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Injury Care Clinic sees increase in visits

Louis Ricard, from Paris, has played rugby since he was 6 years old. During his first semester at Grand Valley, he eagerly joined the rugby club. A year later, he dislocated his elbow at a home game.

An emergency room doctor put his elbow back in place, but said it would require rehabilitation — treatment his insurance did not cover.

“I started going to the Injury Care Clinic and I’m so glad I did,” said Ricard, a senior majoring in communications and multimedia journalism. “I was given exercises to do on my own to strengthen my elbow and the people who work there are very knowledgeable.”

Ricard is just one of hundreds of individuals who receive help at the Injury Care Clinic, located in the Fieldhouse on the Allendale Campus. The clinic provides free injury care and preventive treatments for students, faculty and staff members. Primary services include first aid, injury evaluation, basic treatments and rehabilitation, professional referrals and preventive measures, such as taping, bracing and stretching.

Shari Bartz-Smith, co-director of the clinic and associate professor of athletic training, said the number of campus community members receiving treatment has increased since the clinic opened its doors in 2014.

During its first semester, 258 individuals visited the clinic. Last semester, there were more than 900 visits by 410 campus community members. In four years, the clinic has received more than 5,000 visits.

“We are busy, but in a good way,” Bartz-Smith said. “Our challenge now is to meet the increasing demands of the clinic.”

The clinic is staffed by two athletic trainers from Metro Health and a Grand Valley graduate assistant. The most common injuries clinic staff treat are ankle sprains, low back pain and chronic tendinitis conditions.

Amy Campbell, co-director of the clinic and



Photo by Amanda Pitts

Vanessa Miller, athletic trainer and sports medicine coordinator for Metro Health, treats a student at the Injury Care Clinic in the Fieldhouse.

associate director of Campus Recreation, said a very active student population means a higher number of injuries. More than 2,000 students participate in club sports every year and hundreds visit the Rec Center each day.

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PBW event features black inventors

Positive Black Women, a campus organization that aims to create connections and awareness for women of color, honored black inventors at its “Love Our History” luncheon February 14 in the Kirkhof Center.

They also honored Lois Smith Owens, director of recruitment and admissions for Social Work, with the 2018 Dr. Doris Rucks Trailblazer Award.

“This award demonstrates that other people see me in a way I don’t see myself and for that I am grateful,” Smith Owens said. “My mother always told me to move forward with a purpose, and I hope all of you do the same.”

The event featured an interactive live museum and performance that allowed participants to interact with individuals who portrayed black inventors like Mary McLeod Bethune, Phillis Wheatley, Christina Jenkins and Sojourner Truth. Voices of GVSU performed a rendition of “We Built This” that showcased additional inventors.

Candice Cadena, living center director, said



Photo by Valerie Wojciechowski

Lois Smith Owens, right, receives the Doris Rucks Trailblazer Award during a Positive Black Women luncheon February 14. From left are Brenda Mitchner and Cassonya Carter.

the goal of the event was to showcase black inventors’ impact.

“I’m proud to be a part of this community that knows it’s important to have events that promote this kind of awareness and support,” said Cadena.

For more information about PBW, visit www.gvsu.edu/pbw.

Volunteers needed at SSD

The Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarship is seeking volunteer faculty and staff members to ensure a successful Student Scholars Day.

The 22nd annual event will be held April 11. Each year more than 100 volunteers are needed to make the event successful. Volunteers are needed to fill two-hour time blocks to assist with a variety of tasks including registration, hosting sessions, and greeting participants and spectators.

Register online at gvsu.edu/ours/ssd. Questions can be directed to ours@gvsu.edu.

FTLC hosts courses on history of inequality

The Pew Faculty Teaching and Learning Center is offering an innovative short course for faculty and staff members on structural inequalities in the U.S.

Topics through the winter semester will cover religious oppression, income inequality and

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history of Asian Americans.

Faculty and staff members can enroll in any or all remaining courses, which are delivered in faculty-led video presentations, online conversations, and in-seat discussions. Materials from past courses are also available.

View the list of courses and faculty facilitators online at gvsu.edu/ftlc.

To enroll in a course, send an email to ftlc@gvsu.edu to gain access to online materials, and register via gvsu.edu/sprout to participate in in-seat discussions.

Faculty and Staff Campaign underway

Each year, faculty and staff members show their support for Grand Valley and its students by participating in the Faculty & Staff Campaign.

Last year, 54 percent of faculty and staff gave to the university; the goal is to increase that to 60 percent by 2020, the year Grand Valley turns 60. This campaign is participation based and all gifts count toward the goal. All gifts made to endowed funds receive a dollar-for-dollar match.

Visit gvsu.edu/giving/priorities to see campaign priorities and find specific funds. Gifts can also be made to the Grand Valley Fund, which supports areas of greatest need.

Faculty and staff members can review their giving history or learn more about the campaign by visiting gvsu.edu/giving/facultystaff.

GVNow Recap:



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Jonathan Bowman, president of Student Senate, addresses the audience at a vigil February 21 on the Allendale Campus to honor shooting victims from Parkland, Florida.

Vigil honors Parkland shooting victims

Jonathan Bowman, president of Student Senate, told a crowd of about 100 students, faculty and staff members that it's important to show support for the victims and families of the Parkland, Florida, high school shooting.

The group gathered at the Cook Carillon Tower February 21 to take part in a candlelight vigil to honor the victims. During the vigil, organized by Student Senate, Bowman said while Grand Valley is a safe place, the shooting in Florida still hit close to home.

"It wasn't that long ago that many of us were in high school," said Bowman. "It's important that we come together and be united during times of difficulty to do what we can for victims and to support one another."

Provost Maria Cimitile said as a community of learners, students are poised for moments like this. "There is nothing more powerful than education," she said. "You can use the power of education to act and to think about the world you want to create."

Nursing student wins thesis competition

Fifteen graduate students, representing a variety of disciplines, competed in the 3-Minute Thesis competition February 15 in the DeVos Center.

During the competition, sponsored by The Graduate School, students had three minutes to present their research to a panel of judges. Students were competing for prize money and a chance to advance to the Midwest Association of Graduate Schools 3-Minute Thesis Competition in Grand Rapids in April.

Kathryn Ellens, who is earning a doctor of nursing practice degree, took first place with her research: "Effect on Opioid Use Following the Implementation of Evidence-based Pain Management Practices on an Observation Unit." Ellens won \$500 and will advance to the competition in Grand Rapids.

Broadcaster receives surprise diploma

John Records Landecker can look back on a storied career as a radio broadcaster, entertaining millions of listeners around the U.S. and Canada for more than 50 years.

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Azra Causevic, Career Center

Azra Causevic, employee relations assistant for the Career Center, wants to ensure students are making connections to be successful after graduation.

"I was a first-generation college student and understand how hard it can be to navigate campus and figure out life after graduation," said Causevic. "Reaching out to the resources available on campus, even if it's not the Career Center, is helpful for students who need to create a network."

Causevic graduated from Michigan State University in 2010 with a bachelor's degree in political science. She moved to the northwest suburbs of Chicago and worked at Lake Forest College with the Schuler Scholar Program.

Part of her role now involves talking to leaders from organizations and companies who want to hire Grand Valley students and alumni. Causevic supports the Employer Relations team by planning employer events, like the winter and fall career fairs, assisting employers with on-campus interviews and monitoring

LakerJobs, Grand Valley's online job posting and event management tool. She said she understands first-hand how important these networks can be.

"Because of my role, I see the value in networking," said Causevic, who joined the center in July. "Connections are powerful. I see students come into the Career Center or attend a career event and learn about new possibilities."

Her goals are continuing to learn her role, pursue a master's degree, and get reacquainted with the Grand Rapids area.

"Even my husband, who's a Grand Valley alum, came to the Career Center for connections when we relocated," she said. "When you're a Laker, opportunities are there for a lifetime."



Azra Causevic



WHAT'S AHEAD

Event to celebrate diversity in the mathematical sciences

An upcoming lecture will explore and celebrate the increasing representation of women and people of color in the field of mathematics.

Deanna Haunsperger, president of the Mathematical Association of America and professor of mathematics at Carleton College, will deliver the 2018 Mosaic Lecture on Tuesday, February 27.



Deanna Haunsperger

The presentation, "Making Connections: Lessons Learned From Women Mathematicians," will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Loutit Lecture Hall, room 103.

Haunsperger has been teaching at Carleton College for more than 20 years. Dedicated to increasing the number of women earning advanced degrees in mathematics, Haunsperger and her husband and fellow mathematician Stephen Kennedy created the Carleton College Summer Mathematics Program for Women.

The event is sponsored by the Mathematics Department and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Asian American heritage celebration continues

Grand Valley's annual Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Celebration continues through March.

The events are a collaboration of the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Celebration committee.

Highlighted events are below, visit gvsu.edu/oma for more information.

Hmong Memory at the Crossroads:

Wednesday, February 28, 2 p.m.: In collaboration with Modern Languages and Literatures, Liachoua Lee, a Hmong-American from Rochester Hills, revisits his past as a former refugee and son of Hmong veterans of the French Indochina War, and of the American Secret War in Laos.

Managing and Addressing Micro-aggression:

Tools and Strategies: March 12, 3 p.m.: Hsiao-Wen Lo, licensed psychologist, will conduct a workshop designed for participants to understand the cognitive, emotional and behavioral impact of micro-aggression.

Alumni named Teachers of the Year return to campus

Two Grand Valley alumni who were each named Michigan Teacher of the Year by the Michigan Department of Education will discuss leadership at an event Wednesday, February 28, hosted by Student Senate.

Tracy Horodyski and Luke Wilcox's presentation, "Teacher Leadership Matters," will take place from 7-9 p.m. in the Cook-DeWitt Center.

Horodyski, a reading interventionist and literacy coach at Zinser Elementary in Kenowa Hills Public Schools, was named the 2016-17 Michigan Teacher of the Year. She received bachelor's and master's degrees from Grand Valley in 1999 and 2002, respectively.

Wilcox, a mathematics teacher at East

Kentwood High School in Kentwood Public Schools, was named the 2017-18 Michigan Teacher of the Year. He received a master's degree in education from Grand Valley in 2006.

The event is approved for LIB 100 classes.

One-minute compositions will be inspired by artwork

Music will meet art when music composition students create one-minute compositions inspired by the current Art Gallery exhibit "Ebb & Flow: Explorations in Painting by Herbert Murrie."

The compositions will be performed by Grand Valley's award-winning New Music Ensemble in rapid succession and judged by a guest panel and the audience for various prizes.

The annual New Music Ensemble Composition Competition will take place Thursday, March 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Haas Center for Performing Arts, Art Gallery.

"Ebb & Flow" explores Murrie's creative process as an artist and includes 26 pieces that span his career as a painter from 1995 to the present. "Ebb & Flow" will be on display through March 30. For more information, visit gvsu.edu/artgallery.

Play explores Ford's views on social justice

A new play written by a Grand Valley theater faculty member dramatizes a moment from President Gerald R. Ford's time playing football at University of Michigan that shaped his views on social justice.

"Victors of Character: A Story of Loyalty, Integrity, and the Courage to Make a Difference" will be performed Thursday, March 1, at 8 p.m. in the Linn Maxwell Keller Black Box Theatre, in the Haas Center for Performing Arts.

Tickets for this performance will be free, and distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis at 7 p.m. For more information, contact the Louis Armstrong Theatre Box Office at x12300.

The event is being presented in a collaborative effort among Grand Valley, the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation and Ford Presidential Library and Museum.

The 45-minute play written by Allison Metz, associate professor of theater, is based on the 2016 documentary "Black and Blue" by Brian Kruger and Buddy Moorehouse. The film tells the story of the 1934 game between University of Michigan and Georgia Institute of Technology.

The Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets agreed to play in Ann Arbor that season on the condition that University of Michigan could not play Willis Ward, the team's only African-American player.

Ford threatened to quit the team in response to Ward's benching, but changed his mind after Ward convinced him that he had to play in the game.

Grand Valley alumnus Jason James, '13, will direct "Victors of Character," and multiple alumni will fill key roles in the production.

Health Forum event to focus on health care reform

The state of health care reform will be discussed at the next Health Forum of West Michigan event.

Hosted by the Office of the Vice Provost for

Health, the event is Friday, March 2, at the DeVos Center, Loosemore Auditorium. A light breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. followed by presentations at 8 a.m.

Speakers are Todd Anderson, director of public policy and regulatory affairs for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan; Laura Appel, senior vice president and chief innovation office for Michigan Health and Hospital Association; Frank E. Belsito, chief physician executive and chief population health officer for Metro Health-University of Michigan Health; and Marti Lolli, senior vice president and chief marketing officer for Priority Health.

Sebastian Linde, assistant professor of economics, will be the moderator.

The event is free and open to the public; RSVP online at gvsu.edu/vphealth.

The Health Forum of West Michigan series is sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Author of CRP to visit campus

The author of the Community Reading Project selection will visit West Michigan in March to discuss her book, *All the Single Ladies: Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation*.



Rebecca Traister, author of 'All the Single Ladies,' will visit the Allendale Campus March 13 as part of the Community Reading Project.

Rebecca Traister will visit the Allendale Campus March 13 for a presentation (approved

for LIB 100/201 courses) at 7 p.m. in the Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room. She will be in Holland on March 12 for a presentation at Herrick District Library, 300 S. River St., beginning at 7 p.m. Book signings will follow both presentations.

Published in 2016, *All the Single Ladies* is a study of the political, economic, social and sexual consequences of the rise of unmarried women. Traister, a journalist, started writing the book in 2009, the year the proportion of American women who married dropped below 50 percent, and the median age of first marriages had risen to 27.

Jennifer Jameslyn, director of the Brooks College Office of Integrative Learning and Advising, said the CRP committee was struck by that marriage statistic and the opportunity to open the conversation to students.

"It's been amazing to be in conversation with students and faculty and staff all year about these questions of when and why and whether marriage appeals to us, and what we gain and lose when we enter marriage at different points in our lives," Jameslyn said.

All the Single Ladies was named a Notable Book of 2016 by the *New York Times* and Best Books selection by the *Boston Globe*. Traister is a writer at large for *New York Magazine* and contributing editor for *Elle*. Her first book, *Big Girls Don't Cry*, was about women and the 2008 election.

More information about CRP is online at gvsu.edu/read.

FACULTY AND STAFF SKETCHES

IN THE NEWS

Campus mourns loss of two staff members

Kenneth Stanton, retired grounds supervisor for Facilities Services, died February 12 at his home in Holland. A memorial service is planned for a later date.

Stanton retired last August, he began working for Grand Valley in 1997.

Diane Zelmer, office coordinator for Facilities Services, died February 11 after a battle with cancer. A memorial service was held February 24.

Zelmer started working for Grand Valley in 2008.

Healthy departments

Four new departments were recognized as “Certified Healthy” by the Health and Wellness team.

The Center for Adult and Continuing Studies, School of Computing and Information Systems, Movement Science, and Office of Sustainability Practices met criteria

for creating a healthy office culture by participating in programs and using available resources.

Departments can apply for certification, criteria are listed online at gvsu.edu/healthwellness.



The Office of Sustainability Practices is pictured with President Thomas J. Haas; four new departments were recognized as ‘Certified Healthy.’

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Brian Hatzel, professor of movement science, will receive the Athletic Training Service Award from the National Athletic Trainers’ Association. He will be recognized at the 2018 NATA Convention in June.

Nursing faculty members gave presentations at the AACN Doctoral Education Conference in Naples, Florida: **Amy Manderscheid**: “Leveraging Inter-Professional Collaboration between Academia and Practice Settings to Impact a Pediatric Quality and Safety Improvement Imperative” and “Designing Innovative Scholarly Products through Unique Inter-Professional Collaboration within Nursing and Computer Science Faculty” (with **Jonathan Engelsma**, professor of computing and information systems); **Tricia Thomas** and **Dianne Conrad**: “Outcomes of An Innovative Faculty Practice Plan with Seven Practice Models”; **Marie VanderKooi**, **Conrad** and **Sandra Spoelstra**: “Ph.D. and DNP Faculty Collaborative Approach to Re-Define the DNP Scholarly Project”; **Conrad**: “Aligning Faculty Perceptions of the DNP Project: Lessons Learned”; and **Evelyn Clingerman**: “The Power of AND: Moving Intraprofessional Collaboration from Rhetoric to Transformation.”

Al Steinman, director of the Annis Water Resources Institute, was a co-author of articles, “Evaluating the Contamination of Microcystins in Lake Taihu, China: The Application of Equivalent Total MC-LR concentration,” published in *Ecological Indicators*, and “Wetland Restoration and Hydrological Reconnection Results in Enhanced Watershed Nitrogen Retention and Removal,” published in *Wetlands*.

Julie Cowie, project manager for the Seidman Research Office, wrote an article, “The Use of Facebook Advertising to Recruit Healthy Elderly People for a Clinical Trial: Baseline Metrics,” published by *JMIR Publications*.

Polly Diven, professor of political science, was a co-author of an article, “Hospitality or Hostility? Explaining the German and U.S. Responses to the Syrian Refugee Crisis,” published in the *Journal of Comparative Politics*.

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In honor of his career, Landecker was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in 2017, but that wasn’t the only “class” he joined last year — he also became a member of the Laker Class of 2017. He just didn’t know it until this month.

Landecker visited the Allendale Campus February 8 to discuss his life, career and autobiography, *Records Truly Is My Middle Name*. What he didn’t know was that following his talk, he would be presented with a diploma by Fred Antczak, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

In a moment that brought Landecker to tears, he said while wearing a smile, “I walked in here a college dropout, and I’m walking out a graduate.”

Landecker attended Grand Valley from 1965-1967, but because Grand Valley did not have a broadcasting program or radio station at



Photo by Elizabeth Lienau

John Records Landecker (middle) pictured with Len O’Kelly (left), and dean Fred Antczak (right) after receiving his diploma February 8.

that time, he transferred to Michigan State University. During his final semester at MSU, he received a job offer at a station in Philadelphia, which he accepted, thus never completing his degree. Landecker stated in his autobiography that not finishing college was one of his biggest regrets in life.

Construction on Laker Line expected to begin in summer

Construction on the Laker Line could begin as early as this summer, with completion in spring 2020, now that the project has received federal funding.

The Laker Line will replace the current Route 50 connecting the Allendale Campus with the Pew Grand Rapids Campus and the Cook-DeVos Center for Health Sciences.

The new bus rapid transit will run 16 larger, articulated buses that have seats for 60 passengers and can carry up to 80 to 90 people. These buses have dual boarding with wider doors for quicker boarding.

The federal grant will pay for nearly 80 percent of the \$70 million project. The remaining cost will be covered by the Michigan Department of Transportation. Grand Valley will pay for operation of the Laker Line as a part of its existing 10-year contract with The Rapid that began in July 2013.

Funding will be used to build stations that look more like light rail stations with seats, shelters, snowmelt and raised platforms so riders don’t have to step up to get on the bus. Enhancements also include traffic signal priority technology

that will allow buses to flow through traffic more efficiently.

D. Scott Richardson, acting vice president for Finance and Administration, said nearly 8,000 riders travel between campuses via bus every day. “The Laker Line is the type of transit option that helps retain and attract talent to the West Michigan region,” he said.

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Care Clinic visits up

“Before the clinic existed, students with injuries would have to go to the emergency room or take a trip home to see their doctor, which is inconvenient and can get expensive,” Campbell said.

Bartz-Smith and Campbell have presented at several conferences about the success of the Injury Care Clinic and colleagues from universities in the region have asked for guidance on how to establish a successful clinic. Most recently, the pair published a paper in *Kinesiology Review* about the framework needed to start a clinic.

The clinic is a joint partnership between Metro Health and Grand Valley’s Campus Recreation and Movement Science departments.

During the academic year, the clinic is open from 2-6 p.m., Monday through Thursday. For more information, visit gvsu.edu/icc.