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This Week at GSU

5 Add/Drop Block 3, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 3/6 and 7, 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Main Entrance.

6 CBPA Career Prep Series, 3 to 5 p.m., E-Lounge. Additional session 3/7, Hall of Honors.

7 Student Life Circle K Bake Sale, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Hall of Governors.

7 Women’s History Month: “Courageous Voices Yesterday,” 7 to 9 p.m., Hall of Honors.

8 CAS Lecture Series: “Black Nationalism and Pan-Africanism in Music,” 7:30 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.

9 Career Options Workshop, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Engbretson Hall.

10 "Stars and Nebulas," 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., F1200.

CCC offers fun for family

If your kids are bored on Saturdays, bring them to the Campus Community Center!

For the remaining four Saturdays of March, the center will be open to all immediate family members of CCC members between 1 and 5 p.m. That includes children, grandchildren and spouses.

The only restriction is that members must stay with their guests. “This is experimental,” Mike Blackburn, assistant director of the Office of Student Life, said. “We want to see what the response will be.”

Former YMCA members complained when the Campus Community Center was restricted to persons 18-years-old.

Concern for campus safety prompts ‘friendly warning’

SPEED KILLS! This isn’t an anti-drug message, but a friendly warning from the Governors State University Department of Public Safety.

With the snow melting and signs of spring in the air, Philip Orawiec, acting director of DPS, and his staff once again are concerned about the safety of people on campus due to an increased number of “lead feet” zooming around the roads at the university.

The problem is significant. Last year there were not only a number of speed-related accidents, but also a number of near accidents along with an abundance of complaints about speeders from students and staff.

“People are going 20-30 mph over the speed limit,” says Orawiec, adding that cars have been clocked at 40 mph at the university’s front door.

When the weather is nice, the university has a great number of people running, touring the sculpture park and participating in athletic events, says Orawiec. There also are many children and a variety of wildlife crossing the roads.

Although Orawiec stresses that he is not in the business of writing speeding tickets, something must be done before a real tragedy occurs.

One of the best ways to curb the speeding problem, Orawiec explains, is

Four free programs mark celebration of Women’s History Month

“Courageous Voices Echoing in Our Lives” is the theme for the March celebration of Women’s History Month at Governors State University.

The Office of Student Life is coordinating four free programs at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the Hall of Honors on the GSU campus.

Dr. Harriet Gross, professor of sociology and women’s studies at GSU, will open the month-long celebration March 7 with the program “Courageous Voices Yesterday.” The 60-minute video “Hearts and Hands” will be shown. The film explores the lives and accomplishments of ordinary, often anonymous women, as well as chronicling the lives of extraordinary women such as Harriet Tubman, Elizabeth Keckley and Frances Willard.
Administrative/Professional People

Associate dean has had a major impact on GSU

By Marilyn Thomas

Students may not know Burton Collins personally, but his work the past 18 years at GSU has had a major impact on their lives and education.

Collins, now associate dean for student development, came to GSU in 1972 as coordinator of cooperative education in what was then the College of Business and Public Service. He placed students in positions locally and in Washington.

“I still believe it was a good program,” Collins stressed. “The mere appearance of a person here means they want advancement. They’re at GSU for further training, for advancement or a career change,” and placement with a business can help expand their horizons and increase their knowledge.

When the cooperative education position was phased out, Collins helped organize the GSU Job Placement Office, which became Career Services, an extension of Student Development.

“In 1976, (SAS dean) Cathy Taylor and I led a task force that led to the creation of Student Affairs and Services with its own dean. Before then, the Registrar’s Office, Admissions and Student Recruitment, Placement and Financial Aid reported to the vice president of academic affairs” and each acter autonomously, Collins explained.

As associate dean for student development, Collins is now responsible for career placement, counseling, testing and the Center for Learning Assistance. His office has come under fire by students because of the competency-based testing programs it administers. Collins says he’s ready for the criticisms.

“Personally, I don’t think we’ve gone far enough,” he argues. Although GSU mandates competency testing in math and English for all its undergraduate students, Collins said students should realize the testing is not being done vindictively.

“I think what we’re doing in testing is pretty humanistic. You cannot talk about a college education without talking about writing skills,” he said, and the math competency test “measures basic skills concepts, basic quantitative data analysis.”

His staff offers services to assist students before they take the competency exams, and afterward if they have a problem. Student Development also offers course-related tutorials for students needing extra assistance.

The counseling component of Student Development offers personal counseling to students who are having problems adjusting to a return to school or school/work/family obligations, as well as career counseling, academic probation advisement, and handicapped services.

Collins didn’t think about working in higher education when he received his degree from Langston University in Oklahoma. The Alabama native became a teacher with the Cincinnati Public Schools.

He later spent several years in Cincinnati as a juvenile probation officer before going to work for the Federation of Settlement Houses and the Community Action Commission.

Collins then left the public sector and went to work as employment manager for Allied Supermarkets in Detroit, and later for Teledyne. Both jobs showed him a side of private business that didn’t appeal to him. He wanted to get back into the public sector working for people and came to GSU.

Collins and his wife, Juanita, have a son and a daughter. The family lives in Park Forest.

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Cafeteria Menu

(Week of March 5 to 9)

Monday - Chicken noodle soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: liver and onions; spaghetti w/meat sauce, garlic toast; seasoned peas and carrots.

Tuesday - Split pea soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: chop suey over rice; veal cutlet Parmesan; seasoned spinach, whipped potatoes.

Wednesday - Garden vegetable soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: roast beef au jus; five fried wing dings w/ fries and cole slaw; corn O'Brien; whipped potatoes.

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

Friday - Menu specials will be posted in the cafeteria.

(Menu subject to change)

Family welcome at CCC

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and older. That policy could be amended if the response is good, Blackburn said.

At the end of the open Saturdays period, he and Tommy Dascenzo, director of the Office of Student Life, will evaluate participation and decide if specific guidelines need to be put in place.

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The Grapevine

Two events will mark 'International Women's Day'
Here are two ways you can mark "International Women's Day" March 8. Dr. Helen Hughes, professor emeritus, and now the full-time editor of GSU's quarterly publication The Creative Woman, is working with the magazine's foundation in presenting "Celebrate Women II" from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Surma's Restaurant, 175th Street and Dixie Highway in Homewood.

The featured performer will be actress Mary Faktor presenting "The Six Ages of Woman." Your $15 donation will fund the magazine's marketing program. For tickets to the cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and entertainment party call Dr. Hughes on extension 2524.

Dr. Barbara Jenkins of the Division of Psychology and Counseling is helping organize a silent vigil in the Daley Plaza in Chicago to mark the efforts of Israeli and Palestinian women to bring peace to their homeland. The vigil at 3:30 p.m. will be held in conjunction with a vigil in Israel.

Participants are asked to wear black, the traditional color of mourning. For more information contact Dr. Jenkins on extension 2392.

CCC offers new 45-minute 'fitness for lunch class'
The Campus Community Center has organized a new "Fitness for Lunch" class to help keep you fit and active with minimal effort.

Between 12:15 and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, participants will walk or do light jogging for 20 minutes, toning and flexibility exercises for 20 minutes and stretches for 5 minutes.

The course continues through April 27. For details contact Mike Blackburn in the Office of Student Life on extension 2123.

CBPA profs complete telecourse on management
Dr. Mary Howes and Dr. Zam Malik of the College of Business and Public Administration, with staff members in the Instructional Communications Center and the Office of Extended Learning, recently completed a new telecourse.

"Principles of Management," now airing on Jones Intercable, is designed for "anyone who wants to work with people and is interested in managing some sort of organization or group," Dr. Howes explained.

Development work on the course was started in spring 1989, and filming was completed in fall 1989.

O'Brien keeps public informed on tax law changes
Did you know certain tax advantages for employee stock ownership plans have been eliminated or modified? Or that the exclusion from gross income for educational assistance payments by employers has been reinstated through Sept. 30, 1990?

If the federal tax law changes are all new to you, they're not to Dr. Paul O'Brien, an accounting professor in the College of Business and Public Administration. He's been doing his best to keep the public informed through speaking engagements, including a recent talk before the Will County Dental Society.

CAS lecture series offers discussion of Black music
Dr. Sam Floyd, director of the Center of Black Music Research at Columbia College in Chicago will discuss "Black Nationalism and Pan-Africanism in Music" at 7:30 p.m. March 8 in the Sherman Music Recital Hall.

His free presentation is another in the series of Distinguished Scholar-Statesman-Scientist-Artist lectures sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences.

DPS curbs speed problem
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by using the department's newly-acquired radar unit.

"In one hour (we) clocked 12 speeders going over the 30-mph limit," says Orawiec, adding that the highest speed was clocked at 87-mph.

The DPS staff received formal training on the use of the radar gun. Each time it is used, three tests are made to check the accuracy. When the readings are made, the number of miles-per-hour locks in place.

Orawiec claims that the radar gun not only accurately clocks a significant number of speeders, but also forces speeders to slow down before it's too late because they know radar is being used.

Those who are stopped for speeding receive a verbal warning if they are going 10- to 15-mph over the limit and a written warning for speeding more than 15-mph over the limit. A computerized system in the DPS office allows the oral and written warnings to be logged in. And, in the event the speeder is stopped again, a ticket is issued.

"If we can save a life or prevent serious property damage, then the program is a success," says Orawiec, claiming that there is tremendous damage with every 5-mph unit increase on impact.
"I've seen cars that look like accordians after hitting a deer."

For those who are lucky enough not to get in an accident, perhaps the standard court fees for tickets will be a deterrent. An average traffic ticket is $50. Speeders traveling 21-mph and over the speed limit face a minimum $70 fine. Each speeding ticket is classified a moving violation that appears on your driving record and could result in an increase in your insurance rates.

Although Orawiec hopes the radar unit slows down the university traffic, his greatest concern is preventing a potential disaster.

"I'd much rather bend over a car to write a ticket than bend over a casualty as a member of a trauma unit," he says.

By the way, speed limits at GSU are 30-mph on the outer drive and 20-mph in the vicinity of the parking lots. Please take care!
4 programs offered for Women's History Month
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Dr. Gross will lead a discussion after the film presentation. The March 14 program, “Courageous Voices Today,” led by Dr. Sonya Monroe, professor of social work at GSU, will focus on housing discrimination, child care and employment.

Her guests will include Susan Bertram of the South Suburban Housing Center who has been actively involved in fair housing issues and serves on the state task force on housing discrimination; Karen Okerstrom, Head Start education coordinator at Aunt Martha’s Youth Services and an advocate for affordable child care, and Joyce Short, director of programs and personnel for the Midwest Women’s Center, who will discuss women and employment.

The March 21 program, “Courageous Voices Today-Part II,” led by Dr. Monroe, will focus on domestic violence, sexual assault and women’s rights.

Her guests will include Pat Anderson, director of shelter services for Crisis Center for South Suburbia, who has been active in women’s domestic violence issues; Barbara Davis, director of women’s services at the South Suburban District YWCA who has more than 400-hours of specialized training in sexual assault counseling, family sexual abuse, child sexual abuse, substance abuse and related areas; and Cindy Guerra, president of the Bre-

College of Arts and Sciences Dean Joyce Verrett (left) and faculty members Michael Purdy (center) and Shelley Kumar (right) were part of the Mardi Gras celebration in CAS. This year Dr. Verrett, a New Orleans native, also shared the celebration with the children at the Child Care Center.

men Chapter of the National Organization for Women and past secretary of Illinois NOW.

The final program, “Courageous Voices Tomorrow,” will be given March 28 by Mary Ideran, co-founder and clinical director of the Changing Woman Counseling and Educational Center in Calumet City, and co-chairperson for the Advisory Committee for Women of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Her topic will be “Passing on Our History to the Next Generation.” Ideran works primarily with women who have come from abusive situations, particularly those who were sexually abused as children. Her major concern is the abusive pain and sadness that is passed from one generation to another. She also advocates that women take stronger roles in their churches and she works to educate pastors, church leaders and members on the efforts and strengths women have to offer churches.

For information on these programs, contact Rita Nagy in the GSU Office of Student Life on extension 2123.

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