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News and Events

[Pink!](#)

According to Susan Rakstang of Facilities Development and Management (FDM), the exterior concrete rehabilitation project continues to make progress. After completing repairs, the contractor applied a thick waterproofing coating on the walls for further protection.

As you may have noticed, the waterproofing coating is pink. But not to worry, the contractor will be covering the repaired walls with a metal panel system similar to the panels on the new front entry signs. Delivery of the metal panels is expected this week with installation taking place shortly thereafter.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact FDM at extension 4515.

[Portfolio Workshop](#)

Learn how developing a Prior Learning Portfolio can help you earn credit toward your B.A. degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. Portfolio workshops include an explanation of the process, what you are expected to submit to earn credit, and are open to the public.

The next workshop will be held on Saturday, June 28, from 10 a.m. to noon, in Engbretson Hall. To register, contact the [SIDL office](#) at 708.534.4092.

[Up, Up, and Away](#)

Proving yet again the worth of a GSU degree, two alumni have recently been appointed to high profile positions in the region.

John Cicero (Master of Health Administration) has been named the executive director of the Will County Health Department. Cicero also sits on the Governors State University Health Care Administration Advisory Committee.

Susan Riordan (B.S., Accounting, 2003) was recently elected the President of the Illinois CPA Society South Chapter.

Quilted Bookshelf

The Friends of the GSU Library 34” by 64” bookshelf quilt will hang prominently in the GSU library. There is still space on the quilt shelf for a book title that you designate and the Friends of the Library create. Remember a special occasion or honor someone special by making a donation of \$50 and having a book quilted onto the shelf. You can even provide a favorite piece of fabric to be used, (3" by 12" minimum, please). Please note, however, that if the fabric is “busy” it will be more difficult to read the title.

For more information, call Susan at 708.235.7500 or visit the [Friends website](#). Your donation is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Election Trivia

Here are some more election trivia from GSU Votes to help you prepare for the Trivia Challenge in early September.

It's Party Time

The Federalist Party (created by Alexander Hamilton) and the Democratic-Republican Party (created by Thomas Jefferson and James Madison) were the first political parties in the new United States. The Democratic and Republican parties we know today developed and evolved over time.

The first Democratic Party presidential candidate was Andrew Jackson in 1828. He won.

The first Republican Party presidential candidate was John C. Fremont in 1856. He lost to Democrat James Buchanan. The first victorious Republican presidential candidate was Abraham Lincoln in 1860.

