myGSU Portal

The university’s IRiS Project team will make the myGSU portal available to all faculty and staff on Friday, May 13.

Over the past few weeks, many faculty and staff have attended portal training sessions. Additional sessions will be held over the next few weeks, and throughout the course of the IRiS Project, as additional features are added to the system.

An open training session focusing on a general portal overview, the online schedule of classes, and the new student registration system will be held on May 11, at 10 a.m., in the Hall of Honors.

In the meantime, you are encouraged to access the portal tutorial webpage at www.govst.edu/tutorials. The page contains video and written tutorial documents to help you become familiar with the new system. Your understanding of the portal will be extremely important as you begin to address student inquiries about the new system.

Students will have access to the myGSU portal on May 23 and priority registration begins on June 6. The Fall 2011 online Schedule of Classes is available at www.govst.edu/schedule.

Special Ticket Price for Mama’s Night Out

*Mama’s Night Out* at The Center for Performing Arts is the perfect night out for the whole family. The show begins at 8 p.m., on Saturday, May 7. A free pre-show party begins at 6:30 p.m. in the CPA lobby.

To make the evening even more affordable, The Center for Performing Arts is offering two-for-one platinum tickets to GSU students, faculty, and staff. Tickets in this main floor seating are normally $44. Two-for-one tickets are available from 10 a.m. on Friday, May 6, to one hour before show time.

Visit the CPA box office or call 708.235.2222.
**Free Concert Today**

The American Cancer Society is presenting a free concert in The Center for Performing Arts today at 5:30 p.m. Students, staff, faculty, and the public are welcome. No tickets are required.

The concert is part of the *Music Saved MY Life Series* and features hip-hop artist MIKE E. Through music, the series promotes healthy lifestyle choices. For concert details, visit AfroFlow.com.

**Associate Provost Candidate - Dennis Rome**

On Monday, May 9, Dr. Dennis M. Rome will be interviewed for the position of Associate Provost.

His open forum presentation will be from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. in the Hall of Honors. The GSU community is invited to participate.

View Dr. Rome’s vita.

**GSU Golf League Tees Off**

It is time to separate the green from the rough, dust off those golf clubs, and get swinging. The GSU Golf League tees off for the first game of the season on Tuesday, May 10, at 4:30 p.m., at Golf Vista, 5001 W. Augusta Boulevard, Monee.

The cost of nine holes is $7, add a cart for $12, or share the cart fee and cut your costs.

The League is open to all university students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community. Golfing is scheduled every Tuesday weather permitting. The golf season culminates in the GSU Dave Drechsel Annual Golf Outing, which will be held at University Club in September.

Contact Hollie Campbell at 708.235.7595 for more information.

**Scholarship Spotlight - Valicienne Arnold**

Valicienne Arnold of South Holland received the Community Service Scholarship Honoring Ronald Bean. Valicienne is a graduate student in the College of Business and Public Administration.

Valicienne has a strong commitment to the children in her community and serves as president of her school district’s Parent Teacher Association.
Give your Baby a Head Start

Early Head Start (EHS) at the GSU Family Development Center is now open to the entire GSU community – students, employees, family, and friends.

The Early Head Start program at GSU is a comprehensive program for low-income families. It provides low cost daily childcare for infants and toddlers to three years old, pre-natal services for expectant mothers, home visits, and links to support services for families.

Funding for the Early Head Start program at GSU comes from a grant from the Department of Health and Human Services.

For more information about the Early Head Start Program at the GSU Family Development Center, call 708.235.7300 or visit www.govst.edu/children.

Baysore Nominations Now Being Accepted

David Curtis once said, “Jerry Baysore, simply, was the best man I’ve ever known.”

Who is the best GSU employee you know?

The Dr. Gerald C. Baysore Award is presented each year to the GSU employee who most fully demonstrates the following four qualities that Dr. Baysore consistently and fully embodied during his 18 years of service to the university:

• Absolute integrity
• Total competence
• Generous dedication
• Unfailing civility

The Baysore Award will be presented by President Maimon during Convocation on Thursday, August 18.

Nominations must be received by Tuesday, May 31 and should explain how the employee includes the above four qualities in their day-to-day work.

Please send your written nominations to Penny Perdue, G334.

Stepping Class Rescheduled

Stepping class will be offered Mondays from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Recreation and Fitness Center. Class meets on June 6, 13, 20, 27, and July 11. Spaces are still available.

Stepping promotes fitness, health awareness, and discipline for all ages. For more information, visit room A1106 or call 708.534.4556.
Film Student and Faculty Success

The Independent Film and Digital Imaging (IFDI) program at GSU has a lot to be proud of according to Dan Nearing, Associate Professor and Academic Coordinator of the program.

IFDI student Shelly Hokanson will move from graduating with an MFA to an assistant professorship in the School of Media Arts and Design at James Madison University in Virginia.

GSU student film director Jason Knade, whose strikingly beautiful short film, Cyclicity, not only won Best in Show at GSU's recent Art Student Exhibition, but it has also been accepted in several international festivals, including the San Francisco International LGBT Film Festival, which is the largest and longest-running LGBT film event in the world. IFDI and MCOM students Rachel Rozycki, Robert Beshara, Leah Chapman, Megan Anstrom, Archie Cocke, and Robert Williams also worked on the film. For more information, visit the Cyclicity website.

Cyclicity has also met the standard of artistic merit to be placed in the non-competitive Short Film Corner at the Cannes Film Festival next month. It joins Goalie, another GSU film, which has been placed in the same category at the Cannes Film Festival.

Goalie is a short film shot over the winter break by IFDI faculty Sanghoon Lee and Daniel Nearing, along with MFA students Rachel Rozycki, Leah Chapman, Aaron Daniel Annas, Blake Labriola, and Benny Stewart. To learn more, visit the Goalie website.

Motor Vehicle Services

Illinois Secretary of State’s Mobile Service Unit will be at GSU on Tuesday, May 24, from 1:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Services available at the mobile service unit include driver’s license renewal, replacement, and corrections; State ID card renewal, replacement, and corrections; vehicle sticker sales; passenger and b-truck license plates; vehicle title and registration; parking placards for persons with disabilities; and organ/tissue donor information. In addition, vision tests and the written driver’s license exam can be taken. No driving tests will be given.

The services provided are available to all qualified Illinois residents. State law allows driver’s license renewal up to one year in advance. Proper identification is required for new and duplicate driver’s licenses and state ID cards. Acceptable forms of payment include personal checks, cash, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover credit and debit cards.

For information, visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com.