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Hauenstein Center brings in former FBI, CIA leader

Not many people know the inner workings of the White House. Judge William H. Webster does. The Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies at Grand Valley is bringing Webster to Grand Rapids November 19 and 20.

The former head of the FBI and the CIA will give a presentation November 19 on the “President’s Use of Domestic and International Intelligence.” He will draw on his experience as he takes the audience through the presidential decision-making process and the use of domestic and international intelligence.

On November 20, Webster will join a distinguished panel to discuss and analyze the use of intelligence in the post-9/11 era.

Jonathan White, executive director of the Homeland Defense Initiative at Grand Valley who is currently on special assignment with the U.S. Dept. of Justice, will act as moderator. Others on the panel include U.S. Rep. Peter Hoekstra, member of the House Intelligence Committee; Col. Stephen Madden, director of the Michigan State Police and Michigan’s Homeland Security efforts; and Dale Watson, former FBI executive assistant director of the counter-terrorism division.

Webster was recently named by the Security Exchange Commission to head a new agency regulating the accounting profession. The appointment has not been without controversy.

The President’s Use of Domestic and International Intelligence

• November 19, 8-9 p.m.
Loosemore Auditorium, DeVos Center

The President’s Sharing of Intelligence and Information

• November 20, 9-10:30 a.m.
Gerald R. Ford Museum

Seating for the general public is limited. Call x2770 to reserve a seat.

and the Grand Valley community will continue to watch events unfold in Washington as it prepares to welcome Webster’s perspective to Grand Valley’s study of the presidency.

Across Campus

Alums win state seats

Voters in the general election sent two Grand Valley alums to the state Legislature.

Democrat Mike Sak, a 1992 graduate, was elected to the Michigan House representing the 76th District (Grand Rapids’ west side). Sak captured 61 percent of the vote, beating fellow GVSU alum Mark Kubick, ’96.

Republican Bill Hardiman, ’77, won the race for a Michigan Senate seat from the 29th District (Grand Rapids, Kentwood, Cascade). Hardiman, the mayor of Kentwood, received 54 percent of the vote to beat Democratic challenger Steve Pestka. Hardiman was Grand Valley’s commencement speaker in December 2000.

The last time a Grand Valley alum served in the Michigan Legislature was 1978, when Assistant Professor Jeff Dongvillo was elected to the House from Manistee.

December commencement moved to Van Andel Arena

To accommodate an increasing number of mid-year graduates, the December commencement ceremony has been moved to Van Andel Arena.

Originally scheduled for the Fieldhouse on the Allendale Campus, the ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. on December 7 at the downtown Grand Rapids arena. Bob Stoll, director of Student Life and Event Services, said there were a number of reasons for the change in venue.

“We really wanted to provide students with opportunities for more tickets,” he said. “We’re growing as a university and our December commencement keeps getting larger.”

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Stoll said winter weather and the fact that many families make dinner reservations at downtown restaurants were also factors in the move.

Information about the faculty processional and tickets will be detailed later. Questions can be directed to the Dean of Students Office at x3585.

Book showcases student writing, serves as teaching aid

Students and professors will likely agree that writing and grading essays and research papers is one of the most subjective activities that the respective groups encounter.

By publishing a book of student essays, Grand Valley’s Writing Department hopes to showcase “successful writing.”

WRT 150: A Guide to First-Year Writing at Grand Valley State University was printed during the summer and used for the first time this fall. Along with course guidelines and objectives, the book showcases writing portfolios from five students. The portfolios were chosen from 450 students who received an A in the class last year (about 15 percent who took WRT 150).

Roger Gilles, associate professor and department chairman, said publishing the book creates cohesion for a large (3,000 students) class with many sections and a set of directives for WRT 150 instructors and students to follow.

“The main purpose for us was to give students a good sense of guidelines to be able to see what’s considered successful writing,” he said.

Gilles said he and others are evaluating the usefulness of the book now, but most comments have been favorable. It also serves as an outlet for student authors.

“It gives students an audience. So now when they’re writing essays, maybe they’ll think of providing one for the book,” he said.

Two of the five portfolios chosen for the book were written by students at the Holland Meijer Campus. Carlotta Eland and Kristi Heuvelman took WRT 150 from Theresa Gibbons.

Faculty and Staff Sketches

Math Department faculty members Mary Ellen Rivers and Jane Mays attended the Michigan Tutorial Association Conference held at Mid-Michigan College in Harrison and gave two presentations on “Designing a Dream Math Lab.”

Don UzarSKI, assistant professor at the Annis Water Resources Institute, presented a paper, titled “Developing Indices of Biotic Integrity for Great Lakes Coastal Wetlands,” at the State of the Lakes Ecosystem Conference held in Cleveland, Ohio.

Nancy Patterson, assistant professor of education, wrote an article, titled “Curriculum as Possibility: Using Technology to Untether Text, Unleash Creativity,” published in Curriculum Technology Quarterly.

Ran-E Hong, assistant professor of Modern Languages and Literatures, presented a paper, titled “Quand le paraître prime l’être: les habîts dans les Contes de Perrault,” at the 21st Annual Conference of the Society of Interdisciplinary French 17th-Century Studies in Minneapolis, Minnesota.


Emily Jean McFadden, professor of social work, conducted a workshop, titled “Toward a Global Perspective on Kinship Care,” at the Kinship Care Conference.

What’s Ahead

Reception scheduled for NIS director

Faculty and staff members are invited to a reception to welcome the new News and Information Services director to Grand Valley.

The reception for Mary Eileen Lyon is scheduled from 4-6 p.m. on Monday, November 11, in the Alumni House.

Information session scheduled for exchange program in China

The Padnos International Center, Faculty Teaching and Learning Center and the Philosophy Department are sponsoring a 16-day trip for faculty and staff to travel to China.

The trip, planned for June, will be led by Peimin Ni, professor of philosophy, and administered by PIC. Participants may choose to arrange a project related to their research or simply go to enjoy the experience of the culture. Applications for the trip are available at the Padnos International Center, 105 Student Services Building, or by calling x3898.

An information session about the trip will be held from 5-6 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13, in room 303C of the DeVos Center.

Prominent Arabic literature expert to give lecture

Suzanne Stetkevych, one of today’s most prominent critics of Arabic poetry, will speak at Grand Valley this week.

Stetkevych’s lecture is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Thursday, November 14, in the Kirchhof Center, Grand River Room. Her talk, “A Stroll in Al-Ma‘arri’s Garden: Poetry and Irony in the Islamic Paradise,” will discuss the 11th century Arabic prose work, The Epistle of Forgiveness. Stetkevych will then present a poetry reading at 3 p.m. in the Alumni House. Both events are open to the public and free.

Stetkevych is a professor of Arabic Literature and Near Eastern Languages and Cultures at Indiana University, Bloomington. Currently editor of the Journal of Arabic Literature, she has researched and written extensively on Arabic literature and poetry.

Stetkevych’s appearance is sponsored by the Modern Languages and Literatures Department, the Middle East Studies Program, and the Classics Department. Call x3634 for more information.

‘Freezer Jesus’ premieres at Studio 28

The film produced by Grand Valley students in the summer will premiere at Grand Rapids movie theater.

The Freezer Jesus, written by novelist John Dufresne, intertwines the stories of two neighboring farmers: Jesse, whose wild son Russell returns home seriously ill after many years away, and elderly Arlis, who sees the image of Jesus on his porch freezer and subsequently has pilgrims flocking to his farm.

’Little Women’ is a treat for all ages

Grand Valley is bringing a heartwarming American classic to its stage just in time for the holiday season. Beginning on Friday, November 15, the theater program presents Mary Louise Alcott’s Little Women, a treat for the entire family.

The Civil War-era tale begins on a memorable Christmas when Marmee leaves to visit her sick husband and Jo sells her beautiful hair to help finance the trip. The story continues as the four sisters (Jo, Meg, Amy, and Beth) struggle to find their places in the world while learning about themselves, true love, and the meaning of family.

Showtimes are November 15, 16, 21, and 22 at 7:30 p.m., and November 16 and 17 at 2 p.m. Performances will run about 90 minutes and will be held in the Louis Armstrong Theatre, Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $2.50-10 ($8 for alumni and faculty/staff). Reserve seats by calling the box office at x2300.

The stage adaptation of Alcott’s famous book was written by playwright Scott Davidson. Staging the production is guest director Jeralyn Pinskey of Grand Rapids.

Perugino String Quartet presents two concerts

The Perugino String Quartet will feature its fall concert on Grand Rapids and Allendale campuses this week, presenting three gems of the German string quartet repertoire by Haydn, Webern, and Brahms. Grand Valley’s quartet-in-residence will perform on Sunday, November 17 at 3 p.m. in the Loosemore Auditorium, DeVos Center, Pew Grand Rapids Campus. Members of the Perugino String Quartet are Eric Tanner and Diane McElfish, violins, Robert Byrens, viola, and Stacey Bosman, cello — all of whom perform with the Grand Rapids Symphony and serve as instructors in GVSU’s Music Department. In addition to their performances at Grand Valley, the quartet has performed at the Juilliard String Quartet seminar, the Lincoln Center, the Chamber Music Festival of Saugatuck, and for other college and community chamber series around the state.

Character Education conference set

A seasoned educator and motivational speaker will discuss how to implement character education in the classroom during a conference sponsored by Grand Valley’s School of Education.

Jim Kern, author of Build the Fort...Today and Connecting with Kids: Heart to Heart, is the keynote speaker for the third annual Character continued on page 4
## General Events

**Arts Hotline (616) 895-ARTS**  
**Gallery Hours:** Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

**Through Dec. 5**  
Gallery Hours: Photography and BFA Thesis Exhibitions. Exhibits display work of graduating seniors in the School of Communications and Department of Art and Design. Art Gallery, PAC. Call x2564 for more information.

**Mon., Nov. 11**  
12 noon-1 p.m.: Campus Wellness Series. “Tips for a Healthy Holiday.” KC Cabins D, E, F. For more information call x3659.

4-6 p.m.: Open House to welcome Mary Eileen Lyon, director of News and Information Services. AH.

**Tues., Nov. 12**  
12 noon: Arts at Noon Series. Jeffrey Zook, flutist, performs with Michele Cooker, pianist. CDC. For more information call x3484.

**Wed., Nov. 13**  
9:30-11:30 a.m.: Parking Forum hosted by Vice President Tim Schad. Loosmore Auditorium, DeVos Center. For more information call x2180.

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.: Campus Wellness Series. “Love Your Body Day.” KC Lobby. For more information call x3659.

12 noon: Women’s Center sponsors YWCA Tribute Dinner at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel. For more information call x2748.

5-6 p.m.: Padnos International Center sponsors information session about China trip. 303C DeVos Center. For more information call x3898.

5-8 p.m.: Campus Wellness Percent Body Fat Clinic, 132 PH. For more information call x3659.

**Thurs., Nov. 14**  
1 p.m.: Middle East Studies Lecture. Suzanne Shteynevych, “Poetry and Irony in the Islamic Paradise.” Grand River Room, KC. For more information call x3634.

1-5 p.m.: Human Resources Leadership Development Program. “Stop Jerks From Messing with Your Head,” conducted by Jerry Conrad of S.G. Maverick, Inc. To RSVP call x2215.

4-5 p.m.: FTLC Conference. “Preparing a Pew FTLC Large Grant Application,” by Catherine Ferichis. 2301 MAK. For more information call x3498.

5-7 p.m.: Art Gallery BFA Exhibition Reception. Art Gallery, PAC. For more information call x2564.

7:15 p.m.: School of Communications presents the Eighth Annual Summer Film Project, “The Freezer Jesus.” Studio 28 in Grand Rapids. For more information call x3668.

**Fri., Nov. 15**  
7:30 p.m.: Theatre Production. “Little Women.” LAT, PAC. For more information call x2300.

**Sat., Nov. 16**  
2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.: Theatre Production. “Little Women.” LAT, PAC. For more information call x2300.

**Sun., Nov. 17**  
2 p.m.: Theatre Production. “Little Women.” LAT, PAC. For more information call x2300.

3 p.m.: Artist-Faculty Series featuring Perugino String Quartet. Loosemore Auditorium, DeVos Center. Call x3484 for more information.

3 p.m.: William Baum Lecture Series featuring pianist Aviram Reichert and clarinetist Arthur Campbell. Sherman Van Solkema Recital Hall, PAC. For more information call x3484.

### Sports

**Sports Hotline: (616) 895-3800**  
Game times subject to change.

**Thurs.-Sat., Nov. 14-16**  
TBA: Volleyball GLIAC Tournament. Site TBA.

**Fri., Nov. 15**  
6 p.m.: Swimming and Diving. Wayne State University at Grand Valley.

**Sat., Nov. 16**  
1 p.m.: Football. University of Findlay at Grand Valley.

1:30 p.m.: Swimming and Diving. Albion College at Grand Valley.

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### GV Faces

Help us tell the interesting stories behind Grand Valley by nominating someone for a profile. E-mail the *Forum*, forum@gvsu.edu, with names and contact information.

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Education Conference, planned from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, in the Eberhard Center.

During the day, Kern and other experts will highlight strategies and tools to implement character education in K-12 or college classrooms, or in the business community. The conference is targeted for educators, social workers, counselors and others who work with students.

The registration fee is $100 and includes breakfast and lunch. Questions about registration or the conference can be directed to Amy Moore at x6650, or to moorea@gvsu.edu.

Kern earned a bachelor’s degree in English and a master’s degree in counseling from Winona State University in Minnesota, and a doctorate in educational psychology from the University of Wyoming. He has taught classes with students of every age group, from kindergarten to senior citizens.

### Date set for holiday party

All faculty and staff members are invited to attend the Service Award and Holiday Gathering scheduled from 3-5 p.m. on Thursday, December 5, in the Grand River Room of the Kirkhof Center.

Awards will be presented to faculty and staff members with 10, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years of service with Grand Valley.