News and Events

Spring-Summer Registration Begins Today

Online course registration begins today for the Spring/Summer trimester and continues through May 9.

The Office of the Registrar has issued a special memo to clarify registration dates, deadlines, and processes.

SLATE Ventures “Into the Woods”

The Southland Area Theatre Ensemble (SLATE) at Governors State University announced that it will produce the hit musical Into the Woods as its inaugural production.

SLATE’s first production proves to be an exciting show for all ages. Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine’s classic musical about magical enchantment masterfully blends the stories of familiar storybook characters like Jack (of beanstalk fame), Rapunzel, Cinderella, and Little Red Ridinghood. Once protagonists of their own fairytales, the characters now meet each other as they venture into the woods.

Auditions will take place on June 1 and 2. For more information, call the audition hotline at 708.235.2244 or send an inquiry e-mail.

15th Annual Student Research Conference

The 15th Annual Student Research Conference will be held on Wednesday, May 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at GSU. The conference provides students an opportunity to present their research work before an audience of their peers, and offers a forum to highlight research accomplishments at GSU. Students will make all the presentations.

Students may present a 15-minute podium presentation of their work followed by a five-minute question and answer session or they may display their work as a poster presentation. All abstracts will be published in the conference proceedings.

Faculty are asked to encourage students to participate in this valuable educational experience. The registration and abstract submission deadline is Friday, April 11. There is no registration fee.

For more information or for participation application forms, contact Dr. Shelly Kumar or visit the conference website.
Civic and Community Engagement Continues

The Civic and Community Engagement lecture series at Governors State University sponsored by the University Honors Program and the College of Arts and Sciences’ Political and Justice Studies Program continues with a presentation by Sister Catherine Ryan.

Sister Ryan is currently the Executive Director of Maryville Academy and was the Assistant State’s Attorney under Richard M. Daley. She also served for seven years as the Chief of the Cook county Juvenile Justice Bureau.

Her presentation, *Bringing in the Community to Serve Juvenile Offenders*, is on March 25, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

For more information, contact Dr. Larry Levinson at ext. 4578.

40th Anniversary Writing Competition

Since 1969, GSU has touched tens of thousands of lives. To commemorate and record the positive impact and enduring memories of GSU, community members, alumni, students, retirees, or employees are asked to put their fingers to keyboards and record their stories.

Share the positive impact GSU has had on your life in 750 words or less. Many of the stories will be featured on the 40th Anniversary website. The top submissions will be announced at the GSU Gala Celebration on November 7 and will be printed in IMPACT, a publication commemorating the best submissions.

All literary genres are accepted via electronic submission to writingcompetition@govst.edu. No graphics please. Entries should be submitted as Microsoft Word documents only. The submission deadline is April 30.

For more information, visit the [Writing Competition FAQ](#) or contact Sheree Sanderson at ext. 3956.

Summer Programs at FDC

The GSU Family Development Center is offering summer childcare for kindergarten to 12 year olds. The program accepts children from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Weekly field trips and swimming for eligible students are included. Payroll deduction required for discount.

Discounts are available for children and grandchildren of GSU students, staff, and faculty. Call today for more information, 708.235.7300.
**Rhymes with Schmimerick**

GSU’s finest have put their pens to paper and submitted the craftiest of limericks. Join the St. Paddy’s celebration on Tuesday, March 17, in The Center Lobby as the Limerick Contest finalists present their entries and the top three bards are chosen by the audience.

**Movie Not Included**

GSU’s Brother 2 Brother chapter is sponsoring a popcorn sale on Tuesday, March 17, in the Hall of Governors. The fundraiser, which benefits the Cancer Support Center in Homewood, Illinois, starts at noon and ends when the popcorn runs out.

**Research Grant Applications**

Each year, the Provost’s Office sponsors seed grants as a way to encourage research in and among our faculty, students, and staff. The funding is designed primarily to encourage scholarly activity. This year, the maximum grant is again $3500.

Completed applications are due to the Provost’s Office by 5 p.m., on Friday, May 1. All research and expenses must be incurred and completed and submitted during the 2010 fiscal year (July 2009-June 31, 2010) to be funded by these grants.

For more information, contact Margaret Neumann, Chair, URG committee, at ext. 4968.

**Soar With MPAC**

The Master of Public Administration Club (MPAC) presents *Soaring to New Heights: An Educational Forum* on Saturday, March 28, from noon to 3 p.m. in the Cafeteria Annex.

Representatives from the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs (CUPPA) will discuss doctoral programs in Public Administration and Urban Planning. Students interested in pursuing a juris doctorate will also have an opportunity to speak with representatives from John Marshall Law School. Lunch will be served.

For more information or to RSVP, e-mail antbanks35@hotmail.com.