



COLLEGE-WIDE MEETINGS OCTOBER 13

Texas Township Campus	Room 9130	8:30 a.m.
Anna Whitten Hall	Room 128	3:30 p.m.

KV Focus Plus is the e-newsletter for Kalamazoo Valley administrators, faculty and staff. If you have a comment, suggestion or something you'd like included, please email kvfocusplus@kvcc.edu.

COLLEGE NIGHT 2017

Representatives from more than 80 different colleges, universities and training institutions will be on the Texas Township Campus Monday, Oct. 9 from 6-7:30 p.m. to speak with students and their parents about post-secondary educational opportunities, their programs and campuses. [more](#)

FROM THE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The Office of Diversity and Inclusion presents I Am Many: Exploring Experiences within Social Identity with Dar Mayweather, Nov. 2 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. in Room 4240 on the Texas Township Campus.

In society, we individually and collectively have a rich amount of diversity in our identities. In this program, focused on personal exploration, attendees find the beauty of how interconnected our experiences are in life.

Mayweather guides audiences along a thought-provoking and insightful analysis of individual stories and how they each contribute to the larger overall narrative of us as a people. Through reflection and discovery, participants engage in a process of deeper and more meaningful understanding.

For more information, contact [Trice Batson](#) at 269.488.4119.



REMIND STUDENTS TO PETITION TO GRADUATE

Students planning to graduate in December should petition to graduate by Oct. 31. Statistics show that the best way for anyone to land a job in their chosen field is to finish college and earn a degree or certificate. In fact, students who complete their associate degree or certificate can expect to earn about \$400,000 more in a lifetime than a high school graduate, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Students who petition after the deadline might not have their name printed in the commencement program. Please encourage students to meet with a counselor and petition to graduate by Oct. 31!



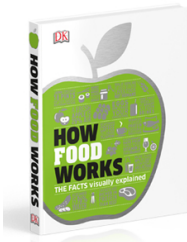
Kalamazoo Valley Community College and the United Way of the Battle Creek and Kalamazoo Region are partnering in our annual campus drive which runs through Friday, Oct. 13.

Participating in this year's United Way campaign gives you the opportunity to connect people to resources that improve their lives and strengthen the community.

If you choose to participate in this year's campaign using payroll deduction, please note that deductions begin on Jan. 1, 2018. Donations may also be made by cash or check or you may be billed. Signed pledge cards should be returned to Denise Baker in Room 3380 by the Oct. 13. [learn more](#)

FROM THE LIBRARY

Looking for a good book to read? Each issue, we will feature new materials recommended by Library staff that can be found in the Kalamazoo Valley Libraries.



How Food Works: The Facts Visually Explained

[QP 141 .H67 2017](#) (TTC Library)

"An easy-to-understand visual guide to the facts of food and nutrition. A nutritionist in a book that explains key concepts about food and what makes it good or bad for you, *How Food Works* brings the science of food to life. Through a highly visual approach that uses bold infographics, explore the good, the bad, the confusing, and the trending world of food. Discover what an antioxidant is, find out what a superfood does to your body, and learn why it is dangerous to reheat rice..."

STRENGTH SPOTLIGHT

As a strengths-based organization, Kalamazoo Valley gives its employees the opportunity to develop their strengths by building on their greatest talents – the way in which they most naturally think, feel, and behave as unique individuals.

In upcoming issues of KV Focus Plus, we will highlight one of the 34 different signature themes as identified by the Clifton StrengthsFinder Inventory as well as the names and titles of different people within the college who share it as their number one strength so you can learn more about the people you interact with on a daily basis.

This Issue: Discipline

People especially talented in the Discipline theme need the world to be predictable. It needs to be ordered and planned. They like to set up routines and focus on timelines and deadlines. They break long-term projects into a series of short-term plans, and work through each plan diligently.

The genius of the Discipline talent involves person's level of personal productivity and the accuracy with which they produce things. They can take complex tasks with multiple stages and identify the steps needed to complete the tasks. Next, they structure the environment and organize the actions

needed to complete the tasks. Finally, the genius of the discipline talent identifies the fastest and most efficient methods while maintaining the highest qualities.

Did you know that nobody at Kalamazoo Valley (according to our database) has Discipline as their number one Strength? There are several people who have Discipline in their Top 5. They include Staff Accountant **Stephanie Moats**, Corporate Training Manager **Patricia Schroeder**, Counselor **Pat Pallett**, Vice President of Strategic Business and Community Development **Craig Jbara**, Degree Auditor **Carey Stolsonburg**, Director of Human Resources **Amy Louallen**, Testing Center Supervisor **Glen Davis** and Mathematics Faculty **Nicole McClure**. [Click here to learn more.](#)

CAMPUS SAFETY TIP

Keep your doors locked whenever you find yourself alone in a building.

CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

TEXAS TOWNSHIP CAMPUS

[Business Club Gives Students Chance to Network](#)

[WMU On Site Admissions Planned for Oct. 18](#)

ARCADIA COMMONS CAMPUS

[Prof & Pizza October 6 at CNM](#)

[Davenport, Northwood among Colleges Visiting AWH](#)

BRONSON HEALTHY LIVING CAMPUS

[Find Out What the Buzz is All About](#)

[October 21 Healthy Living Summit Focuses on the Connection Between Food and Disease Management](#)

THE GROVES CAMPUS

[Groves Center Offering Free Lean Seminar Nov. 2](#)

KALAMAZOO VALLEY IN THE NEWS

[Retiring Kalamazoo Valley President Schlack Values 'Community' in Her College's Name](#)

[Marilyn Schlack Reflects on 35 Years as Kalamazoo Valley President](#)

[Traveling Guitar Exhibit to Visit Kalamazoo Museum](#)

[Kalamazoo Valley Wind Turbine Program Still an Industry Leader After 8 Years](#)

[Kalamazoo Valley Community College Brewing Program once again in Spotlight](#)



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