#### **GRAND VALLEY'S**

# <u>APSS NEWSLETTER</u>

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Self care is not self indulgence.

Self care is self respect.

-gatewaywomen.com

#### Meet your Work Life Consultant

See Elisa's bio <u>here</u>.

#### REFERRALS

- Self-referrals are welcome.
- Faculty and staff may request and individual outreach for a colleague.
- Supervisors may request a referral.

Videos and information on Self-Compassion on the Health and Wellness website: <u>https://www.gvsu.edu/healthwellness/meet-</u> the-work-life-consultant-476.htm

We want to hear from you. If you have an idea or feedback, please do not hesitate to call.

Contact Work Life Consultant Elisa Salazar, LMSW 616-331-2215 salazael@gvsu.edu Located at 1090 James H. Zumberge Hall

Appointments are available all over campus.



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# **SELF CARE TIPS**

**Cassandra Hinzman** - I take very long baths sometimes up to 2 hours. I take care of my feet with pumice stone and use bath salts in the water. I do a hair mask as well. I have in the last 2 years bought really nice bath sets that include bath salts and body butter. So I also use body butter when I am done with my bath. I put on nice mellow music while soaking and light candles.

Suzanne Rogers - "I enjoy making time to be alone at coffee shops. I organize my time and various responsibilities, study, read, and just breathe. Watching others around me always lifts my spirit. Connections with friends and family is vital to me and I love to observe people sharing their hearts and lives with each other over a cup of coffee or tea."



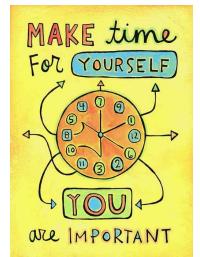
**Craig Hammerlind** - I just posted the Ted Talk, "Where Joy Hides and How to Find It." Look it up on Ted.Com. It is very interesting and insightful.



**Megan Eding** - Personally, I cross-stitch for stress and tension relief. I do it yearround, but definitely much more in the winter months. It's great because I'm able to completely clear my mind as I'm focused on counting and stitching. Perfect for selfcare. It's not your grandmother's cross-stitch, but instead it's fun sayings or what some might deem as inappropriate (lol!). I either give them away as gifts, frame them for the office/house, or keep them in a scrapbook on the coffee table for viewing pleasure. Here's three examples of more "tame" finished pieces: one that I've got at my desk at work, one I've got in my bathroom at home, and one I gave away to a co-worker.



Professionally, I'm the Wellness Ambassador in the MLL Dept and I've just recently started a wellness series called MLL Wellness @ Work. Each Monday I send out an email with a simple exercise/movement that can be done at work along with some information. This week's topic was balance. Then on Tuesday afternoons I hold a 15 minute session for any of our faculty/staff to stop by and try out the move, if they'd like to practice in a group setting. It's so easy in this weather to just stay inside, sitting at our desk. Sometimes just the simplest movements at work, with the support of others, can motivate you to move. Movement is a crucial part of self-care as!



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# HR WORKSHOPS

### **Brand University: Telling Our Stories Through Visuals**

Telling the stories of departments, people, or programs can be an effective and engaging way to make sure our specific audiences connect with our messages and take action in a way that benefits them and the university. The two most visual ways to tell stories are through video and photography. Telling Our Stories Through Visuals is an intensive, two-hour look at how your department can leverage existing university resources and discover other ways to use video and photography in your marketing. This class is approved for a Non-Technical credit.

Wednesday, February 13, 2019 8:30-10:30 a.m. Pew Campus For more information or to signup, please visit <u>Sprout</u>.

### Brand University: Simple Tools for DIY Marketing\*

Simple Tools for DIY Marketing is perfect for any staff member responsible for creating communications pieces quickly and efficiently for their college, department, or program. The interactive, two-hour program will get down and dirty with creating program flyers, PowerPoint presentations, retractable banners, tablethrows, and Grand Valley's new BluePrint storefront of branded templates. This class is approved for a Technical credit.

Thursday, March 14, 20198:30-10:30 a.m.Allendale Campus

Thursday, March 21, 20198:30-10:30 a.m.Pew Campus

\*DIY marketing sessions are not yet available for signup in <u>Sprout</u>, but will be soon. Please look out for them to post.

## How To Retire Happy And Informed

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 6th 11:30 am - 2:30pm Location: DEV 122E - Loosemore Auditorium

As you think ahead to the years of retirement, the door closes on one stage of life and a new door opens up to a sea of opportunities to consider. Plan your new beginning by being well-informed. Attend this workshop to explore your options with regards to Social Security and Grand Valley medical plan options. Representatives from GVSU Human Resources, the Social Security Administration, and Advantage Bene-ts Group will be on hand to present and answer questions. All are welcome, including partners and family members. Please register on <u>Sprout</u>.

# **Parenting Network - Mom Network Allendale**

12:00 – 1:00 PM Tuesday, February 19 3062 JHZ (note room change)



Activity: Activity: Winter Social

So often we are called mom, mommy, mama, but who is the woman behind the mom? We want to meet her. Join us for a warm fun winter social where we get to know each other beyond our mom connection. Please register on <u>Sprout</u>.

# **Parenting Network - Mom Network Grand Rapids**

12:00 – 1:00 PM Thursday, February 21 303C DeVos

#### **Topic: Managing Meltdowns**

Guest Shaunna Kelder, DrOT, OTRL, from GVSU's Occupational Science and Therapy Program, will facilitate a discussion on the topic of Managing Meltdowns. Dr. Kelder will share about parental modeling of positive emotional management as well as guiding children with managing their emotions. Please register on <u>Sprout</u>.

# HEALTH & WELLNESS WORKSHOPS & INFORMATION

**FREE Weekly Drop In Fitness Classes for Faculty and Staff:** CHS Fit Walk Mondays 12-1pm, meet at CHS front desk in the lobby Yoga Fix 4:30-5pm Tuesdays at RFH gym Cardio Core 7:35-7:55am Wednesdays in Fieldhouse B160-Dance Studio

Winter Event GuideFaculty and Staff Group Exercise ScheduleHow to Retire Happy and Informed WorkshopFebruary 6th Loosemore Auditorium, Pew Campus

<u>Healthy Recipe Competition</u> Feb 25-March 15 The contest is designed to provide GVSU faculty and staff the opportunity to share their favorite healthy recipe! We hope faculty and staff from all campuses and regional centers are able to enjoy some healthy meal options using recipes from the contest. March is national nutrition month and faculty and staff are encouraged to submit their favorite recipe.

Once submitted, each recipe will be reviewed by a special team of Campus Dining staff, Clinical Dietetics and HTM faculty to ensure that it meets the guidelines for healthy recipe submissions. Recipes that do not meet the guidelines listed below will be rejected. Approved recipes will be posted on this page beginning March 25.

Details listed online: <u>www.gvsu.edu/healthwellness/healthyrecipe</u>



# UNION NEWS



## Have you considered making a donation to the PSS scholarship fund?

This scholarship is set up as an endowment to assist the children & grandchildren of the PSS employee group. Scholarships are one of the most impactful ways you can make a difference in the life of a student. Any size donation makes a difference with the University matching our donations!

Please consider donating on line @ gvsu.edu/give or by calling 616.331.6000

For the academic year of 2017/2018 we were able to award 16 students this scholarship here are some comments they shared:

I genuinely thank you for your support. I sincerely appreciate this award, and I will use it to continue to pour back into my community. Bryce-Non-profit Administration major

Please accept my thanks and appreciation for your scholarship. I hope someday to help a younger person with their education like this scholarship has helped me. Kortney-Nursing major

Thank you so much for giving me the PSS scholarship, it will help me to have more time to dedicated to studying instead of working to pay back loans. Megan

*My family understands the importance of education. I will continue to study hard to ensure I am making the most of your generosity. Ashley-Statistics major* 

Thank you so much for your support with the PSS scholarship. I am very excited to be a LAKER and continuing my education at GVSU. Karlee

We appreciate your support to the PSS scholarship fund! Sincerely, Becky Bakale President of Alliance Professional Support Staff

### APSS NEWSLETTER

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Vicki Helgeson 1-2630

Save the Date

for the annual

PSS Appreciation Luncheon

Thursday, April 11, 2019

11:45 am - 1:30 pm

Grand River Room

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# IMPORTANT DATES

Valentine's day - February 14

President's Day - February 18

### SUGGESTIONS FOR UPCOMING ISSUE

Any plans for March, Spring Break, or any March news to share? Send a blurb on what you plan to do to my email <u>bakereri@gvsu.edu</u> by February 22.

FEDRUARI DAIES		
<u>Birthdays</u> 1 - Rosalie McCarty	<u>GVSU Anniversary</u> 1 - Janet Mills	<u>Wedding Anniversary</u> 14 - Rhonda LeMieux
2 - Katie Haynes	19 - Tammy Tobar	
6 - Carol Talsma	23 - Sherri Hall	
11 - Kathy Bausano	26 - Amy Duwe	
15 - Ashley Riley		If you would like your birthdate, GVSU
18 - Dawn Nagelkirk		anniversary, and/or
20 - Lindsey Burns		wedding anniversary published in the
24 - Erica Bringedahl		newsletter email Erica at <u>bakereri@gvsu.edu</u> .

FERRILARY DATES

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



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