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This Week at GSU

12  Faculty Open Hearing on University Calendar, 3 p.m., Engbretson Hall.
13  Student elections conducted through June 15, 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., Hall of Governors and F Building entrance.
14  "Little Bear" play on sexual abuse, 10:30 a.m., Engbretson Hall.
14  "Critical Issues Facing Biotechnology Industries" videoconference, 9:30 a.m., additional session June 15, Hall of Honors.
15  Voice recital, co-sponsored by Choral Guild and FPA, 7 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.
15  "Cantors Sing the Classics" concert, 7:30 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.
15  Recruitment and Retention Committee meeting, 10 a.m., D2112.
16  Civil Service Softball, 5 p.m., softball field.
17  "Starting Your Own Healthcare Business," 8:30 a.m., Hall of Honors.

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We skipped a week!
As a result of a production backlog due to graduation and other end-of-the-year projects, Governors State University FYI was not published on June 6.

GSU President, BOG Chancellor join in support of tax increase

GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth recently joined Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities Chancellor Thomas Layzell in support of the Madigan-Rock legislation that would guarantee greater state financial support to Illinois' schools.

During a press conference to discuss the proposal to raise state income taxes by 20 percent each year for two years, the two agreed it is not the best piece of

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982 GSU students receive degrees

Governors State University this year awarded 982 degrees to students in each of the four colleges and the BOG program. Many of those students walked across the stage during commencement ceremonies June 3 and 4.

Our special guests who were awarded honorary doctorates were Katherine Fanning, former editor of the Christian Science Monitor, and Dr. Robert Remini, professor of history at the University of Illinois-Chicago. Each told students they must now use their knowledge to improve not only their own conditions, but that of mankind.

Fanning told of her early beginnings as a clerk at the Anchorage Daily News, the eventual purchase of the paper by her and her husband, his tragic death shortly afterward, her takeover as editor and publisher, and the paper's winning the coveted Pulitzer Prize for its investigative series on the Teamsters Union in Alaska. Despite that, the paper was broke and she was forced to ask the community for its financial backing.

She then went to the Christian Science Monitor where she was editor for eight years until her resignation. She left because she felt her journalistic

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GSU staff members awarded degrees

On occasion some of us will get ambitious and take a course here at GSU.

Then there are those who make up their minds to join the student ranks and earn a degree.

This year we offer congratulations to five staff members who received their degrees during commencement.

Ila Kline in Physical Plant Operations and Rose Most in the Cashier’s Office received their bachelor of arts degrees from the College of Business and Public Administration.

Peg Donohue, director of the Office of Conferences and Workshops, and Janice Schultz, assistant to the president, received their master of arts degrees from the College of Arts and Sciences.

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Cafeteria Menu
(Week of June 12 to June 16)

Monday - Cream of chicken soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: ham steak; taco w/ trimmings; buttered carrots, sweet potatoes.

Tuesday - Old fashioned bean soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: baked meat loaf, sloppy Joe on bun; stewed tomatoes and zucchini, whipped potatoes.

Wednesday - Cream of spinach soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: vegetable lasagna; French dip beef on roll; medley vegetables; whipped potatoes.

Thursday - Minestrone soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: breaded pork cutlet; popcorn shrimp; peas and carrots, whipped potatoes.

Friday - Specials will be posted in the cafeteria.

Entrees include vegetable, potato, roll and butter.

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Administrative/Professional People

VP gains international reputation in planning

By Marilyn Thomas

Dr. Virginio Piucci has had a host of successes during his career in education.

He’s become internationally known for his work in planning, he’s been called upon for his expertise in curriculum development, and he was recognized for his work as a teacher, principal, professor and dean.

But Dr. Piucci says his greatest accomplishment has been in helping develop places of learning.

“I’ve spent my life building public institutions,” he said, including expansion programs at three state universities in New England and the development of GSU.

During his 18 years here as a vice president, Dr. Piucci has worked on development of the GSU building and then the needed changes in design when GSU converted to classrooms and offices.

He worked to realign the curriculum and colleges.

He’s headed committees too numerous to mention. He’s developed the strategic planning process and a method for applying for grants and other available funds. And the list goes on.

Dr. Piucci started at GSU in 1971 as vice president of research and innovation. In 1977 he was named vice president of institutional research and planning, and in 1982 vice president of administration and planning. With each new title came additional responsibilities and a change in the job strategy.

Today his responsibilities include physical plant operations, business office, personnel, public safety, academic and non-academic computer centers, institutional research, planning, commencement organization, and his latest project is development of a research park at GSU.

Dr. Piucci was born in New York to immigrant Italian parents. His aspiration was to become a teacher, so he earned his bachelor’s degree in elementary education and history from State University of New York-New Platz. He got a teaching job, and at the same time began work on his master’s degree in history and administration at Columbia University. The next two years Dr. Piucci was an assistant professor at State University of New York and teacher at the lab school there.

He then was named a “university scholar” at the University of Florida which enabled him to attend school full-time to complete a doctorate in sociology and curriculum.

Dr. Piucci returned to New York and for the next nine years was a professor of education at State University of New York-Oswego. Besides his college class instruction, he was a teacher at and later principal of the lab school there, assistant to the president and director of education.

Dr. Piucci moved to Rhode Island where he accepted a position as professor of educational studies at Rhode Island College. He was on staff there for six years before coming to GSU. Besides his administrative position he is also a professor in the College of Business and Public Administration.

It was during this busy time in his career that Dr. Piucci and his wife, Elizabeth, raised five sons.

Today Dr. Piucci is most often called upon for his expertise in strategic planning. While it’s a far cry from a major in history, Dr. Piucci said it is knowledge that he’s acquired primarily on the job. He took a planning course at
**The Grapevine**

**PPO goes 'extra mile' in preparing for graduation exercises**

Thanks to the efforts of our Physical Plant Operations staff who worked 12-hour-plus days to give GSU the once-over for commencement ceremonies. Without them the floors wouldn't have shined, the rugs wouldn't have been vacuumed, the tables and chairs wouldn't have been in place, the lawn wouldn't have been mowed, the flowers wouldn't have been planted, etc.

It was their special attention that brought comments from our guests about GSU's cleanliness, and so we give them a special "thank-you!"

From Housekeeping: Napoleon Bell, Annas Bruce, Edward Farmer, Josephette (Josie) Fox, Clifton Franklin, Stanley Hetmanski, Susan Jillson, Larry Lewis, Robert McCann, Phyllis Mitchell, LeRoy Morrison, Harold Newling, John Oliver, Marie Riney, Mary Smith, Willia Mae Smith and Leslie Wells.

From Maintenance Laborers: Joe Gabrisko, Harry Wakal, Bill Van Dyke, Richard Van Pelt and Bill Erickson.

Telephone Operators Patsy Hoskin and Carla Shelton, Grounds Worker Barbara Lane, Landscape Gardener Jo Shaw and Public Functions Supervisor Charles Barnett.

**'Little Bear' gives children warnings about sexual abuse**

No, this isn't the "Goldie Locks and the Three Bears" story, this "Little Bear" show, sponsored by the Child Care Center Advisory Board, gives children warnings about sexual abuse.

The play will be presented at 10:30 a.m. June 14 in Engbretson Hall. If you know of someone with children, they are welcome to attend this free program.

Parents on campus might want to attend the half-hour in-service program after the presentation when advice on child sexual abuse prevention and discussion of the issue will be offered.

For more information contact Geri Dalton, director of the GSU Child Care Center, on extension 2552.

**Retired professor returns to GSU for visit with old friends**

Bill Rogge, retired GSU professor in the Division of Psychology and Counseling who is now working in Alaska, was a special guest at the division's June 1 Gala VII banquet.

Bill has been working for the Alaska Department of Education as a special consultant. He will continue his work there for another year.

Bill is often remembered as the professor who carried the mace at each commencement. This year Dr. Zafar Malik took his place. Bill, stepping down from the bleachers after Sunday's commencement said, "it was nice to be on this side, for a change."

**Student Life has money-saving coupons for 'Great America'**

"Rolling Thunder" and other special attractions, like the "Stars of the USSR" show, await you at Great America in Gurnee this summer.

And there's a special way to save money in the process. The Office of Student Life has money-saving coupons available free of charge at the cashier's window on the first floor. The ticket allows you to save on a day's visit, a season pass or a two-days-for-one special bonus ticket.

**Softball games now underway Fridays at GSU baseball field**

Bring your mitt if you want to play softball from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Fridays at the GSU baseball field. The games are open to students, faculty and staff.

**President, Chancellor support tax increase for educational funding**

(Continued from page 1) legislation because it is a temporary tax increase.

"But right now it's the only game in town, and we support it," Chancellor Layzell said, noting that this is the first time in many years any legislation supporting greater funding for schools has been acted on by the Illinois General Assembly.

The Illinois House has already voted to approve the measure. It is now being debated in the Illinois Senate. The chancellor said he does not accept approval of the bill until the waning days of the legislative session which officially closes on June 30.

Under the proposal of House Speaker Michael Madigan, D-Chicago, and Senate President Philip Rock, D-Oak Park, taxpayers would pay an additional $2 a week in income taxes. The revenues will be divided between Illinois' school and local governmental bodies.

The increase would mean an additional $214 million, or 12.7 percent more in funding for the five BOG institutions. GSU can expect $407,500 of that.

The additional revenue will enable GSU to develop a master's degree in computer science, provide additional monies to the College of Education and the College of Health Professions, and boost the minority access and retention program.

It also will enable the BOG to offer raises of about 8 percent for faculty and staff, Chancellor Layzell said.

"Education has needed a tax increase the last several years," the chancellor said. "We've been under-investing in education in this state for a number of years." Illinois today ranks 49th out of 50 states in its increases in education funding over the last decade.

As a consequence, the chancellor added, GSU has been forced to increase tuition by 500 percent during the last 12 years. If the Madigan-Rock proposal is approved, tuition will not be raised this coming academic year, he said.
982 receive degrees at GSU commencement

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ideals were being compromised. The decision to leave was just as difficult as her decision to work for a clean environment, gun control and big business corruption in Alaska against a vocal opposition, she said.

“It's been a rocky up and down road,” she said, “but things that are too easy aren't worth doing. I've learned there's no such thing as failure,” she said.

Dr. Remini told students their graduation “is a significant transformation” and it will be one of many important transformations in their life. Each transformation causes change, he said, but students should make certain the change is for their betterment and that of their families and communities.

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17 "Topics in Psychology: Neurolinguistic Programming and Psychotherapy," Saturdays through July 22, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All events held at University Park campus unless otherwise noted.

Condolences


Dr. Piucci has long tenure in education

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Johns Hopkins University but that is the extent of his formal training in this field.

Yet his insights into demographics, preparation of objectives and long-range goals, and assessment of current plans have gotten Dr. Piucci national and international invitations and requests for help. Recently he was a guest of the British government to provide insights into how the current polytechnics school system could be converted to a regional and national educational system.

Later this year he'll be returning to Jordan for a second consultation with government officials. He's been a visiting scholar and lecturer at the University of Jordan and Yarmouk University in Jordan, the University of Bari, Italy, and the University of Athens, Greece.

Staff members graduate

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Rosemary Krol, head of the circulation department in the University Library, received her master's degree in public administration from the College of Business and Public Administration.

Veterans of Innovation

Congratulations to the following employees of Governors State University who are celebrating their anniversaries of employment during June.

1972 Earl Collins (DPS), Theodore Reid (DPS), Irv Roberts (BO)
1973 Michael Foley (PPO)
1974 Richard Burd (ICC), Robert Jensen (CS/BO)
1975 Margaret Morton (CBPA)
1977 Lynne Hostetter (A WP), Vivian Sherman (CBPA)
1978 Anthony Ziccardi (PPO), Samuel Steele (PPO), Alice Hanes (REG), Marie Riney (PPO)
1980 Elizabeth Helsel (BO)
1982 Charles Hicks (CAS)
1983 Joan Lewis (REG)