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Kristin McKenzie - I will graduate with my M.Ed. with an emphasis in Adult and Higher Education this Winter. I am from Muskegon, MI and started working at GV in August 2015 in the Records and Registration office as a Records Assistant/Auditor. I got



my bachelor of science degree from Western Michigan University in 2005. Between then and now I have switched between teaching and doing administrative work in higher education, and being a stay-at-home mom. I then then decided to further my education to open up more opportunity for me in higher education. My goals are to remain at Grand Valley in the student affairs capacity.

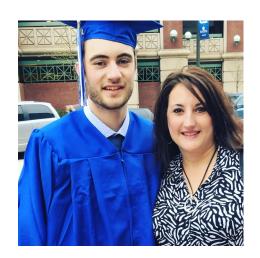
**Mary Russo** - Mary graduating on 4/30. She was a student worker for Records and Registration and has recently been offered a full-time cashiering job in the Registrars Office!



Mary Spalding - I earned a Masters of Education in Educational Technology. That's me on the left and my partner Teresa Beck on the right. =) We are getting married at the end of June! We actually met at GVSU 8 years ago, at that time I didn't have my Bachelors. Since that time I have earned both the Bachelors and my Masters! Whoo Hooo!



**Tara Baker** - My son Tate Baker graduated with his bachelors from GVSU Liberal Arts, Advertising



**Janice Ponstein** - Graduated with my M.Ed. in Adult and Higher Education. Pictured with Tracy London from registrar's office.





**Ronda Huster** - Tyler Huster, son of Ronda Huster from Alumni Relations, will be graduating from Hudsonville High School on May 26th. Tyler will be attending Grand Valley in the Fall for the Engineering program.





**Pat Cox** - I graduated last semester! Bachelor of Business Administration-Management Information Systems.



**Teri Leedy** - My daughter, Katy, has completed the English Ph.D. program at Marquette University in Milwaukee Wisconsin. Her dissertation is titled "Discarding Dreams and Legends: The Short Fiction of Elizabeth Madox Roberts, Flannery O'Connor, Katherine Anne Porter, and Eudora Welty" and she will be awarded her doctorate degree in May. Katy is currently seeking employment opportunities in the public and private sectors. I am very proud of her and all the hard work, dedication, and perseverance she has demonstrated.



## **UNION NEWS**

### **HELP WANTED**

The Union has two positions available on the bargaining team.

- > Team member will full voting power
- > Understudy to serve should one of the team members become unavailable

In either position you will be exposed to

- > writing and applying contractual language
- > negotiating on behalf of your union members
- > the bargaining process
- > working on a team with varying opinions

As a new member, you will not be expected to take a lead in any of the process. We will teach you what the process is and respect your opinion. You will be expected to:

- > think on behalf of all members and not just your own interests
- > hold a strict confidence
- > understand and follow bargaining table rules
- > follow through on assignments
- > be on time to meetings

The earliest we would begin is late fall 2016. Our contract expires Oct 1, 2017. Interested members in good standing should contact bargaining chair Coreen Bedford at <a href="mailto:bedfordc@gvsu.edu">bedfordc@gvsu.edu</a>

## Reminder

Members going on a maternity or medical leave, can request a dues suspension from their Building Rep or the Membership Director. Please make the request in advance or early in the leave. The APSS will not issue a check to return dues after the leave. Thank you.



# **Spring Recipe Barbecued Chinese Chicken Lettuce Wraps**

## **Ingredients**

- > 2 cups, 4 handfuls, fresh shiitake mushrooms
- > 1 1/3 to 1 1/2 pounds thin cut chicken breast or chicken tenders
- > 2 tablespoons light colored oil, such as vegetable oil or peanut oil
- > Coarse salt and coarse black pepper
- > 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- > 1 inch ginger root, finely chopped or grated, optional
- > 1 orange, zested
- > 1/2 red bell pepper, diced small
- > 1 small tin, 6 to 8 ounces, sliced water chestnuts, drained and chopped
- > 3 scallions, chopped
- > 3 tablespoons hoisin, Chinese barbecue sauce, available on Asian foods aisle of market
- > 1/2 large head iceberg lettuce, core removed, head quartered
- > Wedges of navel orange -- platter garnish

### **Directions**

Remove tough stems from mushrooms and brush with damp towel to clean, Slice mushrooms. Chop chicken into small pieces. Preheat a large skillet or wok to high. Add oil to hot pan. Add chicken to the pan and sear meat by stir frying a minute or 2. Add mushrooms and cook another minute or two. Add salt and pepper to season, then garlic and ginger. Cook a minute more. Grate zest into pan, add bell pepper bits, chopped water chestnuts and scallions. Cook another minute, continuing to stir fry mixture. Add hoisin Chinese barbecue sauce and toss to coat the mixture evenly. Transfer the hot chopped barbecued chicken to serving platter and pile the quartered wedges of crisp iceberg lettuce along side. Add wedged oranges to platter to garnish. To eat, pile spoonfuls into lettuce leaves, wrapping lettuce around fillings and squeeze an orange wedge over.

Recipe can be found at <a href="http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/rachael-ray/barbecued-chinese-chicken-lettuce-wraps-recipe.html">http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/rachael-ray/barbecued-chinese-chicken-lettuce-wraps-recipe.html</a>.

# HEALTH & WELLNESS WORKSHOPS & INFORMATION



The market will be open every Wednesday starting June 1 – October 26 from 10AM-1:3PM where a healthy lunch option will be offered with live musical entertainment and plenty of fresh produce to pick from.

During opening day there will be a summer grill challenge where President T. Haas & Marcia Haas, Andy Beachnau-Associate Vice Provost & Director of Housing and Health Services and Facilities Services staff are firing up the grills and competing for the best summer recipe. This event will happen between 11:30AM-1PM June 1st and people can sample each recipe and vote for their favorite!

Overall, the Grand Valley State University Farmers Market offers fresh locally grown produce, healthy options, and is celebrating 10 years community involvement.





Join President Haas, Marcia and Laker in the 5k community walk. Discount code provided. Register by May 9<sup>th</sup>! <a href="https://www.gvsu.edu/healthwellness/53-riverbank-run-challenge-448.htm">https://www.gvsu.edu/healthwellness/53-riverbank-run-challenge-448.htm</a>



Farmers Market, Cooking Demos, Bike Tune Ups and more! http://www.gvsu.edu/cms4/asset/614589D9-D87D-F688-4E9414B96B94C137/ss\_guide2\_w\_link\_small.pdf

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**Members Relations Team** Cheryl Fischer-Chair 1-3000

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## **PSS WORKSHOPS**

## The following workshops are being offered by IT and are approved for technical credit:

- > May 26 EC 513 10:30 12:00 Skype for Business: Desktop Conferencing Solution for Windows
- > June 1 EC 513 10:00 12:00 Adobe Acrobat Pro DC Intro and Tagging
- > June 2 EC 513 10:00 12:00 Adobe Acrobat Pro DC Forms and Tagging
- > June 7 EC 513 10:00 12:00 MS Access 2013 Part 1
- > June 8 EC 513 10:00 12:00 MS Access 2013 Part 2
- > June 9 EC 513 10:00 12:00 MS Access 2013 Part 3
- > June 13 EC 513 10:00 12:00 MS OneNote
- > June 14 111 Henry Hall 10:00 12:00 MS Excel Part 1
- > June 15 111 Henry Hall 10:00 12:00 MS Excel Part 2
- > June 16 111 Henry Hall 10:00 12:00 MS Excel Part 3

Sign up by going to <a href="https://www.gvsu.edu/sprout">www.gvsu.edu/sprout</a>.



## **Important Dates**

May 9 - Spring semester begins May 30 - Memorial Day

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR UPCOMING ISSUE

Looking to share summer plans for the next newsletter. Are you planning on taking a nice vacation or planning on a family reunion? Send me a blurb about your plans and a few photos to my email <u>Erica</u> by May 24.

#### **MAY DATES**

**GVSU** Anniversary

#### **Birthdays**

1 - Carrie Simmons

21 - Cherilyn Denomme

If you would like your birthdate, GVSU anniversary, and/or wedding anniversary published in the newsletter email Erica at bakereri@gvsu.edu.



#### Wedding Anniversary

- 9 Janet Potgeter
- 9 Susan Brunell
- 11 Mary Watters
- 16 Erica Baker-Bringedahl
- 16 Andrea DeWicki
- 21 Charlyn Worthem
- 23 Jay Zink
- 25 Krystal Vanden Bosch

Thinking of You Cards:
Do you know someone
who is off work because
of surgery, illness, or
accident? Please let
Deb Barko know. She
will send a card from
our Association.