

2026-27 Program Year Event Schedule

The Stevens Center for Family Business is delighted to present the following major live events during the 2026-27 program year. These events are free of charge to owners, leaders, associates, and spouses of SCFB Member and Sponsor Firms, and there is no limit to the number of people who can attend. However, pre-registration is required.

SCFB Members and Sponsor Firms are encouraged to bring guests to these events and introduce them to the Stevens Center for Family Business. For more information about event registration, please contact Tanya Blehm at 989.964.2776 or tblehm@svsu.edu.

The Change Advantage: How Leaders Thrive Through Transformation Conscious Capitalism & SCFB Partnered Event

Keynote: Mark Turpin, Duperon

Date: **Tuesday, September 15, 2026**

8:00 am – 11:30 am

SVSU Curtiss Hall, Banquet Rooms A & B

Legacy in Motion: Family Business, Succession Planning & Bridging Generations Through Culture*

Keynote: Karen Bathanti & Nancy Finazzo, PhD

Moderator: Beth Bryce

Date: **Wednesday, November 4, 2026**

7:30 am – 10:00 am

SVSU Curtiss Hall, Banquet Rooms A & B

SCFB Member Dinner

Keynote: Nick Shelton, Zehnder's of Frankenmuth

Date: **Thursday, January 14, 2027**

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

SVSU Curtiss Hall, Banquet Rooms A, B & C

The Emotional Cost of Family Business Ownership*

How Entrepreneurial Families Can Reduce Stress, Strengthen Communication, and Build Resilience Across Generations

Keynote: Andrew Kyte, Generations6 Consulting

Date: **Wednesday, March 3, 2027**

7:30 am – 10:00 am

SVSU Curtiss Hall, Banquet Rooms A & B

Family Business Accounting and Finance Best Practices Panel Presentation

• Financials for the Nonfinancial Key Stakeholder Workshop

Date: **Thursday, May 13, 2027**

Panel Presentation: 3:00 – 5:00 pm — SVSU Curtiss Hall, Banquet Rooms A & B

Financials Workshop: 2:00 – 3:00 pm — Carmona College of Business Finance Lab (CCB 115)

Panelists: Sean Cook, Warner Norcross + Judd; Daniel Hoops, PNC Bank; 3rd Panelist TBD

Panel Moderator: Mark W. McCartney, Ph.D., CPA, SVSU Professor of Accounting

Workshop Facilitator: Mohamed Adel, Director of Dow Entrepreneurial Center

*Tentative Peer Group Meeting