Happenings at GSU

14 BOG Program Portfolio Seminar, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Engbretson Hall.
14 Dave Rudolf Children's Show, 2 to 6 p.m., West End Cafe.
16 Council of Faculties, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Hall of Honors.
17 "Connections," Employee Training Session, 9:30 a.m. to noon, D1702. Also on Sept. 24.
18 2nd Anniversary Reception—Campus Community Center, 3 to 6:30 p.m.
18 S.P.A.C. Days, noon to 7 p.m., Hall of Governors.
18 Art Gallery Exhibit Reception, 6 to 9 p.m., E-Lounge.
24 "Developing a Grant" Workshop, 2 to 4 p.m., D1702.
25 "Student Retention: The Multicultural Challenge," 11 a.m., Engbretson Hall.

BGU chair orders review of hiring

A review of minority hiring and the use of minority contractors within the Board of Governors Universities will be undertaken as a result of a directive issued by the new BGU board chairperson.

Robert J. Ruiz, told minority business leaders recently that he has asked Chancellor Thomas Layzell to review all hires, distribution and procurement programs in the system to make sure the universities are looking at minority and women candidates and using minority and women vendors wherever possible.

Ruiz made his remarks to the Mexican-American Chamber of Commerce (Continued on page 4)

President will retire after '91-'92 academic year

President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II told faculty and staff Sept. 3 that he will retire at the end of this academic year.

His announcement at the annual fall convocation caught many by surprise, but the president said after 15 years he is ready to turn the helm over to a new leader.

"It seems to me there comes a time in the life of every institution that change is necessary because it will bring new vitality. The most difficult thing is to know when to leave," he said, noting that the best time is during the ascendancy of progress.

"This is not a good-bye," the president told his colleagues gathered in the GSU Theatre. "I'm still going to be around for another year."

He informed the Board of Governors Universities at its regular meeting Sept. 12 of his intention to retire July 31, 1992, so that a search for a new president could begin.

"It's been a great 15 years. We've accomplished much. The courses we took (toward change) weren't always easy," the president said in reference to the work done to revise the curriculum, redesign the colleges and develop a new student grading system.

He thanked all at the university for their time and efforts, reminding staff members that he recognizes their value to and spirit for the university.

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Edgar honors GSU president, releases funding for center

In honor of President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II's years at GSU, Gov. Jim Edgar has released the state's $3.8 million matching grant for the Regional Center for the Performing Arts.

"In recognition of his distinguished service to this university and to the citizens of Illinois, I am pleased to release these funds in conjunction with the announcement of Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth's retirement after 15 years of dedicated service," the governor said in a Sept. 3 statement delivered on campus by Joan Walters, director of the Bureau of the Budget and a GSU alumna.

Dr. Goodman-Malamuth first suggested constructing a performing arts center (Continued on page 3)
Cafeteria Menu
(Week of September 16 to 20)
Monday—Minestrone soup. B.B.Q. chicken platter; meatballs in mushroom sauce over noodles; Italian submarine sandwich.
Tuesday—Corn chowder soup. Roast beef roulade platter; oriental pork over rice; grilled bratwurst.
Wednesday—Chicken barley soup. Veal cutlet piccata platter; stir fried turkey, rice; French dip sandwich.
Thursday—Beef noodle vegetable soup. Fried chicken wings platter; crab, shrimp Mornay over pasta; tuna melt.
(Week of September 23 to 27)
Monday—Turkey rice soup. Veal parmesan, spaghetti, garlic bread; oriental chicken, rice; Philly cheese steak sandwich.
Tuesday—Beef barley soup. Turkey divan platter; sweet tamale pie, vegetable; mushroom swiss burger.
Wednesday—Cream of broccoli soup. Honey ham platter; beef Stroganoff over noodles; turkey fillet sandwich.
Thursday—Chicken noodle soup; Grilled Salisbury steak platter; stir fried chicken, rice; footlong hot dog.
Friday—Manhattan clam chowder soup. Fried catfish with fries and cole slaw; broccoli noodle casserole; grilled cheese and tomato sandwich.

Employee of the Month
FA advisor recognized for service to students

By Marilyn Thomas
David Weinberger hears lots of stories that would tug at your heart strings. The plight of students is his specialty as a financial aid advisor.

The September “Employee of the Month” makes it his business to listen and respond. It’s that concern for students that won him the award.

Undergraduate student Lisa Meredith of Park Forest is a perfect example. In recommending Weinberger, she told the nominating committee that she’d enrolled at GSU in January “with the thought of using my Pell grant voucher to pay for my schooling. Unbeknownst to me, GSU doesn’t accept the Pell Grant for the summer session.”

Meredith continued, “I was crushed, knowing I couldn’t pay for tuition on my own. I would then have to wait until the fall to enroll. I explained my situation to Mr. Weinberger through tears of disappointment. He expressed his sorrow and ended the conversation.”

“Later that day, I received a call from Mr. Weinberger stating that he gave me funding for the summer. He definitely, in my eyes, is quite outstanding,” she added.

Weinberger said all students that come to him aren’t in the same predicament as Meredith, but all who need financial aid are as important to him.

“At our school, we’re seeing more students on some type of financial assistance. That’s partly due to our enrollments going up,” he explained, and to changes in federal regulations that affect students with dependents to receive financial assistance. Often times, students “are pleasantly surprised they can get some aid,” he noted.

Although headlinestell us aid sources have been cut back, Weinberger said GSU students are getting a fair amount of funding. Students have a variety of options — federal and state scholarships and grants, student loans, veteran’s benefits, privately funded scholarships and university-sponsored scholarships. Students also have the option of student employment.

“Our office is busy all the time,” the advisor said, “especially now that we are short-staffed.” Certain periods of the year are more hectic than others, although Weinberger said students need to realize that applying for aid isn’t a quick and easy deal. There’s lots of paperwork involved and processing takes time. Sometimes students don’t get a definitive answer for weeks, so Weinberger stresses the importance of starting the process early.

Weinberger joined the GSU staff in 1977 as a secretary in the financial aid office after earning a master’s degree from George Williams College. In 1979, he became an Advisor III, and in 1988 promoted to Advisor IV. Since 1979, he has worked primarily with state scholarship program applicants. Two years ago, he also took on responsibilities for the federal Pell Grant program.

At Weinberger’s suggestion, the office has purchased a micro-Pell package that allows the university to make computer changes to students’ financial reporting to Washington electronically. The process saves valuable time, he said, and gives GSU a much more accurate computerized student record.

Weinberger, who is a Messianic Jew, says his religious commitment helps him recognize the needs of students. He and his wife, Betty, and their two young sons are members of Temple Beth Emeth in Hazel Crest. The clarinetist also was concertmaster for the GSU Band until the birth of his children.
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Bank's generosity makes big difference to GSU staff

A big “thank you” is in order for Heritage Olympia Bank. Through its generosity, 246 GSU employees collected mid-July paychecks despite the delay from Springfield as the Illinois Legislature tried to approve a budget. Although the money came a few days after the July 16 payroll was due, the bank’s willingness to underwrite the checks made a difference to GSU employees.

Campus Community Center will hold ‘Open House’

Don’t forget the Campus Community Center’s “Open House” is scheduled for 3 to 6:30 p.m. Sept. 18. This is a second anniversary party for the center which has had continued successes since Student Life began organizing programs in what was once the South Suburban YMCA.

The party will be in the TV/Game Room on the second floor. Refreshments will be served.

Two faculty members earn doctorates this summer

Congratulations to two of our faculty members who were awarded doctorates over the summer.

Dr. John Meyer in the Division of Education received a doctorate July 11 from Ohio University. His dissertation was “Comparison of Teaching Two Strategies of Linear Estimation to Second and Third Grade Students.” He received a master of education degree from the University of Toledo and a bachelor of science degree from the University of Findlay.

Dr. Shannon Troy, reference librarian in the University Library, was awarded a doctorate of public administration July 22 from Nova University. Her dissertation topic was “Computer Literacy In Local Government Managers.” Before joining the GSU staff in 1972, she received a bachelor’s degree from Nazareth College, a master’s degree from the University of Rochester and a master’s in library science degree from Rutgers University.

Donaldson assumes president pro tempore duties

Dr. Robert Donaldson of the Division of Public Administration has been appointed president pro tempore in the Village of Hazel Crest where he serves as a trustee. Village President Martin Kauchak said Dr. Donaldson will assume responsibilities during his absence or unavailability.

Dr. Donaldson also serves on the Public Building Commission of Chicago.

Hot dog sale earns $100 for Civil Service Senate

The Civil Service Senate is glad we all enjoyed the hot dogs its members sold during the third week of August. The senate made about $100 for its treasury.

Senate members hope all who attended the Civil Service Senate Picnic enjoyed themselves. Committee members were Deidre Burton (CE), Diane Cole (REG), Susan Inman (CAS) and Beverly Kyser (SPCS). A special thanks is extended to Rich Van Pelt (PPO) who got his brother-in-law, Tom Fetherling of Frankfort Select Meats, to donate hot dogs for the picnic.

The senate also extends its thanks to President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II and Dr. Virginio Piuucci, vice president of administration and planning, for conducting an open forum meeting during the summer to address concerns of civil service employees.

Alumni Office has 1992 pocket calendars available

The Office of Alumni Relations now has 1992 “Month at a Glance” pocket calendars available.

The calendars may be obtained by calling Jeanne Murphy at extension 2215.

Governor releases funds

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in 1985. Now, as he prepares to retire, his dream for a theatre to showcase the arts in the south suburban area is fulfilled.

“I never doubted that the center would be built,” the president said. “It is especially gratifying to me that one of the major projects I gave impetus to will be shared by all in the community after I’ve left the university.”

The Governors State University Foundation raised $1.6 million in contributions from area businesses and individuals to underwrite the community’s share of the cost of the center.

“For the first time ever, a state university was presented a challenge to raise private donations as a prerequisite to receiving capital development funds,” Gov. Edgar said. “These efforts illustrate the university’s commitment to improving the quality of life in its community.”

Groundbreaking for the center is expected some time in late fall. “This project is only possible because of the generosity of our partners from the greater south suburban area, the support of Sen. Aldo DeAngelis, and the governor’s belief in the importance of this performing arts center for our area,” said Dr. William Dodd, chief executive officer of the GSU Foundation.

“The foundation board has worked many years on this, and we are all delighted with this announcement today,” he added.

Construction will be under the direction of the state’s Capital Development Board. The architectural firm of Helfinger, Ashbury, Abels and Associates of Bloomington designed the center originally for 900 seats and later revised the plan for a 1,200 seat theatre.

The performing arts center will be an addition to the university’s main building. Guests will enter the two-story performing arts center through a hallway from the Hall of Governors in the main GSU building. Guests will enjoy a two-level foyer. Both the first and second story of the foyer will overlook the lake on campus.
BGU budget attempts to make up lost ground

Making up ground lost in the past two years is the impetus for a funding request of $2.7 million for next year for the Board of Governors Universities.

Trustees were to vote Sept. 12 on the proposed request, an increase of $49.7 million or 22.7 percent over this year's budget, that also includes significant salary increases for Fiscal Year 1993.

According to Chancellor Thomas Layzell, the funds would allow the five universities—GSU, Chicago State, Northeastern Illinois, Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois—to meet the increase in the cost of goods and services over the last two years and help erase a list of long deferred expenditures in the areas of maintenance, staff support and program improvements.

“We are aware of the state's fiscal condition and of projections showing the budget crisis is still with us,” said Layzell. “However, it is my responsibility to present trustees with recommendations which address the needs of the universities.

“The reality is, appropriations the past two years were below inflation and, as a result, there are significant deficiencies which are impacting on the ability to meet our obligations to the students of this state.”

The proposed budget also would provide salary increases of approximately 10 percent for next year. The increase also is intended to preserve purchasing power which has eroded over the past few years. Comparisons with salaries at peer institutions show BGU lags by as much as 16 percent.

After board approval, the proposed budget will be forwarded to the Board of Higher Education for review.

BGU chair urges review on hiring

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in his first speech as chairperson of the five university system. He pledged to promote the diversity of the universities as the key to enhancing education and assisting business across the state.

“We want to be partners in economic progress, not impediments,” said Ruiz.

“Linking our universities to business through internships, worker retraining programs and other initiatives will benefit both business and students. With the economic challenges Illinois faces in the future, we cannot afford to be independent actors.”

Ruiz said the BGU institutions are well positioned to be at the forefront of these partnerships. He said Chancellor Layzell is in the process of forming a task force to look at what currently is being done and what can be enhanced.

“His experience, temperament and leadership are an invaluable asset as we work toward this end in what are indeed trying times in terms of available funding,” Ruiz said.

BGU universities have a number of programs in place which directly benefit the communities surrounding the schools, not only business but local school districts and municipal government, Ruiz said.

“We have a long history of commitment to meeting the needs of nonstudents,” he added. “Enrolling over a third of all minority students in public higher education makes the BGU a natural choice to lead the way in the effort to aid business in Illinois.”
President retires after 15 years

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The president was given a standing ovation at the end of his comments.

Dr. Aida Shekib in CBPA chaired the 1976 search committee for a president to replace Dr. William Engbreton, GSU's first executive.

Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, then the vice president of academic affairs at California State University, Long Beach, said he was in contention for the presidency of Northeastern Illinois University at the same time, but decided on GSU.

"I felt that here was a place that had a tremendously bright future," he recalled. "I decided to come here to see if I couldn't in some way help to move (the university) along with the faculty and staff and...to help the university attain some of its aspirations."

He said he worked with the faculty and staff to revise the curriculum and move away from some of the innovative approaches GSU was using in an effort to strengthen its academic standing. Based on the changes, the North Central Association granted GSU a 10-year accreditation in 1980. The accreditation was renewed for another 10 years in 1990.

The president also is given credit for expanding GSU's use of communications technologies. It was under his directive that Communications Services began developing course instruction for television. Today GSU’s teleclasses and telecourses are seen in 25 states.

GSU also has earned a national reputation for its videoconferences, including "Corporate America and the Environment" with WBBM-TV's Bill Kurtis that won the 1990 Distinguished Program Award from the National University Teleconference Network.

Another of the president's marks is the establishment of numerous partnerships between the university and the community. At the beginning of his presidency, he said his speeches focused on the changes at the university in an effort to dispell the rumors about GSU as "a bunch of fuzzy-headed individuals at a touchy-feely institution." Lately, he has worked to win support for the Regional Center for the Performing Arts, for scholarship funding and for university-business partnerships.

BGU to begin search for new president in October

The Board of Governors Universities (BGU) is expected to begin a search by October for a new president of GSU.

The board instructed Chancellor Thomas Layzell to work closely with a specially selected GSU Campus Advisory Committee to search nationally for candidates for the post.

Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth II will retire effective July 31, 1992, after 16 years as GSU’s president.

A presidential search may take up to nine months to complete. Once the board has given its instructions to Chancellor Layzell, he will begin advertising the position.

Candidate considerations include current employment and past work experience, higher education degrees, a prepared statement of qualifications, references and special characteristics the BGU considers important.

The chancellor will begin a screening process and conduct interviews of applicants he considers to be viable candidates.

The chancellor's selections are then forwarded to the GSU Campus Advisory Committee. The committee of faculty representatives, GSU administrators, Civil Service employees and students interviews the candidates and makes its recommendations to the chancellor.

Chancellor Layzell then will narrow the field to between three and six candidates and present the names to BGU trustees for presidential selection.

The BGU's last presidential search, conducted in the 1989-90 academic year, was for a new president of Chicago State University. The board appointed Dr. Dolores Cross, the first woman to head a public university in Illinois, as CSU president in May 1990.

University serving more students now

Did it seem there were more new faces on campus last year? It wasn't your imagination, according to Dr. William Kryispin, director of institutional research. For the first time in GSU's history, the university enrolled more than 9,000 students for credit during the 1990-91 academic year.

"The number of undergraduate students being served has increased steadily over the past decade and reached an all-time high of nearly 4,000 in 1990-91," Dr. Kryispin noted.

"At the graduate level, there was a marked increase in the number enrolled" to nearly 5,100, an increase of more than 500 students from the previous academic year, he added.
GSU dollmaker wins 'best of show' at county fair

Rose Mascolo loves her dolls. She's been collecting them for years. But it wasn't until January of this year that she started to make her own. Within months she had become so proficient at it that her doll, Martina, won the "Best of Show" in the doll category and first place in porcelain doll making at the Kankakee County Fair.

Rose's first dolls were snuggly little baby dolls. One of the 10 she designed as an Indian papoose. It won second place in fair judging in the handmade and dressed doll category.

She also won second place in the antique doll category. The doll was one her husband found in disrepair in a box on a job site in Chicago. It was nearly 100 years old and had originated in Germany. She reworked the doll and put her back together again.

But Rose's prize doll is Martina. Surprisingly, this was only her second try at making a large doll.

Martina was completely redesigned by Rose. The mold for the doll's face had numerous flaws. One cheek was fuller than the other, her nose was slightly flattened and her mouth was misshapen. With lots of gentle reworking, Rose sanded the face to correct most of the problems. She then painted the face to bring out the best features. She separated the doll's toes to make the feet more real.

The advertisement for the Martina mold showed the doll with a plain dress, brown hair and eyes. Rose had other ideas. "As soon as I put the carrot red hair on her, I knew what I would do with her," she said. Rose gave the doll green glass eyes and put her in a wedding dress. The body is made of imitation kid, a material that gives softness but doesn't stretch over time. The cavity has fiber-fill and plastic pellets for weight. Rose estimates she put at least 50 hours of work into the doll with the cleaning, painting, body work and sewing the dress.

She will have the doll on display during the Civil Service Senate's Arts and Crafts Show in November.

Rose hopes to begin offering doll making classes soon, and to teach doll making to 4-H members in her hometown of Reddick.

Get Well Wishes

To Professor Eli Segal (CAS), who is recuperating from heart surgery. Greetings may be sent to him at PO Box 139, Oshtemo, MI 49077.

To Marie Bertz (CHP), who is recuperating from surgery. Greetings maybe sent to her at 515 Hamilton Wood, Homewood, IL 60430.

Send items for inclusion in Governors State University F.Y.I. to the GSU Office of University Relations no later than Sept. 18.