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In the midst of winter, I finally learned there was in me an invincible summer.

--Albert Camus

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PFS IN THE NEWS . . .

National Neighbors will hold its 1978 Midwest Regional Conference in Park Forest South at the invitation of the Human Relations Commission of PFS. Co-sponsoring the Conference are the villages of PFS and Park Forest, GSU and the South Suburban Housing Center. Scheduled for April 7, 8 and 9, most of the Conference events will take place at GSU.

Park Forest South, designated as one of 15 New Communities under Title VII of the Housing and Urban Development Act in 1971, was recently declared one of the most viable of the new towns, according to HUD. Many of the towns established under the New Community Program are now insolvent. HUD officials have credited the new ICG commuter station and GSU with the village's success.

EXTENDED TRY-OUTS . . .

Additional try-outs for "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf" will be held February 27, 28 and March 1. Al Sherman will direct the GSU theatre production.

Call x2441-2 before Feb. 24 for an appointment.

"SECOND CITY" . . . theatre group, from Old Town in Chicago, will perform in Flossmoor Sat. March 4 in a benefit for the South Suburban YMCA. For further info or tickets, contact Barb McDonough, x2314.

ASS'T DIRECTOR APPOINTED . . .

Stephen L. Bellin has been appointed as Assistant Director of Financial Aids at GSU.

Bellin was formerly Assistant Director of Financial Aid at Chicago State University. He has also been associated with Urban College of Urbana, Ohio; Trinity College of Palos Heights; Christian Reformed Board of Home Missions of Miami; and the Minneapolis Star and Tribune in Minneapolis.

He received his B.A. degree in sociology/guidance and counseling from Calvin College of Grand Rapids.

As a member of the Illinois Association of Financial Aids Administrators he serves on the state training committee and is a regional representative for northeast Illinois.

Bellin is a resident of Oak Forest.

NOMINATIONS PLEASE . . . for the honorary Doctorate to be awarded at GSU's 1978 Commencement. Faculty are requested to submit names of candidates by Friday, Feb. 28 to Virginia Piucci, Chairperson of the Graduation Committee.

VETERANS OF INNOVATION . . .

Five Years

Elisabeth Glascoff      LRC  2/1
Cornelius O'Sullivan   DPS  2/16
GSU Classified

Vacant Civil Service Job Classifications as of February 15, 1978:

9/28/77 Work Program Participant BPS
1/6/78 Computer Aide II A&R
1/12 Building Mechanic BPO
1/12 Library Clerk II LRC
1/18 Work Program Participant EAS
1/31 Secretary III Transcribing CCS
2/8 Collection Specialist II BO
2/8 Payroll Clerk III BO
2/8 Secretary III Steno BPO
2/14 Graphic Arts Designer ICC

For further info on above, contact Personnel, x2310.

Positions Open

Counselor in Office of Student Activities: vocational, personal, and career counseling; Ph. D. in counseling required. Application deadline is March 1, 1978.

Admissions Counselor in Office of Student Activities: to serve as University rep. in visitation programs with high schools and junior colleges, administer veterans affairs. Degree from accredited college/university required. Deadline for application is March 1, 1978.


Menu for Week 2/20 Thru 2/24

Mon. Beef Noodle Soup; Country Fried Steak/Gravy; Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans; Roast Turkey Breast (Spec. Hot Sand.).
Tues. Cr. of Asparagus Soup; Salisbury Steak/Mushroom Gravy; Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Broccoli; Roast Beef on Hard Roll (Spec.).
Wed. Beef Barley Soup; Turkey a la King o/Biscuit, Baked Fish/Lemon Butter; Hash Brown Potatoes, Stewed Tom w/ Zucchini; Corned Beef on Rye (Spec.).
Thurs. Chicken Noodle Soup; Turkey w/Dressing and Cranberry Sauce; Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Green Peas; Grilled Reuben (Spec. Hot Sand.).
Fri. Seafood Gumbo Soup; Braised Beef Steak, Salmon Patties w/Cr. Pea Sauce; Brown New Potatoes, Buttered Spinach.

Published

Policy Making and Effective Leadership, co-authored by David Curtis, has been published by Josey-Bass.

Suzanne Prescott and Addison Woodward (Both HLD) have co-authored Children and Youth: Psychological Development: A Student Manual, published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston.

Also -- the work of Suzanne Prescott and former GSU student Patrice Reardon appearing in Winter '78 issue of Psychology of Women Quarterly.

Black Month

is currently being honored with the second in a series of LRC staff hobby/collection exhibits. On view are three collections belonging to Addie Harris which share the theme of Afro-American History. Artifacts from Kenya and Haiti, Blues and Jazz records, and stage bills dated 1960-1978 from Afro-American theatre are featured.

GSUings

The GSU JAZZ BAND performing in "Black Esthetics" at the Museum of Science and Industry . . . AL SHERMAN (CCS) being appointed a reader for the Advanced Institutional Development Program for HEW Office of Education . . . MARGARET MORTON and DAN SWENSON (both BPS) speaking on "The Role of Micro Computers in Business Education" at National Convention of the National Business Education Assoc. in Denver . . . Anke (LOWELL --BPS) CULVER, instructor of German at Thornton Community College, leading a faculty/student tour to France, Belgium, Germany and Switzerland . . . MILLICENT CONLEY (HLD) presenting a workshop "Strategies for Individualizing within the Basal Reading Approach" to the Will County Reading Association . . . RUDOLF STRUKOFF (CCS) singing with the Park Forest Singers at Freedom Hall . . . JOYCE KENNEDY (HLD) chairing a session "Counseling Minority Students" at the Annual Guidance Conference at NIU . . . YOUNG KIM (HLD) at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research in Phoenix, Arizona, chairing a forum and presenting a paper "Toward a Synthesis in Educational Philosophy of Intercultural Communication" . . . RICHARD BURD (ICC) having his work "Musical Chairs of the 4 Second Kind" selected from 607 entries for exhibition in "Survey of Illinois Photography" in Peoria . . .
Students Sink Into Subject

By LINDA MONROE
Times Staff Writer

PARK FOREST SOUTH — Some of Daniel Casagrande's students have been known to take unplanned swims. They study peat, or earth that will someday become coal.

"Various things cross your mind — like what's in the water," Casagrande, a Governors State University professor, said.

One of Casagrande's courses, indelibly etched into six to 10 students' memories each year, is called "Field Studies in the Okefenokee Swamp."

Casagrande and another faculty member, botanist Peter Gunther, take students to the Georgia swamp for 10 days to three weeks each summer to study peat.

The study centers on the presence of sulfur and metals in coal formation.

Information dug up in the study may someday help design coal utilization plants with more efficient removal of sulphur and metals which pollute the atmosphere.

The National Science Foundation awarded $84,500 to Casagrande's project in 1977. It has awarded him grants totalling between $250,000 and $350,000, he said.

Casagrande will tell of his research in the Okefenokee swamp, which has lots of peat, at the Gordon Conference on Organic Chemistry Feb. 20 at the University of Chicago.

The Okefenokee area also abounds with alligators, cottonmouth moccasins, rattlesnakes and coral snakes — but the field studies groups have yet to have problems with them, Casagrande said. The groups work from air boats and helicopters, but walking on the peat is also necessary.

Surface temperatures around 100 degrees, 90 degree water and long work days can make the field studies unpleasant, Casagrande said. Work days start at 5 a.m., and the groups often analyze peat samples until midnight. They sleep in state-owned cabins at Stephen Foster State Park.

Even a simple task such as fishing can be difficult in the swamp.

"In many areas the water is low, fish and alligators are concentrated into a small area," Casagrande said.

"People who have caught fish have fought the alligators for them," he added.

"Opportunities such as the field study, warm as it may be, are the hallmark of the educational process," the professor said.
FRIDAY, February 17
8:00 p.m. Play: "My Sweet Charlie" (Theatre) $2 Admission; $1 child, senior citizens & Alumni Assoc.members; GSU Students free.

SATURDAY, February 18
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Introduction to BOG (B1318)
12:30 p.m. Disney Children's Film Festival: "Kidnapped" (EH) Child.25¢
8:00 p.m. Play: "My Sweet Charlie" (Theatre)

SUNDAY, February 19

MONDAY, February 20
9:30 a.m. ICC Production Meeting (ICC Preview Room)
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Vice Presidents' Meeting (PCA)
10:00 a.m. Unit Heads' Meeting (E1104)
1:30 p.m. Operations Committee (D1120)
3:00 p.m. Executive Committee (D3301)

TUESDAY, February 21
11:00 a.m. U.A. Governance Committee (D3301)
1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. Movie: "Failsafe" (EH) Free
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Academic Council (PCA)

WEDNESDAY, February 22
9:00 a.m. Civil Service Affairs Subcommittee (D1120)
12:00 noon Theology for Lunch: "Star Wars and Other Close Encounters"

THURSDAY, February 23
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. SHS Coordinating Council Meeting (A2234)
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon EAS Faculty Meeting (A1102)
2:00 p.m. University Assembly (EH)
7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. "Friends of Photography" Workshop (Media Dome) Info, x2446

FRIDAY, February 24
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Council of College & University Supervisors of Practicum in the Public School (EAS Commons)
2:00 p.m. Executive Committee (PCA)
7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. "Friends of Photography" Workshop (B2325)
8:00 p.m. Play: "My Sweet Charlie" (Theatre)

SATURDAY, February 25
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. "Friends of Photography" Workshop (B2325)
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Insurance Testing (A1102)
12:30 p.m. Disney film: "The Island at the Top of the World" (EH)
8:00 p.m. Play: "My Sweet Charlie" (Theatre)

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Our Deadline . . . for submissions is Wednesday noon. Faze I will be happy to answer all signed questions or submissions. Send them to the Editor, Joan Lewis, Office of University Relations.

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