

Have You Heard?

- Flu vaccine is available in Health Services, W267, for a fee of \$10. Walk-ins accepted.
- Copies of the new **Faculty/Staff Directory** are available through the Mailroom by E-mailing ptoyzan@svsu.edu. E-mail changes to ucomm@svsu.edu.
- The 2001-02 **Holiday Schedule**: Dec. 24 and 25 are SVSU paid holidays; Dec. 26 and 27 are additional paid days; Dec. 28 is a required vacation day; and Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 are SVSU paid holidays.
- SVSU **Resource Grant application forms** are available in the Foundation Office (W307). The deadline is Dec. 1. Grants will be made only for programs or projects that benefit SVSU students. Foundation Resource Grants must be utilized to enhance scholarship, further the academic and cultural missions of the University and/or have significant impact on the University community. For further details, visit: www.svsu.edu/sponsoredprograms/internal.htm, or contact Emmie Busch at 790-4052 or E-mail busch@svsu.edu.
- Faculty and staff may bestow the **Alumni Scroll** to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement on Friday, Dec. 14. Call Cheri Ayayi at 790-4384 to make arrangements.
- **Sprinkler systems** will be tested from 8 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Dec. 2, in Arbury Fine Arts Center, Curtiss Hall, Performing Arts Center and Ryder Center. During this testing period building occupants will experience random activation of the building fire systems. For further information, contact the Physical Plant office at 790-4396.
- The **Valley Wind Quintet's** Fall Concert took place Monday, Oct. 22. The group will not perform Nov. 14 as published in the Oct. 30 *Interior*.

- Information Technology Services has launched four **new SVSU websites**: Canadian Admissions: <www.svsu.edu/undergradadm/canadian>; Human Resources: <www.svsu.edu/hr>; Faculty Support and Sponsored Programs: <www.svsu.edu/sponsoredprograms>; and International Programs: <www.svsu.edu/intprog>.

Campus Happenings

- The annual **International Food Festival** will take place from noon to 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 13 in Groening Commons.
- **Brad Swanson**, Central Michigan University, will discuss "Population Genetics and Conservation Biology" at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday,

Nov. 13 in 158 Pioneer Hall. A reception precedes Swanson's talk.

- The **English Club** will present "Harry Potter: Myth and Method" at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 13, in 112 Brown Hall.
- **Leo Feith** will be the featured performer at the Lunch Break Concert Series from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14 in Doan Café.
- A **Faculty/staff Luncheon** will be offered from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 16 in the Emeriti Room.
- The **Valley Film Society** will screen *Firemen's Ball* at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 16 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. For membership information, call 790-4015 or online at www.svsu.edu/vfs.
- The **Saginaw County Crime Prevention Summit IV** has been rescheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 20 in the Performing Arts Theatre. The keynote speaker will be Attorney General Jennifer M. Granholm. Refreshments will be served after the program.
- SVSU will host a **blood drive** Tuesday, Nov. 27 from noon to 6 p.m., and Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge.
- A reception honoring the recipient of the **Technology in Teaching Award** will take place at 4 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 29 in Curtiss Hall Seminar Room G. Refreshments will be served.
- The **SVSU Jazz Ensemble** will go on stage at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 29 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets by calling the Box Office at 790-4261.

Across Campus

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High Five

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- **Women's Basketball** opens its season on the road at the Wisconsin Parkside Classic, taking on UWP at 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 16. SVSU faces off against St. Joseph, Saturday, Nov. 17.

FOURTH FRIDAY CLUB

Friday, Nov. 16
4:30 p.m.
President's Reception Area
Refreshments Served

The Interior is published bi-weekly when classes are in session fall and winter semesters and periodically through the summer. Items should be submitted to the Office of University Communications, 389 Wickes Hall, 790-4039, or E-mail: ucomm@svsu.edu.

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Drama of Holocaust explored by Barstow Lecturer

Robert Skloot, a Fulbright professor from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will visit SVSU during winter semester to discuss the use of dramatic literature as the foundation for exploring the Holocaust experience. Skloot's visit is part of SVSU's Barstow Humanities Seminar series. He will develop workshops and meet with students and regional educators as part of the seminar.

Comprehending, analyzing and interpreting the past as the means to promoting diversity and understanding in the present is a primary directive of the Michigan Department of Education's Social Studies Standards for K-12 students, according to Marc Gordon, SVSU assistant professor of theatre and moderator of the seminar.

"Incorporating dramatic literature is the foundation to exploring the past opens a window that is entertaining as well as instructive," Gordon said. "Involving students (high school and college) as well as local educators in a series of workshops designed to transform the written play text into a powerful learning tool widens, clarifies and develops the image, ultimately providing perspective through the window."

"In essence, through theatrical artistry and dramatic literature, the past comes alive."

Skloot will examine the systematic slaughter of Jews, Poles, Gypsies, the handicapped, homosexuals and others – all victims of the Holocaust – through the theatrical lens to comprehend the past. His career spans 33 years and includes books, awards, teaching and scholarship. Presently he is associate vice chancellor for academic affairs at UW-Madison. Skloot's responsibilities include the directorship of the Jewish Studies Program, beyond teaching duties. He has written three

books: *The Theatre of the Holocaust* (1999), *The Darkness We Carry: The Drama of the Holocaust* (1998) and *The Theatre of the Holocaust: Four Plays*. Skloot's articles can be found in published anthologies and scholarly journals, which include *Theatre Research International*, *Human Rights Quarterly*, *New Theatre Quarterly*, *Theatre Journal*. His awards include Fulbright professorships in Tel Aviv, Israel; Vienna, Austria, and Valparaiso, Chile. He has received the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching the Phi Beta Kappa Teaching Prize, along with many grants and research awards in the Humanities. Skloot also served as the director of the National Endowment of the Humanities Summer School for Teachers.

Gordon and other members of the SVSU Theatre Department will aid Skloot's lectures and workshops.

Skloot's appearance at SVSU is made possible through the generosity of the Ruth B. Dixon of Midland, the Barstow Foundation of Midland and the William R. Dixon Fund of the Midland Foundation.

The Barstow Excellence in Teaching Humanities Seminar is designed to provide excellence in teaching and recognition of scholarship within the humanities. It includes the naming of an SVSU faculty member as the Barstow Moderator, selected by virtue of excellence in teaching and scholarship in the humanities.

For more information on Skloot's presentation, or the Barstow Excellence in Teaching Humanities Seminar at SVSU, contact Gordon at 249-1959.



Robert Skloot



NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL
FIRST ROUND PLAYOFF GAME

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INDIANA UNIVERSITY-PENNSYLVANIA

KICK OFF AT NOON
SATURDAY, NOV. 17
WICKES MEMORIAL STADIUM

TICKETS:
\$7 GENERAL ADMISSION
\$5 STUDENTS (K-12 & COLLEGE)
FOR INFORMATION, CALL 791-7300

Works by BFA candidates on display

SVSU's semi-annual Bachelor of Fine Arts exhibition will run Monday, Nov. 19 through Dec. 10 in the University Art Gallery. An opening reception for the artists will take place from 3 to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 28 in the Gallery.

This group show of the works of SVSU senior art majors serves as a completion of their undergraduate program. Painting, drawing, printmaking, photography, sculpture, ceramics, computer illustration and graphic design are included.

Students displaying work include Jody Range, Michelle Hughey, Stephan Skalnican, Zhong Shen and Crista Rowe. Range and Skalnican concentrated their studies in graphic design. Hughey's interests are in drawing and painting. Photography and graphic design are Shen's speciality. Rowe's areas of study are in painting, drawing and graphic design.

The Art Gallery is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 790-4391.

August Commencement added

SVSU has established a third commencement ceremony to take place in August (the evening of the last day of summer classes). August 2002 commencement is scheduled for Aug. 16 at 7:30 p.m. This decision allows the University to better accommodate increasingly larger graduating classes and their guests. Students completing all remaining course work in winter semester are eligible only for the May ceremony. Students completing all remaining course work in the spring/summer semester are eligible only for the August ceremony.

Polish Students Club hosts annual Wigilia

The SVSU Polish Students Club will present *Wigilia*, a traditional Polish Christmas Eve, at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14 in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms. The event focuses on the universal human brotherhood and is open to people of all races and faiths.

Wigilia, comes from the Latin *vigiliare* and is the wait for the birth of Christ. This 1,000-year-old Polish tradition focuses on *oplatki*, or wafers, which are placed on each table. *Oplatki* symbolizes universal human brotherhood and are shared in order to emphasize mutual forgiveness and love of all people, regardless of race, gender or status. According to tradition, empty places at the table signify a willingness to welcome any guest; on that night any visitor, invited or not, is considered dear and special.

Before the dinner begins, the head of the household, with the *Oplatek* in hand, shares the wafer with those gathered while exchanging greetings and best wishes. All others do the same.

Following dinner will be a dance performance by the renowned Detroit-based group Wawel, named after the royal castle in Krakow.

Reservations for *Wigilia* are due Dec. 1. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children ages 4 to 8; children under 3 years will be admitted free. Tickets are available only through the SVSU Polish Students Club; they will not be available at the door. To obtain tickets, call Karen Dekoski at (989) 892-0868 or Dina Wehner at (989) 793-7903.



Mike Mosher, assistant professor of art/communication multimedia, presents a Fredericks-inspired cartoon T-shirt to Michael Panhorst, former director and curator of the Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Museum, Wednesday, Oct. 31. The shirt was a gift to the Museum from Detroit artist Mark Dancey. Dancey's cartoon T-shirt commemorates the city of Detroit with a parody of Marshall Fredericks' 1958 "Spirit of Detroit" sculpture. The original sculpture, whose plaster maquette is on exhibition at the Museum, sits in front of Detroit City Hall and shows a figure holding a radiant orb and a family group. Dancey's version depicts a corpulent devil holding a can of gasoline and an incendiary baby, a reference to Detroit's infamous "Devils' Night" arson and mayhem. "Dancey's 1990s magazine *Motorbooy* proved he is one of the most provocative of Michigan's new generation of artists and humorists," said Mosher. "I'm delighted he donated this crazy shirt to the Museum." Upon learning of the gift, Panhorst remarked, "This is a welcome addition to our collection of numerous political cartoons based on Fredericks' well-known *Spirit of Detroit*."

Professional Profile

- **Reza Akbari**, assistant professor of mathematical sciences, presented a paper titled "Singularities of Harmonic Functions" at the Ohio Section of the Mathematical Association of America, Oct. 26, Marietta, Ohio.
- **Clifford Dorne**, professor of criminal justice, will serve as chair and discussant on a student panel titled "Issues in Michigan Criminal Justice," at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences conference, March 5 through 9, Anaheim, Calif. Three students from SVSU will participate in the panel, including MLPA candidate Octavia Delk-O'Neal; and CJ majors Jeffrey Foldie and Brett Sayers.
- **Barron Hirsch**, professor of art, will have a retrospective exhibition of his work in the Clack Art Center at Alma College from Feb. 11 through March 14. On exhibit will be 24 paintings representing works from the Mexico, Chicago and San Francisco series, completed between 1990 and 2000. Hirsch will give a public lecture about his paintings at 8 p.m., March 14 in the Alma Art Department lecture hall.
- **Bing Liu**, associate professor of mathematics, published an article with co-author S. Ding at the University of Seattle in the October issue of the *Journal of Inequalities and Applications*, a refereed international journal. The title of the article is "Whitney Covers and Quasi-isometry of $L^s(\mu)$ -averaging Domains."
- **Glorial Musial**, professor of teacher education – along with Amy Grimley, Joyce Harlukowicz and Kim Schurig, teachers at Imlay City Middle School – presented "A Capitol Teaching Idea: Four Square Tear and Share" at the 28th Annual conference and Exhibits of the National Middle School Association, Nov. 1, Washington, D.C. The presentation resulted from the continuing collegial partnership between SVSU and the Imlay City Schools. The relationship and conference attendance are sponsored and supported by the Partnership Grant for Improving Teacher Quality. Musial is the Partnership consultant to Imlay City Middle School.
- **Hong Y. Park**, professor of economics, published a paper, "Sourcing Strategies of Manufacturing Firms: Transaction Cost Implications," in *Mid-American Journal of Business*, Volume 16, Number 2, Fall, 2001. Co-authoring the paper were **Surender Reddy**, professor of management & marketing, and **Iksu Jurn**, associate professor of law & finance.
- **C. Vincent Samarcos**, assistant professor of English, presented "Slipping Through the Cracks: Poor Folks in Academe" at the annual Mid-South Sociological Association conference, Oct. 27, Mobile, Ala.

Condolences

The campus community extends condolences to **Bill Collins**, attorney for SVSU, on the loss of his mother, Donna Collins.