News and Events

**Sculpture Park Trip to Chicago**

On July 26, enjoy a daylong road trip, sponsored by the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park (NMSP), to Chicago's Millennium Park, the galleries of the Chicago Cultural Center, and the Illinois State Museum in the J.R. Thompson Center.

Participants will ride the 8:57 a.m. train from University Park to Millennium Station. First stop is Millennium Park to view the five “cousins” of the NMSP’s Mark diSuvero work, *Yes, for Lady Day*, as well as the other wondrous sculptures and structures in the park. Next stop is the Chicago Cultural Center, Michigan Avenue galleries, and the Sidney R. Yates Gallery. After a delicious lunch at Gold Coast Dogs, the trip culminates with a private tour by curator Doug Stapleton of the Illinois State Museum Chicago Gallery exhibit, *L. Brent Kington: Mythic Metalsmith*.

The fee for the daylong event is $10 plus rail fare and food. Participants must have a photo ID for admission to the Thompson Center. For more information or to register, contact the NMSP or call 708.534.4486.

**Faculty Questions Addressed**

Thursday afternoon, President Maimon held a Town Hall forum with members of the GSU faculty. Provost Joan Hudak joined Dr. Maimon.

As was the case during the Civil Service and A & P meetings earlier this spring, important questions were asked and answered. The administration addressed concerns about the new budget and praised the work done by PBAC. It was also announced that the search for a new dean of COE was continuing.

Dr. Maimon assured the group that the Town Hall forums would be ongoing as part of the administration’s dedication to a transparent planning and decision-making process.

**SUAA Annual Luncheon**

Members of the GSU chapter of SUAA met for lunch and conversation with each other and President Maimon last week. During the business portion of the meeting, Dr. Addison Woodard discussed the need to continue to work diligently to protect pensions. Dr. Maimon took questions and comments from the members. Praise was offered for the recent budget process and questions
about the university’s doctoral programs and E and F wing renovations were addressed.

**Economic Achievers**

The GSU Office of Economic Education, part of the College of Business and Public Administration, recently sponsored the 14th annual Economic Achievers program funded through a grant from the Illinois Council on Economic Education. Forty middle school students from Harvey/Dixmoor, South Holland, and Country Club Hills participated in a three-week summer session focusing on economic principles, financial literacy, career awareness, and the study of entrepreneurship.

During the third week of the program, students were on campus using the library and computer lab for research. The program culminated on June 26 with a field trip to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and the Chicago Board of Trade. That evening, students, teachers, and parents attended an evening reception in the Hall of Honors.

According to Sheryl Szot Gallaher, Director of the Office of Economic Education, “The students are very excited to come to a real university. They used the university library and the ACS lab for their research and projects. The staff of both the library and the lab were very helpful. This was a great experience.”