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Give the Gift of Education



Dear SVCC Alumni & Friends,

For the past decade, it has been my privilege to serve as president of Sauk Valley Community College. As I reflect on my decade with the College, I am overwhelmed with pride for our past accomplishments, and optimism for a very bright future.

In just ten short years, our world has changed dramatically, and Sauk has changed with it. From capital improvements, to national recognition, to academic and athletic honors, SVCC continues to be a source of innovation and inspiration for our community.

There is much more to accomplish in our next 50 years, and Sauk is poised to achieve even greater heights of excellence. Sauk's achievements would not be possible without our most valuable assets, our alumni and friends. In recent years, your gifts to support the students, programs and improvements of the College have reached nearly \$1M. What an amazing accomplishment! I encourage you to continue to explore the great things going on at Sauk and to find the opportunities that spark your passions and commitment.

I believe that Sauk's next year should always be better than its last, and I thank you for helping to make each year of my presidency very special indeed. I am confident that you will embrace and support my successor with the same Skyhawk spirit you have always shown me. Again, *thank you* for your many years of friendship, partnership and enduring dedication to Sauk Valley Community College.

Sincerely,

Dr. George Mihel
President



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Gala

Expect an elegant evening on **Saturday, July 18**. Cocktails will begin at 6pm as we say thank you to our community, honor current SVCC president, Dr. George Mihel, and welcome our incoming president. We will reminisce about the success of the last 50 years, learn about the future of Sauk and enjoy musical interludes, dinner and a cash bar. Reserve your seat for \$25 by contacting Deb Dillow at 815.835.6303.

Sponsored by Farmers National Bank of Prophetstown, Illinois Bank & Trust and Ward, Murray, Pace & Johnson.

THEATRE WITH A TWIST

Join us April 30 through May 3

Join us April 30 through May 3 for the SVCC presentation of the Tennessee Williams classic, *The Glass Menagerie*.

Amanda Wingfield, a Southern belle past her prime, dreams of a better life for her shy, crippled daughter. She pushes her son to find a "gentleman caller" for the girl. The arrival of the caller sends shockwaves through the family, causing cracks to form in the delicate fantasies that have kept them going.

The Friday, May 1 performance will include, *Intermission with a Twist*. Ticket holders will enjoy cocktail tastings from the Crystal Cork and scrumptious

appetizers with a touch of Southern flair. Reduced pricing does not apply to the May 1 intermission event and attendees must be 21.

Show dates: April 30 – May 2 at 7pm, and May 3 at 2pm at SVCC Mathis Theatre.

Ticket prices: Adults \$8, Seniors \$5, Students w/ID \$2. May 1, *Intermission with a Twist* ticket, \$15. For inquiries, contact Anna Kurtz, anna.k.kurtz@svcc.edu or 815.835.6366.

Williams, Tennessee (1945). The Glass Menagerie. Penguin. ISBN 978-0-141-19026-6.

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UPCOMING ON-CAMPUS EVENTS:

March 19

Comedian
Johnny Cardinal
7pm • Mathis Theatre

April 7-8

April 7–
SVCC Art Gallery
Chicago artist, Joe Turner
April 8–
Closing reception • 4-8pm

April 11

5K Walk/Stroll
for Scholarships • 8am

Family Safari–
10:30am-2:30pm

Alumni Basketball Classic–
4pm • Women's
6pm • Men's

April 16

Sauk Careers Fair • 3-6pm

April 25

31st Annual Child Fair
"A Day at the Zoo"
9am-1pm • West Mall

April 30 – May 2

The Glass Menagerie
7pm • Mathis Theatre
*Special *Intermission*
with a *Twist* event
May 1* • 8pm

May 3

The Glass Menagerie
2pm • Mathis Theatre

May 15

Commencement
7pm • Gym

July 18

50th Anniversary Gala • 6pm

PARADES

May 2 – Fulton • 3pm
June 21 – Polo • 12pm



Sauk Artist's Corner

Sauk's art scene is heating up. The Sauk Art Gallery will host a variety of events in the coming months showcasing fun, inspiring and thought-provoking works of art. Beginning with a showing and special closing reception for Chicago artist, Joe Turner in early April; then on to the showcasing of student sculpture at Sauk; and finally a **Performance Hour** later in April for all you performance artists out there.

We're very excited to welcome so many interesting and diverse artists to the Sauk Art Gallery. Keep an eye out for a complete calendar of events in the mail.

SCHOLARSHIP SPOTLIGHT

HAYLEE ALTENBURG



SVCC student, Haylee Altenburg, was awarded the **Dr. William J. Simpson Scholarship** for the 2014-15 academic year. Altenburg received \$3781.00 for tuition and a \$500.00 stipend for books and fees.

Simpson scholars are chosen based on the following criteria: area high school graduate pursuing pre-med, dentistry, pharmacy or other health science major; a minimum 3.5 GPA; and a 200 word essay on future plans. The award provides two years full-tuition and an annual stipend for books and fees.

The **Dr. William J. Simpson Scholarship** is one of many transformative funds changing student's lives at Sauk.

To learn how to give to this, or others areas of SVCC, visit svcc.edu/foundation.

Call for 2015 Outstanding Alumni Award Nominations

The 30th Outstanding Alumni Award will be presented May 15th at the SVCC Commencement Ceremony. Award criteria defines a Sauk alum as one who completed a degree, certificate or minimum of 24 semester hours before June 2010, and is not currently pursuing a degree or certificate at Sauk. Nominees from last year will also be considered. Selection is based on career achievement and community service.

To submit your nomination(s), visit svcc.edu, click on the black "Alumni" button at the top of the home page and click "Nominate an Outstanding Alum". For more information, contact Sharri Miller, 815.835.6345, sharri.k.miller@svcc.edu. **Deadline is Friday, April 3.**

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SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
CHANGING LIVES FOR 50 YEARS

The Spirit of Sauk is **YOU!**

During this special 50th Anniversary, we have upcoming opportunities for energetic alumni and friends to contribute to Sauk's success. Whether for concerts, alumni sporting events, donor gatherings, open houses, or other occasions, your gift of time makes Sauk a stronger, more vibrant institution. To find out how you can make a difference, please contact Sharri Miller at the Foundation, 815.835.6345 or sharri.k.miller@svcc.edu. You can also sign up to volunteer at svcc.edu/50.

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