November 23, 1999

Education specialist to speak at SVSU

Lawrence F. Davenport, vice president of finance and operations and chief financial officer of the Milton Hershey School, will be on campus Monday, Nov. 29 through Wednesday, Dec. 1 as part of the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Visiting Scholars and Artists Program. Davenport will visit SVSU classes, meet with K-12 district administrators and give a public presentation.

Davenport’s community seminar, “Benchmarking for Global Best Practices in a Not-for-Profit Organization,” will take place at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 30 in Founders Hall.

Davenport manages the Hershey School trust, which has assets in excess of $5 billion. He also serves on the state board of education in Pennsylvania. Davenport is a long-term education administrator with experience in the public school system, higher education and the federal government. Past positions include assistant secretary of Elementary and Secondary Education at the U.S. Department of Education and associate vice chancellor of University Advancement and Planning at the University of California in San Francisco.

Davenport is noted for his benchmarking for global best practices of financial management for not-for-profit institutions. He has written a book and several book chapters, as well as numerous publications dealing with future trends and issues in education. Davenport earned a doctorate in higher education management from Fairleigh Dickinson University and resides in Hershey, Penn.

For additional information on Davenport’s presentation, contact the College of Business and Management at ext. 4064.

Unique HIV/AIDS educational program set for Nov. 29

In a one-hour program of story and song, Steve Schalchlin presents a positive and uplifting profile of one life with HIV.

Schalchlin brings his unique perspective to SVSU Monday, Nov. 29. The performance is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

Schalchlin’s performance is a preview to World AIDS Day, which is Wednesday, Dec. 1.

In an entertaining, emotionally-charged concert presentation, Schalchlin reaches into the hearts and minds of the audience, helping them understand the personal impact of AIDS. He said goodbye to his friends and family in 1996. Death from AIDS-related causes was only weeks away. Rescued from death by ground-breaking medications, Schalchlin began writing songs about his experiences. These songs became the framework for his award-winning musical The Last Session. Schalchlin and the musical went to play off-Broadway in New York City and in 1998 received the Los Angeles Theatre Critics award for Best Music and Lyrics.

Schalchlin’s Living in the Bonus Round, which he will perform at SVSU, includes songs from The Last Session. During the performance, Schalchlin will share the intimate stories behind his music.

Admission to Schalchlin’s performance is free. For more information, contact Personal Counseling Services at ext. 5600.
Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum offering Pewabic Tiles

In the early 1990s, Pewabic Pottery created several small ceramic tiles with bas relief imagery of Marshall Fredericks’ sculptures on them. Northland Mall in Southfield commissioned tiles of Fredericks’ Boy and Bear (1954) in celebration of its 40th anniversary in 1994. Two of those tiles were made in a limited edition of 335. Tiles also were made with Fredericks’ Siberian Ram (1941).

Working from images of Fredericks’ sculptures, the ceramic artists at Pewabic Pottery created the original models for these four-inch square bas relief tiles. Fredericks reviewed the models and approved their use. These are not bas relief sculptures by Fredericks; they are Pewabic Pottery ceramic tiles that feature Fredericks’ popular sculptural imagery.

Pewabic Pottery produced the tiles and glazed them, using the wide range of colors and textures for which they are noted:

- **Boy and Bear**, various glazes, $15. This tile captures the whimsical character of the small gilded bronze boy perched atop the mammoth limestone bear in Fredericks’ sculpture, installed at Northland Shopping Center for its opening in 1954.

- **Head of the Boy on the Bear**, gold glaze, $30. This tile captures the head of the boy and his page boy haircut in profile. Many of the tiles have an attractive crackleur pattern in the glaze.

- **Head of the Boy on the Bear**, limited edition, gold glaze, $60. This tile was produced in a limited edition of 335. Each tile is stamped “Northland 40th Anniversary, 1954-1994, 335, Limited Edition.” Each carries the Pewabic Pottery stamp and the chock, or monogram, of the artisan who made the tile. Each tile is stamped in ink with Marshall Fredericks’ initials and his monogram that looks like a mathematics null sign. Each tile is numbered in ink. There is a limited edition of these tiles.

- **Head of the Bear**, various glazes, $30. This tile captures the friendly character of the bear through the features of its face in three-quarters profile. In commenting about another of his bear sculptures, Fredericks once said he would know if the statue was successful if its nose was polished by loving hands. Some have a variegated matte green glaze very similar to Fredericks’ characteristic bronze patinas.

- **Siberian Ram**, right side, various glazes, $15. The form of Fredericks’ Siberian Ram is very similar to that of his Leaping Gazelle, only much more compact. This tile captures the graceful curving contours of the sculpture. The ram’s horn enhances the spiraling composition of the sculpture Fredericks modeled in 1941.

- **Siberian Ram**, left side, various glazes, $15. This is very similar to the tile showing the right side.

Pewabic Pottery was founded in 1903 by Mary Chase Perry Stratton and Horace Caulkins. It is a studio for the design and production of custom architectural tile and vessels and a center for the advancement of the ceramic arts. In 1981 the non-profit Pewabic Society Inc. was formed to preserve the Pottery on East Jefferson in Detroit, which is recognized as a National Historic Landmark. The Society carries on the tradition established by Pewabic’s founders and continues to develop the pottery as a center for the growth and support of the ceramic arts.

For more information, call the Museum at ext. 5667.

Saints and Sinners composition to be performed at CMU

Catherine McMichael’s *Saints and Sinners* was performed at Central Michigan University Nov. 20. The choral music was commissioned by the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum and voted No. 1 on the Top 10 List of Cultural Events by *The Saginaw News* for 1998.

The Central Michigan Festival Chorus performed the work as part of its annual November concert.

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum collaborated by providing bronze casts of Fredericks’ *Saints and Sinners* for display on stage during the performance. The museum also mounted an informational exhibition about Fredericks, the sculptures and the museum in the lobby of the auditorium.

The Museum has compact disks of McMichael’s composition recorded at the premier at SVSU in May 1998. The CD, which sells for $10, is available from the museum.

Panel to discuss “Literary Translation”

SVSU faculty will serve as panelists for a discussion on literary translation as practitioners of foreign language study or as translators. The forum is set for 2:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 2 in third floor Science Lounge. Panelists will include Yusuf Eradam, visiting professor from Turkey, Emilio Castaneda, Judy Kerman, Carlos Ramet, Anna Dadlez, David Barker and John Palen from Central Michigan University.
Dickens' Scrooge to be staged at SVSU

The Department of Theatre will present Scrooge! — the musical adaptation of Charles Dickens’ A Christmas Carol. Performances are set for 7:30 p.m. Dec. 2, 3, 4 and 10; and 2 p.m. Dec. 5, 11 and 12 in the Performing Arts Theatre.

The musical adaptation was penned, including music and lyrics, by Leslie Bricusse, who is a Tony and Academy Award winner for another Dickens classic, Oliver! The production marks the 130th anniversary (in the year 2000) of the death of Charles Dickens.

The Department of Theatre is offering faculty and staff a $1 discount per ticket for the musical. Tickets are available from the Office of Continuing Education, or call ext. 4261.

“Food Hazards” topic of special presentation

SVSU’s English Language Program will host a special presentation on “Genetic Engineering in Our Food Supply: A Broken Promise, A Hazard, and Why Other Countries Are Against It,” from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday, Dec. 3 in 109 Brown Hall. For more information, call Kasia Humphrey at 497-4929 or (517) 249-6775.

Reservations for Wigilia due Nov. 26

Sponsored by the Polish Students Club, Wigilia will be presented at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms.

Tickets are $20 for adults, $10 for children; children under 4 years will be admitted free. Tickets are available only through the Polish Students Club; they will not be available at the door. For tickets, call Karen at (517) 686-5925 or Dina at (517) 793-7903.

Jazz Ensemble sets performance

The SVSU Jazz Ensemble will perform at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 9 in the Performing Arts Theatre. The concert will feature guest pianist Dennis Therrian.

The ensemble will perform Therrian’s original composition, Sun Sheen; other selections will include Woody Herman’s Northwest Passage, Duke Ellington’s Don’t Get Around Much Anymore and John Coltrane’s Central Park West.

Faculty and staff may request complimentary tickets by contacting the SVSU Box Office at ext. 4261.

SVSU Choirs Plan Holiday Concert

Four SVSU choirs will join forces to present Do You Hear What I Hear?, a holiday concert. The SVSU Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Collegium Musicum and Early Music Collegium will perform together at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 11 in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall.

Concert-goers will be treated to sweet voices wafting from the balcony, jolly and diverse tunes on “ye olde” instruments, and sentimental favorites of the season by carollers and soloists.

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B.F.A. Student exhibit work in University Art Gallery

Three senior Bachelor of Fine Art candidates will complete their formal undergraduate art program with an exhibition of their work Dec. 6 through 18 in the University Art Gallery.

Ben Jankens, Chris Slusser and Twila Wilczynski also will be present at an Opening Reception set for 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in the gallery.

According to gallery director Barron Hirsch, many different art and design mediums will be represented. Gallery hours are 1 to 5 p.m., Monday and Wednesday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday; and 2:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday.

Campus Happenings

- University Art Gallery — through Nov. 29, “Joan Painter Jones: Painting, Collage, Assemblage” will be on display.
- Faculty/Staff Luncheon — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2 in the Emeriti Room.
- String Orchestra Rehearsal — 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2 in 102 Arbry Fine Arts Center. For more information, call ext. 4386.
- SVSU Student Spotlight — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 in Doan Café. Part of the Lunchbreak Concert Series.
- Commencement — 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17 in O’Neill Arena.

SVSU’s campus will close Thursday and Friday, Nov. 25 and 26 in observation of the Thanksgiving holiday.
Professional Profile

• Basil Clark, professor of English, presented a paper titled "Narrative Lacunae in the Lais of Marie de France" at the 34th International Congress on Medieval Studies, May 9 at Western Michigan University. The session sponsor was the International Marie de France Society.

• Sarah B. Clark, studio art technician, has been named juror for an exhibition sponsored by the Collective Artists Gallery and Exchange (CAGE). The show will run Jan. 7 through 31 at 211 N. Hamilton in Saginaw.

• Judith Kerman, professor of English, published three poems, "Half Moon," "Tides" and "Pilgrimage Place: Kent State University, May 4, 1990" in the new anthology, The Heartlands Today: Midwest Characters & Voices, which is Volume 9 in the Heartlands Today series published by the Firelands Writing Center.

• Paul Munn, professor of English, presented a paper titled "Milton's Utopian Vision of Eden in Epic and Film" at the International Conference on Utopia and Dystopia in Literature and the Visual Arts, Including Cinema, Nov. 6 in Atlanta, Ga.

• Elaine C. Stephens, professor of teacher education, was invited by the National Council of Teachers of English to co-chair the Middle and Junior High School Booklist Committee. The three-year term culminates in the publication of the 2002 edition of Your Reading, a bibliographic resource of current trade books for middle and junior high school students.

• Dee Storey, professor of teacher education, gave a presentation in October titled "Book Reviewing Involving Internet Sources" at the state conference of the Michigan Council for the Teachers of English in East Lansing.

Also in October Storey made an in-service presentation titled "Storytelling in the Kindergarten Program" for kindergarten teachers of the Archdiocese of the Catholic Church representing schools in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Across Campus

• Congratulations go out to José Ruiz, custodial specialist, and his wife, Rebecca, on the birth of a daughter, Cheyanne Winona (7 lbs., 3 oz., 18 inches) on Nov. 3.

• The campus community extends condolences to the family of Sara Schmandt, an SVSU student who recently died. Funeral services were held Nov. 9 in Richville.

Transitions

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

SVSU Welcomes

• Katherine Gerard, senior secretary, Academic Achievement Center, 790-4070, W135, klg@svsu.edu

Same Face, New Place

• Julie Abeare, conference coordinator, Conference Bureau, 249-1962, C201, jabeare@svsu.edu

Moving On

• David Deview

• Robert Taub

High Five

• Men's Basketball (0-0, 1-1) — defeated Kutztown University, 91-74, Saturday. Lost Friday to Clarion University, 86-79.

• Women's Basketball (0-0, 1-1) — defeated Saint Joseph's College, 98-80, Saturday. Lost Friday to IUPU-Fort Wayne, 72-66.

The campus community was treated for the second year to a variety of international cuisine by members of the SVSU International Students Club, who prepared and served the dishes in Groening Commons Nov. 18.
ADVERSE WEATHER POLICY INFORMATION
(Please keep a copy at home)

Adverse weather conditions, especially those associated with Michigan winters, may affect the normal operations of the University. The decision to cancel classes and/or close the main campus will be made by the vice president for Administration and Business Affairs. If adverse conditions necessitate cancellation or closing, the decision to do so will be made prior to 6:30 a.m. for day classes (those beginning before 4 p.m.) and by 2:30 p.m. for evening classes.

Because commuting students, faculty and staff come from such a broad geographic area, it is extremely difficult to arrive at a decision that is appropriate to each vicinity. The quad-county area alone includes approximately 2,000 square miles and weather conditions rarely are uniform throughout this large area. There is no one decision that will satisfy everyone; however, a diligent effort is made to arrive at a reasonable decision that considers the safety of students as well as their right to receive instruction. Under no circumstances does SVSU ask students, faculty or staff to assume undue risk in traveling to class in inclement weather. Each person should use his/her own judgement about driving to the campus.

Information about class cancellations/closings will be relayed to radio and TV as soon as the decision has been announced. The following messages will be broadcast on WNEM TV-5, WIRT TV-12, WHEY TV-25, WGER-FM, WHNN-FM, WKNX, WKQZ-FM, WKOY/WIDL-FM, WMPX-FM, WSAM/WKCO-FM, WSGW/WIPOG-FM, WTCF-FM, WTLZ-FM, WUGN-FM, WUCX-FM, WCMU-FM, WSTD-FM, WKJC-FM, WILZ-FM and WEEG-FM.

a. Saginaw Valley State University is closed for day classes and SVSU activities. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475.

b. Saginaw Valley State University is closed for evening classes and SVSU activities. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475.

c. Saginaw Valley State University is closed for both day and evening classes and SVSU activities. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475.

d. Saginaw Valley State University is closed until ___(Time)___.

e. Daytime classes and activities have been canceled at SVSU, including conferences and continuing education programs.

f. Evening classes and activities have been canceled at SVSU, including conferences and continuing education programs.

g. Daytime and evening classes and activities have been canceled at SVSU, including conferences and continuing education programs.

No announcement is made when the University is open.

When campus is closed, or classes/activities canceled, only designated employees are to report to work.

The SVSU Weather/Information line – 790-4477 – has taped messages about the open/closed status of campus activities. If you need clarification of media announcements, you should call the weather line for a detailed message. The weather line will run one of the following messages:

1. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. The University is open today, and classes and activities are continuing as usual. If weather or other conditions necessitate canceling classes or activities, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. for day classes scheduled to begin before 4 p.m., or by 2:30 p.m. for evening classes scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. or later. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

2. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled to begin before 4 p.m. have been canceled. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475. If conditions necessitate canceling evening classes and activities scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. or later, an announcement will be made on local radio and television by 2:30 p.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

3. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. or later have been canceled. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475. If conditions necessitate canceling classes and activities tomorrow, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line in the morning.

4. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, the campus is closed for day classes and all activities – including conferences and continuing education programs.

5. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, the campus is closed for evening classes and all activities – including conferences and continuing education programs.

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6. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled for today have been canceled. For information on conferences and continuing education programs, please call 790-4475. If conditions necessitate canceling classes and activities tomorrow, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

7. Thank you for calling the Saginaw Valley State University Weather/Information Line. Because of adverse conditions, all classes and activities scheduled for today have been canceled, including conferences and continuing education programs. If conditions necessitate canceling classes and activities tomorrow, announcements will be made on local radio and television by 6:30 a.m. Please listen to your radio or television for updates, or place a return call to the Weather/Information Line.

For a full statement of the SVSU weather policy, see the *SVSU Operations Manual*.

Instructors who are prevented by weather from reaching their classes when the campus is officially open must notify the appropriate dean or supervisor. In addition, faculty who cancel classes individually should record a conditional message on their voice mail. They should remind students periodically during the semester that they may call the instructor’s office number to learn the status of specific classes during inclement weather.

Students who are prevented by weather from reaching their classes when the campus is open should report the nature of their absence to their instructors as soon as possible. Employees who are prevented by weather from reaching campus while the University is open should call their supervisors immediately to report the nature of their absence.

On appropriate occasions, the campus voice mail system will be used by administrators to post a message to each voice mailbox. This is an additional source of information for employees when emergency situations arise. Whenever possible, voice mail announcements will follow the same schedule as radio and television announcements. Therefore, employees may obtain information by calling their office number from home or other off-campus locations.

Occasionally, weather may necessitate delaying the opening of campus for part of the day. Updates will be made to radio and television stations, as well as posted on the weather line.

**Your patience and cooperation is appreciated in dealing with emergency weather situations.**

**Weekend Adverse Weather Policy Information**

Because Saginaw Valley State University schedules some weekend classes, as well as weekend library hours, museum/gallery hours and events, we have added weekend service to our closing and cancellation announcement system. Policies, procedures and messages will be similar to those that apply Monday through Friday.

**Summary of weekend weather announcement information**

- Whenever possible, the weather information line (790-4477) will be updated to carry messages regarding weekend cancellations and closings.
- Faculty and staff may use the “conditional message” feature of the voice mail system to record weekend weather-related cancellations when appropriate.
- The campus voice mail system can be used by the administration to post a message to each mailbox when weekend conditions warrant.
- Announcements will be made on a **limited number** of radio and TV stations. (Many radio stations are automated on weekends and are not staffed to receive and relay messages.) The following stations will be used for weekend announcements:

  - **WNEM TV-5**
  - **WJRT TV-12**
  - **WEYI TV-25**
  - **WSGW/WIOG**
  - **WSAM/WKCQ**
  - **WKYO/WIDL**

  (AM 790/FM 102.5)  (AM 1400/FM 98.1)  (AM 1360/FM 92.1)

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