News and Events

New V.P. at GSU
President Elaine P. Maimon recently announced the appointment of Courtney Kohn Sanders to the newly created position of Vice President for Enrollment Management and Marketing.

In this position, she will be responsible for recruitment and outreach, admissions and admissions processing, financial aid, registration and student records, international student services, marketing and public affairs.

View Dr. Maimon’s memo.

Outdoor Farmers Market

The GSU Farmers Market will be open today and every Thursday through September.

The outdoor market offers the opportunity to buy locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables, freshly baked bread, delicious honey, and other healthy products.

The market is open from 1 to 6 p.m., outside the main entrance.

Direct Deposit Payment Advice

GSU’s payroll services in Colleague, the new Datatel system, will begin operation with the July 15 payroll. One of the features of the new system enables online access for all employees to bi-weekly pay details (i.e. salary, benefits, and deductions, etc.). All employees will be able to access this information at any time.

GSU Payroll will discontinue the use of a paper direct deposit advice after June 30.

Beginning with the July 15 payroll, all employees will be able to access their online pay advices on the new GSU portal by taking the following steps:

1. Go to http://mygovst.govst.edu/facultystaff/Pages/default.aspx
2. Click on the tab labeled Online Services located on the right hand column
3. Click on the drop down tab labeled Pay Advices

If you have questions, contact the GSU Help desk at ext. 4357.
TWAG Needs You
This Week @ GSU (TWAG) is a student run, student produced news show that highlights what is happening on campus. This daily, two minute production focuses on student oriented news and upcoming events. View the show online and see for yourself what all of the buzz is about.

TWAG needs your help. TWAG wants information about any student-related events or campus news. The show also needs information for its GSU Spotlight segment. GSU Spotlight highlights exceptional students, courses, professors, student workers, and organizations/clubs each week.

Contact TWAG with news and suggestions at thisweek@govst.edu.

NMSP Artwork on the Move
"Renewal" at Governors State University's Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park continued this week as two well-known pieces by major artists were moved to new locations.

"Icarus," a three-dimensional geometric sculpture by Charles Ginnever, was moved from its longtime location near GSU's Stuenkel Road entrance to a meadow along NMSP's south walking trail. Terrence Karpowicz's "Art Arc" was moved from the Hall of Governors to a location just inside the university’s main entrance.

"Just as with other museums, things are always being renewed here," said Geoffrey Bates, NMSP director and curator. "We are constantly working to improve visitors’ experience with the park and its artwork. That includes seeking new sites for our presentations."

In its original location, Bates said, most viewers experienced "Icarus" in a "drive-by" fashion, with the piece primarily seen as a two-dimensional object. "The new location will allow visitors to see the piece from distance and then, through a series of 'peekaboo' manipulations of the landscape, experience it from a variety of approaches before they are finally upon it," he said.

"Icarus", created in 1975, is one of the earliest examples of Ginnever’s “Hellenic” group of works. By simply crimping together large sheets of Cor-ten steel and aligning them in a variety of configurations, Ginnever created artworks that set up complex planar relationships resulting in a dynamic presentation of light and shadow.

Bates said the new location for "Art Ark," a favorite of visitors over the years, also offers a chance to experience the work on a more intimate basis. Its new site sets up a visual dialogue with the lattice-like framework of the over-arching windows in the entry atrium, he said.

Art of Wayon Collins
The GSU Visual Arts Gallery will show the work of Wayon Collins in his graduate thesis exhibition Don’t Shoot The Messenger. The exhibit will be on display from July 7 to 12. A reception celebrating the artist and his work will be held on Tuesday, July 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. Both the reception and exhibit are free and open to the public.

Collins shows the viewer modern day problems through his artwork, which takes the form of comic book covers and the iconic posters of various activists who spoke out against social inequalities.

His artwork has been exhibited in galleries throughout the Chicago area.
Collins earned his bachelor’s degree from Western Illinois University and is currently pursuing a Masters of Arts at GSU.

The Visual Arts Gallery is open Monday and Wednesday from 2 to 4:30 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 9 p.m., Saturday from noon to 5 p.m., and by appointment.

For more information, visit gsuvisualartsgallery.blogspot.com or call ext. 4021.

**Scholarship Spotlight – Erin Fletcher**

Erin Fletcher of Richton Park received the Rich Township Community Scholarship. Erin is a student in the College of Arts and Sciences’ communications program.

She would like to continue her education and receive her master’s degree in communications. She wishes to make a difference in teaching communications to children.