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Mama Love will not forgive or forget at GVSU. SEE PAGE 8.

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ART 230: Art students lend a helping hand to inter-city kids. SEE PAGE 11.



GVSU exchange student Erion Veliaj recently returned from a trip to Kosovo where he was helping people in the refugee camps. Veliaj will return in May. Photo Courtesy of Erion Veliaj

Student's return to Kosovo

By WENDI J. HAILEY
Staff Writer

Last May, Erion Veliaj, a Grand Valley exchange student, returned home to Albania to volunteer in the Kosovo refugee camps at the Albanian-Kosovo border.

As refugees moved back to Kosovo after the war ended Veliaj worked for International Aid, a Michigan-based humanitarian and relief organization.

The International Aid program strategies focused on food aid, temporary relief supplies, peace and reconciliation community projects, counseling, spiritual care, trauma care, shelter provision, health services re-establishment, community re-establishment and restarting small businesses.

"Working with International Aid was a unique experience, to put it mildly," Veliaj said.

Veliaj said that serving there gave him the chance to work, learn and grow. He said he'll miss the hectic days and the people he was able to help.

Veliaj also helped found a non-profit organization, Career Advancement and Teen Challenge House. This new organization was able to allocate funds and it created youth development programs, organized workshops and seminars, taught youth how to write grants, approach donors, build web sites and raise money to support their organization.

During his trip to Kosovo, Veliaj and a friend made a movie. The movie, "We Must Not Forget the Children," will be exhibited in the Peace Film Festival in

Berkeley, Calif. this summer. It portrays the life of children of war, the loss of their families, the destruction of their school, the mine-trapped playgrounds, a sea of tears and a hope for better days, Veliaj said.

The daily routine in Kosovo often consists of dealing with destruction and murder, which can be very desensitizing, Veliaj said. He said human life is often stripped of any possible value and ethnic passion is the game of the land.

"My concern is not that people have knowledge about Kosovo, as that is a matter of people's choice to find out," Veliaj said. "I am mostly worried to see a lot of my peers who are unaware of the planet as a whole."

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No cure for Health Services cutbacks

By ERIN JOHNSON
Copy Editor

Grand Valley's Health Center is changing and the result may leave students feeling sick.

Spectrum Health, who provides services for Grand Valley, has decided to cut back staff and change the type of services provided. The Health Center will eventually be converted into an urgent care clinic. Students looking for birth control, allergy shots and counseling referrals will no longer be able to get those services on campus.

"I don't think that Spectrum or Grand Valley are looking at the needs of the college," said Diann Fisher, family practitioner for the Health Center.

The cutbacks have already begun. Only one practitioner and two nurses currently staff the Health Center, which used to be staffed by a physician, a nurse practitioner, two nurses and a billing clerk.

Fisher said she is seeing 38 to 42 patients each day.

"That is too many for one person in one day," she said. The Health Center will also be closed during the summer as another part of Spectrum's changes. Fisher said that last summer 800 students came to the Health Center.

"I don't know what's going to happen to those 800 students," she said.

Fisher expects the number of students visiting the Health Center to

increase along with the increase in enrollment numbers.

Fisher said that most non-profit agencies give services back to the community. She feels that Spectrum has changed to a more economically driven system and that may be why changes are being made at Grand Valley.

Tim Bulson, spokesman for Spectrum Health, said that the changes being made at Grand Valley are the result of the Federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

"(The changes) symbolize the kind of scrutiny and changes we've had to make throughout the health system the last few months," Bulson said.

Bulson said that the cutbacks at the Health Center are part of the effects being felt at the state and local levels.

He also said that Spectrum would prefer to put more resources into prevention and community clinics, but that services for patients in the hospitals can't be cut.

"The decision was extremely difficult for all of us," Bulson said.

Fisher said that Grand Valley should still be able to continue working with Spectrum, but that the university has to be more aware of and pay attention to students' needs. Fisher is also afraid that students are going to be hurt by the cutbacks.

"I don't know what's going to happen," Fisher said.

DRINK OF DEATH

By KRISTA HOPSON
Laker Life Editor

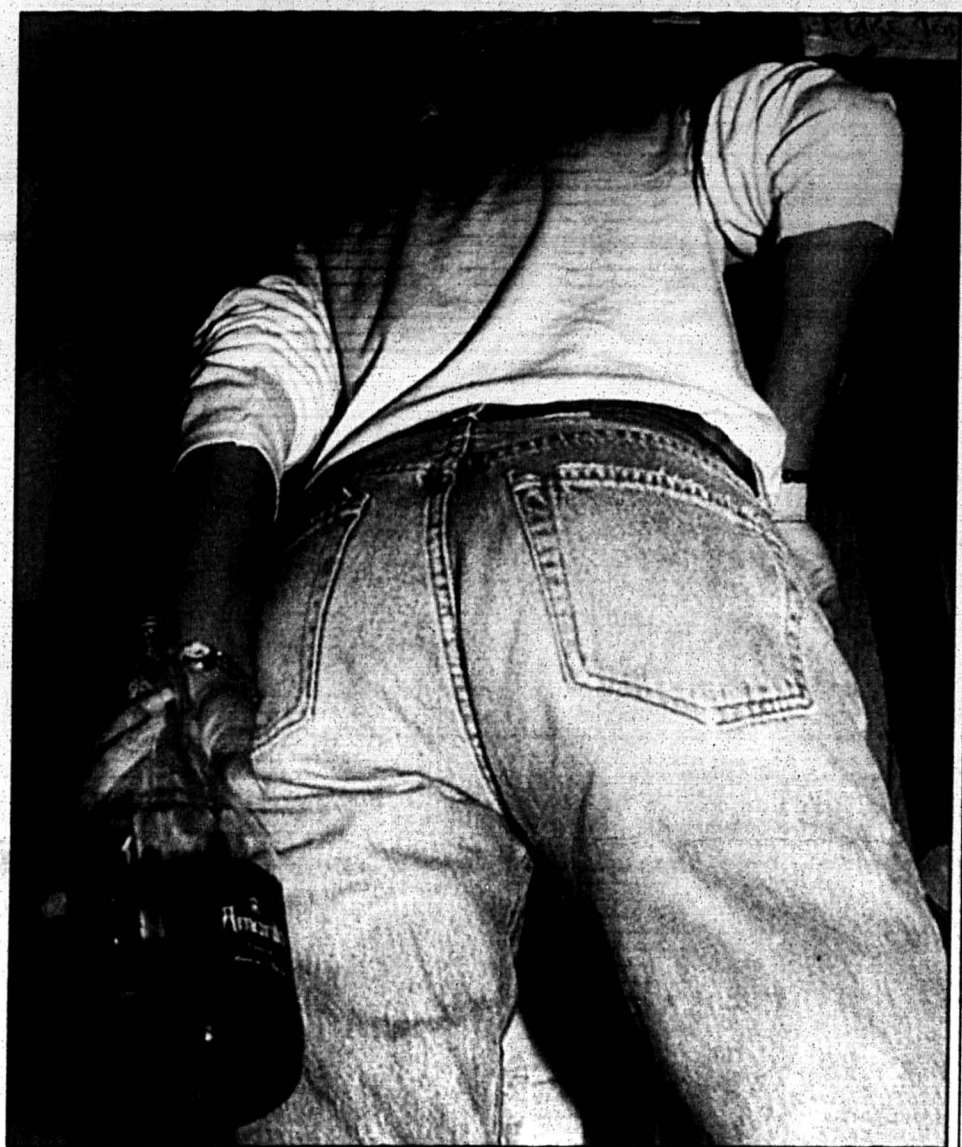
One beer. Two beers. Three beers. Ten more. Consuming alcohol is just as much a staple of college life as overpriced textbooks and bland cafeteria food. Even though some students believe the end result of eating too much cafeteria food may be life threatening, it hardly compares to the consequences of excessive alcohol consumption, or binge drinking, which can lead to alcohol poisoning.

According to recent study done by the Harvard School of Public Health, binge drinking is defined as a person who consumes five or more drinks in a sitting for men or four drinks for women, in less than a two-week period. The study also found that binge drinkers make up less than half of all college students nationally, but drink 91 percent of the entire alcohol consumed by college students.

Many times, binge drinkers do not feel the impact of the alcohol they are drinking because the alcohol is consumed quickly in a short time span. When alcohol is consumed in this way, it can result in alcohol poisoning.

In March a Ferris State University student died from alcohol poisoning. The Grand Rapids Press reported that Steven Petz, a 19-year-old freshman, died at Mecosta County Hospital where his blood-alcohol level was measured at .42 percent — four times the legal limit defined as drunk by the state motor vehicle law. Typically, a 150-pound man reaches a blood alcohol level of .10 percent (legal intoxication) by drinking two or three beers in one hour and 10 beers would produce a BAL of .25 percent, according to the Web of Addictions Fact Sheet.

Petz had been participating in a



Six cases of alcohol poisoning were reported on campus in 1999-2000 school year. Photo by Enn Keller

drinking initiation rite for freshmen pledges at an unauthorized Ferris State fraternity, the Knights of College Leadership and the Knights of College Lore. Four pledges, including Petz, took part in a roulette-style drinking game that determined how much alcohol the pledges would have to drink. Now five members of the underground fraternity will face felony charges for the alcohol poisoning death of Petz.

Since alcohol is a depressant, when too much is consumed the brain centers that control respiration and reflexes can shut down, said Diann Fisher, Grand Valley family practitioner.

"Alcohol poisoning has to do with the amount (of alcohol) and how fast it goes through your system," Fisher said.

A person's body mass is a major factor when consuming alcohol. The greater the body mass, the more alcohol that can be consumed before there is an effect because the alcohol can be more easily dispersed through the body. So, a person who weighs 300 pounds will be able to consume a greater amount of alcohol than a person who weighs 100 pounds.

It can be compared to putting a drop of food coloring in a glass of water

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New 2000-01 Senate takes the floor, vote

By AIMEE N. HAUN
Staff Writer

The newly elected Student Senate for the 2000-01 academic year held their first meeting April 6.

The meeting took place during a break in the current senate's regular meeting.

The senate-elect dealt with the constitutional amendment brought by current senators Thomn Bell, Jeremy Hedges and Heath Sabin regarding roll call voting. Discussion about whether to postpone this piece of legislation until the fall semester ended in a decision to let it be voted on this year at the senate's April 20 meeting.

In other news, the senate-elect made nominations for next year's cabinet positions.

There will be at least four contenders for the executive vice president position, including Jeremy Hedges, Ann Marie Klotz, Heath Sabin and Ben Witt.

Contenders for the executive vice president position are Thomn Bell and Trisha Werder. Three senators - Carmelita Hoskins, Theodore Titus and Witt - are vying for the vice president of community affairs position. Those running for vice president of public relations are Bell, Kari Schueller and

Top 10 students who captured the most votes in the student senate elections.

1. Ann Marie Klotz 135 Votes
2. Jeremy Hedges 102 Votes
3. Brandon T. Bledsoe 101 Votes
4. Robert Bacik 87 Votes
5. Russell LaForte 84 Votes
6. Theodore M. Titus 80 Votes
7. Benjamin Paul Witt 80 Votes
8. Heath Sabin 77 Votes
9. Danielle Lavolette 76 Votes
10. Carmelita Hoskins 76 Votes

Titus, Christina Hicks and Kahn Spencer are contending for the chair of political actions. Danielle Lavolette, Schueller and Titus are running for vice president of student resources.

B.G. Martino and Schueller are currently running unopposed for the vice president of appropriations and the chair of education development.

Also at last Thursday's meeting, the current senate heard presentations from graduate assistant and homosexual rights advocate Jeff Kruse.

Kruse's presentation explained that the gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender

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Computer professor has style all his own

By WENDI J. HAILEY
Staff Writer

Most students know what it's like to be sitting in class, listening to the professor lecture, when they realize that their mind is beginning to wander. Suddenly, class is over and they haven't taken a single page of notes.

Most people, including students, have trouble listening for more than 15 or 20 minutes before their attention drops, said Scott Grimmsom, computer science

professor.

That's why Grimmsom created a teaching circle called Making Lectures Interactive. The circle involves eight Grand Valley faculty members who try different teaching techniques in order to enhance traditional lecturing.

"I hope I will inspire other faculty across the country to give this a try and that I provide practical tips for implementing this strategy," he said.

Faculty can interject new activities such as group work, class discussions and demonstrations after 15 minutes of lecturing, Grimmsom said. This helps students shift their attention to the new activity instead of ignoring the remainder of the lecture.

Grimmsom has also made student feedback an important teaching tool, through a variety of methods. He keeps

students involved in lectures by playing hangman. Every time a student points out a mistake he made, Grimmsom is put in jeopardy. If he is hanged, he will dismiss class early.

Furthermore, he encourages students to ask questions and voice concerns, he assesses the progress of the course to make sure the pace is acceptable and gives a midterm survey about assignments, the textbook and the professor.

Grimmsom uses student feedback to change grading policies, improve assignment descriptions and clarify his expectations. He said students appreciate this effort and it therefore increases their satisfaction and motivation for the course.

Grimmsom published his teaching methods in an article.



Professor Scott Grimmsom

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News

POLICE BEAT

03/26/00 Minors in Possession, Stafford Living Center. Five Cited. Four subjects are students. Closed.

Traffic Accident, Lake Michigan Drive at 42nd Ave. Property Damage. Closed.

03/27/00 Malicious Destruction of Property, GVSU Lot D. Victim reported damage to vehicle. Victim is a student. Open.

Malicious Destruction of Property, GVSU Lot J. Victim reported damage to vehicle. Victim is a student. Open.

Hit and Run, GVSU Lot E. Property Damage. Closed.

03/28/00 Medical. DeVos Living Center. Victim suffered a seizure. Victim refused treatment. Victim is a student. Closed.

Larceny, GVSU Bookstore. GVSU property reported stolen. Subject is a student. Closed.

03/30/00 Traffic Accident, Ravine Center Dr. Property Damage. Closed.

Malicious Destruction of Property, GVSU Little Mac Bridge. GVSU property reported damaged. Open.

Traffic Accident, GVSU Lot F. Property Damage. Report taken for insurance purposes. Closed.

Medical, River Cafe-Kirkhof. Victim suffered chemical burns. Victim transported by a friend to Georgetown Medical Center. Victim is a student. Closed.

Possession of Marijuana and Driving with a Suspended License, 42nd Ave. One Cited. Warrant Requested. Subject is a student. Closed.

03/31/00 Larceny, GVSU Lot D Overflow. Victim reported motor vehicle part stolen. Victim is a student. Open.

04/01/00 Burglary, Robinson Hall. Victim reported personal property stolen. Victim is a student. Open.

Scholarships to send students global

EMILY BARANOWSKI
Staff Writer

Students in Western Michigan now have the opportunity to receive a scholarship to study at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy, courtesy of Peter Secchia and family.

Nine scholarships, totaling \$70,000, will be awarded annually for single-semester work, summer or post-graduate work.

"The nine scholarships that we are funding will allow West Michigan to create nine 'global

students,' geared toward excelling in the 21st century," Secchia stated in a press release.

Secchia served as Ambassador to Italy under President Bush from 1989-1993.

In order for students to qualify for the Secchia-John Cabot University Merit Scholarship, students must be residents of Western Michigan, provide two letters of recommendation and be admitted to John Cabot University. All applicants must also be majoring in accounting, business administration, finance, economics, mathematics or other

majors related to the business or economics.

Merit Scholarships, which are an additional 25 percent tuition discount, will also be awarded to students in the "Secchia Scholars."

The Secchia Family's Foundation "Secchia Scholars" also includes The Norman R. Peterson Scholarship, The Pietro Secchia Scholarship and the Economic Club of Grand Rapids Scholarship.

The Order Sons of Italy in America "Pietro Secchia Scholarship" offers Italian-American undergraduates the

opportunity to qualify for the \$5,000 one semester or one academic year at John Cabot based on academic merit and financial need. Scholarships are also available in a lesser amount, for students who wish to study in the summer. A partial tuition for students is also available from The National Italian American Foundation "Norman R. Scholarship."

For more information about any of the scholarships and an online application to John Cabot University, visit their web site at www.johncabot.edu.

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New GVSU administrators

Priscilla Kimboko and James Boelkins have been appointed as new administrators at Grand Valley, effective July 1.

Kimboko has been named Dean of Grants Administration and Graduate Studies. Since 1994, she has held the position of associate dean of the graduate school at the University of Northern Colorado.

Boelkins has been named Vice Provost of the Grand Rapids campus. Since 1985, he has served as vice president for Academic Affairs and provost of Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Penn.

Student recognition banquet

Recognition 2000 will be held 5 p.m. April 14 in the Grand River Room of the Kirkhof Center. The annual event is held at the end of the year to honor students and campus organizations for their work through the year. Organizations will also have a chance to display

a "Year in Review" collage or scrapbook during the reception.

Law library moves downtown

The Grand Rapids Bar Association will be relocating their law library to Grand Valley's new downtown campus. The new library, with currently 35,000 law volumes, will be housed in the Steelcase Library on the ground floor of the Richard M. DeVos Center.

The law library, considered a gift from the GRBA, will be operated and maintained by GVSU. Currently, the GRBA library is located at 200 Monroe Avenue in Grand Rapids.

GVSU had intended to establish a law library regardless, but both organizations decided that it made sense to merge, instead of operating two expensive libraries relatively close together. The new law library will be opened in the fall.

Teaching grants awarded

GVSU President Arend D.



Grand Rapids law library to move into GVSU's DeVos Center.

Lubbers has established awards that give up to \$15,000 to a group of departments. The purpose of the grants are so that the departments can work on academic projects.

The four grant recipients were from the geology department, library and history department, honors science sequence and management department in the Seidman School of Business.

The geology department will be using the grant money to re-examine course requirements for degree programs and developed a new program dealing with the environment.

Faculty from the library and history department will be creating a web-based information literacy tutorial to be used in the American civilization course.

The honors science sequence will be used by faculty members in chemistry, physics and biomedical sciences will develop a two-semester integrated science sequence for the university Honors Program.

The management department of the Seidman School of Business will revise 11 management courses to incorporate the use of Enterprise Resource Planning software.

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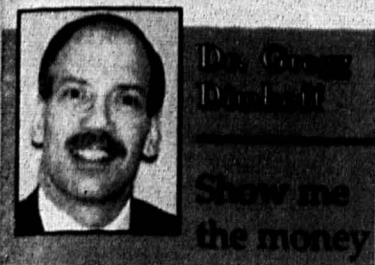
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Conference networks students

By KATHLEEN RUNDEL
Managing Editor

Should you trust a stockbroker?

About two years ago, a survey was conducted asking various professionals whether they follow their own advice. Given all of the derisive jokes that we hear, many people suspected that lawyers would turn up at the bottom of the list. But no, stockbrokers did. Three-fourths of them reported that they do not follow the buy and sell advice they give to their clients. That statistic shouldn't overwhelm you with trust.

Here's another unnerving fact to consider. I supervised a finance intern who spent nearly five months at a West Michigan brokerage house working closely with several brokers and their clients. The intern was very disappointed to observe that not one time in the entire five months did a broker attempt to find out a new client's risk tolerance level. It seemed to the intern that brokers were interested in sales and resulting commissions, not whether the recommended stocks were right for their clients.

Finally, I know lots of brokers. In their presence, I like to chitchat about stocks and stock recommendations. One of my favorite questions is, "What is your No. 1, cannot fail, recommendation?" Over the years, some of their recommendations have turned out to be outstanding investments, but most haven't. The ones that were outstanding were not closely guarded secrets. Rather, they were companies that were growing rapidly, dominating their markets and widely followed by many research analysts.

All of this makes me cynical about trusting stockbrokers' recommendations. There are, of course, many honest, competent brokers who always try to do what's best for their clients. The trouble is, most people cannot tell a good broker from a lousy one. And don't bother to ask your friends because they can't tell either.

My advice is to try to make your own investment decisions. How? Follow a few companies that interest you. Start with perhaps only three to five companies. On the Internet you can follow their prices, read their press releases and check out analysts' recommendations. Quicken.com and Fool.com are two good sites that provide free stock quotes and information.

Most small companies don't make it to the big time, so start with the big ones dominating their markets. Even if you don't feel comfortable making your own choices, you can always ask your broker for a few recommendations. Then investigate them prior to buying. There is no need to be rushed into any purchase. Companies that are doing well usually continue to do so for a long time.

of being involved with a voluntary organization," said Jeff Ray, Padnos School of Engineering, conference faculty chairman. "It gave them an opportunity to network also."

The conference also featured a volleyball tournament the first night of the conference. The Region V Volleyball tournament is school-against-school in a double elimination competition.

This region of the conference, which includes Michigan, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, is the only region to hold a volleyball tournament. The tournament is the highlight of the event, Ray said.

"It's an icebreaker," Ray said. "Students get to meet new people and renew friendships with people that they met at the previous conference."

Besides playing a little volleyball, students get a hands-

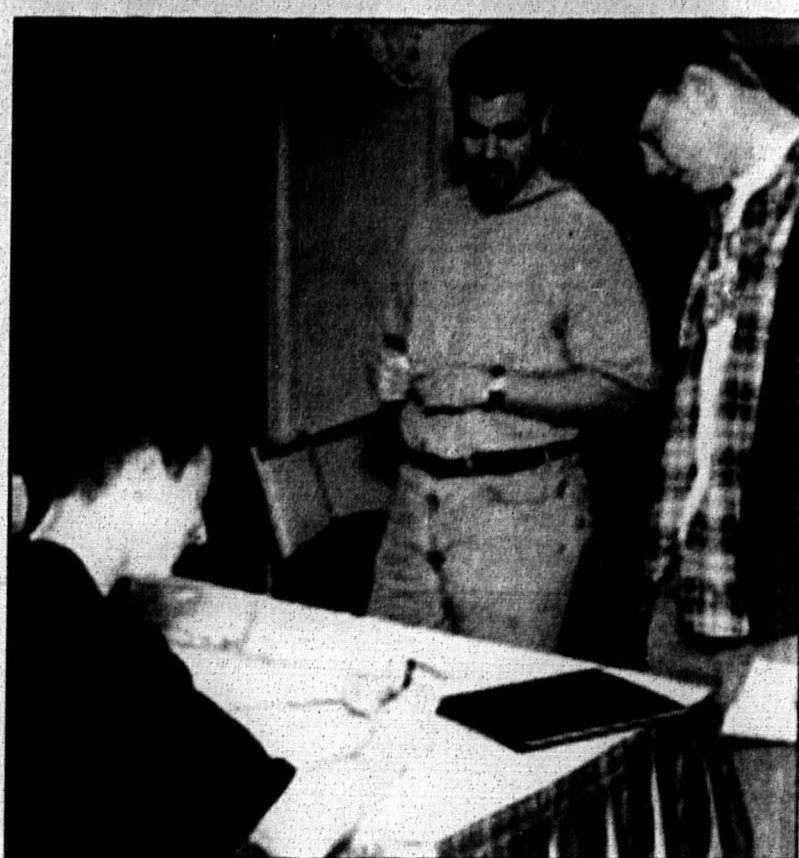
on job hunting experience. During the conference 13 local companies looking for engineering students conducted interviews for jobs and internships. The companies at the conference included Steelcase, Amway, Thermatron, Brillcase and Tiara Yachts.

The conference also gave students an opportunity to go to leadership seminars.

"We hope students learn better leadership skills and they become more involved and proud of their chosen field," Ray said.

The conference was a good opportunity for all of GVSU, not just students.

"This was a chance for Grand Valley to shine," Ray said. "(Padnos School of Engineering) is very proud of what we do and it is first class."



Students of Cleveland State University register at the Amway Grand Plaza for the regional student conference.



CARVING ICE

Photo by Adam Bird

Chef Allen Vay works behind the commons to finish his lobster for the Laker Buffet. Every Friday the upper commons has a special dinner, showcasing different kinds of food.

Book for travelers abroad

By ERIN JOHNSON
Copy Editor

Grand Valley professor Jerry Johnson has done two things that most people won't ever do — been to Armenia and written a book about it.

Johnson, an assistant professor of Social Work, worked in Armenia for eight weeks in 1995. He was there trying to help develop a drug prevention program for the Armenian people.

"It was a tremendously interesting experience," Johnson said.

While he was in the country, Johnson kept a detailed journal of all his experiences. Once he returned to the United States, he decided to write a book based on his experiences that would help others who had, or were

planning to, work in foreign countries.

"It will help them understand what they'll face or what they did face and didn't understand," he said.

Johnson sees his book as part novel and part guidebook for what to do and what not to do when working in a foreign country. He feels his book will not only help people working in foreign countries but also people in the United States who are working with people of a different culture.

"We think that everybody wants to be like us and they don't," Johnson said.

His book also shows the aftermath of what people in countries that used to be part of the Soviet Union went through in the years after the Cold War ended.

"It's a human interest story as well as a guide book," Johnson said.

Johnson's book, "Crossing Borders—Confronting History: Intercultural Adjustment in a Post-Cold War World," is available at the University Bookstore, major web sites like Amazon.com and Schuler Books and Music.



Photo courtesy of University Communications
Jerry Johnson



Kosovo natives endured many hardships after the war ended. Many people have traveled there to help.

Kosovo/

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This May, Veliac plans to return to Kosovo and work under Balkan Youth Link, a San Francisco-based youth development organization. BYL, The Open Society Institute and the Soros Foundation have funded the summer long project that Veliac will coordinate.

His team of assistants and volunteers from several different countries will work together on starting the first International Debate Camp in Kosovo and will implement a series of youth initiatives and projects. The camp will bring together many elite high school and university students who will be trained in problem and dilemma solving, effective community management, conflict resolution, argumentative writing and leadership skills. The youths will compete on different resolutions

discouraged because they don't wish to belong to either side, he said.

Veliac and his team will attempt to establish a strong middle group that will give youth the power to build their futures and the futures of their societies. He hopes this group will one day evolve to be a moderate leadership for the province.

Veliac said that he doesn't regret a second of his time in Kosovo.

The society is heavily divided between the Serbs and the Albanians and there is a lot of hatred towards each other, Veliac said. Young leaders become frustrated and

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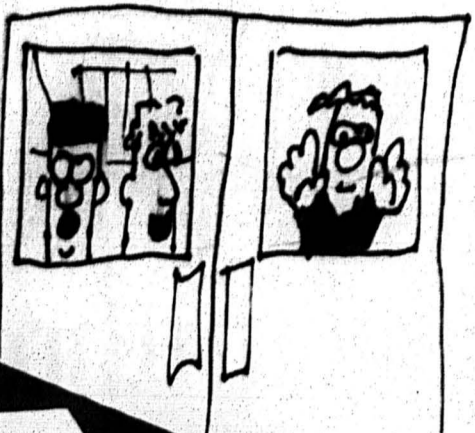
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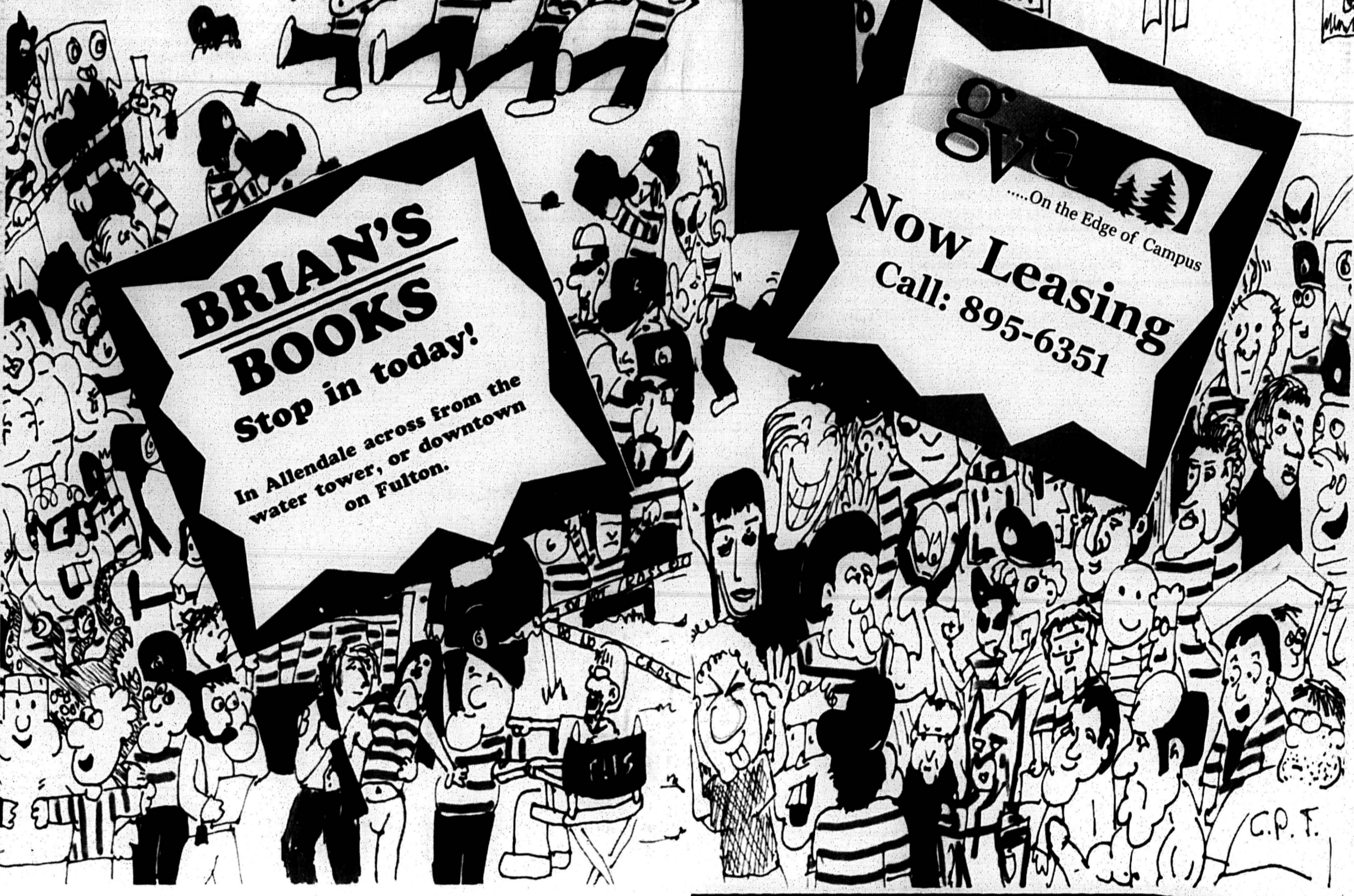


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OUR VIEW

Downtown shuttle service tests students' patience

The downtown shuttle service has been the topic of many complaints by students and faculty over the past few months. The chief concern - bad service. A shuttle that many in the GVSU community depend on to transport them between the Allendale and Grand Rapids campus seems to be failing in providing adequate service.

A downtown shuttle has and will become even more crucial in the next few months as the campus downtown expands. This makes the need for an adequate shuttle service even greater. A shuttle that will be on time, provide good service and safety is a must. Many students and faculty have questioned whether the current shuttle, provided by D.A.D.D.'s, fulfills these three critical needs.

Grand Valley officials must put this issue at the top of their agendas. Evaluations of the current service need to be made with ways implemented to improve or maybe even find a new service. But obviously something needs to be done because students are not happy about the shuttle and have not been for quite some time.

This isn't an issue that can sit on the backburner until next year when more students are taking advantage of the services because of the new campus. This is an issue that should be dealt with immediately. The kinks need to be worked out now in order to insure a much smoother ride next year.

So many transitions will become evident once the DeVos Center campus opens. By being proactive on dealing with the shuttle service now, campus officials will be able to lighten the load as other issues arise from a new campus opening. Furthermore, a shuttle service that works efficiently, reliably and attracts many students may very well lessen complaints of campus parking.

Where did all the voters go?

Student Senate elections were held last week, with numerous tables set up around campus so that GVSU students could place their votes. But relatively few students decided to take part in the campus voting. In fact, only about 340 voted. A very low number when you take into account that more than 16,000 students attend Grand Valley.

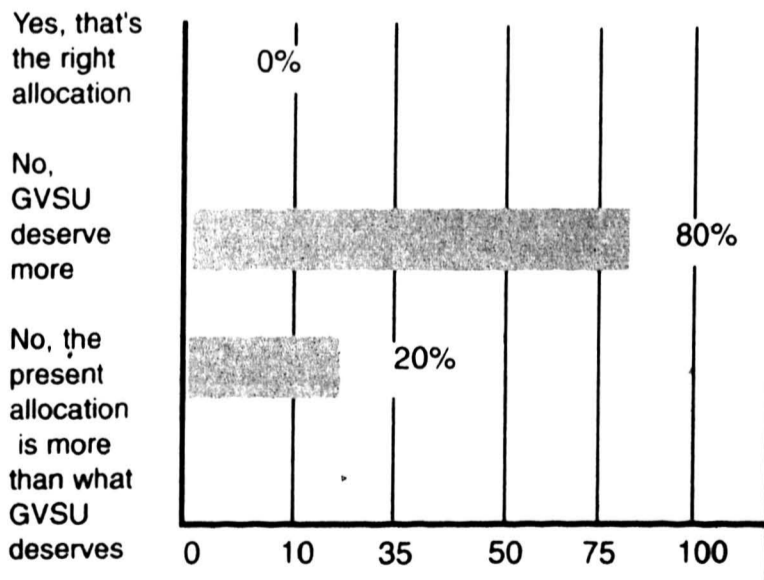
So why the low voter turnout to elect representatives of the student body? Do the majority of students not care who occupies those seats during the meetings, voting on their behalf, allocating their Student Life Fee money?

This is only a mere reflection of national voting habits. Fewer and fewer people are turning out to cast their vote, leaving many questioning "why?"

To remain silent and uninvolved hurts the system.

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Title IX puts the odd man out

Just because they are men doesn't mean they don't get game. Never thought that statement would ever be made, but it has been in colleges through out the country.

The infamous Title IX battle has been brewing throughout colleges all over the country due to many men's sports programs disappearing.

Title IX, a 1972 law mandated equal opportunity for men and women in education. The opportunities included admissions faculty positions and now, extracurricular activities.

Title IX states "no person in the United States shall, on the

basis of sex, be excluded from participating in, be denied the benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any educational programs or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

Once Title IX passed, universities began adding women's sports to equal the amount of men's sports. But due to the costs, many of the men's sports had to be cut. The sports that have been cut include wrestling, swimming and diving, gymnastics and golf.

Unfortunately, now males are the odd men out, no pun intended.

Instead of cutting sports, maybe costs should be cut in other areas.

College should be a time for students to get to explore different ideas, events and yes,

sports. When universities cut programs, they are limiting students' abilities to explore different things.

Title IX brings up the topic of reverse sexism as well. Does the university have the right to cut the sport just because only men play it?

I know if it was women's sports endangered of being cut, women around the country would be up in arms yelling sexism. I don't see any men yelling.

On the other hand, Title IX has been a good thing. For example, I may have never had the opportunity to go to this university if it had not been for Title IX.

Title IX has given more women the opportunity to receive higher education. Before, women were turned

down at some colleges just because they were female.

Now, more women are going to college than men. At GVSU alone, for winter semester 2000 there are 10,139 female students compared to 6,463 male students.

If the government really wants to make things equal, they should consider worrying about women's salaries compared to men's salaries. After college graduation, women are making about \$6,000 less than men.

Personally, I would rather make the same amount of money, then have the opportunity to play the same amount of sports.

But think about it guys, some sports have been cut, but that gives you more time to hit on all those extra girls on campus.



Democrats suffer from a bad case of Clintonism

By JEFF COHEN
Special to the Los Angeles Times

When Al Gore recently joined conservatives in supporting a special law to award Elian Gonzalez permanent U.S. residency, his maneuver was straight out of the playbook that has governed eight years of Clintonism: "Fake left, go right."

If a play like this works, Clintonites get to position themselves as thoughtful moderates between congressional Democrats and Republicans.

Predictably, Gore's Elian move outraged many Democrats in Congress, especially those who have long criticized immigration policy for discriminating against Haitians

and Dominicans while giving Cubans privileges.

While Clintonism may be good for Bill and Hillary and Al, all of whom seem willing to say or do anything to win the next election, it's worth asking whether Clintonism is good for the Democratic Party.

Let's do the numbers. When Clinton entered the White House, his party dominated the U.S. Senate, 57-43, the U.S. House, 258-176, the country's governorship, 30-18, and a large majority of state legislatures. Today, Republicans control the Senate, 55-45, the House, 222-211, governorship, 30-18, and almost half of state legislatures.

Democrats were once a majority party standing on some firm principles, helping the little guy, economic security and, to

some degree, standing up to corporations on behalf of workers, consumers and the environment.

But Clintonism has come to mean coddling big money (except guns and tobacco), financial scandals, winning at any cost, flip-flopping and prevaricating.

In November 1994, Republicans triumphed after White House policies, the North American Free Trade Agreement, urban neglect, the health reform fiasco, had dispirited and demobilized the Democratic Party's grass-roots base. That's Clintonism.

On the eve of the 1996 election, Democratic momentum to regain majority control of Congress was halted by revelations of Clinton-Gore

fund-raising abuses. That's Clintonism.

Now, seven months before the election, many Democratic activists and some Congress members can add Elian Gonzalez to the list of issues on which they march to a different drummer than the man heading their ticket.

Yet, come August, rather than obey party unity behind Gore's zigzagging party line, some activist Democrats will join protests outside the Democratic Convention in Los Angeles.

And a deeper reckoning is inevitable when enough Democrats realize that Clintonism can survive while the rest of the party and its core beliefs are slowly triangulated to death.

Question of the Week

Do you think Comerica Park will revitalize Detroit?



"I think it's going to stay the same."
Natalie Ferris, Freshman, English



"It's going to improve things in Detroit because it will provide bigger attractions."
Jake Hatten, Sophomore, Criminal Justice



"Hype for the moment - it's not going to do anything for Detroit."
Sarah Blystra, Freshman, Communications



"I don't think a park will change it."
Elizabeth Hischke, Freshman, Music Education



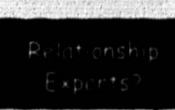
"Who cares about baseball."
David Root, Junior, International Relations & History

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Dear Jen and Jon: My roommate walked in on my boyfriend and I while we were (studying) and now I'm really embarrassed. What should I do?

first hand is a different story. Most likely she feels just as embarrassed about the situation as you do.

JON:
Even if your roomie knows that you guys "study" together, seeing it is a shock. There are a couple things that you can do to deal with the situation. One: Just don't bring it up and forget about it. School's almost out and you can get by until then.



JEN:
Sometimes it's just best to leave some things alone. If you bring it up, you may just end up more embarrassed or awkward.

JON:
The other thing you could do if you decide to talk to your roommate is to approach it with humor. Example: "Oh, we were studying anatomy. Sorry you saw our study session." Don't make it out to be a really big thing. It's not.

JON:
The roommate situation is always a problem. They always seem to be there at the wrong times. The best you can do is lock the door when you "study" and hope for the best. Every college student deals with the roommate thing, but usually the ladies are the ones that get upset about it.

JEN:
This issue can be difficult to deal with. Chances are that even if you've never told your roommate flat out that you and your boyfriend "study", she probably knows what goes on when you two are alone. However, actually witnessing it



Student Appreciation Day

Photo by Erin Keller
Students compete in volleyball on student worker appreciation day in the field house. Other activities included a banner competition and badminton.

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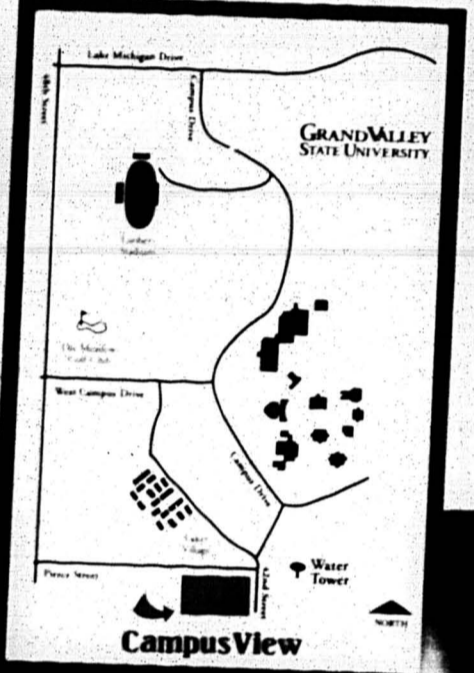
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Laker Life

Vegas night hits the jackpot

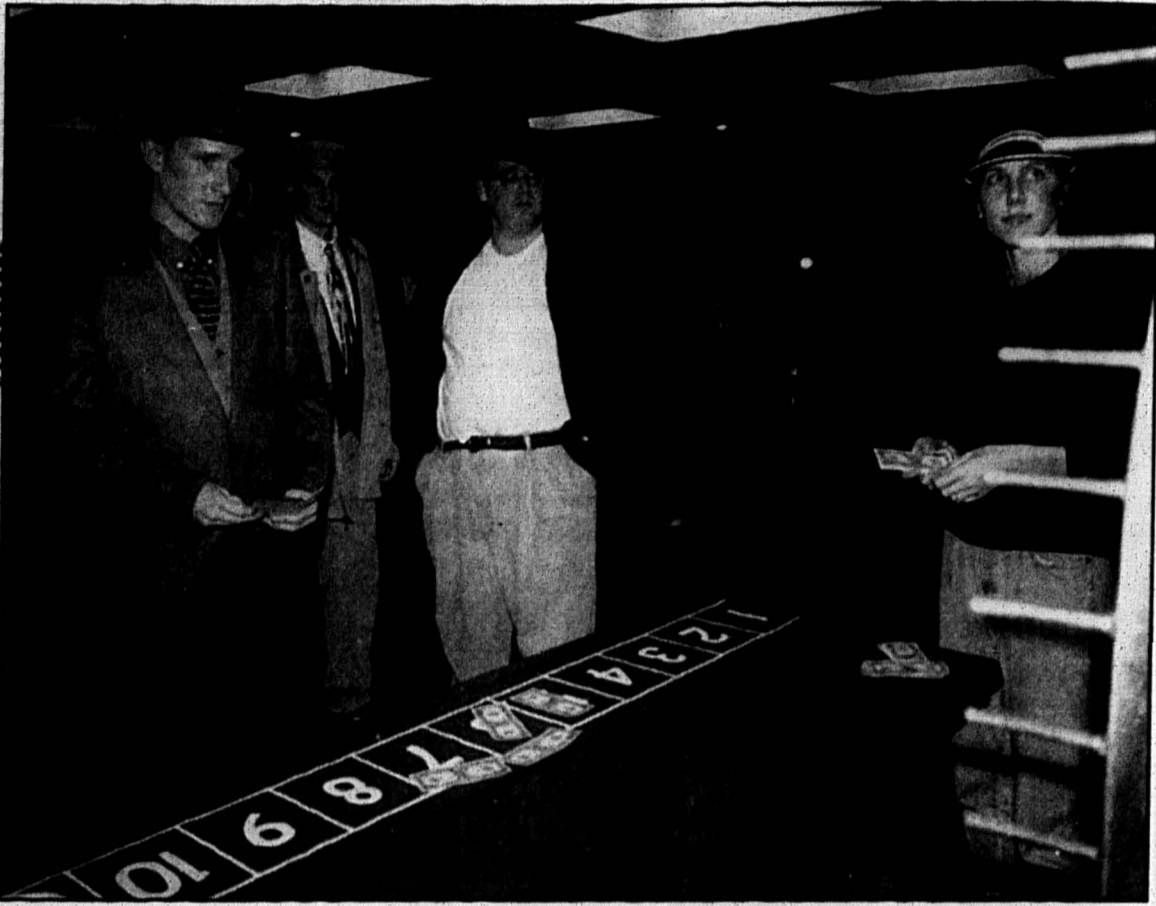


Photo by Erin Keller

Students gather around the tables at the student life Las Vegas night on April 7. Students were given fake money to gamble with. The money that students won could then be exchanged for prizes.

Fling into fitness this spring

By MIKE NEVILLE
Staff Writer

Even though it may not feel like spring outside, it's time to shake off those lazy winter habits and shape up for warmer weather at the "Spring Fling."

The first Health and Fitness Fair, "Spring Fling," is designed to encourage students to live healthy and active lifestyles.

The event will be held from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. on April 13 in the Field House Arena. The event is

sponsored by Students Encouraging Active Lifestyles (SEAL), along with the Campus Health and Wellness Center.

"The fair will encourage active lifestyles in the students," said Chris Kirby of the Wellness Center. "It's going to be fun and educational at the same time."

Booths will be set up throughout the Field House educating students on topics such as exercise, dieting, alcohol awareness and much more.

Trainers will be available to answer any questions about the

programs and will be able to provide tips on treating injuries.

Free body fat testing and skin cancer screening will be available along with free massages.

The fair won't be all work and no play. Entertainment Solutions will be on campus for this event with inflatable jousting pedestals, a climbing mountain and an obstacle course.

The event is open to all students at no cost and free food will also be available for those who attend.

What is the truth about beauty?

By BRENNIA DOUGAN
Staff Writer

The saying is that beauty is in the eye of the beholder. Some people claim the new saying is that beauty is in the eye of the media. Former talk show host Mother Love and former actress Camille Cooper will both make their first visits to Grand Valley April 13 to address that and other issues about the media and image expectations.

Mother Love, a former radio personality, was the host of the talk show "Forgive or Forget," which began in June of 1998. One of her well-known quotes is "you can't photograph inner beauty." Despite her feelings, she was later fired from her show because the producers felt that it needed a different image. She was replaced by current host Robin Givens. According to talkshows.com, the show has now been canceled. The web site said that repeats will air from May through August.

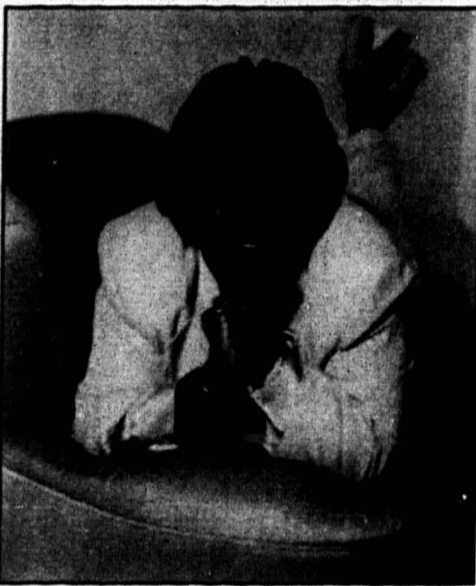
Ariane Watkins, the president of the Black Student Union, said that Mother Love is going to talk about why she was let go. She will let the audience know about the high emphasis on image in television. Mother Love also

plans to discuss opportunities in the television and entertainment industry and about how to survive in it. She also will be discussing her latest projects.

Cooper is a former actress in films, television and theatre. Some of her credits include movies such as "Lawnmower Man" and "Like Father, Like Son." She has been on television shows such as "General Hospital," "Knots Landing" and "21 Jump Street." She also acted in two plays with the American Theatre of Actors in New York. Cooper is the co-chair of the Committee for the Empowerment of Young Women.

Han Vu, president of Ideas and Issues, said that the goal for the program is to make both males and females aware of the media and what is done to make models look better.

Also, Vu felt it would be interesting to see how this false image of models creates problems with people's views of themselves. The issues that



Mama Love

Cooper will discuss are currently very important and that is a big reason that Ideas and Issues decided to ask her to speak. Vu feels that Cooper's program will "make people more aware of the media and its affect on others' lives."

Mother Love's talk will begin at 8 p.m. in the Cook DeWitt Center and Camille Cooper will begin speaking at 9 p.m. in cabins A, B and C in the Kirkhof Center. Both events are free.

Honoring the best of 2000



Photo by Adam Bird

Johnnie L. Callahan, director of the honors program and professor of biomedical sciences, spoke at the annual GVSU awards banquet, held April 10. For a complete list of award winners, see page 7.

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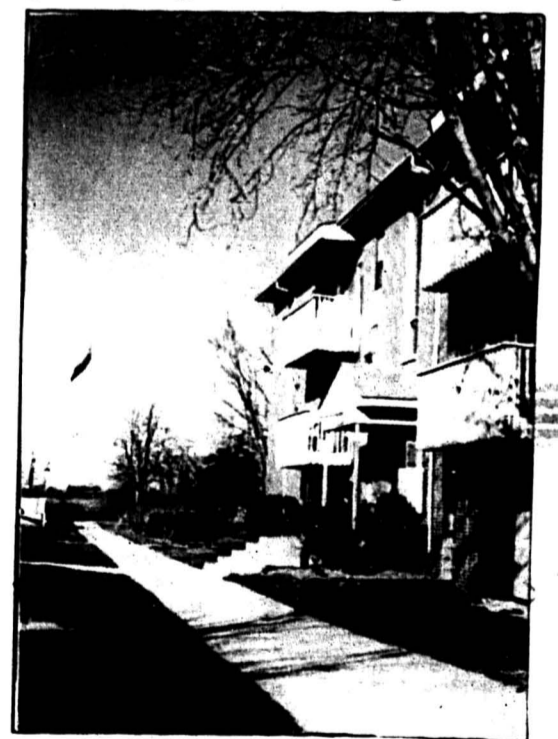
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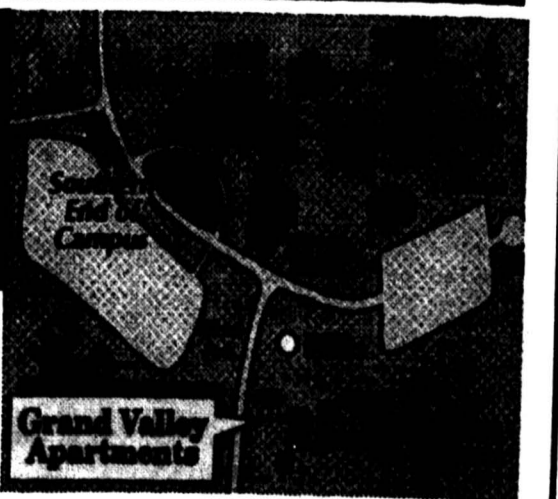
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Web-enhanced classes making headway at GVSU

By TIM GORT
Staff Writer

A recent survey by Dun and Bradstreet revealed that seven out of 10 colleges are now offering learning via computer. Two weeks ago Micro Strategy CEO Michael Saylor alarmed the high-tech education world by donating \$100 million to help create a free online university.

Now, many students and professors are wondering about the future of higher education. Brick or click? Will Grand Valley become an e-university?

While many classes at GVSU are traditionally held in classrooms made of brick and mortar with the professor instructing the learning environment, others are turning to the World Wide Web for web-based instructional support.

GVSU faculty member Sue Martin teaches TAX 610 multi-state taxation, a graduate tax class offered in the masters of science in taxation program that meets on the web several times a week, and is taught predominantly online with few in-class meetings.

The class studies the constitutional case law and framework of multi-state taxation from a text of court cases.

Student participation online is graded each week and periodic assessments, like test questions, are done as well.

"The enrollment in this class was only five students until we made a decision in mid-December to experiment and offer it online," Martin said. "The enrollment then jumped from five to 15 students."

MST degree students all hold professional, full-time positions in the tax field. Fresh discussion boards, topics and cases are assigned each week. The discussions continue for one week and close promptly on Mondays at noon. Martin then creates a new discussion board and begins the next week.

"We have achieved a very lively, dynamic, friendly, substantive and funny discussion mode online in this class. In my opinion, the learning and participation going on here by both students and the teacher is far superior to any interaction I was ever able to elicit in a traditional lecture class in over 10 years of teaching this course," Martin said.

Many classes like Martin's, as well as many undergraduate classes like biology and chemistry, get support from GVSU's Information Technology department. It helps faculty produce a broad spectrum of web-based learning environments for students.

"The term web-based course is an ambiguous term because the benefit can range from very simplistic, using it for remedial information, to the extreme where the class meets regularly

on the web," said Mike Leahy, Grand Valley academic computing system analyst.

Leahy sits down with faculty members and helps them rethink what they are teaching, making them look closer at their courses goals to analyze each individual situation. He then sees how the computer technology can help accomplish those objectives.

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SUE MARTIN
GVSU FACULTY MEMBER

We are not planning to force any faculty member to do this, the web-enhanced processes are extremely voluntary and its up to the department to decide on the level of use, not Information Technology. It may not be appropriate for all classes or faculty members to use, Leahy said.

Public relations professor Betty Pritchard uses the web for extensive remedial support to teach CAP 220 introduction to public relations, an undergraduate level course. The web page includes announcements, course information, sample formats,

staff information, assignments, course documents/notes and student biographies.

"For me this is great. I have a very limited knowledge about HTML and Mike Leahy has been a tremendous help," Pritchard said.

The program helps Pritchard track which days students hit the web pages, tallies the statistics of each user and includes chat rooms. Students can also check their grades at their leisure and update their student biographies including digital pictures.

Another GVSU professor, Marty Litherland, teaches ED 225 diversity in education and uses the web so that all students must contribute to the discussion in order to receive possible points. This type of discussion forces feedback from all students, something that Litherland says doesn't always happen in the classroom.

"This type of discussion is more comfortable for some students...those who are uncomfortable sharing their thoughts/ideas verbally in front of the class. Because contributors to the discussion board are not sharing their views 'face to face' with their colleagues, there is the potential for students to share their views more boldly than they would if they were in conversation. Online discussion can be depersonalized quite easily if not addressed," Litherland said.

Martin agrees that there are

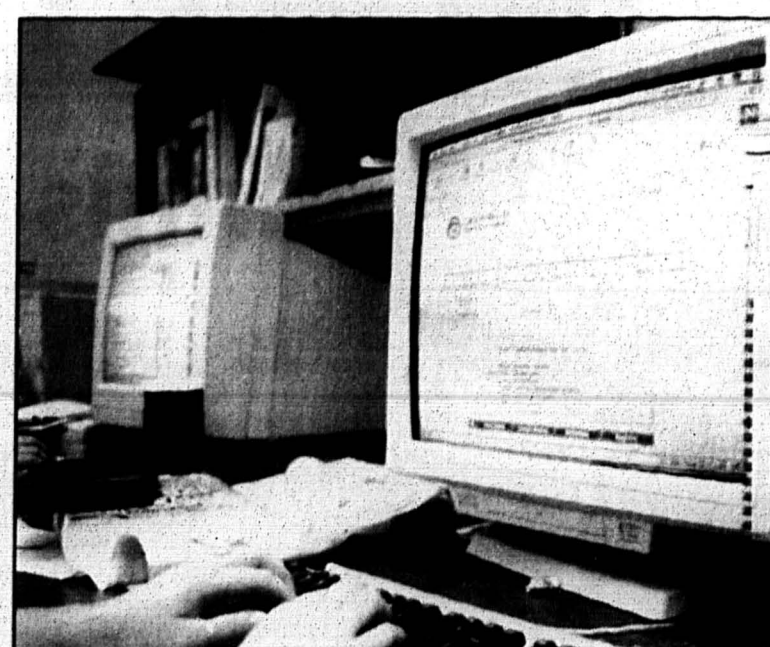


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major disadvantages for the instructor and the student.

She says it takes more time to try to retool the course, effectively organize it online and provide graded individual feedback to every student every week.

"Traditional lecture is easier and takes less time. From my experience, not meeting in person is more work for students/professor to meet online - we all have to work harder. The students also have complained about the pace being too fast and being too much work," Martin said.

Grand Valley, like many higher education institutions, is still in the experimentation stage

of online classes.

Stanley O. Ikenberry, president of the American Council of Higher Education, a non-profit organization representing over 1,800 colleges and universities, warns that education is more than online classes.

"If you believe that higher education is simply content mastery, then you can put that in a can. But higher education is so much more than that. It involves judgment, analysis, synthesis, communication, creativity and innovation. These are the things that humans do best," Ikenberry said.

Senate/

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(GLBT) community on-campus are going to various places around campus advocating support for a GLBT aid center to be built. Kruse noted that he, along with several other graduate assistants, have already submitted a proposal to Grand Valley President Arend D. Lubbers regarding this issue.

Another presentation was held by attendees to the National Association for Campus Activities conference held in Boston during February.

Presenters gave a brief overview of the idea behind the association, what happens at conferences and conventions and the benefits to a school. Also presented was an explanation of co-op buying, which entailed meeting with delegation of co-op buyers, discussing semester calendars and forming blocks.

At the conference, the attendees were able to scout talent, assess how an artist is with the crowd and determine if an artist could fit in with upcoming activities.

The attendees were also able to gather information for all campus programming, meet with agents, share ideas about what worked and what did not, and exchange ideas and promotional materials with

other schools.

Following the presentations were the officer reports, which included an update from the community affairs committee.

Witt is heading up a subcommittee investigating the changes in health services. Witt compared the services currently being provided through the campus's health center and the health services provided at prison in Ionia. He weighed the staff of one nurse practitioner on campus against one doctor and six nurses along with other medical staff at the prison.

The senate also discussed the motion to impeach David Mossburger from the community affairs committee chair. The motion failed with a vote of 22 voting against the motion, 10 voting in favor, and three abstentions.

The senate's new business consisted of legislation brought by the education development committee. The resolution stated that the student senate supports the newly proposed academic review policy. The motion to accept this resolution failed, with 21 voting against and 12 in favor. The newly proposed academic review policy has already been passed in the University Academic Senate. But it may be reviewed since the university was waiting to make a final decision regarding the new policy pending the student senate's.

Drinking/

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and then putting a drop into a gallon of water. The glass of water will appear dark while the gallon of water may show no signs of color at all, Fisher said.

In the 1999-2000 school year, there have been six cases of alcohol poisoning reported on campus that Public Safety has been involved in. When Public Safety is called to a possible alcohol poisoning case, an ambulance is immediately called in. Sgt. Brandon DeHaan said.

The officer will attempt to get a preliminary breath test of the person to assess the seriousness of his or her condition. In many cases of alcohol poisoning however, the individual is unconscious and cannot take the PBT, DeHaan said.

The unconsciousness effect from alcohol poisoning occurs when the body is not able to get the alcohol out of its system fast

enough. The worst thing about alcohol poisoning, Fisher said, is that it is hard to determine.

"It's a tough call because it can be missed so easily," Fisher said. "But if you know someone's really been pushing it, you may be more aware that this is the problem."

Eva Kwiatek, junior, experienced alcohol poisoning first hand when a friend had too much to drink in a very short period of time at a party last year.

"When you're at a party you know how much most of the people there have had to drink and you know if they can handle it or not," Kwiatek said.

Kwiatek knew that night her friend, who was underage, had past her limit for drinking. Her friend passed out and at first was responsive to the people around her. Then, after severe vomiting, she passed out again and was not

responding in any way to the people around her. Kwiatek said. That is when Kwiatek and her friends decided to call Public Safety for help, even if it meant they might receive a minor in possession ticket.

"I'd rather have my friend alive and pay for the ticket," Kwiatek said.

However, Public Safety does not issue minor in possession tickets to any students who are under 21 and suffering from alcohol poisoning.

"If our officers (gave out tickets) there's the distinct fear that (students) wouldn't call us for help," DeHaan said. "We

don't want individuals to try to seek treatment on their own for incidents that need medical attention."

There are no physical signs to indicate that a person may be suffering from alcohol poisoning.

The only way to determine whether or not a person may have alcohol poisoning is if they are passed out and not responsive to any efforts to wake them up.

"Don't take the risk," Fisher said. "Anybody who's passed out from alcohol should go to the (emergency room)."



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Sports

Tennis unable to serve up win in GLIAC



MIKE KOHON
Staff Writer

The Grand Valley men's tennis team put up a pair of wins before losing to Ferris State over the weekend as they make their way toward the last week of the season.

The Lakers (13-6, 7-2 GLIAC) defeated Michigan Tech and Lake Superior State 7-2 and 7-2 before being shutout by the Bulldogs on Monday.

The team was down 2-1 to the Huskies on Saturday before shutting out their opponent in singles play.

Head Coach Reed Sutton said some of the team's success was due to the play of its fifth and sixth singles players, Greg McManus and Adam Jasick.

"Greg has had some success against their fifth singles player in the past, so we decided to switch up the two of them and it worked out nicely," he said. Sutton also called it the best

match the team has played all year.

On April 9, the Lakers fell behind 1-2 after doubles play, but once again pulled out an undefeated set of singles matches.

Sutton said he was a little bit disappointed with his team's play and thought the Lakers should have "buried" their opponents.

"We shouldn't get down 2-1 in doubles," he said.

However, Sutton said Lake Superior State was a very good

team that they might play again in the GLIAC tournament.

Finally, the Lakers were shutout by Ferris State, the second-place team in the conference.

"We played well at a couple of flights," Sutton said.

The closest match of the day was the third doubles match that McManus and Jasick won in a tiebreaker.

Sutton called the Bulldogs "tough as nails."

On April 13, the team will

play Spring Arbor at home, a match up Sutton hopes will help the team prepare for Wayne State on April 14. The Lakers and Warriors are playing for third place in the conference.

"They (Wayne State) are tough at the top," he said. "But we should beat them."

Following those games Grand Valley will host Cornerstone and Aquinas on April 17 and 18, respectively.

Weather baseball's biggest opponent

By RYAN SLOCUM
Staff Writer

Mother Nature was Grand Valley's toughest opponent, keeping the Lakers from playing five of their six games between April 8 and 9. Unfortunately for the team, four of the games were against GLIAC competitor Mercyhurst.

"We were looking forward to playing Mercyhurst," Coach Steve Lyon said. "It's difficult because we want to play conference games and we want to be able to play and get better."

Grand Valley did manage to fit one game in before the snow showers. On April 5 they defeated Calvin 16-12.

Grand Valley was an offensive machine going 20-45 as a team from behind the plate.

Leading the way for the Lakers was Dustin Vugteveon who hit 3 for 5 on a homerun, two doubles and four RBIs. Matt Johnson also played well hitting 3 for 6 with a homerun, a stolen base and a RBI.

"All day long we swung the bat well," Lyon said. "But that is all we did well. Uncharacteristically we played bad defense."

The Lakers committed six errors in the field against Calvin. Lyon said lineup changes were the cause of sloppy play.

"When you play non-conference ball you try to play a lot of people," he said. "But when you play different people you expect them to play as well as you can. We just didn't stay focused."

After the win, Grand Valley's record moves up to 13-7 overall and they remain 5-1 in the conference.

This week will be a test for the Lakers as they are in GLIAC action at Hillsdale April 12. Then Saginaw Valley comes in for back-to-back double headers April 15-16.

"This is a big week," Lyon said. "Hillsdale is well coached, they always give us trouble. And SVSU has started off really well. They will be a big test."

Everybody's Kung Fu fighting



Ultimate Frisbee team gets horizontal in Holland

By SARAH BUYSSE
Sports Editor

The Ultimate Frisbee team competed in a tournament April 8-9 and it turned out to be a flying success.

The team kicked off the tournament, held at West Ottawa High School by Hope college.

They loaned the other team a few of their players.

"We kept up with all the

teams," said player Kyle Connor.

The team lost close matches to Hope (11-10), Michigan State (10-8) and Mt. Pleasant (6-4). Hope went on to win the tournament undefeated. GVSU finished with a 1-3 record in fourth place.

"We definitely gained a lot of respect throughout the tournament," Connor said.

The Ultimate Frisbee team will compete at Easttown's tournament next



GVSU Ultimate players take on MSU in Holland this past weekend.

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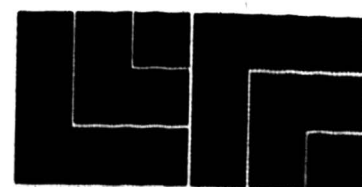
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ALBUMS

Top Ten Albums

1. 'N Sync, No Strings Attached
2. Santana, Supernatural
3. Romeo Must Die, Movie Soundtrack
4. Sisqo, Unleash The Dragon
5. Drag-On, Opposite Of H2O
6. Dr. Dre, Dr. Dre - 2001
7. Ice Cube, War & Peace Vol. 2
8. Destiny's Child, The Writing's On The Wall
9. Macy Gray, On How Life Is
10. DMX, And Then There Was X

(Source: billboard.com)

M

MOVIES

Top Ten Movies

1. Rules of Engagement
2. Erin Brockovich
3. The Road to El Dorado
4. Return to Me
5. The Skulls
6. Ready to Rumble
7. Romeo Must Die
8. High Fidelity
9. Final Destination
10. American Beauty

(Source: hollywood.com)

V

VIDEOS

Top Ten Video Rentals

1. Double Jeopardy
2. Stigmata
3. American Pie
4. Random Hearts
5. The Story of Us
6. Runaway Bride
7. Bowfinger
8. Stir of Echoes
9. Eyes Wide Shut
10. The 13th Warrior

(Source: hollywood.com)

B

BEST SELLERS

NY Times (Non-Fiction)

1. Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom
2. The Bodyguard's Story by Trevor Rees-Jones, Moira Johnston
3. The Rock Says... by the Rock, Joe Layden
4. The Death of Innocence by John Ramsey, Patsy Ramsey
5. The Millionaire Mind by Thomas J. Stanley
6. A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius by Dave Eggers
7. The Case Against Hillary Clinton by Peggy Noonan
8. 'Tis by Frank McCourt
9. The Greatest Generation by Tom Brokaw
10. Have a Nice Day! by Mick Foley

(Books available at UBS)



Above: GVSU student Kelly Wiltjer arranges mosaic tiles with Alex Cruz. Below Right: GVSU student Sara Young and Brittany Pittman look for a tile to complete their mosaic.

Photos by Adam Bild

Love the Art

By RICHARD WILLIAMS
Arts and Entertainment Editor

College courses often deal in theory, leaving the practical application of knowledge until some point after a student graduates.

Grand Valley professor Bill Charland and his students are challenging that notion and combining real life experience with the classroom.

Every week Charland and the 20 GVSU students in his Art 230 class meet with inner-city youth to work on a mosaic tile art project at the Grand Rapids Children museum.

The course, "Art for the Classroom Teacher," is intended to teach the materials, methods and techniques for teaching art to elementary aged children.

Through the various stages of the mosaic project Charland has developed a hands on approach for his students to learn art instruction.

"Rather than teach little projects for the classroom, we concentrate on developing a

whole curriculum. We develop a series of art projects which lead up to the major project. Each one is user friendly and teaches something important about art," Charland said.

Charland's students work with children from the YMCA's Aftercare program.

The purpose of the Aftercare program is to provide positive learning and recreation programs for children ages five to 12.

Earlier in the semester the children developed a series of aquatic drawings on large sheets of paper. Each drawing of undersea life was then traced onto foam.

Colored ceramic tiles were then broken and placed on the foam drawings to create a mosaic pattern similar to the original drawings.

At the completion of the course the mosaics will be mounted on frames and have a few finishing touches applied to prepare them for display.

Students in the class break up into groups and are matched up with groups of children. Throughout the semester the students assist the children in their artistic pursuits and gain experience in working with children.

"I've never done art before. What I like so much about this class is watching kids learn and at the same time I learn more about working with them and helping them to express themselves," said Jessica Cusimano, an Art 230 student.

When finally completed, the mosaic mural will be placed on display somewhere in Children's Museum.

Each student in Charland's class expressed a positive feeling about working directly with children.

"I love it. For me it has been a great opportunity to have hands on work with kids. We also have an excellent opportunity to help out a wonderful after school program," said Andy Baker, a GVSU education student.

In past semesters, Charland's students have conducted similar projects at different locations around the West Michigan area.

According to Charland, the purpose of each class has always remained true.

"We get out of the classroom a bit and we get into nuts and bolts of doing art with children. Everything comes down to working with the children and getting them to express themselves artistically," said Charland.



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Mystery alive with Alphabet Sleuth

By **STEPHANIE STASSEL**
Los Angeles Times

Fifteen down and 11 books to go. For Sue Grafton, it's a good thing there are only 26 letters in the alphabet. Since "A Is for Alibi" was published in 1982, Grafton has been working her way to Z, chronicling the adventures of Kinsey Millhone, a tough, unpretentious private detective who pays her disability insurance even before her rent. "When I sit there and think about the entire rest of the alphabet, I about have apoplexy," said Grafton, who later this month will turn 60. "I lower my focus and think all I have to worry about is writing the next sentence well. Don't look at the big picture. Don't worry about the critics. Just get it down to which word goes in front of which. And if you can do that, then the rest will take care of itself." One of the first modern hard-boiled female detectives,

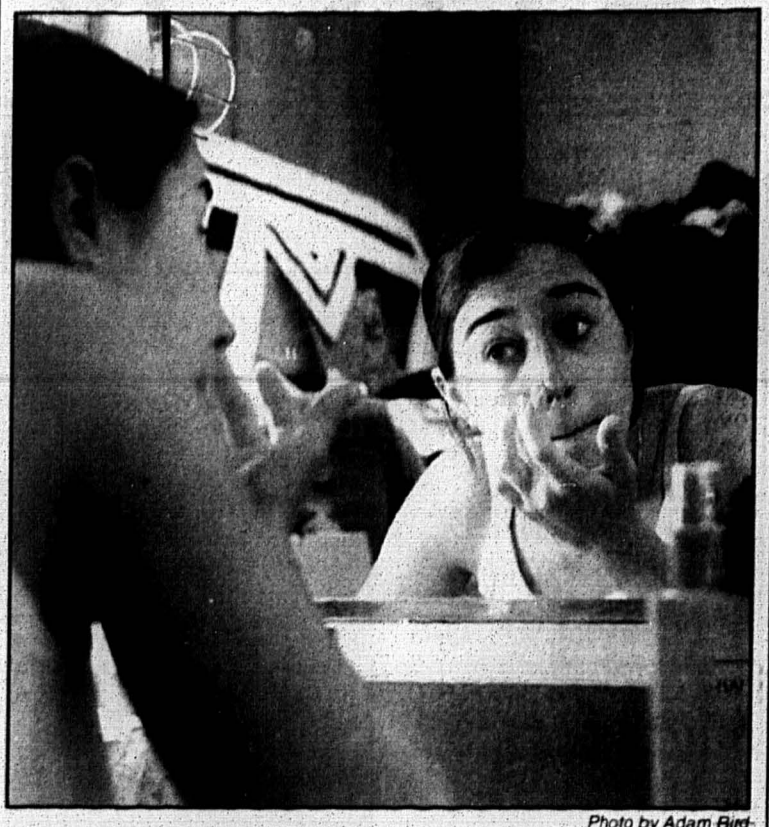


Author Sue Grafton shown in her Montecito, California home.

Millhone is a smart-mouthed, fast-thinking ex-cop based in Santa Teresa, a thinly veiled rendition of Santa Barbara. The setting is a natural for Grafton, who lives in Montecito and captures the aura with such clarity that you can almost smell the sea breeze. Millhone is in her mid-30s (she ages one year every 21/2 books), twice divorced, no kids, no pets. She takes chances, makes mistakes and has even

again, I tend to get a lot more of the one than I do of the other." In "Outlaw," Millhone stumbles onto some long-forgotten personal mementos, including an unopened letter, that persuade her that a former husband isn't the murderer she thought he was. As he lies in a hospital fighting for his life, she searches for the real killer. "Outlaw" is the first in the series to delve into Kinsey's first marriage, a subject that made Grafton a bit nervous despite having a solid following for the series with 42 million books sold worldwide. "As I was writing, I thought, they're gonna kill me for this. Nobody is going to give a damn about Kinsey Millhone's private life, and here I am hanging my butt out," Grafton said in her native Kentucky accent. "But by then, I was so far into it, I thought, 'Oh, well, you've got to have one bad book in the lot, so let them cremate me.'"

Theatre reflections



Sarah Kostishak prepares for "The Importance of Being Earnest."

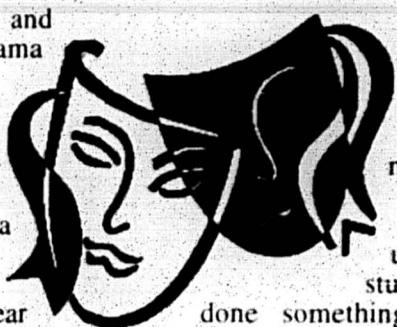
Campus Arts: Appreciate our artists

By **RICHARD WILLIAMS**
Arts and Entertainment Editor

There is a definite need on campus. I'm not talking about the semi-superfluous issues like parking or hard bread in the Subway. These issues are superfluous because the parking spaces are there and the bread is hard because it is fresh. No, my potential art lovers, this need is of much greater concern. We need to get out and support our campus artists. Students like you and I who toil away at their studies and face all of the challenges we do and then come. Whether their pursuits be art, music, drama or theater, there is a need for us to go out and support what they are doing. All complaints by some to the contrary, we are a community. The students who live here, the students who drive

here, we all fill up a campus melting pot and we all have a responsibility to support each other's efforts. As members of this community we need to get out to student gallery exhibits, student music recitals and student drama productions. In last issue of the Lantern you found a story about Jason Allen. Allen, a GVSU music student, spent much of the last year preparing music for a composition recital on April 8. I can tell just from talking to him that he had poured his heart and soul into composing, arranging and preparing this recital. Do you know what the fitting campus response should have been to his efforts? We

should have packed that recital hall to listen to his masterpiece. When I use the word masterpiece I use it in the strongest sense. It's a masterpiece because Allen is one of "us." He's not a faculty member, he's not a visiting artist, he's not a world famous musician (yet), he is just Jason Allen, undergraduate student. He had done something special and made it available for all of us to enjoy. The same goes for bachelor of fine arts students graduating this semester. Each graduating B.F.A. student must put on a gallery exhibit of his or her work. April is the month for exhibits.



A&E Briefs

Students for a free Tibet will present a documentary film of the Tibetan freedom concert. Featured artists include the Beastie Boys, Smashing Pumpkins, A Tribe Called Quest, Bjork and Rage Against the Machine. Refreshments will be provided. A candlelight vigil for the Tibetan people will be held following the film. 7 p.m., April 13, Cabin D and E, Kirkhof Center.

The Writers Corner, a local writers support group, will be holding meetings throughout April. The group provides an opportunity for writers to gather and discuss their works as well as receive feedback from their peers. 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., April 19 and 26, UICA Theatre, 41 Sheldon Blvd. S.E., Grand Rapids.

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"Return" to Good Old Predictability

By **PATRICK POWELL**
Film Critic

Last week I commented on how the new John Cusack comedy, "High Fidelity," seemed to re-define what the definition of a romantic comedy was. Original and realistic, "Fidelity" was a date movie for the new millennium. Now we have the David Duchovny and Minnie Driver love-fest "Return to Me," a complete antithesis in terms of story telling. "Fidelity" is old fashioned and very unrealistic. "Return" is nothing different or exciting. The funny thing is that both films are equally successful. "Fidelity" takes the romantic comedy genre to the next step, but "Return" proves that some things don't need to be fixed if they're not broken. The premise of "Return to Me" is a bit morbid, and if the film has a major flaw, that is it. David Duchovny plays a happily married architect whose life is turned upside down when his wife is killed in a car accident. Minnie Driver plays a waitress who just happens to be waiting for a heart transplant. So guess whose heart she gets? Not surprisingly, she received the dead wife's heart. Flash-forward a year later when Duchovny and Driver's characters happen to cross paths, begin dating and, as

they say in Seinfeld, "yada yada yada." Of course the two moments the audience are waiting are when Driver realizes she has Duchovny's dead wife's heart and when she tells him. One could put together the entire film from the previews. It's not calculus. Not only is "Return to Me" the best date movie I've seen in the last year, but it is also very funny. Comedian Bonnie Hunt wrote and directed the film and her comedic touches are evident throughout. Also, every moment of the film, even the ridiculous heart transplant thing, seems 100 percent genuine. It may not be realistic, but the performers believe in the material, and in turn, so does the audience. "Return to Me" will not win any awards or any break box office records, but it is an admirable throwback to old love stories. Duchovny and Driver have great chemistry and it is worth the price alone to see Duchovny crack a smile. When you walk out of the theater, Duchovny won't be the only one smiling. "Return to Me" ***



Minnie Driver and David Duchovny return to each other.

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- **RETURN TO ME (PG)** 12:20, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:35
- **ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)** 11:30, 1:30, 3:20, 5:25, 7:35, 9:20
- **THE SKULLS (PG-13)** 12:45, 2:50, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50
- **HERE ON EARTH (PG-13)** 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:15, 9:15
- **WHATEVER IT TAKES (PG-13)** 12:10, 2:30, 9:25
- **ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)** 11:40, 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
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Tug of War: The case of Elian Gonzalez

BY FERN SHEN
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Elian Gonzalez's father came to the United States last week to get his son. It was the latest episode in the four-month saga of the Cuban boy. What would normally have been a private family matter has become an international tug of war over the 6-year-old. Relatives in Florida want Elian to stay in America. His father, who is now in Washington, wants to take him home to Cuba.

How did Elian become the world's most famous 6-year-old?

The short answer is: a shipwreck. The Cuban government does not allow people to leave without permission. Elian, his mother and 11 other Cubans had been trying to leave Cardenas, Cuba, and reach Florida by boat. Their boat sank on Nov. 22.

Elian's mother and most of the others died. Two days later, on Thanksgiving Day, fishermen found Elian floating alone in an inner tube.

What has happened since he was rescued?

Elian has been living in Miami in the care of his great-uncle and cousins, who fled Cuba 30 years ago. Meanwhile, adults and officials are fighting over where he should live.

His father, who was divorced from Elian's mother and lives in Cuba, wants his son to come back and be with him. His great-uncle and other Miami relatives, whom Elian hardly knew before, want him to stay with them.

Why are others arguing about Elian?

Elian's story means a lot to some Cuban-Americans, who left the island in the 1950s and 1960s.

Many fled after the 1959 revolution, when the current leader, Fidel Castro, took over. These people dislike Castro's Communist government and say Elian's mother meant him to live in the United States, where there is more political freedom and economic opportunity.

But Elian's father, the Cuban government and the U.S. government say Elian should go back with his father, that it's more important for a child to be with his parent than to be in a country with any particular style of government. Under U.S. immigration law and international law, they say, Elian should be sent back.

What are the latest developments?

This week, the United States government will tell Elian's Miami relatives when he must be returned to his father.

The relatives met with people working with the U.S. government to talk about the least painful way for Elian to move from his relatives to his father. But the meeting was cut short after

Elian's great-uncle, Lazaro Gonzalez, insisted that he would not cooperate in turning over the boy, saying Elian does not want to return to Cuba and would be traumatized by abrupt removal from his Miami home.

U.S. government officials said that Elian's father, who has been staying for the past few days with a Cuban official in the U.S. with his son until the relatives make one last argument before a judge this spring.

'Spammers' new calling, Cell phones

By Mike Musgrove
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Mike Malarkey, a business-development manager for educational Web developer Blackboard Inc., was in a meeting last Thursday when his Nokia cell phone chirped, sounding a bit like the low-battery warning.

When he checked it after the meeting, he saw that the battery was fine, but he'd received a text message on the phone's screen - an advertisement for a Web site selling cellphone accessories.

He was one of the first recipients of an apparently novel kind of unsolicited electronic advertising, or "spam," sent via the text-messaging service on his AT&T Wireless phone.

One veteran of the long-running fight against spammers said this abuse of AT&T's system should come as no surprise. "I expect to see more of it unless

this kind of thing is controlled," said Nick Nicholas, an "evangelist" at the Mail Abuse Prevention System, an organization that tries to get Internet providers to cut off spammers' access.

Nicholas noted AT&T Wireless's configuration of its text-message system as a possible vulnerability: Its customers automatically get an e-mail address consisting of their phone number followed by "mobile.att.net."

"Because of the way AT&T sets up the e-mail account, all you need to do is just try consecutive numbers," he said. Nicholas said AT&T should have been able to detect this "war dialing" approach and block the spammers' access.

AT&T spokeswoman Alexa Graf hadn't heard of Plugout.com's unsolicited transmission until a reporter called Tuesday. "The last thing we want to do is start spamming our customers," she said.

Mayor corruption case shakes already hard-hit Camden, N.J.

By Lynne Duke
The Washington Post

CAMDEN, N.J. - In the poorest city in New Jersey, a place left behind by the roaring new economy, prosecutors say the mayor put his office up for sale.

The mayor is Milton Milan, who rode a motorcycle to City Hall on the day late last month that a 19-count federal indictment accused him of extorting from city contractors, laundering cash from a drug trafficker and doing favors for the Philadelphia mob.

The city's first Latino mayor, Milan, 37, said the indictment was political and denied the

charges.

With this slowly imploding city already deep in a financial mess that predates Milan, New Jersey Gov. Christine Todd Whitman's ordered the state attorney general to look into whether Milan could be removed from office. He can't be.

But Whitman might effectively strip him of his power. In the worst-case scenario for this once-proud riverside city of industry, Whitman has given Milan until April 15 to produce proper fiscal records or face a total state takeover of Camden.

But Gilbert "Whip" Wilson, a Camden city council member, said the state appears to be

suspiciously unwilling or unable to help Camden deal with the complex pressures that have plunged it into such chaos - such as its eroded tax base.

Some Milan supporters say the indictment gives Whitman, a Republican, a chance to get back at Milan, a Democrat, for his embarrassing and highly publicized game of chicken with the state last year.

In an attempt to force the state to release funds it had promised, Milan filed for Camden's bankruptcy in court and dared the state to take over.

Milan was elected mayor in 1997. But prosecutors claim Milan opened his office to the mob and other nefarious types.

New Jersey U.S. Attorney Robert J. Cleary called Milan a "seasoned criminal" and the 54-page indictment spans a five-year period beginning before Milan joined the city council and extending into his tenure as mayor.

It chronicles how Milan allegedly received regular payments from Philadelphia mob boss Ralph Natale in exchange for making sure mob businesses got city contracts. He is accused of staging a burglary at a construction company.

Milan pleaded not guilty to all charges last week. He is the third sitting or former mayor to be indicted for wrongdoing in Camden.

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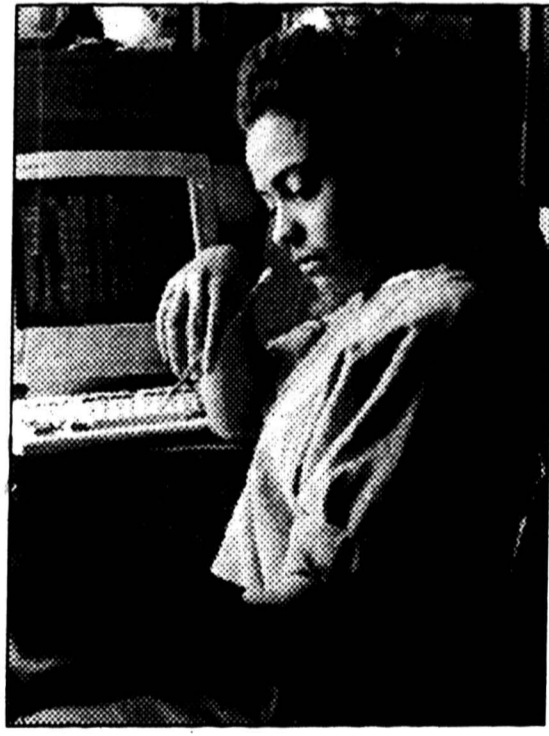
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