Happenings at GSU

4/5 Registration for Spring/Summer Trimester continues through May 18.

4/6 GSU airs an hourlong discussion of Illinois’ education funding at 4 p.m. on WYIN-TV, Channel 56; repeated at 7 p.m. April 8.

4/12 “Career Development & Job Search” workshop, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days on campus.

4/12 “The World Wide Web—A Research and Resource Tool” workshop, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on campus.

4/14 GSU-Community Chorale and Orchestra performs Cherubini’s “Requiem in C Minor” at 4 p.m. in The Center for Arts and Technology.

4/16 Information session on the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree Program, 6 p.m. on campus.

4/19 “Designing a Home Page” workshop, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on campus.

4/20 Canada’s Royal Winnipeg Ballet performs at 8 p.m. in The Center for Arts and Technology.

4/24 “How to Increase the Profitability of Your Business” workshop, 7 to 10 p.m. on campus.

4/26 “Shattered Dreams,” a play presented by Red Path Theater Company of Chicago, 7:30 p.m. in The Center for Arts and Technology.

4/28 The Chicago Jazz Ensemble performs at 1:30 p.m. following an 11:30 a.m. brunch in The Center for Arts and Technology.

GSU honors national leaders with doctorates at June 1, 2 ceremonies

BY MARILYN THOMAS

U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley will join world-renowned trumpeter Wynton Marsalis and John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation President Adele Simmons in receiving honorary doctorates during June 1 and 2 commencement ceremonies at Governors State University.

GSU also will present honorary doctorates to GSU alumnus Curtis Crawford, president of Microelectronics at Lucent Technologies, Inc., in recognition of his successes in business and his outstanding contributions to the Governors State University Alumni Association, and to Lewis Manilow, a constant friend of the university and one of the founders of the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park on campus.

Honorees addressing students from the College of Education and the College of Business and Public Administration on June 1 will be Marsalis and Crawford, and speaking June 2 to students from the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts program, the College of Health Professions and the College of Arts and Sciences will be Riley, Simmons and Manilow.

Secretary Riley, former governors of South Carolina, has assisted President Clinton in major legislative reform since being named secretary of education in 1992. He worked to expand and streamline the college loan program, helped establish standards for learning, and redesigned and improved the primary federal program for helping disadvantaged students.

In the 13 years since Marsalis began his recording career, he has left an indelible mark not only as a trumpeter but as a spokesman for music education.

Technologies in schools, communities focus of May 9 AT&T, GSU program

Governors State University, in partnership with AT&T, will host a conference May 9 that will help develop south metropolitan regional partnerships using new technologies.

This daylong event will focus on technology uses for students, teachers, government officials, libraries and community organizations and individuals. Through discussions, workshops and information sessions, participants will learn first-hand how teachers are using technology to integrate information into classroom learning, the role technology plays in linking students with library and other data resources, and how technology links campuses for joint learning sessions through electronic classrooms. A special segment will focus on the
GSU awards honorary doctorates to five leaders

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A Grammy Award-winning performer and composer of jazz and classical music, Marsalis also is artistic director of the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra and of an octet performing masterworks of Jelly Roll Morton and Thelonious Monk.

His role as teacher has taken him into the schools to teach children not only about jazz but also about music in general and its role in their lives. Marsalis also has recorded a series, "Making the Music," for National Public Radio that explores the craft of jazz music.

As president of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Simmons leads one of the nation’s largest philanthropic foundations. It was founded in 1978 for charitable and public service purposes, with interests in such issues as peace and international cooperation, population, and world environment and resources, among others.

Simmons served as president of Hampshire College in Amherst, Mass., from 1977 to 1989, and is a former dean of student affairs and assistant professor of history at Princeton University, and a former dean of Jackson College at Tufts University. She has served on two Presidential Commissions, one on world hunger and one on the environment.

Governors State awarded Crawford a bachelor’s degree in business administration and computer science in 1972, and a master’s degree in marketing in 1974. He was the first president of the GSU Alumni Association.

Crawford’s first employer was IBM where he started as a system’s engineer and rose through the ranks holding a variety of sales, marketing and executive management positions. As vice president of marketing, he is credited with pioneering new distribution channels for IBM’s PCs.

Crawford joined AT&T in December 1988, serving as vice president, sales, service and support at AT&T Computer Systems. In 1991, he joined AT&T Microelectronics as vice president and later was promoted to president, a position he held until January 1996.

In February, Crawford became president of Microelectronics with Lucent Technologies, Inc., an international corporation with revenues of $3 billion that designs, manufactures and sells semiconductors and electronic components for applications in telecommunications, networked computing, multimedia, wireless and consumer electronics.

Manilow, lawyer, art collector, philanthropist, has been directly affiliated with Governors State since its 1969 founding. Manilow donated land to the university, advised its first president, William Engbretson, and helped establish the internationally acclaimed Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park on campus in memory of his father.

Among his activities, Manilow serves as a member of the board of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs and of the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago. He served as its president from 1976 to 1981. Manilow was a member of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy and served the Clinton election campaign as its 1992 Illinois finance co-chair and the national vice-chair of finance.

Students join march for funding reforms

Education majors at Governors State University got a first-hand look at the public’s role in helping set the legislative agenda when they joined nearly 3,000 supporters at a March 27 rally in Springfield for education funding reform.

The 32 students, who had gotten an overview of school funding in the “Foundations of Education” classes, chartered a bus with their professors, Dr. Karen Peterson and Mary Chladek, to attend the rally that brought people from across the state together in a call to legislators for adequate and equal education funding regardless of location and tax base.

They were joined at the rally by GSU Professor Ken Peterson who has been an advisor to Sen. Aldo DeAngelis on school funding change, Professor Robert Press of the College of Education, and Ron Bean, director of the Regional Action Project/2000+ based at GSU.

Although the rally was unsuccessful in convincing elected officials that change is necessary, Dr. Karen Peterson said students learned much from the experience.

"I think they saw it as a very positive approach," the professor said, although she acknowledges they were all extremely disappointed by the negative outcome.
Grant allows ATC to plan courses, begin partnerships

A $600,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is allowing the Addiction Training Center of Illinois at Governors State University to expand its services to meet the needs of criminal justice and health professionals, and to establish a second Addiction Training Center on the campus of the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

"These newest efforts reflect on the positive results from our groundbreaking efforts," said Dr. Cheryl Mejta, director of the Addiction Training Center and a professor of addictions studies at GSU. "As we branch out to serve in new arenas, we remain true to our mission to serve practitioners in addictions counseling and treatment and to educate students."

Technology topic of May 9 conference
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Internet and to the creative options computers can provide.

AT&T have given GSU a $20,000 grant to help underwrite the conference and to offer small group training sessions at an October technology conference.

"We see this conference as the perfect opportunity for educators, elected officials, civic leaders and the general public to learn how technology is assisting us in everyday life," said conference organizer Dr. Shelly Giménez, director of the Center for Training and Educational Development at GSU.

"While many of us have included computers, telecommunications links, electronic databases and the Internet into our vocabularies, gaining first-hand knowledge of these technologies isn't always available. This May 9 program will offer that," she said.

"AT&T is a perfect partner for Governors State to work with on this conference because it offers a broad perspective as a technology leader that has consistently shown its commitment to improving education through technology," said Dr. Lee Zaborowski, dean of GSU's Center for Extended Learning and Communications Services.

"This partnership demonstrates how our combined expertise in technology and innovation can reach into the community to enhance lifelong learning and foster a positive environment for dialogue and problem solving," said Ray O'Connell, public relations vice president at AT&T.

At the May 9 program, representatives of the South Metropolitan Regional Leadership Center and the Regional Action Project/2000+ at GSU will outline how the two entities will work to link communities and regional leaders for collaborative work, public information and dialogue, and distance education to help solve regional problems.

The technology link for these efforts will be the Learning In Community On-Line Network (LINCOLN), a U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration project that is designed to give computer and phone connections to agencies, schools and government agencies in the Chicago south metropolitan region.

GSU offers the only master's degree in addictions studies in Illinois. "Since it was established in 1983, the addictions studies program has filled a tremendous need for trained professionals, and has made a conscious effort to share its resources with community agencies," the GSU professor said.

Dr. Mejta and colleague Dr. Judy Lewis have already begun work in Puerto Rico to establish a similar program.

The Addiction Training Center now is working on a two-fold approach with criminal justice and health professionals developing cross-training systems as well as specific curricula for them.

"Too often we find staff in these helping professions coming in contact with clients who are addicted or abuse drugs, but they don't have a solid foundation to help them understand and assess the clients' needs and then make proper referrals," Dr. Mejta said. "Our training sessions, designed by health care and criminal justice experts, will offer that background and put their work into a context that will be beneficial to both them and their clients."

Ballet, jazz take Center's stage

Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the Chicago Jazz Ensemble perform at The Center for Arts and Technology in April.

With trademarks of versatility, technical excellence and a captivating style, the Royal Winnipeg Ballet will charm you with all the classical moves and some uniquely new twists when they perform at 8 p.m. April 20.

The Chicago Jazz Ensemble's 1:30 p.m. show April 28 will give verve to the sounds of the great jazz orchestras. Works by Stan Kenton, Duke Ellington and Count Basie will be featured, as well as pieces by lesser known composers.

The performance is preceded by an 11:30 a.m. brunch.

For tickets and additional information on these performances, call the box office at (708) 235-2222.
Radio drama wins Segal top prize

BY MARILYN THOMAS

A radio drama written by Governors State University Professor Eli Segal has won first prize in the 1996 Juried Faculty Competition of the National Association of Broadcasters' Broadcast Education Association.

The professor of media communication wrote the winning entry, a fantasy about a university professor who embarks on a shady mission, as part of his "Audion Theatre" radio series. Although the setting is a familiar one for Segal, he says any similarity to actual professors is "purely coincidental."

The program was hosted by GSU adjunct professor Charles Fuller who is best known for his work with commercial voiceovers and as an on-camera commercial spokesperson. Dr. Reino Hakala, GSU professor of mathematical, physical and environmental sciences, served as Segal's scientific advisor.

The 15-part series, an anthology of original radio dramas and contemporary recreations of classic scripts from radio's golden age, is produced by Segal's Black Sheep Media Productions in Kalamazoo, Mich., where he lives.

Eli Segal

Segal and his cast of actors have produced more than 100 half-hour dramas, many of them for series such as "The Grip of Terror," "Voices from Michigan's Past" and "Future Tense!" The programs, designed to take listeners into the realm of the imagination, have been aired on more than 30 radio stations in seven states and on National Public Radio.

This latest first prize honor for Segal will be added to an already impressive list of awards, including the prestigious Peabody Award which is the equivalent of a Pulitzer Prize, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting Community Service Award, the George Washington Gold Medal from the Freedoms Foundation and the Ohio State Award. He has written, produced and directed more than 4,500 programs.

Segal joined the Governors State University staff in 1987 and immediately set to work on establishing a sequence for audio, his first love of the media communications field. A native of New York City, Segal has been actively involved in radio programs since his youth when he followed his father to radio studios.

Since 1960, Segal has worked in broadcasting and recording, and has been a professor in higher education since 1969.

GSU prof leads Spanish art tour

Governors State University is hosting a summer art education tour along one of the world's most famous pilgrimage routes.

Dr. Arthur Bourgeois, professor of art history, will lead the July 14 through 29 program along Spain's St. James Way.

For this tour, participants will retrace the historic, literary, religious, commercial and artistic atmosphere of the 12th century while studying the monuments within the larger context of cultural history. The tour will begin in Madrid and travels through the Spanish countryside.

Dr. Bourgeois has scheduled the tour so that participants will be in Santiago July 26 for the major celebration of the feast of St. James where residents march in parades and wear specially designed costumes and masks.

Participants will be required to read some materials before the tour and submit an essay afterward for one GSU credit-hour.

The tour cost is $2,459 per person based on double occupancy. A deposit of $250 per person is required to reserve a place.

For information on this tour of Spain, contact Dr. Bourgeois at GSU at (708) 534-4012, or Transitions Abroad, Inc., the travel agency handling the arrangements, at (708) 756-3655.
Civil Service Day Fun

Oh, to have a singing voice like Janice Worsham’s (UL) who entertained with two numbers.

Sylvia Chavez (IS) models a beautifully embroidered costume from China.

A clarinet solo was performed by David Weinberger (FA).

The Hall of Governors was converted into a smorgasbord restaurant for Civil Service staff members.

Ellen Kahn (CHP) graced the stage modeling her “Mother of the bride” dress.

Kathy Miller (IR) (right), directs the Third Floor Women’s A Cappella group in its rendition of “Where Are All the Men?”
Employee of the Month

Records work lets Pedric extend helping hand to students, faculty

BY MARILYN THOMAS

The reassuring voice tells the student her records will be checked again and she will have a resolution to her problem within a matter of days. The sincerity of Leora Pedric is genuine, and her initiatives in the Registrar's Office and Enrollment Services have brought her recognition as a reliable, thoughtful member of the staff who is willing to step in as needed. She can be counted on to stand by her word.

But it's the telephone persona, the one with the information every student needs, that's won Pedric the honor of March "Employee of the Month." Students Sylvia J. Diekman and Raquel Diekman recalled.

"I love every aspect of it," the records management officer says. "Sure, there are days when it's a bit overwhelming. The work doesn't stop so that I can catch up. But I know that what I do from my computer or in my phone conversations has a direct impact on a GSU student, and that puts a 'people' kind of value on it."

Pedric is in training for the CARS computersystem implementation. "Everything becomes an active database," she explained, "even what we now have as archived materials."

Once she leaves work, Pedric relaxes in Homewood with her daughter, Raquel, and son, John, both students at Homewood-Flossmoor High School.

For her own enjoyment, Pedric rides her Harley motorcycle both short distances and cross-country touring. "Most people can't believe I'd be a Harley owner. I thoroughly enjoy it. Riding is the one thing I have total control over in my life."

Employee of the Month

Leora Pedric

Cafeteria menu

DAILY — Pizza, baked potato bar.
(Week of April 8-12)

Monday—Sausage and egg biscuit. Chicken noodle soup, chili; tuna melt, fries or soup; roast turkey, dressing, vegetable, roll; stir fry with vegetables.

Tuesday—Pancakes with sausage or bacon. Tortellini soup, chili; double cheeseburger, fries or soup; quarter baked chicken, rice or potatoes, vegetable, roll; pasta.

Wednesday—Egg, ham and cheese on croissant. Cream of potato soup, chili; Italian beef sandwich, fries or soup; beef fajitas, vegetable; grilled chicken Caesar salad.

Thursday—Ham, egg and cheese on croissant. Tomato rice soup, chili; grilled ham and cheese sandwich, fries or soup; catfish nuggets, macaroni and cheese or fries, vegetable, roll.

(Week of April 15-19)

Monday—Eggs, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast. Cream of chicken soup, chili; patty melt, fries or soup; chicken burrito, Spanish rice, refried beans, salad; pasta.

Tuesday—Ham and cheese omelet, toast. Navy bean soup, chili; turkey Reuben, fries or soup; tuna casserole, roll; chicken stir fry, vegetables.

Wednesday—Ham, egg and cheese croissant sandwich. Minestrone soup, chili; fish sandwich, fries or soup; lasagna, vegetable, garlic bread; grilled chicken, Caesar salad, breadstick.

Thursday—Pancakes, eggs, bacon or sausage. Beef barley soup, chili; sloppy Joe, fries or soup; pork chop suet, rice, vegetable; taco salad.

Friday—Omelet, toast. Split pea soup, chili. Philly cheese and steak, fries, soup; sauteed perch fillet, macaroni and cheese, vegetable, roll.
CELCS changes bring about new service approaches

A shift away from the traditional organizational structure to one of a dynamic project team approach has been helping transform the Center for Extended Learning and Communications Services (CELCS).

Dean Leon Zaborowski and staff have been working methodically for several months to develop this new design for the unit to make CELCS work more efficiently, more closely and more in-tune with university needs.

Through reorganization, CELCS now has three distinct parts — The Division of Extended Learning (DXL), Workforce and Community Services (WCS), and Communication Services (CS).

“The work of our unit extends not only to the needs of faculty and students, but also cuts across academic boundaries to reach the needs of communities, businesses and individuals in the area through specialized training programs and conferences,” the dean said.

• The Division of Extended Learning will meet the needs of credit programming other than GSU’s traditionally scheduled courses. Three major branches of service are in place.

Credit programming will be headed up by Polly Bernd. Her team’s work includes continuing responsibility for off-campus programming at more than two dozen sites, as well as Weekend Programming (formerly Weekend College) and the one- and two-credit hour workshops that were handled through the old Conferences/Workshops and Weekend College unit.

Responsibility for teletexts/teleclasses and correspondence courses — now called Home Study (formerly Media-Based Instruction and Independent Study by Correspondence) — and the new electronic interactive classroom courses is now under the DXL umbrella with direction from Sally Petrilli.

Degree-program delivery through the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts program (BOG), another branch of the Division of Extended Learning is headed up by Dr. Glenn Shive, director of the BOG B.A. program.

DXL also includes the South Metropolitan Regional Higher Education Consortium directed by Peg Donohue. The consortium links 14 higher education institutions, both public and private, in a network that sets policies, plans and programs in a coordinated effort.

“The Division of Extended Learning is designed to maximize cooperative planning and articulation between the academic divisions of GSU,” Dr. Zaborowski said. Bernd and Shive will be liaisons to the division chairs and the deans of GSU’s four colleges.

• Workforce and Community Services’ three components will design and deliver specialized workforce education, professional development and community service programs. Its training programs will be tailored to meet unique organizational and community-based educational needs.

Working within this unit will be the staff of The Center for Training and Educational Development, or TED Center, (formerly Office of Conferences/Workshops and Contract Training). TED Center director Dr. Shelly Giménez is coordinating staff within the center’s two distinct functions — contract training services and conference planning.

The on-going course development and training programs by Roger Paris and staff for the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services are examples of how The Workforce and Community Services unit can assist the public.

The newest component of WCS is the federally funded Learning In Community On-Line Network (LINCOLN). Dr. Larry McClellan will coordinate the efforts for telephone and computer on-line information services that will link communities, businesses, agencies and schools in the south metropolitan region.

• The Communications Services unit, directed by Gary Fisk, reaches across all lines serving all departments and colleges at GSU. It will continue to produce award-winning teleclasses, public affairs programs and interactive conferences, as well as service audio, graphics, photography and instructional development needs.

“As the communications network evolves, the Communications Services Department will be at the cutting edge of new technologies that interface audio, video and computer graphics,” Dr. Zaborowski stressed. “It also will be a partner with the Educational Computing Network, the Center for Technology and Information and the Academic Computing Services.”

Staff changes

New employees — Louvenia Hardaway (A&P), program administrative assistant to vice president of administration and planning; Ann Vendrely (CHP), university lecturer and co-director of occupational and physical therapy programs; Karla Grunler (CELS), research associate; Martha “Pat” Gardner (ACS), computer lab coordinator.

Leaving — Jennifer D’Ambrosio (PPO), space planner.

Retired — Frieda Vazales (A&P), administrative assistant to the vice president of administration and planning.

Transferred — Marsha Valiente from CELCS to Financial Aid.

Get Well Wishes

To Sharon Browne (CS) who is recuperating from surgery. Greetings can be sent to her at 1260 Columbia, Crete, IL 60417.

Condolences

To Willa McLaren (CE), on the death of her brother, David Wright, in Cleveland Feb. 27.

To Mary Ann Clarke (CHP) on the death of her father March 26. Burial was in North Carolina.
Northwestern's Inman wins Civil Service Scholarship

Michael Inman, son of Susan Inman in the Division of Liberal Arts, was the fall trimester recipient of the Civil Service Scholarship.

The sophomore at Northwestern University used the $250 award to purchase books. He is a mechanical engineering major. Inman is on the five-year bachelor’s completion plan so that he can participate in a cooperative program, a kind of internship which will place him for on-site experience with an engineering company.

At Northwestern he has had a host of experiences. He is a member of the rugby team, tutors with Boys’ Hope, a special program for inner-city students, and has served with the Northwestern Special Olympics volunteers.

During his years at Rich East High School, Inman played on the school’s football, wrestling and golf teams and was a member of the Astronomy Club, Science Club, Scholastic Bowl team, National Honor Society and Mathletes. He tutored students in math and science and volunteered with the Chicago Heights Animal Society.

The Civil Service Scholarship is open to all GSU employees, their spouses and dependent children. Scholarships range from $250 for students attending a college/university other than GSU, and $150 for those employees attending GSU.

The scholarship is funded through fundraisers such as the Valentine’s Day flower sale and the scholarship benefit drive that offered 10 “Best Buy” store certificates during Civil Service Day ceremonies.

Scholarship Committee members Gusta Allen, Barbara Basler, Geri Dalton, Jeff Gillow and Marilyn Thomas review student applications according to established criteria. For a scholarship application, contact Fran Lindsay in Human Resources at extension 4923.

ITS handling GSU technology and information needs

Governors State University's computing and technical information services are now handled by Information Technology Services (ITS), a new unit created when GSU acquired the Educational Computing Network (ECN).

ECN was organized in 1986 to offer cooperative computing services for instruction and research to the five Board of Governors universities. From 1975 to 1986, ECN provided the same service under the auspices of the Illinois Educational Consortium.

In 1990, ECN moved to the GSU campus and has been housed in the specially designed computer building. It operates, manages and maintains a state-of-the-art telecommunications and computing service for the students, faculty, staff and alumni of GSU, as well as other universities in Illinois.

Information Technology Services is the umbrella for Academic Computing Services (ACS), the CARS Information System and Educational Computing Network (ECN). It provides both academic and administrative computing services, including database administration, ECN services, hardware and software technical support, Helpdesk, instruction, phone services, programming, student lab facilities and word processing.

ITS will function under the direction of Dr. James Alexander, vice president of administration and planning. Julie Gude is ITS executive director working with Michael Hanei, director of technical services, Chuck Nebes, director of user services, and Adalma Stevens, director of support services.

“I am pleased with the opportunity provided for us to take the best of two good organizations and to meld their complementary skills in support of the many needs of GSU,” Dr. Alexander said. “I am confident that we will all benefit from this support.”

“I expect ITS to be the focal point of technology for teaching, learning and administering at GSU for students, faculty and staff,” Gude said.

Remodeling work benefits three units

In an effort to serve staff and students better, the Physical Plant Operations (PPO) staff has been remodeling space to accommodate new offices and services.

The move of Admissions and Student Recruitment to offices in the new entryway wing allowed PPO to reconfigure and specially design the space for Financial Aid.

The remodeling has offered the Financial Aid staff a large waiting area, six staff offices that allow for comfortable meetings between counselors and students, and a space for storage of files and records. Now student workers also have a designated work area.

The reconfiguration also gave PPO the opportunity to widen the passing space in the hallways by cutting Financial Aid’s reception area on a diagonal, according to Michael Hassett, director of PPO.

The former Financial Aid space (opposite the Cashier’s window) is being converted for Career Services, now located in the Student Development offices, and for a partial shift of Business Office functions. What was the Business Office conference room has been reallocated to Student Affairs and Services.

Hassett said major remodeling work also is planned for F-Lounge which is being converted to instructional labs for the new occupational therapy program in the College of Health Professions. Some remodeling work also is planned in the second floor Liberal Arts area that will be vacated with the dissolution of the music programs.