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Happenings at GSU

8/18 Presentation by Lynn Gaddis, Illinois Teacher of the Year, for Beginning Teacher Program, 10:45 a.m., Conference Center.
8/26 Annual civil service-sponsored picnic, noon to 6 p.m., conference center.
9/4 Labor Day holiday.
9/5 Fall trimester classes begin.
9/9 First of three Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree Program portfolio seminars, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.

GSU gets 6.8% in new monies for FY96 initiatives

The Illinois Legislature appropriated an additional $1,751,500 or 6.8 percent, for Governors State University for Fiscal Year (FY) 1996.

The GSU budget is $27,473,600 for this fiscal year. The 1995 appropriation was $25,722,100.

Additional revenues have been generated through two years of enrollment increases providing an estimated $456,300 in additional tuition income, according to Dr. Linda Heiser, director of budget planning.

The state also allocated $450,000 for Governors State to initiate a degree program in physical therapy and a proposed occupational therapy program.

The budget includes funds for salary increases averaging 3.3 percent.

During this fiscal year, Governors State will begin developing its Writing Across the Curriculum program that puts emphasis on writing in each aspect.

Dr. Rigual takes foundation helm, leads GSU fundraising, grant work

BY MARILYN THOMAS

Dr. Antonio R. Rigual has been appointed vice president of development at Governors State University.

In his position, Dr. Rigual will be leading fundraising efforts and procurement of government/research grants.

Dr. Rigual also will serve as chief executive officer of the Governors State University Foundation working with a 35-member board.

The previous vice president of development, Dr. William Dodd, retired July 31 after 20 years at GSU.

The foundation has completed its major fundraising effort for construction of the 1,200 seat Center for Arts and Technology at Governors State University, and will concentrate its efforts on annual giving programs for the university.

The GSU Foundation also manages the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park on the GSU campus, an estimated $200,000 in endowed scholarships and the newly created Learning and Excellence Award for Persistence (LEAP) Scholarship fund assisting needy students taking less than a half-time course load.

Dr. Antonio R. Rigual

Dr. Rigual comes to GSU from Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio where he was professor of Spanish and director of the Office of Sponsored Programs.

He has served as vice president for institutional advancement at the university and was vice president for university relations. Dr. Rigual

GSU students represent Jordan at Model United Nations Conference

As the United Nations marked its 50th anniversary, students from Governors State University became active participants in its work.

Through the national Model United Nations Conference at the New York City UN headquarters, students were able to get seven of their Governors State University-initiated resolutions passed and work begun on discussions of an integrated economic system for the Middle East.

The nine GSU students represented Jordan at the conference and moved through the Middle East delegations influencing decisions on resolutions put forth by other delegations, including the League of Arab Nations.

The GSU students participating were Bryan Lawson of Dolton; Harold
Budget increases
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of a student's work at GSU. A search is being conducted for a Writing Across the Curriculum program director.

The university is allocating $350,000 to convert its student records and database to the new CARS computer system. And additional dollars have been designated for support staff in the development office to assist the university in applying for outside grant funding.

To date, no money has been allocated for capital projects. Dr. Heiser said the legislature is expected to act on those university requests during the fall veto session. GSU has asked for funding for major repairs to its power plant, and for remodeling E and F wings.

Two given IATC tuition awards

The Illinois Addiction Training Center has awarded two Governors State University students tuition awards.

Regina B. Brown of Park Forest, and Charlene G. Freeman of the 6600 block of Fairfield Avenue in Chicago, received monetary awards covering tuition and fees for the spring/summer trimester.

Both are undergraduates majoring in social work and minoring in addictions studies.

Rigual named VP of GSU Development
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helped guide student-recruitment and charitable-giving programs and developed two Weekend College programs for nontraditional students.

"I am delighted that Tony Rigual has agreed to join us in our endeavors for Governors State," GSU President Paula Wolff said. "Teaching will always be our number one priority. To continue excellence in accomplishing that goal, we look for support from others for scholarships and new technological equipment. Tony will be intensifying GSU's efforts to obtain government grants and contracts, and increasing the GSU network of supporters from the region and metropolitan Chicago. The foundation is increasing its giving goals, and we intend to raise more than $3 million annually by 2000; Tony is ready for this challenge."

Nationally, Dr. Rigual helped establish the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) and organized its governing board and operations from its inception in 1986 through 1991. HACU has membership from 115 colleges and universities where Hispanic students are a minimum 25 percent of the institutional enrollment.

"Governors State University has enabled thousands of students to achieve their educational goals by delivering outstanding educational programs at times and places convenient to them," Dr. Rigual said. "In order to serve its increasing student population even better, the university will explore all possible sources of support and welcome to the GSU community individuals and organizations that value the institution's unique role.

"I look forward to working with the GSU administration, faculty, staff, alumni and other friends on securing the resources needed to build the Governors State University of the 21st century," he added.

Dr. Rigual received a bachelor's degree in Spanish from the University of South Florida, a master's degree in Spanish from Louisiana State University, and a doctorate in foreign languages and literature from Louisiana State University.

Dr. Rigual and his family reside in Frankfurt.

GSU students attend Model UN meeting
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Keegan of Kankakee; Shuby Dewan of Wheaton, who also serves as an adjunct faculty member at the College of DuPage; Daniel Reimann, an exchange student from Germany; Chaya Rangaraj of Olympia Fields; John Linning of Palatine; Kelly Sharkey of Oak Forest; Luke Helm of Homewood; and Rasmi Abdallah of Manteno.

Dr. Larry Levinson, professor of political science at GSU and the Model UN moderator, said students begin preparations for the Model UN's spring conference nearly a year before. Although he knew the GSU team would represent Jordan, he had team members study major issues affecting the area, rather than Jordan in particular, so that students would have strong backgrounds and a clear understanding from which to debate their resolutions.

During the year, the team participates in simulated Model UN debates with other regional college delegations to sharpen their skills.

At the New York meeting, the GSU students met with representatives of Jordan and Israel, and spent a part of their Model UN time discussing the development of a MidEast Economic Union, similar to what is now being established in western Europe.

"Jordan has always believed in economic integration," Dr. Levinson explained. King Hussein of Jordan has been working on joint agreements on tourism, banking and water rights. Israel also recognizes it must become a part of the economic fabric of the Middle East, he said.
Chinese visitors pave way for future

Governors State University welcomed Chinese guests from one of its international exchange universities to campus for an initial visit.

In 1994, GSU President Paula Wolff, assisted by College of Arts and Sciences Dean Roger K. Oden, initiated exchanges with several universities in China as GSU moves toward internationalization.

This visit by Ha Jingxiong, president of the Central University for Nationalities, and Tevekcool Tiliwaldi, professor and director of personnel in the State Commission of Minority Affairs, opens discussion of the GSU-China partnership.

The Central University for Nationalities in suburban Beijing was founded in 1950 as a kind of think-tank designed to train future leaders of China's 55 minorities. Aside from traditional academic studies, the university's courses focus on ethnoLOGY, Tibetology, nationality studies, minority theory and policies toward minorities, Korean, Manchu, Mongolian and Central Asia studies and minority population studies.

Upward enrollment trend continuing

Governors State University has recorded an enrollment increase for the fourth consecutive trimester.

Spring/summer trimester enrollment set a new trimester record and helped mark the continuous upward enrollment trend.

The 1995 spring/summer trimester enrollment was 4,743 students, compared with 1994's spring/summer trimester enrollment of 4,467 reflecting a 6.17 percent increase.

The data also shows a 5.8 percent increase in full-time equivalent students reflecting the number of credit hours taken by students in the spring/summer trimester. Students at GSU will earn 24,871 credit hours this trimester compared with 23,519 credit hours in spring/summer 1994.

Part-time students continue as the vast majority of the GSU student population. Enrollment numbers show 4,402 students, or 92.8 percent, are attending part-time.

The undergraduate population, those completing bachelor's degrees, is 42.6 percent, and the graduate population, those completing master's degrees, is 57.4 percent.

Association gives grad honors for accomplishments

The Illinois Community College Trustees Association awarded its Illinois Distinguished Community College Alumnus Award to Alice “Tinker” Parker, a former Community College Scholar at Governors State University.

The GSU Foundation underwrote Parker's expenses for completing a bachelor's degree in media communications after she transferred from Kankakee Community College (KCC) as a Community College Scholar.

Parker was one of two Illinois community college graduates recognized this year for their accomplishments. In Parker's case, she started college in 1968, but a car accident prevented her from completing her first year. Later as a single mother who battled multiple sclerosis, she set aside her goals for college.

After raising two children alone and holding down three part-time jobs, Parker graduated with honors from KCC in 1989, and transferred to GSU where she completed bachelor's and master's degrees.

She served as an intern at WBBM-TV in Chicago, won scholarships for her outstanding academic standing, and was awarded the International Television Association Silver Philo Award for best program by a student for her documentary “First I'm a Person” outlining the lives of children with Downs Syndrome.

After graduating from GSU, she was a media consultant for Bakers Square Corporation, and she maintains her own production company, producing professional videos. She works full-time as student services specialist at KCC and teaches part time for the Business Division.

"This award could not have gone to a more worthy person," said Peg Reeves, executive secretary of the KCC Alumni Association. “Tinker has a philosophy ‘I must put back what I received.’ She really wants to help others do as well as she has done.

Registration

Registration for fall trimester classes continues through Sept. 11. All registrations are accepted by telephone. For information, call the GSU Registrar's Office at (708) 534-4500.
PPO project begins recreation of Illinois prairie at GSU

Centuries ago, the Sauk Indians roamed the Cook and Will county prairies enjoying the lushness of the greenery and using various prairie plants for food and medicinal needs.

But the prairies of old vanished when farmers moved in and began tilling the virgin soil.

Now the Physical Plant Operations (PPO) department at Governors State University has begun a special project entailing the recreation of a small area of prairie land to include various prairie grasses, flowers and trees.

While the idea of prairie restoration on the 750-acre campus has been around for a while, PPO Director Michael Hassett said it came to fruition after he'd attended a recent Environmental Protection Agency conference. Participants began discussing potential learning and environmental benefits incurred as a result of the creation of these prairies.

"This is something I've wished to do for a while," Hassett said, "and this meeting triggered it." Hassett and Jo Shaw, university landscape gardener, plotted out what best would flourish in GSU's prairie setting, ordered seed, established the plantings in the PPO greenhouse, and then designed a garden on a half-acre plot off University Drive near the Alumni Path.

Shaw and staff have planted Big Blue Stem, Little Blue Stem, Switch Grass, June Grass, Cone Flowers, Butterfly Milkweek and nearly three dozen species of additional forbs.

"Costs of the various seeds have forced us to begin the project somewhat smaller than we would have liked," Shaw explained," but we think in three years it'll be a real show stopper. We hope by then to be able to enlarge the plot, and perhaps start another."

The project has been initiated by PPO, but Hassett and Shaw both see it as a living environmental learning resource to the university community for use as a small glimpse into the way things may have appeared in the not too distant past.

Grant helps underwrite student costs

The Associated Health Professions Branch of the U.S. Health Resources Services Administration has awarded Governors State University a $9,254 grant for the health administration program.

The money will allow GSU to offer graduate health administration majors tuition and stipend scholarships for full- and part-time students, according to Dr. Sang-O Rhee, program chairperson.

The Division of Health Administration at GSU offers bachelor's and master's of health administration degrees that prepare students to enter careers in middle management in the health field and move in to full management positions with health service organizations, hospitals, mental health institutions, and community, government and private health care programs.

BOG workshops set

The Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree Program is offering its fall portfolio assessment workshops from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 9, 30 and Oct. 21 on campus.

Students who complete portfolios have the opportunity to earn college credit for past experiences that relate to college-level work.

Students must attend each of the three workshops. For additional information, call the BOG staff at (708) 534-4092.
Edgar reviews nominees for new GSU board

BY MARILYN THOMAS

The much anticipated appointment of a board of trustees for Governors State University is expected to be finalized this fall.

At the request of Gov. Jim Edgar, GSU President Paula Wolff submitted names of four persons she would like to see serve on the seven-member board beginning Jan. 1, 1996.

"I selected people who were committed to the ideals of education as GSU has envisioned in its mission statement," she said. "And people who knew the workings of the legislature, and whom the governor knew and trusted."

The board's responsibilities will include hiring and evaluating the university's president, Wolff explained, so she was mindful that the governor not appoint a board totally reflecting a president's recommendations.

Others affiliated with GSU also have been requested to submit nominees.

GSU has been governed by the Board of Governors Universities trustees as one of five universities in the system. During the 1995 legislative session, the BGU was eliminated and GSU, along with Eastern Illinois, Western Illinois, Northeastern Illinois and Chicago State universities, were given autonomy.

Gov. Edgar hopes to have the appointments for these five boards as well as for Northern Illinois and Illinois State universities, the University of Illinois and the Illinois Board of Higher Education to the Illinois General Assembly for approval during the November veto session. It is expected that several current board members from the previous university governing boards will be reappointed to university trustee boards, Dr. Wolff noted.

There is no guarantee that each of the seven members will be local residents, but President Wolff said she isn't bothered by that.

"First, it is important that they be advocates for GSU," she said, carrying the GSU message throughout the state. Also, recognizing that GSU is funded primarily through state tax dollars, the new board will need to lobby throughout the state and represent the general public's point of view on how those tax dollars are spent.

"I see a new board as advantageous not because of where they come from, but because its sole focus will be GSU," Dr. Wolff noted.

The costs of establishing the five new boards may be covered, in part, by the past budget allocation for the BGU staff, although its current $2 million budget must manage operations through Jan. 31, 1996, the last working day of the BGU, and also cover sick and vacation time payouts accrued by its staff.

A total $344,100 has been designated in a university transition fund to cover costs associated with the transition for institutions in both the Board of Governors and the Board of Regents systems, according to Dr. Linda Heiser, director of budget planning at GSU.

It is expected the legislature will act on disbursement of these funds and consider additional funding during the fall veto session, she added.

Dr. Wolff said she recognizes there will be additional costs born by GSU, which probably will hire its own attorney and legislative lobbyist, and at least initially someone to negotiate union matters until a new "win-win" process of conflict resolution can be explored for university negotiations.

GSU and other BGU universities are investigating continuing an insurance risk pool, the minority internship program is likely to be run out of Chicago State University, and the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts degree program will continue, although each campus may set its own degree policies.

The Distinguished Professors Program will cease, as will BGU-sponsored teleclasses which have been produced at GSU.

Communications Services will continue to produce teleclasses, but they will be restructured for GSU working formats.

Dr. Heiser was appointed board liaison in May, and she will continue with those duties, the president explained.

Dr. Heiser is preparing background information on GSU for the new board, and will serve as the GSU contact for board members when they need specific information, as well as help to organize the board's meetings.

Civil Service regulations will remain in effect, although BGU policies and regulations likely will be reviewed by the incoming board for their relevance to GSU.

University Professionals of Illinois, which represents the faculty, has told President Wolff there will be contract negotiations for each individual university when the current BGU contract expires in summer 1996. The president hopes to move to the win-win contract negotiation system, and anticipates some contract language changes at the beginning of the year, including replacing BGU with GSU references.

Will Governors State University soon be a four-year university? "That issue, just like dormitories, will be left for the new board," the president said anticipating the trustees will make learning about GSU and its budget immediate priorities before they consider any major policy changes.
Employee of the Month

Special events come to life through Rita Nagy's dedication and skills

BY MARILYN THOMAS

"Governors State University is proud to present..." is Rita Nagy's opening line.

The August "Employee of the Month" is always busy planning GSU special events and programs through her job as program director in the Office of Student Life.

This past academic year, Nagy kept a whirlwind pace booking 42 events. While she makes it all appear effortless, many will tell you Nagy puts in long hours working with committees, finding guests, getting contracts approved, preparing rooms, and greeting and announcing performers the night of the event.

"Entertaining our happy family isn't easy, but Rita makes it appear to be. One event after another features not only musical but also thought-provoking programs that draw audiences from GSU and the regional community," Marilyn Thomas said in her nomination.

"It is a pleasure working with Rita who goes way beyond the 9-to-5 day not only in planning, but also in managing each program when it's presented," she added.

Nagy explains it's all done in the name of fun and good times at GSU.

"I can't say I have any favorite show," Nagy said. "We've done some really good things — everything from gospel music to speeches."

For many of the programs, Nagy works around a theme. She's finishing up work on Hispanic-American Heritage Month which will open Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. in the Hall of Governors with "La Bamba: Latin American Journey."

"We try to design a program that compliments the theme and the academic mission. They're meant to shed light on the cultures, and we showcase acts that exemplify that," Nagy explained.

Then there are the magicians, puppet shows and other acts Nagy books to thrill the younger audiences, or the specialty shows like the Ernest Dawkins jazz concert that is still receiving rave reviews.

"I'm working cooperatively with the colleges," Nagy noted, and she has organized an events advisory committee to give input and suggestions on programs. Membership is open. She invites all interested parties to its meetings.

Nagy is constantly reviewing program notes and talking with agents to find just the right talent for GSU's special events. She and several students attend the National Association of Campus Activities annual convention to see acts and learn what's new on other campuses.

Nagy would identify herself as a typical mom and homemaker doing volunteer work with her sons' activities and with the Blue Island Park District. Then she, like many GSU students, decided to pursue her degree. She enrolled at Moraine Valley Community College and transferred to National College of Education to complete a bachelor's degree.

While at MVCC, Nagy worked in the student activities office assisting staff with programming and other functions. She came to GSU nearly seven years ago as Student Life program director.

Nagy is "a life-long Blue Islander" who has spent nearly 17 years in the Registrar's Office before announcing her retirement June 30.

Also announcing her retirement is Dixie Butz, a secretary at GSU for 22 years, retired June 30. She began at GSU during its warehouse days and later moved to positions in the science division, the social science division and the communications division.

Woods leaves GSU, six opt to retire

Director of Purchases Dee Woods left Governors State July 14 for a like position at Chicago State University.

Woods had been on the GSU staff for 10 years. She came to GSU from Chicago State where she had worked for eight years.

Marilyn Prater-Rivers is acting director of purchases.

Six staff members will be enjoying life in a new capacity with their retirement.

Dr. William Dodd officially retired as vice president of development and public affairs July 31. He will remain on campus in a limited capacity until the new year assisting incoming vice president Dr. Tony Rigual.

Elaine Sherman, secretary for the GSU Foundation, is retiring Aug. 31. Sherman has been a GSU employee for nearly 17 years. She started out on the temporary roster, and accepted a full-time position working for the GSU Foundation and GSU Alumni Association in 1985. In 1988, she was reassigned solely to the GSU Foundation.

Alice Hanes first came to GSU as a student in 1973 and worked part time as a child care giver and housekeeper for GSU's first president, William Engbretson. After teaching, Hanes worked full-time at GSU for nine years in the Registrar's Office before announcing her retirement June 30.

LaVerne Bennett, who has spent nearly 17 years in the Registrar's Office, leaves Aug. 31. She did certification and front desk work then was a graduation counselor and is now assistant manager of student records and research.

Also announcing her retirement is Della Shiffer who has spent 22 years in the Registrar's Office. Shiffer came to GSU during its warehouse days and helped with student records in every capacity. She leaves Aug. 31.

Dixie Butz, a secretary at GSU for 23 years, retired June 30. She began at the warehouse in the learning resources center (now the University Library), and later moved to positions in the science division, the social science division and the communications division.

Congratulations

To Murthy Bala (BO) and his wife, Savitri, on the birth of their son, Karthik, on Aug. 10 in India.
Dean Cecilia Rokusek (CHP), attending the College of Allied Health Deans' summer meeting in June in Washington, D.C., and at Towson State University in Baltimore... Also attending the Illinois Dietetic Association state conference in Chicago in June...Dean Esthel Allen (CBPA) and Dr. Aida Shekib (CBPA), attending the June Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs annual conference in Orlando... Also, Dean Allen, attending a summer meeting of the Illinois Consortium for International Education in Chicago...Tommy Dascenzo (SL), attending a workshop in Wheaton, Ill., on the abandoned child issue in China and agreeing to serve on the board of directors for the Northeastern Illinois Chapter of the National Coalition Builders Institute Prejudice Reduction Project and serving as one of the facilitators at the new chapter's first community workshop at a Matteson church in July...Dr. Annie Lawrence (CHP), speaking at the May Awards Night Program at St. Joseph College of Nursing in Joliet... Dr. Deborah Holdstein (CAS), presenting a paper as part of a panel on “The Ethics of Teaching” at the December 1994 Modern Language Association annual meeting in San Diego... Also in January, conducting workshops on “Writing Across the Disciplines” and “Technology and Writing” at Lock Haven University, Lock Haven, Penn... Also in March, presenting the paper “Hyperzomatics,” discussing hierarchies created within moderated discussion groups on the Internet that deal with issues in composition theory and practice at the Conference on College Composition and Communication in Washington, D.C. ... Also in May, evaluating the writing and technology program at Wayne State University in Detroit... Also in May, being invited to give a lecture on “Technology, Utility, and Amnesia” to faculty and graduate students in the English Department at the University of Washington, Seattle... Also in May, being invited to lecture to 150 junior high school students on “Being a Child of Holocaust Survivors,” Percy Julian High School, Oak Park (Dr. Holdstein recently returned from sabbatical)...Dr. Mary Howes (CBPA), attending a July university consortium meeting at DePaul University on a tri lateral grant for student study in Canada and Mexico... Dr. Richard Bradberry (UL), attending the American Library Association annual meeting in Chicago in July... De an Roger K. Oden (CAS), attending a conference at Arizona State University in Phoenix on the School of Justice Studies Graduate Programs... Dr. Michael Purdy (CAS), chairing a program on “Listening to Grief,” making a presentation on “Listening and Consciousness: Jean Gebser and Structures of Consciousness,” and presenting a paper on “Listening Ethics: Little Things Mean a Lot” at the International Listening Association Conference in March in Little Rock, Ark...Dr. David Matteson (CE), and Mary Jahn (alumna) co-leading the workshop “Homophobia and AIDS,” June 15-16 in Chicago for the Planning for Diverse Communities conference in the Illinois Postsecondary HIV Prevention Consortium, and Dr. Matteson, being appointed to the Northern Illinois Coll ar Counties Regional HIV Prevention Community Planning Committee, spending one day a week during the summer helping establish priorities for spending on HIV prevention... Ryan Lee (Mail Service), helping win second place as paid-on-call lieutenant for the University Park Fire Department in fire apparatus equipment competition Memorial Day against nearly two dozen other community fire departments... Dr. Sonya Monroe (CHP), being elected a member at large from July 1995 through June 1997 to the Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors... Dr. Mel Muchnik (CAS), attending the International Council on Distance Education meeting in Birmingham, England, in June as one of 1,000 delegates from 79 countries, and attending the National Universities Television Association advisory board meeting in Charleston, S.C., in July... Dr. Mary Geis (CHP), being inducted into Delta Kappa Gamma International Society in May, and being elected an advisory board member of Aunt Martha’s School-Linked Health Center which will serve the students of Chicago Heights School District 170.

Repairs spruce up two centers

There’s lots of housekeeping going on in Student Life these days.

At the Child Care Center, walls have been knocked down to enlarge the space. The change will allow the center to increase its capacity from 22 to 25 students according to Lamonda Kidd, coordinator of student organizations and services. The center has on occasion had a waiting list.

Staff from Physical Plant Operations (PPO) also are replacing windows in the former farm house, and they will be repairing the basement to prevent future seepage.

The building also will get a thorough cleaning following the repairs.

At the Campus Community Center, major lighting renovations are being done in the pool area. The staff brought in a lighting consultant to suggest improvements.

“The changes will be noticeable and significant,” Tom Dascenzo, director of Student Life, said.

While the pool was closed for that work, PPO cleaned carpets in the locker areas and repaired tiles and resealed areas in the bathrooms.

In the fitness rooms, PPO staff sanded and resealed the floor, and did major housekeeping work.

“We try to do some significant repairs each year. We haven’t closed the center for two years,” Dascenzo said.
Grapevine

Officers elected to serve Phi Delta Kappa for 1995-96

GSU alumna Gail Hart will serve as president of Phi Delta Kappa educational honors society at GSU succeeding Professor Ginger Kosmoski.

Joining Hart will be Professor Diane Kjos, vice president of membership; alumna Anna Crepps as vice president of programs; alumna Marjorie Hall as secretary; alumna Soledad Munoz as treasurer; Professor Joanne Anania as historian; Professor Penny Shnay as alternate delegate; alumnus Romeo Munoz as delegate; Professor Clint Desmond as second alternate; Professor Maribeth Kasik as research representative; Professor Ken Peterson as foundation representative; Professor Shnay as newsletter editor/public relations; Professor Judy Cooney as advisor.

CELCS unit grows; staff responsibilities enhanced

The South Metropolitan Regional Higher Education Consortium has moved and the Office of Contracts and Training Services, and the Office of Conferences/Workshops and Weekend College are being merged as part of a restructuring of the Center for Extended Learning and Communications Services.

Peg Donohue, director of the consortium, and staff members Louise Kohl and Juanita Shepherd have relocated to CELCS. Their office is in F-Wing. The consortium's work on the statewide interactive telecommunications network will be enhanced by the operation's immediate links to Communications Services, Donohue explained.

Roger Paris will head up the new Conferences and Contract Services office which will focus on noncredit programming. His staff will continue its work developing training for businesses, organizing GSU-sponsored conferences and workshops, and managing the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services contract operations.

Polly Bernd has taken on responsibilities for weekend courses and continues her work in developing and offering general and for credit programs off-campus. Veronica Williams, who previously headed up the GSU Extension Center at Orland Park Place (which has been closed) is now working with Bernd from an F-Wing office.

All invited to enjoy camaraderie at CS picnic

The Civil Service Senate invites the Governors State family to its annual summer picnic from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at the conference center. The pool will be open, there will be plenty to eat, and games are planned for the kids.

Please let Shelina Hurd (BO) know how many will be in your party. She can be contacted on extension 5060.

Legislation changes makeup of SURS board

Gov. Jim Edgar has signed legislation that revamps the State Universities Retirement System (SURS) board of directors from an 11-member to a nine-member board.

Previously, eight of those members were appointed by the state's higher education governing boards and three by the governor. Under the new legislation, the governor appoints the board. Two of the members must be annuitants, and two must be participants.

One of the Chicago area appointees is Emma Taylor of Calumet City, Ill., vice president of commercial lending and small business financing at Independence Bank of Chicago. The system participants representatives are Fred Gieritz, an economics professor from the University of Illinois, and Nancy DeSombre, president of Harold Washington College. Representing retirees are Stan Rives, former Eastern Illinois University president, and Art Aikman of Carbondale.

Cafeteria menu

Summer hours:

Monday-Thursday: grill 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; steam table 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; salad bar 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday: grill 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; steam table 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; salad bar 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Daily — Pizza, baked potato bar.

(Week of Sept. 4-8)

Monday — Closed for Labor Day.

Tuesday — Ham and cheese omelet, toast. Chicken rice soup, chili; grilled Reuben sandwich, fries or soup; chicken teriyaki, rice, roll; grilled chicken, Caesar salad.

Wednesday — Ham, egg and cheese on croissant. Vegetable soup, chili; Hoagie steak and onions, fries or soup; Swiss steak, noodles, vegetable, roll; wokery.

Thursday — Pancakes, bacon or sausage. Cream of broccoli soup, chili; chicken patty, fries or soup; meat loaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll; fruit plate, yogurt, banana bread.

Friday — Cheese omelet, hash browns and toast. New England clam chowder soup, chili; beef or chicken tacos; fish dinner, au gratin potatoes, vegetable, roll.

(Week of Sept. 11-15)

Monday — Ham and cheese on croissant with hash browns. Vegetable soup; Philly steak with fries or soup; roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, roll; turkey cacciatorre.

Tuesday — Eggs, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast. Chicken confetti soup, chili; Italian submarine with fries or soup; chicken breast, rice pilaf, vegetable; wokery.

Wednesday — Pancakes, eggs, bacon or sausage. Minestrone soup, chili; cold turkey on French roll, fries or soup; baked mostaccioli, vegetable, roll; grilled chicken, Caesar salad, breadstick.

Thursday — Pancakes, bacon or sausage. Cream of mushroom soup, chili; BLT sandwich, fries or soup; beef stew over biscuits; salads, taco salad.

Friday — Ham and cheese omelet with toast, hash browns. Crabby Swiss soup, chili; French dip sandwich, fries or soup; fish dinner, macaroni and cheese, vegetable, roll.