

# Interior

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## "Duck Variations" a swan song for Gourd

Two professors have teamed up to produce and star in a dinner/theatre performance of *The Duck Variations*, by David Mamet. The duo is William Gourd, professor of communication, who will retire in December after more than 20 years with SVSU; and Steve Erickson, professor of theatre, who has been with SVSU since 1991.

The play dramatizes the old adage that people who talk the most with seeming authority about something are the ones most likely to know the least about it. Two old men dis-

cuss the ways of ducks and life, making observations that are profoundly hilarious.

Performances are Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 11 through 13 in Curtiss Hall. Tickets for the production are \$20 and include a dinner of portabella ravioli (Caesar chicken with Alfredo sauce). Dinner will be at 6 p.m., followed by the performance at 7:30.

For tickets and further information, contact the Theatre Department at ext. 1936.



Personal Counseling Services is sponsoring an "Anxiety Disorders Screening Program" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16 in Alumni Lounge. The program will include an educational presentation and video, anonymous questionnaires that can be reviewed by a mental health professional, and free educational materials. The program is free of charge. For more information, call ext. 5600.

Lunchbreak Concert  
featuring  
Dan Kramer  
Jazz Keyboard

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Wednesday, Nov. 17  
Doan Café

## Music Department announces holiday concerts

The SVSU Music Department will present a series of concerts through the end of fall semester. Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets to each performance by calling ext. 4159.

### Cardinal Marching Band Indoor Concert

The Cardinal Marching Band will present its 24th Annual Indoor Concert at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 10 in the Performing Arts Theatre.

The Marching Band, which is comprised of students from various University departments as well as music majors, is under the direction of William Wollner, associate professor of music. Doug Burtch is completing his third year as drum major.

The concert will feature music from this season's halftime football shows, including performances by the Flag Corp.

### Valley Wind Quintet

The Valley Wind Quintet will present "A Night in the Tropics" during its Nov. 16 concert. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

The quintet will perform selections by William Grant Still, Astor Piazzolla and Paquito D'Rivera. A special feature will be a new arrangement by Ken Bellen of *O Ma Charmante*, by Gottschalk for double quintet.

Members of the quintet are: Lauren Rongo, flute; Jane Bellen, oboe; Linda Hargett, clarinet; Drew Hinderer, bassoon, and William Wollner, horn. Guest artists include Pam Rowe, flute; Jim Hargett, clarinet; Jan Pickering, oboe, Tom Zantow, bassoon, and Robin VonWald, horn.

## Music Students Talent Showcase

Two SVSU students will perform a recital at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 19 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Kristen Pross, a junior music education major, and Whitney Osentoski, a senior physical and health education and music education major, will perform several vocal selections, with percussion and guitar.

### SVSU Choirs Concert

"Do You Hear What I Hear? A Holiday Concert," featuring the SVSU Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Collegium Musicum and Early Music Collegium and The Bay Chorale, is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Eric Nisula, professor of music and choir director, has arranged a program featuring "Sweet Voices Wafting from the Balcony," jolly and diverse tunes on "Ye Olde Instruments" and sentimental favorites of the season by carollers and soloists.

## Polish Students Club plans 23rd Annual Wigilia

The Polish Students Club will present *Wigilia*, a traditional Polish observance of Christmas, at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms. The event focuses on unity and is open to people of all faiths and cultures. A male choir consisting of 20 members of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church in Bay City will present a repertoire of classical songs and carols in Polish and English.

Reservations for *Wigilia* are due Nov. 26. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children; children under 4 years will be admitted free.

Tickets will not be available at the door but only through the Polish Students Club. To obtain tickets, call Karen at 686-5925 or Dina at 793-7903.



Nearly 300 girls in grades nine and 10, along with 22 teachers, participated in SVSU's Sonia Kovalevsky High School Mathematics Day, Oct. 29. Hosted by the Department of Mathematical Sciences, the event was designed to acquaint high school girls with career opportunities in the mathematical sciences and encourage them to pursue studies in mathematics. The event is named for Sonia Kovalevsky, who was the first woman to earn a Ph.D. in mathematics. Funding was provided by the Association for Women in Mathematics, National Security Agency and the SVSU Foundation. For further information on the event, contact Gretchen Mooningham at ext. 5610.

## Professional Profile

- **Jeffrey S. Ashley**, assistant professor of political science, published *Groundwater Management in the West* (University of Nebraska Press, 288 pp.), a detailed overview of western states' various management strategies, laws and political realities that have made groundwater appropriation such a volatile subject. Zachary A. Smith, professor of political science at Northern Arizona University, was co-author of the book.
- A number of SVSU faculty made presentations at the 85th Annual Meeting of the National Communication Association, Nov. 4 through 7 in Chicago. The theme for the meeting was "Coloring Outside the Lines." **Robert Drew**, assistant professor of communication, presented two papers: "Looking a Gift Horse in the Mouth: Corporate Sponsorship of Educational Multimedia" and "Relating in the Limelight: Karaoke as Pathway to Public Life," served as a program respondent for "Ethnography and Mediated Communication," and as a panelist for "Writing Ethnographic Alternatives;" **Charlene Melcher**, assistant professor of communication, presented a paper: "Too Thin, Too Fat, or Just Right? Men's Weight Perception and Media Use;" **Janet E. Rubin**, professor of theatre, presented a paper: "Insights, Ideas, Resources and Rationales for Teaching About the Holocaust in the Classroom and on the Stage;" **David E. Schneider**, professor of communication, presented two papers: "Pre-school and Elementary Teachers' Perceptions of Communication Apprehension" and "Documenting Our Progress: A Master of Arts Degree in Communication and Multimedia;" **Gary L. Thompson**, professor of English, served as a program panelist for "Openings and Transitions in Television;" and **Dennis L. Wignall**, assistant professor of communication, presented two papers: "Oral Echoes in E-mail" and "Thinking in Virtuality: The Computer-Human Interface in Human Communication Courses," served as a program panelist for "Assessing Outcomes of Technologically-delivered Education" and was an officer for the Commission on Communication in the Future Business Meeting.
- **Barron Hirsch**, professor of art, has been appointed juror by the Dow Corning Corp. for its 43rd Winter Art Competition. Hirsch will select entries to receive college scholarships and cash awards. Two winning designs will be printed in Dow Corning publications. All art-

work will be exhibited at the Midland Center for the Arts from Dec. 4 through Jan. 2, with an awards reception set for Dec. 5.

- **John V. Jezierski**, professor of history, presented "'Wind and Whistles': Touring the Great Lakes with Tashmoo the Steamboat" at the Great Lakes History Conference, Sept. 24 at Grand Valley State University.

Jezierski also published an article: "Henry G. Peabody and the Detroit Publishing Company in British Columbia" in *British Columbia Studies* (Summer 1999).

He also gave a presentation titled "Enterprising Images: The Goodridge Brothers, African-American Photographers, 1847-1922" at the Oct. 24 Saginaw Valley Humanities Series.

- **Garry Johns**, professor of mathematical sciences, and **Mary Harmon**, associate professor of English, presented a joint workshop, "Developing Writing Activities for Mathematics," at the 50th Annual Conference of the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Oct. 15 in Grand Rapids. The session provided teachers in grades six through 12 with writing strategies designed to improve assessment and comprehension of mathematics in the classroom in relation to the MEAP tests.
- **Kerry Segel**, professor of English, spoke on "Labor and Industrialization in Contemporary Middle Eastern Literature" at the Michigan College English Association Annual Conference, Sept. 24 in Flint.

Segel also presented "One-stop TESOL: A Stand-alone Course for Undergraduate English Majors" at the Michigan Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Fall Conference, Oct. 16 in Ann Arbor.

- **Marian Shih**, assistant professor of physics, and **Shawn Grannell**, SVSU optical physics graduate, presented a poster titled "Time Average Holography," at the Fourth Annual Michigan Space Grant Consortium Conference, Oct. 9 at the University of Michigan. Grannell was awarded a \$2,500 undergraduate fellowship from the NASA Consortium to work on this project under the mentorship of Shih.
- **Matthew Zivich**, professor of art, submitted one photographic work for The Michigan Friends of Photography 1999 Members Exhibition to be held in the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. The exhibit will feature the works of more than 60 regional photographers from Oct. 24 to Dec. 12. Zivich's submitted work, titled *The Married Woman*, is a collection of color photographs of scrambled TV images.

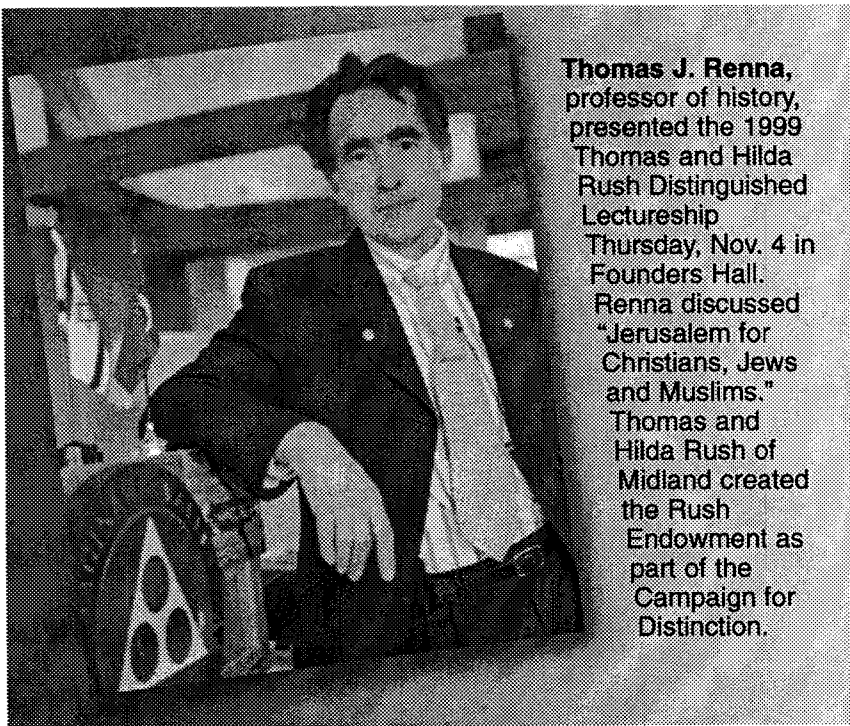


Friday, Nov. 19  
4:30 p.m.

President's  
Reception Area

Refreshments  
Served

Come and enjoy  
the company of  
your colleagues  
and friends!



**Thomas J. Renna**, professor of history, presented the 1999 Thomas and Hilda Rush Distinguished Lectureship Thursday, Nov. 4 in Founders Hall. Renna discussed "Jerusalem for Christians, Jews and Muslims." Thomas and Hilda Rush of Midland created the Rush Endowment as part of the Campaign for Distinction.

## Across Campus

- **Jim Dwyer**, director of admissions, was appointed in October to a three-year term as the Michigan representative to the ACT Corporation. He was elected to this post by the members of the Michigan ACT Council. Among his duties are recommending policy changes to the organization's board of trustees and acting on proposed revisions to the articles of incorporation and by-laws.
- **Eric R. Gilbertson**, president, recently was named to a three-year term to the Policies and Priorities Committee of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. AASCU is a Washington-based higher education association of more than 400 public colleges and universities and systems across the United States and in Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. AASCU promotes broad understanding of public higher education's role in society, and is an advocate and guardian for public higher education policy issues at the national, state and campus levels.
- The campus community extends condolences to **Nancy Samolewski**, coordinator of micro-computer labs, and her husband, Pat, director of Computer Services, on the loss of Nancy's mother, Gloria Lefler, who died Oct. 23.
- Congratulations go out to **Mark White**, network analyst, and his wife, Jill, on the birth of a daughter, Kassie Marie (9 lbs., 2 oz., 20.5 inches) on Aug. 20.
- **Amy Zastrow**, senior accounting clerk, gave birth to a son, Joshua Christopher (6 lbs., 5 oz., 18 inches) on Nov. 2.

## Transitions

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

### SVSU Welcomes

- **Marilyn Bordeaux**, senior secretary, Physical Plant, 790-4175
- **Laura White**, administrative assistant, Macomb Graduate Program, (810) 412-0056, E-mail: svsumisd@moa.net
- **Kevin Wyzkiewicz**, instructional Macintosh analyst, Computer Services, W265, 497-4902, E-mail: kmwyzkie@svsu.edu

## Have You Heard?

- The Saginaw Valley Blood Program is providing an opportunity to register for the **National Bone Marrow Donor Program** during the Nov. 10 Blood Drive in Alumni Lounge. Those interested need not be blood donors to participate. The blood drive runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- The Saginaw County Public Health Department will provide anonymous **HIV testing** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16 in Health Services. Testing is free of charge; however, funding for the program is determined by the number of people who return for the results. Those who have an HIV test can stop back for the results from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23.
- Faculty and staff may bestow the **Alumni Scroll** to graduating members of their immediate family during Commencement on Friday, Dec. 17. To make arrangements, contact Emmie Busch at ext. 4052.
- Applications for three **SVSU Faculty Association Endowed Scholarships** are available from the faculty secretary in 300 Curtiss Hall. Application deadline is March 17. Three students who have a 3.25 or better GPA, completed 15 credits at SVSU and have an interest in pursuing a project with a faculty mentor will be awarded the \$1,000-1,500 scholarships.
- A forum on **Alcohol Issues** in Bay County is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. Rep. Tony Thompson, director of personal counseling services, will be among a panel of experts. Admission is free of charge; refreshments will be served.

## High Five

- **Football** (4-6, 4-5) — ended their regular season Saturday with a 38-33 upset of GLIAC co-leader Hillsdale College.

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## Crystal M. Lange

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**C**RYSTAL M. LANGE, associate vice president for academic affairs and director of Faculty Support and Sponsored Programs, died Monday, Nov. 1. Lange was 72.

In June, the SVSU Board of Control dedicated the Crystal M. Lange College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Lange founded SVSU's College of Nursing and served as its dean for 20 years. She was with SVSU 23 years.

Under Lange's leadership, nearly 1,200 received degrees, including 935 bachelor of science degrees in nursing, 107 BS degrees in occupational therapy, 102 BS in medical technology, and 52 master's degrees in nursing (effective 1988).

Lange joined the staff of SVSU in 1976 as dean and professor in what was then the School of Nursing and Allied Health. She also was an instructor/professor of nursing at Delta College, assistant director of the School of Nursing for then-Saginaw General Hospital, and night supervisor for a 300-bed hospital in Tucson, Ariz.