Changing of the College Inn

Updates on the new times of operation for the CI.

by Tyler Jackson and Sami Correa

Recently, the College Inn has experienced multiple changes in its hours of operation. During the winter semester the College Inn’s grill and flattop is turned off at 9:30 p.m. However, cold options such as ice cream, sub sandwiches, and nachos are still available. The College Inn is open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

Many students expressed their opinion about the grill and flattop closing at 9:30 p.m. Luis Nava expressed, “At first, it didn’t seem like a big deal, but when I got off work and wanted hot food after 9:30 I wasn’t able to get that convenience from the College Inn anymore.”

Many students have expressed major dissatisfaction in the College Inn’s new hours of operation. However, Baylee Hoff and Chris Villarruel express a different type of opinion; “We believe that the hours force students to congregate to the College Inn when it is open which makes for a busier night and allows students to hang out.”

Not only have students expressed their opinions about the changes at the College Inn, but also faculty and staff have expressed their opinions as well. Andrew Vardell, Sodexo Food Service Manager, gave us insight on why these changes are occurring. “One of the reasons why the College Inn is open three days a week is because the volume of people going down to the C.I. weren’t justifying it being open.” Wednesdays were picked because, “The lateness of classes and the workload of labs. Friday and Saturday were chosen because there are no classes the next day, people are usually hanging out, and there are masters’ classes.”

Vardell also stated “Nobody likes change, it’s different. We would like to leave the College Inn open seven days a week, but at this time, it is in our best interest to continue trying out our new hours.”

If there are any further questions regarding the College Inn, please contact Dr. Kate Herrick.

“Major” Changes at GWC

So many majors in so little time. What can next year’s students expect from GWC?

by Jacob Flores

George Williams College is in a time of change. Since the fall of 2012 many new things have come about. The class of 2012, the first traditional class GWC, was thrilled to bring begin their second year of classes in August of 2013. When they returned, among the other changes were new student engagement opportunities.

Some of the opportunities consist of learning how to play piano or singing as well as participating in the on-campus fitness boot camp. It is only true to say that having more students on campus is making GWC more of a place to be.

Students at GWC not only interact with others on campus, they also interact with different community organizations such as the Food Bank, Williams Bay Parks and Recreation department and many others. With the knowledge of the schools new growth students are always putting their input into how to make the campus better, not only for the current student life but also for the future students of GWC.

The biggest change to come to the college is the formation of the traditional undergraduate program. First year students who entered GWC in the fall of 2012 were offered the choice of four different majors: Social Work, Elementary Education, Sustainability and Environmental Management, and Parks and Recreation.

At the end of the 2012-2013 year major changes were in the air. New students entering GWC for the 2013-2014 academic year were offered the choice of eight majors: Social Work, Sustainability and Environmental Management, Parks and Recreation, Psychology, Sociology, Criminal Justice, Writing and English, and Student Initiated.

With the 2013-2014 year coming to an end incoming students for the 2014-2015 have the choice of five different majors: Human Ecology, Psychology, Social Work, Sustainability and Environmental Management, Student Initiated, and Outdoor Recreation Leadership and Management.

Needless to say it is an interesting time to be at GWC. Change is an important part to making things work the best way they can. In the words of some GWC staff it’s a wonderful time to be at GWC.
Picking Food for Picky Eaters
How Beasley Hall picks food to satisfy hungry students
by Gina Jones

I decided that many people don’t know much about the Beasley kitchen, but many have their own opinions about the kitchen and the food. In an effort to learn more, I interviewed the kitchen employees and the students that eat in the kitchen daily.

When asked how do the kitchen staff puts together the menu, Sandy, newest worker in the kitchen, says Marilyn puts together the menu to make sure the meals satisfy everyone, while trying to piece together varieties. She also stressed that they are always open for suggestions.

Melinda and Sandy what the kitchen staff likes the most about their work: “It’s a very nice experience because we have a very nice team that makes sure the food gets done and the kitchen gets clean in the end.” It’s important they get along, since according to staff, sometimes it takes up to three-four hours, to complete each meal from start to finish.

Many students appreciate the food and the hard work. One anonymous student explained, “The food is good. I like some of the things that they use fresh ingredients for. I have a couple favorites, I like the pizza and grilled cheese basil soup.”

Still some students like what’s there, but wish there were more options. “I could use some healthier food choices. Otherwise, the food is good” one student explained. Still other students are more concerned about availability of food and the limited options on the campus in general: “It’s alright sometimes. I don’t have the required taste for this food. Because the College Inn is closed four days out of the seven, I can barely eat every day, if the food in Beasley isn’t pleasing.”

As is often the case with campus food, not everyone can be happy all the time, but as GWC students, please can keep in mind Sandy’s request for suggestions and maybe the next meal will include some of your favorites.

Fate for Lowrey
A student investigation to settle the rumors of what is to come for Lowrey Hall.
by Rebekha C. Crockett

Many of my fellow students have heard of the possibility that Lowrey will be torn down as well as many rumors of why, how, and when. Bill Paladino, Director of Campus Operations at GWC, answered some of these questions during an interview. Paladino has confirmed that Lowrey will indeed be torn down. The decision was officially made by the Senior Staff of Aurora University on February 5th, but the demolition has been delayed until sometime in 2015 to make room in the budget for other projects.

The main reason Lowrey will be demolished is because the building lacks emergency sprinklers and is a safety hazard. Other issues that were a factor in the decision were problems in the condition of the building. The rear bedrooms, facing the hill, are overly humid and have mildew. Overtime this humidity could weaken Lowrey’s foundations. Paladino reassured me that the humid area of the building has been closed off since problems started. The building is also old and difficult to maintain. Guests are no longer permitted to spend the night in the building because of these issues.

Though renovating the building was considered, the Senior Staff saw that it would cost less to tear down and rebuild Lowrey than to renovate it properly. Jeff Cali, the Assistant Vice President of Administration for Aurora is a specialist in building construction and is currently advising the university on how to proceed. What exactly will be built in Lowrey’s place is still undetermined and will be decided at a later time. However, Paladino wishes to reassure the students that the workout room will be kept, just relocated to somewhere else on campus.

Students who were interviewed have recommended that a student center should be built were Lowrey currently stands and that it should have a gym, basketball court, and workout room. Cassidy Serafin suggests that the workout room could be temporarily moved to the meeting room in Emery “because there is so much room and it’s not really used for anything.” While many questions have not yet be answered, hopefully the information provided will serve to ease student concerns and put to rest rumors about Lowrey and the workout room.
Dear Diane,

Dear Diane: Since I started college, all I have been able to do is work at my job, go to classes, and study. I have no social life. When I do have a free moment, it seems as though I don’t fit in to any certain group because I am not really around enough. How can I make friends without them being resentful of my absence?

Lonely, but busy

Dear Lonely but busy: You need balance in your life, here are some guidelines to fit everything in. 1) Get organized. Write upcoming deadlines on your cell phone and start school projects early to allow sufficient time to complete them. 2) Have a flexible schedule. Sometimes cannot be flexible like class schedules and work. But build a routine that you can stick to and make enough studying time in your schedule in case something comes up you can shift things around in a pinch. 3) Communicate, make sure people know where you will be and when. Not all your friends will understand the additional responsibilities of work and school. 4) Manage your stress and live. Do not forget to enjoy life, but most of all be grateful that you have the opportunity to have an education and school. Your friends will understand, so be a good example and do not worry while you are with friends, or feel guilty.

Dear Threes a Crowd

Dear Threes a Crowd: Since you are a free agent and have no ties to anyone, make your move! Stop worrying about what the guy on campus is saying. Focus on yourself not the silly gossip. You only have this college experience once in your life make the most of it and enjoy your various friendships. In other words, start a conversation with the roommate.

Cooking in the Commons

An op-ed by Baylee Hoff

Recently at George Williams College changes have been initiated that have caused some grief and frustration among students. The College Inn, a place implemented for students to hang out, has reduced the hours in which food is available. While Beasley Hall is another option, its stringent hours make it a less than perfect solution.

Students at GWC are struggling to find time in their busy schedules to get food when it is available. Luis Nava, a freshman at GWC, finds it difficult to get food some days because his busy work schedule does not correlate well with when the dining halls are open. While ideally for most students the solution to this problem would simply be to have the College Inn open daily with full hours, this is not a viable solution.

Lately, students have shared a mutual idea of incorporating a cooking commons on campus. In a survey of 25 students, 96 percent of the respondents agreed that cooking commons in the dorms would be a beneficial for students to cook their own meals. In the cooking commons students could use a stove, fridge, microwave, toaster, and other kitchen commodities. Bernice Alonzo, a freshman at GWC stated that having these utilities would allow students to eat when they are hungry, rather than when food is available.

Beyond the ability to have a more flexible schedule for eating and healthier food choices, implementing a food commons could bring many unique opportunities to GWC. Students could utilize the kitchen to prepare for bake sales, or even get together and have a culturally themed food night. With the demands for change reaching a new high, now is the time to consider these options. Adding a cooking commons in the residence halls would be a great way to solve a problem while also creating a place in which students can enhance their college experience at GWC.

Dear Diane, Jasmine Mitchell

Jasmine Mitchell, a non-traditional student joining the first year ranks. She is majoring in Social Work and as an older student she enjoys advising her younger peers.

Dear Diane: A guy on campus is telling everyone that I have a thing for him. The funny thing is I don’t have a thing for him I have a thing for his roommate. I have been thinking about approaching him on this matter, but in so many ways I have already done so. How can I go about letting this be known without seeming like a roomy hopper?

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Local Events

by Silas Chester & Kaya Kowalski

Grand Finale of AMSOIL Championship Snowcross Series

Where: Grand Geneva Resort, Lake Geneva, WI
When: March 14-16 starting at 9:30 A.M.
Admission: $25 for an individual ticket or $40 for a weekend pass

For more information either go to www.isocracing.com or continue to Val Jackson's article

Maple Fest

Where: Covenant Harbor, Lake Geneva, WI
When: March 30 7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.
Admission: $7.50 Adult breakfast, $4.50 Kids breakfast (4-12 years old), FREE breakfast for kids 3 & under. $40 helicopter rides. $4 laser tag. Adventure Activities $3 per ticket or $15 all day pass.

Maple Fest is a family friendly event that serves food, provides family friendly events, and a craft fair. They’ll have a fundraising event and all proceeds will go towards lowering the cost for Covenant Harbor summer day camps. For more information go to www.covenantharbor.org

4th Annual Hawk’s View Golf Club Spring Shopping Expo

Where: Hawk's View Golf Club, Lake Geneva, WI
When: All day March 1
Admission: $2 at the door, free parking.
Spring shopping expo and craft show featuring over 50 vendors.

Audition-Best of Broadway

Where: Lake Players Ltd., Elkhorn, WI.
When: March 9 at 2 P.M. and March 10 at 7 P.M.

For more information go to http://lakeland-players.org/auditions.html

21 & Up

Live Music

Where: Champs Sports Bar & Grill, Lake Geneva, WI.
When: Every Friday night 9 P.M.

Comedy Club

Where: Evergreen Golf Club, Lake Geneva, WI.
When: March 15, appetizers at 5 P.M., buffet dinner at 6:30 P.M.
Admission: One price $45 covering whole event and taxes and gratuity

Night starts off with appetizers in The PUB at 5 P.M., Buffet at 6:30 P.M. is followed by a comedy double header. Headliners Tony Boswell & Vince Carone. For more information go to www.evergreengolf.com

AMSOIL Championship Snowcross Series Grand Finale

by Val Jackson

Bring friends and family for a weekend full of professional snowmobile racing excitement! Grand Geneva Resort and International Series of Champions (ISOC) will be hosting the AMSOIL Championship Snowcross races on March 14, 15, and 16. The races at Grand Geneva Resort will begin at 7:30am on Friday, March 14th and will conclude on Sunday, March 16th at 4:00pm.

Snowcross is a professional snowmobile competition held at six different locations throughout the United States, beginning on November 29 in Duluth, MN and ending on March 16 in Lake Geneva, WI.

Tickets for the event at Grand Geneva are available online at www.isocracing.com and are $25 for an individual ticket or $40 for a weekend pass. Event spectators can pre-purchase tickets online or pay at the door.

Parking will be available at the resort and a complimentary trolley service will take guests to and from the races to the parking lots. Concessions will be available for purchase all weekend long throughout the property.

Join in on the excitement at Grand Geneva Resort located at 7036 Grand Geneva Way in Lake Geneva! For more information and a complete schedule of race times, visit www.isocracing.com or contact Grand Geneva Resort at 262-248-8811.
**Horoscopes**

*What do the stars have in store for you?*

by Jenisne Bottlemay

**Aries** (March 21- April 19): You will gain new contacts in your business life as well as new friends. This month is mostly focused on your future. Stay dedicated and you will succeed.

**Taurus** (April 20- May 20): You may have felt as if you’ve been stuck in a rut the past few months; now is your time to break through and just do you as best as you can. Open your perspective to the outside world and you shall soar.

**Gemini** (May 21- June 20): There may be circumstances that have you questioning the direction you are going. Analyze your feelings and state of mind to truly see where you want to take the next step.

**Cancer** (June 21- July 22): Maintain your confidence. This may be a tough time but you’re a strong individual. You have many that support you. Listen to the positive voices and stay on track.

**Leo** (July23- August 22): This month holds high productivity for you. Keep working hard on your assignments and try to make new friends. You never know who someone truly is if you don’t give them a chance.

**Virgo** (August 23- September 22): You may seem to be more distracted with finding yourself this month, but don’t completely lose yourself. Make sure you keep up with your studies so you can improve yourself as time goes on.

**Libra** (September 23- October 22): It may be hard getting back into your normal momentum, but just push through it. It is your future we are talking about.

**Scorpio** (October 23- November 21): You may feel highly motivated this month. But make sure you are doing the activities that will benefit you in the long run, especially physical activities.

**Sagittarius** (November 22- December 21): You may feel anxious to travel back to a place more familiar due to a security issue. Try to break through it and stay put. It’s important that you stay focused on your long term goals.

**Capricorn** (December 22- January 19): You may find yourself reevaluating your life goals. Do what you think is right for you but don’t forget to do your research in case you decide to make a drastic change.

**Aquarius** (January 20- February 18): March is a time where you may want to be more conscious on your spending due to future expenses. Also, you may be losing focus in your studies. Give yourself a reward system to keep yourself on track and motivated.

**Pisces** (February 19- March 20): Listen to the voice in your head, and pay attention to what is going on around you. Also, stay focused on yourself this month. Don’t be intimidated by others and push through any negativity thrown your way.

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**Restaurant Reviews**

*Your Tastebuds Will Feel Lucky After Eating at Lucke’s*

by Jacob Flores

When I first entered Lucke’s I was welcomed as if I was part of the family, seated within seconds, my server arrived at my table to see how I was doing. I found that the quickness of my server to be something I appreciated. Lucke’s Cantina in Williams Bay serves Mexican style food including burritos, tacos, and enchiladas. The burritos are particularly authentic in taste and are filled with delicious chicken or steak. They are served with a side of tasty rice and beans. During my visit, I ordered a chicken burrito. I also ordered their killer guacamole that was to die for.

Not only does Lucke’s serve food they also alcoholic beverages to those above the legal age. I have been told that their raspberry daiquiris are delicious. When you first walk in you see a bar in the middle of the room and they do provide mixed drinks and beer. However, I would describe the atmosphere as a more casual dining restaurant than a bar.

For the quality of the food, it is reasonably priced and will not empty your wallet in order to eat there. The typical meal at this restaurant usually costs around ten dollars. For this price you can have an appetizing meal and a drink. As a college student finding a nice place to go to eat for a reasonable price is an amazing thing to come by.

For the overall food taste, quality of food, and atmosphere I would give Lucke’s 4 out of 5 burritos.

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**Coffee Anyone?**

by Berenice Alonzo

Becoming a college student made me realize that one of the most important things I need is a place to go hang out, drink some coffee, have some quiet time, and just relax.

One day while I was sitting in the office I saw a flyer for a coffee shop called the Coffee Mill, located at 441 Mill Street in Fontana-on-Geneva Lake. I took an adventure with one of my good friends and we walked along the shore path on an adventure to find the coffee shop. The first time through we got a little lost so we walked until we found it.

We arrived at the coffee shop, out of breath, and excited to try something new. We had made a deal. We were both to try something new, something that we did not know what it contained, a drink that had a completely ridiculous name that made no sense whatsoever. For my first choice, I decided to go with getting an “Au Lait,” I’m not sure what it was, what it contained or what the name even means, but the drink was delicious.

Overall, the Coffee Mill is a small and quiet place with a homey feeling. It is the perfect place to bring a book, drink some coffee or tea, and just relax. The prices are very reasonable and did not exceed more than $5 or $6, depending on the size of the drink you wanted.

During the warm weather seasons, one can walk along the lake path and enjoy nature and the beautiful sights around the lake. For someone with a car, the Coffee Mill is not a far drive from Williams Bay. For the surrounding towns, Lake Geneva and Delavan, the drive is only about fifteen minutes.

I would rate the Coffee Mill 5 out of 5 coffees.
The Fugitive
A short story by Miranda Skukan
I ran as fast as I could with the weight of a million dollars on my back. Blood was rushing, my palms sweaty, and my heart was pounding so hard that it felt like it was about to jump out of my chest. I could not believe I had just robbed a bank. I left my lover behind with my victims. It was his idea. I told him not to, but one million dollars was calling my name opposed to a jail cell. Orange is not the new black. So I kept running in the direction of freedom, not looking back even though I just had left my heart behind. Heading towards Florida seemed like the perfect Paradise at the time with my unborn baby.

I hopped on the first bus I saw to get out of this state. I kept hearing the loud sirens lingering in my ears. I felt as if everyone on the bus was staring at me; one million dollars never felt so heavy—but, I have never had one million dollars. My plan was simple: buy a house in Florida where I can raise my child, and hopefully one day my lover will find his way back to me.

He was the main reason for everything that just happened, thinking his life was pointless and worthless. The need and urge to rob this bank was his life. My love for him made it all too easy to agree with him even though it meant risking my whole life for him. We were supposed to run away and spend the rest of our lives together.

My thoughts were interrupted by a sudden noise close to a loud bang. The bus came to a full stop and I saw the lights in my peripheral vision. Thinking I had enough time to run, I jumped up out of my seat and went straight to the door. Next thing I know, my feet hit the pavement and I went straight for the woods. It was all too quiet and for the first time I felt safe. I had finally gotten away.

I saw the face of My Heart peeking behind a tree. I ran towards him to embrace him, but then I opened my eyes and he was gone. I never knew the greatest kiss of my life would be from a bullet.

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