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Design Room AC 105

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Writing Center LA 108

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12:00 pm - 12:45 pm

Summit
Thursdays
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Psychology Club
Every Monday
Room CIS 202

Grayson College Theatre Presents "Love Letters" by A. R. Gurney



To purchase tickets, please visit the Grayson College Theatre Box Office in the Cruce Stark Auditorium

By Patrick Vaughn
Technical Director

Grayson College Students Avery Anderson (as Melissa) and Wes Blurton II (as Andy) star in this heartwarming play showing February 10, 11, & 12 at 7:30 pm and February 11 & 13 at 2:30 pm in the Cruce Stark Auditorium, just in time for that Valentine's date night!

Andrew Makepeace Ladd III and Melissa Gardner, both born to

wealth and position, are childhood friends whose lifelong correspondence begins with birthday party thank-you notes and summer camp post-cards.

Romantically attached, they continue to exchange letters through the boarding school and college years --- where Andy goes on to excel at Yale and law school, while Melissa flunks out of a series of "good schools."

While Andy is off at

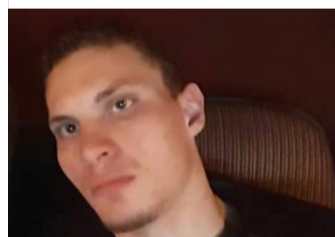
war Melissa marries, but her attachment to Andy remains strong and she continues to keep in touch as he marries, becomes a successful attorney, gets involved in politics, and, eventually, is elected to the U.S. Senate.

Meanwhile, her marriage in tatters, Melissa dabbles in Art and drinks more than she should.

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Review Spider-Man: No Way Home

By Justin Pelzel
Student



Today's movie review is the recent Spider-Man trilogy played by Tom Holland.

First off, *Spider-Man: No Way Home* was a fantastic and glorious movie. I really enjoyed Tom Holland playing as Spider-Man/Peter Parker.

From day one, his portrayal of Spider-Man has been far from disappointing.

In his first movie, *Spider-Man: Homecoming*, he fights against The Vulture. The Vulture really accents Spider-Man because he shows Spider-Man's strengths and weaknesses.

In Spider-Man's first appearance of *Captain America: Civil War*, he states he only has his powers for a few months, so it is easy to say he is a novice or a rookie at this point.

In the beginning, Peter Parker relied on his new suit which was given to

him by Tony Stark (Iron-Man).

Stark tried to teach him to rely on his gifts rather than his suit. His gifts are always going to be there no matter what suit he is in.

Peter didn't really understand that piece of advice. Later, when he tries to fight The Vulture towards the end of the movie, he is in his base Spider-Man suit, the "onesie" as referred to by Iron-Man.

Finally, the message from Stark clicks when Peter was being crushed by one of the building's columns.

He realizes that when he puts on that suit, he can't rely on someone to come save him. He has to be that next-level person he needs at that moment if he is ever going to be taken seriously as a hero.

That message in itself is next level. Be that person that is the hero rather than expecting a hero to appear.

For the movie *Spider-Man: Far From Home*, I found it enjoyable from start to finish.

The villain in this movie, Mysterio, was portrayed perfectly in

my opinion. I wouldn't know a better way to explain his abilities.

Jake Gyllenhaal, who played Mysterio, did a wonderful job in his performance. It was intriguing to see him lie to Peter in order to obtain the Stark Tech glasses and become the next big superhero. His entire scheme was brilliant, which I thought was a classic Mysterio move. They made the villain interesting and unpredictable. I had no idea that Mysterio would reveal Spider-Man's identity.

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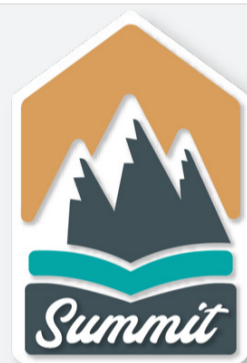
Sneak Peek

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Find the Career Center's schedule on pg. 4.

Want to make money? Learn where you can on pg. 3!

Learn about student Clubs and Organizations on pg. 2.



Come have fun with us at Summit!

This is a time where we can come together, have fun, win some prizes, and worship.

Summit is every Thursday from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm



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Come and visit the Career Center during one of their workshops this month!

You can find our schedule on pg. 4.

Arts and Communications

Grayson College Theatre Love Letters

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Andy's last letter makes it eloquently clear how much they really meant and gave to, each other over the years – physically apart, perhaps, but spiritually as close as only true lovers can be.

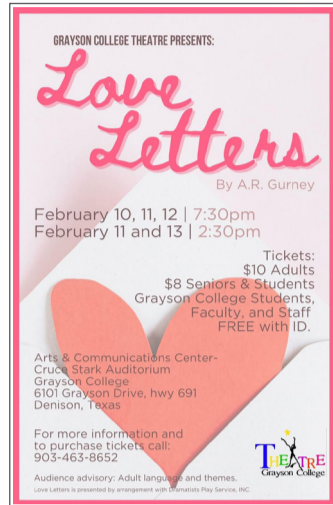
In such a short time at Grayson College, Avery and Wes have compiled impressive resumes.

From Anna, Texas, Wes, who claims to be a Theatre Technician only, and unwittingly forced to act against his will, designed sound for "Agnes of God" by John Pieimier and starred in the fall production of "Endgame" by Samuel Beckett in the role of Clov.

Avery, a graduate of Whitesboro High School, has already had a great run in her first semester in the Grayson College Theatre program, playing Mother Superior in "Agnes of God" by John Pielmeier, and Nell in "Endgame" by Samuel Beckett.

These two talented young thespians offer a heartwarming rendition of this beautiful story told through "Love

Letters" by A. R. Gurney. Directed by Patrick Vaughn.



General admission is \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors.

Grayson College students, faculty, and staff get in free with I.D.

For tickets and information please visit the Grayson College Theatre Box Office (hours of operation: 1:00 pm-5:00 pm Monday through Friday) located in the lobby of the Cruce Stark Auditorium. Or, call 903-463-8652.

Review

Spider-Man: No Way Home

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I was shocked, to say the least. I enjoyed the way they revealed Mysterio to Spider-Man. In our first introduction to Mysterio, we see him as a good guy, fighting one of the elementals. Meanwhile, Spider-Man has a hard time keeping up with him.

Mysterio displays a level of expertise, which showed the audience Spider-Man's capabilities at that time compared to Mysterio's.

Spider-Man would have to step up his game if he wanted to compete with Mysterio.

Later in the movie, Peter Parker finds out that Mysterio has been lying to him the entire time, taking advantage of Peter's vulnerability. I was even beginning to believe in Mysterio's lies.

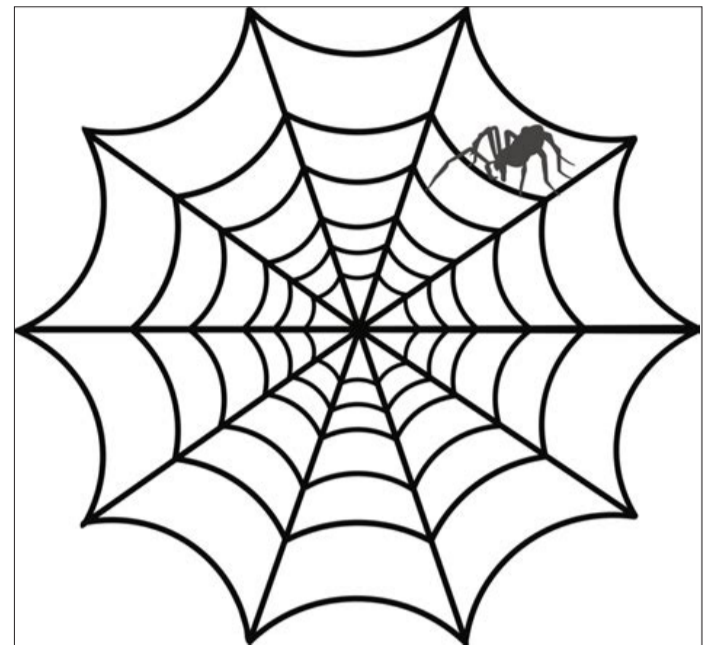
This is important because we as an audience have to remember that Peter is still just a kid, and he is gullible.

This is a great moment in the movie because it shows how much of a kid Spider-Man is. He may stop bad guys and save the city, but he is also just a kid.

In his final fight against Mysterio, he displays his true capabilities. Relying on his "Peter tingle" than just his sight is brilliant.

When Peter stops him from firing the gun at the last second, it was fantastic. I was on the edge of my seat.

In that movie, not only was all of Spider-Man's weaknesses and capabilities shown, but Peter



Parker's as well.

Overall, it was a fantastic movie.

Spider-Man: No Way Home was a Marvel movie masterpiece. From the beginning of the movie 'till the end was phenomenal.

The movie picks up seconds after *Spider-Man: Far From Home*, so the audience wasn't left guessing what happened in between films, which I thoroughly enjoyed.

Peter having the Iron-Spider suit made for a good fight scene with Dr. Octopus, which made my day. I couldn't have asked for a better scene.

The director of the movie and the screenwriter both knew what they were doing.

The plot was very easy to digest as Peter had a task he needed to complete from the start of the movie until the end.

Of course, the movie had to have some twists and turns to keep the audience interested, but it was all in good taste.

They also throw in an Avenger, Dr. Strange, but his contribution to the movie was minimal in order to not shift focus from the main character.

Nonetheless, it was absolutely mind-blowing to see a fan-favorite character from the Avengers movies.

Seeing Spider-Man struggle through his journey was delightful.

The movie does a great job of capturing the moment and making the entire two and a half hours an emotional roller coaster for the audience.

There were scenes that stood out above the rest, but nonetheless, the movie as a whole came together like a cinematic wonder.

I personally watched this movie twice in one week. I would gladly go watch it again in theatres.

This movie gets a 10/10 from the majority of its viewers.

The only question that is left unanswered is who was the better Spider-Man?

Three Websites to Know That Will Make You Money

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Living Wage	\$13.02	\$27.25	\$33.25	\$42.46	\$21.75	\$26.34	\$29.73	\$32.06
Poverty Wage	\$6.13	\$8.29	\$10.44	\$12.60	\$8.29	\$10.44	\$12.60	\$14.75
Minimum Wage	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25

Living Wage Calculations for Grayson County
Source: livingwage.mit.edu/counties/48181

By Marlene Phillips
Director of Advising

Locating Living Wage Data

Livingwage.mit.edu

The majority of students say they are in college to find a job and earn more money. No surprise!

Yet it can feel like no one really knows or will tell you how much money you need to make to live, what a good wage is, or what a specific job will pay.

The federal minimum wage of \$7.25 can add to the confusion.

An individual earning the federal minimum wage and working full time would earn \$15,080 annually and be barely above the federal poverty guideline.

Grayson College students have access to a Career Center and Career and Pathway Coach Corey Leird, who can provide specific information and guidance to students, but there are also a lot of ways students can help themselves to this not-so-secret knowledge and information.

The Living Wage Calculator was first created in 2004 by Dr. Amy Glasmeier at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

It draws on geographically-based costs for food, childcare, health insurance, housing, transportation, and other basic necessities to determine the minimum employment earnings necessary to meet a family's basic needs while also maintaining self-sufficiency.

The Living Wage Calculator is a great place to start if you truly have no idea how much you might need to earn to live.

Be aware, though, that the Living Wage Calculator does not include funds for entertainment, meals at restaurants, vacations, or even savings.

Texasrealitycheck.com

Trivia with Trigg

Q. 1: When was the oldest Valentine's letter written?

Q. 2: What popular website debuted on Valentine's Day in 2005?

Q. 3: Who is known as the "Mother of Valentine's Day"?

Q. 4: What fruit was known as the "love apple" for its alleged aphrodisiac properties?

Answers are scattered throughout the paper!

Texas Reality Check was developed by the Labor Market & Career Information Department of the Texas Workforce Commission.

The Texas Reality Check shows you through a series of mul-

ti-ple-choice questions how much your living expenses will cost, and the amount of money you will need to earn to pay for them.

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**BSM
FREE LUNCH**

**@12PM
EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Get in the Know

February 7, 2022

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Welcome to the BSM!

By Austin Lambert
BSM Director

Howdy from the BSM!

We would love to welcome you to what we are doing on and off GC campus this Semester.

If you are a student we would love for you to come connect with what we do! Some of the amazing opportunities this year include:

Every Monday and Tuesday we offer a FREE Lunch + Bible study for students from 12:15-12:45 pm.

The topic for study this semester is "What is God like?" Each week biblical text and historical doctrine will be examined to better understand and answer that question.

Every Wednesday we



Student Leo Lau (left) winning a brand new backpack at the BSM

offer a FREE Lunch for the campus at 12pm.

Students and faculty or staff are welcome to come participate in this amazing meal sponsored by local area churches.

This is a great way to take a break from class, get to know your classmates or someone new and find out about what's going on.

Every Thursday we offer a nightly worship gathering we call SUM-

MIT for students on the Campus @ 7pm.

This gathering includes student-led worship, inspiring biblical teaching and opportunities for authentic community on the campus.

So come, connect and find community in the BSM! For more information visit us www.graysonbsm.com and we look forward to seeing you soon!

BSM Team



Students Ryan Murrell (top right), Keyshawn Leffall (bottom right), and Harrison Brewer (left) having lunch at the BSM



Debra Clark serving meals at the BSM

Find the Club for You!



Athletic Trainers Sierra Stand (left) and Kaylyn Childers (right)

By Emily Sileven
Viking Editor

Joining clubs and/or organizations is a great way to get involved with not just your college, but with your community as well. You will find that there are people who share the same interests or hardships as you.

And with these newfound friendships, you can help each other reach higher achievements you never thought possible.

Here at Grayson College, there are numerous clubs and organizations that would love to share.

Today, students can sign up to participate with the Athletic Training organization.

If you enjoy sports and want to help athletes train for the next big game or help with injuries, then the Athletic Training Organization is just for you!

Sierra Stand, one of the athletic trainers in the organization, says she fell in love with the pro-

gram.

In high school, she had a double ACL injury and had a long recovery. Unfortunately, her high school did not have a program that would help her train for any upcoming games.

When Stand heard and saw what the Athletic Training Organization was about, she was drawn to the atmosphere. Since then, she has been helping out with several GC teams.

The organization does not have any meetings. Instead, they work in shifts. Students who have signed up can volunteer to watch over the games and be there for the athletes.

If you would like to join, one of the many trainers will be at the gym from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. Or, you can email Athletic Trainer Melaney Card at cardm@grayson.edu.

Another great club students can join is Sigma Kappa Delta. If you like to read, write short stories, create poems, etc.,

then this is the club for you!

They have been dormant for a while due to the pandemic, but are planning some fun events.

Before COVID, Dr. Aidan Holtan, one of the directors of the club, mentioned that this club teamed up with the Art Club to create a "zine," short for magazine. Sigma Kappa Delta would write a story while the Art club created illustrations to go with the story.

Dr. Holtan hopes that the two clubs will create another "zine" in the future.

To join Sigma Kappa Delta, some of the requirements for students include:

Students must have completed at least one course in English or literature, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, have a grade of B or higher in English.



Dr. Aidan Holtan promoting Sigma Kappa Delta at the Clubs and Organizations Showcase

Three Websites to Know That Will Make You Money

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Identifying a Good Wage for the Job

geographic-specific information including local employment demand.

Grayson.edu/career-center

More Tools You Can Use

Grayson's Career Center page has a number of tools to give students and alumni vital career information.

As students and educators, we can agree that knowledge is power.

From the Career Center site navigate to Emsi Career Coach and browse careers to uncover data on wages, employment demand, and the training required to get into your career of choice. Emsi uses government data coupled with observations from job postings to provide its wage estimates.

The Grayson College Career Center is here to give you specific knowledge about careers, employment demand, job opportunities, typical wages, and more.

Scroll down on the Career Center page a little further and pop into O*NET Online.

Plus the Career Center can help you get on Grayson's Pathway to Success with a career that perfectly matches your interests.

The Occupational Information Network (O*NET) is developed through the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration.

Connect with Career and Pathway Coach Corey Leird at one of the Career Center events coming up in February (see on pg. 6).

Its database contains specific descriptions of approximately 1,000 occupations that cover the entire U.S. economy. O*NET wage data include annual earnings and hourly rates with

Visit the Career Center located in the Student Affairs Building, Advising Center in person Monday to Friday from 8 am to 5 pm or online at grayson.edu/career-center anytime!

Career and Pathway Coach Corey Leird can be reached at 903-415-2593 or leirdc@grayson.edu.



Come join the Student Veterans of America!

**2nd Tuesday of every month
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm
Veterans Hub**

**2nd Floor Bridge
(Look for the Flags!)**

Answers

Q. 1: The oldest Valentine's letter was written in prison by Charles, the Duke of Orléans, in 1415.

Q. 4: Claimed to have aphrodisiac properties, the tomato was given the name "love apple." (Also, the tomato was seen as having a heart-shaped appearance.

Get in the Know

A Day in the Life of a Quilter



Cynthia's Spider Web Quilt

By Cynthia Perez
Former Exec. Asst. of Resource/Community Development and Scholarship Coordinator

I've been asked, "Why do you cut up fabric only to sew it back together?" The short answer: Quilting has become a way to quiet my mind and bring

peace and harmony into my sometimes-chaotic life.

Art, no matter how it is created, is art. Many people equate artwork to paint and canvas; however, the term art has become encompassing to reflect other types of media including fabric.

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My Dream Valentine

By Emily Sileven
Viking Editor

It's that time of year again. Stores have started filling their shelves with flowers, romantic and cheesy cards, Valentine-themed sweets and stuffed animals, and jewelry for that special someone. Some stores have had their shelves stocked since the beginning of the year.

Whether you have your Valentine's date in a picture or are treating yourself, as you should, this year, *The Viking* has asked the college, "What is your ideal Valentine?"

Or, if you have a significant other, "How did you meet your significant other?"

Ashton Brooks, who is majoring in early childhood education, said that "my date has curly black hair, he's a little nerdy but very charming at the same time. He's the cutest person I've ever seen.

"When he smiles he has huge dimples that appear on both sides of his cheeks. My date is around 5'6", I've known him since I was a senior in high school so you could call us high school sweethearts!

"He is one of the sweetest, funniest, and most hardworking individuals I have ever met. He is also a very talented saxophone player. I could listen to him practice for hours on end!



Ashton Brooks, a second-year student at Grayson

"I can proudly call him my best friend and significant other."

When going on a date with her Valentine, she would love to spend time with her date at home.

"My ideal Valentine's date would be to have an at-home movie night!

"Watching your all-time favorite movie, snuggled beneath a blanket with your significant other, and enjoying being in each other's presence sounds like a perfect date to me!"

Shantee Siebuhr, the director of Student Life and Development, had met her sweetheart back in high school. "My husband, Johnathon, and I have been married for 15 years. We met our sophomore year in high school in the small town of Paradise.

"By junior year we were dating and I feel lucky that I have found a life partner to grow up with.

"We have been through many adventures between college, Army life, raising twin girls, and now moving to Denison to start our life



Shantee and Johnathon at their 2004 Junior Prom



Shantee and Johnathon today

Grayson Student Restaurant Six Ninety One Serves Up Gourmet Eats



Seared Ahi Tuna with mushroom fried rice and broccoli. Hospitality Management Both serve 691 patrons with courtesy, competence, and flair!

By Joanna Bryant
Executive Chef, Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management

Did you know that you can treat yourself to gourmet lunches right here on our campus?

Every Wednesday and Friday, Grayson's student-run restaurant, Six Ninety One, located in the Culinary Arts building (between the dorms), serves up three-course meals between 11:15 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Cost is \$15 and includes food, drink, and tax (credit card or cash).

Tips go toward Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management student scholarships and activities.

To make a reservation, visit <https://tableagent.com/dallas/six-ninety-one-restaurant-at-grayson-college/> or email Chef Joanna Bryant at Bryantj@grayson.edu. Include in your message:

Number in party and desired reservation time (11:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 12 noon, 12:15 p.m. or 12:30 p.m.)

On Friday, February 11, Six Ninety One will host their annual Valentine's dinner at 6 p.m.

Reservations are required and can be made by emailing Bryantj@grayson.edu.

Cost will be \$75 per person with all proceeds going to the T.I.P.S.S. Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management Club for educational enrichment activities and scholarships.

here!"

Thank you Grayson College for sharing your ideal dates or your stories. We wish you the best Valentine's Day to you and your other half!

Grayson College Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management Program's 2022 Valentine's Dinner

Wedge Salad

Cherry tomatoes, candied pecans, crumbled bacon, pickled red onions, choice of blue cheese or ranch dressing

Lobster Bisque

Sous Vide Beef Tenderloin
Whipped potatoes, grilled asparagus, red wine demi glaze sauce

Or

Butter-poached Orange Roughy
Sautéed spinach, couscous, yuzu and brown butter hollandaise sauce

Triple Layer Chocolate Cake

A layer each of flourless chocolate cake, chocolate cheesecake, devil's food cake which is then iced with chocolate Italian buttercream frosting and finished with a layer of chocolate ganache



Sophomore Savannah Melton, a double major in Culinary Arts and Hospitality



Sophomore Conor Garrison, major in Culinary Arts

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@12PM EVERY WEDNESDAY

Get Connected!

Join our weekly Phi Theta Kappa meetings
Wednesdays @ 12:30 PM
Liberal Arts 101

Sports

Upcoming GC Games

Baseball

- GC v. Navarro College
Feb. 11th at 10:00 am
- GC v. Blinn College
Feb. 12th at 10:00 am
- GC v. Northeast Texas Community College
Feb. 18th at 11:00 am
- GC v. Howard College
Feb. 25th at 1:00 pm
- GC v. Howard College
Feb. 26th at 12:00 pm
- GC v. Howard College
Feb. 26th at 2:00 pm

Softball

- GC v. Murray State College
Feb. 15th at 4:00 pm
- GC v. Murray State College
Feb. 15th at 6:00 pm
- GC v. Connors State College
Feb. 17th at 2:00 pm
- GC v. Connors State College
Feb. 17th at 4:00 pm
- GC v. Angelina College
Feb. 20th at 1:00 pm
- GC v. Angelina College
Feb. 20th at 3:00 pm

Men's Basketball

- GC v. Hill College
Feb. 9th at 7:00 pm
- GC at Collin County Community College
Feb. 14th at 7:00 pm
- GC v. Southwestern Christian College
Feb. 16th at 7:00 pm
- GC at Weatherford College
Feb. 19th at 4:00 pm
- GC at Temple College
Feb. 23rd at 7:00 pm
- GC v. McLennan Community College
Feb. 26th at 4:00 pm

Women's Basketball

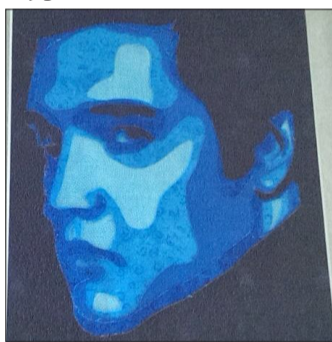
- GC at Hill College
Feb. 9th at 5:00 pm
- GC v. Cisco College
Feb. 12th at 2:00 pm
- GC at Collin Country Community College
Feb. 14th at 5:00 pm
- GC v. Southwestern Christian College
Feb. 16th at 5:00 pm
- GC at Weatherford College
Feb. 19th at 2:00 pm
- GC v. McLennan Community College
Feb. 26th at 2:00 pm

Find more games at gcvikings.com

A Day in the Life of a Quilter

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Like a painter loading a paintbrush or a sculptor throwing clay, I pick up my rotary cutter and begin dissecting fabric into smaller pieces to create pieces of art in the form of wall hangings and quilts.



Elvis portrait made with fabric

The Elvis portrait was created using various shades of blue fabrics, which were prepped with a fusible web product and using a layering/cutaway technique to form each layer of the image.



Cow portrait in progress

The light blue fabric, the bottom layer, is the base where each subsequent layer builds on top of the other layers of fabric to reveal the image.

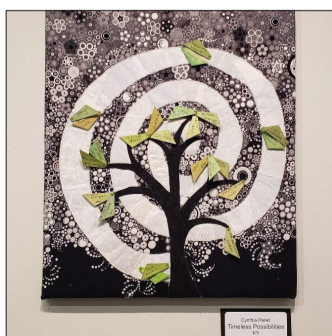


Featuring Miss Coco Kitty

The cow was created using a sketch, which was drawn onto a piece of muslin.

Pieces of fabric backed with a fusible web product were adhered to the fabrics that were then used to fill in the sketch.

The created image was trimmed from the muslin and placed on the background. This piece is still in progress...the flowers are not what I had envisioned.



Timeless possibilities showing now at the 2nd Floor Gallery

Four years later, I've yet to find the perfect flower fabric to complete this piece.

The Birdhouse wall hanging is an original piece created during an online class taught by quilt artist Alex Anderson.

Unlike the previous art quilts, this one was created using a variety of techniques. The green background, the tuxedo cat, and the pinwheels were machine-pieced.

The flowers, birdhouses, and birds were applied to the background.

The tuxedo cat was added to this piece in memory of my sweet tuxedo, Miss Coco Kitty, who always fell asleep while bird watching.

Timeless Possibilities is an original piece created for The Impossible Gallery Show currently on exhibit at the Grayson College 2nd Floor Gallery.

The theme of the show is what was once impossible is now possible. I created this piece to represent, throughout time, the growth of the female, bad-ass action hero beginning with Pam Grier in the 1970s to the present day.

The juxtaposition of the spiral and the tree against the background provides the illusion of time, strength, power and growth, light and possibility.

Art quilts can be literal as in the representation of a person, an animal, or other types of imag-

ery. They can also represent a design that conveys an idea, such as this next quilt.

The top image is of a neutral square framed with pieces of scrap fabrics sewn onto the neutral square to form an outline design.

To give the quilt an "art design" appearance, each of the sewn blocks was cut into quarters. Those individual quarter units were sewn into a zig-zag (or step-down) pattern to give the quilt movement.

The result of this quilt was a happy accident.

When I started this project, I did not have a plan. I challenged myself to make a quilt with one background fabric and the leftover strips.

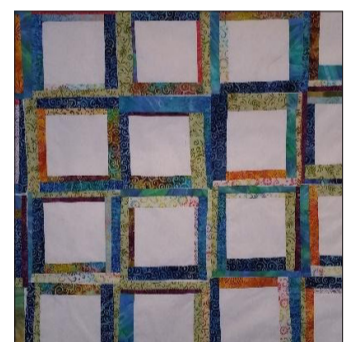
The initial design (first photo) was lacking pizzazz.

I had only one choice – cut the blocks into quarters vertically and horizontally and arrange them in a pleasing design.

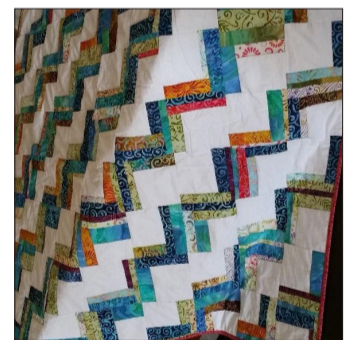
The happy accident became a community service project and was given to a local charitable organization.

The spider web quilt is an example of using small strips of colorful fabrics to make a recognizable design.

In making this quilt, four completed triangle units are sewn together to make one block. The



In this photo, the individual blocks are not sewn together.



Cynthia's "Happy Accident" quilt



Cynthia's Spider Web Quilt (Previously seen on pg. 4)

design looks deceptively difficult.

This is one of my favorite quilts that I hope to someday finish for myself.



What's Happening at GC



MARDI GRAS CASINO NIGHT

March 1st | 7pm | Life Center, 2nd Floor

Food, DJ, Poker, Slot Machines, Roulette, and more!
Thousands of dollars in prizes!

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

FEBRUARY
Student Life & Development

- 8** **9th Annual Black History Celebration**
6-7:30pm, CWL Auditorium
"Necessity of Education" and Celebration of Living Legends
- 9** **Virtual Fun Night: Escape Room**
7-8:15pm
Play from the comfort of wherever you are!
Link to play in The Scoop: tinyurl.com/theGCScoop
- 14** **Treat Yo'self**
11am-2pm, Life Center, 2nd Floor
Self Care is important - let us help you take care of YOU! Pet therapy, crafts, meditation, and messages.
- 18** **Viking Glow Night**
7-10pm, Viking Gym
Glow in the dark dodgeball, photo booth, DJ, and fun!
Free T-Shirt handed out.
- 23** **Bingo Night**
7-9pm, Life Center, 2nd Floor
Grab your friends for a classic bingo night and prizes.

Get Connected!

Join our weekly Phi Theta Kappa meetings
Wednesdays @ 12:30 PM
Liberal Arts 101



EDITOR'S NOTES

By Emily Sileven
Editor

Welcome back GC Vikings!

Happy Valentine's Day as well. Are any of y'all taking your sweethearts out for a date this year? Or are you thinking of taking that big leap and asking your crush out on a date?

Well, in my opinion, you should!

Life is worth living, so (*responsibly*) take your chances like there is no tomorrow.

If you don't know where to have your date, I know



a perfect place to take your sweetheart to. Grayson College's 691 is having a special Valentine's dinner on Feb. 11th at 6:00 pm.

As for me, I am having a Valentine's date with my high-maintenance fur baby.

CAREER CENTER

FEBRUARY 2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February 8th – Coffee and Career
Join in person for coffee, donuts, and conversation with the Career and Pathway Coach.
8:00 am-9:00 am in the Career Center (Student Affairs Building)

February 14th – Career Exploration Workshop
Join in person or on Zoom for an informative session on Career Exploration to help you choose your major aligned with your interest, skills, and personality traits.
In-Person: 9:00 am-10:00 am in the Career Center (Student Affairs Building)
Or
Zoom: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (Visit Career Events on the Career Center's website for Zoom link)

February 15th – Resume Workshop
Join in person or on Zoom for the Resume Workshop to learn how to create a professional resume and to receive your leather portfolio binder.
In-Person: 9:00 am-10:00 am in the Career Center (Student Affairs Building)
Or
Zoom: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (Visit Career Events on the Career Center's website for Zoom link)

February 17th – Interview Workshop
Join in person or on Zoom to learn how to prepare for a professional interview and receive your professional pen.
In-Person: 9:00 am-10:00 am in the Career Center (Student Affairs Building)
Or
Zoom: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (Visit Career Events on the Career Center's website for Zoom link)

February 22nd – Coffee and Career
Join in person for coffee, donuts, and conversation with the Career and Pathway Coach.
8:00 am-9:00 am in the Career Center (Student Affairs Building)

February 23rd – Job Search Workshop
Join the Job Search Workshop to learn how to advance your search for your dream job.
In-Person: 9:00 am-10:00 am in the Career Center (Student Affairs Building)
Or
Zoom: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm via Zoom (Visit Career Events on the Career Center's website for Zoom link)

Answers

Q. 2: Youtube, one of the most popular websites, debuted on Valentine's Day, 2005.

Q. 3: Esther Howland is known as the "Mother of Valentine's Day" because of her introduction of writing Valentine's greeting cards in the U.S.

Loaner Laptop Program

After a "soft" opening last semester, we are thrilled to shout from the rooftops that Grayson College has a Laptop Loan Program available to all enrolled students.

Students in need of a loaner laptop should simply complete the request form and user agreement found at www.grayson.edu/laptop-loan-program/index.html, then head over to the Library on the Denison campus during normal hours to pick up their laptop.

The program info page is searchable on grayson.edu using the keyword, 'laptop'. The link to the form is the first search result.

Students who can't make it to the Denison campus for pick up should complete the form, then contact the Library to explore other options.