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Our Mission

The mission of the Great Lakes Colleges Association is to take actions that will help strengthen and preserve our colleges; and be a leading force on behalf of education in the tradition of the liberal arts and sciences. Rich in tradition, GLCA will continue to enhance our colleges by leading as new areas of opportunity and challenge emerge.

FEATURE ARTICLE

“Transnational Dialogues Project” Receives Grant from GLCA Academic Innovation Fund

A group of seven faculty members from three GLCA member colleges has received a grant of \$10,000 from the GLCA Academic Innovation Fund for a project entitled *Transnational Dialogues: De-centering the Academic Debate on Global Feminisms*. The group will convene a major conference at Kenyon College on September 26-28, 2008.

The Transnational Dialogues project offers a telling example of leadership in attracting the interest of faculty members from a wide range of academic disciplines – beginning on a single college campus, and ultimately involving faculty from other institutions as well. The organizers at Kenyon – Clara Román-Odio, Marta Sierra, and Laurie Finke – initially convened a Kenyon-based conference on transnational feminisms with funding from the single-campus component of the Academic Innovation Fund in the spring of 2007. This event attracted the participation of nearly 20 faculty members from eight academic disciplines at Kenyon.

The range and depth of interest from the single-campus conference encouraged its organizers to apply for a larger grant from the GLCA Academic Innovation Fund to convene a conference involving other GLCA member colleges. The Kenyon organizers created a multi-college leadership group including faculty members from Denison and Hope. This group then assembled for a plan-

ning meeting in Ann Arbor in late fall of 2007; by the end of the semester it had submitted a proposal to GLCA for \$10,000 in support of its September 2008 conference. After review by members of the GLCA Deans Council, the grant was approved in January of 2008.

The faculty leadership group for this project are: (from Kenyon) Laurie Finke, Clara Román-Odio, and Marta Sierra; (from Hope) Annie Dandavati, and Maria Claudia Andre; and (from Denison) Bernardita Llanos, and Joanna Mitchell.

Transnational Dialogue Project Call To Papers

Complete information about the conference – including a call for papers – can be found on the project's web site: <http://lbis.kenyon.edu/transnational>.

Call for Submissions

The deadline for submissions for the next issue of *The Beacon* is March 15, 2008. Please send submissions electronically as e-mail text or attachments to Charla White, Editor at white@glca.org. Submissions may be edited for length. Feedback and comments are always welcome.

The Academic Innovation Fund

The GLCA Academic Innovation Fund is an important source of financial support for faculty members interested in collaborating with others on topics of mutual interest – within or across academic disciplines on one or more of GLCA’s member colleges. For questions about the Academic Innovation Fund, please contact Greg Wegner at GLCA: wegner@glca.org.

Complete guidelines for applying to the Academic Innovation Fund can be found on GLCA’s Web site: <http://intranet.glca.org/FCKeditor/UserFiles/File/Acad%20Innov%20Award%20Final%202-20-07ds.pdf>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oberlin to Host Symposium on Climate Change Solutions



Oberlin College is set to host a Symposium: “Climate Change Solutions in the Buckeye State” on April 18, 2008

This event will highlight new and emerging low-carbon solutions, with emphasis on those relevant to Ohio. Leading Ohio policymakers as well as experts from a range of alternative energy sources will present on the latest tech-

nologies that are available and quickly emerging.

This event is sponsored by Environmental Defense, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History and the Cleveland Foundation.

For more information or to register, please visit: <http://www.ohiostomorrow.com/>

DePauw Appoints Brian Casey as New President



Brian Casey, 19th President

Brian Casey comes to DePauw University from Harvard where he is currently the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. He previously served as Assistant Provost at Brown University. Casey earned his law degree from Stanford and worked as a Wall Street attorney prior to his career in higher education.

Casey will succeed Robert G. Bottoms, who has served as President since 1986. Casey will begin his presidency July 1, 2008.

Casey had this to say about DePauw, “What I found was an absolute jewel of a liberal arts college, enriched by a School of Music. The institution is strong, it has programs of real distinction and merit, it has a distinguished faculty and has spectacular facilities. Most importantly, however, I encountered a Board of Trustees committed to ensuring DePauw’s position as one of the nation’s finest liberal arts colleges.”



Michael McDonald, Provost

Kalamazoo Appoints New Provost

Michael A. “Mickey” McDonald has been named as the new Provost at Kalamazoo College effective July 1, 2008. McDonald earned his B.S. degree and Ph.D. in mathematics at Davidson College and Duke University, respectively. He is currently the Associate Dean

for Curriculum and Academic Affairs at Occidental College in Los Angeles.

President Eileen B. Wilson-Oyelaran said of McDonald, “He brings a wealth of experience and an enthusiasm for teaching and learning.”

Albion Appoints New Provost



Susan Conner,
Provost

Susan Conner has been named as the new Provost at Albion College effective July 1, 2008. Conner earned her B.A. from Armstrong State College in Savannah, GA with a major in history and a concentration in Political Science; her Master's Degree in early modern Europe from Florida State; and a Ph.D. in history from Florida State University.

Conner is currently the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College at Florida Southern College. Albion College

President Donna Randall cited Conner's breadth of experience and impressive scholarship as two major reasons why she was the ideal choice as Provost.

This Provost appointment makes Albion the only member of the elite Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) to currently have a female in a top academic officer role. Currently there are three women serving as Presidents of three GLCA schools: Albion College, Kalamazoo College, and Kenyon College.

New Writers Award Winners For 2008

GLCA is pleased to announce the winners of the 2008 GLCA New Writers Award for fiction, poetry, and creative non-fiction. The winners are:

Fiction: Andy Mozina, *The Women Were Leaving the Men*, published by [Wayne State University Press](#).

Poetry: Lynne Thompson, *Beg No Pardon*, published by [Perugia Press](#).

Creative Non-fiction: Ander Monson, *Neck Deep and Other Predicaments*, published by [Graywolf Press](#).

Judges of the New Writers Awards are faculty members of GLCA's 12 member colleges. Judges of the fiction award this year were Anupama Arora (Earlham), Daniel Bourne (Wooster), and Danit Brown (Albion). Poetry judges were Benjamin Grossberg (Antioch), Timothy Lake (Wabash), and Diane Seuss (Kalamazoo). For the newly introduced non-fiction award, the judges were Thomas Chiarella (DePauw), Margot Singer (Denison), and Sylvia Watanabe (Oberlin).

Excerpts from judges' statements are on the GLCA Web site:

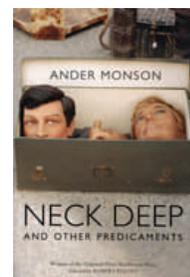
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Since 1970, the New Writers Award has conferred recognition for a first-published volume of poetry, fiction and – beginning with the 2008 award – creative non-fiction. A key purpose of the program is to provide undergraduate students with opportunities to meet and interact with writers in early stages of their careers. Each award winner receives invitations from several GLCA member colleges to visit campus, giving readings, meeting with students and faculty, and leading discussions or classes.

For questions about the New Writers Award, please contact Greg Wegner at GLCA: wegner@glca.org.

To inquire about campus visits of winning authors, please contact Deanna Shackelford, Coordinator of the New Writers Award: shackelford@glca.org.



Mellon 23 Assembly



Mellon 23 Assembly Team Members from DePauw and Denison

Participants had this to say about their experience:

"Although one would think I could walk down the hallway to talk to a colleague, bringing us together like this was the best way to get things done!"

"Thanks for doing such a wonderful job organizing the conference! I had such a wonderful and productive time."

Denison and DePauw were among twenty-one institutions participating in a Mellon grant funded program that brought together over 75 faculty members to discuss ways of integrating interdisciplinary studies on their campuses. The first of three conferences was convened February 15-17, 2008 at Macalester College. DePauw's Chief Academic Officer, Neal Abraham, was on the planning team and Joanne Stewart of Hope College played an important role in the planning committee.

The purpose of the Assembly is to provide opportunities to better understand the value of interdisciplinary learning in undergraduate education; how knowledge or approaches in another discipline are being brought to bear on a problem of interest in their own discipline; valuable information about issues that arise when liberal arts colleges try to support interdisciplinary work as well as successful efforts on other campuses; an environment in which colleagues could develop ideas and strategies for their own campus; and introduce other colleagues from around the nation.

Participants discussed various issues including:

- Balancing the needs of traditional department curricula with those of interdisciplinary programs.
- Faculty appointments, tenure, promotion, and related personnel issues.

- The curriculum of the future: The role of interdisciplinarity in educating students for the 21st century.
- Interdisciplinarity and general education: Using interdisciplinary programs to support integrative, axiomatic, creative or critical thinking, or information, quantitative, text, media or other literacies.
- Critical moments for interdisciplinarity: Courses and programs for first year students and seniors.
- Student learning goals and outcomes assessment for interdisciplinary studies.
- Academic structures that support interdisciplinarity: Majors, minors, concentrations, centers, interest groups, team-teaching. Sustainability and resource issues.
- Faculty development programs that support interdisciplinarity: Reading groups, team-teaching support, extra conference attendance, funding for new directions, and co-mentoring grants.

Over the course of three days of intense workshops and homework faculty were given opportunities and tools to strategize and plan. At the end of the conference, all seemed exhausted and ready for home, but the passion for their discipline and teaching had been reignited.

NEWS ABOUT GLCA MEMBER SCHOOLS

DePauw Hosts Japan Olympiad of Indiana

DePauw University hosted the 2008 Japan Olympiad of Indiana (JOI). JOI is an academic competition which tests the achievements of high school students who are studying the Japanese language. Sixteen high schools throughout Indiana participated in the competition. More than 150 high schools students were brought to the DePauw campus.

During the competition, teams of students were presented with questions which are designed to assess their knowledge of traditional

and modern Japan, including language, culture and society. Teams competed at three different levels, depending on how long they had been studying Japanese.

DePauw, Earlham, IU and Ball State faculty and students participated as judges and as time and score keepers. This was seen as a unique opportunity to underscore DePauw's commitment to international education and diversity as well as allowing young scholars an opportunity to see all that DePauw has to offer.

Earlham Podcasts

Earlham announced ongoing series of portable on demand audio programs available to anyone with a computer and internet access. "The podcasting program is a great addition to our 21st century outreach toolbox," says Karen Roeper, Associate Vice President for Public Affairs. "With our podcasts launching so soon after our online Virtual Tour, we feel we've made tremendous steps forward this year in our ability to engage the world."

The Earlham College podcast is produced by

Mark Blackmon, Director of Media Relations. The first episode focuses on Earlham Wilderness Programs. It will be followed by a profile of an Earlham student who writes role-playing games and an exploration of the historical 2008 elections with Politics professor Bob Johnstone and History professor Alice Almond Shrock.

Podcasts are free and available through the Earlham's online Pressroom and on iTunes.

Hope Receives Two Awards

A successful and growing Hope College service project focused on water quality and community health in the village of Nkuv in Cameroon has been named one of four finalists for Michigan's 2008 Carter Partnership Award.

The Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award for Campus-Community Collaboration is given annually by Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) to one partnership involving a Michigan college or university and a community group. The monetary prize is divided equally between the campus and community partners for working together in exceptional ways to improve people's lives and enhance learning in the process.

Hope partnered with the Life and Water Development Group of Cameroon in 2005-06 school year as a service project for the college's then-new student chapter of Engineers Without Borders-USA with an emphasis on providing the remote village with purified water.

During the first year the effort expanded to include the college's department of nursing

which surveyed the villages' health and began working with them to improve hygiene, sanitation and nutrition. New projects are being developed for implementation this May. A fifth trip to Cameroon is planned for this May to include four faculty and staff of the college and 22 students.

In addition, Hope College has been named to the national President's Higher Education Honor Community Service Honor Roll for the second consecutive year for exemplary service efforts and service to disadvantaged youth by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Launched in 2006, the Community Service Honor Roll is the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement. Honorees are selected based on a series of selection factors which include scope and innovativeness of service projects, percentage of student participation in service activities, incentives for service, and the extent to which the school offers academic service-learning courses.

Kenyon "China in Transition"

Five Kenyon students and faculty mentor Jie Zhang, Assistant Professor of Chinese, will conduct research in China this summer. Each student will tackle an aspect of "China in Transition" during the three-week trip, guided by Zhang. The grant is from the Freeman Foundation through the ASIA Network, a con-

sortium of liberal arts colleges that promotes Asian studies.

"I feel that this is consistent with my interest in supporting my students' research," Zhang said. "Kenyon students have very good training to excel in research."

Kenyon “China in Transition” continued

Zhang has worked with students on senior exercises and independent studies and conference presentations. "They have analytical skills," she said. "What they need is an opportunity to be exposed to something different, and a changing China is definitely something different.

"There are a lot of really exciting changes going on, and the goal of our research team is to document the changes and put them in context," said Zhang, a native of Taiyuan in Shanxi province.

The grant is part of the ASIA Network's Student-Faculty Fellows Program, which calls for collaborative, student-driven projects under the close supervision of a faculty member.

The students and their target subjects include:

- Alexander Gladstone, Class of 2009, of Waban, Massachusetts, will consider the link between economic expansion and representative government.
- Amanda Harris, Class of 2010, of Sun Valley, Idaho, will focus on the transformation of private and public spaces and the effect on the Chinese people. Harris will study housing developments, reservoirs, stadiums built for the 2008 Olympic Games, and transportation projects.
- Paige Markham, Class of 2009, of Kailua, Hawaii, will examine how traditional Chinese medicine has been influenced by Western medicine.
- Andrew Stein, Class of 2009, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, will study environmental problems tied to overpopulation and the runaway exploitation of natural resources.
- Jerry Stewart, Class of 2009, of

Bluemont, Virginia, will explore religion and spirituality in light of social changes.

Harris hopes to use this trip as a springboard to more travel in China to continue her research. She has studied the language and economy in China for two years at Kenyon. "As I study economics at Kenyon, I can understand concepts in theory, but being able to go to China at such a unique time of change means experiencing the economy," she said. "I hope to use statistical economic information, historical information and anecdotal interviews to portray the changes in the country."

The team will visit Beijing, the political and cultural center; Sichuan province, known for its pandas, Buddhist temples, and the Three Gorges Dam; and Shanxi, a coal-mining and industrial center and one of the world's most polluted environments.

Research results will be shared with the ASIA Network; in Kenyon classes, senior presentations, and colloquies; and perhaps at a regional conference of the Association of Asian Studies.

Zhang is also eager to make the trip to collect teaching material for courses on Chinese culture and film. She last lived in China in 1998. "I will be able to better understand the drastic changes that have occurred in recent years, and I will know better how to continue to support my students' learning and research," she noted. "I feel very grateful."

The Freeman Foundation, based in Stowe, Vermont, is dedicated to fostering understanding between the United States and the countries of East Asia.

Oberlin Receives President's Honor Roll Award

For exemplary service efforts and service to disadvantaged youth, Oberlin College has received the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement: installation on the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction.

Beth Blissman, Director of the Bonner Center for Service and Learning, says, "We are thrilled to be among the select group of schools recognized for excellence in community service."

Oberlin Receives President's Honor Roll Award continued

"College students like those at Oberlin College are tackling the toughest problems in America, demonstrating their compassion, commitment, and creativity by serving as mentors, tutors, health workers, and even engineers," said Liz Seale, chief operating officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service, which bestowed the award. "They represent a renewed spirit of civic engagement fostered by outstanding leadership on caring campuses."

Recent student-led initiatives took place during Oberlin's Winter Term 2008, when 65 students completed an estimated 11,200 hours of community service in Northeast Ohio, Indone-

sia, El Salvador, Kenya, Guatemala, South Africa, Ethiopia, Nicaragua, Chile, Belgium, and Panama. Their contribution of time and work was the equivalent of at least \$75,000 worth of effort.

The Honor Roll is jointly sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service through its Learn and Serve America program, and the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, USA Freedom Corps, and the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

Ohio Wesleyan Holds 2008 Economic Outlook Conference

A distinguished panel of experts examined the fiscal forecast at Ohio Wesleyan University's 2008 Economic Outlook Conference.

Participating on this year's panel were Owen F. Humpage, senior economic adviser for the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland; Bill LaFayette, Ph.D., Vice President of Economic Analysis for the Columbus Chamber; and Dale W. Larson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor at the American University School of International Service and principal consultant for Larson

Global Consulting, Inc.

The annual Economic Outlook Conference was co-sponsored by Ohio Wesleyan's Department of Economics and its Woltemade Center for Economics, Business, and Entrepreneurship. Each panelist spoke for 15 minutes and then responded to questions and comments from the audience. Robert Gitter, Ph.D., Professor of Economics and coordinator of the conference, served as moderator.

Wabash Athletes To Spend Spring Break in Botswana

Brock Graham and 20 other Wabash College athletes will spend their spring break helping those less fortunate. They will team up with OneWay Ministries and head to Botswana to run sports camps and hopefully reach locals through God. They leave Feb. 29 and return March 9.

The group of athletes, which consists of 20 football players and one soccer player, is headed up by sophomore Brock Graham, who was approached by former Wabash football defensive coordinator Neal Neathery with the idea of going overseas with OneWay.

"Coach Neathery came to me and suggested it and I thought I might be able to get a group of five or 10 guys that would be interested," Graham said. "When I saw 20 guys at the informational meeting and then the same 20 guys

giving their commitment to the program, I was shocked."

Last summer Graham went to Kenya to do similar work and said he is looking forward to this trip just as much because of being able to help a different group of people.

"This goes to show that we have some incredible young men on this football team and at this college," Erik Raeburn, new football coach said. "This is a very unselfish thing for a college student to do on their spring break, which is normally a time when students look to find a beach somewhere."

The students from Wabash will be working with a team of African nationals stationed in Botswana affiliated with OneWay in an at-



Brock Graham,
Wabash Student

Wabash Athletes To Spend Spring Break in Botswana *continued*

tempt to reach men and women of all ages from a dozen different Botswana villages in the savannah through Christ.

A major problem in Botswana is the AIDS epidemic, which has hit the country very hard and lowered life expectancy of its residents to 33 years — down from the 64-year life expectancy in 1990.

OneWay feels the Botswana youth are not all that different from other youth in the sense that they love sports. They are hoping by setting up the sports camps they can lead teens away from going down destructive paths.

"We are hoping that the students going over will be able to reach the locals there through the sports camps and at the same time we want

to express to them that God is with them, too," Johanik said. "They will go there and administer the sports camps which should help them feel more comfortable because sports are their expertise," he said. "We are then hoping they will be able to talk with locals about the role God plays not only in the lives of the athletes but the role he can play in the lives of the Botswana people as well."

The total price for the trip totals right around \$3,000, and Moore said he understands that is not a small amount of money.

Tax-deductible donations can be made to OneWay Ministries, P.O. Box 2211, Naperville, IL, 60567.

This first appeared in the Journal Review.

Wooster Students Earn All American Honors

Wooster recently excelled at the American Collegiate Moot Court Association National Championship held in Des Moines, Iowa. Fourteen Wooster students competed and earned All-American honors making this the first national championship in school history. Students were required to argue before two active justices and one retired justice of the Iowa Supreme Court and the chief judges from two different federal districts.

Students who competed in the ACMA include: Kate McCarthy, Drew Glassroth, Andrew Gross, Thomas Loughead, Jeffrey Kaatz, Lauren Mogavero, Shane Legg, Claire Burgess, Elysia Tonti, Justin Chapman, Abigail Kline, Michael Doerr, Kyle Brainard, Alexandra Schmitt, Sarah Palagyi, and Maureen Hanlon.

"I have never seen a team from any school have a better run at a moot court competition than Drew and Kate's run at the 2008 ACMA nationals," said Mark Weaver, Professor of Political Science and Coach of Wooster's Moot Court team. "One of the judges in the third round on Friday was a Drake Law student who told Kate that she was 'incredibly poised and presented her arguments with an

amazing passion' and that she had learned several points from Kate's presentation style."

"What distinguishes us from other schools is our ability to work together. Each and every team member contributed to our success by attending weekly practices, working together to develop original arguments, and supplying individual critiques," said Mogavero.

Wooster faculty, Doug Drushal, Jason Storck, and Mike Buytendyk along with members of the Wayne County Bar Association and some attorneys worked tirelessly with the students.

"Every person on the team contributes as individuals to forming the arguments. This results in a very high level of critical thinking for the group."

Claire Burgess,
Wooster Sophomore.



GREEN NEWS

Denison Joins the “Green” Initiative



The Denison community is working hard to improve their environmental practices. Students have initiated some major changes through class projects and work organized outside their class time. Denison has decided to charge a campus group to study ways of reducing emissions and make the campus more environmentally friendly. On December 6th, President Knobel confirmed that Denison’s planning body, the university council, voted to establish an environmental task force to look at different issues related to sustainability.

Students will assist the task force in a number of ways. Those in the school’s “environmental practicum” classes have already prepared suggestions for a campus sustainability plan by completing an inventory of what is already being done on campus and examining new options.

Students have suggested both long-term and short-term goals. Both have some financial impact on the College. The student-organized green team have been petitioning the campus to sign the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) of which they have 800 student signatures. In order to sign the ACUPCC, Denison must first have a comprehensive plan to make the campus “climate neutral.” The environmental task force is expected to create a campus pol-

icy that would address ways to implement the policy and monitor it. Knobel said, “I think we could not sign that without first instituting our own policy.”

To date, Cleveland Hall arts building is being constructed according to LEEDS standards; Barney Davis Hall is being upgraded to meet LEEDS standards, and the campus spent \$4 million upgrading the coal and gas-fired power plant to reduce the amount of pollutants it creates.

Students are issuing challenges to walk, not drive; take stairs, not elevators; and the green team challenged dorms to decrease water usage this past fall. Prospect House was the clear winner having reduced water usage by 53% from September to October. Overall, the campus has saved 100,000 gallons of water. They are considering new challenges.

Students are addressing environmental issues through the environmental politics and decision-making class as well. December 8th students created a mock congressional debate in which they had to create a piece of legislation and propose it to student committees which were similar to congressional committees and conducted in class. Students have taken environmental issues at heart and exceeded all expectations.

Oberlin College a Leader in Climate Change Issues

A National Wildlife Federation report cites Oberlin College as an example of U.S. campuses leading the way toward an environmentally sustainable future.

The report, “Higher Education in a Warming World: The Business Case for Climate Leadership on Campus,” explains how institutions are taking steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions of which Oberlin’s initiatives and best practices are cited.

“The report makes a case for the role students’ education will play in changing business practices. As colleges develop sustainability solu-

tions, they’re training students to continue and implement new practices once they join the workforce,” says Justin Schott, National Wildlife Federation.

“Oberlin students obviously take all of the experiences here on campus and apply what they have learned,” said John Petersen, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies. “We need to create a learning environment in which our students develop an understanding of the causes and consequences of our environmental predicaments, creative problems solving skills necessary to design and develop a more sustainable relationship between humans and the rest of the natural world.”

GLCA Faculty News

Faculty Recognitions



Antioch—Jim Keen, Peace Studies, co-author of “Leadership Landscapes,” published by Palgrave, Macmillian, 2008.

Scott Warren, Philosophy and Political Science, “The Emergence of Dialectical Theory: Philosophy and Political Inquiry” republished by University Press of Chicago.

Denison—Robert Weiss, Psychology, completed “*Introduction to Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology*” textbook on child psychopathology published by Sage Publishers.

DePauw—Istvan Csicsery-Ronay Jr., English; Joseph Heithaus, English; Cleveland Johnson, Music; and Glen David Kuecker, History, received the University Professor Awards for 2008-2012 in recognition of their sustained excellence in teaching, service and professional accomplishments.

Hope—Jorge Capestany, Manager of DeWitt Tennis Center, named the “Michigan Pro of the Year” by the Professional Tennis Registry.

Vanessa Greene, Multicultural Education, was honored at 26th Annual Giants Banquet and Awards Ceremony for exceptional contributions in shaping the history and quality of life in Greater Grand Rapids.

Tom Hoover, Chef, named “Chef of the Year” by the Greater Grand Rapids Chefs Association of the American Culinary Federation (ACF) for demonstrating continuous commit-

ment to the food service industry through personal and professional development, leadership and educational support to fellow culinarians.

Robin Klay, Economics, is the recipient of a Michigan Compact Faculty/Staff Community Service-Learning Award. Recipients are honored for engaging/influencing students to be involved in community service or service-learning through modeling, influence or instruction.

The DePree Art Center at Hope is featuring the work of Billy Mayer, Art, “Short and Sweet: Ten New Works and One Old Favorite.”

Peter Schakel, English, authored “Is Your Lord Large Enough? How C.S. Lewis Expands Our View of God,” recently published by InterVarsity Press of Downers Grove, IL.

Kalamazoo—Dhera Strauss, Art and Information Services, was accepted into the East Lansing, MI., Film Festival for documentary “Donut Day.”

Sarah Lindley, Art, had two exhibitions this month “Abandon” at the Epic Center and “Shifting Scale” at the Grand Valley State University’s Allendale campus art gallery.

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GLCA Event Calendar 2007-2008

3/5-7/2008	New York Arts Advisory Meeting	4/9/2008	Deans' Council
3/7-8/2008	Oak Ridge Sciences Advisory Meeting	4/10-11/2008	Presidents' Diversity Summit
3/14-15/2008	International and Off-Campus Education Committee (IOCEC) Meeting	4/11/2008	Board of Directors