There was never yet an uninteresting life. Such a thing is an impossibility. Inside of the dullest exterior there is a drama, a comedy, and a tragedy.

Mark Twain

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GSU Foundation Director to Host "Jazz in the Park"
Martin and Lois Anthonisen (Lois Anthonisen is a director of the foundation boards for GSU and Prairie State College) will host "Jazz in the Park for Charity" at their Flossmoor home this Sunday, from 5 to 9 p.m., at 2039 Vollmer Rd. Tickets for the event are $35, with proceeds going to several charities, including the foundations for GSU and PSC. Also benefiting: The Foundation for Children with Special Needs, Friends of the IPO, Grand Prairie Services, Homewood Rotary, National Jewish Council, SouthStar Services, South Suburban Council on Alcoholism, South Suburban Family Shelter, and Tall Grass Arts Association. The Terry Tritt Quintet will perform, with soloist Mark Colby. Hor d'oeuvres and beverages will be served. For tickets, contact the Advancement Office at 708.534.4105.

New Comptroller on Board
Tammy Rust, a Certified Public Accountant and an MBA, was appointed director of financial services and comptroller effective July 1. Rust brings extensive experience to the job, including a tour of duty at GSU’s former sister institution, Sangamon State, where she was director of internal audits. She was chief internal auditor and external assurance manager for the Illinois State Board of Education and, most recently, the comptroller and business manager for the Peoria Public Schools. Rust said of her appointment at GSU, "I'm very excited to be back in a university environment. There's a unique culture here that comes from the interdynamic among students, faculty, and staff. I truly enjoy it." Rust will report to Vice President of Administration and Planning John Tuohy. She succeeds Tom Stepke, former acting director of business operations, who retires in September.

Funding Expanded for Upward Bound
The Office of Federal TRIO Programs has approved a Participant Expansion Initiative application from GSU’s Upward Bound director, Sharon Spence. The approval means Upward Bound at GSU will receive an additional $100,000 in grant monies for FY04-05, allowing the program to expand to include 20 more students. Upward Bound is one of three federal TRIO programs housed at GSU. The program works with target schools - Bloom Trail, Bloom, and Rich East High Schools - to encourage first-generation and low-income students to focus their high school achievement on a future transition into post-secondary education. How successful is the program? This year, 100 percent of the graduating participants are moving on to college.

Speaking of Upward Bound...
...the program held an awards ceremony for its summer program participants on Friday, July 16. Thirty students gathered in the Cafeteria Annex for awards and presentations from selected students. The
presentations were developed as final projects for the five week program. Lisa Johnson, a Bloom Trail graduate, said the summer program has been helpful to her during her four years in Upward Bound: "The tutors work with you and prepare you for the classes you'll be taking when school starts." Johnson, who will attend Western Illinois University this fall with a pre-law major and a forensics minor, said the program helped her to stay focused and set goals. She was inducted into the National Honor Society and graduates with a 3.6 GPA and two scholarships that will cover her college tuition for four years.

**Heino Appointed to Editorial Review Board**

CBPA's Dr. Heikki Heino, university professor of finance, has accepted an appointment to the Editorial Review Board for *The Journal of the International Academy of Case Studies*. Heino's appointment is for three years.

**ScholarShip Sails On: Physical Therapy I**

Becky Wojcik, university professor of Physical Therapy, successfully completed the Geriatric Specialty Board Examination through the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties in March. She is now certified by the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) as a clinical specialist in geriatrics. Dr. Russell Carter, chair of the Physical Therapy Department, said that Wojcik is one of only 570 persons within APTA's 50,000 membership to achieve this distinction. The criteria for certification is rigorous. In addition to passing the specialty's examination, therapists must have had over 2000 hours of direct patient care in the specialty area within the last ten years. At least 500 of those hours must be within the last three years. Wojcik is also a member of the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation's Physical Therapy Licensing and Disciplinary Committee.

**ScholarShip Sails On: Physical Therapy II**

Dr. Robbie O'Shea, university professor of Physical Therapy, presented two papers - "A Transdisciplinary Educational Approach for Children with Cerebral Palsy" and "Conductive Education and Inclusive Education: Teaming Physical and Occupational Therapists and Conductors" - at the 5th World Congress on Conductive Education last month, in Budapest, Hungary.