number of items related to the University budget, including a $2.5 million line of credit with Michigan National Bank. The line of credit authorizes the borrowing of funds to meet temporary cash flow deficits, should they occur, through Oct. 31, 2001. Gilbertson said the Board is asked each year to approve such a resolution, but the University has used it just once in the last 18 years.

“This is a precaution for any cash flow problems we may have,” he said. “We don’t anticipate using it.”

The Board approved the budget for the University’s auxiliary services-bonded facilities. Auxiliary services include housing and food service, the bookstore and parking operations — operations that do not use General Fund monies. These areas generate revenues to handle expenses. Currently, the budget shows $2.4 million in reserves, with $2.8 million expected by the end of the fiscal year, according to James G. Muladore, associate vice president of administration and business affairs and University controller.

The Board approved a resolution to reconcile the 1998-99 budget with the audited figures to close the fiscal year books.

Accountants, Andrews Hooper & Pavlik, issued an “unqualified opinion” for the 1998-99 fiscal year.

SVSU’s Board approved revisions to the application and policy statement for public school academies. The Board of Control of SVSU is authorized to enter contracts for the creation and operation of public school academies. Revisions to the Board’s application and policy statement came as a result of an Ad Hoc Public School Academy Committee, created by the Board.

In other action, the Board:
• re-authorized the establishment of the Pontiac Academy and approved four members to its board of directors.
• re-authorized the establishment of SABIS International School of Springfield and six members of its board of directors.
• reviewed a report from the Office of Human Resources, naming two new administrative/professional staff members and six new faculty members during August and September.

• received a Fall 1999 enrollment report from J. Chris Looney, registrar. The University realized a nearly 5 percent increase in credit hours and a 4.08 percent in enrollment, above 1998 figures. In addition, with the increased resident housing capacity, on-campus student numbers increased 64.25 percent in resident halls alone. Looney also said SVSU is seeing increases in the number of students coming from areas of Michigan other than this region and southeast Michigan.

• Erv Sparapani, president of the Faculty Association, said Friday, Oct. 8, the association is expected to "officially" sign the contract the University and association members agreed to last winter.

• Heather Matula, president of the Student Association, informed the Board of activities SA has hosted and has scheduled for the remainder of the semester.

• Gilbertson introduced a number of books authored or co-authored by members of the SVSU faculty in the past few months.