News and Events

Precautionary Evacuation

At approximately 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the university evacuated the E and F buildings and cancelled classes held in those buildings. The move was a precautionary measure based on the identification of a potentially harmful chemical in the chemistry lab.

Local law enforcement and fire officials responded immediately and worked closely with the university’s Emergency Response Team to coordinate the safe removal and disposal of the substance.

GSU’s Emergency Response Team thanks the first responders, emergency volunteers, and the entire university community for their calm and professional response to the situation.

All university classes, including those held in the E and F buildings, resumed as scheduled today.

Ticket Discount for Weekend Shows

GSU 2-for-1 tickets will be available for Flow and If You Give a Moose A Muffin this weekend at GSU’s Center for the Performing Arts.

The sale begins for both shows at 10 a.m., on Friday, November 11, and continues until one hour before showtime. Contact the CPA box office by phone or in person to enjoy this exclusive GSU discount. The box office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Friday and Saturday, and opens Sunday at 11 a.m. Call 708.235.2222 to reserve your seats with a $6 convenience fee.

Flow, a riveting One More Night production featuring dynamic hip hop rhythms and electrifying storytelling, will be presented at 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 12. Flow, a presentation of eta Creative Arts, is made possible by a grant from The Chicago Community Trust. With half
price tickets, GSU faculty and staff can get $30 seats for $15; with the discount, GSU and Dual Degree Program students can attend the show for $7.50.

*If You Give a Moose a Muffin*, a rollicking Especially for Kids show, will be presented at 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 13. The GSU 2-for-1 ticket offer is good for all seats, which normally sell for $10.50 to $15.50, based on seat location. GSU faculty, staff, students, and DDP students pay only half as much with discount.

The GSU 2-for-1 discount is not available to the general public. Public 2-for-1 seats are available only in-person at the Box Office starting two hours before curtain time and ending one hour before curtain time.

### Veterans Day Observance

GSU will mark Veterans Day on Friday, November 11 with a program beginning at 12:15 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. The program includes remarks by President Maimon and guest speaker, CSM Howard Robinson of the Illinois National Guard. Sgt. Major Robinson is the Senior Enlisted Person in the Illinois National Guard and a GSU student.

The program also includes a moment of silence, military honor guard, rifle salute, and bugle presentation.

In addition, volunteers will read the names of the 6,200 plus American service men and women who died in Iraq and Afghanistan during the past decade. The Remembrance Day National Roll Call begins at 8 a.m. and continues, with a break for the mid-day program, until all the names are read aloud. The reading of the names will also take place in the Hall of Governors.

People interested in volunteering to read names should contact Keith White at ext. 2223.

### Non-traditional Week Continues

Non-traditional Week concludes with events today and Friday. All activities celebrate the hard work and dedication of the non-traditional student. All students, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in the week’s events.

A professional development seminar will be conducted today from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. Refreshments will follow from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Hall of Governors.

From 5 to 7 p.m. tonight, *Footprints of a Veteran* will present information and discussion about the experience of service members. Speakers will
include veterans and a short film will be screened.

A Remembrance Roll Call will be conducted on Friday, November 11, Veterans Day, from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Alpha Sigma Lambda, the honors society for adult students, will conduct an induction ceremony for new members on November 15, at 6 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

These events are sponsored by Student Life, Academic Resources Center, and the College of Arts and Sciences. Events are free and open to the public.

**CBPA Graduate Program Info**

CBPA is hosting a graduate programs open house on Saturday, November 12, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Faculty, advisors, administrators, and current students will be on hand to discuss master’s degree programs in accounting, business administration (MBA), management information systems, and public administration. Participants will also be able to apply for program admission. Campus tours will be offered and breakfast will be served.

The free event is open to the public. For more information or to RSVP please call 708.534.4391 or e-mail BPAINFO@govst.edu.

**S.W.S.O. Bake Sale**

Delicious goodies will be for sale on November 16 when the Student Social Work Organization (S.W.S.O.) hosts a bake sale. From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., home baked goods will be for sale in the Hall of Governors.

Proceeds for the event support S.W.S.O.’s participation in Social Work Advocacy Day 2012.

**Arts and Crafts Fair Returns Tuesday**

The Civil Service Senate will present its Annual Arts and Crafts Fair on Tuesday, November 15, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Limited spaces are still available for artisans and crafters at the fair. All items at the fair must be homemade. Fees for artisans and crafters are $30 for one space and table, $45 for one space and two tables, and $60 for one space and three tables.

For information, contact Kathy Miller or Karen Stuenkel.

**More Winners in Community Campaign Raffle**
Winners of the weekly GSU Campus Community Campaign raffle were recently announced. They will each receive two tickets to the hit play, *Flow*, by Will Power, at Center for Performing Arts on Saturday, November 12, at 8 p.m.

The winners are Holly Campbell of Marketing and Public Affairs, Linda McCann of CHHS, student worker Pamela McCoy, Patricia Thompson of CBPA, and Barbara Varner of DPS.

During the Campus Community Campaign, Institutional Advancement will draw tickets from the Campaign raffle bowl. Each weekly winner receives two free tickets at a Center for Performing Arts performance.

See your Campus Community Campaign volunteer for your raffle ticket or stop by the Development Office. In addition to providing raffle tickets, the volunteers can also help guide you through the easy Campus Community Campaign donation process. Each donation to the campaign is another step toward helping our students attain their educational goals and the university fulfill its mission.

For more information about the Campus Community Campaign, contact Jackie Small at ext. 2188.

**Osteoporosis Info Session**

Students in the Physical Therapy program are sponsoring an Osteoporosis Information Session on Monday, November 14, at 5:30 p.m., in the Recreation and Fitness Center.

The information session is open to all students, faculty, staff, and friends and family interested in learning more about this important health issue.

Information will be presented by physical therapy faculty members Dr. Ann Vendrely and Dr. Robin Washington. The session will focus on disease information and the risk factors, in addition to nutrition and exercise that can contribute to preventing Osteoporosis.

For more information and to RSVP, e-mail ditzlerhollym@sau.edu by Saturday, November 12. RSVP not required.

**Scholarship Spotlight - Julie Pope**

Julie Pope of Monee received the David Bernstein Endowed Scholarship in English. Julie is a student in the College of Education’s Elementary Education program.
Community service is very important to Julie. She looks forward to receiving her degree so that she can help others as a teacher and serve her community.

**GSA Hosts R&R Game Days**

The Gay Straight Alliance is hosting R&R Game Days - Stress Relief Before Finals Week on Monday, November 21 and Tuesday, November 22, from 2 to 4 p.m., in the Student Gaming Lounge. Everyone is welcome to drop by and enjoy a relaxing game of cards or board games.

GSU club meetings will be held on November 17 and December 1, from 3 to 4 p.m., in room F2600.

**GSU Graduate Student Uses Physics in Artwork**

On Thursday, November 17, graduate student Tim Vitek will unveil a collection of new artwork in the Visual Arts Gallery called *Additive / Subtractive; Sensory Interactions Developed By A Geometric Algorithm*. An opening reception celebrating the artist is from 6 to 9 p.m. The exhibit runs through November 23. Both the exhibit and reception are free and open to the public.

The collection, which is Vitek’s graduate thesis show, is based on the second year masters student’s modifications to the Weber-Fechner law in physics. The works use an additive and subtractive algorithm Vitek developed to achieve a unique spectrum of color.

The Visual Arts Gallery is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 5 p.m., Tuesdays from 1 to 9 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 5 to 9 p.m., and by appointment. For more information, call ext. 4021 or visit the [gallery website](#).

**The World at GSU**

International Education Week and Global Entrepreneurship Week will be celebrated from November 14 through 17 with lectures, discussions, demonstrations, and displays. Activities are sponsored by the Office of International Services and CenterPoint at GSU.

**Global Lunch Specials**

Everyone is invited to enjoy lunch with Global Plate specials from noon to
2 p.m. as the GSU Cafeteria adds a special lunch selection to its menu. On Monday, the featured selection will be Chinese. On Tuesday, the lunch special will be Indian. On Wednesday, the special will be Mexican, and on Thursday, food with a European flavor will be offered.

**Monday, November 14**
Activities begin at noon with a cultural fair until 2 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. The fair includes a Chinese kung fu demonstration and a Chinese fashion show. There will also be a geography and logo identification contest.

From 2 to 4 p.m., a panel discussion on U.S., China, and International Trade will be held in the Hall of Honors. Jun Zhao will moderate the discussion.

**Tuesday, November 15**
The day begins with a field trip to the world’s largest inland port, Global Logistics Park, in Joliet, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. People interested in attending should contact Stevco Nikolov at ext. 8391.

Also on Tuesday, an Indian dance extravaganza and Mehndi, Indian henna tattooing, will be held from noon to 2 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. A panel discussion on Empowering International Students will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. Jose Reyes will moderate the discussion.

**Wednesday, November 16**
The Veterans Entrepreneurial Boot Camp will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Center for the Performing Arts. Passport processing will be provided from noon to 2 p.m. in the cafeteria annex.

A panel discussion from 4:30 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Honors will focus on *GSU Students Explore the World*. Panelists include Melanie Ellexson, Dan Nearing, Caron Jacobson, Shannon Dermer, Vreni Mendoza, and GSU students. Provost Terry Allison will moderate.

**Thursday, November 17**
Several panel discussions will be held on the last day of events. The discussions begin with *How to Manage and Maintain Your Immigration Status at GSU and Beyond* led by Kathleen Gaber from the law firm Masuda Funai. Following this presentation, Jennifer Eick-Magan of Prairie State College will present English as a Second Language. These presentations will be from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Cafeteria Annex.

A panel discussion entitled *The Balkan Region: Opportunities and Challenges*, will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Cafeteria Annex. Panelists include Evelina Mengova, Gokce Sargut, Colleen Sexton, the Turkish Trade Commissioner, and the Macedonia trade commissioner.
Stephen Wagner will moderate.

Events are free and open to the public. Everyone is welcome to come and learn about the world in which we live.

**TWAG Seeks News**

**THIS WEEK @ GSU** This Week @ GSU (TWAG), a student run, student produced news show that highlights what is happening on campus, is looking for submissions. This daily, two minute production focuses on student-oriented news and upcoming events. 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.

**CBPA Professors Are Published**

CBPA faculty have contributed articles to a variety of scholarly publications in recent months. Please join CBPA Dean Ellen Foster Curtis in congratulating her faculty colleagues on their stellar accomplishments.

*Health Care Reform: the Constitutional Challenge to the Individual Mandate*, by Assistant Professor Brian McKenna, was published in the May, 2011 *Illinois State Bar Association Journal* and has been selected for inclusion in WESTLAW, the computer-assisted legal research service of West Services, Inc. The database includes significant articles, comments, notes, and similar materials from legal periodicals.


Assistant Professor Gokce Sargut and Rita McGrath of Columbia University co-wrote *Towards a Model of Market Disruption*, which appears in the recently-published *The Competitive Dynamics of Entrepreneurial Market Entry*, edited by G. D. Markham and P.H. Phan. This book is part of the Johns Hopkins University Series on Entrepreneurship.

**Economic Educators Honored for Classroom Success**

Econ Illinois, the state’s Council for Economic Education, presented the *3M Star in the Classroom Award* to three area teachers. The teachers began their participation in Econ Illinois through programs offered by the Office of Economic Education at GSU.
The award winners are Peg Seaman, from Victor J. Andrew High School in Tinley Park; Wendy Hegarty, from Lincoln-Way East High School in Frankfort; and Carita Hall, from High Point School in Orland Park. They received their awards during the annual Economic Education Day Awards Luncheon, held recently at the Union League Club of Chicago.

The Office of Economic Education provides curriculum consulting, student programs, and professional development programs for K-12 teachers to enhance economic understanding.

For additional information, please contact Sheryl Szot Gallaher at 708.534.4926.