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This Week at GSU

- 6 Advance registration for Winter trimester begins, 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Main Entrance.
- 6 GSU Community Chorale practice, 8 to 10 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.
- 7 Nursing Honors Society induction ceremony, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., Hall of Governors.
- 7 Lynn Rozycki graduate exhibition, reception and opening, 6 to 8 p.m., E Lounge.
- 7 GSU Community Band Practice, 7:30 to 10 p.m., GSU Theatre.
- 9 CAS Lecture Series, "Electromagnetic Fields in Your Environment: Just How Dangerous Are They?" 7:30 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.
- 10 "GSU Job Fair: Focus '90," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Gymnasium.
- 10 "How to Start Your Own Business," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Hall of Honors.
- 10 *Hamlet*, pre-theatre lecture by Dr. Daniel Bernd, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Engbretson Hall.
- 10 National Shakespeare Company production of *Hamlet*, 8 p.m., GSU Theatre.

All events held at University Park campus unless otherwise noted.

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CS Scholarship helps bring degree a little closer

Diane Cole may be a bit nearer to a bachelor's degree because of the Civil Service Scholarship.

The Fall trimester winner said the scholarship enabled her to take an additional class and cover the cost of books.

"I signed up for seven hours, and even though we have a tuition waiver (for six hours), I might have reconsidered taking one of those classes," if it weren't for the scholarship, she said. "And the scholarship helps greatly with the cost of books."

Diane started work on a college degree at Prairie State College in 1981 taking a course or two at a time. She wasn't worried about when she finished, only that she put all her efforts into her coursework. With three children, that task was made all the more difficult.

And Diane shared her free time as a volunteer working as a group facilitator in the "Parents Too Soon" program sponsored by Aunt Martha's Youth Service in Park Forest, as a member of her tenants' association, and serving as a parent member of the GSU Childcare Advisory Board. Now she is a civil service representative to the board and a volunteer tutor at Hickory School in University Park.



Diane Cole (right), winner of the Civil Service Scholarship, is congratulated by Jean Johnson (center), chairperson of the scholarship committee, and GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II (left).

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OCW to coordinate training workshops for DCFS personnel

The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) has awarded Governors State University's Office of Conferences and Workshops a \$200,000 grant to coordinate training workshops for a DCFS program.

Roger Paris, director of the conferences and workshops, said the grant will fund 39 events for professional development training of DCFS personnel and private agencies' personnel hired by DCFS for the "Family First Partners" program. "Family First Partners" is designed to help keep the family unit together.

Paris first worked with DCFS representatives last June when his office developed several workshops for the state agency. With the success of those

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BOG approves 3 union contracts

The Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities has approved three contracts with unions at GSU.

Teamsters Local 743 representing six maintenance laborer and grounds employees agreed to a 7.6 percent base and market adjustment. The clerical/technical unit of Local 743 representing approximately 100 members agreed to a 10.5 percent wage package that included a 7.6 percent base adjustment and adjustments in market analysis and shift differential.

Sevice Employees International Union Local 73, Division 321 repre-

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Cafeteria Menu

(Week of November 6 to 10)

Monday - Creole soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: pot roast beef; mostaccioli w/ meat sauce and garlic toast; wax beans and pimento; whipped potatoes.

Tuesday - Lima bean soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: roast turkey breast w/dressing; B.B.Q. beef sandwich; seasoned peas; candied sweet potatoes.

Wednesday - Cream of celery soup w/ 1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: roast pork w/ dressing and applesauce; Swedish meatballs over rice, roll and butter; mixed vegetables; oven browned potatoes.

Thursday - Garden vegetable soup w/ 1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Salisbury steak; fillet of chicken sandwich w/ lettuce and tomato; green beans; whipped potatoes.

Friday - Specials will be posted in the cafeteria.

Entrees include vegetable, potato, roll and butter.

(Menu subject to change)

Faculty Feature

Wilson fascinated by workings of the mind

By Marilyn Thomas

Dr. Buford "Gene" Wilson is fascinated by the workings of the mind. How we learn, how and what we recall, and how we interpret are of special interest to the professor in the Division of Psychology and Counseling.

Wilson's area of expertise is cognitive learning, the process of learning something and being able to understand it, make judgments and use it in new ways.

We used to say the mind was a great storage vault taking in information and recalling it, but Wilson and other psychologists argue that the mind works much deeper than that. "Our knowledge is better than a copy. We learn the underlying meaning of what we experience, the pattern, the regularities, the rules," he said.

Wilson's research on cognition and instruction is aimed at determining "how you tell when someone understands and therefore can use intelligently what they have learned," he said. Computers are the latest tools the professor is using to determine this. His next project will have students using computers in different instructional paths and then measuring how much they are grasping.

From the 1920s to the 1960s, "behaviorism" was the buzz word, and "conditioning theories" were in, Wilson explained, but in the 1970s and 1980s changes in linguistics were forcing changes in the study of modern psychology. "There were new models of language that our theories couldn't account for," he said. "It was a revolution in thinking primarily because of

the development of linguistics and computer science and information processing with use of computers."

Wilson was just finishing his doctorate at the University of Nevada at Reno when the changes were occurring. His dissertation on "Conditioning Without Awareness" was a demonstration that conditioning was not the basis of human learning.

Wilson then did post-doctoral work at the University of Minnesota. The campus was the center for the new wave of thinking, and Wilson began a study on cognitive psychology for the National Institute of Child Health and Development.

In 1974 he was hired as a GSU faculty member. "It was a very exciting time, and a very exciting place to be," he recalled.

Today the Chicago Heights resident has moved into the field of memory recall. On occasion he is hired as a consultant for advertisers who ask him for help in getting potential customers to remember advertisers' products (in 30 seconds or less!).

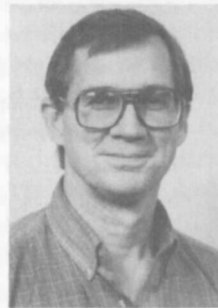
"It's strange sometimes, because they just want to know how to fix (the problem); they don't care to know why it's wrong," he said.

For example, one client was advertising cat food. The ad agency used a playful kitten in the picture with the product in the background. Fewer than 25 percent of the viewing audience remembered the name of the cat food, he said, and the advertiser panicked.

Wilson's advice was to make the commercial auditory, not just visual, and to move the name of the product from behind the kitten to the front of the picture.

Wilson said recall isn't the same for everyone because we all interpret what we've seen or read based on our life experiences. "You used to think that

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Dr. Gene Wilson

The Grapevine

GSU president selected for 'Golden Bale' Suit award

Plaques are commonplace, but a suit as an award is one-of-a-kind, especially when it's the "Golden Bale" Suit award.

GSU President **Leo Goodman-Malamuth II** is looking especially dapper these days in his Golden Bale suit presented by Raymond Levine Menswear of Flossmoor. Dr. Goodman-Malamuth was selected for this award for his many contributions to education.

His suit, a blue English herringbone tweed, is one of 36 cut from the legendary golden bale, judged the preeminent wool in the world. The wool is from the merino sheep of Australia.

These specialty suits have also been presented to Chrysler Motors Corp. Chairman **Lee Iacocca**, dancer **Mikhail Baryshnikov** and entertainers **Bobby Short**, **Sean Connery** and **Harry Belafonte**.

DPS officer is seven-time winner at country fair

Congratulations seven times over to **Debra Boyd** of the Department of Public Safety who garnered top awards at this summer's Kankakee Country Fair.

Debra took first place and best of show for a stained glass cliff scene and second place for a '55 Chevy in stained glass. Debra started her stained glass hobby two years ago with a class given by **Professor Mary Bookwalter** of the College of Arts and Sciences. She continued to master her craft at a private studio and then returned to take "Stained Glass II" with Professor Bookwalter. Debra's made a variety of pieces, including chandeliers. "If it can be drawn, I can do it in stained glass," she said.

Debra also won a first place award for a crocheted afghan, and three awards for her house plants.

Vacationing secretary experiences California quake

The "Great California Earthquake" was "the most moving experience of my life," says College of Arts and Sciences secretary **Rosetta Gibson** tongue-in-cheek. At the time it was no laughing matter.

Vacationing with a friend, only a twist of fate placed her at a beauty shop in Oakland rather than on a visit to San Francisco's Marina District that fateful day.

"I felt the building shake and thought it was just a big truck going by," she remembers, "and then the beautician said 'I think it's an earthquake! Go stand in the door way.' I was scared to death." At that point most of the neighborhood lost power.

Her friend's home was about five minutes from the downed Nimitz Freeway "and all night we listened to the helicopters overhead keeping their search lights on the freeway for rescue workers. The sounds reminded me of war movies I'd seen."

The flatlands of the Midwest never looked so good, Rosetta said. "Living through a disaster is a very humbling experience. You realize that a lot of life's irritations are just that."

Charitable Appeal Campaign runs through Nov. 15

Just a reminder: Please give to those less fortunate. The annual State Employees Charitable Appeal Campaign continues through Nov. 15. Payroll deduction and cash donations are being accepted for the United Way, Black United Fund, Combined Health Appeal and the United Negro College Fund. Each of these agencies provides human and social services to those in need.

For further information contact Personnel Director **Barbara Clark** on extension 2194.

OCW to coordinate DCFS staff training

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programs, DCFS asked Paris if his office could coordinate the training sessions for "Family First Partners" staff, and he agreed.

The state agency contracted with OCW because it has computer software for registrations, access to other support services such as graphic design, print shop and mail room, and a reputation for efficient service at a reasonable contract price. "It saves them time, manpower and money to have us coordinate these programs," Paris explained.

The state contract will run Nov. 16 through June 30, 1990. Paris plans to use state program presenters identified by DCFS. Programs will be given at hotel locations in seven regions in the state.

OCW will be hiring part-time staff to work on this program. "I think the relationship between GSU and the Department of Children and Family Services potentially could be an on-going program for the university.

"I also think these kinds of programs are very important to our unit," Paris added.

Wilson continues work in learning research

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what you remembered depended on what happened," he said, "but now we know what you remember depends on how you experienced and interpreted what happened."

Although he wasn't raised in the South, when Wilson served in the Air Force in Alabama people heard his first name, and thought he was a Southerner.

"Buford is a Southern name. My family's originally from Tennessee. I disliked the name so much that in sixth grade I 'unofficially' changed it to Gene," he said. "Eugene's my middle name. My parents were pretty understanding about it."

Wilson is the proud father of a 21-year-old daughter who is an economics major at Eastern Illinois University.

Scholarship winner may be closer to degree goal

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This trimester Diane transferred to GSU with 48 hours from PSC. She's working on a portfolio for a BOG degree. Once she receives a bachelor's degree, she hopes to pursue a master's degree in communication studies.

Diane has been a member of the Registrar's Office staff for 14 years. She began as a member of the main office staff, then transferred to systems and today works in the records and research division.

The Civil Service Scholarship is presented each trimester to an employee or dependent who is a student working on a bachelor's degree at GSU or any other accredited college or university. The student must have a "C" or higher average. The award is given to GSU civil service employees with at least two years service, or their dependents who are 23-years old or younger.

Applications are being accepted through Nov. 15 for the Winter trimester scholarships, and are available from Fran Lindsay in the Personnel Office. Applications should be accompanied by a transcript and the student's one-page essay describing educational and career goals.

For more information on the scholarship contact Jean Johnson, chairperson of the Civil Service Scholarship Committee, on extension 2241.

Quartet '89/90 season begins

The Governors State University String Quartet opens its 1989/90 season with a 3:30 p.m. Nov. 19 performance featuring internationally recognized pianist Deborah Sobol.

The concert in the Sherman Music Recital Hall will be followed by a post-concert reception.

Sobol's talents were recognized early on. As a teenager she was invited by Rudolph Serkin to participate in the Marlboro Music Festival. She has toured the U.S., Europe and the Orient with various artists, and has also toured with the Chicago Symphony Ensemble.

For this opening performance the GSU String Quartet will perform *Crisantemi* by Giacomo Puccini and *String Quartet in D Minor* often called *Death and the Maiden* by Franz Schubert. Together the quartet and pianist Sobol will perform *Piano Quintet in G Minor, Op. 57* by Dmitry Shostakovich.

This is the 11th year the GSU String Quartet has performed. The quartet was founded at the suggestion of Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth II who sees it as one of the university's gifts of fine arts to the community. The quartet's performances are funded by the Governors State University Foundation.

The quartet's other concerts will be

given Feb. 25 and May 20. Tickets are available as a package or individually. The subscription series is \$25, with a cost of \$15 for students, senior citizens or GSU faculty, staff and alumni. Tickets are \$10 if purchased for individual concerts.

For ticket information contact Elaine Sherman at the GSU Foundation office, extension 2215.

Contract approvals

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senting 16 building service workers agreed to a 7.6 percent across-the-board increase and a 4.4 percent market adjustment for a 12 percent total increase.

Auction rescheduled

The annual photographic print auction in Infinity Gallery has been rescheduled to Nov. 13 through Nov. 29.

South suburban phone directories available

Illinois Bell's south regional telephone directories are now available. Free copies can be picked up on the first floor near the Personnel Office.

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