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The probability that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause we believe to be just.

... Abraham Lincoln

NEW GSU SCULPTURE COMPLETED

"Field Rotation," the almost 4 acre sculpture created by artist Mary Miss on our campus, is now complete: the fourteenth major work in the University's Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park.

Miss referred to the truncated pinwheel shape of the main enclosed area in the center in naming the massive structure of wood, steel, concrete, stone and earth. Eight spokes of various-sized vertical poles radiate from it to the perimeter of the field.

Bill Dodd, chief executive officer of the GSU Foundation says, "It is the largest sculpture by far in the Greater Chicago Area, I believe."

The students from four states who worked on the project earned college credits in art in addition to wages.

"The practical experience they gained in the field in the past four to six weeks is at least the equivalent of a major classroom course in art," said Miss, who is a professor of art at Sarah Lawrence College.

While the construction of the project is virtually complete, it will be some time before the environmental sculpture takes on a finished look. The soil in the mound around the pinwheel has settled. Two large piles of top soil have been spread over the embankment, and the entire site is being plowed and tilled. It will be seeded this fall using a special grass with controlled growth features. By next spring, Bill anticipates, the whole sculpture will look like it grew there.
NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

The first General Faculty Meeting of the new academic year will be held in Engbretson Hall on Monday, August 31. After coffee, President Leo Goodman-Malamuth will address the group on "The New Fiscal Year: New and Continuing Directions for the '80's." Following, Provost Curtis McCray will speak on "Educational Policy Development."

President Goodman-Malamuth will give the closing remarks. The meeting is expected to adjourn at 10:30 a.m.

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A special course sponsored by the Institute for Public Policy and Administration and the Office of Special Programs is being offered. The classes will meet each Wednesday from September 9 through December 16.

Featured speakers for the course will be drawn from the Illinois legislature. Course instructor is PAUL M. GREEN. All classes will be held in Engbretson Hall. For further information contact Office of Admissions, ext. 2518.

EVENTS

FRIDAY, August 28, 1981
7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. -- Sara Shumer in Lecture (EH)

SATURDAY, August 29
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon-- Special Programs Orientation for Independent Study Off-Campus Students (A1102)

MONDAY, August 31
8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. -- General Faculty Meeting (EH)
10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. -- Graduate Art Exhibit by Kathleen Cothroll, through Sept. 10, Monday-Thursday. (Visual Arts Gallery--B Wing)

WEDNESDAY, September 2
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. -- Theology for Lunch (HDR)

GSUings

... DR. ALMA WALKER-VINYARD (CAS) has been very busy lately, leading a workshop of the Mother's Day Conference sponsored by the South Suburban Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. on August 22, and then participating as the main speaker for the Head Start Pre-Service Training Workshop on Wednesday, the 26th.

Her topic for the latter event was "Strengths of Minority Families." Participants in the workshop were 350 CEDA--Day Care staff members. Both events were held at the Homewood Sheraton.

... DICK PRIDE (ASR) was appointed to the executive board of the Illinois Association of College Admission Counselors (IACAC) on August 7th. In addition, he will serve as chairperson of the organization's committee on professional education and will also serve on the professional activities, research, educational policies and public relations committees.

HONORARY DOCTORATE NOMINEES

We are now requesting nominees for Honorary Doctorates to be awarded at the Twelfth Annual Commencement ceremony on June 5 and 6, 1982. Nominees should be submitted to the IRP office by September 18, 1981.

VIRGINIO L. PIUCCI
Chairperson, Honorary Degree Committee