It is estimated that the oceans will remain in the atmosphere for about a century. Research will lead to better understanding of the oceans in regulating atmospheric CO2.

A CLAS associate dean

Appointed associate dean in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Mary Schutten has been a professor of modern languages for five years at Grand Valley. Schutten has experience at Western Michigan University and Calvin College, where she served as chair for six years and head of the village. She was awarded the CLAS Teaching and Learning Center and provides oversight of the CLAS Academic Advising Center. Schutten will take up her post when her sabbatical ends in May.

Grand Valley wins
Campus Commuter Challenge

Grand Valley students, faculty and staff have proven to be the greenest commuters in the state by winning the Campus Commuter Challenge. The competition, sponsored by Greenride through The Rapid, measured who took the most alternative commutes during the week of September 22.

Grand Valley competed against Michigan State University, Cooley Law School-Lansing, Henry Ford Community College, Lansing Community College, Oakland University, University of Michigan-Dearborn and Wayne State University.

Grand Valley finished first in the competition, beating out second-place Michigan State by more than 25 percent. “We are so proud of the campus community,” said Erin Babson, operations manager for Pew Campus and Regional Centers. “This is another way Grand Valley has proven to be sustainability oriented.”

This was Grand Valley’s first year competing in the Campus Commuter Challenge.

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