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Valley Wind Quintet Concert has French Flavor

Chamber music composed by French neoclassists Jacques Ibert and Jean Francaix will be presented in concert with a work by romanticist Ludwig Thuille by the Valley Wind Quintet and guest pianist Catherine McMichael in the University Theatre at 8 p.m., Wednesday, March 25.

The Quintet will open the concert with Ibert's Trois Pieces Breve for Woodwind Quintet before being joined by Ms. McMichael to perform Thuille's Sextet for Piano and Woodwind Quintet, Opus 6. The evening's presentation will conclude with Francaix's technically demanding Quintet.

Celebrating their ninth year in performance, the Valley Wind Quintet has appeared in Ann Arbor and Detroit, as well as a 1988 concert tour of Tokushima and Matsuyama, Japan.

Quintet members include William Wollner, horn, associate professor of music and director of bands at SVSU, who also serves as principal horn with the Midland Symphony Orchestra; bassoonist Drew Hinderer, professor of philosophy at SVSU, who is principal bassoon of the Midland Symphony Orchestra; Lauren Rongo, flute, a graduate of Michigan State University and a member of the Midland Symphony; Linda Hargett, clarinet, principal clarinetist with the Midland Symphony who has also performed with the Saginaw Symphony Orchestra and the Saginaw Eddy Band; and Jane Bellen, oboe, principal oboe with the Midland Symphony, Plymouth Symphony, Ann Arbor Symphony, Toledo Symphony and the Bach Festival Orchestra in Cass City.

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SVSU Theatre Features Newcomer in Valley Arts Festival

Conflict, created by culture-shock and ethnic denial experienced by a Southeast-Asian migrant and a native-born Asian-American teenager, is the theme of a unique stage production to be offered by the Department of Communication and Theatre as a highlight of the Valley Festival of the Fine Arts.

Newcomer, a play about a Vietnamese refugee girl's struggle to adjust to life in a typical American high school and the Chinese/American boy who initially avoids but eventually befriends her, will be presented in the University Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 21. A 2 p.m. matinee will be presented in the Theatre on Sunday, March 22. Tickets for a 6 p.m. "Showcase Supper" on the concourse of Ryder Center, to be followed by the Saturday evening presentation, may be obtained from the Student Life Center, room 117 Wickes Hall, at a cost of \$8 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under. Tickets for both the evening show and the matinee also will be available at the Theatre box office for \$5 per family, general admission \$4, students \$2 and \$1 for children 12 and under.

The play's action involves five principal characters — three students and two teachers — who interact to demonstrate courage, self-discovery and realization that though differences exist, each human being is special in his or her own way. Directed by Dr. Janet Rubin, staging for the play incorporates video-tape and slide projections to depict flashbacks from the live performance.

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Quintet Concert

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A resident of Saginaw County, Ms. Mc-Michael has won acclaim as a pianist, composer, arranger and music publisher. She holds a graduate degree in piano performance and chamber music from the University of Michigan and has served on the faculties of SVSU, Delta College and the University of Michigan-Flint. She has performed recitals and been a soloist in Saginaw's Heritage Theatre. She has performed with the Midland Arts series, at SVSU, UM-Flint and on tour in northern Michigan.

Tickets may be purchased at the Theatre box office at a cost of \$5 general admission, \$3 for students. SVSU faculty and staff may obtain complimentary tickets by calling Nancy Whalen at ext. 4159.

Newcomer

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Heather Bradford, a freshman from Hemlock is cast as Mai Li, the Vietnamese/Chinese newcomer who speaks only Chinese; Matthew Young, a sophomore from Mayville, portrays Benny, the Chinese/American boy; Laura K. Adams, a senior from Bay City, plays Mrs. Kato; Arlene T. Eugenio, a junior from Saginaw, plays Aurora, another student who came to the U.S. from the Philippines.

Joseph Ashcraft, a junior from New Haven, MI, plays Mr. Escamilla, and Yuki Yonomoto, a freshman from Tokushima, Japan, is the voice of Mai Li's mother. Other cast members include: Corey Davis of Saginaw, Virgie Tiyen Wilson of Southfield, Audrey Morton of Chesaning and Matthew Miller of Okemos.

The play is one of many activities to be featured in SVSU's Valley Festival of the Fine Arts, which will showcase displays and sales of visual arts and fine crafts in the Ryder Center. Musical presentations will be offered by the Valley Wind Quintet, the Collecting Consort, Flûtée, the University's Collegium Musicum and a jazz ensemble.

Other performances on the SVSU campus will be presented by the University Dance Troupe. The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculp-

ture Gallery will be open for guided tours. Demonstrations of silk screening, pottery making, pinhole camera photography and computerized music composition also are planned. Sculpture, ceramic and paintings by noted Midland artist Marsha Pohlenberg will be on exhibit in the University Art Gallery of the Arbury Fine Arts Center.

The "Fun Arts Factory" will offer various delights for youngsters in the Cardinal Gym, including paper jewelry-making, puppet shows, face-painting, sing-along, finger-painting, math games, computer activities and photos with the Easter Bunny. Supervising the hands-on activities will be representatives of the Rainbow Children's Center, Nurturing Nest, Inc., Mother Goose Pre-school, the SVSU Children's Center, Swan Valley Latchkey, Michigan Child Care Centers, Inc., Mathematics Pentathlon, Olson Anderson Co., and others.

For additional information about the play or to request complimentary tickets, contact Dr. Janet Rubin at ext. 4019. For other Valley Festival of the Fine Arts information, call ext. 4170.

Record-Holding Athlete Presents "Profile in Courage"

Bill Demby is proof that a major disability doesn't mean the end of the line in life or athletics. Demby will present "Profile in Courage" at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, in the Cardinal Gym.

Demby had a remarkable recovery after losing both his legs in the Vietnam War. After his injury and a year of rehabilitation he immediately began participating in sports by joining a track club for physically disabled athletes. He competed in the paralympics in Seoul Korea, became a certified ski instructor, and regularly teaches at handicapped ski clinics. In 1984 Demby became one of the original testers of a new artificial limb called the "Seattle Foot," which could store and release energy as a real foot does. He was featured in a DuPont company television commercial that aired around the nation.

Admission is free to students, \$3 for faculty, staff and community. For more information call ext. 4170.

The Fourth
Friday Club
will meet
March 27 at
4:30 p.m. in
the President's
Reception
Area on
Wickes third
floor.

Pelton Accepts SVSU Post

Lee "Woody" Pelton has been named Special Assistant to the President for International Programs. He will assume his duties in early April.

Pelton was chosen after a national search. A midwesterner, he first travelled abroad as a college exchange student in France with The Experiment in International Living.

After completing a bachelor's degree in psychology and an M.A. in student personnel services in higher education, both at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Pelton and his wife spent two years in Morocco with the Peace Corps. He taught English as a Second Language and coauthored After Peace Corps - A Guide to Employment and Graduate Schools.

Following Peace Corps duty, Pelton was an education advisor with the U.N. High Commission for Refugees at a camp off the coast of Malaysia.

Pelton earned a J.D., with honors, from George Washington University. He has practiced law before various courts, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Immigration & Naturalization Service and other agencies.

Pelton served as articles editor for the George Washington Journal of International Law and Economics in 1982-83 and was a contributing editor to an American Bar Association monograph in 1991. He is a member of the American Bar Association sections on Antitrust and International Trade.

In his new position, Pelton will direct and administer the activities of the Office of International Programs. His responsibilities include developing programs and policies for SVSU's international curriculum, as well as providing orientation, counseling, immigration and other support services to students, faculty and staff.



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Search Under Way for Education Dean

With the announced departure of Dr. David Nelson, the University has begun a nationwide search to fill the position of Dean of its College of Education.

Dr. Robert S.P. Yien, vice president for academic affairs, heads the search committee composed of Norman R. Sterchele, professor of educational leadership and services; Jean E. Brown, professor of teacher education; Stephen P. Barbus, assistant professor of teacher education; Jennifer M. Bridges, associate professor of physical and health education; Janet E. Rubin, professor of communications and theatre; Thomas E. Kullgren, dean of the College of Science Engineering and Technology; and Joe Gonzalez, superintendent of the Bay City Public Schools.

The search committee hopes to recommend a replacement for Nelson by the start of the 1992 fall semester.

Social Work Professor Receives Fellowship

Dr. Ann Rae, professor of social work, will participate this summer in a tuition-free

intensive training experience at the Harvard Geriatric Education Center.

The training program, which will address the health care needs of elder persons, has been developed in collaboration with Simmons College School of Social Work and will be based at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Rae will participate in a series of seminars on relevant gerontologic topics.

"One of the goals that I am planning to pursue," Rae explained, "is the development of an advanced social work practice course in the interdisciplinary minor program in gerontology at SVSU."

Social work students at SVSU who eventually wish to practice with aging clients can significantly benefit from the advanced practice course that will include information from Rae's training experiences at the seminar.

Zahnow Lecture Series Presents Panel Discussion

The topic of the next Zahnow Library Lecture Series presentation is "U.S. Health Care System: Consumers of Health Care." The program will be held in Zahnow Student Lounge at 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon on Friday, March 20. Admission is free. For further information, call ext. 5638.

Professional Profile

- Dr. Altaf-Ur-Rahman, professor of electrical engineering and technology, gave a talk at the Indian Institute of Engineers in Hyderabad, India, in January 1992. The topic was "Active Suspension of Automobiles and Railroad Cars." During his visit to India, he also spoke to undergraduate students in engineering programs at different universities about admission requirements to graduate programs at universities in the U.S.
- Dr. Elaine Stephens, professor of teacher education, presented a paper in collaboration with colleagues from Michigan State University at the national conference of the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education in San Antonio. The paper examined and critiqued three case studies of the implementation of Professional Development Schools at the elementary, middle school and secondary levels.
- Dr. Harriet E. Tillock, professor of sociology, was one of several SVSU faculty members who presented papers at the annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters at Central Michigan University on March 6, 1992. Tillock's paper is titled "Economic Factors in Death-Hastening Behaviors Toward Elders."

Recently Tillock was named chair of the American Sociological Society Aging Section Committee on Undergraduate Education. This newly formed committee was constituted to address concerns of those teaching primarily undergraduate students. This committee will redress a lack of attention given to the special needs of undergraduate students in most discussions of education in gerontology.

Did You Know? ...

• The SVSU Community Service Committee will hold a brown bag luncheon meeting in the Ryder Center Conference Room at 12 noon on Wednesday, March 18. Topics will address potential involvement with "The Christmas in July" program (a summer project designed to improve low income houses); the Underground Railroad; Big Brothers/Big Sisters; and other areas of interest. For more information call 686-7074, 667-0006 or 791-7123.

- The next **Blood Drive** sponsored by Health Services will be Tuesday, March 24, on Brown Concourse. Donors can schedule an appointment to save time by calling ext. 4272. At the last blood drive, 63 pints were drawn and there were seven new donors.
- Student Government Elections will take place April 1-3. Advise students to call ext. 4267 for further information.
- An Open House for the Student Life Center has been rescheduled for Thursday, March 26, in Wickes 117 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.
- Complimentary tickets are available to faculty and staff for the following concerts: Valley Wind Quintet, March 25; Flûtée, April 1; and Concert Band, Choirs & Collegium, April 15. Call ext. 4159 for information.
- The deadline for Faculty Recognition Award Nominations is Friday, March 20. Forms and statements of support must be submitted to Steve Sherlock, B159. Forms are available at secretary stations in Brown Hall and the Science Building.

Across Campus

• The campus community extends sincerest condolences to the family of Gerald Peterson, professor of psychology, on the death of his father, Gerald F. Peterson, on March 7, 1992. The funeral took place in Wisconsin.

Events/Activities

- University Art Gallery Exhibit "New Works" by Marsha Polenberg continues through March 25. For hours, call ext. 4391 or 4159.
- Women's History Month activities continue through the end of March. For a calendar listing events and exhibits, call ext. 4056.
- SVSU Economics Society Eleventh Forum
 Thursday, March 19, 3:30 p.m. in room
 102, Arbury Fine Arts Center. Detlof Von
 Berg, consulate general from the Federal
 Republic of Germany, will discuss "EC-92:
 Its Impact on the U.S. Economy." Free admission.
- Valley Film Society Friday, March 27, 7:45 p.m., University Theatre. Featured film is "The Shop on Main Street." For more information, call ext. 5624.

Health Risk Appraisal results will be returned to participants by the end of March 1992. Look for an announcement in the March 31, 1992 Interior regarding a meeting to explain and discuss the information presented in the appraisal. The Health Risk Appraisal program was endorsed by the Something for EveryBODY Employee Wellness Program. Further information is available by calling Dr. Jennifer Bridges at ext. 7324.

