This Week at GSU

14 "Lotus 1-2-3 Release 2 Introduction" workshop, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and continuing on Feb. 16.
15 Child Care Center Open House, 9 a.m. to noon, 3:30 to 8 p.m.
15 "Beyond the Dream: The Chicago Experience" address by Cook County Recorder Carol Moseley Braun, noon, Engbretson Hall.
15 University community interview with Sally Petrilli, candidate for director of extended learning, 3 to 3:45 p.m., E Lounge.
16 Faculty Senate Meeting, 2 p.m., E Lounge.
16 Civil Service Senate Meeting, 2:30 p.m., Hall of Honors.
16 "GSU Bureaucracy - Myth or Reality" leadership development workshop, 3:15 to 4:15 p.m., Campus Center.
17 "Data Ease - Introduction" workshop, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays through Feb. 24.
18 "Intermediate AutoCAD" workshop, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays through March 4.
18 "Topics in Political Science: The Chicago Political Tradition," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
18 United Nations Security Council simulation, 1 to 4 p.m., Hall of Governors.

All events held at University Park campus unless otherwise noted.

GSU celebrates Mardi Gras, New Orleans style!

We may have moved Dr. Joyce Verrett up from New Orleans, but we haven't taken the New Orleans Mardi Gras spirit from her.

The 2nd Annual Mardi Gras party for College of Arts and Sciences staff and invited friends wasn't as lively as the parties in the Dixieland city, but it's a fun way for the dean to indoctrinate her new friends into this traditional celebration.

Dressed in costume as an African queen, Dr. Verrett welcomed her guests (some of whom came in costume) to partake of the traditional ham, potato salad and her New Orleans style red beans and sausage over rice.

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Deadline near for 1989 Civil Service scholarships

The deadline is April 14 for the first of the 1989 Civil Service Scholarship awards.

The scholarships are offered to GSU Civil Service employees who have at least two years service, or their dependents. The student must be working toward completion of his/her first bachelor's degree and have at least a grade point average of "C" or higher. The student doesn't have to attend GSU but must be accepted or enrolled for at least part-time classwork at an accredited college or university.

Dependent children of GSU employees must be 23-years-old or younger at the time of the award and be financially dependent upon the employee for partial or full support.

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Committee begins work on 20th fest

A special committee has been named to plan for the 20th anniversary of the founding of Governors State University.

Co-chaired by Dr. Virginio L. Piucci, vice president for administration and planning, and by Dr. Melvyn M. Muchnik, special assistant to the president, the committee includes John A. Ostenburg, director of university relations, Dr. Z. A. Malik, president of the Faculty Senate, Christine Tolbertt, president of the Civil Service Senate, and Eric Harwell, president of Student Government.

The university was established on July 17, 1969.

Cafeteria Menu

(Week of Feb. 13 to 18)

Monday - Closed, Abraham Lincoln holiday.

Tuesday - Split pea soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: liver and onions, five wing dings w/fries and cole slaw, seasoned spinach, whipped potatoes.

Wednesday - Garden vegetable soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: chicken and gravy, oriental chop suey over rice, corn O'Brien, whipped potatoes.

Thursday - Beef barley soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: potted luncheon steak jardiniere, Italian sausage w/tomato sauce and peppers on French bread, seasoned cut broccoli, whipped potatoes.

Friday - Manhattan clam chowder w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: fried perch w/fries and cole slaw, baked macaroni and cheese, vegetable dejour.

Entrees include vegetable, potato, roll and butter.

(Menu subject to change)

Faculty Feature

'Professor' is preferred title for 'senior' faculty member

By Marilyn Thomas

Dr. Dan Bernd is now the senior faculty member, but he'd prefer that designation be dropped. To him, a faculty member's only title is 'professor' and that, he says, carries a lot of responsibility.

Take his case, for example. He's the only faculty member teaching English literature. "There are faculties with 70 and 80 English professors," he notes. "But people forget you need that many when you have hundreds of sections of freshman and sophomore English to teach.

"Here, with our upper-class divisions, the enrollments are small and I'm the only instructor for English lit. Some would say it's nirvana," the specialist says, "but your expertise only stretches so far."

Over the last several years, Bernd's course enrollments have increased, and he credits that to Dr. Larry Freeman, dean of the College of Education who has added liberal education courses to the teachers' curriculum.

"It used to be the only teachers ed majors we saw were those that wanted to teach English," Bernd said. "Larry's instituted changes that we worked on at the University of Nebraska" where federal funds were used to develop curriculums for teachers. Bernd worked on the project for several years and Dr. Freeman worked on the project after him.

Dan Bernd's route to GSU originated in Washington where he worked for two years as the branch chief for the U.S. Office of Education and as project officer for the National Institute for Advanced Studies in Teaching Disadvantaged Youth and on the Triple T-Project, Training of Teachers of Teachers. After his work, he returned to his teaching position at California State University at North Ridge.

But his boss in Washington, former GSU President Bill Engbretson, had accepted the presidency at this newly created institution and called Dan Bernd to offer him a position at GSU.

"I came with the intention of being a faculty member," Bernd remembers, but he was asked to take on several responsibilities in between. He was director of academic development, then assistant dean in the College of Cultural Studies.

"I was at the top of my form in writing proposals after my work in Washington," and he jokes that GSU took advantage of that. "We invented the college programs, we hired staff, we developed interdisciplinary studies. We weren't afraid to try things" but the ideas were sometimes stymied because funding sources wanted more conventional proposals.

Bernd admits there are those who say GSU lost something when it went to trimesters and graded courses, but he's not disappointed. "I give Leo (President Leo Goodman-Malamuth) a lot of credit. It wasn't easy for him, and his first five years here everybody had their own notion of what he should be doing," Bernd remembers.

The professor is critical, however, of the approaches some on staff take to GSU students. "Our deepest self-inflicted wound is our depreciation of standards on the student. There are those who think our students aren't as capable as those at more selective colleges and universities. That's bull," he says.

GSU students deserve challenges and the best from staff because they are capable. "The most important thing at GSU is instruction of the student. People have heard me say this time and time (Continued on page 4)
The Grapevine

Communications students help with video project

Dr. Sam Enyia in the Division of Communications agreed to help the folks at Mercy Residence in Olympia Fields (on the grounds of the Tolentine Center) tell the story of the congregate senior housing.

Beverly Goldberg, assistant to Dr. Paul Green in his work with the Institute of Public Policy and Administration, serves on the board of Mercy Residence and suggested that GSU staff and students might be able to help with the board's project of an informational video.

Enyia agreed to take on the project and assigned two graduate students -- Don Stuckly and Don Breithbarth -- to it. Filming is complete and the final editing is being done. The video will be presented to the Mercy Residence board soon.

Library has all the forms to meet your IRS needs

Uncle Sam wants you -- to pay your taxes!! And the University Library will give you a hand - ah - they'll give you the form. Every tax form available from the Internal Revenue Service is either there for the taking, or the reference staff can provide an original to be copied, according to Jill Stanley, office supervisor.

The forms are available on a table just past the library's video/audio room.

Schranz project will study use of Indian names

The Cleveland Indians, the Atlanta Braves, the Washington Redskins, the Chicago Blackhawks.

Catch the similarity there?

We've become so indoctrinated with Indian names and references that we usually don't think twice about the usages.

Professor Paul Schranz is going to take a serious look at what we've done with the Indian culture. With a GSU mini-grant Schranz will explore "the continuance of the racial exploitation of the American Indian."

Through photography Schranz will give us a satirical and yet poignant look at how we "continue to hypocritically use Indian iconography and nomenclature as a marketing gimmick to sell everything from shopping centers, housing projects, amusement parks, and football teams."

Schranz said he became interested in the Indian culture usages after a visit to Pine Ridge, the site of the Wounded Knee Massacre. "The plight of the Indians at Pine Ridge is the worst case of physical, moral and social genocide that I have ever experienced. The number of Indians destroyed by government-sponsored exploitation rivals the atrocities generated by Hitler against the Jews," the professor argues.

He hopes to have his photography documentary finished and in use in 1990 as a traveling exhibition to mark the 100th anniversary of the Wounded Knee Massacre.

GSU 'garage sale' offers equipment possibilities

Too many papers and nowhere to file them?

There's a chance you might find just what you're looking for at the GSU "garage sale" from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17.

The business office staff will be conducting its routine "property control" inventory of its storage room, and the excess items will be made available to GSU departments. Joyce Gordon of the business office staff said chairs, desks, file cabinets and other items will be available -- at no cost! If you want it, the equipment will be transferred to your office equipment roster.

Deadline close for civil service awards

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Applications will be available Feb. 17 in the Personnel Office. Students must submit their official transcripts and a one-page essay describing their educational/career goals. Finalists are selected by the Civil Service Scholarship Committee.

The stipend will be between $100 and $250 depending on the number of applicants and the amount of funding available. Scholarships will be awarded each trimester.

Scholarships are funded by contributions and fundraising. Persons interested in making a donation can make payroll deductions or send a check to the GSU Foundation.

For further information on the scholarship call the Personnel Office for an information sheet, or contact Jean Johnson, chairperson of the Civil Service Scholarship Committee, on extension 2242.

ACS lab schedules times for student orientations

The Academic Computing Services (ACS) laboratory will hold orientations for new and continuing students throughout the winter trimester.

Sessions are scheduled for 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Mondays through Thursdays, and from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Condolences

To Donna Rutledge of the Instructional Communications Center on the recent death of her mother-in-law in Macomb.

To John Morton of the Office of Economic Education on the recent death of his mother in Ohio.

To George Vesvardes of the University Print Shop on the recent death of his father-in-law.

To Dr. Virginio L. Piucci of Administration and Planning on the recent death of his sister-in-law.
Mardi Gras - New Orleans style - comes to GSU

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The culmination was the sharing of the "Kings' Cake" which the dean ordered direct from a New Orleans bakery. The partaking of the cake, decorated with purple, green and gold sugars, has been carried over from the religious celebration of the Feast of the Magi Jan. 6 to "Fat Tuesday" (as Mardi Gras is translated from the French.) Inside the cake is a plastic baby figure. The person who gets the slice with the baby (Susan Inman was the lucky winner) gets to bring the traditional Kings' Cake to next year's celebration.

Mardi Gras is said to have originated as pagan rituals to the "Rites of Spring." The Catholic church then accepted some of the traditions by including them in the church calendar as a means of celebration before the start of prayers and fasting for Lent.

**Civil Service**

Meet Chris Tolbertt,
CS senate president

Christine Tolbertt, account technician in the Business Office, is serving as president of the Civil Service Senate.

In 1983 Chris became an active member of the Civil Service Senate and since then she's been a member of the governance committee, Employee of the Month committee and the election's committee.

Chris served as the Senate's secretary in 1985 and 1986 and was elected the Senate's vice president in 1987. She's been president since July 1988.

Chris lives in Monee with her husband and two daughters.

**Bernd prefers 'professor'**

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again, "he says, "but it's true. It's easier to teach King Lear to GSU students than to an 18-year old freshman who doesn't know he's going to die."

The white-haired friend to all did his dissertation on George Bernard Shaw, and he can quote passages from a host of English authors. He and his wife, Polly, who is a staff member in Special Programs and Continuing Education, enjoy traveling to England with their daughter where Bernd visits his favorite spots. He jokes about a trip to the Isle of Wight where he swears he can hear Alfred, Lord Tennyson telling him he'd better complete a college paper that's been outstanding for about 25 years now.

Dan Bernd talks about retiring in 1990, but people don't want to believe him.

"Bored with retirement? No way," he says. "I have too much to do."

The traditions came to New Orleans in 1699. They have evolved over the centuries into masquerade balls, debu- tante parties and today's all-out feasts for the common man featuring daily parades two weeks before Fat Tuesday, the dean explained.

"We start celebrating from Jan. 6 on, and the last two weeks before Mardi Gras it builds into such a frenzy that people are out every night for parades. On Saturday and Sunday you're out with your children for picnics along the parade route," she said. The partygoers collect a host of fake coins, plastic necklaces and other assorted junk thrown by people on the floats.

"On Fat Tuesday you get out at day break and just go on all day," she said. Generally one person's house close to the Canal Street parade route is used as the stopping point for rest and meals before everyone takes to the streets for the massive Mardi Gras parade at 7 p.m.

"Then, at the stroke of midnight, it's all over, and people find their way to the churches the next day for their ashes," marking the start of the Lenten season, the dean added.

"Mardi Gras has really changed since I was a child. It's not just for the people of New Orleans any more, which is okay. We, the natives, enjoy introducing Mardi Gras to our friends," she said. "That's why I have my party. But I'm sure you can tell I do miss Mardi Gras."

**Five GSU students receive ITA award**

The International Television Association's Chicago chapter has awarded five GSU students its silver award in the "best over-all student video production" category for the 1988 "Music Alive" video.

It is the first time GSU students have won an ITA award.

The five students -- Cornell Rollins, Joan O'Connor, Steve Carlin, Phil Schwartz and James Howell -- were presented certificates of excellence from all productions judged in the festival (student and professional) for best directing and best lighting.

The students worked with Professors Temmie Gilbert, Eli Segal and Tony Labriola on this project that's a for-credit class at GSU, but Gilbert says, "its the students who did all the work. This is their production and they're responsible for everything from location to booking to filming and editing."

**Congratulations**

To Wilhelmenia Moore of the College of Health Professions on the birth of a grandson. Daughter Rhona and son-in-law Fred are parents of Frederick Randolph Hill II, born Jan. 7.

**Convalescing**

Barbara Smith of the Provost's Office, is convalescing at home, but is not yet being permitted visitors. Cards and notes may be sent to her at 224 Early St., Park Forest, IL 60466.