



NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE Southern Vermont–St. Joseph College Community

PIPELINES, PARTNERSHIPS, PROGRESS...

on Campus and Beyond



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LAUNCHING THE 2020 INITIATIVE

U.S. Under Secretary of Education Martha Kanter addressed the incoming class at Orientation on Aug. 27 in the courtyard at SVC. Kanter, who oversees policies, programs, and activities related to post-secondary education, vocational and adult education, as well as federal student aid, was there on behalf of President Obama's 2020 initiative to move more Americans to and through college by the year 2020.

As is the “Bookends” custom now at Southern Vermont College, incoming students were given a book at Orientation last month, selected by faculty and staff and personally signed by the entire community at the College. This year’s selection was Paul Loeb’s *Soul of a Citizen: Living with Conviction in Challenging Times* and students will refer to it often throughout the year for selected readings and activities.

The book is a “beautiful tie-in”, according to Provost Albert DeCiccio, to the campus wide theme of “Citizenship through Empowerment”, a theme that will be visited again and again in lectures by special guest speakers on campus (see back cover for Upcoming Events) and in projects like Quest for Success which partners students with community organizations such as Vermont Veterans Home, Bennington Museum and the local elementary schools.

Living with conviction in challenging times is daunting for just about any business or organization these days. For small colleges with big plans like SVC, it’s become second nature. “Everyone at Southern Vermont College – from academics to physical plant – is working hard to move the College forward,” said President Karen Gross. With steady enrollment growth over the last few years, many campus upgrades were needed. Restoration of the tile at Everett Mansion, as well as paving the main campus road were some of the physical changes this summer.

New academic offerings for global learning, advanced technology and programs which promote student success and retention rates also help progress the College forward. Several students in the Build the Sustainable Enterprise program have left for China this semester, to spend eight weeks in Qingdao in high level internships with international companies. The students participated in the VLS Mandarin Chinese program, a

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THE AIMS OF EDUCATION – address for Opening Convocation was delivered by Rev. Dr. Regina Shearer, Executive Pastor of Zion Church Ministries, Inc, and Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs at Rivier College in Nashua, NH. Shearer, who has taught physics, math and French and worked in the corporate sector, also sang professionally with several groups, including the world renowned group, The Platters. Shearer is shown in photo greeting students with Provost Al DeCiccio, after delivering a moving rendition of Mariah Carey’s “Heroes.”



Dan Dix '02 Outpaces Pack on Road and Off

Cross country record holder Dan Dix finished his undergraduate degree in Environmental Studies from SVC in 2002 and hit the ground running. Dix, from Coatesville, PA, landed work at environmental consulting firm A114 Inc., where he was recently promoted to Lead Scientist level. Dix still runs and competes, in marathons and off road triathlons with sponsorships by Brooks ID and Xterra.

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virtual language acquisition program formulated by Drake University to prepare for their study abroad opportunity. Additional SVC students will partake in VLS Chinese and Russian this fall.

For the first time SVC is offering an Anatomy & Physiology I Pilot program stretched over the year to ensure that healthcare students have more time and attention for this important gateway class. Smaller class size and the use of clicker technology to help instructors quickly assess student learning as well as additional tutor support enables students to move smoothly into A &

P II the following summer, at no additional cost. "Having students succeed in the foundational class that will lead them to healthcare careers, has never been more important," DeCiccio said.

DeCiccio was instrumental in launching an initiative at the school this summer that was geared to address the pipelines of workforce development in the field of healthcare. SVC partnered with Wheelock College of Boston to create the Healthcare Academy, a two week intensive program of study in which high school students from New England interested in healthcare careers could learn about issues of the field while earning a college credit. The students examined

issues and practiced at both urban and rural clinical sites, as well as in the new SVC Simulation laboratory.

Another summer Healthcare initiative, managed by Dr. Barry Flanary, Director of SVC's Healthcare Management & Advocacy Program, had seasoned professionals examining current health-related issues while studying on the SVC campus. The HMA Certificate Program provided certificate training to workers from Senior Whole Health corporation sites in New York and Massachusetts. Both the Healthcare Academy for high school students and the HMA program for professionals will be expanded next summer.

Commencement 2010:

"Aspiration is What Carries You Through" – Michelle Kwan

CELEBRATED – Figure skater Michelle Kwan receives a special hood from SVC Board Chair Wallace Altes for her Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters, awarded at the College's 83rd Commencement. Kwan is the most decorated figure skater in U.S. history (five World Championships, nine U.S. National titles, two Olympic medals) then addressed the graduating class. AK Steel Chairman James Waincott was also recognized with an Honorary degree.



HAPPY GRADS – posing with champion figure skater and Honorary Degree recipient Michelle Kwan before the ceremony are, from left, Matthew Jackson, Kwan, Greg Murray, Ryan Heron, Christopher Holland and Cassandra Brooks. Kwan gave a rousing Commencement speech, posted on the SVC YouTube channel, in which she urged the class of 2010 to have a skater's "will and courage to get up every time and keep going."



GOLDEN MOMENTS The College recognized several Golden Alumni (those who graduated more than 50 years ago) at this year's Commencement. Shown from left to right, SVC Director of Alumni and Annual Giving Daryl Kenny, Donald Cohen '60, Lucille Bostwick Cook '51, '72, Michelle, Pauline Knapp Granger '47, Antoinette LaLumiere Houran '38, and Louise Harris Gauthier '45, KG. Missing from the photo is Lenore Tucker Shewell '51.



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS Edward Haberek, Jr. '89, current First Selectman of the Town of Stonington, Conn., was recognized at Commencement as SVC's 2010 Distinguished Alumni. Shown with SVC President Karen Gross and Board Chair Wallace Altes, the Distinguished Alumni honor is given to an alumna or alumnus of SVC or its predecessor, St. Joseph College, in recognition of a combination of career, community service and personal achievements. The recipient is nominated and selected by other alumni. Haberek graduated with a bachelor's degree in Management.

Career Corner: Considering Graduate School?

Come to SVC's Graduate School Fair Sept. 28

Graduate school is a major personal and financial investment, so it's important to research thoroughly. Ask yourself the following questions: What do you hope to gain from an advanced degree? How will it enhance career development? Are you able to commit the time, money and energy to complete the degree? Can you juggle your current responsibilities with graduate studies?

If the answer is "yes", then research and understand the program you'd like to study. Make a list of possible schools and plan to apply to two or three you are most interested in, and an additional program that you are fairly certain of acceptance. SVC's Career Development Office has graduate school guides which are available for your use. Schools can be researched on the web at www.gradschool.com, www.petersons.com.

For admission to most graduate programs you will need to provide:

- Official Transcripts (most schools have a GPA requirement)
- Test Scores (GRE, GMAT, LSAT, etc)
- Letters of recommendation
- Essay or personal statement
- Resume

An interview with a faculty member at the schools you have interest in is highly recommended.

It is best to plan 9 - 12 months in advance of the semester you want to begin graduate studies. The Career Development Office can assist in this process. Plan to come to our Graduate School Fair, on Tuesday, Sept. 28 from 1 p.m to 4:30 p.m in Everett Mansion.; It is free of charge, represents all of our majors and is a wonderful way to speak with graduate admissions counselors. Contact Denise at (802) 447-4631 for graduate school assistance.



From the President's Office: Dr. Karen Gross

Helping Move Students to and Through College: SVC as Model

There is a crisis in higher education in America.

Here's the bad news: America is no longer the most educated and competitive workforce in the world. Rather than ranking number one, we rank somewhere between numbers 4 and 12, depending on how one calculates. This means we need more Americans not just to enter but also to graduate from college. Importantly, most of the jobs of the future require a minimum of a bachelor's degree. If we do not get more people to and through college, we will have a serious workforce shortage, especially in healthcare, criminal justice, social services and business.

Now the good news: SVC is uniquely poised to be a replicable model for how to help increase the number of Americans who receive a bachelor's degree and solve the workforce needs of the 21st century.

There are many issues facing higher education in our nation today, but three stand out: (1) a mis-matching in higher education, meaning that students who can succeed in college are not getting matched to colleges that can help them graduate; (2) there is a misalignment all along the pre-K - 16 pipeline such that students graduate from high school without the needed preparation to succeed in college and an awareness of and planning for the career opportunities that exist for them; and (3) the cost of higher education is increasingly burdensome for students and their families.

SVC has taken, and will continue to take, steps addressing these issues; we are writing and speak-

ing about our efforts, we are studying our successes and failures, and we are becoming known as a place that is innovative and deeply engaged in how to improve education for the next generation.

Several examples suffice, some of which are detailed in this issue of the Chronicle.

We are developing a new initiative that will welcome cohorts of students to SVC from identified high schools, organizations and community colleges. The approach, dubbed Pipelines into Partnerships, allows the prospective students and their faculty to visit SVC as current SVC students and faculty will visit the prospective students at their home base. Work will be done to prepare the cohorts for what they will experience in col-

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lege, and there will be an ongoing feedback loop between the sending institutions and SVC, an approach designed to maximize progression to and through college.

We launched a Pilot Anatomy and Physiology course this fall, designed to help more of our healthcare students master this challenging course. An ever increasing number of SVC students will be working in the local school systems, helping younger students with their work; we will be conducting speech and poetry contests too, and many of our athletes will welcome their younger counterparts to SVC games. These efforts

are all ways to encourage more and more youngsters to believe that college is possible.

We have remained committed to affordable tuition, room and board. This year, our all in cost is \$28,630, some \$15,000 -- \$20,000 less than some of our private collegiate neighbors. With discounting and internal aid packaging, we can be competitive with area state colleges and land grant universities. We are increasing the number of scholarship dollars available to our students and are tireless in our efforts to help prospective students find thoughtful ways to pursue higher education without incurring unnecessary debt.

In all of these efforts, we are writing, blogging, speaking and researching; we are at the forefront of helping move more and more Americans find their way to and through higher education. Indeed, our moniker, "FIND YOUR WAY" has taken on new meaning. We may be small in size but we are becoming a powerful voice in how to change the landscape of higher education.

I am proud of our students, faculty and staff as we work together to model how higher education can serve the workforce needs of the future. I cannot think of anything more important to occupy our minds, our time and our efforts.

Come back and visit! With many changes on campus, it is well worth a return trip.

Read the President's blog:
"Higher Education Matters"
 at blogs.svc.edu.

SOUTHERN VERMONT COLLEGE

Family & Homecoming Weekend 2010

September 24-26, 2010

	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24		
6 P.M. ON	ALUM GATHERING, MAN OF KENT PUB	1 P.M.	WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. MITCHELL, EVERETT FIELD
8:30 P.M.	MIND ENTERTAINER, EVERETT THEATRE	2:30 - 5 P.M.	FALL FESTIVAL, LOWER CAMPUS
	SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25	3 P.M.	MEN'S SOCCER VS. MITCHELL; EVERETT FIELD
8:30 - 11 A.M.	HOMECOMING REGISTRATION, LOWER CAMPUS	3 P.M.	WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL VS. JOHNSON STATE, MAC*
9 A.M. - 12 P.M.	BRUNCH, DINING HALL	6 P.M.	Athletics Hall of Fame Dinner, Everett Mansion
9:30 - 10:30 A.M.	ACADEMIC SESSIONS	8 P.M. - 12 A.M.	Screen on the Green Double Feature, Outdoors on Lower Campus
10 A.M.	CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL		SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
11 A.M.	ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETING, ROOM 204, EVERETT MANSION	9 - 11 A.M.	Breakfast, Dining Hall
11 A.M.	WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL VS. BAY PATH, MAC*	10 A.M.	Men's Baseball vs. Manchester Community College, Epstein Field
12 P.M.	ALUMNI BASEBALL & BBQ, EPSTEIN FIELD	4 P.M.	Men's Baseball vs. Sullivan Community College, Epstein Field
1 - 4 P.M.	CONCESSIONS, EVERETT FIELD		<small>*MOUNTAINEER ATHLETIC CENTER (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE FIELD HOUSE)</small>

SVC SPRING SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Joe Frey '08, Sports Information Director

This spring, the SVC baseball team matched 2009's win total of 12 and made it to the New England Collegiate Conference (NECC) playoff tournament. The Mountaineers played good



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2011—Heading into the spring 2011 season the Mountaineers will include sophomore Pat Warrington, who led the team in home runs (4) and triples (4), while also batting .313 and driving in 29 runs in 2010.

baseball and ended up finishing fourth in the Conference overall after falling to Becker College 5-4. Junior second baseman Dave Gage and freshman first baseman Corey Armstrong were named to the NECC All-Tournament Team for their exemplary play. The 2010 NECC honors went to sophomore catcher Eric Wells, named to the All-NECC First-Team and junior catcher/DH Dan Cook, named to the All-NECC Honorable Mention Team. Wells led the team with a .408 average and 33 RBI's, while Cook crushed three home runs and drove in 14 runs.

The women's softball team improved tremendously at the plate as the team batting average went up nearly 30 points. Sophomore standout Alyssa Davis was second on the team in hitting with a .375 average, tied for first in home runs (5), and led the team in RBI's with 24 in 2010. Garnering NECC

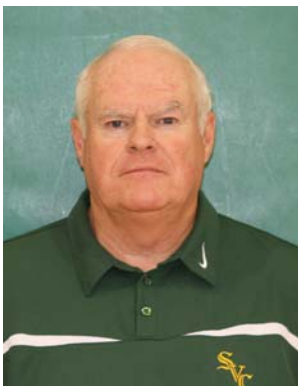


STANDOUT IN SOFTBALL— Sophomore Alyssa Davis was second on the team in hitting with a .375 average, tied for first in home runs (5), and led the team in RBI's with 24 in 2010.

accolades for softball was sophomore Kayla Whitman who was named to the All-NECC Second-Team. Whitman led the team with a .488, five home runs, and stole a team high 14 bases. The young squad has a good core returning for the 2011 spring season as well as the benefit of new head coach Leanne Baker. Baker competed, coached and worked in sports information while a student at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania where she

earned a B.A. in Print Journalism and M.A. in Communications.

The men's volleyball team also has a new head coach in Joshua Stokes. Stokes coached volleyball club teams at Princeton and Clarkson and played competitively for Ramapo College. He earned his Master of Science in Education with a focus in Organizational Leadership and Management from State University of New York at Potsdam. This past season, the Mountaineers were led by junior setter Neel Patel who had 261 assists and led the team from the service line with 18 aces. The team earned the 2010 NECC Team Sportsmanship Award. Also turning heads in the NECC was junior outside hitter Jullian Amaral who was named to the All-NECC Honorable Mention Team. The team also was named to the North East Collegiate Volleyball Association Academic Team.



Coach McDonough Named Assistant AD

Men's basketball head coach Michael McDonough will be taking on an additional leadership role as Assistant Athletic Director this season. Interim Athletic Director Jim Beckwith said, "McDonough's 33-plus years of experience in athletics and his strong belief in SVC's institutional values and goals, brings added strength to the leadership of the athletic program." McDonough is excited for the opportunity. "Athletics at SVC over the past ten years has seen the arrival of a group of dedicated and experienced coaches who are committed to the programs' success" McDonough said, "I am proud and fortunate to be a part of it."

McDonough has been an established fixture in Mountaineer Athletics for ten years. He first served as an assistant to Ryan Marks' 24-6 conference champions that advanced to the NCAA second round. He took over the program in 2004 as head coach. McDonough led SVC to the New England Collegiate Conference Quarterfinals, which it hosted, in 2009-2010.

SVC Soccer, Volleyball and Cross Country Home on Family & Homecoming Weekend

All fall sports will be played at home for Homecoming, Saturday, September 25, with the women's cross country Invitational kicking off the day at 10:00 a.m. and the men's cross country following at 10:45 a.m. at Everett Mansion. The women's volleyball team will be hosting a tri-match in the Mountaineer Athletic Center with matches at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Women's soccer meets Mitchell College on Everett Field at 1:00 p.m. and the men's team will follow at 3:00 p.m. Please see www.svcathletics.com for full schedules, stories and more!



Appreciating Good Sports Professor Bob Consalvo and longtime Executive Assistant Sue Lamontagne were honored at this year's Mountaineers Athletics Banquet in April. Both were awarded the Susan Lamontagne Faculty & Staff Appreciation Award. The Athletics Department recently attributed the award in Sue's name for her passion, dedication and support of SVC athletics over the years. Each year a faculty and staff member at the institution will receive the award at the banquet.

Class Notes

Updated announcements can be found on www.svc.edu/alumni. **Send your announcements to the Alumni Office today!**

Bryce Cutler '93 was named to the Capitol District Business Review's prestigious Forty Under 40 list of young movers and shakers in upstate New York for 2010. He currently serves as Assistant Vice President and Branch Manager for KeyBank N.A. in Rensselaer, NY, and has been the recipient of other KeyBank honors, including Rookie of the Year in 2004 and the Unsung Hero Award in 2006.

The Man of Kent Golf Tournament, put together by MoK owner and SVC alum **Jonathan Bombard**, benefits a different worthy cause every year. In attendance at the August 3, 2010, event was last year's recipient, **Peter Rubin**. Rubin has spent the past year recovering from injuries sustained when his car was hit by a drunk driver—a recovery that has been aided by Bombard's generosity. Bombard helped save Rubin when he pulled him from his burning car.

Col. James Baker '91 is a guy who just doesn't know how to rest! Last year he retired as head of the Vermont State Police, and in June he accepted an offer to temporarily fill in as Chief of Police for Manchester, VT until a fulltime candidate is hired.



Bennington's new Chief of Police is **Paul Doucette '90**, left. He replaces **Richard Gauthier '91** who retired as Chief and is now Captain of the Bennington County Sheriff's Department as well as investigator for the State's Attorney's office.

Zach Garafalo '09 has been asked to serve on the Board of Directors for Families Together, a non-profit, family-run organization in New York's Capital District that strives to establish a unified voice for children and youth with social, emotional and behavioral challenges.

After many years in the non-profit world, working with the Josiah Macy, Jr., Foundation, **Deloris DeBerry '78** recently became an agent for New York Life Insurance in New York. She plans to pursue a career in financial management.

Dan Dix '03 was inducted into the inaugural Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) Hall of Fame on August 12, 2010, for his accomplishments as a student athlete at SVC.



"A TOAST TO US" – SVC grads gathered at Madison's Brewery & Pub for a Reunion Weekend Beer Tasting in May. Left to right: Wade Lawrence '93, Erin Quirk '95, SVC staffer Katherine Maguire, Joe Papai '91, Kristen Soencksen Bowen '93, Patrick Hildreth '93, SVC Alumni Director Daryl Kenny, Amy Craig '95, Nikki Brown '80, Laura Myers-Paligo '80. (Photo courtesy Amy Craig)

Craig Sweet '79 sports his SVC Alumni baseball cap in front of Mmmm...Waffles, his new business venture in Missoula, MT. He wrote to the Alumni Office to mention how many of his customers know and/or attended SVC! In Montana, no less!



Tracy Morizio '98 started her new position as Graduate Admissions Counselor at RPI on August 16, 2010.

Chris Davis '99 and wife Megan welcomed Catherine Louise on May 11, 2010. Big sister Emma is showing her the ropes!



Mark Klauder '03 & '08 and wife **Priscilla** became the very proud grandparents of June Elsie Steckel on July 10, 2010.

Keep the News & Photos Coming! Please e-mail your 300 dpi jpegs to alumni@svc.edu.

IN MEMORIAM

SVC marks the passing of:

Thomas C. Bluto '66	April 7, 2010
Freida L. Sears	April 13, 2010
Kathleen M. Stevens '96	April 28, 2010
Jane Dugan '91	May 12, 2010
Jeanne Z. Walsh	May 14, 2010
Walter G. Hooke – professor	May 21, 2010
Robert "Bubba" Davis '82	May 22, 2010
Patricia F. Lemieux '54, '70	June 3, 2010
Sandi E. Cooper '94	June 26, 2010
Mary Ann Howe '60	August 8, 2010
Harold "Chuck" Kline '84	August 12, 2010

Engagements & Weddings

Jennifer Bland Finlan '90 is engaged to marry Fred Hamm. A 2011 wedding is planned.

Susan Heaney '09 will marry Tim Pinsonneault, Jr., on October 10, 2010, in Bennington, VT.

Liz Johnson wed R.J. Hughs on May 29, 2010.



Max Flatow '06 has had quite a summer! First the photography pro was hired to shoot SVC's Commencement in May (and did a great job of it, see page 2.) Then he became engaged to marry long-time girlfriend, Amy Sunners, while vacationing in Costa Rica. She is also a professional photographer (see photo above); which begs the question, who's going to shoot the wedding?!

Our congratulations and very best wishes to all!



ALUMNI PROFILE: **Dan DeSario '87** **Thinking Globally in Japan**

By Daryl Kenny
Director of Alumni & Annual Giving

*"Evaluate all opportunities that interest you...Invest your time in opportunities that really interest you. Time is so valuable. And read **Fifty Miles from Tomorrow** by William Hensley."*

Although he grew up in Farmingville, NY, Dan DeSario '87 has been living in Tokyo, Japan for the last ten years. That's where he met his wife, Reiko on a blind date and where he started his career with Weston Solutions, Inc., as a Project Manager. Dan, an Environmental Management major while at SVC, is now Senior Construction Manager at Weston, which delivers integrated environmental, sustainability, property redevelopment, energy and construction solutions. Most of his work

involves keeping fuel systems reliable, safe and protective of the environment, primarily for the US military.

Dan said his SVC education, both general and environmental studies, continues to impact the course of his career. When thinking back to his time at the College, his favorite recollections are of the landscape, the seasons and the people. He particularly remembers Jeff White from the local orchard for hiring him to peel apples to make pies and extends his thanks to Jeff.

Dan and Reiko currently live in Tokyo with their son, Yuta, who is three and a half years old.

When asked about the differences between life in the USA and Japan, Dan first mentions the availability and efficiency of mass transit in the latter. Also, while Japanese is the official national language, a larger percentage of Japanese people learn one or more additional languages and continue to cultivate their fluency throughout their lives. By and large, he notes, there are far more

similarities than differences between the two cultures. "There is a feeling of safety in Japan that is comforting," Dan said. "I am blessed to have a wonderful family, a good neighborhood, and a community. These things help you forget that your living space is half the size at more than twice the cost!"

Dan makes an effort to return to the States at least once a year. For the past three years he's made it a point to get to Vermont to visit his alma mater and stop by the bookstore for a new hat or sweatshirt. This past year's holiday card featured Yuta sporting an SVC cap.

When asked if he had any advice for current SVC students, Dan says, "Evaluate all opportunities that interest you. It took me five years and several disappointments to land my first assignment in Japan. Invest your time in opportunities that really interest you. Time is so valuable. And read *Fifty Miles from Tomorrow* by William Hensley."

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John Baackes Named to SVC Board of Trustees

Southern Vermont College has named John Baackes to its Board of Trustees. Baackes is the chief executive officer of Senior Whole Health (SWH), which operates plans for dual-eligible beneficiaries in Mass., Ct., and N.Y. Under Baackes' direction, Senior Whole Health has developed a program for improving the overall access and quality of elderly care in both the public and private sectors. Senior Whole Health was honored in 2008 by Inc. Magazine as the number one growth company.



Earlier this year, Baackes participated in the Southern Vermont College 2009 -2010 Fitzgerald Lecture Series on the challenges facing our health-care system and the alternative reimbursement methodologies that can be deployed to pay for healthcare delivery.

Baackes joined SWH in May 2005 after serving as senior vice president of Group Health Incorporated of New York. Previous to that, he was president of Kaiser Permanente Northeast Division. He was also president of Community Health Plan in Latham, N.Y., which grew to a three-state operation under his direction. Since 1997, Baackes has served on the Medicaid Managed Care Advisory Review Panel and is a frequent lecturer and a former faculty member of the National HMO Management Fellowship Program based in Washington, D.C. Baackes has served on the boards of community organizations in the Albany area, including chairing the Board of Trustees of WMHT, a public radio and television station based in Schenectady, N.Y.

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This past year, under some of the most trying economic circumstances in decades, hundreds of alumni, friends, businesses and foundations stepped up to support Southern Vermont College generously. They provided scholarships for students whose intellect exceeds their financial means. They helped to fund athletic programs that build character along with physical prowess. They helped to develop groundbreaking research projects and fueled young entrepreneurs. They helped to rebuild the College's magnificent physical plant.

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SVC Family & Homecoming Weekend

Friday, September 24 – Sunday, September 26

Citizenship through Empowerment Lecture Series:

Philosophy Professor Rose–Mary Sargent

History, Philosophy and Science: The Relation between Liberal Arts and Sciences and Knowledge for the Common Good

Monday, September 27, 6 p.m.

Everett Theatre



Graduate School Fair

Tuesday, September 28, 1 – 4:30 p.m.

Burgdorff Gallery, Everett Mansion



Small Business & Entrepreneurship Forum:

The Power of E-mail Marketing and Online Surveys to Boost Your Business

Corissa St. Laurent, Development Director, Constant Contact

Tuesday, September 28, 6 – 8 p.m., Everett Theatre

Citizenship through Empowerment Lecture Series:

Law Professor Timothy Lytton

The Legal System, the Catholic Church and the Clergy Abuse Issue

Monday, October 4, 6 p.m., Everett Theatre



Four Colleges Issues Forum Lecture

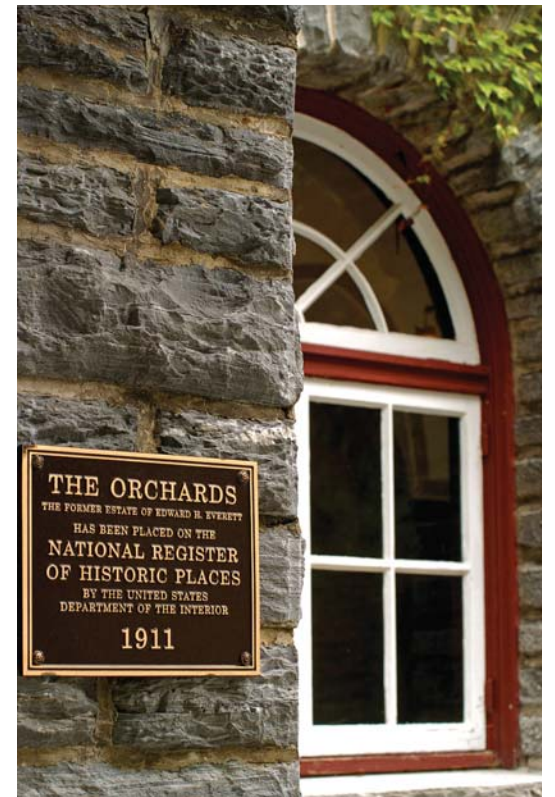
November 8, Bennington College, time TBD

James L. Fitzgerald Health Lecture: Carol Conroy, Chief Nursing Officer, SVMC and Dr. Anders Rhodin, Owner, Wachusett Orthopaedic

Making a Difference for People and Turtles: Parallel Careers in Medicine and Conservation

Tuesday, November 9, 2:45 p.m.

Visit www.svc.edu for more event details.



Celebrating Everett Mansion's Centennial

In 1911, industrialist Edward Everett started the construction of his summer residence, which is now the Administration building for Southern Vermont College. It was completed in 1914. Next year, the College will launch a full-scale celebration of the 100 years of Everett Mansion. Have a favorite Mansion story you'd like to share? E-mail communications@svc.edu.



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