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## Opportunities boost education majors

by Shannon McCarthy  
NEWS EDITOR

SCSU elementary education majors are surpassing others in their field in terms of on-site experience.

"We spend the whole semester in the classroom, all day, everyday," said SCSU junior student teacher Amy Bjorklund.

"Learning Laboratory" sites

have been established at Talahi Elementary School and Lincoln Elementary School to enhance the professional development of SCSU students. SCSU faculty, District 742 students and District 742 teachers.

The program currently includes 22 SCSU students, 10 SCSU faculty, 13 District 742 faculty and 225 pre-school through third grade District 742 students.

"We got the funding last spring for one school year," said co-project director Robin Hasslen.

Hasslen said there was a state grant for \$600,000 for one year of the program, but now that the year is coming to an end, additional funding is needed for the program to continue next year.

"It's (the money needed) just not in Gov. Ventura's budget plans," Hasslen said.

Because the program has been so successful, Hasslen said there have been people working at the Legislature to secure further funding; also, the proposal for the program to continue next year has been presented to the District 742 School Board.

Lt. Gov. Mae Schunk also visited Talahi on Tuesday.

"It is a different way of structuring student teachers,"

Hasslen said. "It has been a real popular, successful partnership."

SCSU professor of teacher development Nancy Bacharach said faculty at Talahi and Lincoln have worked with SCSU faculty to shape curriculum for SCSU students.

"The amount of time students are spending in the field is significantly higher," Bacharach said.

In the past, student teachers have not been able to spend the entire school year working in the classroom, said first-grade teacher Kirstin Bechtold.

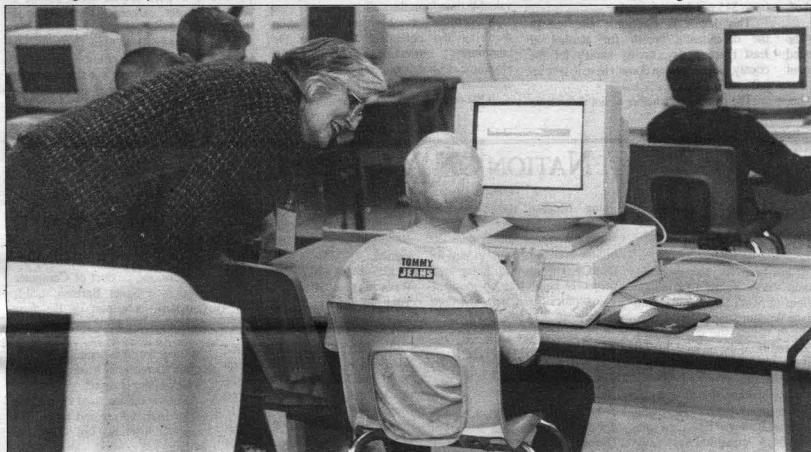
"It finally allows us (teachers) time to melt together to study and review the best practices," Bechtold said.

Another benefit of student teachers being in the schools all year is that by the time they actually start student teaching, the elementary students are already familiar with them, Bechtold said.

SCSU senior student teacher Krista Asche said she believes her experience will definitely put her ahead of other students in her field.

"Being here the whole year has really given me the feel for teaching," Asche said.

For more on Mae Schunk's visit to St. Cloud, go to the story and photo on page 3



Erik Petersen/PHOTO EDITOR

Lt. Gov. Mae Schunk visits Talahi Elementary School students Tuesday to learn about SCSU's Department of Education program.

### Ten die as NATO strikes Yugoslavia

Staff report

After about three months of talks between Kosovo Albanians and Serbs, NATO launched airstrikes Wednesday against strategic Yugoslavian targets.

On Tuesday, senior U.S. Envoy Richard Holbrooke left Yugoslavia after the Serbian parliament rejected a plan for an independent Kosovo.

According to U.S. President Clinton, the NATO strikes have three goals:

- Demonstrate NATO's resolve
- Deter Belgrade from launching more offensives against Kosovo Albanians
- Degrade Yugoslavia's military capabilities

Yugoslavia has declared a state of war; however, the U.S. has not made this declaration.

NATO Supreme Commander Gen. Wesley Clark said Thursday that NATO forces hit 40 targets and destroyed three Yugoslav Air Force planes before bombing was ceased. The bombings are expected to resume Thursday night.

Yugoslav Information Minister Goran Matić said early Thursday the 10 civilians have been killed in the bombings and at least 60 have been injured.

Yugoslav officials have said the attacks have not changed their stance on the Kosovo peace agreement.

For updates and more information on the conflict, go to [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com)

### Ventura plan may stall KVSC

by Jamie Molitor  
STAFF WRITER

It's wait and see right now for KVSC 88.1 FM and the 11 other member stations of the Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations, AMPERS, after the announcement of Gov. Jesse Ventura's plan to eliminate public funding for public radio.

"Right now everybody is pensive," said Jo McMullen, station manager at KVSC. "As an organization we're taking a bit of a wait-and-see approach. But we're preparing to act if we need to."

Gov. Ventura's plan is to eliminate all public funding for public radio by the year 2002 to help raise money for education while not raising taxes. But those cuts would hurt stations like KVSC.

"Funding for education is more important. It has to come at the expense of something," said Ventura's press secretary John Wodele. "The amount of money that public radio gets from state funds is only two to three percent of their overall budget."

For radio stations like Minnesota Public Radio this is true, but for AMPERS members, including KVSC,

the \$2.6 million in state funds is vital for each station's survival.

KVSC's total operating budget is \$250,000, of which \$37,000, or 20 percent, is from the state funds. KUOM (Radio K) receives about 12 percent of its annual \$500,000 budget from state funds. McMullen said for all 12 of the AMPERS stations the state money represents about one-fifth of their annual operating budgets.

These state funds are a big difference for stations because of Federal Communications Commission regulations stating they cannot profit from commercial advertising.

"The state funding that AMPERS member stations receive is a very small part of the State budget," said Aaron White, chief engineer at K102/KFAN in Minneapolis and former engineer at KVSC. "It is a critical part of the individual station budgets."

McMullen said without that money KVSC would not be able to move forward and keep up with technology.

"If this did go through, it would really stagnate things," she said. "We basically wouldn't be able to buy equipment."

One example, McMullen said, is the station's transmitter. The transmitter is currently 30 years old and should be

replaced soon, but without the state funds it wouldn't be able to be replaced.

"We were looking at upgrading so we can expand our range, but it won't happen if the cut happens," she said.

"The thing with KVSC is that it is part of the broadcasting program here at St. Cloud State," McMullen said. "We're not only music, we cover news and sports and help students learn to become professionals."

In some of the responses to the Governor's proposal, former employees and present employees of KVSC felt that its biggest asset was the hands-on experience the radio station presents to SCSU students.

"KVSC played an integral part of the development of my skills," said KVSC member Stephanie Thoma in an e-mail to Gov. Ventura. "It allowed me through a student loan to work for my student loan dollars and formed valuable professional relationships."

Thoma isn't alone, either.

"KVSC offers real-world experience to those interested in a career in broadcasting." White said. "KVSC was an important stop along my path to a job in major market radio."

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## CAMPUS, COMMUNITY & STATE BRIEFS

### No state regulations for Chippewa Indians

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled eight bands of Chippewa Indians are allowed to hunt and fish in Minnesota without following Minnesota regulations.

The treaty the Chippewa Indians received in 1837 cannot be overridden by an 1850 presidential order or by Minnesota's statehood in 1858.

The Chippewa Indian tribes were supported by President of American Indians, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians and 32 individual tribes. These entities showed support through friend-of-the-court briefs.

The court battle began in 1990 when the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa sued Minnesota for rights to hunt and fish without regulations.

The band was soon joined by seven other

tribes from Minnesota and Wisconsin.

In 1994, a federal judge said the treaty was still in effect and it is now agreed upon by the Supreme Court that the treaty still exists.

### Payment of alcohol checks questioned

Instead of sitting in jail waiting for a trial, defendants charged with driving under the influence are often sent to live at home because of an alcohol-monitoring device.

However, defendants are required to pay for the alcohol monitoring device which costs up to \$15 per day.

The device is electronic and checks the defendant's breath for alcohol at least twice a day, saving money for the county, and the person doesn't have to take up jail space.

The legality of whether or not defendants

can be forced to pay for the device before conviction is being questioned by defense attorneys.

If defendants are no longer required to pay for the service, costs will rise for the county because it will have to pay for service.

To pay for the devices it would cost the county between \$66,000 and \$83,000 a year. The county could recover only about a third of the price by convictions.

Defendants probably wouldn't have to pay for the use of the device by judges because of the high cost.

Alcohol tests can be done at the county administration building for free but take valuable time from the staff.

Suggestions have been made, including requiring the defendant to go to the community corrections building for electronic alcohol monitoring or assessing the defendant's financial status.

If the defendant can't pay, the state would

pay and electronic monitoring would be the primary way to monitor.

### Investment made in improvement for downtown

The Downtown Council and city have made a major investment to help keep the downtown area cleaner.

The Green Machine purchased from Applied Sweepers of Falkirk, Scotland is a street sweeper that can handle tight corners, which are present on Mall Gerdain.

The Green Machine cost \$26,000. The Downtown Council spends about \$5,000 a year on street cleanup. The city and Downtown Council hope to recover the price.

The city and the Downtown Council hope residents of St. Cloud don't just see the price tag of the Green Machine, but rather what it will do for the appearance of the downtown area.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### TODAY

#### International films

View the second showing of the Iranian film *A Taste of Cherry* at 7 p.m. in the Atwood Little Theatre.

### FRIDAY

#### International films

Enjoy the English film *Shooting Fish* at 7 p.m. in the Atwood Little Theatre. The film also runs Saturday and Sunday at 7p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### Baseball

SCSU's baseball team plays its home opener against Valley City State at 1 p.m. at Dick Putz Field.

### MONDAY

#### Art exhibit

Displays of stained glass by Dave Heisler and painted china by JoAnn Heisler will be exhibited in the Atwood Ballroom display cases. The exhibits will run through May 5.

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## NATION & WORLD BRIEFS

### Effects still felt from oil spill

It has been 10 years since the Exxon Valdez leaked 10.8 million gallons of North Slope crude oil in Prince William Sound, Alaska.

Many believe the area has fully recovered from the oil spill, but oil and the effects of the spill are still present there.

Prince William Sound is on its way to recovery, but only two of the 23 species damaged by the oil spill have been classified as fully recovered from the disaster.

It is difficult for scientists to determine how well the area is

doing because they have no information from before the spill.

Exxon spent more than \$2 billion over four years to pay for cleanup. This included hiring local people to help clean up the spill. Exxon officials said they have done all they can.

### Kevoorkian back in court

Dr. Jack Kevoorkian is on trial for the lethal-injection death of Thomas Youk, a 52-year-old man who suffered from Lou Gehrig's disease.

Kevoorkian, who is representing

himself, claims it was a mercy killing, but the prosecutor is claiming it was first-degree murder.

Kevoorkian asked the judge Wednesday to allow relatives of Youk to testify on his behalf, admitting that they wanted him to end Youk's suffering.

The judge has yet to rule on the issue, but if convicted, Kevoorkian could get life in prison for the murder that was shown on '60 Minutes.'

According to Kevoorkian, he has assisted in over 130 deaths since 1990. Tried four times, he has received three acquittals and one mistrial.

### Robots have future in surgery

Zues, the product of Computer Motion, a Santa Barbara, Calif. company, is a part of the first generation of robotic surgeons.

A Minneapolis storage room is the site for the testing of Zues before its potential home at Abbott Northwestern Hospital.

Zues could be used to replace faulty heart valves and to bypass clogged arteries, but Zues is pending a Food and Drug Administration approval.

Surgery with Zues would be minimally invasive.

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# Archaeology work requires patience

by **Christine Larter**  
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An archaeological dig site produces long hours for archaeologists both in the field and inside the laboratory.

The work begins before an archaeologist ever enters the field. An archaeologist studies the environment, history and culture of an area before going out into the field so they know where to look.

For instance, humans are usually found near bodies of water, said Tom Peterson, intern at the Archaeological Computing Laboratory.

"We do a fair amount of probability modeling," said Richard Rothaus, director of the Archaeological Computing Laboratory. "But human beings are unpredictable."

Rothaus said it is easier to complete probability modeling when it comes to studying prehistoric people.

There are several reasons archaeologists study a site. For example, a contract archaeologist is hired to look over an area before a project is started.

"Whenever people use state money to do a project, they have to have an archaeologist to say it's okay," Peterson said.

This is to protect cultural resources before the project is started.

The process begins with a background check and a look at topographical maps to determine what, if anything, may be found.

After a background check of the area to be studied, the first phase of an archaeological dig begins.

One way to begin a dig is for the archaeologist to walk over the



Erk Petersen/PHOTO EDITOR

**Chad Schoep, senior social studies major, uncovered artifacts from the site where human remains were discovered Jan. 20 near the area where the new library is being built.**

land to see if there are any artifacts to be found.

A shovel test might also be performed.

This is when one or more holes are dug to be about two to three feet deep and 12 to 18 inches wide. The dirt is then sifted using a screen. This process helps the archaeologist to find any artifacts left at the site by previous inhabitants.

If something is found by either the walk over or shovel test, the area is then measured into a grid using sticks and meter string, said Julie Cobb, junior anthropology major.

This leads to the excavation process to look for artifacts or human remains.

When artifacts or remains are found, they are photographed,

drawn and photographed again before they are pulled from the site.

"An archaeologist would take an unbearable amount of time documenting," Rothaus said. "It's a job for patient people."

There are many tools an archaeologist uses at a dig site. Some of the tools used at an excavation site include low-tech and high-tech equipment.

The low-tech equipment involves the use of a trowel, brooms, vice grips, markers and wooden sticks. A laser range finder, digital camera and computers are among the high-tech equipment used by archaeologists.

The items are then removed from the site in order to be studied in greater detail.

As soon as removal takes place, the items are packaged, taken to a dry place, cleaned, repackaged and sent to an institution to be analyzed, Cobb said.

Something has to be done with what is found. This is where laboratory work begins.

"For every day you spend in the field, it's normal to spend at least two days in the lab," Rothaus said.

For example, with the remains from the library, archaeologists take the bones one by one out of the coffin, clean the bone off, identify it and rate its quality.

The quality of the bone is determined by how intact it is and how much decay is evident.

According to Peterson, not only which bones are in coffins found at the library site, a picture with an example of a skeleton is displayed.

Then as a bone is found, it is colored in on the piece of paper. This is the current stage of many of the remains found at the new library site.

The remains from each coffin are kept together.

As soon as this stage is completed the remains will then be shipped to Hamline University in St. Paul for an analysis of race, gender and age, Rothaus said.

Artifacts were found along with the remains.

The artifacts found at the site were also collected, cleaned off and categorized with a coding system.

"The trick is to get the information recorded meticulously," Rothaus said. "Most of the work we do is slow."

After all the digging and analyzing is done, a report is written about what is found.

The skeletal remains are presently located in the Hatchery

Museum of Anthropology. They will be sent to Hamline University towards the end of the semester or in early summer.

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An archaeologist would take an unbearable amount of time documenting. It's a job for patient people.”

**Richard Rothaus**  
DIRECTOR OF THE  
ARCHAEOLOGICAL COMPUTING  
LABORATORY

# Schunk explores SCSU education programs

by **Melissa Gilman**  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Although they only had a few minutes to talk, students and faculty eagerly lined up to meet Lt. Gov. Mae Schunk.

After visiting elementary students and SCSU student teachers at Talahi Elementary School's Learning Laboratory, Schunk briefly stopped by SCSU's Education building. There, she met students and faculty and heard their thoughts on education.

Schunk has been visiting former "teaching" colleges to learn about their student teaching programs and hear comments from students and faculty concerning teacher education programs.

Steve LeBeau, media relations for the governor's office, explained Schunk's interest in teacher education.

"The governor has dubbed her the "Ambassador of Education" and one of her goals is to visit every school," LeBeau said. "Three days a week she travels to different schools."

Because Schunk and Gov. Jesse Ventura's

focus is on K-12 education, she has been visiting those schools specifically.

"She's interested in the student teaching programs because she thought her teaching program was inadequate," LeBeau said.

The learning center at Talahi is run by SCSU education majors. The money dedicated to the program by the state is not planned to be rededicated for the 1999-2000 school year.

Schunk discussed her views on teacher education programs with Ken Kelsey, secondary education professor. Kelsey said he thought it would encourage students to go into teaching if their student-teaching positions were paid.

"I've been thinking about a piece like compensating these young teachers with a higher starting pay," Schunk said.

Schunk did not know if money would be made available for Talahi's Learning Laboratory, she said, "I support a program for preparing teachers, but I don't know anything about the funding for that particular program or the background of it, so I can't even address the question."

LeBeau said Schunk wants student



Erk Petersen/PHOTO EDITOR

**Lt. Gov. Mae Schunk, (standing center), met with SCSU senior Krista Asche, (right), and teacher Ruth Johnson's first and second grade classes at Talahi Elementary School Monday.**

teachers to spend more time in the schools, even up to a full year.

Shelly Embloom, a sophomore and social work major, also spoke with Schunk at the reception, but her question was about a different educational issue.

"I asked her how she felt about the

situation on the state capitol steps between Ventura and the single mother. She said she didn't think it was the right forum to be asking the question," Embloom said.

About 30 people attended the reception and 10 to 15 spoke with Schunk individually.



# Students present projects at colloquium

## At least one-third more students participate than years past

by Shannon McCarthy  
NEWS EDITOR

Students were given the opportunity to present research projects they have worked on at the 1999 Student Research Colloquium.

The first colloquium was started in 1996 by the Dean of Science and Engineering, A.I. Musah.

This only included presentations from students in the Science and Engineering departments. In 1998 the colloquium was opened to students from all departments; now, in 1999, there has been a higher level of participation than in past years.

"Participation has gone up significantly, at least by one-third," said Richard Brundage, Student Research Colloquium coordinator

and director of applied research for the college of Science and Engineering. "We had participation from every college except the college of business."

Phyllis Greenburg, first-year SCSU assistant professor of Community Studies, said she

believes the colloquium gives students an opportunity to present projects and receive feedback from students and faculty.

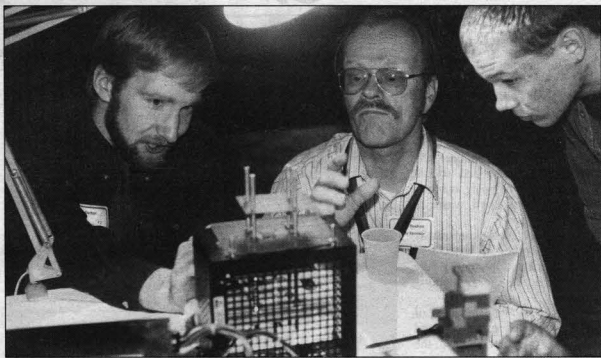
"I think it (the colloquium) is a very unintimidating way of presenting information," Greenburg said. "It helped students clarify and get good suggestions."

Presentations included on-going research projects, class projects and graduate theses.

Junior Sarah Welken said she had worked on a class project and

“  
It was a good way to show off your work and ideas, and see others' ideas.”

Sarah Welken  
JUNIOR



Erik Petersen/PHOTO EDITOR

Lloyd Dalton, senior and electrical engineering major, explains his senior design project to Andrew Bekkala, chairman of manufacturing engineering, at the Student Research Colloquium Tuesday in the Atwood Ballroom. Dalton, along with Suttan Faiz and Rabindra Sainju, designed a high-resolution pin-matrix computer display for the blind and visually impaired.

was asked by her professor to present it at the colloquium.

"It gave people a chance to ask questions which you might not have thought about," Welken said. "It was a good way to show off your work and ideas, and to see others'

ideas."

Brundage said he estimates about 300 people participated.

Still, bigger numbers will not guarantee the colloquium will happen again next year. People need to get involved in the early

stages.

"It takes a lot of organization; we started planning this last August," Brundage said.

Planning for next year is expected to begin next month.

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Wodele pointed out that it may be possible for stations like KVSC, Radio K and the others to gain special status, since they serve to promote learning and public service.

"The governor may be receptive to alternative plans for educational stations," he said.

Two organizations make up public radio in Minnesota. Minnesota Public Radio (MPR) is well known to the most Minnesotans and to many across the country who are involved in public radio.

The Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations (AMPERS) is composed of 12 independently programmed, community-based stations.

Each station has a unique format and AMPERS is different from MPR, but both serve a distinct function for the state.

\* AMPERS stations cover 90 percent of Minnesota's area and 92 percent of the population with signals from its stations. They cater to an audience of over a quarter of a million.

"I think MPR casts a large shadow over smaller community broadcasters like KVSC that may prevent the governor from seeing

the bigger picture," White said. "Small community stations are critical in this day of major media consolidation and commercial radio formats with limited content."

Cultural diversity is one thing these stations have in common. The money has helped stations like KMOJ and KFAL in Minneapolis, whose programming is largely to a culturally diverse audience, stay on the air.

"These stations add diversity to the airwaves," McMullen said. "You won't hear a two-hour program on Native American or Hmong music on a commercial station."

KVSC and the other 11 stations can do little now except wait to see where the bill goes.

"Right now we're trying not to be antagonistic," McMullen said. "But we're getting the word out to the public that this is going on."

To get the address of your state representative or senator, call 1-800-657-3550. You can write the governor at:

Office of Governor Jesse Ventura, 130 State Capitol, 75 Constitution Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155.



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## Business office focuses on service

by Eric S. Dietz

CAREER & MONEY EDITOR

Students now have an additional means by which to pay their university bill. The cashier's office began accepting credit cards for payment of student balances for Spring Semester.

Credit cards can be used to pay for tuition, fees and university housing. Credit cards cannot be used to pay parking fines and payments for loans.

"We wanted to bring SCSU into the '90s," said Richard Burke, director of Business Services. "There is a definite trend."

When the bills for Spring Semester were sent to students and their parents, there was a space on the bill where credit card information could be completed and mailed



RICHARD BURKE

to the business office.

"It was done for the convenience of students and parents," Burke said. "There is a certain convenience for clients to use credit cards."

Minnesota State University-Mankato was used as a model because of its similar size and acceptance of credit cards to pay university bills.

### MAJOR CARDS ACCEPTED HERE

The cashier's office now accepts Discover, MasterCard and Visa.

The university cannot accept American Express because of the higher fees that would be charged to the university.

"Based on American Express' rates they were not attractive at all," Burke said.

The other three credit card companies do charge fees to the university, but those fees are considered a cost of doing business.

"We are willing to pay some rates to get this service in," Burke said. "We decided to eat the costs."

The university was able to negotiate a lower fee with the three other credit card companies to make the service viable because of the large amount of dollars being charged to accounts.

The cashier's office has the same basic



Photos by Marsha Haberman /STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The cashier's office now accepts credit cards as a form of payment for tuition and fees for students' university bills. The response to the new form of payment has been positive.

setup as any other merchant that accepts credit cards. Additional phone lines were installed to make the equipment operational.

The credit card is swiped through the machine that verifies funds for the account and posts the charge to the account.

The cashier must then manually enter the amount of payment into the terminal to post the credit to the university bill.

The current setup in place to handle a credit card transaction takes about 30 seconds longer than processing a check or cash because of the extra step involved.

"Customer service almost dictated the number of tenders that we took," Burke said. A large amount of credit card use is not expected.

"We expect most folks to continue to use cash," Burke said.

### CUSTOMER FOCUS DRIVES IMPROVEMENT

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities developed a new computer system called MnSCU On-Line, which was implemented during Fall Semester 1998, but is not able to process credit cards alone yet.

The credit card will be able to be swiped through the keyboard of the terminal and the MnSCU On-Line system will process the charge, reducing a step in the transaction process.

"The setup for our cashiers is archaic and not conducive to customer service. These windows look like a bank vault," Burke said. "My idea is to have more of an image like a bank."

Burke has discussed moving or remodeling

the cashier's office to increase the level of service provided to students with members of the university's administration.

An option discussed included moving the offices out of one of the main hallways of the Administrative Services building into the staff lounge, to be remodeled, after the new library is built.

Until such large feats can be accomplished, drop boxes for payments have been placed near the Atwood Information Desk, in the post

office and outside the front entrance of the Administrative Services building to reduce the length of line for deadline days.

Response to the drop boxes has been positive and was utilized by a sizeable portion of students for Spring Semester.

"We have tried to shorten lines by offering a new way to pay your bill," Burke said. "It is our job to make our services as student- or customer-friendly as possible."

Burke has tried to increase customer service in the six months he has served as the director of Business Services. In August he left his position at the Minnesota State Department of Human Rights as a senior accounting officer to begin his position at SCSU.

"I'm in my first year and observing what needs to be changed," Burke said. "We are doing things and trying things and we included a lot of more folks in the process."

### CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

The MnSCU On-Line computer system has given the cashier's office many additional capabilities over the Legacy system that was

used in previous years.

The cashier's office experienced many problems with the Accounts Receivable module of the MnSCU On-Line system when it was first brought on-line during the 1998 Fall semester.

"The MnSCU system was not as well implemented as would have been liked," Burke said. "There are still some bugs, but we have come a long way."

Burke has gotten his bearings and wants to take customer service to a new level for the students.

"Now that we have new systems and capabilities, we have to match what we can do to serve the students," Burke said.

Burke is taking the technology at the hands of the cashiers and personnel in the business office and turning it into a more productive area.

"I have to have the ability to serve the student," Burke said.

### THE STUDENTS' RESPONSE

"It has gone over quite well," said Clarence Koopmeiners, cashier's office supervisor. "All in all it (accepting credit cards) has been working well. Most of the response is positive."

The question of convenience for students has been answered in the form of an additional service.

"Before, students questioned why we didn't accept credit cards," Koopmeiners said.

Each of the cashiers received instructions on how to use the credit card machines.

"We have had very few and very small problems," Koopmeiners said.

The cashiers have had a positive response to the process.

"It is an easy process," said Lee Fitzharris, cashier. "It is no harder than taking a check or cash from a student."



Signs displayed on each of the cashier's windows clearly show the three major credit cards accepted.

## EDITORIAL

# Spring brings chance to step out, explore ideas

This week, many students revealed research projects at the 1999 Student Research Colloquium.

This event, which occurred Tuesday in the Atwood Ballroom, included presentations of research and design projects by students from departments and colleges throughout SCSU.

The title is not especially catchy or inviting, but the event was well worth attending. It was a chance to see creators with their creations. People who attended were allowed a rare opportunity to see what passions their fellow students have.

These projects were developed throughout many months, maybe even years. The planning of the event alone took one year.

This is a lot of time, energy and nurturing to devote to a project, and the presentation is the smallest aspect. This is one reason it is important to be interested and to be a receptive audience for the students who are brave enough to take a spark of an idea and make it real.

There are many students on this campus who put time and effort into projects that are not always academically based.

The coordinators on University Program Board are incredibly dedicated. They spend hours meeting, planning and implementing quality events on this campus. Everyone should take notice of what is available.

The point of this is, get out and absorb something live, intense and creative. Other people are some of the best sources of learning.

Spring is here and temperatures are warmer. It is possible to leave the house without a coat most days.

Everyone should challenge themselves to leave the television set off for one week and see what the world has to teach: Can you identify the tree outside your window? Do you know your neighbor's name?

You might be intrigued by what you can learn by showing interest in a person. Maybe he or she presented a year's worth of time and research and energy at the Student Research Colloquium or helped plan UPB's latest event.

SCSU is a hotbed of ideas—take advantage of the challenge and enrichment this offers. You may find that learning outside the classroom is more invigorating and rewarding than you expected.



## STAFF ESSAY

ERIK PETERSEN, PHOTO EDITOR

# Entering Information Age

First Y2K Day and now this.

Everything came crashing down on my technologically battered body Wednesday morning when I arrived at the newspaper office knowing I was stepping into a new realm. I felt like Scott Bakula, realizing his next mission on "Quantum Leap."

You see, we finally received our long-awaited negative scanner. Now, instead of spending hours of fun in the darkroom inhaling deadly fumes, catching a strange (and strangely enjoyable) buzz, all while making pictures the old-fashioned way, I would be forced to quickly scan negatives onto the computer and spit them out to the printer, all at a dizzying speed with no fumigated aftereffects.

And as if that wasn't enough misery for one Wednesday, the first person I talked to had a big round sticker on his chest declaring "I'm Y2K OK." It was in honor of Y2K Day on the SCSU campus.

The proud bearer of the sticker announced it freely, which didn't help my inferiority complex when it comes to

technological era. "I'm Y2K OK," he bellowed as he entered my office.

Well I'm not.

To be honest, I don't even know what the hell Y2K is. I just recently discovered what R2D2 was.

In the big race, I feel like technology is the muscle-bulging, steroid-induced competitor handing off the baton for the final lap while I pick my limp body off the floor, dust off my Converse Chuck O'Connor's and step out of the starting gate.

And all this anguish over technology comes at an especially bad time.

As computers, cell phones, fax machines and the likes propel us into the next millennium, I have unintentionally taken a step back.

I'm phoneless.

I don't mean I am surviving without the latest trend in cell phones or car phones or cordless phones. I mean I am legitimately without a telephone at home. I have sent myself plummeting back to somewhere between the 17th and 18th centuries. The details of how this phenomenon materialized and how I have been phoneless for

nearly four months are irrelevant.

The fact that I can survive at all without the most archaic of communication mediums is enough to get disgusted gasps out of most people.

It hasn't been all bad, though.

Those people who can't walk across campus without dialing someone up for a quick conversation, students who can't get through class without getting paged and those who can't quite make the car ride home before needing the phone just don't know what they are missing.

I don't have to put up with disturbing phone calls at 2 a.m. I never get hassled by those irritating telemarketers, and it's pretty rare that a wrong number beeps in to interrupt an important call.

Likewise, my phone bill has reduced drastically and I don't spend near the amount of time hanging on the phone. This leaves me a lot of spare time to fine tune my communication skills in such art forms as smoke signaling and morse code. And I have had plenty of time to read up on the virtues of the Pony Express.

On second thought, maybe I am Y2K OK.



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# Opinions

## Mascot policy should change permanently

I am writing (again) to voice my disgust with the recent *Chronicle* decision to include American Indian mascot names. Not only is this a racist decision, I am particularly troubled that you have taken it one step farther by including the actual mascot symbol in the March 18th *Chronicle*. By using a stereotypical image of an "Indian Head," you are perpetuating cultural genocide. If you insist upon using such symbols, you should at least acknowledge and be accountable for your racist actions and not hide behind freedom of the press.

As for basing your decision partly on the comparison to other newspapers, this is not a valid reason. We live in a racist society so it is no surprise that there are newspapers that continue to use racist symbols. However, other people's racism does not condone your own. By voting every year on this issue, you are sending the message that it is okay to be racist if it receives enough votes. So, again, I ask for you to not only change your policy by agreeing not to use American Indian mascot names or symbols, but also to make this a permanent decision for the *Chronicle*.

**Semya Hakim**  
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## Former user advocates jail sentencing

I read "Drug War Rages On" by Tim Boland (March 18, 1999); I am compelled to respond.

I am 33 years old, and have spent the greater portion of my life living the lifestyle of drugs and alcohol. It was a lifestyle that I chose. One which I now regret. As I write this, I am 4 days shy of 19 months clean. I have suffered many consequences, including physical and psychological health problems, and financial instability. The most prominent consequence, at the moment, is my temporary withdrawal from SCSU due to circumstances beyond my control, but directly related to my past drug and alcohol habits. Even with all this on my shoulders, I am more free now than I ever was while I was indulging my taste for euphoria.

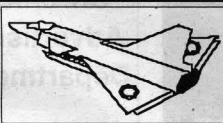
Through the years, I have come in contact with many people who have chosen similar fates for themselves, the outcomes are frequently grim. My observation is that many of them have been given many chances, before incarceration, to fall into line with society's norms, but have chosen not to do so. Just because some of those incarcerated are there for non-violent offenses does not mean much to me. Those involved with drugs disregard the law on a daily basis. Non-violence does not negate violation of the law. The world of drugs is a very dark place that is governed by lawlessness, and in my opinion, is a grooming ground for the other offenses (rape, child molestation, bank robber, and manslaughter) mentioned in your writing. To minimize this is foolish

and naïve. I feel no sympathy for those imprisoned. They knew the potential consequences for their actions, as did I, but chose to disregard that potential and gamble with their freedom.

I will agree that there are definite holes and inconsistencies within our judicial system, and there is room for improvement, but you offer no solutions other than lighter sentences and more compassionate treatment. People into drugs eat that stuff up. They're constantly looking for a license to do what they want, when they want, with total disregard for others. I know. I've been there. They are selfish, indifferent, and egotistical people that work to counteract progression in society. If you give them an inch, they'll take a mile. I've done it, and I've seen it done many times. The system is there to keep these people in check, for they will not check themselves. They only understand half of the phrase "give and take."

We, in America, are given far greater freedoms in our daily lives than many of the world's people. Part of the price we pay for that is taking responsibility for those who cannot or will not take responsibility for themselves. I believe there is plenty of compassion in the way we treat drug violators, but not enough understanding of what it means to receive it.

**Christopher DeVore**  
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## Coborn's should offer coupons, discounts

There is a problem every student that lives on or near campus faces and probably doesn't ever notice it. Since the Coborn's on 5th Avenue gets the majority of the SCSU's students' business, you would think a strong local business like Coborn's would have the low prices or at least competitive prices to those of it's cross-town competitors like Cub foods. Of course if that were true I would not be writing this. As a student that lives on campus I am provided a meal at Garvey Commons, but anyone who eats there will agree there is often times where you would much rather have something that has an edible taste. Up until two weeks ago I would still be in the dark about

this problem if a classmate did not fill me in. We decided to do a project on it and ended up doing some price comparisons. We found that Cub was considerably more affordable for many college essential items like Macaroni and canned foods. We understand that Coborn's is in no way the juggernaut that Cub or Rainbow is, but I think it would be a great idea for both students and Coborn's if they could include a number of coupons in the *Chronicle*, or have a percent off if you show your school ID.

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# Renaissance Man

Senior Tim Boland taking advantage of everything SCSU has to offer

by Nick Clark  
STAFF WRITER

The life of a college athlete can often be called hectic or crazy.

The best phrase that can be used, however, would be fast-paced.

The athletic side of things is much different than in high school, where sports are just seasonal and you play a certain sport in the fall, winter, or spring and then move on. In college, most athletes are working on their game year round, always trying to be a step ahead and most of all improve in hopes that maybe, just maybe, somebody will notice them and grant them a shot to make a living of being an athlete.

At the Division II level of college athletics, it is very seldom that athletes are seen and given a shot to continue playing the sport they have grown to love competitively.

This leaves Division II athletes with much more pressure to excel in their schoolwork, making their lives more hectic than most of us can fathom.

Throw a part-time job in the mix and most of these athletes are looking at 16-18 hours of occupied time every day of the year.

Tim Boland is in his senior season with the SCSU baseball team and is one of the few Division II athletes with the possibility opportunity to continue playing his sport after college, even though he doesn't look at it that way.

"Whether or not I play after college isn't even really all up to me," the second baseman said. "If I end up getting a chance to play after this spring, I sure would take that opportunity."

Last year Boland batted .344 and played in 44 of the team's 46 games.

After the season ended, he received an invitation to play for the St. Cloud River Bats, an amateur team filled with college players with the same aspirations—to continue their careers after college. It was an experience Boland enjoyed and gained much experience from.

"Playing with those guys, who are all pretty serious about baseball and are all pretty talented guys, kind of forced me to bring myself to play at that level day in and day out, and that was a good habit to form to try and be at the top level at all times," he said.

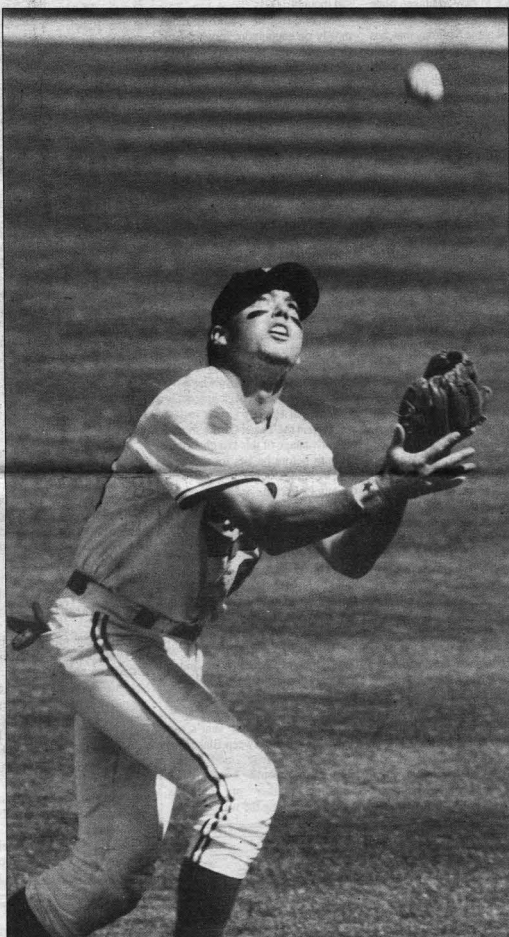
If the early part of the season indicates anything about what type of year Boland will have, the nine other teams in the North Central Conference better take a look at him.

Currently, Boland is leading the Huskies in hitting with a .452 average. He has 19 hits, with three of them being for extra bases and seven RBIs in only 12 games.

Boland, however, doesn't seem as concerned about his statistics as he is about winning.

"I just want to try and help the Huskies get a winning record for the first time in my career," Boland said. "Most of all though, I just want to be able to go out there, play hard and have some fun."

Boland has been one of the Division II athletes that has taken advantage of the opportunity that has been presented to him. In his four years at SCSU, the senior has been able to succeed in the classroom as



Erik Petersen/PHOTO EDITOR

Senior second baseman Tim Boland is hoping to make the most of his last go around with the SCSU baseball squad this spring by helping the team to its first winning record in his four years here. In addition to baseball, Boland, an aspiring writer, writes opinion columns for *University Chronicle*.

well as on the playing field.

He wants to pursue a career in writing if baseball doesn't work out, and he currently writes as a columnist for *University Chronicle*.

Whatever does happen to Tim Boland after college, he will look back at his career at SCSU and have no regrets.

"There were a lot of people who told me that I shouldn't have gone to school here and that I should have went and played at a big school with a big program but, I really

didn't take that too seriously," Boland said.

"I've really enjoyed my time at school here. With a lot of the guys on the baseball team that I have met and my friends up here that I have met I wouldn't trade that for anything."

"It's been nice to have a little bit of success on the field individually, although it has been a little bit disappointing not to have a season where we really broke through with a lot of wins, but I have had a great time."

# Schoenrock makes full recovery

by Jamie Molitor  
STAFF WRITER

It was a simple hit and run for SCSU's Stacey Schoenrock.

"I was going into second on a single," the junior shortstop said. "When I was sliding into the base, my knee just kind of turned funny."

A simple hit and run after which she couldn't run.

She found out a week later that she had torn the anterior crucial ligament in her knee and that she'd have to have surgery on it. The procedure was done in May and five months later she was cleared by the doctors to play again. Recovery usually takes six to eight months.

"In the offseason she worked really hard," said Huskies head coach Paula U'Ren. "She made one of the fastest recoveries I've ever seen."

U'Ren said that Schoenrock's injury came at a difficult time last season for SCSU, but she is showing no effects of her injury this season.

"Her injury came at a very tough time for us. We were in the midst of the conference tournament," U'Ren said. "Right now she doesn't look like she's even lost a step out on the field."

Twelve games into the 1999 season, Schoenrock leads the team with five stolen bases on six attempts and is leading the team with 12 RBIs. She is carrying a solid .323 batting average and a .419 slugging percentage.

"It's usually hard to come back 100 percent after an injury like that," U'Ren said. "But right now she's leading us in stolen bases and RBIs and I've been very impressed with her performance."

Schoenrock agreed, saying that she is pleased with where she is at right now.

"This is probably my best start and I want to keep this up for the season," she said.

The adaptive physical education/coaching major said though she does tend to be hard on herself when things don't go the way she would like them to, she didn't feel any pressure coming back from the knee injury.

"I didn't really pressure myself to play like I usually do," she said. "My teammates helped me a lot with keeping the pressure off. To be honest, right now I'm more excited just to be out playing on a real field with cleats and not tennis shoes."

She may not feel any pressure from playing again, but Schoenrock was also being careful with her return to the Huskies' lineup. In October she was cleared to play again but opted to skip the Huskies' "fall ball" to further work on her recovery.

"Decided I didn't want to rush it. But by the end of winter break, I was right back to where I used to be."

She isn't the only person on the team right back to where she used to be.

The Huskies come into the 1999 season with a preseason ranking of 11th in the nation according to the USA Today Top 25 Division II fast pitch softball poll. SCSU is tied with Merrimack.

Last season they ended with a 42-14 record. In the post season, they won their first North Central Conference title but fell to Augustana College in the NCAA Division II regional.

# UND, New Hampshire final in the cards

by Sean LaFavor  
SPORTS EDITOR

And then there were twelve.

SCSU's men's hockey season may be over, but there are still a dozen teams that will gather the next two weekends to decide college hockey superiority when the East and West Regional tournaments get underway this weekend in Worcester, Mass., and Madison, Wis., respectively.

In the first game Friday, Maine senior wing and Hobey Baker award finalist Steve Kariya hopes to uphold his family name and bring a national championship back to Orono, as he and the Black Bears will begin their quest against Ohio State University at 4 p.m. at the Centrum Centre.

Junior center Hugo Boisvert, also a Hobey finalist, has had to carry OSU through much of this campaign on his own shoulders, but the Buckeyes have a solid goaltender in sophomore Jeff Maund. Last year, Maund backstopped OSU to the Final Four in their first NCAA appearance in school history, and he will have to play huge in the nets for the Buckeyes to return this season. Maine downs OSU 5-3 and earns a date with second-seeded Clarkson Saturday.

In the other Friday first-round game, Denver faces off against the University of Michigan in a game that features two brothers who led their respective teams in scoring. Senior wing Paul Cormie of DU helped lead the Pioneers to a huge 4-3 upset over the nation's top-ranked team, North Dakota, last Saturday in a game that gives them valuable momentum coming into the tournament. But Michigan also captured their league's playoff championship with a 5-1 win over Northern Michigan. Freshman center Mike Cormie of Michigan led his team with 18 goals and 42 points overall and was sixth in scoring in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association. That typifies the type of team the Wolverines have this year: talented, but very young. Six of Michigan's top seven scorers, and their starting goalie, Josh Blackburn, are either freshmen or sophomores. This is a team for the future. Denver sneaks through this one behind a pair of goals from the elder Cormie and a great game from junior goaltender Stephen Wagner.

Saturday, action gets underway

in Madison at the Dane County Coliseum at 1 p.m. in a game that matches the West's third-seed, Colorado College, and sixth-seeded St. Lawrence University. Although one would look at CC as a favorite here, they are ripe for an upset in this one. The Tigers are still without Darren Clark and Toby Petersen, and SLU has Hobey finalist Eric Heffler, who comes in with an outstanding .932 save percentage and 2.35 goals-against average, between the pipes. The Saints end the Tigers' season prematurely with a 4-3 overtime win and advance to play Michigan State Sunday at 2 p.m.

The final game Saturday matches Boston College, last year's NCAA runners-up, with Northern Michigan, who are making their first NCAA appearance since 1993. BC has one of the most exciting players in college hockey in 5'7", 165-pound sophomore center Brian Gionta, another Hobey candidate. Gionta, who was sixth in the country in scoring this season with 25 goals and 57 points, is a center cut from the same sheet as the Mighty Ducks' Paul Kariya (Steve's elder brother). Remember the name. Whether he sticks around at BC for two more years, which is likely because of his size, or takes off early for the National Hockey League, he will be an impact player in the hockey world for a long time.

Junior center Bud Smith leads the Wildcats of NMU into the tournament with his team-leading nine goals and 44 points. Head coach Rick Comley has done a great job of rebuilding Northern since their defection from the Western Collegiate Hockey Association, but the Eagles are just too much for NMU. BC wins this one 4-1.

In the NCAA hockey tournament, to be seeded in the No. 1 or No. 2 position is a great advantage, unlike in the basketball tourney where, though a team surely will have to play some great teams to get to the Final Four, they still have to go out and win four straight games.

In the hockey field, the top two seeds in each regional need win only one game to qualify for the Frozen Four in Anaheim, Calif.

In the East, the University of New Hampshire, behind the nation's leading scorer, senior forward Jason Krog (32 goals, 47 assists, 79 points), is the top seed and will play the winner of the Denver-Michigan game.

Outside of Krog, UNH has two other players in the top 10 scorers nationally—junior Mike Souza (19-39-58) and freshman forward Darren Haydar (29-26-55). Even if somebody is able to shut down UNH's trio, they will have a tough time getting the puck past goalies Sean Matile (13-4-2, .889 save percentage, 2.47 goals-against average), and Ty Conklin (16-2-1, .923, 1.78). The Wildcats are simply loaded, and quite frankly, a national championship game that doesn't involve them and North Dakota is a sad thought.

Second-seeded Clarkson relies mostly on sophomore forward Erik Cole and solid team play for their success. Nobody can take anything away from the season that the Golden Knights have had this year, but Maine beats them 4-2 Saturday to earn a trip to the Final Four, before the Bears are beaten down by North Dakota 4-1.

The West's second seed, Michigan State, relies on an experienced core of players—Hobey finalist Mike York, forwards Mike Horcroft and Bryan Adams, and defenseman Jeff Kozakowski and Brad Hodgins—and they should have little trouble with St. Lawrence and advance with a 5-2 win.

As for UND, senior center and Hobey finalist (and favorite if not for Krog) Jason Blake is one of the most fun players in amateur hockey to watch in person. Those who have not had a chance to check him out at the National Hockey Center or last weekend at the Target Center should take advantage of this last chance to see him before he jets for the pros and look into tickets at the Dane County Coliseum.

Dean Blais was this year's WCHA Coach of the Year, and deservedly so. The first recruiting class Blais brought in when he took the helm in 1995-96—among them David Hoogsteen, Brad Williamson, Jay Panzer, Jesse Bull, Jeff Ulmer, and Adam Calder—are seniors now and mainly responsible for leading the Fighting Sioux to three straight WCHA titles and a national championship in 1997. Still, after last year's disappointing upset loss to Michigan, they are hungry, and they will win this year's top prize. The game between Blake and UND and Krog and New Hampshire should be a gem, assuming neither of them is knocked off along the way.

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"I'm not too surprised with that ranking," U'Ren said. "We knew coming into this season after our success last year we'd be (a top 15 team). Any of those teams in the top 20 could make a run. That's how tough the competition is."

After 12 games in Ocoee, Fla., at the Rebel Games over Spring Break, SCSU holds a 9-3 record.

"We're really happy with our performance in Florida," Schoenrock said. "We easily could

have gone 11-1 down there, though."

U'Ren said that the Huskies will have their hands full this season with a number of NCC teams, such as Augustana, North Dakota State, Nebraska-Omaha and South Dakota.

Schoenrock said that the team has high expectations going into this season considering the success of last season, but they don't feel any more pressure than they did last year.

"We want to win nationals this year," she said. "We're excited at the potential of this team. Really, though, we're not feeling any more pressure, we're such a relaxed, laid back team. We'll be alright."

“  
She doesn't look like she's even lost a step out on the field.”

Paula U'Ren  
HEAD SOFTBALL COACH

# Duke too good to lose

by Nick Clark  
STAFF WRITER

From 64 to the Final Four.

With 60 teams now eliminated from the nation's greatest tournament we are down to four. Ohio State and Michigan State have proven that the Big Ten was no joke this year. Connecticut fulfilled head coach Jim Calhoun's destiny by reaching their first Final Four in school history. Then there is Duke, who seems to be destined to take their claim as the greatest college team of all time.

The question now looms over the heads of three teams: how do you beat the Blue Devils? The answer: guard play. The only way Duke will be beaten is if the opposing teams guard can shut down William Avery and Trajan Langdon.

As much of a shoe-in that the Blue Devils appear to be, the other three teams all have exceptional guard play.

Ohio State might possibly have the best chance of defeating Duke if they are able to get by UConn. Scoonie Penn and Michael Redd are possibly the second best set of guards in the nation behind Langdon and Avery. They handled St. John's for the most part in their regional final match and St. John's is a team that took the Blue Devils to overtime earlier in the year exposed the Blue Devils' only weakness.

UConn also has an excellent set of guards in Rickie More and

win nationals this year," she said. "We're excited at the potential of this team. Really, though, we're not feeling any more pressure, we're such a relaxed, laid back team. We'll be alright."

Michigan State played Duke earlier in the year and Duke survived with a horrible night from player of the year candidate Elton Brand. The Big Ten's player of the year, Mateen Cleaves, is going to have to play the game of his life if he wants to lead the Spartans to their first title game since Magic Johnson won MSU a championship in 1979.

Duke comes into the Final Four on a pretty impressive role. Their margin of victory throughout the season has been an astounding 25.9 points, good enough for eighth all-time. They have only been better in the tournament winning by an average of just under 30 points. Duke is the only team in college basketball that can go to their bench and get stronger, they are just that good.

The final should be a pretty good game but the Blue Devils are just too strong all around and head coach Mike Krzyzewski troops will not choke in the end.

Final score Duke 85, Ohio State 72.

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## Driscoll tells of impulse to write, impulse to love

by Penny Mio  
STAFF WRITER

Leaning on a table in front of a classroom packed with eager listeners, poet and fiction writer Jack Driscoll read excerpts from his published work and gave tips for beginning writers.

It was the fourth time Driscoll, a University of Massachusetts graduate, had visited the SCSU campus to give a presentation.

He is currently a writer-in-residence at the Interlochen Arts Academy in Michigan where he teaches and tries to do some writing on the side.

"I have a friend who says I work at the pace of an ice age," the Holyoke, Mass. native said. This is because it takes him about three years to finish a book.

He has had four books of poetry published, one of which was co-authored by Bill Meissner, SCSU professor of English and creative writing adviser.

The men met in graduate school and have maintained contact since graduation. They wrote the book of poetry, *Twin Sons of Different Mirrors*, by writing a few lines of poetry and sending them back and forth in the mail. One would add a few lines and return the poem to the other.

Driscoll began his presentation by reading a poem dedicated to professional bodybuilder Charles Atlas.

He wrote poetry for 25 years until attempting to write fiction while on a sabbatical. Since then he has been writing only fiction.

"I consider myself an ex-poet because I haven't written any poems for 15 years," Driscoll said.

He has had three books of fiction published; one is a collection of short stories.

Driscoll said short stories are a result of impulsive action, but writing a novel is much different because the writer has to create the history of the characters and find a way to get them in trouble.

The most recent book, named *Lucky Man, Lucky Woman*, is in its second printing. It won the Editors' Book Award and the Barnes & Noble Discovery Award for 1999.

His writing had also won the PEN/Nelson Algren Fiction Award.

*Lucky* is a book about a parole officer named Perry and his wife who are trying new fertility options. The story is about a marriage in crisis and the effects of carrying childhood trauma into adulthood.

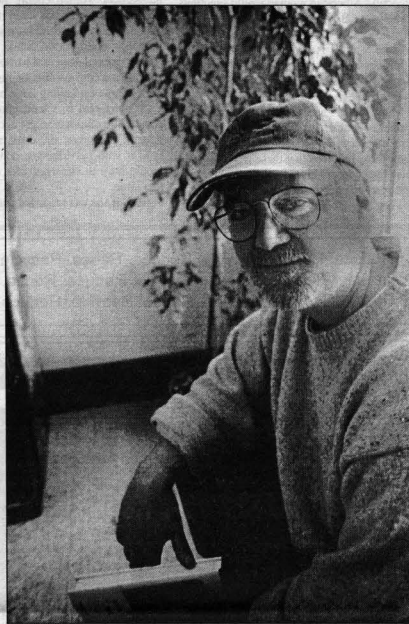
Driscoll said he always starts a story with the characters. "My stories are not plot driven; they are character driven, but I've learned how important plot is," he said.

Once he has the characters designed he puts them together and lets them decide what will happen. He calls this "worrying through the story."

Driscoll had to do a lot of research for his latest novel because he wanted to be sure his characters were believable and sounded authentic. He also had to do extensive research on fertility medicine.

He admits to getting wrapped up in the characters' lives while he is writing. "I created them so I know more about them than I know my friends," Driscoll said. "They become more real than the people around me."

Driscoll admits the impulse to write comes from his impulse to love, and he wouldn't know what to do if he couldn't write.



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Jack Driscoll read his works Wednesday afternoon in Riverview. He has several published works, including *Twin Sons of Different Mirrors* and *Lucky Man, Lucky Woman*.

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## Waiting for a Feminist movement to arrive in Poland?

The following column is part of a series written by Aimee Gapsiewicz. She traveled to Poland last spring on a study-abroad program through the mass communications department and wrote about her thoughts. If you are interested in this year's trip, contact Scott Bryce (252-9263) or Gretchen Tberghien (255-2953) for further details.



AIMEE GAPSIEWICZ

As Poland has only been an independent democracy for nine years, the feminist movement has not yet arrived in there. It was difficult for me to digest that women are employed around the country for the explicit purpose of selling the company's clients. The advertising agencies we visited really modeled the cliché that "Sex Sells." And even though these companies realize that they were addressing 14 American females when speaking about their agencies, they weren't ashamed to dehumanize these women right before our very eyes.

When we spoke to the American marketer at the Palace of Culture, he told our group outright that he only hires women between the ages of 25 and 35. He said men need not even apply, and that American women would have trouble keeping up with the Polish women because Polish women have the strongest work ethic, and they know what it takes to get ahead in this country. He said they are tougher than American women.

Well, we knew exactly what it takes for women to get ahead in his company! He explained by his actions! He flirted with his tall, beautiful female employees and even motioned for one of the women to sit on his lap because there was nowhere else to sit. She declined, but probably with an acceptable explanation.



# Poland

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In addition, as we were leaving, he whispered to a young woman in our group that she was very pretty and would have no trouble getting a job working for him. Well, we don't want to work for him. No self-respecting American woman would succumb to such sexual harassment in order to get a job.

If he was in America, he'd be slapped with a lawsuit so fast he wouldn't have time to pack his things and hide away. He could never survive in the "wild, wild west."

Many other agencies boasted a large number of women on the staff, by which we were all very impressed. But in taking a closer look, I noticed that these women never wear the conservative business suits that American business women wear.

They are all dressed extremely sexy—in

short skirts, tight blouses and high heels. They dress not "for the job they want," as the American motto is, but to please the boss. These women look like another sexist advertisement for a product. Their product is their agency, and their buyers are the agency's clients.

I asked one of the Polish students, Justyna, what she thought of the sexual harassment women endure in Poland. She said that she has never personally experienced any sexual harassment, but she probably doesn't understand exactly what can be defined as sexual harassment because nobody teaches or warns against the harms of even simple cat-calling done by men.

Justyna said it is hard enough in Polish society for a woman to get a job and support herself, and when she does, she must hold onto it with her life. She confirmed that she would have to endure if ever confronted by this issue.

And if she were married and the only way

to be promoted would be to submit to her boss' sexist policies, she would indeed conform. In short, she said, "You do what you gotta do."

I believe that the absence of a feminist movement in Poland has created health problems as well.

According to Kuba, one of the Polish students, about 40 percent of all women have eating disorders. He said popular opinion dictates that overweight people are repulsive. Most clothing stores don't even carry an American size seven, my size. So, am I overweight and repulsive according to their societal beliefs? I saw so many skinny women who looked malnourished and I wanted to feed them all.

Sexism in the media is probably even more prevalent in Polish society than in American society. And we thought we took the prize. I always mistakenly believed that American advertising was the worst in reference to sexism than any other country.

How naïve I was!

Poland has billboards everywhere selling products using sex. And nudity in advertising is not banned there. A billboard advertising lotion shows a naked woman and baby. The baby is hiding her vaginal area with its foot, but it doesn't do a good enough job.

Condoms displayed by the checkouts in supermarkets show naked women. I suppose these pictures are used to stimulate erotic tendencies in men and persuade them to buy the product. Children are exposed to these ads every day, and this will unfortunately condition another generation of sexist men and submissive women.

So, how can this country stop the spread of sexism to its younger generation? The only way this will be possible is if the disgruntled, oppressed women of this society reorganized their situation and banded together, saying this kind of advertising and this kind of treatment is wrong.

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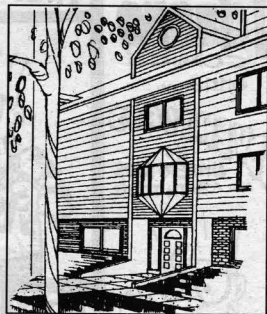
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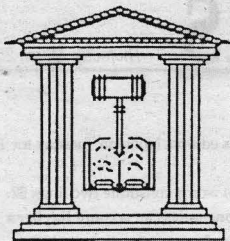
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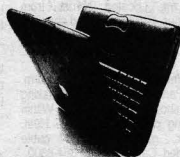
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Thursday, March 25  
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