Wizards! to Work Magic at SVSU

Not all wizards rely on secret potions and magic spells to dazzle and astound people—some use chamber music.

Wizards!, a double reed quartet, will perform chamber music at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 9 in the Saginaw Valley State University Theatre. The group’s appearance marks the start of the 1995-96 season for the Rhea Miller Concert Series. Admission to the concert is free of charge.

Group members Mark Weiger, Andrea Gullickson, S. Blake Duncan and Greg Morton have performed together for five years through the Double Reed Ensemble of Iowa. Wizards!, which presents some 30 concerts a year in 15 states, recently was featured as the “chamber music group in residence” for the educational component of the Great Music West Festival.

In addition to introducing and demonstrating the oboe, bassoon, English horn, oboe d’amour, contra bassoon and piccolo oboe, Wizards! will entertain with stories, anecdotes and popular melodies. The group prepares a repertoire for audience members of all ages.

Weiger is principal oboe with the Illinois Symphony Orchestra and oboe professor at the University of Iowa. Gullickson is principal oboe with the Oshkosh (WI) Symphony Orchestra and double reed professor at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. Duncan is a solo English hornist with the Illinois and Peoria (IL) Symphony Orchestras and oboe instructor at Bradley University (IL). Morton performs the bassoon for the Cedar Rapids (IA) Symphony Orchestra and also is on the faculty at Cornell, Wartburg and Coe Colleges in Iowa.

The Rhea Miller Concert Series is funded through a generous endowment to bring outstanding musicians to SVSU. The 1995-96 season schedule includes a March 23 concert of classic and romantic two-piano music, and an April 21 concert by the Minneapolis Guitar Quartet.

For further information on the Rhea Miller Concert Series, contact the Department of Music at ext. 4159.
Local Business Leader Offers Tips on International Marketing

Area businesses interested in marketing products and services in international markets will have an opportunity to learn from the experiences of one local company.

Jeffrey A. Clevenger, president and chief executive officer of Saginaw Machine Systems Inc. (SMS), will present “Global Competition: Finding Niche Markets in the International Arena” at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, in the SVSU Theatre.

Clevenger’s talk is sponsored by the Wickson-Nickless Distinguished Lectureship in Business.

Clevenger and SMS have a long history in the machine tool business, including extensive international involvement. Besides delivering machines to 30 foreign countries, SMS participates in numerous foreign trade shows—particularly in Mexico and China.

Clevenger holds a B.B.A. in industrial management from Cleveland State University. After serving an apprenticeship at Warner & Swasey Company in Cleveland, he moved upward in successive positions in manufacturing and manufacturing engineering during an 11-year period. He spent five years with the Sperry Corporation, serving in several manufacturing management positions in the Vickers plants in Omaha, Nebraska and Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Clevenger joined the Wickes Corporation in 1977 as general manager of the Saginaw Machine Division. In 1981, he became vice president and general manager of the then consolidated Wickes Machine Tool Group.

Clevenger led the current management of the Group in the purchase of the division from The Wickes Companies in 1983.

The Wickson-Nickless Distinguished Lectureship in Business offers the opportunity to study and debate contemporary events and issues that influence business policies and behavior. The series honors the late James E. Wickson and Allen E. Nickless. The two Frankenmuth businessmen joined the Universal Engineering Company in 1928, rising to leadership positions within the company.

Under their many years of leadership, Universal Engineering grew to a workforce of 650 employees.

The boards of these two family foundations jointly provide an endowment for SVSU to conduct the lectureships. Programs and speakers are arranged through the SVSU College of Business and Management.

Admission to the lecture is free of charge. For further information, contact the College of Business and Management at ext. 4064.

Flûtée Joins SVSU Choirs and Collegium for Seasonal Concert

Flûtée will be the guest ensemble with the SVSU chamber and concert choirs, Collegium Musicum and Early Music Collegium for a seasonal concert. “Holiday Pipes II” will be presented at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 103 E. Midland Street in Bay City.

The concert will feature a collection of holiday favorites performed by outstanding solo voices. A number of the selections also will include playing music of the Renaissance on ancient instruments.

Founded in 1986, Flûtée aims to explore the realm of flute literature and bring this sound to the salon style of musical enjoyment. The group also attempts to expand the flute quartet literature through commissions and new arrangements of music. Flútée is active in presenting clinics in masterclass flute ensemble performance.

Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets for the concert. To make reservations or for more information, contact the Department of Music at ext. 4159.

Entries Accepted for Latent Image VI Photo Competition

Entries for “Latent Image VI Photo Competition” currently are being accepted by the SVSU Art Department.

Photographic work will be accepted in room 103 of the Arbory Fine Arts Center between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30 and Friday, Dec. 1. All entries must be framed for judging. Fees are $10 for students for up to three entries; $15 for non-students for up to three entries. John W. Cynar, director and owner of the Start Gallery in Birmingham, will serve as juror for the competition.

For entry forms or more information, contact Hideki Kihata, associate professor of art, at ext. 5644.
SVSU Polish Club Observes 19th Annual Wigilia Celebration

The SVSU Polish Students Club will present Wigilia, a traditional Polish observance of Christmas, at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, in Lower Level Doan Center.

Ewa Siarkowski Depa, a lyric soprano from Detroit, will provide this year’s entertainment. Her accompanist will be Leszek Bartkiewicz. Among the songs on the program are The Holy Maiden arranged by J. Maklakiewicz; Where Are You, Little Jesus by W. Geiger and Mary’s Lullaby by J. Maklakiewicz. Audience members also will have an opportunity to participate in a sing-along.

Depa, who has a degree in vocal performance from Wayne State University, has sung with the Michigan Opera Theatre and the Overture to Opera Company. Among her leading roles in musical theatre productions are Ann in Half a Sixpence, Meg in Monterey, and Hope in Something’s Afoot. A frequent wedding vocalist, Depa currently is a cantor at St. Colette Church in Livonia.

Considered the holiest of all nights in most traditional Polish homes, Wigilia centers around the sharing of an unleavened wheat wafer called Oplatek. The custom symbolizes the unity of all people of good will as well as mutual forgiveness and love, especially between family members. According to tradition, extra places are set at the dinner table for those who are absent or for unexpected guests.

Before dinner the head of the household, with the Oplatek in hand, addresses his family, then extends greetings as he shares the wafer first with his wife, then with all others. After dinner, the celebrants sing carols around the Choinka (a lighted Christmas tree).

Reservations for Wigilia, which are $12.50 per person, should be made early by calling Victoria Williams at 792-9293 or Dina Wehner at 793-7903. For additional information about the Wigilia celebration, contact Anna Dadlez, professor of Polish, at ext. 4315.

Former Flint Police Officer Joins Jazz Ensemble for Dec. 7 Concert

Keith Dewitt, a retired Flint police officer and current member of the New Reformation Dixieland Band, will be the guest artist for an SVSU Jazz Ensemble concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7 in the SVSU Theatre.

Dewitt, who presently works for the

Have You Heard?

- Faculty and staff may bestow the Alumni Scroll to graduating members of their immediate family at Commencement on December 15. Please contact Emmie Busch at ext. 4052 to make arrangements.
- Health Services is offering flu shots while supplies last. Call ext. 4271 for more information.
- The University will close for Thanksgiving at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, and will re-open Monday, Nov. 27.

SVSU Dean Honored by M.A.A.P.

Crystal M. Lange, dean of the College of Nursing & Allied Health Sciences, has been named 1995 Friend of M.A.A.P. (Michigan Association of Activity Professionals). The award recognizes Lange’s commitment to advancement of the field.

M.A.A.P. represents more than 300 activity professionals who work in long term care facilities encompassing nursing homes, retirement communities, and adult day care centers.

Among the contributions that led to Lange’s selection were her efforts in co-teaching a section of the 90-hour basic education modular course for activity professionals. She also is involved in the exploratory stages of designing an academic curriculum to prepare geriatric activity specialists. The proposed program could become the first of its kind in the state.

“Dr. Lange’s expertise is phenomenal and her commitment to the advancement of activity professionals has contributed to the growth of M.A.A.P. and the field of activities,” said Diane Zide (CTRS, ACC), activities specialist at Medilodge of Howell, Inc.
Professional Profile

- Al Bracciano, director of the Occupational Therapy Department, was appointed to a national Task Force Group on Alternate Fieldwork Models for the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), Professional Program Directors Council. The committee was formed to identify alternate methods of clinical fieldwork education for professional-level occupational therapy students, to develop strategies facilitating new models of clinical education, and to present a final report and action plan to the American Occupational Therapy Commission on Education. Bracciano is a member of the AOTA Professional Program Directors Council and is the Academic Chair of the Michigan Occupational Therapy Association Council on Education.


Mahajerin also is the author of an article titled “Accurate Body Force Integration in boundary Element Method Applied to Plane Elasticity Problems,” which has been accepted for publication in the International Journal of Computers and Structures.

Mahajerin presented two papers at the 32nd annual technical conference of the Society of Engineering Science (SES). “A New Computational Scheme for Boundary Element Formations” was presented at the Computational Mechanics Division. “A Least Square Method for Determination of the Three-Parameter Weibull Distribution” in connection with fatigue failure assessment of structures was presented at the Probabilistic Mechanics Division. The conference was held in New Orleans (LA) October 29 to November 1, and was supported by the Office of Naval Research and National Science Foundations.

- Karen Selby, assistant professor of teacher education, presented a paper at the 42nd annual conference of the Michigan Council of Teachers of English on October 27 in Lansing. Selby’s paper was titled “Using Historical Literature as Part of a Powerful Vision of Social Studies.”

- Rosalie Riegle, professor of English, facilitated a workshop on curriculum design for the Cushwa Center Seminar, “Engendering American Catholic Studies,” held at the University of Notre Dame from September 30 to October 2. She chaired a panel on “The Unity of the Catholic Worker Movement: A Discussion Between Narrators and Interviewer” at the Oral History Association National Conference, held in Milwaukee on October 21. She presented a paper titled “Dorothy Day and Her Friends” at the national conference of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion in St. Louis on October 27.

Across Campus

- The campus community congratulates John Flores, MICUP Program coordinator, and his wife, Sylvia, on the birth of a daughter. Lena Christina (7 lbs., 3 oz., 19 in.) was born November 13.

Transitions

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

SVSU WELCOMES

- Darlene Deets, custodian, Physical Plant, ext. 4279
- Jodi Dishaw, circulation assistant, Zahnnow Library, ext. 4240
- Barbara Taylor-Goodrich, administrative secretary, Continuing Education, ext. 4475

HAPPY RETIREMENT

- Robert Sanback, Microcomputer Lab coordinator, Computer Services

THEY’RE MOVING ON

- Diana Gutierrez, academic & career advisor, Academic & Career Services

DIRECTORY REVISIONS

- Academic Achievement Center (p. 1), ext. 5691
- Holly Furlo (p. 5, 24), ext. 4211

High Five

- Women's Basketball (0-0, 0-1)—lost to Aquinas College, 64-50, on Friday evening. The Saints are ranked No. 21 in NAIA pre-season polls. SVSU was led by freshman Jenny Rommel with 11 points. The Cardinals return home to host the University of Michigan-Dearborn at 5:30 p.m. tonight in O'Neill Arena.
- Men's Basketball (0-0, 1-0)—defeated Aquinas College, 85-58, on Friday evening. Junior Rob Brown had 20 points and 16 rebounds. Tonight the Cardinals host Siena Heights College at 7:30 p.m.
English as a Second Language Program Accepting Applications

Imagine being unable to understand the evening news on television, order food at a restaurant, or request services over the telephone.

That's the challenge that visitors to the U.S. face if they lack proficiency in English. SVSU has established a training program in English as a Second Language (ESL) to help not only exchange students, but members of the community, become more proficient in English.

"Individuals from other countries who are here working in local industry have family members who need training in English," said Jim Hamrick, director of the ESL program at SVSU. "We also are being contacted by those in the community who have moved here some time ago from another country, and now have relatives who wish to study in the U.S. but face the language hurdle."

According to Hamrick, the ESL program is flexible to accommodate the needs of people who enroll. "We've instituted a generic curriculum so that the program can be adapted to fit the requirements of the students."

Hamrick said, "We have a placement test procedure that helps us determine whether students are at an intermediate or advanced level in proficiency."

Hamrick indicated that he has contacted local industry to introduce the program for members of their work force and their families. "At present, our courses are small (about 5 students per course), which tends to make the program very user friendly," Hamrick said.

ESL students will receive 21 hours per week of instruction in English writing and speaking skills. Costs for the non-credit course include a $25 application fee, a program fee, and approximately $75 to $100 for textbooks. Classes for winter 1996 begin January 8 and end April 20. Admission to the program for winter semester also will be granted anytime through Spring Break, which begins February 25. Tuition will be pro-rated for students who register late.

Students also have the option of enrolling in the ESL program for academic credit.

For an application or more detailed information about either the credit or non-credit option, contact the SVSU Office of International Programs at ext. 4265.
Campus Happenings

- Valley Film Society—8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1 in the SVSU Theatre. Metropolitan (USA, 1990) will be the featured film. Guest memberships available at the door.

Accent on Alumni

- Jon McQuinn ('85), a staff writer for the Midland Daily News, has won the 1995 Fred Burns Award from the United States Tennis Association’s Western Section for his sports coverage of the Seventh Annual Dow Corning Tennis Championships. He also has covered the careers of Midland natives Meredith McGrath and Anne Miller, both currently on the women’s professional tour.

- Kathleen M. Marx, an eighth-grade humanities teacher at the International School in Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), led a series of workshops on resolving family conflicts during the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing. More than 30,000 men and women attended the 12-day international seminar that began September 4.

- James D. Licavoli ('82) has relocated to the Merrill Lynch, Bay City office.

- Richard Wallace ('65) of Frankenmuth has joined Re/Max Heritage of Bridgeport and Saginaw. He has 25 years of sales experience, the last four in real estate.

- Scott Benjamin ('92) of Bay City joined Garber Buick as business manager for the used car department. He previously worked as a corrections counselor at the Au Sable Valley community Mental Health Department in West Branch and in insurance sales.

- Terri Budek ('95) has joined Family and Children’s Service of Midland as pre- and post-natal services coordinator of the Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program. A summa cum laude graduate from SVSU, she completed her internship as a social work discharge planner at St. Mary’s Medical Center in Saginaw. Before joining the agency, she worked for The Dow Chemical Co. and MidMichigan Regional Medical Center and was active as a volunteer helping pregnant women.

The next issue of The Interior will be distributed Tuesday, Dec. 5. Deadline for articles is Thursday, Nov. 30. Call ext. 4055 for more information.

Sara Clark, studio art technician in Arbry Fine Arts Center, shows off a sculpture from her “Padded Cell Series.” This particular work, which is earthenware and glaze, is titled “Skin Deep.” Clark’s “Dreams of Flight” is on exhibit with Dorothea Krieg’s “Artistic Visions” through Dec. 6 in the University Art Gallery.
Jerry Kill is just putting the wraps on his second season as SVSU’s head football coach, but he’s hardly taking time for a deep breath before starting preparations for next season. Last week he met individually with each player to discuss goals for next year and to carefully review the academic progress of each student.

It’s that kind of dedication that’s earning Kill the respect of players, colleagues and competitors.

Kill was named to the SVSU coaching position in May 1994, and in that short time span has made his presence known both on and off campus. He implemented new offensive and defensive schemes that have made the Cardinals a force to be reckoned with in the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference.

In fact, the team’s 7-3 record this fall doesn’t really tell the story, as those three losses were by a total of seven points. “I really did not expect to have that type of season,” Kill says. “We have such a young team. We will not be graduating a lot of seniors.”

“We still are in the process of changing our program. I am really looking forward to next year. The players feel very positive; optimism is very good here.”

Kill also is pleased that two of the departing seniors, quarterbacks Robert Reeves and Kent Sikora, will be helping on the sidelines next year. And he’s hoping that he and his assistants will be as successful in attracting new students to the program as they were last year. “I hope we can put back-to-back recruiting classes together.”

While Kill is noted for his ability to coach winning teams, his interests go beyond the football field. He is committed to community involvement and to providing positive encouragement for young people to develop their potential.

“When I was hired, I told Mr. (Bob) Becker I would speak to groups 100 times in a year. Last year I had 92 speaking engagements,” he says.

While many of these are local appearances, Kill also travels throughout the country six weekends each year as part of the Frank Glacier Clinic Tour. “I carry the name of Saginaw Valley State from coast to coast,” he notes. When he speaks locally, it’s not only about the football program, but about SVSU. Many of his presentations carry a motivational theme.

Kill also does a weekly radio show during football season, as well as a preseason TV show.

In addition to his coaching duties, Kill teaches a theories course in football coaching. He prefers, however, the time spent on the field executing those theories. “Working on the field with the kids is what I like best,” he says. That extends to practice sessions as well as games.

He says he doesn’t mind adverse weather conditions, and believes that football was “meant to be played outside, on grass.” Kill notes that his job includes a large amount of paperwork, from dealing with budgets to maintaining and providing all the records required by NCAA rules.

While he enjoys all kinds of music, Kill says he is partial to country. He lists Reba McEntyre, Vince Gill and Garth Brooks among his favorite performers, along with Willie Nelson. “I got a chance to meet Willie and have my picture taken with him when I lived in Missouri,” he says.

Kill’s wife, Rebecca, was a singer and performer when they met. These days she concentrates on her job at a local law firm and raising their daughters, Krystal and Tasha.
Creating the paperless class

Chuck Garrison may be offering the only class on campus that requires no paper.

"I met my contractual requirement by handing out a one-page syllabus at the first class meeting," he smiles.

But the lack of paper doesn't mean that students aren't required to write or to complete assignments, Garrison is quick to point out. Instead they do their work on the Internet—which seems appropriate for a course titled "Introduction to Internet."

"Students are assigned five projects," he explains. "The first one is to create a personal homepage. The other four will be placed on their homepage. I will grade what they put on the Internet.

"I believe it's the only paper-free class on campus," he says.

No stranger to the Internet, Garrison has created his own homepage. (It can be accessed at http://www.svsu.edu/~chg if you want to check it out.) It includes such things as his class schedule and office hours, class material, information about contacting him, and even some information about his personal interests (more about that later). There's also a special segment with help for others who want to learn how to build their own Web Page.

The building instructions there will form the foundation for a workshop Garrison plans to offer to interested SVSU faculty, staff and administrators on Thursday, Nov. 30. He expects the 4 p.m. session to last about an hour and a half. The workshop will cover such topics as Internet terms, HTML codes, page design and content, graphics, and information about copyright and SVSU homepage procedures for those who want to link their pages.

Garrison sees personal computers as playing an increasingly important role in communication and education. And he believes the University needs more PCs that would be available to students.

"Some have home computers, but many do not," he says. "We need to have more computers available to them on campus."

Now about that "Points of Interest" link on Garrison's homepage: You'll find a link for ham radio operators. Garrison says he had a long-standing interest in being a ham operator, but didn't get started until he came to SVSU.

"One of my first students was a ham radio operator, and he helped me get through the hurdle of learning Morse code," Garrison says. "That was about 10 years ago."

Garrison has been involved with SVSU's EarthVision project for about three years. He served as program administrator for the first two, but scaled back after that to serve as curriculum coordinator. "I wanted to spend more time with my son," he explains. Jessie, now two, will be joined by a sibling in May.

In June, SVSU's role in EarthVision likely will be reduced as current funding expires. Garrison expects the University will continue as a satellite center because of its proximity to the supercomputer in Bay City.