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Hollie Rago - This is my favorite Halloween photo. We try to decorate our office potato heads for each holiday season.



Erica Bringedahl - My boys and I love fall and Halloween! We try to get in as many activities as we can in the month of October. Very busy with apple picking, pumpkin patch, corn maze, carving pumpkins, hayrides, making cookies, and of course trick or treating!











FALL RECIPES

PEPPERMINT HOT CHOCOLATE

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups whole milk
- 1 tsp peppermint extract
- 4 ounces semisweet chocolate chips
- 2 full-size marshmallows, for garnish



DIRECTIONS

Combine the milk and the peppermint extract in a medium saucepan. Heat until the milk is just starting to simmer. Remove from the heat and stir in the chocolate until melted and combined.

Read more at: http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/peppermint-hot-chocolate.html? oc=linkback

HERB GARLIC BREAD

DIRECTIONS

Slice a loaf of Italian bread, stopping short of the bottom so the loaf stays intact. Melt 4 tablespoons butter with 1 tablespoon olive oil; add 2 to 3 minced garlic cloves and 1/2 teaspoon salt



and cook, stirring, 2 minutes. Stir in 2 tablespoons chopped parsley. Spread the garlic mixture between the bread slices; wrap in foil and bake at 375 degrees F, 15 minutes. Unwrap and bake until crisp, 5 more minutes.

Read more at: http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/food-network-kitchens/herbed-garlic-bread-recipe.html?oc=linkback

HEALTH & WELLNESS WORKSHOPS & INFORMATION

Simple Carbohydrate Counting

Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 12:00 PM - 1:00

AM Location: CHS 240

Counting carbs can be confusing. Get back to basics. This refresher course reviews the carb value of foods, including new foods on the market. Portion size awareness and label reading will also be reviewed.

Register: http://www.gvsu.edu/sprout

Hold it for the Holidays Challenge!

November 21-January 6

Weigh in and win! Faculty and staff are challenged to maintain their weight during the holiday season. Pay \$5 to maintain or \$10 to lose. Participants who meet their goal earn their money back at the end of the challenge. Weekly motivational tips help keep you on top of your game in the middle of holiday parties and temptations.

Register: http://www.gvsu.edu/sprout



RETIRE HAPPY

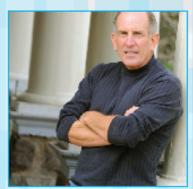
NOVEMBER 10 2-5:00 pm Grand River Room Kirkhof Center

Additional Presenters

Vonda VanTil Social Security Administration

Kurt Swardenski Advantage Benefits Group

Dave Smith
Director of Benefits & Wellness,
GVSU



IT'S OUR PARTY AND WE'LL FLY IF WE WANT TO!

<u>Presenter</u>: Tom Rademacher Formerly of the Grand Rapids Press

How the Encore Movement is Re-defining Our "Second Acts"

Please put your seats in the upright position and prepare for take-off! You're about to soar with the "Encore" movement and be inspired as well-known writer Tom Rademacher pilots you through stories of people and organizations re-inventing themselves to share precious gifts that, like fine wine, develop over time. Not that you'll be getting any wine on this flight. A tiny bag of pretzels, maybe. You'll get a bird's-eye view of Encore as a living, breathing entity. And you'll be introduced to more than a dozen people who have launched (get it?...launched...like a plane!) their second acts, gliding on the wings of grace and wisdom to connect with others while developing a deep sense of community and belonging. Your itinerary includes meeting a man who makes caskets for people who can't afford 'em...a photographer who takes final family portraits that include kids in Hospice care...a man who hunts for dinosaur bones...a woman who's volunteered at the same place for 57 years...and much more! The only thing you won't get are frequent flyer miles. But we do guarantee a fun, informative presentation!

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REGISTER AT WWW.GVSU.EDU/SPROUT.





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HR WORKSHOPS

*All Excellence Series workshops are approved for Non-Technical credit

Excel basics and a few tips and tricks

November 9: 2 pm – 4 pm

Henry Hall - Allendale

November 11: 9 am – 11 am

EC - DeVos

This hands-on 2 hour workshop will introduce attendees to the need to know basics of Excel and a few of the tricks that make working in Excel easier. This class is approved for a Technical credit.

UNION NEWS

When planning your Holiday gatherings be aware of our time off, Thanksgiving Break-Thursday, November 24-Sunday, November 27 Christmas Break-starting Friday, December 23- Monday, January 2

Per our contract- Holidays are Thanksgiving Day and the day after, day before Christmas, Christmas day, day before New Year's and New Year's day. When a holiday falls on a Saturday, causing the Friday to also be considered a holiday, only one day's holiday pay will result, likewise when a holiday falls on a Sunday, causing the

Monday to also be considered a holiday.

ENJOY your time off!

Becky Bakale



IMPORTANT DATES

Thanksgiving break: November 24-27

No classes: November 23-27

SUGGESTIONS FOR UPCOMING ISSUE

For the next newsletter, I am looking to share your Thanksgiving photos! Send them to me, <u>Erica</u> by November 29.

NOVEMBER DATES

Birthdays 6 - Susan Brunell	GVSU Anniversary 6 - Amanda Reader	Wedding Anniversary 3 - Cheryl Lillibridge
7 - Jo Ann Shelton	11 - Shawn Evans	18 - Sara Walker
7 - Julie Noto	14 - Ronda Huster	Cheryl Fischer
21 - Dorothy Vice	15 - Susan Brunell	
22 - Rhonda LeMieux	17 - Sandee Snyder	
28 - Tammy Tobar	26 - Silvia Diedrich	
	26 - Cheryl Lillibridge	
	Carrie Shoup	Thinking of

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



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.