News and Events

President Maimon Reflects on the Past and the Future
(9-30-13)

In her recent column in the Northwest Indiana Times, President Maimon reflected on Governors State University’s past and its future.

“Founded in 1969, the year of the moon shot, GSU developed a logo that captures the upward momentum of that hopeful time in our nation’s history. This year, we are talking about Mission Forward, reaffirming GSU’s mission to provide ‘an exceptional and accessible education.’”

Read Dr. Maimon’s column.

Board of Trustees Meeting - October 4

The GSU Board of Trustees meetings scheduled for Friday, October 4, 2013 have been cancelled. All meetings for this period will be held on Friday, October 11, 2013 in the William D. McGee Hall of Honors.

The meetings begin at 8:30 a.m. with the Academic Affairs Committee, followed by the Budget and Finance Committee, the Human Resources Committee, and the Full Board Meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

For more information, contact Joan Johns Maloney at 708.534.4131.

Civil Service Town Hall – October 15

President Maimon and GSU administrators will host a Civil Service Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, October 15, at 10:30 a.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

You are encouraged to be part of the conversation. Bring your questions, concerns, and suggestions. Join the discussion.

To RSVP, or if you have questions, please contact Penny Perdue at ext. 4130.

Supply Chain Management – Panel Discussion – September 30
Moderator Rick Blasgen, a GSU alum and president and CEO of the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals, will lead a panel discussion on Supply Chain Management on September 30, at 6 p.m. in Engbretson Hall.

Panelists included Andrea Hayward, (V.P. of Transportation for UPS; Bhaskar Nagaranthal, Supply Chain Manager for Caterpillar; and Kumar Venkataraman, partner at A.T. Kearney.

Blasgen is the president and chief executive officer of the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP) in Lombard. He has devoted much of his time to furthering a number of company’s supply chain management programs and initiatives. Blasgen was recently designated by the US Department of Commerce to serve as the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness (ACSCC) providing the Administration advice and counsel on issues and concerns that affect the supply chain sector. Blasgen is a graduate of Governors State University, earning his degree in business administration and majoring in finance.

### Intellectual Life Grants for Spring Semester 2014

The Intellectual Life Committee is again offering Intellectual Life Grants. The Intellectual Life Grants will be awarded for up to $500 for events taking place between January 21, 2014 and May 11, 2014 that promote and increase awareness of the arts, humanities and other intellectual topics of universal interest. Possible events might include lecture series, faculty research salons, workshops, panel discussions, film screenings, exhibits, presentations in local communities and field trips.

The primary audience for these events is GSU students, although the events should be open to all members of the GSU community and the region.

GSU staff and faculty, as well as enrolled GSU students with a faculty collaborator, are invited to apply using the Intellectual Life Grant Application. Events must be promoted as sponsored by the GSU Intellectual Life Committee in addition to any other sponsors.

Submissions are due October 18, 2013. Contact Lydia Morrow Ruetten for more information. Award winners will be notified by November 8, 2013.

### LGBT History Month Kick-off Event - October 2

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experience for trans* students.

This event is part of GSU’s celebration of LGBT History Month and is sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students.

For more information about LGBT History Month, please visit www.govst.edu/diversity.

**Volleyball GSU Style**

The GSU women’s club volleyball team has begun its competitive season. The team plays on Monday evenings at the Orland Park Sportsplex (11351 West 159th Street Orland Park, IL 60467) through December 2013.

2013 Fall Women’s Volleyball team includes Arriahn Tucker, Kirstie Cua, Karesa Charles, Anita Kunkes, Amber Dybala, Maricela Vega, Cezanne Shannon, Rachel Matthews, Kristie Nieman, Katie Limberopoulos, Chitisha Ashley, and Sarah Wicklin.

**Student Success Calendar and Academic Advising Syllabus**

Are you as student looking for a workshop to help you on your educational journey? Or are you an instructor, seeking an informative activity or workshop to help your students succeed? Perhaps you have developed a seminar and want to get the word out to students? Whether you are a student, faculty or staff, you can access and share information about workshops, seminars and activities offered by various GSU departments at the Fall 2013 Student Success Calendar.

The Fall 2013 Student Success Calendar was created in collaboration with GS2U (Giving Support 2 U), Career Services, the Student Enrichment Program, the Writing Center, Library and the Academic Resource Center.

See the calendar at www.govst.edu/studentsuccesscalendar. Or visit the Academic Resource Center to see the calendar attached to the Academic Advising Syllabus. Find the workshop that will help you succeed at GSU.

**Helping Students Avoid Plagiarism - October 9**

Faculty Scholarship and Teaching Center is hosting a workshop to help faculty effectively instruct students on how to recognize and avoid plagiarism. The workshop will also cover how to identify plagiarized materials in student work, and introduce participants to key services and people at GSU who support successful student writing.

Presenters include Becky Nugent, Writing Center Coordinator; Nell Rose Hill, ESL Coordinator; Barbara Mandel, Center for Online Teaching and Learning; and Dr. Kerri Morris.

For further information, contact Dr. Teri Sosa at ext. 7567.

**Civil Service Senate Sends Staff to CPA Shows – For**
**Free!**

If you’re a civil service employee, you just hit the jackpot. You might get to attend performances at the Center for Performing Arts, free of charge.

The Civil Service Senate has initiated a new program where civil service employees who are interested in getting more involved at the Center for Performing Arts, can reserve tickets on a first-come first-served basis, at no cost to the employee.

Here’s how the program works:

- Civil Service Senate will email Civil Service Employees monthly with a list of upcoming shows, dates and times.
- The first 10 employees to RSVP to Lauren Esolato at lesolato@govst.edu will receive a pair of tickets to one of the upcoming events that month.
- Civil Service Senate picks up the tab for the tickets; limit one pair of tickets per Civil Service staff member per season.

The Civil Service Senate asks is that ticket winners RSVP that they actually attended the show. The Senate wants everyone to enjoy this benefit so please only respond if you can attend the show. The program will be continued on a monthly basis all season long, based on availability and participation.

**Transitioning Students with Disabilities from High School to College**

On October 3, from noon to 1:30 p.m., the Academic Resource Center will sponsor a webinar: *Transitioning Students with Disabilities from High School to College: Understanding the Related Laws and Developing the Transition Plan.*

Help students transition to post-secondary education by understanding the laws, recognizing the issues, and creating an effective plan. Every year a growing number of students with disabilities graduate from high school and go on to some form of post-secondary education, including two or four-year colleges, or trade or vocational schools.

Students and their parents, however, tend to make at least two important mistakes in planning for the transition from high school to college. First, they begin planning far later than they should, and second, they may be unaware that the same level of services that they received in high school may not be available in college. This is where both high school and college administrators and special education educators play a crucial role.

To RSVP or for more information, please contact Lisa Carra.

**Save the Date for New Student Orientation**

Mark your calendars for New Student Orientation, January 16, 2014, from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Welcoming new students to the campus is a university effort so the Academic Resource Center wanted you to know early the date for the upcoming Spring semester orientation. In the event of inclement weather, Friday, January 17, 2014 is reserved as a snow day.
New Student Orientation provides students with information about university resources and programming, an opportunity to meet with academic advisors, future classmates, faculty members and university administrators and a tour of the campus. For more information contact LaTonya Holmes or visit the orientation website.

**Econometrics Working Group – October 4**

The Econometrics Working Group will meet on Friday, October 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in C-3380. They will cover the fundamentals of univariate and multiple regression (Chapters 1-3 in the *Wooldridge Text: Introductory Econometrics - A Modern Approach*). If you wish to be placed on the Econometrics Working Group BlackBoard page, please contact Mike Williams.

**Faculty Development Opportunities**

The Faculty Scholarship and Teaching Center wishes to invite faculty to participate in several upcoming development opportunities:

*Digital Storytelling Using Primary Sources to Achieve Common Core State Standards*, October 5 and 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Learn to weave images, music, and narrative voice to create digital stories. For more information, contact Lucianne Brown.

[Click to register.](#)

*Pitching your Research Ideas: A Practical Workshop on Writing the Concept Note.* In two sessions (October 4 and October 11 or 24), this workshop will present how to write and successfully use a concept note, a one page document developed to help market your idea to a potential funder when no specific proposal has been solicited. Call Jennifer Morehead at ext. 2846 for more information.

**PT Student Help Others**

In conjunction with National Falls Prevention Awareness Day on September 22, five Doctor of Physical Therapy students, along with two faculty members from the Department of Physical Therapy, recently provided screening activities for 29 older adults to determine their risk for falls.

The DPT students – Alex Bennett, Rebecca Smith, Katie Taylor, Steven Tijerina, and Maria Wondra – were joined by Joyce Sligar, PT, MBA, MA, CEEAA and Rebecca Wojcik, PT, Ed.D., GCS, Chair of the Department of Physical Therapy, at the Rich Township Senior Center in Park Forest and Golf Vista Estates in Monee on Friday, September 20, for the screenings.

**Scholarship - Dr. Michael Williams**

Dr. Michael Williams, Assistant Finance Professor in the College of Business and Public Administration, had a recent white paper featured on MrTopStep.com, a news and investment-advice aggregator.
The white paper, titled "The Impact of Quantitative Easing on US Treasury Markets", describes the Federal Reserve's extraordinary stimulative measures over the last five years and what various asset markets can expect when the Federal Reserve begins withdrawing the stimulus.

Dr. Williams warns that general stock market indexes could decline more than 33% when the stimulus programs are ended. Additionally, interest rates will likely increase making it more difficult for some firms and individuals to service their debt obligations.

The white paper received 341 views within 48 hours of being published. View the paper.

**Technology, Learning, and Leadership**

Join the GSU Metropolitan Institute for Leadership in Education for an important workshop focusing on the latest significant instructional technology research and provides a framework for leveraging technology tools to support student achievement. The workshop will be held October 17, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Learn the latest significant instructional technology research and gain understanding of technology tools that can be leveraged to support student achievement. Bring your own digital: participants need a laptop computer with Word and Excel.

This special workshop is presented by GSU alum Dr. Stacey Gonzales, Director of Instructional Technology, Indian Prairie School District (Naperville 204), who brings her years of experience in educational technology to this presentation. Her areas of expertise include the National Technology Education Standards, best-practices in educational technology; teacher technology self-efficacy; technology alignment and integration across disciplines, and implementation of successful teaching strategies.

Registration is only $50. Register at http://mileprograms.eventbrite.com/. For more information, call 708.534.4024.

**There’s Something New in the Library**

The Library has just made your group meeting more effective, your brainstorming sessions more enlightening and your breaks from studying more fun. Use the Wheasel, a double-sided mobile dry erase easel, to take notes and help coordinate ideas at your meetings in the Library – or to give yourself a doodle break from studying.

The library has three available for use located outside of the balcony, in the atrium and just outside of the classrooms. Feel free to wheel them to where you are working.

Remember, the GSU Library is your research resource 24/7.

Visit the GSU Library website.
**MOT Program Information – October 11**

The Department of Occupational Therapy will host an Information Session for individuals interested in learning more about the Master of Occupational Therapy (MOT) degree program on Friday, October 11, from 5 to 6 p.m. in room G127.

For more information, contact Patricia Kalvelage at 708.534.7294 or visit the MOT website.

**TWAG Reports (09-23-13)**

TWAG reporters are going behind-the-scenes for This Week @GSU. Their reports deal with a variety of subjects from GSU’s cable station to student loan interest rates and interviews with key university personnel.

Check out the TWAG website with links to all their video reports and learn more about your university.

**Are you a First Class RA?**

You could be one of GSU’s first Resident Assistants. We're looking for leaders – the students who will help build the residential experience at Prairie Place into a learning community.

If you’re a …
Leader
Role Model
Educator
Helper
Administrator

We want to talk to you.

Join us for an RA Information Session in the Cafeteria Annex. You’ll learn about all the benefits of being an RA – from financial to career-building.

**RA Information Sessions:**
Wednesday, October 9; 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 10; 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 29; 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Be sure to bring your GSU ID.

**Lennon and McCartney Come to Life at the CPA**

Award-winning musician and songwriter Jim Witter performs his multimedia rock musical “Long and Winding Road” on Saturday, September 28 at 8 p.m. at the Center for Performing Arts.

Few can argue that the Beatles were the greatest rock/pop group of all time...their music shaped a decade and blazed the trail to modern music today. Get ready to explore the sometimes
tumultuous relationship of John Lennon and Paul McCartney, and the stories behind the songs that have become a part of our lives. Jim Witter and his incredible band are your guides on this "Magical Mystery Tour" into the minds of the legendary creators behind the Beatles biggest hits.

This multi-media presentation utilizes full-screen projection of the headlines of the day and features over 30 timeless hits including "Yesterday", "A Hard Day's Night", "Hey Jude", "Penny Lane", "Let it Be," "Blackbird" and more.

Witter's versatility as an artist has brought him international acclaim from industry executives and fans alike, including the Canadian Country Music Association, Dove and Juno Awards.

Tickets are just $20 for staff and faculty, and Students with valid I.D. pay $15. To purchase tickets, or for further information, contact GSU Center's box office at CenterTickets.net or call 708.235.2222.

**Hispanic Heritage Month Events Continue**

**Supporting Undocumented Students** This is a staff focused event on Thursday, September 25, from noon to 1:30 p.m., in room D1496.

A short film will focus on the experience of undocumented students, followed by a partial webinar focusing on the political, legal and practical implications of the Department of Homeland Security’s Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Process (DACA), the DREAM Act provisions of the pending immigration bill, and insights regarding other pending policy actions. A brief discussion to followed.

Please RSVP to Lisa Carra.

**Flamenco Passion: Quejios-Cries in the Air**

The music and dance of Flamenco will fill the Center for Performing Arts on Saturday, October 12, at 8 p.m.

Take an emotional journey through the musical landscape of Spain with Chicago’s best flamenco and world music talent and guest singer Alfonso Cid. A sampling of food and wine native to the region will be offered one hour prior to the show, along with a discussion on the cultural history of Spanish flamenco.

For tickets visit www.centertickets.net.

**First Generation College Student Experience** This student success workshop designed for students who are the first in their family to attend college will take place on Wednesday, October 30, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., in room A 2110. It is sponsored by the Student Enrichment Program.

For more information, contact Vanessa Newby, Director of Student Life for Wellness and Diversity Programs at 708.534.4551.
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<td>Get in some practice before the tournament. Tables are located in the A-Wing North Study Hall, Room A 1105. Balls and paddles can be checked out at the Recreation and Fitness Center service counter. Valid GSU student or employee ID card required to check out equipment.</td>
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**From Accessing to Shaping: Re-Thinking Trans Inclusion on College Campuses**

Colleges around the country are beginning to pay attention to the increasingly visible populations of trans* students on their campuses. Join the conversation on October 2, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Cafeteria Annex.

The event features T.J. Jourian, a self-identified pansexual queer Middle Eastern Armenian trans*man, featured on the 2005 docu-series "TransGeneration". A social justice activist, learner, and educator, he has conducted trainings and spoken at over 100 campuses, community events, film screenings, and conferences, and is an alum and part of the training team of the Brown Boi Project. T.J. has professional experience in campus and community LGBTQ programming and advocacy, residential life, multicultural affairs, gender work, and professional development. He is currently pursuing his PhD in Higher Education at Loyola University Chicago, looking to research trans*masculine students of color, genderqueer students, and leadership. He has a weakness for corgis and Michigan State Dairy Store ice cream.

This event is part of GSU’s celebration of LGBT History Month and is sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students.

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**Grad Fair – October 14**

On October 14, 2013 more than 30 universities from across the nation will participate in GSU’s very first Graduate and Professional Fair.

This is a significant event for the Chicago Southland region and will introduce prospective and current graduate students to a range of masters and doctoral programs offered at GSU as well as programs at peer institutions from across the country.

We strongly encourage faculty and staff to share information about the graduate fair with colleagues and partners. The GSU fair is an excellent opportunity to meet with students and alumni from many different schools and degree programs.

For more information, call Stephanie Schafer at 708.534.7277. The fair will be on Monday, October 14, from 3 - 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.
CUPA-HR Conference – October 17 & 18

The fall conference of the Illinois Chapter of the College and University Professional Association - Human Resources (IL CUPA-HR) will be held at GSU on October 17 and 18. The conference was organized by chair of the Illinois State Chapter, Pulchratia Kinney-Smith, Associate Director of Human Resources at GSU.

The CUPA-HR is comprised of higher education human resource department employees. Its mission is to “serve higher education by providing the knowledge, resources, advocacy and connections to achieve organizational and workforce excellence.” The Illinois Chapter supports the purpose of CUPA-HR.

Students and staff who are interested in the Human Resources profession are encouraged to attend. To see program information and to register for the conference, go to http://shr.illinois.edu/illinoiscupa/FallCUPA.htm.

For more information, contact Pulchratia Kinney-Smith at 708.235.7466.

Seeking an Outstanding Senior

Each fall, an outstanding senior from each of the degree-granting institutions of higher learning in Illinois is awarded the Student Lincoln Academy Medallion and thereby becomes a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois. Student Laureates are honored for their overall excellence in curricular and extracurricular activities.

The Lincoln Laureate honor individuals whose contributions to the betterment of mankind have been accomplished in or on behalf of the State of Illinois, or, whose achievements have brought honor to the state because of their identity with it, whether by birth or residence, or by their dedication to those principles of democracy and humanity as exemplified by the great Illinoisan whose name it bears. It is to honor senior students at each of the four-year, degree-granting institutions in Illinois for overall excellence, in both curricular and extra-curricular programs.

Applications for the Lincoln Laureate nomination can be found at www.surveymonkey.com/s/2013LincolnLaureate. Applications are due Thursday, October 3. A complete application must include a letter of recommendation from a faculty member. For additional information, contact Sheree Sanderson.

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**GSU Students save on Certification**

Students in the IT 4562 Special Topics in Virtualization and Cloud Computing course will be studying and developing skills that align to EMC's Storage Management certification. GSU students will receive a 63% discount off their certification exam after taking the course. The promotion from EMC is to assist college students in achieving certification. Students in the IT bachelor's degree program will have many courses that align to industry based certifications. GSU students also benefit from a partnership with Comptia that will save them more than 50% on many Comptia certification exams.

**Colleague Users Group Meeting this Wednesday**

The next meeting of the Colleague Users Group will be Wednesday, September 18 at 2 p.m. in Classroom D34011.

The forum will highlight the myGSU Portal and includes three presentations. Chris Huang, Registrar, and Yakeea Daniels, AVP for Enrollment Services and Director of Admissions, will demonstrate the myGSU Student Portal in a presentation titled *Help Our Students Help Themselves*. Karen Stuenkel, Manager Colleague User Services and Training, will present a *Tip of the Month* titled *Handy Tips to Navigate Budget Summary*. And, Melinda Gieseke, Financial Services Assistant Director & Controller, will demo *How to Use Budget Summary Detail*.

CUG provides a monthly forum for GSU community members to share and discuss their experiences using the system. Membership in CUG is open to all faculty and staff.

Contact the **Colleague Project Office** with any questions about the meeting.
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Business and Public Administration Grad Programs Open House

The College of Business and Public Administration at Governors State University is hosting a graduate programs open house on Thursday, October 3, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Faculty, advisors, administrators and current students will be on hand to discuss master’s degree programs in accounting, business administration, management information systems and public administration. Various specialization areas are available for business administration including corporate entrepreneurship and supply chain management.

The free event is open to the public and will be held on the university’s main campus located at 1 University Parkway, University Park, Illinois. For more information and to RSVP please call (708) 534-4391 or email BPAINFO@govst.edu.

Talent Development: Supply Chain’s Critical Link
Monday Sept 30th 6:00 p.m. in Engbretson Hall
Panel discussion about Supply Chain Management
Moderator: Rick Blasgen (GSU alum, president and CEO of the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals)
Panel: Andrea Hayward (V.P. transportation, UPS), Bhaskar Nagaranthal (Supply Chain Manager, Caterpillar) and Kumar Venkataraman (Partner, A.T. Kearney).

For more information about this exciting event, please contact: hustera@student.govst.edu, or in the Dean’s office 708-534-5930.

Veterans Writing Group at Governors State University

We invite veterans to the first Fall meeting of the Veterans Writing Group, where Veterans can engage in the craft of narrative writing in a small group setting. Veterans will enhance and learn new skills and share camaraderie with other vets in a supportive, workshop environment.

"Narrative writing helps veterans bridge the cultural divide between their military and civilian life," explains Robin Thompson, University Lecturer and Coordinator of the program. "Their stories are important and should be preserved for family or the community – everyone benefits."

There is no charge for participation in the Veterans Writing Group. To register, contact Thompson at (708) 534-4581 or rthompson@govst.edu

GSU Responds to Violence

Has violence changed your life? If so, we want to hear your story. As part of an ongoing initiative to combat violence in the Chicagoland area, GSU is launching a media campaign this fall entitled GSU Responds to Violence. In an effort to raise awareness about this escalating issue, we are looking for students, staff and other members of the GSU community to share their personal stories about how their lives may have been affected by violence. Whether you’re a first responder, grass roots activist or victim, we want to know how violence has touched you. Submissions should be no longer than 500 words in length. Please submit your stories via email to Keisha Dyson - kdyson@govst.edu.

Supporting Undocumented Students

Wed., Sept. 18, 3 - 4:15 p.m. (Faculty Focus)
Wed., Sept. 25, Noon - 1:30 p.m. (Staff Focus)
Room D1496

The Office of the Dean of Students invites interested faculty to participate in a short film, webinar and discussion on Supporting Student Success of Undocumented Students. The film will focus on the experience of undocumented students, the webinar will focus on the political, legal and practical implications of the Department of Homeland Security’s Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Process, the DREAM Act provisions of the pending immigration bill and insights into other pending policy actions. Both are followed by a discussion on
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**Steven Tijerina Wins GSU Library Drawing for the iPOD Shuffle During Campus Crawl! (08-09-13)**

"Steven Tijerina who has just begun studying for his DPT, Doctorate of Physical Therapy, won the iPOD Shuffle drawing, offered by the GSU Library, for those who filled out a library related questionnaire during the Campus Crawl last week," announced Lydia Morrow Ruetten, Dean of the GSU Library. “We were pleased with the record number of students who came to the GSU Library during this Campus Crawl,” she said.

“This was an exciting moment for me. I’ve never won anything before,” Steven offered. “I use the library everyday for printing and other class related needs. Those in my field of study have the chance to not only check out books, but we have bone samples and much more available through the library. I am also looking forward to working with Librarian, Swati Wagh who is my subject area liaison!”

Steven spoke of how important it is that GSU students participate in student
related activities such as the Campus Crawl. "GSU does an excellent job of providing programs and activities for students. Even though I finished my undergraduate degree here at GSU, I had never been in the C Building! The Campus Crawl was an outstanding way for me to learn more about places I had never been at GSU. I would encourage all students to participate in the next Campus Crawl. You might even win an IPOD Shuffle if you visit the library!" he said.

"Those in the GSU community who have not been to the library either in person or online, are invited to visit. Remember, the GSU Library is your research resource 24/7," said Dean Ruetten. The GSU Library is located on the second floor of the D Building. When entering through the Main Entrance, walk straight through until you come to the stairs and elevator. The Library entrance (D2400) is located at the top of the stairs. The library web address is www.govst.edu/library.

**Fall 2014/15 Recruiting Season!**

The recruiting staff has hit the road and is counting down to fall 2014. The past year, the team has met hundreds of high school students and counselors to inform, educate and excite them about GSU’s First Class. This week statewide articulation guide meetings with high school counselors begin. We have launched new ad campaigns focused on transfer students, we have established partnerships with organizations that serve prospective students and GSU recruiters will be on site at all of the key college-recruiting fairs the Chicagoland area. In addition the GSU home page and much of GSU’s social media will be transitioning to a focus on recruitment efforts. The website will feature flip books of the freshman, transfer and graduate student view books and social media campaigns will drive prospective students to apply online.

**Meet Neel Rana: AmeriCorps Vista Intern**

GSU welcomes Neel Rana an AmeriCorps VISTA who will work with Student Life in the new Civic Engagement and Community Service Center. His primary responsibilities will be to assist the
Assistant Dean of Students with the design, implementation and assessment of a comprehensive community service programs, developing service-learning capacity building activities and strengthening community partner relationships. His assignment with GSU is for one year.

Neel is originally from San Francisco, California and his lifelong passion is hiking and camping. He’s also a devout fan of the San Francisco 49ers and Oakland A’s. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Humanities with Distinction from Shimer College in May 2013. The Center’s office is located in “A” Destination for Student Involvement, Room A2130. Feel free to stop by and welcome Neel to GSU.

**September Menu & Coupons Available Online**

Check out the Food Service [website](#) for its calendar of daily hot entrees at lunch and at dinner as well as two dining service coupons that are valid during September.

**2013/2014 Catering Guide Updated**

The GSU Catering Guide has been updated and is located on the Food Service [website](#). Find menus and prices all in one easy, convenient location. Please note that the ordering process remains the same.

As a reminder, Governors State University has a contract with FSI Incorporated which provides them with exclusive right to serve and sell all on-campus food and beverages. If you are planning to serve food or beverages for your event, you must first contact FSI to see if they will be able to meet your catering needs. If they are unable to accommodate your request, FSI will notify the Director of Auxiliary Services, Betsy Joseph, so that she is aware that FSI is unable to accommodate your catering needs and you will then be permitted to go off campus for your purchase. Pizza delivery for individuals, student fund-raisers and other scholarship events are excluded from this grant of exclusivity. Any additional exclusion must be mutually agreed upon by both parties in advance of the specific event. Please contact Betsy Joseph at ejoseph@govst.edu or at ext. 7598 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

**National Hispanic Heritage Month “Our Time: A Strong America” From Sept. 15 - Oct. 15**

Learn and celebrate the generations of Hispanic and Latino Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society. The celebration begins Sept. 15, the day that five Latin American countries - Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua - achieved independence in 1821. Heritage Month also includes the independence days of both Mexico and Chile on Sept. 16 and 18, respectively, and El Día de la Raza (Columbus Day) on Oct. 12.
For more information, visit: http://www.govst.edu/diversity/#H HM

Events:

September 16 - October 15
Hispanic/Latino Countries Flag (Display)
Hall of Governors

September 16
To Celebrate Independence (Display)
This is a display highlighting the countries that received their independence between September 15 and September 21.
11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Hall of Governors

September 18
Supporting Undocumented Students (Faculty Focus)
A short film will focus on the experience of undocumented students and a webinar will focus on the political, legal and practical implications of the Department of Homeland Security's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Process, the DREAM Act provisions of the pending immigration bill, and insight regarding other pending policy actions followed by a discussion. Please RSVP to Lisa Carra at lcarra@govst.edu.
3 - 4 p.m. D1496

September 18
Culture and Communication
Topic: Space and Place
This is an open class, which explores the key characteristics of Latino values, the role of history and place in shaping cultural identity and the ways bodies move through space.
4:30 - 7:20 p.m. D34180
Professor Jason Zingshiem

September 19
Addressing Sexual Violence in Immigrant Communities
This workshop will address the impacts of sexual violence, particularly among Latino immigrants and will integrate and address migration, domestic violence, cultural values and barriers to mental health services due to economic, legal, social and language concerns.
5 - 7 p.m. Engbretson Hall
YWCA

September 19
Supporting Undocumented Students
A second showing of the September 18 event, with a focus for GSU staff. Please RSVP to Lisa Carra at lcarra@govst.edu.
1 - 2:30 p.m. (Staff Focus), D1496

October 11
To Have and To Hold (Artist Reception)
Oil Paintings, Collage and Graphite Drawings of Faces, Objects and Cultural Constructs
October 12
Flamenco Passion: Quejios-Cries in the Air
Take an emotional journey through the musical landscape of Spain with Chicago’s best flamenco and world music talent Alfonso Cid. A sampling of food and wine native to the region will be offered one hour before the show, along with a discussion on the cultural history of Spanish flamenco.
8 p.m. Center for Performing Arts
Center for Performing Arts www.centertickets.net

This is just a glimpse of the programs offered in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Visit www.govst.edu/diversity for future programs and events.


This event will focus on all aspects of professional development such as creating effective resumes, cover letters, networking, behavior based interviews, professional etiquette, job search and internship strategies. There will be resume critiques and mock interviews for attendees who sign up and participate in this conference. To participate in this event please register.

GSU Promise Fest - October 4 & 5

Promise Fest is a student-produced event in support of the scholarships provided by GSU Promise. GUS Promise scholarships go to qualifying graduates of select Illinois Community Colleges to pave the way toward a bachelor’s degree.

Comedy with Damon Williams
Friday, October 4 at 7 p.m.
Tickets $30
$15 for GSU Students
This former “Showtime at the Apollo” host has been featured on BET LIVE, the Kings of Comedy Tour (1999), the Cedric the Entertainer Comedy Revue (2000) and the Black Comedy Tour.

An Evening with Terisa Griffin
Saturday, October 5 at 7 p.m.
Tickets $35
$25 for GSU Students
Want to meet Terisa? Purchase a VIP Ticket for $75
One of the most sought after vocalists in the music business, Terisa performs R&B, Soul, Gospel, House and Jazz music. Featuring 2013 GSU Idol-Audrey
Cher (pictured right).

**5K RUN/WALK**
Lace up your running shoes!
October 5 at 9 a.m.
Tickets are $25 and $15 for GSU Students.
Registration is on site.

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**Lincoln Laureate Looking for Nominations!**

**THE LINCOLN ACADEMY OF ILLINOIS STUDENT LAUREATE**

Each fall an outstanding senior from each of the degree-granting institutions of higher learning in Illinois is awarded the Student Lincoln Academy Medallion and becomes a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois. Student Laureates are honored for their overall excellence in academic and extracurricular activities. The Lincoln Laureate is an honor for students whose contributions to the betterment of mankind have been accomplished in or on behalf of the State of Illinois, or, whose achievements have brought honor to the state because of their identity with it, whether by birth or residence, or by their dedication to those principles of democracy and humanity as exemplified by the great Illinois native whose name it bears.

Faculty: nominate a deserving student today! Students: if you feel you meet the criteria, ask your professor to submit your nomination. Nominations must be submitted by a GSU faculty member.

Applications for the Lincoln Laureate nomination. Application deadline is Thursday, October 3. For additional information contact ssanderson@govst.edu

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**Save the Date: Holocaust Museum Trip and “The Butler” Panel**

“America’s always turned a blind eye toward what we’ve done to our own. We’ve heard about the concentration camps; but these camps went on for 200 years right here in America.”
-Cecil Gaines, Lee Daniels’ The Butler.

With President Obama contemplating military action against Syria for acts of genocide, Forest Whittaker’s character in The Butler, Cecil Gaines, applies to our nation today: The discussion must include all the hard truths about our nation’s past and must be from a position of knowledge and wisdom about the international meaning of genocide as well as the experience of race hatred at home. This is a perspective held by President Obama, unique among his predecessors. Students are invited to expand their knowledge and wisdom of the history of racism, genocide and fighting back with two upcoming events:

- **Wednesday, November 6:** A scholarly panel on The Butler at GSU. Location TBA. 6:00-8:00 PM. This will feature most of the lineup from the April 2012 scholarly panel on Red Tails: Professors Donald Culverson, Rashidah Muhammed and David Golland; also Professor Debbie James.
- **Thursday, November 7:** Visit to the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie, sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs and the Dean's Office, College of Arts and Sciences. The bus will leave
GSU at 3:30PM and will return by 9:00.

Students attending the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie should contact Johnsie McAuley at jmcauley@govst.edu to reserve a seat.

**Meningitis Notice**

Governors State University, consistent with the American College Health Association and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices, recommends that students consider vaccination to reduce their risk for potentially fatal meningococcal disease.

For additional information, please refer to the index of ACHA and other resources and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For personal assistance regarding all immunizations for you or a member of your family please see your healthcare provider.

This announcement is intended to promote public health awareness and practices, and is in compliance with the Illinois Meningitis Information Law (110 ILCS 690/35-120).

**Reflection and Restoration Room Now Available in A2150**

Consistent with its focus on diversity and inclusion, GSU is committed to treating people of all faiths fairly and to provide the GSU Community with access to facilities for personal observation of their faith traditions, quiet contemplation and reflection.

The Reflection and Restoration Room will be available through the fall academic calendar in room A2150. This room is an accessible space, which can be used by people of all faith traditions and beliefs, and for those whom religion has no particular significance in their lives to sit and contemplate, pray, reflect, restore themselves, recover from a traumatic life event; such as bereavement or to simply take a few moments to lower stress from a busy day.

To reserve the R and R room or if you have any questions or concerns; please send an email to RandR@govst.edu

**New to the GSU Library?**

Time for you to attend a New to the Library Welcome Session, led by Linda Geller to answer following questions:

- Want to know how to use the online catalog to find books, e-books, videos and reserves?
- Interested in Creating an I-Share account to borrow books from other libraries?
- Do you know how to select relevant databases for your topic or discipline?
- Want to search databases for journal articles?

Sessions take place 3:00 – 4:15 p.m. on the following days in the library:
Each student who attends will receive a Paper Cut Print Voucher. The GSU Library is located on the second floor of the D Building. When entering GSU through the Main Entrance, walk straight to the stairs and elevator. The Library entrance (D2400) is located at the top of the stairs.

### GSU Food Pantry is Now Open & Accepting Donations

The GSU Food Pantry opened last Tuesday, September 3, to provide food for GSU students. The Pantry is located in Student Commons in A building. Please note: the Pantry will be open on Tuesdays from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The Pantry needs your donation(s) of non-perishable, unopened food items to continue to serve GSU students. Please be sure that all donated items are within the expiration date. This fall, the Pantry will also distribute vegetables harvested from the Food Pantry plot in the University Sustainable Garden.

### Seeking Student Leaders

The GSU Library is on the move and working very hard to enhance the overall on-line and in-person user experience. To better serve university students, the Library staff is looking for members of the GSU Library Student Advisory Group.

We are seeking student leaders from all academic disciplines who have an interest in helping to improve the GSU library. Advisory group members must be able to attend a minimum of two in-person meetings each semester. These meetings will last not more than an hour and we will be asking about your thoughts, opinions and suggestions regarding a variety of initiatives that we are planning for the library. We will also provide food and refreshments during these meetings. From time to time, we might even need to send out an email requesting your thoughts and opinions.

Interested? Fill out the GSU Library Student Advisory Group application. Please submit the form online by September 20, 2013. We will review all applications and contact you if you have been selected.

### Meditation Series Every Thursday on Campus

Join us every Thursday afternoon beginning, September 19 through December 5 from 3:00-4:15 p.m. in the Reflection and Restoration Room, A2150. This program is open to students, staff and faculty. Register in the Academic Resource Center at 708-534-4090 but drop-ins welcome.

### CPA Announces Reduced Ticket Prices for Students and Staff

Unforgettable family entertainment. Welcome to the 19th season at Governors State University Center for Performing Arts. As a GSU student, staff or faculty member, you can purchase discounted tickets just $20 per ticket for any show; any seat in theater. Student tickets are $10-$20, depending on the performance. Student price sheets are available at the Box Office.

Musical phenomenon Jim Witter is back onstage at GSU with a rock musical featuring mega-hits by Lennon and McCartney on September 28th. GSU Center favorites like Ailey II, Opera Up Close and the Salt Creek Ballet Nutcracker return this year. One More Night, featuring the best in Chicago live performance, is back with four lively shows including flamenco with wine and tapas, two theatre performances and jazz favorite Dee Alexander. Trumpet Virtuoso Orbert Davis, a smash hit at a concert earlier this year, will commemorate Mardi Gras onstage in a show that should not be missed. The Miracle Worker, from Montana Repertory Theater, tells the moving story of Helen Keller. Family shows will tell the well-loved tales of The Ugly Duckling, Johnny Appleseed, and Beauty and the Beast. Contact the box office at (708) 235-2222 or visit www.CenterTickets.net for details on upcoming performances.

Faculty Highlight

Dr. Tony Labriola, Professor of Communication, Visual And Performing Arts, and Professor Emeritus Winfried Rudloff, Ph.D., Dr. h. c. attended recently the 25th International Conference on Systems Research, Informatics and Cybernetic and the 33rd Annual Meeting of the International Institute for Advanced Studies in Systems Research and Cybernetics held July 29 - August 3, 2013 in Baden-Baden, Germany. During the Opening Plenary Session, Professor Labriola presented a keynote address on “Social Media: Mythic Heroes and the New Loneliness”. Professor Rudloff’s keynote address was on: “Minds and Memories of Men and Machines: How will High-Tech Influence our Lives.”

A Symposium on Global Education, Managerial Cybernetics, Risk Analysis & Risk Management was co-chaired by Professor Rudloff where he presented his lecture on, “The Study of Current Research in Science, Technology, and Medicine: Beyond the Club of Rome; The Gaia Hypothesis”. This lecture was based on an original idea by Professor Emeritus Reino Hakala of GSU. Following the Symposium, Professors Labriola and Rudloff co-chaired a Workshop on Global Education and the Technological Frontier VIII. A video lecture by Professor Dennis Meadows on “Perspectives on Limits to Growth: It is too late for a Sustainable Development” was shown as presented 2012 at the Smithsonian Institute.

The workshop was highlighted by Professor Labriola’s demonstration of his film production skills. The classroom was converted into a movie studio where he directed and filmed Professor William Graham’s class exercise of Medical Qi Gong. Professor Graham of the University in Vancouver is a practitioner of oriental medicine.

On the last day of the conference, the 3rd Special Focus Symposium and Workshop on Humor and Laughter - with Audience Participation was moderated by Professors Lasker, Roessler, Andonian and Rudloff. Professor Rudloff presented portions of a revised edition on “Humoresque: Humor is to Laugh in Spite of It All” which is
A final Note: Professor Labriola was honored with the “IIAS President’s Medal of Achievement” and Professor Rudloff was inducted into the IIAS Hall of Fame, “...in recognition of his outstanding scholarly work and the great life-long contribution to the advancement of knowledge in Education, Systems Research and Cybernetics.”

GSU Students Take the Pledge Against Texting and Driving

Members of GSU’s Student Healthcare Management Association (SHCMA) joined forces with AT&T officials to bring AT&T’s “It Can Wait” campaign against texting while driving to the GSU campus on August 28, 2013.

Serving as co-chairs of this service learning event were Archana Liggins, Chief Information Officer and Yvette McWhorter, Activities Chairperson for SHCMA. They were assisted by Nisha Mehta, President of SHCMA, as well as Isha Dhingra, Secretary, and member Nitika Sood. Faculty Advisor for the organization is Dr. Caren Rossow, FACHE, of the College of Health and Human Services’ Health Administration Department.

GSU’s President Elaine P. Maimon and Sam Balark, External Affairs Director for AT&T, joined the event to encourage students to take the pledge never to text and drive. A number of elected officials, including: State Senator Mike Hastings; State Representatives Will Davis and Anthony DeLuca; University Park Mayor Vivian Covington; Richton Park Mayor Rick Reinbold and Village of Hazel Crest President Vernard L. Alsberry, Jr., as well as local police and fire chiefs, attended the event urging individuals to stop texting while driving. Every year, more than 100,000 crashes involve drivers who are texting. According to a study by the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute, drivers who text while driving are 23 times more likely to be in a crash.

AT&T and the “It Can Wait” campaign have established September 19 as a national “Drive 4 Pledges Day,” encouraging Americans to take the pledge to never text while driving again. To take the pledge, log onto www.ItCanWait.com.

Visit http://youtu.be/4Xav81JYk4U for complete coverage of the event by This Week at GSU (TWAG).