

February 22, 2000

Presidential historian to visit SVSU

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Michael Beschloss will visit the SVSU
campus March 8 through 10 as part of
the University's Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow
Visiting Scholar and Artist Series. In addition
to meeting with students, Beschloss will
address the annual meeting of the Michigan
Academy of Science, Arts and Letters during a
special luncheon Friday, March 10.

Beschloss is the author of six books, including the national best sellers *Taking Charge* on Lyndon Johnson's secret tapes, and *The Crisis Years* on John F. Kennedy and the Cold War. He lives in Washington, D.C., and has begun work on a major history of Abraham Lincoln's assassination, as well as two more volumes on the Johnson tapes.

Beschloss is a regular commentator on PBS's The News Hour with Jim Lehrer and a contributor to ABC News. He is a member of the American Historical Association and sits on the boards of Foreign Affairs magazine and the White House Historical Association. Beschloss was born in Chicago and is an alumnus of Eaglebrook School, Andover, Williams College and Harvard University. He was a historian at the Smithsonian Institution and a senior associate member of at St. Anthony's College, University of Oxford, England. Beschloss also was a senior fellow of the Annenberg Foundation in Washington, D.C. He and his wife Afsaneh, who is vice president and treasurer of the World Bank, have two sons.

For additional information on Beschloss' visit or the Dow Visiting Scholar and Artist Series, call ext. 4062.



Michael Beschloss

Flutee to perform music for Spring

Flûtée will perform Flûtée: La Primavera – Music for Spring! at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 9, in Founders Hall. The concert, which focuses "on all things spring," features composer and pianist Catherine McMichael, who joins Flûtée for a performance of her composition Floris. Flûtée commissioned the work from McMichael in 1992.

Other works to be performed include Vivaldi's Spring Concerto, Beethoven's Three Pieces for a Mechanical Clockwork, Pryor's The Whistler and His Dog, Louke's Suite Butterfly, and Delibes' Flower Duet from Lakme. Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for senior citizens and students. For ticket information, contact the SVSU Box Office at ext. 4261.

McMichael composes music for flute, piano,

winds, strings, brass, voice, choir, handbells and orchestra. Two of her commissioned works for flute quartet received the Newly Published Music Award from the NFA: Floris (1993) and La Lune Et Les Etoiles (1999). A popular clinician, McMichael has traveled North America and Australia teaching piano, improvisation, composition and enrichment. Her B.M. in piano performance and M.M. in chamber music were earned from the University of Michigan.

Flûtée, a professional artists-in-residence flute quartet at SVSU, is comprised of Mary Anderson, Kim J. Teal, Deanna Popielarz and Lauren Rongo, who perform in local professional ensembles, including the Saginaw Bay Orchestra, Midland Symphony Orchestra and Saginaw Eddy Concert Band.

SVSU exceeds goal with annual campaign

SVSU exceeded its 1999 Annual Fund campaign goal and raised \$412,265 from 1,700 donors. The SVSU Foundation's goal for the campaign was \$400,000. This total is 24 percent above 1998's total.

During the past 22 years, the annual campaign has raised more than \$4.2 million for the University. Grant Schaefer is the general chairman of this year's Annual Fund committee, which is composed of 80 community friends of the University from the Tri-Counties and Thumb areas. The annual campaign supports scholarships, the purchase of library materials and various student needs. The SVSU Foundation and the Annual Fund Committee launched this year's activities in October.

In addition to benefitting from federal and state tax deductions for giving to non-profit organizations, donors to the Annual Fund will be listed in SVSU's Report of Annual Giving.

For additional information on the SVSU Foundation or how you can contribute to SVSU's 2000 Annual Fund campaign, contact Norma Zivich at ext. 4075.

University tests new software

During February, the School/University Partnership Office, the Partnership Grant Team and the Information Technology Services Division has been testing GroupWise, rather than Netscape, for a number of functions, including E-mail, calendaring options, folder sharing and web access. These GroupWise users are using the software for one to two months to test the system and determine ease of user training and transition to the software.

Use of GroupWise then will be offered throughout the campus community. Among the advantages of GroupWise, according to ITS:

- A single-point access to all communications through a "universal mailbox," including access to E-mail, a personal calendar, group scheduling and document management both from your desktop and via the Internet (no more diskettes).*
- An interactive calendar for scheduling campuswide meetings for individuals and groups.*
- Enhanced business collaboration through the Internet via shared files and documents with individuals inside and outside SVSU (with version control).*
- Personal and group address books.*

- Folder sharing (with access controls) and a limited threaded bulletin board/conversation messaging.*
- Initiating and managing collaborative workflow processes.
- Setting and prioritizing assignments with the task management feature.
- Managing your voice mail and tasks (a "to-do" list).
- Receiving and sending faxes from your desktop.
- Quickly and easily publishing documents to the World Wide Web.
- *ITS will provide training for these features during 2000.

As the functionality of groupware products is broad, GroupWise has the potential to significantly impact all aspects of University business.

For additional information on GroupWise, contact Ken Schindler, executive director of Information Technology Services, at schindle@svsu.edu or ext. 4072.

Electronic mail subject to public disclosure statutes

Questions involving the potential for public disclosure of electronic mail communications are raised periodically.

"You need to be aware that use of University computing resources is not a private activity," said James G. Muladore, assistant vice president for administration and business affairs and controller.

"Your electronic mail communications may be subject to public records disclosure statutes such as the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Electronic mail is considered to be a public record similar to written documents such as letters and memos.

"Please keep this in mind, expecially when engaging in E-mail communications that are personal or involve non-University business."

DIRECTORY PORTAITS

The Office of Information Services is scheduling portrait appointments for the 2000-01 Faculty/Staff Directory. To request a portrait sitting, call ext. 4039.

SVSU to host annual meeting of Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters

SVSU will host the annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, March 10 and 11. The two-day conference will include a presentation by Michael Beschloss, author of six books and presidential historian, and a performance by the Valley Wind Quintet.

The event for higher education students and faculty and administration will feature an "electronic poster session," Technology in Teaching, on uses of technology in higher education, such as electronic journals, online job searching and multimedia authoring. The Academy last met at SVSU in 1988.

Beschloss will address the group at noon, Friday March 10. (See article, Page 1.)

Six members of the SVSU faculty and staff will present the electronic poster session on "Technology in Teaching" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday, March 10. Diane Boehm, director of the University Writing Program, will begin with "Online Job Searching and Job Banks." Eric Gardner, assistant professor of English, will discuss "MOOing to Learn (Synchronous Dialog in a Virtual Domain)." Erik Trump, assistant professor of political science, will talk about "The 'New' [Online] Plagiarism." Scott Mellendorf, reference Internet librarian, will talk about "Electronic Journals and Databases." Deb Roberts, instructional technology specialist, will discuss "Multimedia and Courseware Authoring with Asymetrix Toolbook." Thomas McManus, assistant professor of educational leadership and services, will wrap up the poster session with "Multimedia Authoring with HyperStudio."

The Valley Wind Quintet will perform a short concert for the Academy at 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 10. The Quintet includes William Wollner, associate professor of music, and Drew Hinderer, professor of philosophy. Other group members are Lauren Rongo, a flutist with the Midland Symphony and Nova Jazz; Jane Bellen, principal oboe with the Midland Symphony Orchestra; and Linda Hargett, principal clarinet of the Midland Symphony Orchestra.

Also scheduled to perform is SVSU freshman **Rebecca Stumpo**, a pianist who also was valedictorian of the 1999 class of Caro High School. Stumpo is majoring in music and theatre education. She will be joined by her brother, Ryan, a junior at Caro, who is studying

piano performance at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. Rebecca Stumpo was in SVSU's fall 1999 production of *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*.

The Academy's executive committee includes **Steven Sherlock**, professor and chair of SVSU's Department of Sociology.

SVSU participants scheduled to present are:

- Shiv Arora, professor of management and marketing: "Student Reactions to E-mail as a Diversity Management Tool."
- Heather Ash, student: "Attributions of Parole Success: A Narrative Analysis of Successful Parolees' Self-Perceptions."
- Jeff Ashley, assistant professor of political science, will chair the Political Science section and present "Paternalism, Racism and Fundamentally Flawed Public Policy: Describing the Major Crimes Act."
- Christopher Boies, student: "The Role of Western Diplomacy in Yugoslavia's Collapse."
- Jill Brege and Melissa Cooper, students: "The Effects of Impossible Tasks and Sex on Motivation and Competition."
- Lynette Bryan, student: "Only the Strong Survive: Women in Crane, Chopin and Gilman as Victims of Their Environment."
- Jeff Caler and Brian Gallagher, students: "Effects of Three Masking Flavors on Ability to Tolerate High-Concentration Ethanol Solutions by the Norway Rat (Rattus norvegicus)."
- Jeff Caler, Lori Kelley and Jennifer Bouvrette, students: "The Interactive Effects of Gendered Scenes and Gender of Subject."
- Basil Clark, professor of English: "... Swich it is for to be recceless... And truste on flaterye: The Glosing Vice in Dante and Chaucer."
- Melissa Cooper, Jamie L. Stone, Laura C. Baldwin and Jill A. Brege, students: "Continued Application of College Success Skills in a General Psychology Course."
- Jesse Donahue, assistant professor of political science: "Miles from Nowhere: Lobbying for Women and the State and Local Level" and "Who Really Shows Up? Lobbying for Women at the Michigan State Legislature."
- Clifford Dorne, associate professor of criminal justice: "Michigan's 1963 Probation Demonstration Project: A Reiteration of the Flashpoint of a National Antiincarceration Movement."
- Robert Drew, assistant professor of communication, will preside over a panel discussion on "Critical Perspectives in New Media of Communication." He also will present "When Schoolhouses Open Their Portals to Advertisers: Education and Sponsorship on the Internet" and "Emcees Who Love Too Much: Sincerity and Cynicism on the Karaoke Circuit."
- Renaye Fewless, student: "The Influence of Gender and Sexual Preference on Social Interaction: An Ethnography of Young Saginawians."
- Stacy Fortin and Robin Jezowski, students: "Effects of Suggestion on Eliciting a Classically Conditioned Physiological Response to Caffeine."

- Jennifer Gehrke, student: "Women as the Unsuspecting Underclass in Late Nineteenth Century Realism."
- Jane Girdham, associate professor of music: "The Education of the Amateur Musician in Early America."
- Kay Harley, professor of English: "New Guidelines for Composition Instruction from Workplace Writing Practices."
- Mary Hedberg, associate professor of history: "Erasing Memory with Violence, Erasing Violence from Memory: Reinventing the Landscape in Viceregal, Mexico."
- Drew Hinderer, professor of philosophy, will lead a roundtable discussion of "Philosophy and Applied Ethics, or What's a Scholar Like You Doing in a Place Like This?"
- Dawn Hinton, assistant professor of sociology: "Black Women in Saginaw."
- Nicole Janks, student: "Don't Challenge Women Who Know What They Want."
- Robin Jezowski, student: "Effects of Ginko biloba Treatment on a Delayed Matching-to-Sample Test in Healthy, Aged Rats (Rattus norvegicus)."
- Gail Kantak, professor of biology: "Extraction and Amplification of Purple Loosestrife DNA."
- Judith Kerman, professor of English: "Rethinking Blade Runner: Millennium and Apocalypse."
- Robert Lane, associate professor of political science: "The Fall and Rise of Dress Codes in Public Schools."
- Gary Lange, assistant professor of biology, is chair of the History of Science and Technology section. He also will present "The Research for the Rabies Vaccine: A Reexamination of the Louis Pasteur and Emily Roux Controversy."
- Richard Leininger, professor of management and marketing, "Distance Learning 'on the cheap': An Internet-based distance Learning MBA Course."
- Brian Lewis, English instructor, will preside over "Gender and Class in American Literature of the 1890s"
- Keri Manwel, student: "The Social Service Model of Policing and Its Implications on Police Discretion."
- Mark McCartney, associate professor of accounting, "Music Training and its Relation to Cognitive Processes Essential to the Acquisition and Manipulation of Accounting Knowledge: A Preliminary Analysis."
- Paul Munn, professor of English: "Utopia Found in Milton's Paradise Lost."
- Ronald Nowak, student: "Evaluation of the MTHFR Gene Mutations as Factors for High Homocysteine in Alzheimer's Disease."
- Levi O'Brien and Robin Jezowski, students: "Effects of Appetitive Reinforcement on Controlling Skin Temperature During Biofeedback Training."
- Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, professor of management and marketing: "Attitudinal and Demographic Characteristics of Entrepreneurs in Indonesia: Results of a Field Study."
- Albert Plaush, professor of chemistry: "Prediction and Predications for the New Millennium."
- Abby Redman, student: "The Weakness of Women: Female Choices in Crane and Chopin."
- Thomas Renna, professor of history: "Women Saints as Prophets, 700-1400."

- Angela Rusz, Stephanie Krol and Jennifer Bouvrette, students: "Establishing Materials for Research in Gendered Scenes."
- Michael Sharland and Jeff Allison, students: "The Effects of Lavender Scent on GSR and EMG Measures as Indicators of Stress."
- Steven Sherlock, professor of sociology: "Structure and Antistructure: Poststructuralist Themes in the Sociology of Deviance."
- Sarah Sieggreen, Laurel Richey and Janella Meads, students: "Searching for Gender Effects Within the Bizarreness Effect."
- Christina Slivers-Schall, student: "The History of Women in Science: Behind Every Great Discovery There Was a . . ." and "Repairing the Wounds of Our Animal Planet: Issues and Concerns Regarding the Efforts to Conserve Endangered Species."
- David Stanton, assistant professor of biology: "Uncoupling of Morphological and Molecular Evolution in Artemisia," and "Theodosius Dobzhansky and the Genetics of Natural Populations."
- David Swenson, H.H. Dow Professor of Chemistry:
 "Four Decades of Down Syndrome Research: From Metaphase Spreads to the Human Genome Project."
- Paul Teed, assistant professor of history, "The Captain and the Preacher: Revolutionary Legacies in Lexington, Massachusetts, 1775-1860."
- Melissa Teed, adjunct history faculty member: "Local Identity and National Crisis: Hartford Women During the Civil War."
- Gary Thompson, professor of English: "Using a Web Page in Writing About The Revenger's Tragedy: An Interim Report."
- Harriet Tillock, professor of sociology: "Images of Aging."
- Erik Trump, assistant professor of political science: "Assimilation, Female Reformers and Native Arts Policy: 1893-1916."
- Wen-Hui Tseng, a student in the Master of Arts in Communication and Multimedia program: "The Internet and the Taiwan Earthquake of September 1999."
- Scott Turner, student: "Tensions Between Social Institutions and Home Environments on Juvenile Delinquents."
- Pam VanHaitsma, student: "Rhetorical Contexts for Representing Women and Slavery: A Contrasts of Craft's Running a Thousand Miles for Freedom and Jacob's Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl."
- David Weaver, professor of political science, will lead a roundtable discussion of "Leadership as a Political Phenomenon."
- Janice Wolff, associate professor of English, "Dangerous Minds: Teaching a Pedagogy of Diversion."
- Yi Wu-Huang, student: "Normative Theories of the Press and Media Liberalization in Taiwan."
- Scott Youngstedt, assistant professor of sociology, and chair of the anthropology section of the Academy meeting: "Public Culture in Niger: Conversation Groups in the Lives of Hausa Migrants."

Schindler renames, reorganizes division

Ken Schindler, executive director of Information Technology Services/CIO, has announced changes in his division.

"First, we have a new name for the new millennium," said Schindler. "What was 'Computer Services' is now 'Information Technology Services.""

The department has a new web site at: www.svsu.edu/its.

"Second, effective Feb. 21, there will be some changes in our support for your micro computer hardware and software purchases," Schindler continued. "If you have a question about buying micro computer hardware and software, please contact Tish Yaros. Tish will assume responsibility for coordinating and tracking your requests.

"Technical support for your requests will be provided by Mike Holliday's team through Tish," Schindler added. "Remember – your calls should be made to Tish at ext. 4685 or tyaros@svsu.edu. Hank Pletscher will be assisting Nancy Samolewski in managing the University's Micro Computer Labs."

Schindler noted that, as always with internal changes in responsibilities, there will be a learning curve.

"Please wish all involved the best as we make this transition," he requested.

The campus community is reminded that all programming requests or requests for data retrievals from the Colleague database must be approved by your vice president or executive director, and then sent to Schindler for prioritization.

"In cases of emergency, requests can be routed to Pat Samolewski. I will be posting formal procedural instruction on the ITS web page shortly," Schindler said.

Finally, the results of last December's Customer Satisfaction Survey can be reviewed online at www.svsu.edu/its/survey_results.htm.

For further information on these or any other ITS-related issues, contact Schindler at schindle@svsu.edu.

Professional Profile

• The following SVSU faculty and staff served as presenters for Career and Employability Skills Day 2000 Feb. 7 at Carrollton High School. The event, which was sponsored by Carrollton High School and Omni Adult Education, was designed to increase high school students' awareness of their abilities and

interests and to help develop their employability skills. Those participating were: Jeanne Bender, assistant professor of nursing; Toby Blosser, athletic trainer; Jim Dwyer, director of admissions; John Flores, director of minority student services; Mark Gordon, assistant professor of theatre; Jim Hewitt, director of clinical experiences; Kim McDonald, assistant director of the academic advisement center; Robin McKinney, assistant professor of social work; Rodney Nowosielski, associate professor of art; Mike Sovansky, associate professor of law and finance; Paul Uselding, dean of the College of Business and Management; and Jill Wetmore, professor of law and finance.

- Norbert F. Elbert, H.R.Wickes Professor of International Business, in October 2000 will travel to Pecs, Hungary to receive a "Doctor Honoris Causa" degree from the University Council at Janus Pannonius University.
- Steven C. Erickson, professor of theatre, was invited to adjudicate the State High School One-Act Play Finals for the Michigan Interscholastic Forensics Association held Feb. 18 and 19 in Auburn Hills. Twelve high schools from across the state were involved in the competition.
- Susan L. Hillman, associate professor of teacher education, presented a paper titled "Preservice Teachers Learning to Teach Mathematics with Links to Literature" at the Fourth Annual Conference of the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators Feb. 10 through 12 in Charlotte, NC.
- Scott D. Julian, assistant professor of management, will present two papers in April at the Annual Midwest Academy of Management Conference in Chicago IL. The first, "Diversity and Similarity Curves: Heuristic Lessons from Economics" was coauthored with Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, professor of management and marketing. The second, "SWOT, SWot, or swOT? An Exploration of the Relative Effect of the Internal and External Environments on Organizational Responses to a Strategic Issue," was co-authored with Robert T. Justis of Louisiana State University and J. Kay Keels of Emory University. Julian was the first author on both papers.
- Jeffrey Koperski, assistant professor of philosophy, will have a paper, "God, Chaos, and the Quantum Dice," published in the September 2000 issue of Zygon, an international journal on religion and science.



- James G. Muladore, controller and assistant vice president for administration and business affairs, is a member of the Saginaw Habitat for Humanity board of directors and serves as board treasurer, a member of the Saginaw County United Way Volunteer Center Cabinet, and is involved with Christmas in July.
- · James G. Royle, associate professor of elementary and special education, is chairperson of the HealthSource Saginaw advisory board, a 25-year board member for Saginaw County Child Development Centers Inc. (Head Start), a founding board member for the Special Needs Vision Clinic (where he remains a board member), a member and past president of the Saginaw Valley Torch Club. Royle also is a past president of the Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education. a charter member of the Saginaw-Bay chapter of Phi Delta Kappa professional education fraternity. He is an at-large member. appointed by the Michigan Board of Education, for the Special Education Advisory Council for Michigan, and the Institutions of Higher **Education Council-Special** Education for the state.

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.

Professor from India to discuss adolescence issues

T.S. Saraswathi, a cross-cultural development psychologist from M.S. University in Baroda, India, will discuss "Adolescence from the Global Perspective: Issues and Concerns" at 2:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 24 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Her visit is sponsored by SVSU's Psychology Department and the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences.

Saraswathi is from the Department of Human Development and Family Studies (where she also is a past chair) from M.S. University. She has performed extensive research with children, youth and elderly in India and collaborates with a number of researchers around the globe. Saraswathi is coeditor of the recently-published *Handbook of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, one of a series of books.

For more information, call Ranjana Dutta, assistant professor of psychology, at ext. 7043.

Across Campus

- The campus community congratulates:
- Lisa Lewis, international admissions advisor, and her husband, Dave, on the birth of a daughter. Sophie Gabrielle (6 lbs., 4 oz., 19 in.) was born Feb. 10.
- Patrick Pan, associate professor of mathematical sciences, and his wife, Elizabeth, on the birth of a son. William Y. Pan (6 lbs., 15 oz., 18 in.) was born Feb. 5.

Transitions

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

New Phone Extension

- Paul Ballard, 791-7769
- Diane Walsh, B244, 791-7320

Have You Heard?

- During Spring Break, hours for the Office of Public Safety will be 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Evening dispatching services (after 4:30 p.m.) will not be available from Friday, Feb. 25 through Sunday, March 5. University police officers still can be contacted by calling Saginaw Central Dispatch at 9-911 (from on campus) or 911 (from off campus).
- Honors Convocation will take place at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 13 in the Performing Arts Theatre. President Eric Gilbertson will give the welcome and Matthew Margres, professor of psychology will give the convocation speech.

- The SVSU Regional Mathematics and Science Center will host a "Family Night" for area parents and their school-age children. The event is set to run from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 1 in the Performing Arts Theatre. Admission is free of charge; however, RSVPs are requested before Wednesday, Feb. 23 at ext. 4114. Refreshments will be served.
- David A. Haight, a 30-year federal law enforcement veteran, will present a program for those interested in careers in the federal law enforcement system. The talk will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, March 17 in Curtiss Hall. A \$125 fee will be charged. Lunch and snacks are included. To register, call ext. 4475 or fax 790-4983.
- Diane Boehm, director of the Writing Center, will present "Implementing Your Grant" from 9 a.m. to noon Friday, Feb. 25 in the Writing Center. To register, call ext. 7728.
- There will be no classes from Feb. 26 through March 5 due to **Spring Break**.
- Those interested in visiting Poland may wish to participate in a travel opportunity sponsored by the Office of International Programs. "The Jewels of Poland!" includes a May 1 through 12 tour of Poland for \$1,999, which includes airfare, three-star hotel accommodations, breakfast and lunch daily, and sightseeing. For more information, call Barb Cohen at ext. 4473.

Campus Happenings

- Lunchbreak Concert 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23 in Doan Café. No admission charge.
- University Art Gallery March 9 through 30, SVSU's art faculty will exhibit their work. Included in the exhibit will be works by Patrick Regan, Ernest Navarro, Craig Prime, Terry Basmadjian, Marlene Pellerito, David Littell, David Rayfield, Sara Clark, Hideki Kihata, Barron Hirsch, Matthew Zivich and Rodney Nowosielski. An opening reception will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 15 in the gallery.
- Valley Film Society 8 p.m. Friday, March 3 in the Performing Arts Theatre. *Young Winston* will be screened.

High Five

- Men's Basketball (11-13, 5-12) nipped Lake Superior State University 74-71 in overtime Saturday.
- Women's Basketball (8-16, 4-13) lost to LSSU 62-59 in O'Neill Arena Saturday.



Friday, Feb. 25 4:30 p.m. President's Reception Area

Refreshments Served

Come and enjoy the company of your colleagues and friends!

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Featuring Faculty of Saginaw Valley State University

On-line, In Mind

ome call it on-line investing. For Wayne Mackie, professor of accounting and finance, it's on-line information and investing.

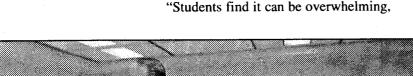
"The Internet has created a revolution in terms of investment information and/or trading capability," Mackie said. "In the past, you thought of the absolute need for someone else to get your (investment) information.

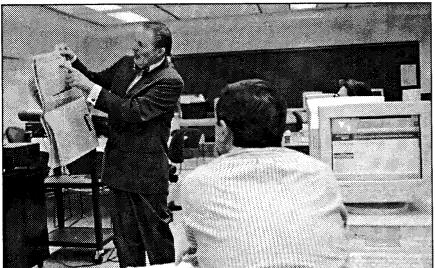
"Today, there's tremendous access. Some investors can program in their securities and investments and see how they are doing . . . 10 minutes ago. Today the ability to research a company on the web is so spectacular."

Mackie went on to say that the Internet has changed our lives tremendously. Several periodicals are available online, including the Wall Street Journal and the London Financial Times - not to mention the many investment firms created through the World Wide Web, such as Smart Money.

However, with the plethora of information, how does one even begin to wade through it?

Mackie said he gives his students a diskette with book-marked files. Of course, these quickly become obsolete, so he is working on a web page that would include more current sites.





unless you can find someone to guide you through the process.

"The Internet has made it possible for all of us to gain additional investment knowledge," Mackie continued. "But no one cares as much about your money as you do. Therefore, it is incumbent upon you - the investor - to get the appropriate information to ask questions of your investment advisor or broker."

Mackie currently is instructing a series of on-line investment classes through the Office of Continuing Education. Stocks, bonds, mutual funds, options, futures, IRA options, and investment and tax planning all are addressed through the series, which continues through March 23.

An Internet novice? No worries. Mackie said the class assumes limited or no Internet experience.

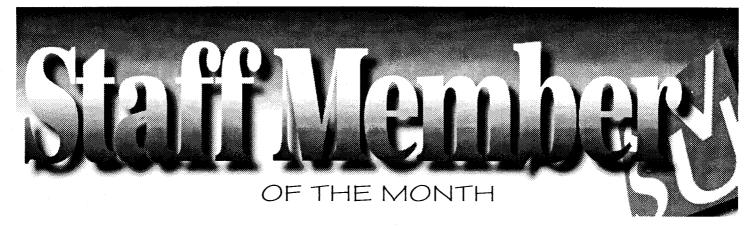
"Participants will use the computers to do an 'investment challenge' game and some realtime investing," he said. In addition, there is traditional classroom instruction. Mackie has used the investment challenge game in his classes for years. He said the game allows students to better understand investment practices.

"The Internet has improved their understanding of investment practices in the real world," he said. "The game uses real-time prices and creates real-time expenses. You gain significant additional knowledge through its use."

Mackie has been part of the SVSU faculty since 1977. Retirement isn't in the near future, either.

"Retire? Nah. What for? I love working with students. You have to like what you're doing." Mackie is already considering developing a class that is strictly Internet based.

And, he's not the only Internet junkie in his family. His wife, Nancy, operates a travel agency out of their Frankenmuth home, which, by the way, has four computers. Nancy Mackie has clients from all over the country and world - California, North Carolina, Germany and Denmark.



Marie Rabideau

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AWAY FROM the office, Marie Rabideau is the captain of her own ship.

An avid boater, Rabideau spends her sunny summer days tooling around Saginaw Bay or some of Michigan's inland lakes.

During the past year, nobody could blame Rabideau for looking to escape the pace of her position as administrative assistant in the Office of Student Affairs.

Since January 1999, her office has had to assume the added responsibility for athletic department administration while the University was conducting a search for a full-time athletic director. The position just recently was filled.

"It's been interesting, but we're happy it's almost over," said Rabideau of the situation. "I really learned a lot about athletics – particularly the amount of paper work that goes through that department."

The University is required to document the status of athletes by both the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

"I've learned about national letters of intent, a lot of NCAA rules, recruiting processes,

compliance issues, and game scheduling requirements," she said.

"I think most people don't understand just how much work is going on over in athletics – there's certainly a lot more to it than going to practices and playing the games," Rabideau noted. "We receive a letter almost every day from the NCAA or the GLIAC about a policy change or new procedure that we have to follow."

Early next month, after the newly-appointed athletic director comes on board, Rabideau expects to shift her focus back to activities in Student Affairs, which along with athletics includes campus life, residential life, personal counseling, health services, disability services and campus recreation.

"I have the opportunity to work closely with the staff in the division, but a great deal of my time is spent with students," Rabideau said. She is chair of the Election Commission and a member of the Homecoming Committee. She also is active in Cardinal Club.

"Luckily we've had everything in place for several years, so we already have the guidelines ready for each year's elections," Rabideau said. In addition to helping coordinate elections, Rabideau assists students who contact the Student Affairs office.

Rabideau was an administrative secretary in the Office of Placement and Cooperative Education, and began her University service in January 1987 in the Office of Information Services. She is a 1992 Honors Program graduate with a Bachelor of Business Administration, and she earned an MBA in 1997 from SVSU.

Rabideau also enjoys traveling to exotic locations such as the Bahamas and Cancun. She recently returned from a vacation in Las Vegas. During the year, she looks forward to attending student and athletic events, and she can be found in Ryder Center beating up on coworkers in a friendly game of racquetball.

