GSU Authors Honored

Governors State University will hold a literary tea on Tuesday, October 20 to honor two former CAS students. They are Caryl Chudwin and Rita Durrant, co-authors of the book, *College After 30*; a guide for persons wishing to complete a long delayed education.

Chudwin and Durrant are both vital and interesting people; both graduates of GSU. Both returned to the status of student after the usual stints of child-rearing and housewifing. Chudwin, who earned her A.A. degree from the University of Wisconsin, heard about "that new university in Park Forest South" and enrolled in the first classes in 1971. Her advisor was Dan Bernd in the College of Cultural Studies (now CAS) who guided her through the intricacies of interdisciplinary studies. She had started as a part-time student. By the next session she was carrying a full course load. She received her B.A. in 1973 and then her M.A. in 1975.

Chudwin went on to teach a class in creative writing at GSU, and it was in this class that Rita Durrant was enrolled. Durrant's husband had started her back on the road to a degree in 1970 by urging that she attend Prairie State Community College in Chicago Heights. With her A.A. accomplished, Durrant started at GSU in 1973. Her advisor was Betty Stanley in the BOG program. Durrant had by this time accumulated enough life experience credits to begin here as a senior, graduating with a B.A. in 1976. She continued her studies and received an M.A. in 1980.

Chudwin and Durrant have contrasting personalities (Caryl is urbane and businesslike, Rita talkative and outgoing) but they seem to complement each other, and have a tendency to finish each other's thoughts. Often Durrant will start an anecdote about their collaboration, but Chudwin will finish it. Then the process will be reversed. They both acknowledge the importance of the support they received from their families, and this was certainly a plus during their four month collaboration on *College After 30*. A lot of conferring on content was done by long distance telephoning, since Durrant now lives in Pennsylvania.

The book itself is filled with some of the paths and pitfalls that the over 30 group may encounter as they seek their higher education. Also included are interviews with present or former students whose experiences may help to cut a path through the academic jungle.

This is a first book for both authors, although they each have several years of free lance writing experience behind them. Chudwin, besides the class at GSU, has taught a business communications course at Prairie State, published in various magazines, and has had her short stories read over public radio. Durrant has also published a variety of material, including a series of eight monographs for the "Institute for Research" on careers. She is now editing the Town Crier newsletter in Dazlestown, Pennsylvania. Chudwin, who says she has no trouble at all switching from fact to fantasy, is now working on a historical novel with another writer, Martha Brown.

The literary tea for these interesting and active Alumni will be held in B Lounge, from 4:30 - 6 p.m.
Interview With the Dean of BPA, Part II

In the first part of this interview, Robert Milam discussed the Northwest Initiative. At the conclusion of his remarks about that series of off-campus GSU classes, we asked him what he would like to see in the future in the College of Business and Public Administration. Here are several of his projections for CBPA.

Milam believes that the BPA curricula, which are reviewed every year, are sound. Material is updated and well organized. The articulation agreements with the junior colleges are working well and the dean attributes this success in part to the Office of Admissions and Recruitment, for the quality and quantity of the public relations brochures that have been initiated in that department.

Milam is also pleased with the type of advisement system that has been developed in the College and commends his faculty and staff.

The MBA program is excellent. This program is comparable in quality to any MBA program in the state. Potential students are becoming convinced, in increasing numbers, that a good graduate level business education can be obtained conveniently and at low cost at GSU.

For the future, he stated, that among other innovations, he would like to see special kinds of programs designed for those who are trying to change their careers. Many of these people, the majority women, are education and liberal arts majors who have been cut from their employment by shrinking government funds, and rapidly changing skills required for employment in business and industry. They are often quite upset, even angry because their degrees seem useless — at least for some years to come. It is his belief that the College should meet the needs of these students by offering minimum skills courses required to make students with a nonmarketable bachelor's degree employable. For example, a nine course program which would prepare students with a B.A. degree to sit for the CPA examination is an excellent way to gain entry into the business environment. Other certificate programs for students with a B.A. degree could be offered in such fields as Management Information Systems, Inventory Control, Real Estate, etc.

Another program that Milam foresees is the executive MBA degree. As he explains it, a typical program would involve some fifty executives who have shown themselves to be outstanding at their jobs and upwardly mobile. They would have the chance to take the MBA program with an intense schedule of weekend courses. A peer support system would be instituted to ensure a low attrition rate. After a rigorous selection process, students would be divided into groups who would stay together throughout all the classes in the program. The pressure of keeping up their part of the group study would provide the incentive to keep pace with the coursework. This new concept has been implemented by a few colleges across the country.

In summary, Dean Robert Milam feels GSU's BPA curricula to be meeting the challenges of today's economic changes, with excellent prospects for the future. The University is developing an increasing reputation as the place to go to complete work toward a degree in business.

Privacy is the right to be alone — the most comprehensive of rights, and the right most valued by civilized man. 

... Louis D. Brandeis

GSU to Offer Master Classes

The GSU String Quartet will conduct Master Classes in string quartet chamber music starting October 30 and continuing until November 1. The classes will be conducted by community professor Francois D'Aibert, first violinist, leader and founder of the quartet; Elmer Rosen, second violin; Robert Shamo, viola and Alan Rostoker, cello.

For more information or to reserve a place in the classes, contact Mark Payne, Special Programs, Ext. 2121.

SHP Students in Computer Game

Four students from the health services administration program in SHP will participate this winter in the second Hospital Financial Management Regulation Game (FMRG), a computer exercise sponsored by the American College of Hospital Administrators (ACHA), according to Brian Malec (SHP).

Joseph Kucharz, Joliet, will lead the GSU Team. Joining him are Terez Cotter, Joliet, and Roxanna Crosser and Mary Hoeger, both of Oak Lawn. They will try for regional honors this fall, and, if successful, will enter the finals during the ACHA 25th congress in Chicago in March.
SHEADRICK TILLMAN (OR), addressing A Southside Center for Outpatient Alcoholism Treatment at their first annual banquet Friday, October 16 at the Beverly Woods Restaurant, Morgan Park. The subject: "Alcoholism: Is There a Solution to This Problem?" The executive director of the Center, Gertrude Gray, will receive her M.A. in Alcoholism Sciences from GSU in December of this year.

DONNA RUTLEDGE (ICC), attending a seminar on Fundamentals of Record Management at the American Management Association meeting at O'Hare Inn, Chicago, October 12 - 16.

MWALIMU DAVID R. BURGEST (HLD), receiving notification that his workshop proposal has been accepted by the International Association of School of Social Work for presentation at the 21st International Conference to take place in London, England, University of Sussex, August 26, 1982.

HUGH RANK (CAS), being interviewed last week on National Public Radio on the topic of the Pentagon's current use of language. Rank discussed such usages as the jargon of nuclear warfare ("limited" war and "theatre" war) and the use of domestic metaphors ("window of vulnerability") as ways of downplaying unpleasant realities. "People who live in Europe," Rank said, "have a much better idea of what the Pentagon means when analysts casually talk about 'theatre war' than we do. Europe is the theatre they're talking about."

JUDITH COONEY (HLD), Division of Psychology and Counseling, presenting a speech entitled "The Problems of Children Living in Single Parent Families," October 17, to the North Shore Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma.

PRINCE McLEMORE (HLD), being elected vice president of the Illinois Council for the Social Studies, October 1, at the Fall Conference at the Hotel Bismarck in Chicago. It was a joint meeting with the Illinois Foreign Language Association.

KEN SILBER and MIKE STELNICKI (both HLD), attending the Educational Technology Business and Industry Advisory Group Luncheon, at the Palmer House, October 7. PROVOST CURTIS L. McCRAY gave the welcoming address for the University. Nineteen companies were represented at the meeting by training/HRD managers. The purpose: to advise on curricula which concern the instructional developer and instructional producer majors, as well as to give guidance toward the development of a human resource development degree.

Gene Siskel to Speak at GSU

Gene Siskel, movie critic for the Chicago Tribune and WBBM-TV, and half of the syndicated weekly "Sneak Preview" programs originating at WTTW-TV, will discuss "What I See That You May Not See," complete with film clips, October 22 at 8:00 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall. Siskel has been reviewing the output of the world's film centers for more than 11 of his nearly 13 years with the Tribune. He branched into television with Channel 2 in 1974. During the period between 1976 and 1978, Siskel and Roger Ebert, Sun-Times critic, co-hosted a monthly show, "Opening Soon At a Theatre Near You" at WTTW-TV, Chicago's Public Channel. The program became syndicated, with some 60 public channels picking it up. In 1978-79 the show went to a bi-weekly format, and changed its name to the current title. Since 1979, Siskel and Ebert have become the weekly movie critics for practically the entire public TV network of nearly 280 stations.

Admission to this event, which is sponsored by the Office of Student Activities, is $2.00 for GSU faculty and staff, members of the GSU Alumni Association and senior citizens with I.D. cards.

Editor's Note:

There has been some confusion as to the nature of the new "Inscapes." This insert is the personal newsletter for faculty and staff and is meant to be for internal publication only. If you have news of interest to the GSU community, such as weddings, illnesses, births, etc., or if your group, such as a bowling team or a society is having a get-together or has won recognition, then send that information on to Betty Kott, Editor, Landscapes, clo University Relations. We need your cooperation in getting the news in! Remember, deadline for both Landscapes and Inscapes is Tuesday noon.

Tickets Available for "Dancin’"

The office of student activity programs has available for all interested faculty and staff a limited number of reduced Shubert Theatre tickets for the current production of DANCIN'. The tickets are $7.50 each and are for the 8:00 p.m. performance on Tuesday, October 22, 1981. A number of people from the GSU community enjoyed a recent production of A CHORUS LINE on September 29 with discount tickets provided through the Student Activity Office. The tickets are on sale and available NOW at the Cashier's office.

This reduced ticket service is another part of the programming which is done each Trimester by the Student Activity Program Advisory Committee.

In addition to the reduced tickets for selected live entertainment, reduced movie tickets for General Cinema, Plitt Theatres and during the summer, Great America discount tickets are also available.

Tickets for all up-coming Student Activity Program Advisory Committee events are available at the Cashier's office.

Maturity is the time of life when, if you had the time, you'd have the time of your life.

Pride is an admission of weakness; it secretly fears all competition and dreads all rivals.

... Anonymous

... Fulton J. Sheen
Events

Friday, October 16, 1981
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Special Programs Workshop: "Planets and Moons" (A1102)

Saturday, October 17
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Special Programs Workshop: "Planets and Moons" (A1102)
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. College for Kids (F1105, F1104, F1102, E1105, D2202, & Child Care Center)
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. BOG Seminar (EH)*
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Student Development Workshop: "Finding Opportunity: Sources of Employer Information" (C3307)
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Infinity/Benefit Print Auction (B1107)

Monday, October 19
10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Art Exhibit: GSU Graduate Students, through Thursday, October 29. (CAS Gallery, B. Lounge)

Wednesday, October 21
12 Noon - 1:00 p.m. Theology for Lunch: "Ghoti — What Is It - How Do You Say

Thursday, October 22
7:30 p.m. - 10:20 p.m. It?" (HDR)*
Lecture: US & Illinois Elections (EH)*

Friday, October 23
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Faculty Senate (EH)*
3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ADD/DROP: Fall Trimester Block 3, Monday-Friday hours through October 28. (Front Entrance)
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. YMCA Swim Team's Parent Association (EH)*
8:00 p.m. Contemporary Lecture Series: Gene Siskel (MRH)*

Saturday, October 24
7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Insurance Testing (A1102)
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Workshop: "Planets and Moons" (EH)*
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Conference: South Suburban Housing Center (MRH)*
8:30 a.m. - 12 Noon ADD/DROP: Fall Trimester Block 3 (Front Entrance) Workshop: "What To Do In Case Of A Job Search" (B1107)
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. * Engbretson Hall Administrative Conference Room Honors Dining Room Music Recital Hall

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