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Supporters celebrate completion of campaign



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Bonnie Wesorick, right, and Evelyn Clingerman talk with supporters at a celebration to recognize completion of a campaign to endow the Wesorick Center.

Supporters of the Kirkhof College of Nursing gathered to celebrate the successful completion of a \$1 million campaign to fully endow the Bonnie Wesorick Center for Health Care Transformation.

More than 100 supporters gave to the campaign. Campaign co-chairs were Michelle Troseth and Kevin Moore. The celebration was held October 15 in the DeVos Center.

The Wesorick Center enhances research productivity and interprofessional collaboration to facilitate better outcomes for patients and providers.

It is named for Bonnie Wesorick, founder and chair emerita for the Clinical Practice Model Resource Center in Grand Rapids. The center continues her legacy of creating the best places to give and receive care.

Evelyn Clingerman, executive director of the center, said she and KCON Dean Cynthia McCurren are grateful to the campaign's supporters who recognize that today's changing health care landscape requires a new way of thinking.

"The Wesorick Center is established for the express purpose of impacting health care through scholarly work and research," Clingerman said.

"By uniting interprofessional healers in practice and education, we can transform health care at the point of care. It is possible to keep the patient's story at the heart of it all."

For more information about the Wesorick Center, visit www.gvsu.edu/wesorick.

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CRP committee seeks book suggestions

The Community Reading Project committee is looking for a few good books.

Brian Jbara, director of Integrative Learning, said suggestions are welcome for books that address "big topics or issues." The book chosen as the Community Reading Project must also be a current book and accessible to students and community members.

More information about CRP is online at www.gvsu.edu/read; suggestions can be sent to integrative@gvsu.edu by November 1.

This year's CRP selection is *Five Days at Memorial*, by Sheri Fink. A campus/community discussion is planned for October 23, 3-5 p.m., in the Kirkhof Center, room 2263. Students, faculty and staff members and community members will have an opportunity to discuss Fink's book, which details five days at Memorial Medical Center in New Orleans during 2005's Hurricane Katrina.

Celebration will recognize Grand Valley founders

The campus community will celebrate the founding of Grand Valley during a day full of events and activities Thursday, October 23.

The second Founders Day will include a performance by the Laker Marching Band, a flag display and cupcakes, courtesy of Meijer, for all campuses and centers.

The end of October marks the time of year when L. William "Bill" Seidman organized a group effort in 1960 to raise the \$1 million required to receive legislative support to build a four-year college in the Grand Rapids area. In 1963, Grand Valley State College enrolled its first 226 students.

11 a.m.-1 p.m.: President Thomas J. Haas will celebrate with students



The campus community will celebrate Founders Day on October 23. Pictured is the statue of L. William "Bill" Seidman, recognized as the founder of Grand Valley.

by blowing out birthday candles at Kleiner Commons and Fresh Food Company

Noon: Laker Marching Band performance by the Cook Carillon Tower

7 p.m.: Laker Remembrance at the Cook Carillon Tower. The event will honor students, faculty and alumni who have died in the previous year.

All day: A 282-flag display will be on the Allendale and Pew Grand Rapids campuses to recognize Grand Valley's 282 founders. A trail on both campuses will include facts about Founders Day.

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Students are encouraged to showcase their Laker pride by wearing Grand Valley gear throughout the day.

Last year, hundreds of students, faculty, staff members and community members celebrated the inaugural event by dedicating a statue of Seidman. For more information, visit www.gvsu.edu/studentlife.

Exercise science majors assist at Wings preseason camp

Students majoring in exercise science played a role in helping prepare the Detroit Red Wings for the hockey season.

Ross Sherman, associate professor and coordinator of exercise science, said a dozen undergraduate students traveled to Traverse City, where the Red Wings hold their preseason camp, to assist with the players' fitness tests.

Sherman said students assisted and supervised weight room assessments like dead lifts, bench presses and pull-ups, and field-based tests like body composition, jump height, speed and agility, and anaerobic capacity. They worked with both Red Wings prospects and returning players.

The Grand Rapids Griffins strength and conditioning coach contacted Sherman to ask if students would be interested in helping during the Wings' training camp.

The group's two-day trip to Traverse City was supported by funding



Ross Sherman, back row center, and exercise science students are pictured at the Detroit Red Wings training camp in Traverse City. Red Wing Johan Franzen is in the front row, far right.

from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarship.

University Libraries earn excellence award

Grand Valley's libraries have collectively become the first academic libraries to receive the 2014 State Librarian's Excellence Award for superior customer service.

The award, presented each year by the Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan, highlights the importance of services provided by libraries in Michigan.

Grand Valley received the award October 16 during the Michigan Library Association's annual conference in Grand Rapids.

Servicing Grand Valley's more than 25,000 students, University Libraries is comprised of the Mary Idema Pew Library Learning and Information Commons, Steelcase Library, Frey Foundation Learning Center, and Special Collections and University Archives.

Lee Van Orsdel, dean of University Libraries, said before moving into the Mary Idema Pew Library in 2013, library staff spent a full year redefining what great service should look like from the perspectives of those who use the multiple facilities.

"In the last 16 months, we have seen a lot of evidence that our commitment is evident to our students," said Van Orsdel. "To get the State Librarian's Award for excellence in customer service is icing on the cake and we are truly thrilled to have our efforts recognized."

The Library of Michigan specifically praised the Mary Idema Pew Library's innovative new technologies and supportive academic spaces, specifically the Knowledge Marketplace and Technology Showcase.

Applications taken for Internship Mini-Grants

The Career Center is taking applications for Internship Mini-Grants, which provide opportunities for faculty and staff members to create, enhance or expand internships or practicum initiatives in academic departments.

Past recipients of IMGs have used funding to create websites, build

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GVFaces

Dave Feenstra SAP Farm Manager

After nearly 19 years as a maintenance supervisor for Facilities Services, Dave Feenstra retired in 2012 but remains connected to campus.

Filling in for the fall semester, Feenstra serves as manager for the Sustainable Agriculture Project, housed in the Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies. His responsibilities include monitoring and planning food production and managing daily operations of "The Farm," such as marketing, transportation and academic department communication.

In the summers of 2012 and 2013, Feenstra did small project work for Facilities Services.

Feenstra has worked as a full-time farmer his entire life. He said he originally started working at Grand Valley as an outside job, "but ended

up staying almost 20 years." He said his farming was seasonal and the management at Grand Valley was very flexible, allowing him to have his various jobs at Grand Valley.

His Allendale farm is about 400 acres; Feenstra grows 120 acres of asparagus and maintains 90,000-square-foot of wholesale and retail greenhouse space.

In his free time, Feenstra enjoys traveling and said he plans to tour South America with his wife next year.



Dave Feenstra



What’s Ahead

Panelists will discuss Ford’s use of amendment

The Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies is partnering with the Gerald R. Ford Foundation & Museum, the National Constitution Center and the Economic Club of Grand Rapids to host a pair of panel discussions about President Ford.

The first panel will focus on “President Ford and the Rule of Law,” and the second on the “Pardon of Richard Nixon,” with both focusing on use of the 25th Amendment.

The first use of the 25th Amendment occurred in 1973 when President Richard Nixon nominated Congressman Gerald R. Ford to fill the vacancy left by Vice President Spiro Agnew’s resignation. In less than a year it would be used again — this time Ford became president after Nixon resigned, and he nominated Nelson Rockefeller to fill the vice presidential vacancy left by him.

Both discussions will take place at the Ford Presidential Museum in Grand Rapids on Monday, October 20.

- President Ford and the Rule of Law, 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- President Ford and the Pardon of Richard Nixon, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

A joint lunch with the Economic Club will follow at noon at the JW Marriott. To register, visit www.gvsu.edu/s/JG

Workshop will promote flexibility

An interactive class hosted by Priority Health will teach participants the benefits of flexibility and balance by targeting and lengthening muscles.

“Increase My Flexibility” is scheduled for Monday, October 20, at noon in the Kirkhof Center, rooms 2215/2216.

Register online at www.gvsu.edu/seminar.

Leader to discuss climate change in Caribbean

The leader of a sustainable initiative in the Caribbean country of St. Vincent and the Grenadines will give a lecture on campus on Monday, October 20.

Stina Herberg, headmaster at the Richmond Vale Academy in St. Vincent, is working to make St. Vincent and the Grenadines the world’s first climate compliant nation through awareness of global warming and climate change. The lecture is in recognition of National Sustainability Day, which takes place October 22.

Herberg’s lecture, “Lessons from the St. Vincent Climate Compliance Conference,” will take place from noon-1 p.m. at the Cook-DeWitt Center.

Erik Nordman, associate professor of biology, said he met Herberg through the Pan American Development Foundation, where he is working to write curriculum in climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

The event, free and open to the public, is sponsored by the Office of Sustainability Practices, Biology Department, Environmental Studies, and Geography and Planning.

For more information, visit www.gvsu.edu/sustainability.

Fall career fair set

More than 230 employers are registered to attend Grand Valley’s Fall Career Fair.

The fair is free and open to college students and alumni who are seeking professional employment or internship opportunities. Employers will represent a wide variety of disciplines within the business, nonprofit and public sectors.

It will run from 1-5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 21, at DeVos Place Convention Center, 303 Monroe Avenue.

The event is sponsored by Grand Valley and supported by eight schools: Aquinas College, Calvin College, Cornerstone University, Davenport University, Hope College, Kendall College of Art & Design and Kuyper College.

Participant pre-registration is not required, but students should bring their student ID. Follow and participate in the conversation on Twitter at @GVSUCareers and #GVCareerFair.

For a list of registered employers, visit www.gvsu.edu/careerfairs.

Office of Public Culture will host author at two events

The author of a book linking an imagination crisis to a capitalistic power crisis will give presentations at two events in Grand Rapids.

Max Haiven, author of “Crisis of Imagination, Crisis of Power: Capitalism, Creativity and the Commons,” will discuss his work Tuesday, October 21, at events detailed below. Both events are free and open to the public.

- “Crisis of Imagination, Crisis of Power: Capitalism, Creativity, and the Commons”; October 21, 6:30 p.m., Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts, 2 Fulton West, Grand Rapids.

- “Art, Money, and Labor in Practice: Culture Work in the Creative City”; October 21, 3-4:30 p.m., Kendall College of Art and Design, 17 Pearl St. NW, Grand Rapids.

Grand Valley’s Office of Public Culture is hosting Haiven’s visit, co-sponsors are Grand Valley’s Visual Studies emphasis in the Department of Art and Design, Kendall College’s Fed Galleries, and the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts. The Office of Public Culture is housed in the Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies.

Paul Wittenbraker, associate professor of art and design, said Haiven’s presentations are relevant for artists, activists, educators and entrepreneurs.

Haiven teaches art history and critical studies at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. His research focuses on themes including the financialization of society and culture, the politics and economics of culture, critical art practices, and social and cultural theory.

Fireside Chat focuses on performance for social change

Two faculty members from the School of Communications will lead a Fireside Chat and discuss stage performance for social change.

Karen Libman and Alli Metz will talk about “Staging Acts of Activism” on Wednesday, October 22, at noon in the Kirkhof Center, room 1201. Participants are encouraged to bring their lunches.

The Fireside Chats are sponsored by the Women’s Center and Women’s Commission.

National day of service will draw hundreds

Nearly 400 volunteers from Grand Valley are expected to participate in the nation’s largest day of community service on Saturday, October 25.

During Make a Difference Day, students will perform service work at various area agencies for the day. Volunteers will have opportunities to work with many causes, including assisting with youth and senior citizen projects, or cleaning up trails and parks.

The day will kick off at 9:30 a.m. in the Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room. Participants will then be bused to various sites throughout the Grand Rapids area to work on community service projects until 3 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the Community Service Learning Center at Grand Valley.

Fall Arts Celebration presents Gallim Dance

Gallim Dance, founded in 2007, is a Brooklyn-based contemporary dance company dedicated to creating and performing original work by choreographer Andrea Miller.

Miller is a former Julliard dance graduate who studied GaGa technique with the Batsheva Dance Company under the direction of Ohad Naharin. Upon her return from Israel, Miller embarked on a cutting-edge mastery of movement invention inspired by the compositional improvisation structure of GaGa technique.

“Gallim Dance: Articulate Bodies, Visceral Language” will take place October 27, at 7:30 p.m., in the Louis Armstrong Theatre. The event is free and open to the public.

“Gallim Dance is one of the world’s most sought after contemporary dance companies,” said Danny Phipps, chair of Music and Dance at Grand Valley. “It is breaking new ground in choreographic invention, physical realities and human awareness.”

GaGa technique incorporates past and present movement invention practices fueled by human emotion. In the early 20th century, dance pioneers Isadora Duncan and Ruth St. Denis employed movement invention and exploration practices inspired by the sheer joy of simply moving. In the 1960s, postmodern choreographers Yvonne Rainer and Trisha Brown incorporated spontaneous, pedestrian, task-based movements to develop choreography. Gallim’s dancers are described as fluid, quirky and phenomenal talents.

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



The Fall Arts Celebration continues with Gallim Dance, set for October 27 in the Performing Arts Center.

FACULTY AND STAFF SKETCHES

Sketches

Colleen Bourque, Groundswell project coordinator for the College of Education, wrote an article, “Free-Choice Family Learning: A Literature Review for the National Park Service,” published in the *Journal of Interpretation Research*.

Dawn Evans, assistant professor of English, co-wrote an article, “Mathematics and Numeracy as Social and Spatial Practice,” published in *Education Research International*.

Jean Nagelkerk, vice provost for Health, received a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration for year three of a project, “Nurse Education, Practice, Quality and Retention.”

Claudia Leiras, associate professor of allied health sciences/public health, led a pre-conference institute, “Dissecting Desktop Data: Using Clinical Data for Outcomes Research,” and gave three presentations at the American Association for Hand Therapists annual meeting in Boston, Massachusetts.

Laurence Jose, assistant professor of writing, gave a presentation, “Professional Writing Courses and Online Contexts: Programmatic and Pedagogical Perspectives,” at the CPTSC Conference in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Ingrid Johnson, associate professor of movement science, was named the Michigan Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance College/University Leader of the Year. She will receive the award in November at the organization’s annual convention.

William Neal, emeritus professor of geology, and **Greg Wilson**, geology lab supervisor, co-wrote an article, “Beaches of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, Michigan,” published on the Coastal Care website. Neal also wrote a book review of “A Tide-Swept Coast of Sand and Marsh: Coastal Geology and Ecology of Georgia” published in the *Journal of Coastal Research*.

Matthew Reidsma, web services librarian, gave a presentation, “Responsive Web Design for Libraries,” at the Library Network’s 2014 Technology Forum in Bloomfield Hills.

WGVU staff members **Jim Rademaker** and **Timothy E. Eernisse** were appointed by PBS to the PBS On-Air Fundraising Pilot Project Committee.

Andrew Booth, assistant professor and chair of physician assistant studies, received a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration for year three of a project, “Physician Assistant Training in Primary Care,”

Religious tolerance exhibit

President Thomas J. Haas joined members of the West Michigan religious community October 13 to introduce a new exhibit focused on religious tolerance in Oman.

“Religious Tolerance – Islam in the Sultanate of Oman” will be hosted in the Mary Idema Pew Library Learning and Information Commons through October 30.

Photo by Bernadine Carey-Tucker

President Thomas J. Haas and University Libraries Dean Lee Van Orsdel are pictured at the reception for an exhibit at the Mary Idema Pew Library.



Eric Kunnen, associate director of eLearning and emerging technologies, gave a presentation, “Wireless Presentation Systems: Ad Hoc and Enterprise Solutions for the Interactive Classroom,” at EDUCAUSE 2014.

Marlen Vavrikova, associate professor of music and dance, **Karen Gipson**, professor of physics, and a student co-wrote an article, “A Physical Perspective on Oboe Reeds,” published in the *Double Reed*.

Robert Beasecker, director of special collections and University Archives, wrote a book, Michigan in the Novel 2007-2011: A Five-Year Checklist,” published via *ScholarWorks*.

Barbara Harvey, liaison librarian, wrote an article, “A Community of Practice: Librarians in a Biomedical Research Network,” published in *Medical Reference Services Quarterly*.

Max Eckard, metadata and digital curation librarian, gave a presentation, “Lightning Talk,” at the Mid-Michigan Digital Preservation Practitioners Meeting.

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employer connections within the community, and organize internship panels/recruitment events for their academic areas.

Proposals are due November 14. Information and an online application can be found at www.gvsu.edu/careers, click on “Faculty and Staff.”

KCON ‘bras for a cause’



Photo by Jessica Weal

Faculty and staff members from the Kirkhof College of Nursing are pictured after decorating bras and displaying them in the lobby of the Cook-DeVos Center for Health Sciences, recognizing October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



Photo by Amanda Pitts

Participants at High School Voice Day are pictured.

Students participate in Voice Day

High school students from around Michigan participated in a unique opportunity at Grand Valley to improve their vocal abilities. On October 10, more than 60 students joined Grand Valley faculty members and guest teachers for the third annual High School Voice Day.

Dale Schriemer, professor and director of vocal activities, said the event gives promising high school students of voice an opportunity to participate in various hands-on workshops, including effective warm-ups, audition techniques and master classes.

“There are no ‘college prep’ music programs within school systems so the responsibility goes to the individual students to seek music tutors who will prepare them for the rigors of college music curricula,” said Schriemer.