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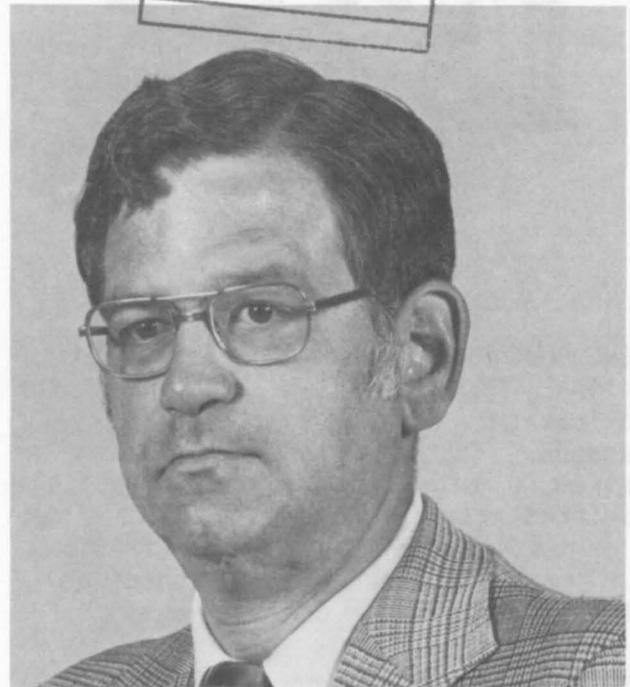
**HIS STATISTICS ARE BIG** -- If you have ever wondered about the reasons for or source of the thousands of bits of statistical information generated about Governors State University every year, ask **Alan Bennett** of the Administration and Planning Unit.

Alan, a six-year "veteran of innovation," is coordinator for institutional research. In a typical year he is involved with some 70 reports dealing with student demographics and financial matters. Most are required by one or more of the governmental agencies responsible for the operation of Governors State. Others are special studies to keep the GSU family up to date on developments and trends at GSU as well as in the higher education field.

Alan takes seriously the commuter nature of the university. He commutes daily from Elmwood Park, a northern suburb. That's a daily round trip of about 100 miles, or 25,000 miles a year; or 150,000 miles since he joined the AP staff in 1979. Being statistically minded, he could probably also tell you how many gallons of gas his car consumes, the average miles per gallon, and the mean average of the price of gas per gallon, plus or minus two percent during that time. Just ask him!

Alan resides in Elmwood Park where he grew up. He has been active in local affairs and currently serves as an Elmwood Park village trustee. He has been a member of the Elmwood Park Community Unit District 401 school board from 1971 to 1974 and is a former chair of the village planning commission.

Prior to joining Governors State, he was assistant director of institutional studies and planning at Northeastern Illinois University for ten years. He earned the B.S. in Business Administration at Elmhurst College and



**Alan Bennett**

the M.A. in Political Science at Northern Illinois University.

Alan is definitely a BMOC (big man on campus). At 6 feet 5 1/2 inches, he is one of the tallest people here. While he hesitates to tell you how much he weighs, he looks like he could hold down a position on the Chicago Bears' defensive line. He keeps in shape by swimming a half-mile every noon in the YMCA pool.

Alan and his wife, Janet, have three children: Diane 16, Jeffrey 13, and Colleen 11.

**Profile Presented** -- A brief profile of a university staff member will be published monthly. The featured staff member will be chosen at random from the biographical files of the Office Of University Relations.



**VIEWS WANTED** -- Your views on local or national issues will be considered for publication in future editions of **Inscapes**. Your name may be withheld, if desired, but must accompany all submitted material. Editing of copy may be necessary due to space limitations. Your material may be published as a letter to the editor or as an essay.

**GSU HOTLINE DEBUT** -- Subscribers to "Keyfax," a commercial videotex system, are able to dial Governors State University directly via a reference hotline titled "In the Know." The service is being tested and coordinated by **Dr. Melvyn Muchnik** and the staff of the university reference library. System subscribers type out "In the Know" and the university name and logo appears with instructions.

Keyfax is a system for sending graphics, words, and numbers through a telephone network. The special terminal is sold at several stores including Marshall Field's and is a feature of some personal computers.

**GSUings.....Dr. Michael Dimitroff** (CE) being interviewed by Derrick Hill on the WBBM-TV program, "Common Ground," Sunday, Jan. 20. The discussion topic: "Computers and Psychology.".....**Dr. Mwalimu D. R. Burgest** (CHP) hosting a series on Black American Portraits for Centel TV channel 6 during Black History Month, February.

**ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM ANNOUNCED** -- A new program for professional advancement, "Career Pathing for Entry Level Minority Professionals in Higher Education," is being sponsored by the Illinois Committee on Black Concerns in Higher Education. The program has been designed to provide experiences which will aid career planning of entry level minority professionals.

Application forms and information including eligibility requirements are available from **Catherine Taylor** (PO), Ext. 2339. Applications may also be obtained directly from ICBCHE in Normal. Completed applications must be postmarked by Feb. 15 and mailed to:

ICBCHE Career Pathing Program  
Hovey 301  
Illinois State University  
Normal, IL 61761