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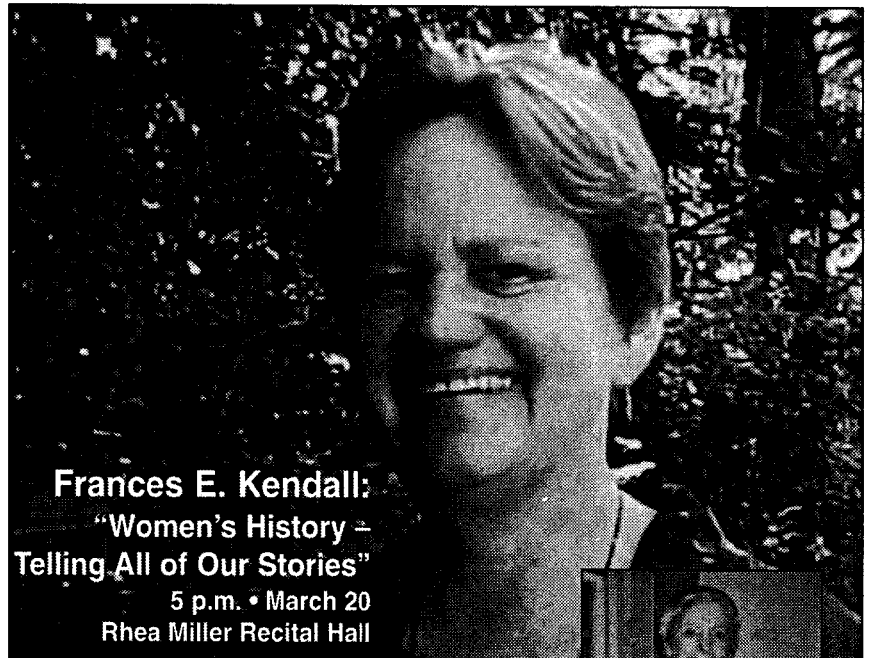
## Women's History Month marked with series of events

**S**VSU will mark Women's History Month with a series of events, including a performance of *Fool for Christ*, a one-woman play by Sarah Melici, and a presentation by Frances E. Kendall: "Women's History: Telling All of Our Stories."

In addition, Merlyn M. Mondol, professor of psychology, will be awarded SVSU's "Women of Distinction" honor during a noon luncheon Friday, March 17 in Curtiss Hall Banquet Room A. Rajkumari M. Wiener, 1973 alumna of SVSU and Mondol's daughter, will be the guest speaker. For more information or to make a reservation for the luncheon, call ext. 4104.

Melici's performance will take place at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 14 in the Studio Theatre in the Performing Arts Center. *Fool for Christ* is the story of the life of Dorothy Day. Day, who died in 1980, is considered one of the most influential figures in the history of American Catholicism. She co-founded, with Peter Maurin, the Catholic Worker Movement. Melici's acting credits are varied, from network television, including *Law and Order* and the Stephen King miniseries, *The Golden Years*, to extensive work in regional theater. For more information on Melici's performance, call ext. 4380.

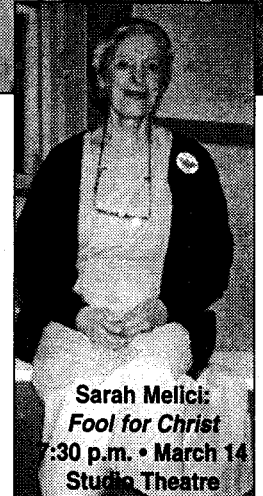
Monday, March 20, Kendall's discussion will begin at 5 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Kendall is a consultant and facilitator who focuses on managing issues of work force diversity and organizational change. She assists organizations in addressing problems both in crisis situations and in long-term institutional change. Kendall has consulted with the University of Michigan, the University of California at Berkeley, Levi Strauss & Co., several regions of the USDA Forest Service, the US Postal Service and American President



**Frances E. Kendall:**  
"Women's History –  
Telling All of Our Stories"  
5 p.m. • March 20  
Rhea Miller Recital Hall

Lines. She is the author of *Diversity in the Classroom*. Kendall, a resident of the San Francisco Bay Area, received degrees from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the Bank Street College of Education and the University of Denver. Her appearance is co-sponsored by the Office of Equal Opportunity and Special Programs, and the Student Association. For additional information on Kendall, call ext. 4397.

SVSU concludes its celebration of Women's History Month with a Brown Bag Lunch from noon to 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 27, in 128 Brown Hall. *Thirty-Seven Stories About Leaving Home*, a documentary directed by Shelly Silver, examines the relationship among grandmothers, mothers and daughters in Japan. Punch and cookies will be served. For more information, call ext. 5687.



**Sarah Melici:**  
*Fool for Christ*  
7:30 p.m. • March 14  
Studio Theatre

## Academic achievements acknowledged

The *National Dean's List* has recognized 64 SVSU students for academic achievement. Those honored carried at least 12 credits and maintained a 4.00 GPA during winter and fall semesters. Recipients are eligible to compete for \$25,000 in scholarship awards, a *National Dean's List* College Loan Program, and other benefits. Students named to the 1999-2000 *National Dean's List* are:

Barbara J. Adcock, Rebecca N. Anderson, Shah H. Baqar, Cheryl L. Bishop, Christopher E. Boies, Jill A. Brege, Rita M. Carlson, Correy Collins, Melissa R. Cooper, David C. Dufort, Sara J. Engelhardt, Dawn M. Garma, Rachel C. Goddard, Beth A. Guzy, Katherine A. Hahn, Kelly A. Harris, Ellen C. Herlache, Kristy M. Hicks, Cathy A. Howard, Jennifer L. Kipfmiller, Karen S. Kopacz, Katherine L. Lange, Rebecca A. Larson, Wendy M. Lasley, Melanie W. Livingston, Patricia L. Luplow, Angela M. Martin, Mae J. Mason, William J. Maze, Debra L. McClarren, Beth A. Miller, Matthew D. Miller, Nicholas P. Momrik, Karla E. Morgan, Kristine T. Novak, Carrie L. O'Boyle, Erin L. Pendred, Jessica L. Poole, Kara O. Pyles, Cynthia J. Rager, Abigail S. Redman, Jaclyn M. Richardson, Sarah J. Schindehette, Jennifer J. Schmidt, Rachael L. Schrepfer, Sarah K. Schroeder, Leah M. Segura, Julie A. Seidel, Michael J. Sharland, Dianna J. Smith, Kimberly A. Smith, David J. Sparks, Kara L. Stamiris, Pamela K. Starkey, Patricia G. Sullivan, Valerie J. Tendall, Amanda A. Thompson, Jennifer N. Trout, Kristen S. Tuer, Anna M. Vannest, Carrie L. Waskiewicz, Kimberlee A. Willoughby, Misti D. Wolschleger and Kelly M. Wrocklage.

## Rodriguez receives fellowship

Scott Rodriguez, an SVSU graduate student, was chosen out of 70 applicants to receive a fully-paid fellowship with the Michigan Political Leadership Program at Michigan State University. Rodriguez and 23 other MPLP Fellows will meet for 10 weeks during a 10-month period. With prominent political, business, media, university, and community leaders, they will discuss state policy issues.

MPLP is the only multi-partisan public policy and leadership education program in Michigan. It is an education outreach program of the Institute for Public Policy and Social Research in MSU's College of Social Science. Since 1992, more than 250 have graduated from the MPLP. Foundation support and private and corporate contributions raised annually makes the fully-paid fellowships possible.

Rodriguez is a constituent liaison in the district office of U.S. Congressman James Barcia. At SVSU, he is pursuing a Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership and Administration.

For more information on the Michigan Political Leadership Program Fellowship, call (517) 355-6672.

## Astronomer, astrophysicist to present pair of lectures at SVSU

A.G. Davis Philip, astronomer, educator and physicist, will present two lectures on astronomy and astrophysics. A research professor in the physics department at Union College in Schenectady, NY, Philip's visit is sponsored by the American Astronomical Society, Department of Physics, Physics Club, Science Club and College of Science, Engineering & Technology.

"Astronomical Photometry with CCDs" will take place from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday, March 27 in 226 Wickes Hall. This semi-technical presentation will focus on a new instrument that has revolutionized observational astronomy.

"Large Optical Telescopes: From the Soviet Six-Meter to the VLT in Chile," aimed at a non-scientific audience, begins at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 27 in the Performing Arts Theatre. During the early '80s Philip was the first American observer to use the Soviet Union's six-meter reflector (telescope) in the Caucasus.

For additional information on Philip's appearance, call ext. 4135.

## Nature photographer to show images

The Regional Mathematics and Science Center is sponsoring a presentation of nature photography, presented by award winning photographer Dan Urbanski.

Urbanski has spent years observing and collecting a photographic record of some of the natural beauty found in the Porcupine Mountains and Isle Royale. The program features scenes from many parts of Upper Michigan – its wildlife, weather, flora and fauna.

Urbanski will present a two-hour program at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 in the Performing Arts Theatre. Admission is free of charge. Confirm your attendance by calling the Regional Mathematics and Science Center at ext. 4121 or 4114 no later than Friday, March 17. Tickets will need to be picked up at the Math/Science Center prior to the event.

## Professional Profile

- **Jeffrey S. Ashley**, assistant professor of political science, received word that his book, *Groundwater Management in the West* (University of Nebraska Press), co-authored by Zachary A. Smith, has been nominated for the Lynton Keith Caldwell Award, sponsored by the American Political Science Association. The award is for the best book on environmental policy published in the last three years.
- **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 Michigan 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.
- **Yousef Jabbari**, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, helped coordinate the MATHCOUNTS competition that was held at, and co-sponsored by, SVSU Feb. 26.
- **Paul Teed**, assistant professor of history, had an article titled "The Politics of Sectional Memory: Theodore Parker and the Massachusetts Quarterly Review, 1847-1850" accepted for publication next year in the *Journal of the Early Republic*.

## Presidential historian speaking at SVSU March 8

Author and presidential historian 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.

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

## Flûtee, Quintet perform Spring concerts

Flûtee will perform *Flûtee: 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 Flûtee for a performance of her composition *Floris*. Flûtee 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 general admission and \$3 for senior citizens and students.

The **Valley Wind Quintet** will go on stage Tuesday, March 21, with special guests the Rimsky-Korsakov Quintet and pianist Carl Angelo. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

The concert will include selections by Reicha and Damase. Tickets are \$5 general admission, \$3 for students and senior citizens.

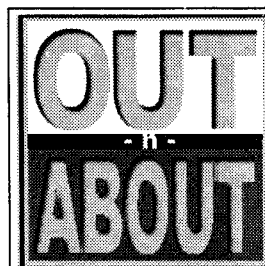
Tickets for both concerts are available at the SVSU Box Office by calling ext. 4261.

## Banquet honors service

Invitations have been mailed for the 11th Annual All-University Awards Banquet, Friday, April 14. Join your colleagues and friends as we honor those who celebrate 10 to 30 years of service to SVSU. In addition, teaching, research and service honors will be awarded. As the banquet is during the Lenten season, non-meat options will be available.

One lucky employee and his/her guest will fly round-trip to Las Vegas for a weekend stay at the Sheraton Casino Resort Hotel! Many others will win dinner certificates to restaurants throughout the tri-cities. Commitments are received from Bob Evans, Crowne Plaza Pub, Outback Steakhouse, Applebees, Bennigans, Mancino Pizza & Grinders, Char House, Café Suz, Big John's Lamplighter, Mulligan's, Bubba's, el Farolito, Ruby Tuesday, Showboat, Happy Wok and more.

For additional information, or to RSVP, contact the Office of Government and Community Relations at ext. 4068.



• **Margaret M. Flatt**, professor of nursing, is a member of the League of Women Voters and the Vietnam Veterans of America. Flatt also is a congressional district coordinator for the American Nurses

Association and director of Regions IV and VI and on the legislation committee for the Michigan Nurses Association. She also is a member of Sigma Theta Tau, the National League for Nursing, the National Council on Family Relations, the Michigan Society on Gerontology, the Michigan Network of Gerontology Programs in Higher Education and Kappa Omicron Nu.

• **Joe Vogl**, operations manager for the Ryder Center and golf coach, is vice president of the Kawkawlin River Association. Vogl also is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Golf Coaches Association of America.

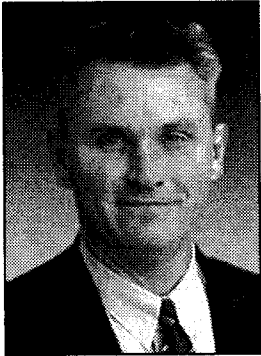
From the Community & Professional Organization Affiliation Survey, retained in the office of Gene Hamilton, special assistant to the president, government & community relations. For more information, call ext. 4068.

## DIRECTORY PORTRAITS

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 names Zimmermann Director of Athletics

Gilbert (Griz) Zimmermann was named SVSU's fifth director of athletics Feb. 29. Dean of Student Affairs Richard P. Thompson had served as interim director of athletics since the departure of Jerry Kill in February 1999.



**Griz Zimmermann**

Zimmermann, who will assume his duties in early April, currently is assistant athletics director for facilities, operations and event management at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, where he has been since 1988. Other roles he served in at SMU include fitness center director and strength and conditioning coach. Zimmermann also worked in the athletic department at the University of Michigan, where he received both his bachelor's and master's degrees and played football.

Zimmermann was the recipient of the U of M Alumni Achievement Award (1993), the Paul Hunsicker Award for outstanding student in the U of M School of Physical Education (1985) and the *Parade* magazine award as a counselor for the Young Columbus Program diplomatic overseas tour (1985). He also was a participant in three major NCAA bowl games as a member of the U of M football team from 1981 to 1984. In 1980, Zimmermann was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy after five years of service, and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal.

## Across Campus

- The campus community extends condolences to **Sue Browning**, administrative assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, on the loss of her mother, Mary Jane Taylor, who died Feb. 25.

## Have You Heard?

- Those who require **academic regalia** for Commencement on Saturday, May 6, should submit orders to the Bookstore by Monday, March 13. The University provides regalia free of charge to faculty, adjunct faculty and staff who march in the ceremony.
- The March 17 **Faculty/Staff Luncheon** in the Emeriti Room has been canceled due to the Women's History Month Luncheon.
- Nominations for the **Braun and Tyner Writing Awards** are due Friday, March 17. Further information and forms are available at [www.svsu.edu/writingprogram](http://www.svsu.edu/writingprogram).
- The application deadline for **SVSU Foundation Resource Grants** is Friday, March 31. Grants will be made only to

programs or projects that benefit SVSU students and must be completed within a one-year period. Application forms are available from the Foundation Office, 314 Wickes Hall, ext. 4052, E-mail [busch@svsu.edu](mailto:busch@svsu.edu) or from ext. 4075, E-mail [ngzivich@svsu.edu](mailto:ngzivich@svsu.edu).

## Campus Happenings

- **Lunchbreak Concert** – 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 8 in Doan Café. Featuring Pat Cronky, jazz trio.
- **SVSU Art Faculty Exhibition** – March 9 through 30 in the University Art Gallery. A reception will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 15 in the gallery. For more information, call ext. 4391.
- **Faculty/Staff Development Workshop** – 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 in 154 Curtiss Hall, "Y2Know Zahnow: Lib Lit This Millennium." For more information, call ext. 5635.
- **"Public Health in the 21st Century"** – 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 15 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Carol Easley Allen, president of the American Health Association, will be the guest speaker. A reception will follow the lecture. For more information, call ext. 4145.
- **Faculty/Staff Development Workshop** – 3 p.m. Thursday, March 16 in 154 Curtiss Hall, "Search Engine Tune-up." For more information, call ext. 5635.
- **Faculty/Staff Development Workshop** – 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 21 in 154 Curtiss Hall, "MS Publisher." For more information, call ext. 1934.

## High Five

- **Baseball (7-2)** – dropped its second decision of the season Saturday to Stonehill College (Mass.) by a 12-5 score.
- **Softball (8-4-1)** – defeated Madonna University 2-1 Saturday in the team's final game of a spring trip to Fort Myers, Fla. Katie Clements raised her season record to 2-1 after throwing a complete game three-hitter.
- **Men's Basketball** – finished the season with a 7-2 GLIAC and 13-13 overall record.
- **Women's Basketball** – closed out the year with a 4-15 GLIAC and 8-18 season mark.



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Friday, March 24  
4:30 p.m.  
President's  
Reception Area  
Refreshments

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# Staff Member

## OF THE MONTH

### Patrick Olivarez

**Custodial  
Specialist,  
Assistant  
Working  
Foreman,  
Ryder Center**

**March 2000**

**P**ATRICK OLIVAREZ might not have found the fabled Fountain of Youth, but he feels he has the next best thing.

As an assistant foreman of custodial operations in Ryder Center, Olivarez said his contact with students keeps him from feeling his age.

"I support our athletes as much as possible – I really enjoy being around them because they keep me young," Olivarez said, laughing.

Throughout his 10 years at the University, Olivarez literally has worked his way through campus to his present assignment in Ryder Center.

"I started out as a third-shift custodian in 1989, working Tuesday through Saturday," he said. Twice assigned to work in Ryder Center, Olivarez also alternated between second and third shifts in Zahnow Library, Pioneer Hall, Wickes Hall, Arbury Fine Arts Center and Curtiss Hall.

"I work closely with Joe Vogl on all the different events that take place in Ryder Center," Olivarez said. "We have something different happening every weekend, which is why I enjoy this job. I and my crew take pride in showcasing this building."

In addition to building maintenance, Olivarez organizes and assigns job duties to the six full-time staff. During the special events, Olivarez coordinates overtime coverage, which he said often is difficult to estimate.

Olivarez is quick to note that Ryder Center is the site for much more than classes and athletic events.

"We handle everything from boat and home shows to camps and clinics, volleyball tournaments, lock-ins, TriSource conventions, Commencement and, during recent summers, the Lions' preseason training camp.

"At the minimum, we'll usually have three events going on at the same time over the weekend," Olivarez said. "For example, our 'weekend' will start with setup and tear-down on Thursday night for two basketball games, followed the next night by a lock-in, and then another basketball game and volleyball tournament on Saturday. Then Sunday we'll have a couple of sports clinics to take care of."

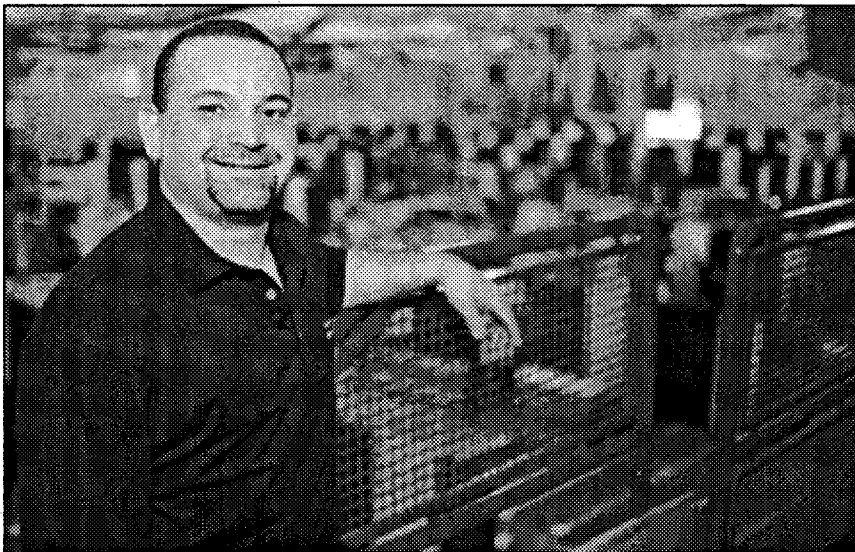
Olivarez estimates that O'Neill Arena can be completely emptied out for a big event in about an hour – with 10 people assisting him.

"There's no way I could do this job without the help and support from others," he emphasized. "My crew does an excellent job, plus the coaches are very supportive."

Outside the office, Olivarez spends much of his time remodeling his Saginaw home. He has completely remodeled the interior, and last summer added a two-story pole barn.

He and his wife of 16 years, Maria, enjoy traveling around the country with their 14-year-old son, Patrick II, who is a martial arts black belt.

"I'm very proud of my son – he's a very well-respected young man. He has been involved in formal martial arts training since he was 6 years old, and he's won several state championships," Olivarez said. The Olivarez family has trekked to national competitions in Kentucky, Florida and Texas.



# InnerView

Featuring Faculty of Saginaw Valley State University

## Nurture Your Spirit with Music

You say you're too busy? No time to rest, no time to think? Well, the Valley Wind Quintet may be just what the doctor ordered.

Music is good for the soul, said Jane Bellen, who plays the oboe with the group.

It's nice to sit back and listen to good sounds being made.

We offer people an opportunity to get some perspective and listen to something beautiful and have their spirit nurtured by it, added Drew Hinderer, professor of philosophy, who plays bassoon with the group. People need time to nurture and calm themselves.

So much of our culture is fast-paced and superficial. This is an opportunity to provide a window of time that's fulfilling and nurtures the heart.

The Valley Wind Quintet was founded in 1983 and has played throughout Michigan. The members of the quintet met when all five were performers with the Midland Symphony Orchestra; four remain with that group. The members of the quintet also include Lauren Rongo, flute; Linda Hargett, clarinet; and William Wollner, horn. Wollner is associate professor of music.

The members also provide educational outreach

with performances in local schools, teaching children about their instruments and music.

A lot of young kids don't know that music is made by people, Hinderer said. They think of music as coming out of boom boxes.

For most, this is new to them, Wollner said, adding often it is fifth grade when instruments are introduced to the students.

Hinderer said whenever the quintet performs in a community they also try to do school concerts.

SVSU students and staff will have the opportunity to see the quintet perform a spring concert March 21 on campus. Before that, they will perform a short concert for the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters at 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 10 in Curtiss Hall.

Concerts typically are one- to one-and-one-half hours. The concerts are a combination of pieces the group hasn't done before and things they have done in the past and the audience will enjoy, Wollner said.

But finding a nice balance of music is a challenge, Hinderer said. Most compositions for quintets were written in either the early 19th or early 20th centuries.

A lot of the new music for quintets, Hinderer said, is more enjoyable to play than listen to.

The quintet members were in agreement that playing with a group that's strictly woodwinds also gives each opportunities they don't have in a symphony.

I get to play solos, Rongo said, smiling.

It is solo playing, Wollner added, but you have people around you.

The March 21 concert will feature four members of the quintet and a pianist. Wollner said the group tries to bring in others to add variety to the concerts. The members are hoping for attendance similar to the high numbers they have when they perform in the community. For ticket information, call the Department of Music at ext. 4159.

