Happenings at GSU
7/20 to 8/11 Advance registration for fall trimester.
8/1 Graduate Show, paintings by Candice Aljundi, Art Gallery, through Aug. 14.

Alumni donate $86,300 in 1993 fundraiser
The Governors State University Alumni Association surpassed its $85,000 fund drive goal.

Ginni Burghardt, director of alumni relations, said since the fund-raising campaign began in January, the alumni association has received $86,300.

Donations this year will enable the alumni association to award $32,000 in scholarships and academic awards to students and $25,000 in research grants to faculty, as well as underwrite student support programs, give gifts to the university library and Child Care Center, host alumni reunion meetings, and provide funds for social and cultural events on campus.

“Our message to donors is ‘many thanks.’ Your gifts, no matter how large or small, are used for direct support of students and faculty. Your gifts are helping make GSU a better place for the thousands of students and hundreds of staff here.”

Today GSU has more than 19,000 alumni. The alumni association contacted them through mailings and through the annual phonathon in March when more than 300 student, alumni and staff volunteers placed calls across the United States. Burghardt said the association to date has seen an eight percent increase in the number of donors this year. Final numbers will be tallied at the end of December.

Professor contrasts changes in Russia and China

By Marilyn Thomas

Is China or Russia on the correct path of change?

Much depends on the societies and their philosophies argued Dr. Jiexiong Yi, Beijing University professor who presented his ideas in a lecture at Governors State University.

Philosophers agree change in ideology, politics and the economy are necessary, but Yi said factions differ on the order. Reformers often develop blueprints for change, but they must understand, the professor says, that change won't follow a blueprint. Reformers must adapt to change. But in China, the government is trying to control this process.

China, for example, first attempted change in its economy by dividing cooperative farms among the peasants. Once that proved successful, other economic changes were put into place. Then political reforms were implemented followed by ideological change.

Change is slow, Yi told the audience at the GSU Conference Center, and there are detractors on both sides of the issue. Because China is a highly centralized country where power is everything, Yi explains, those in power resist change. However, “I think there is an awareness of many that the system no longer is viable.”

Russia, on the other hand, reversed the approaches to change. Former President Mikhail Gorbachev began with ideological change, telling the people they would be free to choose for themselves. Then, he gave the population voting power, resulting in the free election of President Boris Yeltsin. Now economic change is taking place.

Health programs earn national recognition

Two Governors State University programs in the College of Health Professions have been recognized by governing and accrediting agencies.

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASLHA) renewed its accreditation for the master's degree in communication disorders program, and the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) has awarded the GSU bachelor's degree in health administration “continued full undergraduate membership.”

A third program, the bachelor's degree in social work, is awaiting word on national accreditation after a site visit and program review by the Council on Social Work Education.
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Yi said the two approaches also may be the result of two different cultures. Russia has strong ties with Europe whose citizens have believed in the ability of the individual to reason and create since the Renaissance. It has a more highly educated population, and a highly centralized social system.

China, by comparison, is a centuries-old country dictated by Confucianism. Its population is less well educated, and its desire for political participation is minimal, Yi argues.

China has failed, over time, to recognize the need for philosophical ideas and changes in its economic system because of its long history of feudalism. While the rest of the world was moving forward with an industrial revolution and an acceptance of new inventions, China's culture squandered opportunities for intellectual achievement, Yi believes.

In either case, the Chinese professor believes time will be the judge of change. "One can't evaluate based on one moment or event," he adds.

There is a third view of change, and that is a holistic approach that says one cannot emphasize one approach over the others. Yi's personal opinion is not that one form is better than the other, "but how concretely reform begins. Both models have intrinsic value."

His talk was one of a series sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences in its Distinguished Scholar-Statesman-Artist-Scientist Lecture Series.

Peggy Williams receives distinguished prof honor

Dr. Peggy Williams has been selected the 1992-93 Distinguished Professor at Governors State University. The award is given annually by the Board of Governors Universities trustees in honor of an outstanding faculty member on campus. Dr. Williams was nominated by her peers for the honors.

In 1989, Dr. Williams received a GSU Faculty Excellence Award.

Dr. Williams, a professor of education, was selected for her teaching abilities, research and creative activity, and service.

The reading and language arts specialist joined the Governors State staff in 1974 after working as a teacher and administrator in the Chicago Public Schools.

In 1977, using a $1 million federal grant, she helped develop innovative approaches to learning with establishment of a Teachers Corps program for staff development in the Harvey schools.

Today Dr. Williams is one of several education professors who work with GSU students in school settings as part of the College of Education curriculum that initiates students to classroom techniques early in their college careers.

Dr. Williams has completed her second appointment with Macmillan/McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. as a member of the authorship team that produced two series of elementary reading and writing materials for schools. She also worked with the company in 1988 on a series of language arts books. She offered her insights on story selection, writing exercises, phonics instruction, vocabulary usage, and the development of teachers' guides.

The Harold Washington Foundation board member helped organize the foundation's literacy program for low-income children working with the Chicago Public Schools and the Chicago Public Library.

Dr. Williams is a member of LaRabida Research Hospital's professional women's organization, a board member of Chicago Area Reading Association, and Chicago United, a consortium of businesses and professionals working to improve Chicago public schools.

Dr. Williams received a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana, and master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Chicago.

Alumni Association meets goal
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"That is encouraging to the alumni association board," she said. "It tells us that alumni consider their time at Governors State an excellent learning experience. Their gifts are their way of saying 'thanks' and being able to share those experiences with current students."

The GSU Alumni Association established a second endowed scholarship. The Marie Gray Bertz Memorial Endowed Scholarship honors the 1981 health administration alumna and GSU employee who died after a battle with cancer.
PSC honors Dr. Chang

Professor Lisa Chang of the College of Education is the recipient of the Prairie State College Community Service Award.

Dr. Chang was selected for her work in Ford Heights School District 169 where she volunteered her services for several years in an effort to improve student math scores.

In presenting the award at Prairie State College commencement ceremonies, PSC President Timothy Lightfield said Dr. Chang was selected as someone who has contributed in an extraordinary way to the educational sector of the Chicago south metropolitan area.

The professor of mathematics education worked first with teachers in the district instructing them in the latest approaches in math education.

She also filed for and received more than $50,000 in grants from the Exxon Educational Foundation that was used in part for teaching aids and the development of a resource room for the students.

Schranz writes for encyclopedia

Professor Paul Schranz is joining professionals from throughout the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom writing for the reference book The Focal Encyclopedia of Photography.

Schranz is writing the section on cameras. The GSU professor of art was one of 90 authors/contributors chosen by editors to write for the third edition photography book published by Focal Press.

The Focal Encyclopedia of Photography is a photographer's reference library in a single volume and covers the field from the earliest beginnings of photography to the advanced technologies of the 1990s.

The professor also is a contributing editor for Darkroom Techniques magazine, and is editor of a new electronic imaging magazine, ImageBase, produced by Preston Publications of Niles, Ill. He also lectures and exhibits his photographs nationally.

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Dr. John Meyer and Professor Penny Shnay of CE, presenting the paper “Process-Centered Applications in Field Based Teacher Training” in March at the Society for Technology and Teacher Education (STATE) conference. Professor Meyer, Adjunct Professor Melani Gasparec, Dr. David Blood, Dr. Linda Proudfit and Professor Clint Desmond of CE, attending and presenting at the 71st Annual Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Seattle March 31 through April 3. Dr. Shelly Kumar, CAS, presenting a research paper titled “Ozonolysis of C60 (Buckminsterfullerene)” at the 205th American Chemical Society National meeting held in Denver on March 27 through April 2. Christine Cochrane, SBDC, recently attending the Illinois Manufacturers Association meeting in Springfield and the Illinois Small Business Development Association meeting in Bloomington. Dr. William Dodd, DPA, serving as guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club of Blue Island. Dr. Mel Muchnik, CELCS/PO, serving on the State Task Force on Telecommunications-Based Instructional Delivery Systems. Glen Abbott, PO, attending the 6th Annual Professional Development Conference at Loyola University, sponsored by the Illinois Council for College Attendance. Professor John Payne, CAS, serving as one of three invited jurists March 28 for the regional exhibition “Area Artists Association Annual” held at the John G. Blank Center for the Arts in Michigan City, Ind. Dr. Maria Connolly, CHP, with the assistance of graphic designer Jacqueline Hemingway, CELCS, presenting her poster on “Temporarily Nonvocal Trauma Patients and Their Gestures: A Descriptive Study” at the 10th Annual Issues in Nursing Research Conference in February in Park City, Utah. Dr. Connolly also presenting on the topic “Critical Care Graduate Nursing Programs: What’s Right for You?” at the March meeting of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Northwest Chicago Area Chapter 19th Annual Midwest Conference. Professor Mary Bookwalter, CAS, having a show of her works titled “Prairie Messages” at the Dorothea Thiel Gallery at South Suburban College from March 29 through April 19. Also having an intaglio print titled “Kansas-Colorado Survey” in the North Shore Art League 11th Juried Midwest Print Show during April at the Fine Arts Department Gallery, Edward Crown Center for the Humanities at Loyola University of Chicago. Dr. Henry Lowenstein and Dr. Lowell Culver of CBPA, presenting papers on “Public Budgeting: Teaching the Costs and Implications of Public Debt” and “International Internships: Problems and Prospects,” respectively, at the 16th National Conference on Teaching Public Administration in St. Louis in March. Dr. Robert Leftwich, CHP, being selected for inclusion in Who’s Who in American Nursing, 1993-94 edition. He previously was included in the 1986 edition of the same publication. Dean Esthel Allen, CBPA, being selected to serve on the board of Y-Me and attending the annual American Assembly of the Collegiate Schools of Business meeting in Seattle in April, and attending the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs meeting in San Antonio in June with CBPA assistant Dean Mary Lou Tomaszewski and Dr. Aida Shekib. Peg Donohue, PROV/CCR, being re-elected co-chair of the Transfer Coordinators of Illinois Colleges and Universities organization and serving on the Humanities Panel of the Illinois Articulation Initiative to facilitate interinstitutional transfer. Sally Petrilli, CELCS, attending the National University Continuing Education Association (NUCEA) conference in Nashville in April.

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Dr. Lowell Culver, CBPA, Journey Into Darkness, A Novel of a World at War, Eurocon: University Park, 1993.
Company donates medical equipment

BoMed Medical Manufacturing Ltd. of California recently donated a $22,000 piece of equipment to Governors State University for its critical care nursing simulation laboratory.

Dr. Bo Sramek of BoMed presented the equipment to Dr. William Dodd, chief executive officer of the GSU Foundation, for use in the GSU nursing program.

The CardioDynamic Data Processing System interfaces with a personal computer and gives medical staff a profile of a patient's cardio-respiratory status. It also may be used for measuring positive end-expiratory pressure in the lungs.

Two GSU health programs earn recognition, accreditation

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The national accreditation for GSU's communication disorders program is ASLHA recognition of the quality of the GSU program. Representatives assessed coursework, faculty, philosophy, administration, self-evaluation, facilities, and the program's clinical experiences, according to Dr. John Lowe III, chairperson of the division of communication disorders.

The Association of University Programs in Health Administration board certified the bachelor of health administration degree curriculum satisfies all professional standards.

The bachelor of health administration program is one of 30 nationally recognized AUPHA full member programs, and one of five programs to achieve AUPHA's full membership for both undergraduate and graduate programs.

In its report, AUPHA cited the strength of the GSU program, high enrollment of minority students, effective use of health organizations for practica sites, extensive use of intercollegial courses and faculty availability for student advisement.

This membership follows an extension of accreditation for the master's degree program from the Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration (ACEHSA). That program is one of four accredited programs in Illinois, and one of 62 accredited programs in the United States and Canada, according to Dr. Sang-O Rhee, chairperson of the Division of Health Administration at GSU.

The social work program has always followed the high standards set by the Council on Social Work Education, according to Dr. Sonya Monroe, professor and GSU accreditation team leader. Receiving the national recognition assures others of its sound curriculum, and may qualify the program for federal and state grants.
A biweekly selection of internal news items of interest to GSU staff.

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Grapevine
‘Thank you’ from Special Olympics Volunteers
A special ‘thank you’ to all who donated and participated in the 1993 Illinois Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. Phil Orawiec and Debra Boyd (DPS), coordinators of the run through Governors State University, said GSU staff helped surpass the $400 goal by $100.

Storms take toll on GSU phone, computer equipment
Have summer storms been wreaking havoc with your equipment? Well, one thunderstorm in June caused $25,000 damage to the GSU voicemail system, and an estimated $30,000 damage was done to the components of the computer network system. Physical Plant Operations will be reviewing recommendations from a consultant on how to provide level power supplies to critical areas of the building, according to Dr. Linda Heiser, acting vice president of administration and planning.

All invited to Civil Service-hosted picnic Aug. 28
A new and improved Civil Service-sponsored picnic is set for Saturday, Aug. 28, at Somonuak Park in Park Forest. This year, beginning at noon, all GSU staff, faculty and administrators, their friends and families are welcome to enjoy the day which will include a “dunk your favorite administrator” tank, a water balloon fight, and more. The Business Office staff has posted a challenge to “all comers” for a softball game. For details, call Brenda Chapman, president of the Civil Service Senate, at extension 4535.

Faculty members begin sabbatical leaves Sept. 1
Several GSU faculty members will begin sabbatical leaves Sept. 1. Dr. Farouk Shaaban (CBPA) will be on leave through December. Dr. Harriet Gross (CAS) will be on leave through April. Professor James Massey (CHP) will be on leave through December. Librarian Shannon Troy will complete her spring/summer trimester sabbatical Aug. 31.

Sculptor Chamberlain honored for lifetime work
Sculptor John Chamberlain, whose piece “A Virgin’s Mile” is part of the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park collection on campus, has been given the International Sculpture Center’s 1993 Lifetime Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award in honor of his long, distinguished career, according to Professor John Payne. Don’t look for the piece, however. It had to be moved for inauguration and commencement ceremonies. It has not been relocated. Professor Payne also calls our attention to the correct name of the piece, “A Virgin’s Mile.” It seems some have called it “A Virgin’s Smile.”

Illinois House resolution supports CHP programs
Rep. Phil Novak (D-Kanakee) sponsored a resolution during the 88th General Assembly supporting GSU’s health administration programs. Novak pointed out that GSU is the only public university in Illinois with bachelor’s and master’s degrees in health administration, and that GSU should be allowed to continue to offer the programs. He said he sponsored the resolution because of fears the Board of Governors Universities and the Illinois Board of Higher Education would seek to eliminate the programs. Both programs will continue to be offered.

Cafeteria Menu
(Week of Aug. 2 to 6)
Monday—Turkey noodle soup. Beef pepper steak over rice; Italian sandwich.
Tuesday—Chicken rice soup. Taco salad; Grilled chicken fillet sandwich.
Wednesday—Potato chowder soup. Aloha vegetable loaf platter; Hot beef and cheddar sandwich.
Thursday—Beef barley soup. Hot chicken salad; Fish fillet sandwich.
Friday—Manhattan clam chowder. Fried perch platter; Tuna melt sandwich.

(Week of Aug. 8 to 13)
Monday—Beef vegetable soup. Apple cider baked chicken platter; Grilled ham and cheese sandwich.
Tuesday—Chicken gumbo soup. Veal parmesan with spaghetti; Sloppy Joe sandwich.
Wednesday—New England clam chowder. Italian style vegetable loaf platter; Grilled Swiss cheese sandwich.
Thursday—Minestrone soup. Cranberry, orange glazed pork chop platter; Bacon cheeseburger sandwich.
Friday—Cream of tomato soup. Baked scrod; Patty melt sandwich.

President Teaches Public Policy Class
President Paula Wolff will be returning to the classroom this fall to teach the “Dynamics of Public Policy Process” course in the College of Business and Public Administration.
Dr. Wolff taught the policy class in fall 1992. She taught a similar course at GSU in the early 1970s before becoming an advisor to three Illinois governors.
Employee of the Month

Students come first for Alice Hanes

Each commencement, Alice Hanes gets a special thrill knowing she helped graduates through the system of GSU paperwork and on to the graduation ceremonies.

In some ways, it's ironic that Hanes, who was GSU's first student commencement speaker, should now be assisting graduates, but the July "Employee of the Month" enjoys her work as a graduation counselor in the Registrar's Office. She checks credentials, transcripts and other pertinent data to make certain each student has crossed the threshold from student to graduate.

"More than once, Alice has taken a call from a panicked student that needs reassurance that yes, all grades are posted and graduation has been approved," Marilyn Thomas (UR) said in her nomination.

"It also means that Alice will be there for the students on commencement day making certain the toga collars are in place, mortar boards are straight and name cards are properly filled out," she continued. "And when commencement is over, Alice's work will be just as important because there is always another group (of graduates) waiting in the wings."

For Hanes that has meant many a class has come through with her help. She has been a graduation counselor since beginning her employment in October 1986.

Her job isn't all paperwork, though. She has worked registration, including the old gym registration system and the computer registration network at the main entrance, and now she assists students who have questions about phone registration.

She also has spent her share of time at the Registrar's Office front desk listening to frustrated students so she can help correct their problems. While many can find it difficult to work with someone who is angry and upset, Hanes said she doesn't mind it.

"Even when her obligations are routine, such as working the front desk in the Registrar's Office, Alice recognizes the student in a polite manner and works to get answers," Thomas noted.

"That is part of the job that I like," Hanes said. "You get to meet the student individually and to deal with them and help solve a problem. I've found that the best way (to work with the students) is to agree with them. To say 'no, it's not a problem' means you're not hearing them. By listening, I can work through their problems one step at a time."

Hanes' affiliation with GSU began many years ago when she enrolled as one of the university's first students. She transferred from Prairie State College to complete an education degree. The innovative approaches were good for some things, but unwieldy in other ways, she recalled. Yet, she made it through the system.

To help pay for her tuition, she became the housekeeper for GSU's first president, Dr. William Engbretson. She got to know the Engbretson family because their son, Greg, played with her children.

After graduating, Hanes was a teacher in District 163, and also worked for "Operation 25" at Bloom High School, a special program designed to help drop-outs complete their degrees. When the program lost its funding, she came to work at GSU.

Outside of GSU, Hanes and her husband, Joe, a former Physical Plant Operations employee, enjoy the time they spend with their six children and 11 grandchildren. The couple is planning their annual family reunion that includes another four dozen family members.

Many people in the community know the Hanes family because of their BMW motorcycling hobby. "We're called the mild bunch, not the wild bunch," she emphasized. The couple traveled to Germany in 1972 for a belated honeymoon 21 years after their wedding and bought their first motorcycle. "We're not in to leather jackets, chains or tattoos. We enjoy touring. We've been in every state in the continental United States."

And the couple has participated in 20 of the last 21 national rallies. She is one of 150 people on the registration team signing in the 6,000 to 7,000 bikers for the fifth rallies. This year they will be in Oshkosh, Wis. "We've been all over, from Vermont to Oregon, and down California and in Florida."

Parking fee, policies change

The days of the GSU parking decals are ending.

Starting Sept. 1, staff will be assessed $30 annually for parking fees. Tim Arr, director of the Business Office, said staff will have $1.25 deducted from each paycheck beginning in mid-September.

Staff and students who use public transportation will not be charged. Other requests for waiver will be considered on a case-by-case basis, Arr explained. Requests for waiver should be submitted to him in writing.

"Our intent is to merely change the manner in which we collect parking fees; we are not trying to collect such fees from those who don't use the service," he noted.

Under the new policy, guests will no longer be charged to park. This is a return to a 1988 policy, Arr said. "We hope to make visiting the campus an easier and more enjoyable event for guests."