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FORUM

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

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Meijer co-chair will address fall semester graduates

More than 1,000 Grand Valley students will participate in the winter commencement ceremony on Saturday, December 7, at Van Andel Arena.

Students will hear an address from Hank Meijer, co-chair and co-chief executive officer for Meijer Inc. Meijer, who joined his family's retail business as grocery clerk when he was 11 years old, worked as a reporter, editor and publisher for newspapers in Detroit before rejoining Meijer in 1979 as assistant advertising director.



Hank Meijer

Meijer is an active community member and serves as vice-chair of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation. He also serves on the boards of Fifth Third Bank, Kettering Foundation, Food Marketing Institute, University of Michigan's President's Advisory Group and Honorary Board of Advisors of Student Veterans of America.

During the ceremony, the Alumni Association will present two awards.



Cyril Lixenberg

Kevin Lehnert, professor of marketing, will receive the Outstanding Educator Award.

Linda Scott, a 1995 Grand Valley nursing master's degree graduate and current chief academic officer at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing, will receive the Distinguished Alumni Award.

Contemporary artist Cyril Lixenberg will receive an honorary degree.

Lixenberg, known for his sculptures and graphic prints, has a long history of involvement with West Michigan art communities.

In 2001 and 2013, Lixenberg donated a total of 385 works on paper to the university, making it the largest Lixenberg collection in the world.

Two will be recognized for 45 years of service

Two people will be recognized for 45 years of service at Grand Valley during the annual service award and holiday celebration Thursday, December 5.

Lynn Blue, vice provost and dean of Academic Services and Information Technology, and Samir Ishak, professor of management for Seidman College of Business, started working at Grand Valley in 1968 and have witnessed countless changes.



Lynn Blue



Samir Ishak

Blue came to a campus that had no computers. "One of my early jobs was to run the key punch machine, punching holes in particular spots on an IBM card that could then be used to sort information, ultimately printing class lists," she said.

Ishak has worked for 14 deans and 16 department chairs. He estimated he's led 400 courses and taught 11,000 students.

"I learned from the students more than what they probably have learned from me," he said. "That is what encouraged me to stay for these years."

Blue echoed that sentiment and said as Grand Valley's mission has broadened and

developed, so have the opportunities for professional development. She began as a clerk typist and was promoted to director of Records and Registration in 1976.

"I have been committed to enrollment, recruitment and retention my entire career," she said.

Ishak said he tried to emulate, and improve on, the teaching style of his Harvard University professors. "I pushed my students to their potential and many appreciated that and are still in touch with me in the U.S. and abroad," he said.

Others who will be recognized are listed below.

The celebration will begin at 3 p.m. in the Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room.

The 45-year award recipients are:

Lynn Blue, Vice Provost for Academic Services Office
Samir Ishak, Management

The 40-year award recipients are:

Milton Ford, Liberal Studies
Ted Sundstrom, Mathematics

The 35-year award recipients are:

Liz Eubanks, Information Technology
John Haase, Facilities Services
Larry Henderson, Facilities Planning (retired)
Norene Hendricks, Political Science
Jan Lenic, Public Health
Arnie Smith Alexander, TRiO Upward Bound
Deborah Vander Wal, Accounting Office

Across Campus

Last 'Forum' for semester

This issue marks the last printed *Forum* for the fall semester.

Forum will resume its publication with the January 13 issue. Follow campus news on GVNow at www.gvsu.edu/gvnow.

Grand Valley top scorer in national Game Day Challenge

Grand Valley took second place in the waste minimization category of the national Game Day Challenge competition, out-placing universities such as Harvard and Ohio State.

The competition, which included nearly 90 universities and colleges this year, aims to promote waste reduction at football games throughout the country.

During the October 5 game against Michigan Tech University, students and staff members were stationed throughout high-traffic areas in Lubbers Stadium to encourage people to compost or recycle their trash.

At all seven home football games, more than 144 students and staff members volunteered to compost and recycle 4,000 pounds of trash, which saved about 71 percent of the waste stream from going to a landfill.



Grand Valley took second place in the national Game Day Challenge, which aims to promote waste reduction at football games.

Last year, Grand Valley scored among the top 20 overall and placed first among Division II and III schools in the organic reduction category.

Steve Leaser, operations supervisor for Facilities Services, said a big advantage this year was making every home game a zero-waste challenge. "By the time we reached the actual day of the event, we were well-rehearsed," he said.

Sponsoring organizations included the Student Environmental Coalition, Farm Club, Alternative Breaks, Student Nursing Association, Center for Inquiry, English Society and the Greek Council, with support from Campus Dining, Office of Student Life, Athletics and Facilities Services.

Two from Classics selected for studies in Rome

Two Grand Valley students have been selected to participate in the Spring 2014 term at the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome. The highly competitive program is administered by Duke University. Both students will receive a substantial scholarship from ICCS to support their studies.

Chani Jones, from Battle Creek, is also a past recipient of a CAMWS Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Classics. While at Grand Valley, she has combined her love of Classics with her interests in art history, museum curating and writing.

Jared Groth, from Milford, first became interested in Classics during a high school advance placement literature class. At Grand Valley he has pursued a variety of interests with a double major in Classics and Anthropology, with a minor in Archaeology.

Charles Pazdernik, chair of Classics, said this is first time that two students are participating in ICCS at the same time. "I think it speaks to the high standard of preparation each of them demonstrated," he said.

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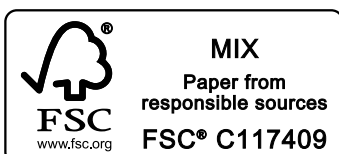
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Visit Grand Valley's online publication, GVNow, at www.gvsu.edu/gvnow, for daily news updates and video features.



Service award recipients

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The 30-year award recipients are:

Dorothy Armstrong, College of Education
Edward Baum, Honors College
Ruth Ann Brintnall, KCON
Karen Chavez, Accounting Office
Shirley Dilworth, Office of Sponsored Programs
Mary Feenstra, English
M. Catherine Gardner, Mathematics
Jill Hamilton, Music and Dance
Jo Ann Litton, CLAS Academic Advising Center
Bob Stoll, Student Life Office
Jonathan White, Honors College

The 25-year award recipients are:

Charlene Beckmann, Mathematics
Jerry Bosch, Operations-Pew Campus and Regional Centers
Charles Campbell, Operations-Pew Campus and Regional Centers
Jay Cooper, College of Education
Jacqueline Cuppy, Institutional Marketing
Patti Eisen, Padnos College of Engineering and Computing Dean's Office
Robert Franciosi, English
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David Madison, WGUV
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Karen Novotny, Mathematics
William Osborn, English
Pam Potter, Information Technology
Joy Seeley, Information Technology
Roger Smith, Facilities Services
Patrick Thorpe, Biology
Michael Walenta, WGUV
Michael Webster, English
Wendy Wenner, Provost's Office
Rose Yoder, Center for Adult and Continuing Studies (retired)
Jay Zink, Copy Services

The 20-year award recipients are:

Karen Burchard, Academic Computing Services
Cassonya Carter, Kirkhof College of Nursing
Caroline Cascini, CLAS Academic Advising Center (retired)
Teresa Castelao-Lawless, Philosophy
Isabelle Cata, Modern Languages & Literatures
Bonnie Dawdy, Operations-Pew Campus and Regional Centers
Jeffrey DeWitt, Facilities Services
Larry Dobson, Facilities Services (retired)
Cheryl Fischer, Facilities Services
Paul Fishback, Mathematics
Laura Fox, Modern Languages & Literatures

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What's Ahead

Event observes World AIDS Day

The LGBT Resource Center will host a documentary and panel discussion Monday, December 2, to observe World AIDS Day.

“ENDGAME: AIDS in Black America” explores one of the country’s most preventable health crises. It will be shown at 4:30 p.m. in Kirkhof Center, room 2204. Free and confidential HIV testing will take place from 2-6 p.m. in Kirkhof Center, rooms 1247 and 1249.

For information, contact the LGBT Resource Center at x12530 or www.gvsu.edu/lgbtrc.

Happiness Club to meet

Grand Valley’s Happiness Club will next meet on Thursday, December 5.

Participants are encouraged to bring a holiday treat and share their family traditions. The meeting will run from noon-1 p.m. in the Kirkhof Center, room 1142.

Honors College class to host TEDx event

Students in a junior seminar class in the Meijer Honors College will host a live stream of the TEDWomen 2013 event from San Francisco on Thursday, December 5.

The TEDxGrandRapidsWomen event is independently organized and licensed, and will take place in the Mary Idema Pew Library Learning and Information Commons. Three sessions are set: 1-3:30, 5-6:30, and 7-8:30 p.m.

Along with the live broadcast of the TEDWomen speakers from the San Francisco event, local speakers will present their thoughts on the theme “Invented Here.”

Registration is requested due to limited seating, but walk-ins will be welcome if space allows. Registration is online at gvsu.edu/s/wE. For more information, visit the Facebook event page or follow @TEDxGRWomen on Twitter.

Fall Arts Celebration wraps up with holiday music event

A holiday gift to the community is planned for the final event of Grand Valley’s Fall Arts Celebration 2013, and will take place in downtown Grand Rapids.

“A Very English Christmas: Music of the Season from the British Isles,” is set for Monday, December 9, at 8 p.m. at Fountain Street Church, 24 Fountain Street NE, Grand Rapids. It is open to the public and free.

Musical selections will run the full gamut from the beloved “Coventry Carol,” which was first heard in the early 15th century, to the decidedly

more modern parable of “Brother Heinrich’s Christmas,” a narrated short story that will be performed with bassoon and oboe.

Music will be performed by the University Arts Chorale, Cantate, faculty orchestra, Grand Rapids Symphony members and student members of the GVSU Chamber Orchestra.

For more information call x12185, or visit www.gvsu.edu/fallarts.

Speaker series focuses on energy climate

The Michigan Alternative and Renewable Energy Center in Muskegon is kicking off a new, four-part speaker series that focuses on energy climate.

Jennifer Hill of the Climate Reality Project will give the first presentation, “Is Climate Change Real?” on Tuesday, December 10, from noon-1 p.m. at MAREC and 6-7 p.m. at the Seidman Center in Grand Rapids.

Hill has taught at the Seattle Science Center and national and state parks. She helped establish four citizen science programs, and led a nationally recognized children’s health project.

Presentations are scheduled monthly through March. For information, visit www.gvsu.edu/marec.

Service award recipients

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Robert Holcomb, Academic Computing Services

Tim Klein, Facilities Services

Jean Kolb, Seidman College of Business Dean’s Office

Sue Korzinek, Information Technology

Sharon Leder, KCON (Retired)

William Levitan, Classics

Guy Losee, Facilities Services (retired)

Koleta Moore, Seidman College of Business Dean’s Office

Jean Nagelkerk, Vice Provost for Health

Sheryl Nelson, Conference and Event Planning Services

William Petrauskas, Facilities Services

Russell Rhoads, Anthropology

Betty Schaner, CLAS Academic Advising Ctr.

Carolyn Shapiro Shapin, History

Star Swift, Management

Don Underwood, Meadows Golf Club

Phyllis VandenBerg, Philosophy

Kenneth Vander Wal, Facilities Services

Greg Wilson, Geology

Tara Biven, Human Resources

Stephen Borders, School of Public, Nonprofit and Health Administration

Colleen Brice, English

Donald Britt, Facilities Services

Michelle Burke, Student Life Office

Douglas Busman, College of Education

Richard Carlton, Radiologic, Imaging Sciences

Todd Carpenter, Facilities Services

Angela Christensen, Records

Patrick Colgan, Geology

Elaine Collins, College of Education Dean’s Office

Judith Corr, Anthropology

Patricia Cox, Center for Adult and Continuing Studies

Nancy Crittenden, Institutional Marketing

Sigrid Danielson, Art and Design

Denise de la Rosa, School of Accounting

Christine Demichieli, Philosophy

Thomas Demmon, Career Center

Jamie Detillion, Athletics

Margaret Dietrich, Cell and Molecular Biology

David DiIanni, Athletics

Christopher Dobson, Biology

Filiz Dogru, Mathematics

Nathan Dornbos, Dept. of Public Safety

Kelly Dunlap, Autism Education Center

Bruce Dunne, School of Engineering

James Edwards, Johnson Center

David Eick, Modern Languages & Literatures

Nora English, University Development

Maria Fidalgo-Eick, Modern Languages & Literatures

Marianne Fischer, Seidman College of Business Dean’s Office

Jeremy Flynn, Information Technology

Lisa Garringer, Department of Public Safety

Vijay Gondhalekar, Finance

Douglas Graham, Biomedical Sciences

Gary Greer, Biology

Keesha Hardiman, CLAS Dean’s Office

Paul Harmelink, Academic Computing Services

E. Jane Haynes, School of Social Work (retired)

Victorine Helgeson, University Libraries

Chris Hendree, Admissions Office

Deborah Herrington, Chemistry

Kristen Jack, Hospitality and Tourism Management

Sonja Johnson, VAGTC

Jalyn Kamp, Operations-Pew Campus and Regional Center

Devereaux Kennedy, Sociology

Luann Klinkers, Facilities Services

Parage Kosalge, Management

Dalila Kovacs, Chemistry

David Krueger, Information Technology

Thomas Kruithoff, College of Education

Geoffrey Lenters, Physics

Salvador Lopez-Arias, School of Social Work

Aaron Lowen, Economics

Pablo Mahave-Veglia, Music and Dance

Diane Maodush-Pitzer, Liberal Studies

The 10-year award recipients are:

Asli Akbulut Bailey, Management

Martin Ashcraft, Conference and Event Planning Services

Kari Balcom, Pew Campus Security

Dottie Barnes, NIS

Craig Benjamin, Honors College

Steve Berkenpas, Information Technology

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General Events

Mon., Dec. 2

Noon: Arts at Noon Series: Holiday Music for Brass Quintet. CDC. Call x13484 for more information.

4 p.m.: Latin American Studies Lecture by Michael Huner. 2263 KC. Call x18110 for more information.

Tues., Dec. 3

7 p.m.: Veterans History Project: "My Year in Vietnam." Loosemore Auditorium, DEV. Call x13422 for more information.

Wed., Dec. 4

11:30 a.m.: Johnson Center Brown Bag Lunch & Learn Series: "Making Social Matter." Call x17585 for more information.

Noon: Allendale Toastmasters. 2259 KC. Visit www.gvsu.edu/toastmasters for more information.

Noon: Health and Wellness hosts What Mommies Do Best. 2201 KC. Call x12215 for more information.

8 p.m.: GVSU Symphony Orchestra & Symphonic Wind Ensemble. CDC. Call x13484 for more information.

Thurs., Dec. 5

7:30 a.m.: Downtown Toastmasters. 107C DEV.

Visit www.gvsu.edu/toastmasters for more information.

Noon-8:30 p.m.: TEDx Grand Rapids Women. Multipurpose Room, MIPL.

Noon: Area Studies Lecture: "Travelers & Dreamers: Argentina, Panama and the Peace Corps," by Laura Geiken. 2147 ASH. Call x18810 for more information.

Noon: Health and Wellness hosts Happiness Club. 1142 KC. Visit www.gvsu.edu/seminar to register.

3 p.m.: Annual Service Awards and Holiday Gathering. 2204 KC.

8 p.m.: Choral Concert. CDC. Call x13484 for more information.

Fri., Dec. 6

Noon: Women's Commission General Meeting. 1249 KC. Visit www.gvsu.edu/wcommision for more information.

Noon: International Task Force Meeting. 2259 KC. Call x13898 for more information.

5 p.m.: Graduate Student Celebration. 122E DEV. Visit www.gvsu.edu/gc for more information.

8 p.m.: Guest Artist Series: Donald Sinta Quartet. 1325 PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Sat., Dec. 7

10 a.m.: Commencement. Van Andel Arena,

GR. Visit www.gvsu.edu/commencement for more information.

2 p.m.: Guest Artist Master Class: The Donald Sinta Quartet. 1325 PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

3 p.m.: Varsity Men. CDC. Call x13484 for more information.

7 p.m.: Fall Dance Concert. LAT, PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

8 p.m.: Guest Artist Series: Donald Sinta Quartet. 1325 PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Sun., Dec. 8

2 p.m.: Fall Dance Concert. LAT, PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Sports

Thurs., Dec. 5

6 and 8 p.m.: Women's and Men's Basketball host Ashland University.

Fri., Dec. 6

3 p.m.: Track & Field hosts Laker Early Bird.

Sat., Dec. 7

1 p.m.: Women's and Men's Basketball host Lake Erie College.

Service award recipients

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Amy Masko, English
 Julia Mason, Women and Gender Studies
 Christy Mayo, Records
 Regina McClinton, Liberal Studies
 Maggie McCrystal, Human Resources
 Hugh McGuire, School of Computing and Information Systems
 John McIntire, Facilities Services
 Corinna McLeod, English
 Susan Mlynarczyk, Kirkhof College of Nursing
 Wanda Moerland, Kirkhof College of Nursing
 Roger Moiles, Political Science
 Jagadeesh Nandigam, School of Computing and Information Systems
 Felix Ngassa, Chemistry
 Keith Oliver, Physics
 Bennett Otieno, Statistics
 Judith Palmer, Center for Adult and Continuing Studies
 James Penn, Geography and Planning

Virginia Peterson, Geology
 Jennifer Pope, Marketing
 David Potter, Center for Adult and Continuing Studies
 Paul Reitemeier, Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence
 Amber Roberts, University Counseling Center
 Jessica Rodriguez, Facilities Services
 Debra Ross, School of Criminal Justice
 Patrick Roth, University Libraries
 Steffen Rucker, Operations-Pew Operations and Regional Centers
 Heather Rueth, Biology
 Sheila Ryan, Chemistry
 Kimberly Saindon, Provost's Office
 Judy Schroeder, University Libraries
 Mary Schutten, Movement Science
 Jeff Short, Facilities Services
 Rachel Siglow, Office of the President
 Fay Spears, University Development
 Paul Stansbie, Hospitality and Tourism Management

Kathryn Stieler, Music and Dance
 Dennis Stovall, School of Accounting
 Karel Swanson, Student Academic Success Ctr.
 Heather Tafel, Political Science
 Kevin Tutt, Music and Dance
 Joel Van Ravenswaay, Facilities Services
 Aaron Velting, Records and Registration
 Dante Villarreal, MSBTDC
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 Bradley Wallar, Chemistry
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