Individual performance tickets for performances at The Center for Performing Arts go on sale on August 1. The 2008-2009 season brings superb performances and riveting entertainment to The Center. The season includes premier performances by NBC’s Last Comic Standing Live Tour, An Evening with David Crosby and Graham Nash, Christmas with Aaron Neville, and Mike Super - Magic and Illusion. The National Broadway production of Hairspray and productions of the Mikado by Opera a la Carte, DRUMLine Live, and Sleeping Beauty by the New York Theatre Ballet are also scheduled. But that is not all. The Lettermen, the Afro-Cuban All Stars, and the Kingston Trio will also perform right here at The Center.

Families and school groups can enjoy the delights of a variety of special productions including Magic Tree House: The Musical, Disney’s Aladdin, A Christmas Carol, To Kill a Mockingbird, Junie B. Jones, and many others.

In addition to individual performance tickets, subscriber tickets to three or more performances are still available. Individual tickets for the March 13 and 14 performances of Hairspray will be on sale from September 15. For more information about The Center for Performing Arts 2008-2009 Season, contact 708.235.2222 or visit www.centertickets.net.

Roses are Red…

Dr. Rashidah Jaami Muhammad, Professor of English and Secondary Education, will serve as poetry judge for the Annual Emerging Writers Competition (The Gwendolyn Brooks Poetry Award and the James Jones Short Story Award). This is Dr. Muhammad's third year serving as judge. Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White, the Illinois Center for the Book, and the Illinois State Library sponsor the competition.

Student Worker Hiring Process Revised

The Office of Career Services reminds all faculty and staff who supervise student workers that all job requests must be submitted to the Office of Career Services as of August 1. Students will be able to access the list of GSU student employment opportunities online after they obtain an e-Recruiting username and password from the Office of Career Services.

For more information about the revised process, contact the Office of Career Services in room A1120 or at 708.235.3974.

First Friday on the First

The School of Interdisciplinary Learning is joining the College of Arts and Sciences. Join the celebration and welcome them to CAS - even if you are a member of neither. The First Friday Social Hour will be on August 1, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., at the School of Interdisciplinary Learning, room D1418. SIDL, CAS, and the Office of the Provost are sponsoring the event.
**Not So Trivial**

And now for a bit of trivia to prepare contestants for the September GSU Votes Trivia Contest.

The required nine of the thirteen states ratified the Constitution between January and June of 1788. It was not, however, until after George Washington was inaugurated as the President of the United States in 1789 that the Constitution was ratified by all the states. The last two states to ratify it were North Carolina in November 1789 and Rhode Island in May 1790.

**Register to Vote Online**

The GSU Votes Committee reminds the GSU community that we are as strong as our vote, and you can’t vote unless you register first. Registration is quick and easy in Illinois. Visit [www.elections.il.gov/](http://www.elections.il.gov/) for information and registration forms. To be eligible to vote in the November presidential election, you must be registered by October 8.

**Carnival Time for Civil Service Employees**

The GSU Civil Service Senate invites all civil service employees to the CSS Carnival on Friday, August 22, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Conference Center. The fun includes great food and great games including ring-toss, darts, duck pull, and a beanbag competition. Shuttle transportation to the Conference Center will leave from the main entrance.

Lunch tickets are required so RSVP to Raquel Rios-Aguirre no later than Friday, August 15. To register a team for the beanbag competition, contact Lynne Clayton by August 15.

The carnival games also require tickets to play. Ten tickets cost $1.00, if purchased beforehand from Donna Finn at the Cashier’s Office. The tickets will be on sale from August 18 to 21 only. Tickets will also be available at the Conference Center for twenty-five cents a ticket. All proceeds support Civil Service Senate initiatives.