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Tanthorn



Grand Valley State University

Lets get physical!

By AMIE MILLION News Editor

"Tust do it. Just jump in with two feet and just try it."

These are the words of Kristine Storey, who was "thrown" into being an aerobics instructor six years ago.

Now she wants you.

"The biggest benefit of aerobics is for cardio-vascular exercise," said Storey, who is now Grand Valley's Fitness and Wellness Intern. "But it's more interesting and fun. People get bored on the Stairclimber and on the bike. Aerobics adds the toning and makes an hour of exercise go by fast."

There are currently _____ different aerobics classes offered to the Grand Valley community. Classes are held Monday through Thursday at various times. It only costs \$1 per class for students, and \$6 for community members.

The times selected for the current classes are taken from student feedback and participation statistics from the previous semester. Although it's all that the program has to go on, sometimes this process of evaluation is unpredictable.

For example, last semester the 9:00 p.m. class was popular. However, this semester the class had to be dropped because of lack of participants.

"If attendance in the classes is high, we can get more times, no problem," Storey said. "But for a university this size, the attendance is too low."

There are classes held every day at noon, Monday through Friday for faculty and staff members. This is open for both members and non-members of SHAPE, the fitness program designed particularly for faculty and staff.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of SHAPE needs to fill out an application. They will then receive newletters and be informed of other services offered especially for SHAPE participants, like fitness assessments and incentive programs. Any faculty or staff member can attend the aerobics classes and be a member of SHAPE.

There are currently eight or nine faculty members who attend the noon class regularly, but Storey and other instructors, like sophomore instructor Michelle Hendrickson, would like to see that number, along with those in the other classes, rise.

"I love to have a big class. The more people the more fun," Hendrickson said.

Hendrickson, a Health Science major, has been an aerobics instructor for two years and became certified last June. She currently teaches the cross-training classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. She also picks up other workouts, such as Grand Valley's soccer and crew teams, whom she recently started instructing in the mornings.

All instructors are Grand Valley students, most of whom are certified.

Because "regular, hard-core" aerobics participants expect a lot out of the class and the instructor, it's important for instructors to keep up with the times, Storey said. She added that since Jazzercise has been around since 1970, some people have been participating in aerobics for a lot of years.

Kristine Storey Instructs participants of the most recent Aerobics Challenge. The next challenge is this Saturday, Fab. 22, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Recreation Center.

Photo courtesy of HRW

Storey feels that enthusiasm is a number one requirement for instructors. Creativity and a little coordination also help.

For those interested in becoming certified instructors, the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America will be holding a certification class on May 10. Storey plans on holding a preparation workshop before that day.

Students and staff who are interested in "just jumping in and trying it," The Aerobics Challenge will be this Saturday, Feb. 22, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The cost is

\$2.00. The monies will be used to purchase new music for the aerobics program.

Since all of Grand Valley's instructors will take part, The Aerobics Challenge offers participants an opportunity to decide which instructors they like best. It is also worth 10 points in the Spring Break Training Program.

SEE PAGE 5 FOR A DESCRIPTION AND SCHEDULE OF THE AEROBICS CLASSES OFFERED AT GVSU.

Clinton's "Hope Scholarship:" What does it mean for GVSU?

BY SUSAN HORN STAFF WRITER

"Idon't think it will help a lot of students who are really needy for funds, "said Ken Fridsma, Director of Financial Aid at Grand Valley, regarding the president's new incentive.

Fridsma, who has worked in Grand Valley's Financial Aid Administration for 15 years, is concerned with the trend of federal government's higher education assistance programs.

"What the president is proposing, is using the tax code as a way of changing the way that financial aid is delivered to students," Fridsma said.

The Hope Scholarship uses the tax code to provide tax credits and tax deductions rather than providing money directly to students. Parents with children in college can qualify for a tax credit up to \$1,500 per year, for the first two years that the child is in college.

A minimum B grade point average (GPA) needs to be maintained to qualify for the tax credit, but there is not a GPA restriction to qualify for a deduction. A tax deduction of as much as \$10,000 can be taken, but not during the same time as the tax credit is rewarded.

"It is obvious that the programs he is proposing is geared to middle and upper income families, "Fridsma said.

Since low income students and families are not paying taxes, they will not be able to take the credit, and will not benefit at all from these proposals or from any tax code.

"The middle class family is hurting from

the standpoint that the costs are getting higher and they struggle to send their sons and daughters to school, "Fridsma said. "I'm not saying that they don't need

help as well, but I don't like to see that happen at the expense of the low income."

Grand Valley has the lowest tuition of any state university in Michigan, with the cost of education close to \$10,000 a year.

Fridsma said this cost is difficult for a middle income family to meet, but impossible for a low income family. He feels we need to have a foundation of student aid that is given directly to students.

"Using the tax code, there is no guarantee that parents who take the tax credit are still going to give the money to their son or daughter to go to school," Fridsma said.

He said we have to realize that this particular proposal of President Clinton's

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Chris Rock rocks

BY ROBBIN MELTON EDITOR

March 15 at 8 p.m.

ring the Pain" Tour, featuring comedian Chirs Rock and special guest Mario Joyner, will be in Grand Valley's Fieldhouse Arena on

Rock, 30, has performed stand-up comedy for the past 12 years. He has appeared on HBO, Comedy Central, Living Color, Saturday Night Live,

and such movies as "Beverly Hills Cop II," "Boomerang," "I'm Gonna Git You Sucka," and numerous others. Rock also hosted the 1996 Billboard Music Awards, and plans to publish "Hyperion," by this fall.

Reviews of the "Bring the Pain" Tour likened Rock with comedians Richard Pryor and Lenny Bruce. "Bring the Pain"

confronts issues in society pertaining to race, and the division between African-Amercians regarding the O.J. Simpson case.

got its start on HBO and

Tickets will go on sale Feb. 20 at 7 a.m. at Kirkhof Center. GVSU students can purchase a maximum of two tickets per valid GVSU ID at \$8 each. Tickets for non-

students are \$11 each, not including the convenience fee, and will go on sale at all Tickets Plus outlets on Feb. 22.

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is not going to help any really poor students and families.

"I'm not trying to knock his proposals in any way," Fridsma

"Any effort on the part of the federal government to improve education and assist parents and students to meet the cost of education is good."

The President is proposing some increases in student aid that will help low income students as well. He is proposing that the Federal Pell Grant be increased to \$3,000, from this year's \$2,700.

Last year it was increased from \$2,470. Of the five basic Student Federal Aid Programs available

at Grand Valley, the Pell Grant, which is 100 percent gift, is geared mostly towards low income. Its eligibility is determined by the federal government and is funded directly to students.

However, the Pell Grant had remained the same for some time and, even with the 29 percent increase over the past two years, it has not kept pace with inflation and the rising cost of higher education over the years. Bringing it up to \$3,000 will not

cover the cost of tuition and books for a non-resident student, whereas fifteen years ago the Pell Grant covered all tuition and even books.

"I think we have to look at the Pell Grant as being the floor foundation of student aid for low income students, "Fridsma said.

When Clinton took office four years ago, there were several initiatives regarding financial aid in addition to the Pell Grant measures. He has increased funding of the Federal Work-Study Programs significantly, which provides more job opportunities for students. Clinton is currently proposing that work study jobs be used in his "Right to Read Program."

Grand Valley is currently looking into developing such a program in Grand Rapids.

AmeriCorps Program more available students. AmeriCorps is a community service program where students can work in local community projects at minimum wage, but with benefits. An AmeriCorps worker can build up credits which can be applied to future tuition, or after graduation for the repaying of loans.

Another initiative by Clinton was to change the student direct loan program. Schools now have the choice of participating in either the new direct loan program or continue to fund through local lenders.

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Fridsma,

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Financial Aid

Grand Valley participates in the direct loan program, which allows students bypass bank loans and borrow directly from federal the government.

Problems with the increase in financial aid access are that students may be borrowing more money than they really need, or

more than they can comfortably repay following graduation.

Fridsma said even though the total amount of gift aid has increased over the years, the balance of the aid has shifted more towards loans. The Federal Government has expanded the availability of loans so that every student can borrow at this point.

Fridsma acknowledges Clinton for the efforts he has made to make higher education more available, and said the fact that the government is not proposing any decrease or end to any of these programs is significant.

"I think the tax proposals are kind of an add-on thing," Fridsma said. "I'm encouraged that the president is putting education as a real strong priority in his budget."

Student Clinton has also made the

Aid

Info.

All of the Federal Student Financial Assistance Programs available to GVSU students are explained in full in "The Student Guide," and are only briefly highlighted below.

-Federal Pell Grants: \$2,700, must qualify, gift:

-Stafford Loans: \$2,625 to \$7,500-direct loan---subsidized and unsubsidized.

-PLUS loans: \$ equal to cost of attendance; for parents; variable interest rate.

Loans: -Consolidation direct loan-variable interest

-Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants: campus-based-gift.

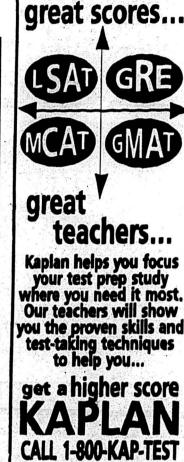
-Federal Work Study: \$100 to \$4,000—paid directly. -Federal Perkins Loans: \$3,000 -\$5,000---5% interest-

no fees-10 years to repay. -The Student Guide to Financial Aid is available in Room 100, Student Services Building.

Grand Valley's While Scholarship Program is geared primarily to entering students, there is an upper class scholarship program that students can apply for in their sophomore year for their junior and senior years. A 3.5 GPA or above is required to apply.

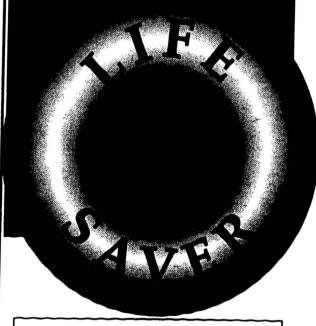
There are also several and memorial alumni scholarships available to students at Grand Valley. For more info. call the Financial Aid office at 895-3234.







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'Inaugural' summit sets precedence

BY AMIE MILLION NEWS EDITOR

ine Michigan universities were in attendance at the first ever Universities of Michigan student senate summit held on Saturday, Feb. 8.

The summit, which was organized and initiated by Grand Valley's Political Actions Committee of Student Senate, was held as an attempt to open a network of communication between Michigan's universities.

There were five senators from each school. Those schools who

attended not including GVSU were: University of Michigan (Ann Arbor and Flint), Michigan State, Michigan Tech, Lake Superior State, Ferris State, Central Michigan, Saginaw and Valley.

Representatives from three schools gave presentations

throughout the day. Central Michigan University's Adam Miller presented information on financial aid and Americorps.

Dave Ponegalek of Ferris State gave a presentation on capital outlay and state appropriations. He informed the audience about how much money each state funded university receives from the government, where that money comes from, and what the odds are for each university to attain the amount of funds requested.

The last student-given presentation was by Aaron Hubner, Grand Valley's Vice President of Political Actions for Student Senate.

Hubner's presentation was about Public Act 7 of 1995. This

act, which is also referred to as the Tuition Tax Credit, allows any Michigan resident who attends an in-state college or university and who earns less than \$200,000 year to apply the credit to their Michigan income tax return. The credit is good for a reimbursement of up to \$250 in college tuition and fees. The institution attended must keep yearly tuition increases below the national inflation rate for their students to qualify.

The goal of Hubner's presentation was to not only inform the senate bodies present of the tax credit, but also that

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together they "develop a clear

and concrete opinion regarding

Public Act 7, draft a resolution

and lobby our state government

The students' presentations

The senators returned to hear

Tom Butcher from Grand

Valley's University Council give

a keynote address. According to

Hubner, Butcher's focus was on

"how the state, federal, and local

governments effect universities,

and why it is important to keep

up-to-date on issues that effect

Butcher also offered an

analysis of what President

Clinton's plans are concerning

were followed by a Question and

Answer session and then a break

for action on the issue."

for lunch.

us."

education and federal government policies, as implied in Clinton's State of the Union Address.

"I think all the universities present achieved a better understanding of how student government in the state works," Hubner said, adding that he also felt there was a lot learned regarding financial aid.

Hoping to make the summit an annual event, there was an election to decide who will hold the summit next year. After much debate between Central, Michigan State, and U. of M., the chosen school was Central

because of its location in the state, and its mediocre size. The fact that they gave a presentation this year also proved to be in their favor. It was also decided to hold the summit in the fall, around October and November so the group can set an agenda for the rest

of the year.

"We hope to continue to talk throughout the year about issues that concern us," Hubner said. "As an inaugural event, it couldn't have turned out any better."

Those senators besides Hubner who represented Grand Valley at the summit were: Dave Chrystan, Stephanie Osborne, Valentine Sherbey and Jonathan Ward. Student Senate President and Executive Vice President James Class and Angela Gray were also in attendance, respectively.

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity offered their fraternity house for the rooming of Lake Superior State participants on Friday night.

Senator of the Week

Beth Goralewski

freshman, Allocations Committee

She was selected for her hard work on the budgeting process of the Allocations Committee

"As a new senator, Beth has been an ideal committee member and taken on her share of the work and more" -Joe Hunter, V.P. of Allocations

Senate Info:

- A Housing Adequacy Task Force has been formed by Senator Brad Ramsey. If you would like to join, or have questions/ concerns, call him at 895-2333
- Look for off-campus housing surveys on campus
- Student Senate election packets are available for the 1997-98 school year.
- Elections will be held on March 25-27
- Senate Web Address is: www2.gvsu.edu/~senates

Briefly -

The Senior Citizens Program, part of Volunteer!GVSU, announces the "Senior Prom." This event will be held on Friday, March 14, from 7-9 p.m. in the Grand River Room of Kirkhof. Join us for "Ages of Elegance," and evening of music, food and fun. We invite the campus community to join us for this wonderful event free of charge. Call 895-2363 for more information.

There will be student employee training available at the Eberhard Center on Monday, March 17, from 1-3 p.m. in room 414. Students have until the end of this semester to attend a training session in order to remain eleigible to work.

Sessions available on the Allendale campus are:

Tues. March 11 from 10 am-12 pm, Mon. March 24, from 1-3 pm, and Thurs. April 10 from 9-11 a.m.

A program on the impact of welfare reform in Michigan will be held at the Eberhard Center in Grand Rapids on Thursday, Feb. 20 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. The program is entitled "Welfare Reform: Now That It's Here, What Can We Expect?"

GVSU's School of Public and Nonprofit Administration and West Michigan Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration have teamed up to host the program. Call 771-6575 for more information.

For those interested in running for Student Senate next year, packets are available in the Student Senate office until March 14. There has been 40 packets turned in so far.

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Students are in need of savvy financial skills

BY AARON J. CLEVELAND **GUEST WRITER**

ave you ever rolled into the gas station with your car burning the last remaining vapors of gas left in the tank? Is the only remaining food in your apartment a box of macaroni and cheese? Do you find yourself paying for things with rolls of dimes and pennies? If your answer is "yes" to any of these questions, you just may be a college student in need of sound financial advice.

According to Gregg K. Dimkoff, professor of Finance and chairman of the Finance Department, there are many actions students can take to save money, most of which are small lifestyle changes that require discipline on the part of the student. However, discipline can also be a rare commodity among college students.

Attacking credit card misuse is the first step in getting one's financial situation in order.

"One credit card is all you need, a Visa or Mastercard," said Dimkoff. "If you cannot pay off your credit card bills without incurring financing charges, one credit card is too many. Throw it away-you lack he financial discipline to won one." Dimkoff pointed out that 70 percent of credit card users don't incur financing fees.

To avoid credit card financing charges, it is necessary to find a card that does not have an annual fee. No annual fee cards are very easy to obtain. Paying the bill's maximum balance every month will also help you avoid late fees, because interest on the remaining balance is usually around 18 percent annually. Paying the whole bill every month avoids the interest charges.

Paying the credit card bill is easier if the balance is lower. Keeping the balance down can be done with a little will power. One good rule is to never use your credit card to buy disposable goods such as food. Using the card for entertainment expenses is also a mistake because the satisfaction from the purchase is long gone by the time bill arrives. Credit cards only delay the inevitable.

Once the credit cards are under control, move on to the small change. "Watch the small change," said Dimkoff. Money spent on items such as pop, candy bars, or pizza adds up very quickly. Before you realize it, the weekly snack and junk food bill approaches \$60 or \$70. Cutting

down on snack purchases and eating at home as much as possible will save a student money in the long run.

Another drain on the typical college student's budget is the purchasing of alcohol and cigarette products. According to Professor Dimkoff, a recent survey of college students indicated that the typical student spends nearly \$50 a week on alcoholic beverages. At \$50 a week for 30 weeks, the total is up to \$1,500 for a typical school year. The once small change quickly turns into a big chunk of money, and this problem is only compounded if the student is a smoker. A pack-a-day smoker could easily spend \$15 a week on tobacco.

The best solution to this problem is to quit smoking and drinking altogether. The next best solution is to smoke and drink less frequently.

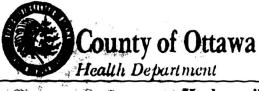
Shopping for cheaper clothing also cuts expenses. There is no need to wear the most expensive and fashionable clothing when there are cheaper alternatives which have the same quality, explained Dimkoff. Dimkoff also noted that many second-hand clothing stores sell slightly used clothing in addition manufacturer surplus clothing. If fashion isn't everything to you, then consider cutting your expenses by shopping at these stores.

Another cost cutting technique is simply not to carry cash. Those who carry cash spend a third more than those who don't, stated Dimkoff. The easiest way not to spend money or make impulse purchases is not to carry it with you.

Another way to avoid such purchases is to make a shopping list before you visit the store. According to a Wall Street Journal article by Jonathan Clements, buy only the items on the list. If you want something that you don't need, wait a week and then see if you still want it as badly.

Once students have mastered the concept of cutting expenses, the reward may be extra money. Dimkoff suggests putting the money in an interest bearing account, such as certificate of deposit, savings, or money market checking account.

Whatever your financial situation, remember to avoid debt debt as much as possible; cut expenses whenever possible; and discipline yourself to save and invest your money wisely.



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POLICE BEAT

02/03/97

Copeland Hall Larceny, **Victims** reported lobby. personal items stolen from lobby. Victims are students. Open.

Larceny, GVSU Plant. Victim reported gasoline stolen from a work truck. Victim is an employee. Open.

02/04/97

Victim reported receiving a harassing letter. Victim is not a student. Open.

02/05/97

Larceny, Lake Huron Hall. Victim reported personal item stolen from office. Victim is an employee. Open.

02/06/97

Victim reported personal items stolen from locked vehicle. Victim is a student. Open.

Medical, Robinson Hall. Victim suffered from alcohol overdose. Victim was treated at scene by Allendale Rescue and transported by Life EMS to Butterworth Hospital. Victim is a student. Closed.

02/07/97

Larceny, GVSU Weight Room. Victim reported personal items stolen from hallway outside weight room. Victim is a student. Open.

02/08/97

Possession of Marijuana, Minor in Possession-2nd Offense, GVSU Lot D. One cited. Warrant requested. Larceny, GVSU Lot H. Subject is a student. Closed.





Mathematics and **Statistics Club Meeting**

1) GVSU Professor Nancy Alexander (and GVSU alumni Jen Hower) will talk about graduate programs in math and math education

2)Make-Your-Own Sunday bar **All Interested Students** Are Invited to Attend





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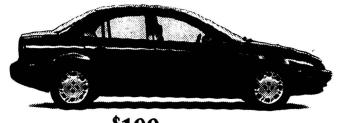
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5:30 PM		X-TRAIN Michelle	BODYWORKS Heather	HI/LO & TONE Kristine	BODYWORKS Michelle	
7:00 PM		STEP Amber	STEP Michelle	STEP Trad	STEP Krista	
8:00 PM	ADVANCED STEP	CIRCUIT TRAINING		CIRCUIT TRAINING		

WATER AEROBICS - WINTER 1997 (Pool)

TIME	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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9:00 PM			NEW WAVE Heather	YX.	NEW WAVE	I

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New Wave Pool: Come plunge in the pool for a different type of aerobics. This class incorporates the resistance and buoyancy of water with the use of webbed gloves, kickboards, and styrofoam dumbbells for a great cardio workout without the impact to bones and joints.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Department of Public Safety

In the car:

Keep doors locked and windows rolled up when driving. Don't pick up hitchhikers, no matter how harmless they look. Keep an eye on your fuel gauge - stop for gas if you're running low.

Maintain your car to reduce the chances of a breakdown

If your car breaks down:

Raise the hood and turn on the emergency flashers
Stay inside the car with the doors locked. Wait for the police.
If someone stops, ask him/her to call the police or a nearby garage.



Student Employee Appreciation Days!

he Student Employment office is proud to announce the first annual "Student Employee Appreciation Days".

February 24th, 25th, and 26th. This will be the first time our campus community recognizes at the same time AND in the same way what a valuable asset our student employees are. Please participate in as many events as possible.

On Monday, February 24th We encourage each department to show APPRECIATION in some way to their student employees.

On <u>Tuesday February 25th</u> We will have grilled hot dogs and chips outside the Kirkhof Center and the Eberhard Center. We will distribute tickets to each department to give to each student employee so that they can get their "dog and chips".

February 25th We will have a drawing for a few prizes using the students pay check number from their February 25th pay check as their automatic entry. The winning numbers will be posted in the Student Employment Office, the Payroll Office, the Eberhard Center and the Student Life Office.

On February 26th we will have a bowling tournament at Grand Valley Lanes in Allendale. Be sure to put a team together (a supervisor and three or four hard working students). We were able to get a discount for bowling. Door prizes and trophies to be sure! A wall plaque will be awarded to the winning department with the names of the team members engraved on the plaque. We hope this plaque will be passed from winner to winner over the next century. A "bowling tournament" entry form will be mailed to each department. It should be returned to Marc Sharphorn in the Field House.

We appreciate you. Grand Valley
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OUR VIEW

Discerning editorials from articles

For some uncanny reason, the general public is unable to tell the difference between an editorial and an article. Time and time again, we have seen people refer to an article as an editorial, and occasionally vice versa. However, we wish to clarify this confusion and explain, again, the significance of the "Our View" column.

First of all, an article is a researched story that appears in any pages or sections of a newspaper except those entitled ed/op, op/ed, or the like. Articles characteristically are compiled from two or more sources, and contain quotes from said sources.

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"Our View," like any other guest editorial we publish, are opinion pieces based on the aforesaid. And they should be treated as such, and nothing more.

In future, please remember what we have explained, and this can be applied to any other newspaper, magazine, et cetera. When statements are made in the "Our View" column, they are generally based on what we have observed, heard and/or experienced here on campus.

It is erroneous and poor judgement on anyone's fault to analyze opinion pieces as stories or articles. We urge not only ourselves, but everyone, to make the distinction between fact and opinion, and between an article and an editorial.

And if we do say so ourselves, based on the admission(s) of several student workers, perhaps they need to do a little research themselves and find out whether or not they are supposed to take paid breaks and the authorized locations (s) of said breaks. It is quite clear to us that no one really seems to know.

With the help of Tim Thimmesch, director of Plant Services, we learned that student workers are entitled to one 15-minute paid break per every two hours of work at designated locations. Student workers may also keep the Plant Services vehicle that they are using through their break until they resume their work.

While Thimmesch maintains that Plant Services has firm but flexible guidlelines, all student employees must remember that they are a representative of Grand Valley State University, and must present and conduct themselves accordingly. The latter can be found in the Student Employment Policy.

While some may feel it our responsibility that the student workers who were referred to lost their jobs, we feel it is immature and a irrational that anyone jump to the conclusion that they were fired based on an opinion. Although it is unfortunate that this happened, we contend that we held no part in the termination of any student worker's employment.

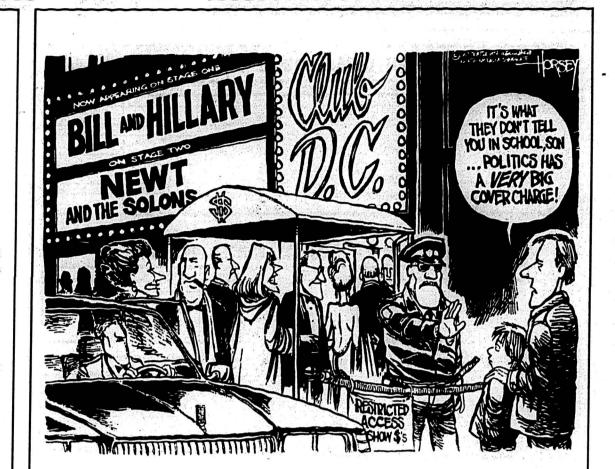
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Question of the Week:

Where is the weirdest or worst place you've

been for Spring Break?



"Some friends and I went hiking naked through Manistee National Forest." -James Sheline, freshman



"Going with a class to collect aquatic insects in the Smokey Mountains:"
-Nate Bacheler



"I got kicked out of KFC in Mexico for playing in the balls." -Kirsten Albrechtsen

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"I am supposed to get my nipples pierced this Spring Break." -Dave Poindexter



"I went home to
Mackinaw and built a
snow barricade so I
could lay in the sun."
-Tosha Duczkowski,
Junior



"Our van broke down in Clearwater and we stayed at a campground where the youngest person there was 65 years old."
-Michelle Metzger

Campus Concerns

I would like to say "thank you" to The Lanthorn staff for the story printed in the Feb. 6 issue that was so very well researched and reported to the public with the utmost ruth. Who am I trying to kid? I should be saying that the truth. Who am I trying to a prestigious career working for such staff is heading to a prestigious career working for such quality newspapers as The National Inquirer.

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I am one of those three that were so-called giving the bird to all of the working students on campus. I do not know how you can be proud of this article. I and two others lost our jobs because of one person's opinions that were just our jobs because of one person's opinions that were just opinions. If the author or any other of the staff has worked opinions. If the author or any other of the staff has worked opinions of the United States, then you know that for every four in the United States, then you know that for every four hours of work done, you receive a 15-minute paid break. A hours of work done, you receive a found to six hours of usual day for me consisted of about five to six hours of work, constituting at least one break. Yes, indeed you did work, constituting at least one break. Yes, indeed you did

I also contest most of the authors' comments made about official break. me and my co-workers. I, first of all, do not like to be accused of something publicly without the accuser knowing me or all of the facts involved in the case. Your choice words of cheating the campus makes me very irrate. It takes a very hard lesson sometimes for someone to learn right from wrong, and this has happened to me in the past. Since then, I have done nothing wrong, mainly cheating or stealing from the school. I was not born with a silver spoon in my mouth and because of the values my parents taught me, I do not take anything for free. Everything that I own I received through my own money as a direct result of working. My own learned from my parents, makes me everything I am, which is honesty and the willingness to work for everything I want and believe in. So how dare you ever accuse me of doing something when you do not even know all the facts involved in the case.

As for my job, I liked it and did it to the best of my ability. Do not forget that we are the people responsible ability. Do not forget that we are the people responsible for shoveling and salting all of the campus walks. It is for shoveling and something wrong then it is to say always easier to find something wrong then it is to say thank you for doing a job which improves the looks of the looks of thank you for doing a job which improves the looks of thank you for doing a job which improves the looks of thank you for doing a job which improves the looks of thank you for doing a job which improves the looks of the looks of thank you

we worked, and yes we did take a bleak mich of the Lanthorn In closing, I am very disappointed with The Lanthorn staff for printing such an unresearched article in a public newspaper. In the future, I would advise you to do public newspaper. In the future, I would advise you to do just a little bit of work before you print a story because

pust a little bit of any the Student every one has to pay the Student Life fee which in turn funds the paper. I for one do not like to waste my money, and by having to give my money to the newspaper, I see that as a very big waste of my money.

-Michael J. Fennell, student

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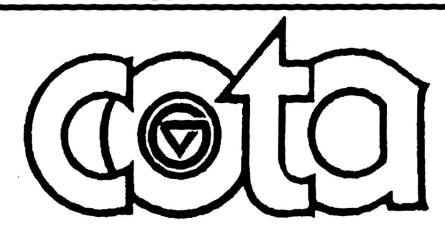
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CAMPUS LIFE

Bernice King addresses issues related to Black History

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BY DAUVAN MULALLY STAFF WRITER

There is an important story to hear this month, the one of the history, struggle, and victory of the African-American people.

In celebration of Black History month, the Reverend Bernice A. King, daughter of civil rights legend Martin Luther King Jr. was invited to Grand Valley as a guest keynote speaker. As a nationally renowned orator, she was able to eloquently chronicle the contributions that African-Americans have made and continue to make in our society.

There was a sea of expectant faces in the Louis Armstrong theater this past February 12. hundred and individuals came to hear Reverend King to give her

speech. She began by asking each of us in the theater to greet those

around us that we did not know. We all became friends as we waited to embark on the journey through African. American history with her as own personal guide.

In a very commanding voice, the Reverend Bernice King touched on the historical highlights of black

accomplishments through the

Washington Carver, Malcolm X, and Mary MaCloud Bethune among many others. She called

upon the fact that "we are more

power" and that it is up to all of us to educate others as well as ourselves.

Photo by Kristin Shoup

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scientists, doctors, and lawyers."

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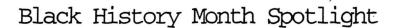
community not take on a defeatist attitude in the face of adversity. She called upon everyone in the audience to shed the media stereotypes of blacks being "a lazy, weak, uncivilized culture." King spoke to blacks in the audience about doing

side of their culture. Black history month teaches African-Americans that they must learn to "know thyself" and share with others what they have found out about themselves.

something to show the positive

February is a month dedicated to learning about the African-American culture. King left the audience with one final piece of advice:

"My father made contribution, now you all must make yours."



clinical ioneer in antibiotic research, Louis Tompkins Wright can be described as one of "the most productive, and distinguished Black physicians to appear on the American scene."

Born in LaGrange, Georgia, on July 23, Louis Wright was not the only physician in his family. His father, Dr. Ceah Wright graduated Meharry Medical College in 1881.

After his father's death, his mother remarried four years later to Dr. Williams Fletcher Penn. He was the first Black to graduate from Yale Medical School in 1898.

After graduating valedictorian of his class at Clark University in Atlanta, Wright went on to Harvard Medical School. He graduated from Harvard fourth in his

Following duty with the

Army during World War I, Dr. Wright became the first Black surgeon to be appointed to the White New York City Municipal Hospital (Harlem).

From there he went on to become the Director of Surgery and later president of the Harlem Medical Board.

During his long medical career, Dr. Wright was at the forefront in expanding medicine's horizons.

He developed a method of operating on fractures around the knee joint; developed a neck brace for fractures of the spine; supervised and administered the first tests of a new drug, Auremycin on humans, and engaged in early cancer research.

He was also the first Black physician in America to head a public interracial hospital, and the second Black surgeon to be admitted to the American College of Surgeons in 1931.

Oldenburg Writing Contest spotlights Grand Valley

By RYAN HENIGE CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Bernice King addresses the crowd in attendance.

The time has come once again to harness the best writing that Grand Valley has to offer.

The Oldenburg Writing Contest will highlight the achievements of GVSU writers.

The contest, which is named in honor of former GVSU English Professor E. William Oldenburg, is sponsored by the Department of English.

There are five categories that will be open for students to compete in.

Each of these categories will include a first, second, and third place prize.

First place in all divisions will be a 50 dollar prize, second and third place will both receive 25 dollars, respectively.

The first category is open to

freshmen, and entries would be essays that were written for any literature or composition course during any semester in 1996.

The second category is solely for sophomore, junior, and senior writers.

These entries must be personal essays that were completed for any literature or composition course during the 1996 calendar year.

The next category is also strictly for sophomores, juniors, and seniors as well.

Entries for this division must be an analytical or persuasive essay turned in over the course of the 1996 semesters.

The fourth category consists of entries of poems.

Contestants must turn in a portfolio of three to five works; single works would probably not be considered.

The final category will be made

up of a fiction or drama written by any Grand Valley student.

There are a few rules that competitors must follow when entering the contest:

There will be a limit of one entry per person per category. Entries must be double spaced,

typed, and submitted with a cover naming the work, and which category it is intended for.

Each piece of work must also include the contestant's name, address, phone number and email address.

The deadline for the contest is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, and can be delivered to the English Department office at 126 Lake Huron Hall the office at 107 Lake Superior Hall.

These works will not be returned, so applicants are asked to make a copy of their work.

Briefly -

The Major Campus Activity group and RHA are sponsoring the first annual Snow Ball of Saturday, February 22. The event will be a semi-formal dance and will take place in the Grand River Room of Kirkhof Center from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets will be five dollars per person or eight dollars per couple. Tickets can be purchased at the Student Life office. For more information call the Student Life office at 895-2345.

Saturday Feb. 22 will bring the African Diaspora Dance Performance to the Calder Fine Arts Building. The performance will be held in the Louis Armstrong Theater and it will begin at 7:00 p.m. There will be no admission charged at this event, and everyone is invited to attend.

The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will be sponsoring an

"Ethnic Taste Fest" on Friday, Feb. 21 between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The event hopes not only to allow students to taste good food, but to encourage multicultural diversity. The event will be held in the Robinson Hall Lobby. If your organization is interested in donating a dish contact Tenisa at 895-1442.

On Wednesday Feb. 19, the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity organized a turkey donation for underprivelaged citizens in the Grand Rapids area. The members of Delta Sigma Phi would like to thank everyone who helped to make the event a success.

Wednesday Feb. 26 CinemaTECH, Office of Minority Affairs, and the Black Student Union will be sponsoring the movie, "Get on the Bus" at the Kirkhof Center's Mainsail Lounge at 7:00 p.m.



The GVSU Volunteers helped out many of the kids at Allendale Elementary School last Thursday. The Kids held their annual Science and Math Fair. A group of 50 or so GVSU students went along to offer their assistance.

Photo by Scott Rose

Comedian surprises GVSU

BY LISA BRINK STAFF WRITER

omedian Michael Jr., though not the originally planned entertainment for the Def Comedy Jam, was nevertheless well-received by GVSU students Feb. 14 in the Grand River Room.

Before introducing Michael Jr., a representative of Spotlight Productions, the organization which brought the comedian to campus, explained that T.P. Hearn would not be performing that night due to a car accident. They will, however, attempt to reschedule his appearance for sometime in April.

A Grand Rapids resident, Michael Jr. delivered a rather short routine that kept the audience's attention the whole time. Often he would find a way to make jokes about members of the audience, particularly those who had the misfortune of arriving late to his show.

In one of his most popular jokes, Michael Jr. told his

audience about a woman he had dated once, who would never tell him where she worked. When she finally told him she had been employed at D&W, he asked why she had been unwilling to tell him she worked there.

Then she explained to him what this particular D&W stood for: Division and Wealthy.

He joked about women in general, saying how they can always tell a lot about a man by his car and how he drives it.

A man who drives quickly, for example, is quick in other areas as well, said Michael Jr., adding that women say to each other "Leave him alone!" A man who drives with a cracked windshield will probably crack himself, and women once again will say to each other "Leave him alone!"

He finished with a personal experience, suggesting that when the passenger side of his door had a broken handle, women must have said to each other that he, too, was broke.

He also talked about the

differences between black and white people, from the ways they are raised to the ways they greet one another as they walk down the street.

Since Michael Jr. did not have enough material prepared to fill the allotted time, GVSU students were given the rare chance to showcase their own talents before the audience. There were only two brave students that chose to enter this talent competition after Michael Jr.'s routine, and were warmly received.

The winner by applause vote was the first competitor, Jamie Johnson, nicknamed "M.C. Jordon Mother," by Michael Jr., who noticed that she had brought her baby, Jordon, with her. Johnson, a member of Phi Eta Psi fraternity skillfully performed a rap, which won her two passes to see Chris Rock. Rock is scheduled to appear at Grand Valley on March 15 in the Fieldhouse Arena in the "Bring the Pain" Tour sponsored by Spotlight Productions.

Calendar of Events

Want to learn how to line dance? If so come and learn with the Country Kickers every Thursday evening from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Muskegeon River Room in the Kirkhof Center.

Looking for a way to make those good grades pay off now? If so you might be eligible for the D.J. Angus Award. This award spotlights the most improved student at GVSU. The student with the greatest increase in cumulative GVSU grade point average from the fall 1995 semester until the fall 1996 semester will receive a cash award.

Interested students are to apply in person at the Academic Resource Center by Feb. 28, 1997.

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Counseling Corner

BY JULIA MOHR
PSYCHOLOGY INTERN, CPCC

s I thought about writing this article, I asked what voice does a Caucasian woman have in regard to Black History Month.

Last Wednesday, I heard Rev. Bernice King talk about Black 'hisstory' and the importance to know and tell the Black story. She talked about what is told, what is left out. She prompted me to think about what has been co-opted by the Eurocentric world view and claimed as "universal" story.

I think of the vibrantly woven Kente cloth from AFrica. I think of an intricately storied tapestry from ancient Europe. Then I imagine these covered over with rough burlap. I feel loss, anger. Yet, to feel these emotions, I must know what has been lost and my role in the "cover-up."

I was taught 'the' American cultural story through a Eurocentric view with no other textures to these stories. Growing up, I was not aware that the Christian story of the flight into Egypt was a flight into Africa; the origin of human life was in the "womb" of Mother Africa; the real stories of slavery; the momentous contributions of African-Americans. As an adult, I became aware of these untold stories yet my awareness is but a "work" in progress.

Recently I heard a speaker use the saying that ut "takes a village to raise a child," an African proverb which she attributes to Mrs. Clinton but never acknowledged its true source. While I did find voice to raise this issue, I saw the ways I fail to acknowledge the untold stories.

I need Black History Month. I need to know the richness and depth of Black 'his-story,' for I am both listener and teller. I can participate in unravelling the burlap which covers the beautiful multi-colored cloth underneath. Thank you Rev. Bernice King for reminding me.

FREE SWING DANCE WORKSHOP

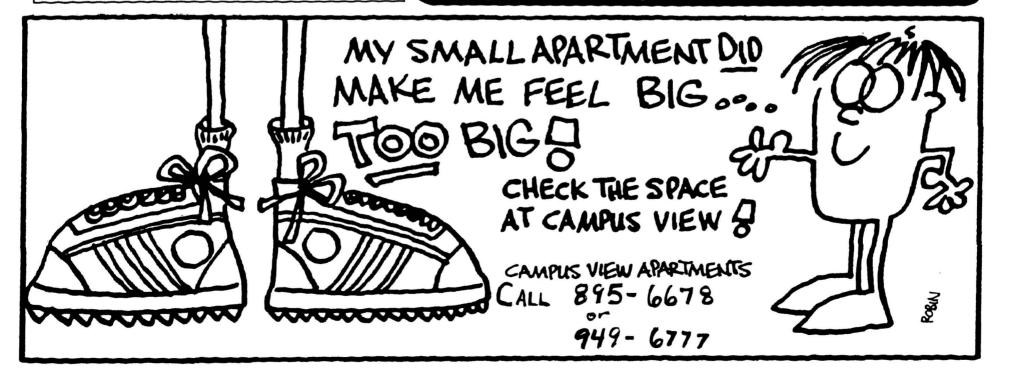
Feb. 22 at 2 pm at the Dance Studio in the Fieldhouse

Open to the campus, but limited to the first 100 participants. No charge to GVSU students, faculty and staff.

Swing style dancing became popular during the Depression. The style includes elements of jitterbug and the Charleston plus a couple of lifts.



Hosted by the GVSU Dance Troupe. Sponsored by the Student Live Fee



ARC competes in global contest



David Prins. Photo by Scott Rose

BY DAVID YONKMAN ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Il one needs to become a ham radio operator is a license, a radio, and a two-meter antennae which can be purchased for as little as \$200. The one stipulation is that the license has to be earned.

"Any college student won't have a problem getting a ham radio license," said Dan Schultz, the new president of GVSU's Amateur Radio Council (ARC). "I've seen people do it in eight hours."

Ham radio operating is academically beneficial. "A lot of what people learn in Physics 221 or 220 can be learned while studying for a ham radio license," said Schultz. "You learn technical stuff but you learn it in a fun way. You learn a little theory but mostly practical application."

The name "ham" is just a nickname, according to Schultz. "I suspect that it comes from the idea that people spend money to have their own elaborate station just to yak to somebody else," Schultz added jokingly. "But

where it really comes from, I don't think anyone knows."

The ARC competed in a global ham radio contest running from February 10-14. The object of the contest was to get as many contacts as possible in exactly 24 hours. "I hoped to make 300 contacts in those 24 hours," said Schultz.

"But the airwaves were pretty busy with people making quick contacts." Schultz added. "Everyone involved was making rapid-fire contacts by getting the call sign, location, and name of school, and then moving on to the next contact."

Schultz said it's not as easy as using a telephone. "There's a limited amount of band space. So there might be three people calling on the same frequency. The equipment is such that it can't pick out one signal on the frequency and call it."

So what ham radio operators did was give the last three letters of their call sign, then hopefully the other people on the line quieted down so two people could make a contact. They then took others in sequence. "It's really a mish-mash. It's not as organized as it should be," Schultz said. "But that's competition. It's a free-for-all."

The contest was sponsored by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), which has been around since World War I. If the ionosphere was good for radio wave transmissions, ARC contacted people all over the world by means of sky-wave propagation (see sidebar).

Sky-wave propagation is only one way in which radio operators can communicate. They can also send digital communications through local repeaters (receiver/transmitters).

People can connect a portable lap-top computer to a ham radio and transfer e-mail; possibly

while driving a car. This works by having a repeater placed on a tall hill so there are no obstructions between it and a ground

Since there are no obstructions, people can easily transmit signals from a ground radio to the high repeater, and from there to the desired location. This way people get reliable transmissions almost all of the time.

"I have to drive to Toledo occasionally," said Schultz. "I bring a hand-held radio and talk to different repeaters as a drive along. There have been times when I've talked through the entire threehour trip."

The ARC hopes to recruit international students attending Grand Valley and students who wish to travel abroad, as well as students of foreign languages. The reason for this is: "You can listen to short-wave broadcast and have conversations in any major language," said Schultz. "There are amateurs in every country in the world. If you want to tune up someone in Russia and talk to them, you can."

The ARC is unique as a student organization because it-consists of half traditional students and half non-traditional students.

The club now has six official members and 30 more are involved.

Dan Mills, treasurer of the ARC, says the club is working with the school of communications on an educational video which describes ham radio and Grand Valley in general.

Also, now that the ARC has the basic station set up, members working with satellite-tracking to communicate with space shuttles and other satellites amateurs have in space, said Mills.

"Every time a space shuttle goes up at least once, and, almost always, all of the astronauts are (radio) amateurs. During their free time they get on the radio and talk with schools."

The most bizarre experience that Schultz has been in involved a six-way conversation with six different modes of transportation.

"A teacher in Grand Rapids was giving a demonstration to his pupils," said Schultz.

"Another fellow named Leo from Texas was on a Great Lakes freighter. I was talking from my truck. There was an eighteenwheel truck driver talking. There was yet another fellow talking from an airplane who was flying to the Twin Cities."

Sky-wave propagation

Sky-wave propagation (SKIP) is the way radio waves bounce back and forth between the ionosphere and Earth. The ionosphere is the area 25 to 200 miles above the Earth which is electrically charged (ionized) by radiation from the Sun. When ionized by solar radiation, the ionosphere can refract radio waves back to Earth.

Since the Earth is round, radio waves cannot travel in a straight line. Therefore, they bounce back and forth between the ionosphere and Earth as they travel from the ham radio operator to their destination. Under good conditions, it makes three or four bounces before landing and worldwide communication is achieved. Under poor conditions it might only make one refraction and stay within the United States.

Ionization of the ionosphere occurs when the sun's radiation strikes the upper atmosphere. The amount of radiation changes during the course of the day, season, and year. Ham radio operators can determine how much the ionosphere will refract radio waves by where the sun is in its sunspot cycle. Sunspots are dark blotches on the sun's surface and their numbers and sizes change over an 11-year period. More sunspots generally means more ionization of the ionosphere, and therefore, greater distance when sending a message by radio waves.

GVSU Community Orchestra to play LAT



Lee Copenhaver instructs orchestra.

By Jennifer Brooks STAFF WRITER

To hear the story of a woman who escaped her husband's rabid hand by entertaining him with stories, one might consider the attending the GVSU Community Orchestra concert on Feb. 23 at Louis Armstrong Theatre.

The Orchestra will perform "Scheherazade" by Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakoff. The piece is in four movements, each telling a different story. According to Edward Downes' New York Philharmonic Guide to the Symphony, the Sultana Scheherazade told these stories to her husband, who "had sworn to put to death each of his wives after the first night."

Scheherazade kept her husband listening for "1,001 nights." His curiosity eventually overcame him and he gave up the idea of killing his wife altogether.

"It's a very flashy piece," said Professor Lee Copenhaver, director of the orchestra. He said

that the piece contains solos for bassoon, clarinet, 'cello, and others. This performance will feature violin soloist Kares Hooyenga of Holland, Michigan.

"It gives members of the chestra a chance to show off,"

Copenhaver also said that "Scheherazade" is a popular piece and has also been played by The West Shore Symphony and The Grand Rapids Symphony.

"It's an outstanding teaching piece," he said. "And the GVSU Community Orchestra is a teaching orchestra."

He commented that he thinks it is important for students to mix with the community, and this is the perfect opportunity. The orchestra has approximately 70 members, but more student participation is always welcome.

The GVSU 'Cello Ensemble will open the free concert. beginning at 8 PM. The GVSU-Community Orchestra's performance of "Scheherazade" will last about 50 minutes.

GVSU Choirs present an afternoon of music at Louis Armstrong Theatre

By Jennifer Brooks STAFF WRITER

live choral ensembles will perform in a free concert on Feb. 23 at Louis Armstrong Theatre in the Calder Fine Arts Center.

The ensembles include The Madrigal Ensemble and GVSU Singers, conducted by Ellen Poole, Varsity Men and the Chamber Choir, conducted by Bill Klimas, and the Festival Chorale, made up of only women, conducted by Shirley

The total number of students participating in this, their first concert of the winter semester, is

"It's neat because we have a wide variety of ensembles and music," said Poole. "It really runs the gamut."

GVSU Singers, The Chamber instrumental accompaniment. Choir, and Madrigal Ensemble are all select groups, meaning students must audition for them.

According to Poole, auditions are now being held for next fall all three ensembles. Interested students may contact Poole at ext. 2572.

The other ensembles, Varsity Men and Festival Chorale, are open to all Grand Valley students. All five of them may be taken for

Pooel commented that the Madrigal Ensemble recently attended the Midwestern Music Conference for Michigan Music Educators in Ann Arbor.

"They're very busy, " she said. "They also perform at luncheons, high schools, and Renaissance Festival."

The Madrigal Ensemble performs secular music from the 1500s without

"The Ren-fest is right up their alley, " said Poole. "Their music was very prevalent in the Elizabethan period."

The Varsity Men, a fairly new ensemble, sang at the Gerald Ford Museum for former President Ford in a tree lighting ceremony last December. Poole said that the Varsity Men sing music with a "lighter" tone. They have been performing for about a year and a half.

The next choir performance will involve the GVSU Singers, who will join forces with the Holland Chorale, the Muskegon Chamber Choir, and The West Shore Symphony Orchestra to perform Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. They will perform March 14 And 15 in Muskegon and March 16 in Holland.

Events in the Grand Rapids Area

Altered States: Alcohol and Other Drugs in America is currently displayed at the Van March 30. Hours are 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. every day. For more information, call (616) 456-3539

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and "Blues" by Sanchez.

Tucker ended her readings with

a poem that illustrated the stage

The Grand Rapids Art Museum will show Come and be Heard: Visual Responses to Women's Issues Feb. 15 through May 2. For more information call 459-4677.

Miriam Pederson from Aquinas

College read English poetry and

Steve Pierson-Smith read various

Faculty presents cultural love



Patrons of Schuler's Books and Music attentively listen as GVSU faculty members read various selections of poetry focusing on love. Photo by Scott Rose.

BY AMIE MILLION **News Editor**

ast Thursday night, Feb. 13, at Schuler Books and Music in Grand Rapids, four Grand Valley professors took part in a multi-cultural love poetry reading called "Love From Around the World: An Evening of International Love Poetry."

Professor of English Sufen Lai started off the evening by playing a recording of someone singing a



Professor Veta Tucker participates in readings. Photo by Kristin Shoup

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poem that was written by 11th century Chinese poet Ching-Chao Li.

Lai then read three poems from Mu-rong Hsi. Lai first read the Chinese version, and then read her own English translation.

"The passion in (Hsi's) poems is very subtle," Lai said after reading "A Tree that Blossoms," adding that there is also notable disappointment in Hsi's poems.

"disappointment" expressed in Hsi's poems carried on to Spanish Professor Keith Watts' and Coordinator of Latin American Studies Walter Foote's reading of Pablo Neruda's poems "The Postman," and poem #20 from "20 love poems and a Song of Despair."

Neruda served as Ambassador to France for Chile in 1971-72. He was recipient of the Nobel

Prize in 1971 and died of cancer in 1973.

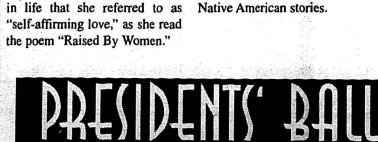
Watts read the original Spanish versions of the poems and Foote read the English versions and gave biographies of the poets.

The team also read "The Dead Woman" by Donal Walsh.

Professor of African-American Studies Veta Tucker followed with poems by various African-American women, as she walked us through the phases of a woman's life in love.

Tucker started with the poems "Duplication" and Revolution Starts at 11:50 a.m." by Doris Harris, followed by Sonya Sanchez' "Black Magic."

"Then we lose the innocence," Tucker said, as she introduced the next poems, which included "Song Through the Wall," and "Any Woman's Blues," by Harris



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THE BURGEMOBILE

WITH C.D. BURGE

The Burgemobile makes the big triumphant return to these pages despite our printer, scanner, and picture-sizing problems that have plagued the Lanthorn recently. While I had more than a little to do with some of those problems (who knew that 70 percent of anything was smaller when you cropped the picture, too?), the good folks here have perservered, and we have the Burgemobile returning to these pages once again. .

It looks like the '82 Olds may have lost its ability to fall completely apart (knock on wood), but it still had time to lose both bright lights in time for me to drive three and a half hours home. Although I still haven't figured out what the problem is with those lights, the sports still have to be covered. That's why I went to the Great Frozen North this weekend...

-Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan

== The Soo was the place to be, as it may be the closest away game to my house in Petoskey. Lake Superior State proved once again that anytime you go into the U.P., there will be interesting things to talk about.

== Hospitality Award: I would like to thank Kim Barr and her staff at LSSU for making my life very easy in terms of getting access to the court, getting game results, and letting me bug everyone without getting yelled at too much. I can't say I get that treatment everywhere in this conference.

So tell me why the fans up there are such nimrods. It seems lately that every game I go to is a big "Stupid" contest as to which school's fans know the smallest amount about how to coach or how to referee. There was one Lake State guy behind me that actually yelled, "Number 10, your dad must've not taught you anything about basketball, you're so terrible!"

If he'd have looked in the program, the name Jeremy Fife might just have given him a little indication of who it was that coached at Clarkston (Dan Fife). Still, a Budweiser shirt and a Skoal cap really don't give you the distinguished look.

== Sooper Trooper Award: I know I've hyped up the women's hoop team ad nauseum, but let me tell you about sophomore guard Amy Rehmann. This girl contracted a very serious infection before gametime Sunday, and she wanted to get in and play at any cost. Rehmann literally had to be dragged off the court to get some antibiotics. Now that's saying a lot when she's on a team that's won two GLIAC games and has no postseason anything to look forward to. You can never accuse these kids of losing their desire, that's for

== How about the men's team, which is one win away from hosting the GLIAC tourney for the first time since the '90-'91 season? Head coach Jay Smith has one of the most interesting teams that I've ever seen. The list of people who don't make contributions is shorter than the list of those who do.

Slamma-Jamma man Ennis Young proved to quite a few people just how much of a complete player he is Sunday, as he scored 26 points, mostly on ten-footers and tough inside work. He finally threw one down at the end, but he had proved to everyone just what kind of force he can be at both ends of the floor; the effort was needed because LSSU was definitely ready to play. Take superb defensive efforts by Tony Miller, Mike Burde, and Jeremy Fife, and you have the recipe for a big-time tournament run. Even though the GLIAC tournament is during Spring Break, it may be a good reason to stick around and watch this team that hasn't lost since January 4.

— Yipsilanti, Michigan

== Possibly the best-kept secret in GVSU sports is the indoor track team, which is quietly making some strides to become a force in the GLIAC Championships this year. It takes a total team effort to score points and finish well, and head coach Bill Friberg has the men and women looking better than they have in a while.

Freshman sprinter Kelly Driggers is becoming one of the best short-distance runners in the conference, and long-distance stars like Jason Powell, Kevin Elliot, and Theresa Richardson are consistently finishing in the top two or three of every race. Ryan Taylor, the multi-event athlete, is also a lock to score points.

The honus at GLIACs, however, will be for runners like Gina Rueschel, Scott Rand, and Lindsay Alt to perform their personal bests. That will see GVSU surprise Ashland, Hillsdale, and Saginaw Valley, and maybe open a few eyes. The team was at Eastern Michigan Friday for some Division I competition, and it is participating in events like that which will ultimately force them to step things up a notch or two. If foes in the conference are not expecting Grand Valley to be strong, they could be really surprised.

-- The Lanthorn Office

== A few weeks ago, it was pointed out to me that in our men's basketball article, I gave Assistant Coach Mike Helfer the first name "Randy" for some reason, and I'm at a loss as to why. Well, since it seems to be a source of joking for most of the team (coach Helfer being the butt of them), I must apologize for the error. All I can say is that the numbers 151 don't make for a very good layout night, or a very memorable one. Sorry, coach, it wasn't any crack we were smoking with anyone from Michigan State!

SPORTS .

Home for Spring Break basketball?

◆One out of two victories this week assures the first conference tournament at GV since the start of the decade

BY MATT SMITH STAFF WRITER

The Lakers put themselves one game away from their first regular - season conference title Sunday, under new head coach Jay Smith.

The title would be their first one since the 90-91 campaign.

After a 99-93 victory over Lake Superior State University, the Lakers can clinch the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) North Division with a victory tonight against Saginaw Valley.

The Lakers beat Saginaw earlier in the season at home.

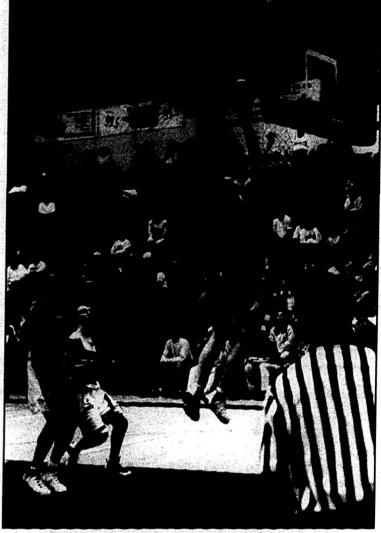
Grand Valley was led against the home Lakers by sophomore forward Ennis Young, who scored 26 points, including eight rebounds. Young shot an impressive 12-15 from the field.

According to Smith, if Young's impressive game continues, it can help the Lakers make the step onto the next level.

"If he can step up and do that consistently for us, he can lead our level of play to another notch," said Smith.

With the game tied up with ten minutes to go, the Lakers were led with constant agressive play by Freshman Timothy Wasilk and Young. Wasilk hit four free throws down the stretch. He ended up with 13 points.

Young put the emphasis on the game with a dunk, as his



Laker sixth-man J.P. Huntington (22) skies for two of Grand Valley's 99 points Sunday. Huntington scored ten points, and has helped lead the Lakers within a game of their first conference title since the '90-'91 season. Photo by C.D. Burge.

athleticism continued to catch raves from Smith.

"Ennis is really good at taking the ball to the basket," said Smith. "Now he's working on his jump shot."

Heading into tonight's game, the Lakers are ranked 18th in the country in a recent Division II poll. They have been led by senior Joe Modderman, who is one of the nation's best scoring threats. Along with a talentbased supporting bench, GVSU is 21-3, including 14-2 in the conference.

But talent is not going to be the key in getting a victory against Saginaw, according to Smith.

"We have to improve every day in practice," said Smith. "We have to have improvement as players and as a team."

The Lakers have two chances to clinch the conference title. tonight in Saginaw and when they travel to Northwood for a tough road game on Sunday. Both teams are in the thick of the tournament hunt, and both need a win very badly.

Luckily for the Lakers, they will head back to the friendly confines of their Fieldhouse for the conference tournament if they take one of the two games. It is the same fieldhouse where the Lakers have not lost all year.

GVSU Hockey finishes 2nd in league

BY JIM FISCHER STAFF WRITER

he GVSU Hockey team completed the regular season in it's history last weekend with a 3-3 overtime tie with Calvin College.

The Lakers took an early 2-0 lead on two goals by forward Lin Sova, who scored the only first period goals of the game.

Calvin retaliated with a powerplay goal early in the second period. They scored again to push the game to 2-2 going into the third period.

The third period remained scoreless until the Lakers scored with five minutes to go. Brentt Lafond accounted for the goal.

Calvin then put the puck in the net with 22 seconds left and sent the game into overtime.

There was no score in the extra five-minute period and the game ended in a 3-3 tie.

Goalie Scott-Nichols finished

the game with 26 saves.

was pleased with his team's effort. "We pretty much dominated them in the entire game, if you take away the 2nd period," he said.

The tie moved the Lakers to a final conference record of 4-3-1 andana 8-7-2 record overall.

Grand Valley finished behind only Central Michigan in the final league standings.

The second-place finish is Grand Valley's highest ever, and it marks the second time ever Saturday at 6 p.m.

that they have made the playoffs. Head coach Joel Breazeale Last year was the first time that the Lakers reached postseason.

> "We're really excited about what we've done this year," said Breazeale, "Hopefully we can make a good showing in the playoffs."

The Lakers are set to play Calvin on Friday at 9 p.m. in Midland for the first round.

The winner plays the victor of the CMU-Northwood contest in the league championship on

UPCOMING EVENTS

Basketball

Feb. 20 (Thurs.) at Saginaw Valley State (M/W) 6pm Feb. 22 (Sat.) at Northwood (M/W) 1 pm

Indoor Track

Feb. 22 (Sat.) GLIAC Championships (at Hillsdale) (M/W) 11

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Northern Michigan) (M/W) 11 am & 6 pm

Track tunes up for GLIACs in big Division-I meet

BY C.D. BURGE SPORTS EDITOR

lthough the GVSU indoor track team made little more than a ripple the Eastern Michigan University Classic meet last Friday, there really wasn't much reason to dwell on it.

The Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Championship meet happens this Saturday.

With over 25 teams competing in some fashion, Friday's event took over 12 hours to finish. GVSU had one of the few full rosters at Eastern.

"I didn't expect great performances because of the type of meet it was," explained GVSU head coach Bill Friberg. "There are so many heats, you just sit around all day. You try to stay loose and focused, but it's tough to get up for it."

The 60-meter hurdle event took nine heats before a final race was

Still, the Lakers managed to show strongly in some events. Junior 20-pound weight thrower Anne Zimmerman set a Grand Valley record with a toss of 43'4 1/2", which is just two feet away from the NCAA qualifying time (45'6"). Friberg thought that the NCAA time was an attainable goal for Zimmerman.

The men's long jump "saw decathlete Ryan Taylor finish fifth, three inches behind Darron Carter from Siena Heights. Freshman Joey Bertschinger represented well in the mile run at 17th, while Dawn Schneider took 28th in the 200 meters.

Also finishing strong was the women's 1600-meter relay team, which finished eighth.

The focus now, however is on the GLIAC Championships, in which GVSU could surprise more than a few teams.

The meet, held at Hillsdale this year, will also have Northwood, Lake Superior State, Saginaw Valley State, Ashland, Ferris State, and the host team.

Friberg was excited about his team's chances, especially

considering how the athletes have come along.

"At this point, it's your athletes being confident in themselves," said the coach. "By that, I mean being confident in knowing you're prepared the best that you can, that you are focused and have put the time in. Right now, it's definitely all state-of-mind."

The state of mind might be at it's peak for the team, as the men have been boosted into 11th in the national Division II polls. Saginaw Valley is at fourth position.

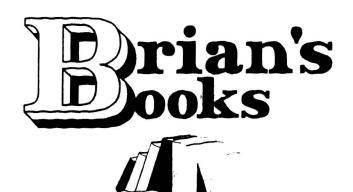
The GLIAC Championships will center largely around team performance, as coaches will be positioning athletes for the best qualifying positions they can.

"The plain fact is that this is it," said Friberg. "We don't keep track of what team finished where in a meet. Two meets matter: Conference Nationals. We are definitely looking to win this meet, and get the best performances we can."

The GLIAC Championships are Saturday, starting at 11 a.m. in Hilldale's fieldhouse. The national meet will be in Indiana in two weeks.

Between those events will be the Silverstone Invitational, a national-qualifying meet to give athletes one last chance at it.





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Take note that we are most definitely on-line; the Jesters will now be doing more games and more lousy predictions! Regardless of what we end up putting on the hard copy every week, the internet will have a bunch of screwy stuff. In fact, there will be even less significant games in the online edition.

So go ahead and visit us (the address is on the front page, and the on-line sports listings are on page 14), and provided that Michigan State doesn't get after us this week, let the picks roll ...

TOP TEN

(Burge, Newmster, Creatures) I.Kansas, W Forest, Kansas 2. Kentucky, Kent., Minn. 3. Minnesota, Kan., Wake F. 4. Utah, Duke, Duke 5. Wake Forest, Minn., MSU 6.Duke, South Car., Hawaii 7. New Mex, Utah, Arizona 8.Iowa St., NMU, Clemson 9. Cinci., Clemson, Syracuse 10. Clemson, N Car., Virginia ...TO THE MATCHUPS

Duke at UCLA Burge: I'd really like to know which one of these schools actually scheduled this game first. Duke needs a game like this against red-hot UCLA like I need a '79 Olds. Bruins by 4.

Newmster: UCLA has caught fire like a bundle of sticks...Did someone mention Greg Newton this week? UCLA by 10.

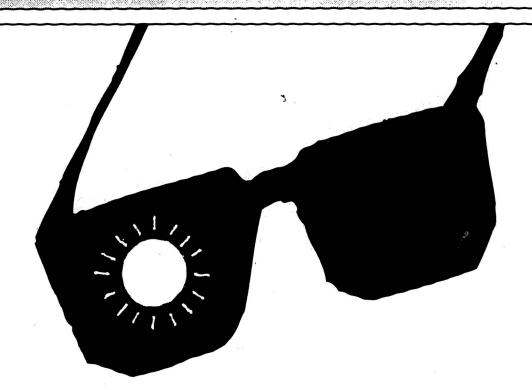
Creatures: The Dukies are flying high right now and are getting a break from a rugged ACC schedule. This game doesn't really matter because even if Duke loses, they'll be given a victory. They're on a mission from God and no California Nazis are going to get in their way. Blue Devils by 10.

Minnesota at Michigan

Burge: Seeing Michigan against Indiana Sunday proved to me that Jay Smith was right to get the hell out of there. I don't know how he doesn't have a head full of gray hair. The real UM by 14.

Newmster: The Golden Gophers vs. The Golden Girls, as in their act is getting real old. Albert (Betty)-White may have left, but they still have Steve "I always look like I just saw Estelle Getty naked" Fisher. Gophers by 4 score (80).

Creatures: Minnesota pretty much has a lock on the Big Ten Championship, and could possibly get a number one seed in the NCAA tourney. Hopefully, the Wolverines can shake the funk they've been in for three years and knock the Gophers on their tails. Tai Streets should have enough firepower to get the job done. U of M by the number of Minutes Streets plays: .69



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Laker ladies beat Hillsdale for the second time, but lose GLIAC contest

BY C.D. BURGE SPORTS EDITOR

Por the Laker women's basketball team, the season can now officially not get done soon enough.

Despite winning at Hillsdale in a non-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) game, 78-68, on Wednesday, Grand Valley could not overcome a lackluster first half at Lake Superior State, losing 72-59.

The Hillsdale contest was one of the few bright spots in the '97 calendar year, as forward Sara Hull and freshman center Mary Randall gave big efforts.

The sophomore Hull scored 26 points to go along with five assists. Hull, who is among the top scorers in the conference, shot 10-13 from inside the arc, and canned two three-pointers. Randall scored 21 points while grabbing seven rebounds.

The high scorer for the host Chargers was guard Ann Iciek, who had 26 points and six assists.

In addition, GVSU shot almost 57 percent from the floor as a team, and held Hillsdale to under 40 percent.

"I thought we played extremely well," said Laker head coach Claudette Charney. "We did what we really needed to, and I thought that would carry over into the next game."

Unfortunately, that wouldn't be the case, as the home Lakers hit the visiting ones early and often, holding Grand Valley to 17 points in the first half. Although big -scoring sophomore guard Amy Rehmann came down with an infection just before game time, Charney thought the team wasn't focused.

"We just weren't emotionally ready to play," said the coach of a 27-percent shooting first half. "We were disoriented, and when we didn't shoot the ball well, we kind of fell apart and panicked."

Four GVSU players were in double figures, but only three others scored, totaling seven points. Randall once again had a strong 10-board, 19-point performance, but shot only 50 percent from inside the paint. Hull and senior guard Melissa Stahl also checked in at well below half of their shots made.

"We had a chance to come back in the second half," Charney said, "but our seniors had to step it up; they waited until the second half to do that. Against an experienced team fighting for a playoff spot, you can't do that."

Senior point guard Colleen Hipp had an unusual no-assist performance, and did not score.

While the Lakers cut the lead to seven at one point in the second half, a 23-9 free-throw differential factored in heavily down the stretch.

The Lakers dropped to 2-14 in the GLIAC, but got to 9-15 with the non-conference win. They now have two games remaining, at Saginaw Valley State on Thursday and Northwood on Saturday. While SVSU is in the hunt for a tournament bid, Northwood has only one more

scoring ehmann ion just



Laker guard Melissa Stahl (22) gets one up on LSSU's Kris Wozniak. Stahl scored ten points, but it wasn't enough to prevent a 72-59 loss. Photo by C.D. Burge.

conference victory than the Lakers.

"All you can do is go back to the drawing board and try to win the last two games," said Charney. "The younger players are the future, and we need production like that from our bench."

Mary Randall was honored for her productive week, however, as she was name GLIAC Player-ofthe-Week. She averaged 20 points and almost 11 rebounds in three games last week.

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The Burgemobile

C.D. Burge usually has some things to say, and the internet allows him to spout off even more. Besides what's on page 12 in this issue, go on-line to discover the world's biggest snowbank, GVSU swimming at Northern, and Bill Parcells and his great escape.

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HOUSING

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BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Attention spring breakers! Tired of this Michigan weather? If so, I've got the answer for you. Come party in Panama City Beach, MTV will be filming live footage. Trip packages start as low as \$129.00 per person. For further information or reservations call Jason or Janet at 895-4290. (2-20)

ANNOUNCEMENT

To my loving Hajo, thank you for everything: the late-night chats, letting me borrow your T-shirts, your spontaneity, your enthusiasm, and your smile.(2-20)







Top 11 places not to go for Spring Break....

- 11) Red Barn
- 10) Borculo
- 9) Dante's Peak
- 8) Sudbury, Canada
- 7) Minnesota
- 6) The U.P.
- 5) Jackson State Penitentiary
- 4) Greyhound
- 3) Hell
- 2) All the way...
- 1) SCHOOL!

Contract the pain four

Saturday,

March 15, 1997 8PM GVSU Fieldhouse Arena

Tickets go on sale Thursday, February 20th, at 7AM

Limit two tickets per valid Student ID

Non-Student tickets are available through outlets for \$11 plus service fee.

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Monday - Friday

7:30am - 4:30pm

March 3rd - March 7th

closed

Saturdays

March 1st & March 8th

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