

APSS NEWSLETTER

The latest news & updates from GVSU's APSS Union & its Members

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MEMBER NEWS

Here's a sampling of some of the great vacations our members have taken so far this summer!

Julie Noto - June 19-26, 2019 my son and I went on a mission trip with our church (Lifeline Community Church) to Guatemala. While we were there we visited four remote villages outside of Chimaltenango, Guatemala and built five homes and set up two medical clinics for the villagers. We also spent time at the Open Doors Orphanage visiting the children there. This was such an amazing experience.



MEMBER NEWS, CON'T

Robyn Toth - Our family just returned from Salt Lake City, Utah where my husband presented at a conference which was hosted by TestOut. This company is a very family oriented company and encouraged conference attendees to bring their families. TestOut sent us on several excursions during the conference, but then also included the conference attendees in afternoon excursions. We hiked, biked, and visited other sites such as the Olympic Park and Temple Square. It was truly a great family vacation for my husband and I with our daughters Rylie and Kelsy.



Jenna Stehouwer - My daughters and I took a trip to Disney World at the end of June. We had 103-107 degree heat index all seven days we were there and boy were we happy to return to Michigan temperatures!



Malia Thoms - We went to New Hampshire for vacation. Below is a picture of my husband Will and I at a small waterfall area that runs into Lake Stinson and another from the top of Mt. Washington.



MEMBER NEWS, CON'T

Joan Visser - My husband Roy and I trailered the wooden runabout boat that he had built to the Georgian Bay, staying in Port Severn, Ontario. Our plan was to boat in the Georgian bay and tour the Trent-Severn waterway and a part of the 44 locks. This waterway connects Lake Ontario to Lake Huron. While we only went through three locks, we got to put our boat on the marine railway at the Big Chute, where they “sling” your boat and it travels on a rail cart over the hill – very cool. But the best part of the trip was totally unplanned. We happened off the marked waterway and upon seeing a boathouse with four wooden boats, pulled up and were admiring a fellow woodworkers skills. That led to a tour of the boats and introduction to renowned wooden boat builder, Peter Breen, and his son Jeff. We ended up going for a ride in Peter’s boat “Cash Injection,” had lunch together, and toured both his canoe collection and his personal woodworking shop. We hope to see Peter this fall at the Buffalo Antique Boat show where he is the featured boat builder/restorer. Great times!



UNION NEWS

Becky Bakale - As summer is coming to an end I hope you had some time to enjoy a vacation this summer or at least a few days off!



I wish you all a SUCCESFUL Fall semester!

Please reach out to me or your building rep if you have any questions or concerns. I appreciate your support,

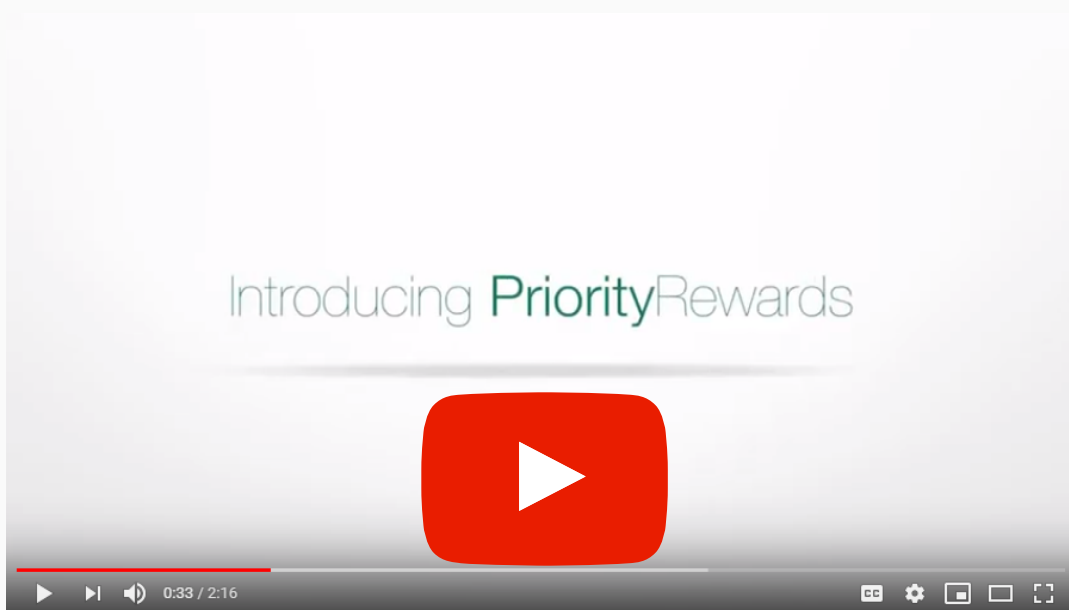
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BENEFITS & WELLNESS

Priority Rewards Program for Faculty and Staff

You compare prices for computers, shoes, and milk. It makes sense to take control of your health care costs, too. Priority Health offers rewards when you choose health care options that are in line with quality standards and fair market costs. Comparing costs can reduce your out-of-pocket expenses and help contain future rates.

Check costs on procedures including X-rays, colonoscopies, joint replacement, and more. **Narrow your search by doctor and location.** Sometimes having a procedure at a different location, even with your preferred doctor, can result in significant savings. **Talk with your provider** the next time you're having a procedure to identify the most cost effective options for care.



For more information, login to your MyHealth account through priorityhealth.com and click on the cost estimator tool.

Questions? Contact [Benefits & Wellness](mailto:benefitsandwellness@gvsu.edu) at benefitsandwellness@gvsu.edu.

You can also check out the [program flyer](#)!

HR WORKSHOPS

GVSU Allendale Mom's Network - Save the Date! Tuesday, September 10th

Join us for lunch from noon to 1:00pm in JHZ 3062 for Apples, Donuts and Pumpkin Patches as well as discussion about fall activities and events.



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IMPORTANT DATES

First day of classes - August 26

UPCOMING ISSUE

First day of school photos! Send your loved one's name, grade and photo by 5pm on August 28 to **Megan Eding** at edingme@gvsu.edu.

AUGUST DATES

BIRTHDAYS

12 - Jalyn Kamp

21 - Aubrey Dull

25 - Ronda Huster

26 - Pat Cox

28 - Julie DeVecht

29 - Coreen Bedford

GVSU ANNIVERSARY

Darrhonda Scott-Jones

7 - Barbie Young

10 - Lindsey Burns

20 - Cheryl Anderson

25 - Jalyn Kamp

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

6 - Dawn Nagelkirk

6 - Lori O'Bradovich

12 - Michelle Hodde

19 - Cheryl Anderson

21 - Shawn Evans

Thinking of You Cards:

Do you know someone who is off work because of surgery, illness, or accident? Please let **Deb Barko** know at barkod@gvsu.edu. She will send a card from our Association.

If you would like your birthday, GVSU anniversary, and/or wedding anniversary published in the newsletter, or if you have suggestions for an upcoming issue, email **Megan Eding** at edingme@gvsu.edu.