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FORUM

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A NEWSLETTER FOR THE GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

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Standards for academic integrity discussed at forums

Students, faculty and staff members talked about the need to put academic integrity “front and center” at Grand Valley during two campus forums. About 60 people attended the meetings, held March 19 and 20 at the Allendale and Pew Grand Rapids campuses.

“We want to raise the level of academic integrity at Grand Valley,” said Patrick Haggerty, a graduate student who gave a presentation at the DeVos Center forum. “A student’s integrity reflects on the university and vice-versa. Higher standards will help all of us when it comes to getting a job.”

Results of a survey about the prevalence of cheating and plagiarism at Grand Valley were discussed. The survey, conducted by Marie McKendall, professor of management, in the Seidman College of Business, showed that 86 percent of Grand Valley students reported cheating at some time during their college careers.

“The importance of academic integrity needs

to be a point of emphasis in everything we do at Grand Valley,” said Dan Vaughn, associate professor of physical therapy and Academic Integrity committee member. “I would like to see it become a part of our faculty and student orientations and discussed as an integral part of individual courses.”

Vaughn said students and faculty members discussed the possible development of an honor code on campus or the establishment of a Center for Academic Integrity to offer education and support. A number of potential obstacles were cited, including how to be consistent in reporting and managing academic dishonesty and definitions of what constitutes academic dishonesty and plagiarism.



Photo by Amanda Pitts

The Academic Integrity committee listens to Jodi Tyron, from University Libraries, speak during a meeting in the Kirkhof Center on March 20.

More details from the forums, along with information about the committee and Academic Integrity surveys can be found at www.gvsu.edu/academicintegrity.

Management professor wins technology award

The faculty displays featuring how technology is integrated in the classroom highlighted the eighth annual Teaching and Learning with Technology Fair, held March 18 at the DeVos Center. The event was sponsored by Educational Technology and the Pew Faculty Teaching and Learning Center.

Kim Kenward, instructional designer for Academic Computing, said, “We thought if we brought faculty together from different departments, they could learn from each others’ use of technology to help students learn.”

Each year, the Teaching with Technology Award is presented to a faculty member who best demonstrates how he or she integrates technology in the classroom. Parag Kosalge, assistant professor of management, was this year’s recipient.

He has played a central role in the design, development and delivery of new course



Photo by Amanda Pitts

Parag Kosalge speaks after receiving the Teaching with Technology Award at the annual faculty technology fair.

offerings in e-commerce. While teaching business management concepts, Kosalge requires that his students learn Service Oriented Architecture via different Internet services to devise a solution to a managerial problem. H. James Williams, dean of the Seidman College

of Business, said Kosalge is a technology leader in his department. “Given his specialty in information systems, it’s appropriate that he enhance his classes as he does with various applications of technology,” Williams said. “The skill and creativity he has makes him an effective role model for faculty and students.”

Deborah Bambini, assistant professor of nursing, demonstrated the computer-simulated mannequins that nursing students use. The mannequin’s breath and heart rates can be changed through the computer, as can other factors to simulate patient conditions.

Allison Adams, assistant professor of hospitality and tourism management, displayed the business management simulation program students use to manage a hotel. The program allows students to team up and compete against each other, based on the success of their hotel.

Across Campus

Student e-mail will default to Gmail account

Starting this spring/summer semester, Google's Gmail will be the default student e-mail system for Grand Valley students.

The university agreed to a contract with Google to provide Gmail, Google Docs, Calendar and more. The contract assures privacy for Grand Valley Gmail accounts and no data mining of GVSU information.

Every Grand Valley student will be assigned a Gmail account, which will become the GVSU preferred e-mail. Once the university begins using Gmail for students, it will no longer accept third-party e-mail accounts for the preferred e-mail. Students will still be able to forward their Gmail to a third party account; instructions for this will be issued later.

Faculty members will receive information on how to request a Gmail account. GroupWise will remain the official means of communication for faculty and staff members. Visit www.gvsu.edu/it/gmail for more information.

Athletic trainers play integral role on teams

Andrew Stoll, a junior at Grand Valley, has found the perfect career. It combines his passion for helping others and his love for sports: athletic training.

Stoll is now completing a clinical assignment at Forest Hills Northern High School, helping the school's athletic trainer, Eliza MacDonald. Together they provide health coverage for sports ranging from competitive cheer to wrestling to bowling to baseball. He is one of 45 Grand Valley students currently gaining experience at high schools, colleges or sports medicine clinics in the area.

At the start of spring sports seasons, Stoll said young athletes have a slightly higher risk of injury, as their bodies are adjusting to new activities and stresses.

MacDonald is a graduate of Grand Valley's athletic training program. She works for the Center for Physical Rehabilitation, which does outreach to area high schools. MacDonald has used students from Grand Valley for the past two years.

"Their responsibilities include injury prevention, injury evaluation, treatment of injuries, first aid management, communication with athletes about treatment progression, and distribution of water," she said. "They are here every day for practice and home event coverage."

March is Athletic Training Month. Brian Hatzel, associate professor and chair of Grand Valley's Movement Science Department, said the number of students majoring in athletic training has increased over the past several years. There are now 180 students enrolled in the program.

Stoll, from Tawas City, said he grew interested in the profession as a high school athlete. "I faced a few injuries and I found it very interesting to observe the procedures used in the evaluation, assessment and treatment of my injuries," he said.



Photo by Amanda Pitts

Brian Hatzel, associate professor of movement science, works with students who are athletic training majors. March is Athletic Training Month.

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Student attends high-level UN meetings

When Anne Marie Carson fills out applications for graduate schools, it's likely that a line about her participation in high-level United Nations meetings will stand out.

Carson, who will graduate in April with a double major in international relations and French, and a minor in women and gender studies, spent her spring break attending the UN's 53rd Commission on the Status of Women. The theme of the commission was equal sharing of responsibilities between men and women, including caregiving in the context of HIV/AIDS. Other panels and meetings focused on the UN's stance on women's issues, violence against women and girls and sexual health and reproductive health.

The CSW was sponsored by the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Suffolk University Center for Women's Health and Human Rights, and the National Women's Studies Association.

Carson was able to attend thanks to support from Grand Valley's Women and Gender Studies Program, College of Interdisciplinary Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Student Senate Academic Conference Fund.

"The opportunity to attend the UN events and other events sponsored by non-government organizations was incredible," Carson said. "We also had a session with a representative from the U.S. delegation to the United Nations. We posed questions and had a really great dialogue with someone involved in the actual decision-making process."

The outcomes from the CSW should be released shortly. Carson said she could only attend the first week of meetings. Regardless of her length of stay, she said the program was valuable.

"It was an incredible learning opportunity and represented a great coming together of my studies," she said. Carson plans to pursue a master's degree in women's health.



Anne Marie Carson attended the United Nation's 53rd Commission on the Status of Women.

What's Ahead

Gay activist brings solo performance to campus

Grand Valley will present a solo performance and Q & A by an internationally acclaimed performance artist who explores the artistic, spiritual and political topography of his identity as a gay man.

Sponsored by the Theater Program, Writing and Art and Design departments, and the LGBT Resource Center, "Activism /Performance/Self" will be presented by Tim Miller on Wednesday, April 1, from 2-3 p.m. in the LGBT Resource Center, 1161 Kirkhof Center.

Hailed for his humor and passion, Miller's performances have been presented worldwide. One of his books, *1001 Beds*, won the 2007 Lambda Literary Award. He is a co-founder of two influential performance spaces: Performance Space 122 on Manhattan's Lower East Side, and Highways Performance Space in Santa Monica, California.

For more information about the event, call the LGBT Resource Center at x12530.

Holland presentation by Carroll scheduled

Kevin Carroll, author of *Rules of the Red Rubber Ball*, will give a talk in Holland that is sponsored in part by Grand Valley. Carroll works to help people harness the power of sport, creativity and play as a vehicle for chasing and achieving their dreams.

Carroll speaks from 4-5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, at West Ottawa Public School Performing Arts Center, 1024 136th Ave. in Holland. Tickets are \$35 and \$20 for students and are available through the Holland Area Arts Council; call (616) 396-3278 or visit www.hollandarts.org.

Author of community book will speak on campus

Ishmael Beah, the author of *A Long Way Gone*, will speak on campus on Wednesday, April 1. The College of Interdisciplinary Studies and University Libraries have selected Beah's book as the fourth annual Community Reading Project book at Grand Valley.

Beah will speak at 4 p.m. in Kirkhof Center, room 2250. His talk will be simulcast in the Loosemore Auditorium of the DeVos Center. The event is free and open to the public.

Beah was born in Sierra Leone in 1980. In the book, he tells the story of how he fled attacking rebels at the age of 12 and wandered a land rendered unrecognizable by violence. By 13,

he had been picked up by the government army and was forced into service as a child soldier. At 16, he was removed from fighting by UNICEF, and through the help of the staff at his rehabilitation center, he learned how to forgive himself, to regain his humanity, and, finally, to heal.

Beah moved to the United States in 1998 and finished his last two years of high school at the United Nations International School in New York. In 2004 he graduated from Oberlin College with a bachelor's degree in political science. He is a member of the Human Rights Watch Children's Rights Division. His work has appeared in *Vespertine* Press and *LIT* magazine. He lives in New York City.

Ensemble to premiere commissioned work

Grand Valley's acclaimed New Music Ensemble, under the direction of Bill Ryan, will give a community performance, including the world premiere of a piece commissioned by the ensemble.

The concert on Wednesday, April 1, from 8-9 p.m., will be in the Performing Arts Center, room 1600.

The performance will feature compositions by Dan Becker and Belinda Reynolds, including the commissioned piece "Circles" by Reynolds. In addition, the program will feature music by Grand Valley student composers in response to the Robert L. Hoskins and Erwin A. Raible Collection of "Fin de Siècle" French Prints exhibited at the GVSU Art Gallery.

For more information, call x13484 or visit www.newmusicensemble.org.

Dance concert to stretch expectations

Grand Valley's Spring Dance Concert promises to push the boundaries of what audiences have come to expect. Three performances by the university's Dance Ensemble are planned on Friday and Saturday, April 3 and 4, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, April 5, at 2 p.m. in the Louis Armstrong Theatre, Performing Arts Center.

"Any movement can be dance," said Shawn T. Bible, assistant professor of dance. "We plan to cross the divide between the known and unknown with every piece providing an emotional and physical impact." The concert includes seven pieces choreographed by Lisa Catrett-Belrose, Mary Lohman, Calin Radulescu and Bible, who joined the dance faculty last fall.

Bible preferred not to give away too many details prior to the performances but he did share that two of the pieces will be danced to

live music and three pieces are making their premiere at these concerts. A lively ballet with a French flair and fun mood begins the program. It is followed by the premiere of a wild and playful duet performed to music by Dan Becker, which has a very electronic sound.

The tempo and mood will take a turn midway through the program with a moving and thought-provoking performance with Olivier Messiaen's

"Quartet for the End of Time," performed live by cellist Pablo Mahave-Veglia and pianist Denise Berczynski. Following a ballet duet to Mahler's "Mein Himmel," the concert concludes with all 25 members of the dance ensemble on stage for a very contemporary performance that includes live saxophone music by Japanese composers, to explore patterns of movement in crowds of people.

Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$5 for seniors, students and children 12 years and under. Tickets may be purchased with a service fee through Star Tickets Plus at (616) 222-4000, online at www.starticketsplus.com or any Star Tickets Plus outlet. Tickets are also available weekdays from noon-5 p.m. at the Louis Armstrong Theatre Box Office (in-person sales only/no phone orders). For more information, call x13484 or visit www.gvsu.edu/music.

Session will focus on 'happy retirements'

An afternoon session, sponsored by Health and Wellness and the Pew Faculty Teaching and Learning Center, will focus on numerous aspects of retirement from financial planning to mental well-being.

"How to Retire Happy and Informed" is set for April 9, from 1-4:30 p.m., in the University Club Room in the DeVos Center. Refreshments will be served.

Speakers include Pam Grinn-Stephans, Social Security; Mike Hill, Advanced Benefits Group; Bill Weitzel, University Development; Gregg Dimkoff, finance professor; and Mike Ohren, Encompass.

Register for the session online at www.gvsu.edu/seminar, or call x12215.



The Spring Dance Concert will begin Friday at the PAC.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General Events

PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Solkema Hall, PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Mon., March 30

3 p.m.: General Education Committee hosts Forum on Proposed Revisions to General Education Goals. 223E DEV. Call x18655 for more information.

3 p.m.: Chinese Studies Week Lecture. "China and the Modern Olympic Movement," by Guoqi Xu. 2263 KC. Call x18110 for more information.

3 p.m.: Women's Center hosts EqualiTEA. 2204 KC. Call x12748 for more information.

Tues., March 31

1 p.m.: Women's History Month Event. "In Her Own Words, Women's Center Journal Reading." Cafè Biblioteque, ZUM. Call x12748 for more information.

3 p.m.: General Education Committee hosts Forum on Proposed Revisions to General Education Goals. 2250 KC. Call x18655 for more information.

6 p.m.: Women's History Month Event. "34 Million Friends of the Women of the World," by Jane Roberts. 2204 KC. Call x12748 for more information.

8 p.m.: Guest Artist Series. Anthony Arnone, cello. Sherman Van Solkema Recital Hall,

Wed., April 1

11 a.m.: CLAS Sabbatical Showcase. Pere Marquette Room, KC. Call x12495 for more information.

Noon: Allendale Toastmasters. 2259 KC. Call x18655 for more information.

2 p.m.: LGBT Resource Center hosts "Activism/Performance/Self." 1161 KC. Call x12530 for more information.

4 p.m.: Community Book Event. Conversation with Ishamael Beah, author of "A Long Way Gone." 2250 KC. Call x18655 for more information.

8 p.m.: GVSU New Music Ensemble. Bill Ryan, director. 1600 PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Thurs., April 2

7:30 a.m.: Grand Rapids Toastmasters. University Club Room, DEV. Call x17378 for more information.

Noon: Health and Wellness Support Group. What Daddies Do Best. 2242 KC. Call x12215 for more information.

8 p.m.: GVSU Trombone Ensemble Recital. Mark R. Williams, director. Sherman Van

Fri., April 3

1 p.m.: Allies and Advocates Training. University Club Room, DEV. Call x12215 for more information.

8 p.m.: GVSU Spring Dance Concert. LAT, PAC. Call x13484 for more information.

Sat., April 4

8 p.m.: GVSU Spring Dance Concert. LAT, PAC.

Sun., April 5

2 p.m.: GVSU Spring Dance Concert. LAT, PAC.

Sports

Wed., April 1

2 p.m.: Baseball hosts Hillsdale College.

Sun., April 5

Noon: Softball hosts Lake Superior State University.

Faculty and Staff Sketches

In the News

Jim Schaub, communications system technician for the School of Communications, was interviewed by WGUVU for a story about his documentary.

Roger Moiles, adjunct instructor of political science, was interviewed by WOOD-AM for a story about President Obama's appearance on "60 Minutes."

Rod Morgan, associate professor of biology, and **Robert Smart**, professor of chemistry and director of the Center for Scholarly and Creative Excellence, were interviewed by *MiBiz* for a story about their research and discovery of two potentially new antibiotics.

Sketches

Deanna Morse, professor of communications, was selected to be an artist-in-residence at the Hot Springs National Park in Arkansas. During her residency, Morse will create a video art piece inspired by the park.

Donald A. Zinman, assistant professor of

political science, wrote an article, "Passing the Torch Through Political Time: Heir Apparent Presidents and the Governing Party," published in the journal *White House Studies*.

George Klay Kieh Jr., professor of political science and African and African American Studies, served as a panelist for a discussion, "The Obama Administration's Foreign Policy," sponsored by the Grand Rapids Faith with Justice Network.

Dwayne Tunstall, assistant professor of philosophy, wrote a book, *Yes, But Not Quite: Encountering Josiah Royce's Ethico-Religious Insight*, published by Fordham Press.

Ed Wong-Ligda, professor of art and design, was commissioned to create a painting for the Grand Rapids Community Foundation.

Roy Cole, professor of geography and planning, wrote an article, "Is Rural Migration a Threat to Environmental Sustainability in Southern Burkina Faso?" published in *Land Degradation & Development*.

Michael Yuhás, professor of accounting and taxation, wrote an article, "Sale-Leasebacks

Revisited: The Old and the New of Federal Tax Law," which was reprinted in *Real Estate Transfer, Finance and Development*. He also gave a presentation, "Discounting and Valuing Family Limited Partnership Interests," at the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum in Indianapolis.

Annis Water Resources Institute staff members **Alan Steinman**, **Jim McNair**, **Kurt Thompson** and **Mary Ogdahl** received funding from the South Florida Water Management District to develop a "Comprehensive Phosphorus Dynamics Program for the Kissimmee River Restoration Project."

Jennifer McCaul, director of the College of Community and Public Service, has been elected region chair for the Great Lakes Region 5 of the National Academic Advising Association.

Barb Hoogenboom, associate professor of physical therapy, and **Jeanine Biese**, assistant professor of occupational therapy, gave presentations, "The Upper Extremity Fracture Symposium," for Battle Creek Health Systems and Agility Therapy.