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Happenings at GSU

- 21 Summer session begins. Late registration continues through June 27.
- 21 "Summer Solstice," 6 to 11 p.m., GSU campus.
- 21 "Transformation in Management National Videoconference," 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Hall of Honors.
- 21 "The Buying and Selling of Closely Held Corporations on a Tax-Wise Basis," 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., BPA Conference room.

Faculty selected for excellence awards

GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth has announced the 1990 "Faculty Excellence Award" winners.

These faculty members were nominated by a selection committee, and approved by Dr. Goodman-Malamuth.

Faculty members selected from the College of Arts and Sciences are **Dr. Joseph Addison**, professor of physical science; **Professor Mary Bookwalter**, professor printmaking and design; **Dr. Bethe Hagens**, professor of anthropology; **Dr. Larry Levinson**, professor of political science; **Dr. Deborah Holdstein**, professor of English and rhetoric; and **Dr. Peter Gunther**, professor of environmental science.

Faculty members selected from the College of Health Professions are **Dr. Ralph Bell**, professor of health administration; **Professor Doris Johnson**, professor of nursing; and **Dr. Judy Lewis**, professor of alcoholism and substance abuse.

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Computers help reduce registration anxiety

These days GSU Registrar Sarah Crawford and her staff would agree, life during registration is less stressful than it used to be.

Since 1987, computers have helped reduce the long lines and anxieties, and take the mix-ups out of one of the most hectic activities on campus.

Originally, registration was systematized through the Batch Mode Card System a system of manual computation, long lines, thousands of individual cards representing each seat in a class, and very, very stressed out students and employees.

"The deans would create the courses, and the courses would have a certain capacity for student enrollment. If a course had a capacity of 25 students, then 25 cards were created," says Dr. Crawford explaining what registration was like before on-line computer registration was adopted. "It was very inconvenient. I don't even like to think about it."

Besides inconvenience, the problems with the Batch Mode Card System were numerous. Because input was done manually, it was very time consuming. Recording fee assessments and proper reference numbers for individual classes often resulted in errors and the errors were not easy to detect.



Dr. William Kryspin checks his computer for a student's class options during arena registration

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Dr. Culver suggests income tax rebate for property owners

Dr. Lowell Culver has a suggestion for the Illinois General Assembly as it moves closer to making a decision on whether or not the temporary increase in the income tax should be permanent.

The one-half percent increase provided GSU with an estimated \$500,000 in Fiscal Year 1990. The funds were used for science and media communications equipment, library software, computer software for each college, the Office of Alumni Affairs, and the Office of Admissions and Student Recruitment, and modest salary increases.

This year, as legislators debate the merits of making the tax increase permanent
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Cafeteria Menu

(Week of June 11 to 15)

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

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

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

Thursday - Garden vegetable soup; chili con carne; Entree: salisbury steak; B.B.Q. beef sandwich; green beans; whipped potatoes.

Friday - Specials posted in cafeteria.

(Week of June 18 to 22)

Monday - Chicken rice soup; chili con carne; Entree: Swiss steak; fillet of chicken sandwich; French style green beans; whipped potatoes.

Tuesday - Beef noodle soup; chili con carne; Entree: roast beef au jus; lasagna w/meat; mixed vegetables.

Wednesday - Vegetable soup; chili con carne; Entree: hoagie steak & grilled onions; Polish sausage and sauerkraut; buttered broccoli.

Thursday - Chicken gumbo soup; chili con carne; Entree: reuben sandwich; fried chicken; buttered peas.

(Menu subject to change)

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Faculty Feature

Union leader pleased with role in classroom

By Roxane Geraci-Roche

While he was a high school student in Youngstown, Ohio, Charles "Charlie" Olson, university professor in the College of Business and Public Administration, already knew he would go into the field of business.

His family was in the hospitality business, and Olson found it very challenging and exciting from an early age.

"My parents immersed me in the business," says Olson. "They let me in on all the day-to-day operations—payroll, bookkeeping, even planning expansion and talking with bankers about mortgage financing. It was exciting."

These experiences stimulated him academically. Olson received an M.B.A. in 1961 from Boston University, and a second M.B.A. in 1972 from the University of Chicago.

While pursuing the first master's degree, Olson worked as an industrial engineer for a defense electronics contractor producing the missile checkout systems, submarine communications equipment and the company's atomic clock used for navigation systems and scientific purposes.

After graduate school, Olson says his interest turned to marketing, planning and research. He conducted research on Chicago's economic base for the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry, directed research on the Chicago area land use transportation plan and the industrial development study for the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC), and conducted research at the University of Chicago Center for Urban Studies.

Before coming to GSU in 1973, Olson taught at the University of Notre Dame

from 1965 to 1971. He says he came to GSU because it was new and in the Chicago area—and that's where he wanted to be.

"When I came to GSU, it was still (in the) warehouse," says Olson with a smile of the recollection. "It's been exciting watching the changes take place. The uniqueness is what makes GSU exciting."

Nearly 17 years later, Olson says he still finds it stimulating to teach marketing to the students. Teaching is "...the interaction of the students and the excitement of letting someone else find out the academic ideas..."

Over the years, the professor's become enamored with the teaching method of computer marketing simulations that supplement cases and lectures.

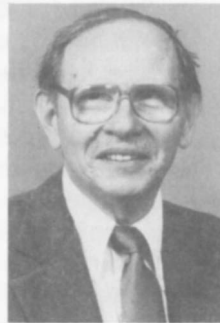
One of his major passions is publishing textbooks in business statistics that build a business relevance into the curriculum. His first book, *Statistics for Business Decision Making*, was published in 1983. It took Olson and co-author Mario Picconi of the University of San Diego 12 years to develop the manuscript. He is now working on a second textbook targeted for undergraduates.

Olson is very busy as president of the GSU Chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois, the collective bargaining agent for faculty and academic support professionals.

UPI's major thrust now is attempting to convince elected officials and the public that a continuation of the income tax increase is essential to educational support. The one-half percent tax increase is temporary unless the Illinois legislature agrees to vote it into law in 1991 as a permanent tax.

Olson will also work with GSU's UPI salary negotiations team. Talks will begin in the next few months.

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Charles Olson

The Grapevine

GSU Phi Delta Kappa members elect new officers

Congratulations to the new officers of Phi Delta Kappa educators honor society. **Dr. Leon Zalewski**, acting dean of the College of Education, has been reelected president. College of Education faculty members serving with him are **Dr. Sally Glenn**, vice president for programs; **Professor Al Smerz**, vice president of publicity; **Professor Clint Desmond**, vice president for membership; **Dr. Heather Harder**, delegate; and board members **Dr. Judy Cooney**, **Dr. Jane Andringa** and **Dr. Prince McLemore**. **Professor Bob Press** was chairman of the nominating committee.

'Second City' troupe entertains for alumni fund

Here's a special GSU way to tickle your funny bone: attend the Second City Touring Company's Oct. 13 performance on campus. The GSU Alumni Association is hosting the 7 p.m. show in the GSU Theatre to benefit its scholarship fund.

Even though the performance is four months off, the \$20 tickets are selling fast. Tickets are on sale at the cashier's office. No reservations are being accepted. For more information contact the Office of Alumni Affairs on extension 2215.

GSU staffers receive diplomas at commencement

Several GSU staff members walked across the stage to receive their GSU diplomas during commencement ceremonies June 2 and 3. Congratulations to **Debra Boyd** in Public Safety who received a BOG degree. Also to **Ginni Burghardt**, director of alumni, who received a master of arts degree; **Dan Kriedler** in Financial Aid who earned a master's degree in public administration; and **Della Shiffer** in Admissions and Student Recruitment who received a BOG degree.

Donors Day 1990 featured 'academic appetizers'

Contributors to the GSU Foundation were invited to the "Donors Day 1990" celebration June 10. The event began with "academic appetizers" featuring a walk through the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park hosted by tour guide **Sharon Kramer** who recently received her master's degree in art history; a discussion of higher education in the 21st century given by **President Leo Goodman-Malamuth** and **Dr. Larry Freeman**, associate vice president of academic affairs; a treat of **Dr. Dan Bernd's** five favorite Shakespeare sonnets, and a discussion of Chicago and Illinois politics with **Dr. Paul Green**.

Guests were served cocktails and a dinner later in the evening.

Library members organize first GSU sock hop

"Let's Go to the Hop!" Your GSU friends will help you recreate the feeling of the 1950s-1960s at a free GSU sock hop/dance from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday, June 29, in the Hall of Governors.

This party for "all fun-loving people who are dancing mavens" is being organized by **Dr. Harvey Varnet** and staff of the University Library.

"Think of it," Harvey says, "a deejay spinning platters, tacky decorations, beer and wine and soft drinks, bobby socks, poodle skirts, thin ties, the days before blue jeans, the days during blue jeans, bell bottoms, peace signs, headbands, mini-skirts. Whatever your best memories of a 'sock hop,' that's exactly what it will be."

Rebate suggested

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ment, the issue has become a campaign issue. Education, which received half the benefit of the tax, isn't being highlighted. Rather the focus is on local governments that shared the other half of the tax benefit, and whether they used the funding to benefit residents.

"Let's debate the use of the surcharge, not its existence," argues **Dr. Culver** of the College of Business and Public Administration. His suggestion for continued funding linked to property tax relief, was recently presented to the University Professionals of Illinois and the two gubernatorial candidates, Republican **Jim Edgar** and Democrat **Neil Hartigan**.

"Concern over this failure to pass on tax benefits to the local property owner is quite legitimate. But this is not the time to propose elimination of that portion of the surcharge designated for local governments," **Dr. Culver** said.

"One alternative would be to support permanency of the surcharge in the hope that local governments would then be more prone to use the funds for property tax relief. But there is not guarantee that they would do so," he noted.

Another alternative would be to use the \$350 million, not for direct transfers to local governments, but for a direct rebate of property taxes," the professor proposes. "Currently, with the doubling of the property tax deduction on Illinois income tax forms, the property taxpayer receives what amounts to a 6 percent abatement.

"Why not expand this abatement on the Illinois income tax form to the extent that the \$350 million will allow? Would this not double the abatement?" **Dr. Culver** asked his UPI colleagues.

UPI has asked **Dr. Culver** to rework sections of his plan.

Thank You

Mildred Toberman, secretary in the Division of Health Administration, thanks all staff members who extended their condolences and friendship to her on the death of her husband, **William**.

Staff Directory Changes

New employees of GSU include **Annie Ware** and **Joanne Fields**, both library technical assistants I in the University Library on extensions 2227 and 2218, respectively. **Sandi Padgett**, secretary IV, transcriber, in OCW, can be reached at extension 2484. **Paulette Stark**, staff secretary in CBPA, can be reached at extension 2265. **Adalma Stevens**, director of OASIS, can be reached at extension 2591. **Charmaine Ganley**, secretary IV, transcriber, in the College of Education, can be reached at extension 2355. **Marilyn Prater-Rivers**, purchasing assistant I in the Business Office, can be reached at extension 2175. **Gwendolyn Glenn**, personnel assistant II in the Personnel Office, can be reached at extension 2194.

The following employees have changed positions within GSU. **Janice Schultz**, associate director of academic personnel and affirmative action officer in the Personnel Office, can be reached at extension 2194. **Mary Ellen Leverence**, reference librarian and university professor in the University Library, can be reached at extension 2329. **Nasim Ali**, secretary IV, transcriber, in the University Library, can be reached at extension 2228.

The following employees have changed extensions. **Brenda Joyce Chapman** can be reached at extensions 2122, 2418-9. **Monica Johnson** can be reached at extension 2310 while on campus. **Dominic Candeloro** can be reached at extension 2436 as well as his other listing.

The following names should be deleted from the directory: **Arlene Hylander**, **Florence Dunson**, **Debbie Ferguson**, **Sheila Kaufman**, **Lucille Kerr**, **Young Kim**, **Elizabeth Brutvan**, **Charlotte Morgan** and **Fern Henderson**.

Emma Clements, computer operator in the Cooperative Computer Center, is now **Emma Murphy**.



A crowd of GSU staff and well-wishers gathered April 29 near the GSU lake for the dedication of these benches to the memory of Barbara Smith. A separate area was dedicated to the memory of Dr. Gerald Baysore.

Foundation hosts solstice celebration

Solstice, GSU's free celebration of summer, will be hosted by the GSU Foundation from 6 to 11 p.m. June 21.

Picnickers will be serenaded starting at 6 p.m. by GSU singers and instrumentalists under the direction of **Dr. Charles Hicks** and **Dr. Rudolf Strukoff**.

At 7 p.m. guests will choose from a show by Native American dancers, poems of summer read by **Dr. Hugh Rank**, and a dramatization of a medie-

val solstice celebration. At 7:45 p.m. they will choose from members of The Drama Group performing scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream," stories of summer, or **Dr. Bethe Hagens** and students conducting a solstice alignment of the setting sun.

At 8:30 p.m. **Dr. Richard McCreary** and **Professor Paul Schranz** will present a sound and light show. The final musical act is "Roots Rock Society."

BPA prof enjoys classroom

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His term as president continues through 1991. He became president in 1988 when **Dr. Helen Hughes** resigned the position upon her retirement and was elected to a full term in 1989. He had previously served as vice president and executive board representative from 1983 to 1987, was interim state

treasurer for UPI from 1986 to 1987.

Olson lives in Park Forest with his wife, **Marilyn**, who is a public health nurse for the Village of Park Forest. They have three children, **Kathryn**, a sophomore at the University of Illinois; **Kirsten**, a sophomore at Crete-Monee High School; and **Karl**, a fifth grader at Talala School.

Faculty excellence awards announced

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Faculty selected from the College of Education are **Dr. Lisa Chang**, professor of education; **Dr. Jeff Kaiser**, professor of educational administration; and **Dr. Diane Kjos**, professor of psychology and counseling.

Faculty selected from the College of Business and Public Administration are **Professor Donald Fricker**, professor of management information systems, and **Dr. Efraim Gil**, professor of public administration.

Registration less stressful now

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And it wasn't a bed of roses for the student population either. Students moved from line to line with different batch numbers on their cards. The process was long and drawn out for many.

One of the biggest problems, however, was that students had to wait a few days before receiving their schedules which had to be processed and mailed. If there was an error, students made the schedule correction during the add/drop period the following week.

"Add/drop was simply a nightmare," says Dr. Crawford adding that students changing their schedules due to errors were more likely not to get the classes they wanted originally. "I don't like seeing lines of people who are confused and frustrated."

Thanks to on-line computer registration, not only is the process less time consuming and more accurate, but also it has made life a lot easier for both staff and students.

Dr. Crawford is quite pleased with on-line registration. With all the information stored electronically in the computer, verification takes place immediately and errors are easier to detect. The time involved in registering is cut in half, fees are computed more accurately and students receive their schedules immediately.

"We're providing a much better service. Now registration has gone from very stressful to almost very boring,"

Dr. Crawford says with a smile. "It's nice to have people complimenting us for a change. Our evaluations have been quite good."

But Dr. Crawford isn't finished with updating the process of registration. In the near future, students will be able to register for classes using a Touch-Tone telephone. The system will not only be convenient for the student, but also will allow the Registrar's Office to be more productive and efficient with the other services it offers without taxing the staff as much.

"We spend a total of five weeks out of every term with registration. That amounts to a full trimester yearly," says Dr. Crawford. "We're fortunate that **President Leo Goodman-Malamuth** is supportive of the notion (of Touch-Tone registration). It makes a big difference. The system is now affordable enabling us to move in service areas. It really is cost-effective in the long run."

Dr. Crawford is serving on a task force with Northeastern Illinois University and Chicago State University. Since August the task force has been studying Touch-Tone registration. Her goal is to start a pilot system with the Fall 1991 trimester and have it implemented by the Winter 1992 trimester.

"It's a fun time to be in this kind of work. The possibilities are endless," says Dr. Crawford. "And our students coming in are technologically oriented. They have high expectations of us."

New schedule

Beginning this issue, **F.Y.I.** will be published twice monthly for June, July and August.

Please send information for **F.Y.I.** to **Marilyn Thomas**, coordinator of public information, in the Office of University Relations. She also can be reached on extension 2122.

Committee studies idea of campus arboretum and botanical gardens

Governors State University is known as the institution with the "prairie campus."

Dr. Virginio Piucci, vice president for administration and planning, would like to put an addendum on that title. He wants GSU also to be known as the campus with an arboretum and botanical gardens.

GSU **President Leo Goodman-Malamuth** has appointed a committee to study the idea. Included are faculty members **Dr. Joseph Addison**, **Dr. Arthur Bourgeois**, **Dr. Beth Hagens**, **Dr. Peter Gunther**, **Dr. Jon Mendelson**, **Dr. Anthony Wei**, **Dr. Ed Miller**, **Professor Bill Toner** and **Dr. Leon Zalewski**; **Sharon Kramer**, an art history student; **Jo Shaw**, grounds supervisor; and **Catherine Esquivel**, university planner.

The committee's first meeting will be June 14. Among the committee's responsibilities are developing an arboretum and botanical gardens master plan, guidelines for a vegetation management plan and a plant collections policy, and investigating possible funding sources.

The group will visit local arboretums such as the Morton Arboretum and the Michigan State University campus arboretum, and visit the Chicago Botanical Gardens to learn more about the feasibility of developing an arboretum and botanical gardens on the GSU campus.

Persons wanting more information can contact **Catherine Esquivel** on extension 2346.

GSUings...

...**Dr. Harvey Varnet**, **Beth Hansen**, **Ann Glascoff**, **Barbara Conant** and **Mary Konkell** (UL), attending the Illinois Library Association meeting in Springfield May 2 to 4...**President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II** addressing 122 inductees of the Prairie State College Nu Sigma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national community college honor society, on April 26 at the Matteson Holiday Plaza, on the topic to the "Excellence:

More Than Just Words"...**Richard Pride** and **Dora Hubbard** (ASR), speaking at the Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers Northeast District spring meeting on "Implementation of an Online Transfer Credit System"...**Douglas McNutt** and **Bural Wilkerson** (FA), attending a June 4-6 user group conference on "MICRO-FAIDS" in Williamsburg, Va.

GSU staffers learn about customer relations

More than 100 GSU staff members have learned the "dos" and "don'ts" of customer relations these past months.

"Connections: Putting Quality Student Services into Action" has involved employees from all areas of the university. Since August 1989, support staff members have been selected at random for the program. Barbara Clark, director of personnel, said eventually all GSU staff members will participate in the program.

The long-range training program gives participants the chance to look at their jobs and their interactions with students through their jobs.

The training films and sessions include tips on courtesy and listening skills, being consistently positive in communication with others, and feeling good about their jobs and the university.

After participating in the regularly scheduled program, "Connections" participants attend a follow-up program several weeks later to reinforce the initial goals and answer any questions.

Employees who have completed one of the 12 "Connections" sessions that were offered as of April 30 are Dixie Butz, Olivia Cooper, Barbara Mosley, Rose O'Neal, Chris Barberi, Catherine Borem.

Shirley Grant, Dee Hommema, Virginia Lenar, Betty Leving, Jackie Schimke, Mary Ann Clarke, Beatrice Grant, Raji Nair, Jac-

queline Roberts, Della Shiffer, Audrey Simpson, Ursula Sklan.

Barbara Mucklow, Dorothy Pais, Janet Rohdenburg, Mary Sallander, Linda Smith, Jill Stanley, Louise Brown, Loretta Cole, Jeanne Costa, Sharon Evans, Yvonne Franklin, Leora Pedric.

Deborah Ferguson, Elizabeth Johnson, Rita Mannion, Gloria Schuler, Deidre Burton, Jill Cahill, Wilhelmenia Moore, Mildred Toberman, Brenda Hatcher, Judith Reitsma, Barbara Denison, Ellen Kahn.

Sharon Browne, Suzanne Oliver, Donna Rutledge, Nicholas Battaglia, Margaret Gessner, Mark Hampton, Gwen Siebert, Donna Viramontes, Nasim Ali, Gusta Allen, Haddon Anderson, Ruth Barley.

Alice Hanes, Michael Kamowski, Dorothy Legge, Sharon Toran, Ann Travis, Brenda Chapman, Jean Coughlin, Mary Ellen Fawk, Vera Johnson, Geraldine Kezis, Sylvia Wilson, Kathy Cxyz.

Patsy Hoskin, Bill Kelly, Ila Kline, Mike Reilly, Jo Shaw, Willia Mae Smith, Joyce Gordon, Angela Goss, Shelina Hurd, Jeanette Manuel, Collette McHale, Cynthia Mitchell.

Debra Boyd, Karl Harrison, Ted

Reid, Marlene Anderson, Willette Jones, Virginia Thurston, Phyllis Laurin, David Weinberger, Joy Behrens, Napoleon Bell, John Fedak, Carla Harris.

Sam Steele Sr., Catherine Tafora, Leslie Wells, Tony Ziccardi, Andrea Gaz, Evelyn Georgiadis, Marilyn Molyneaus, Irv Roberts, Cathy Swatek, Chris Tolbertt, Ellen Zalewski, Lynn Hostetter, Katie Ball, Elaine Sherman, Jeff Gilow.

Veterans of Innovation

Congratulations to the following GSU employees who celebrated their anniversaries of employment during June.

- 1972 Earl Collins (DPS), Theodore Reid (DPS), Irving Roberts (BO)
- 1973 Michael Foley (PPO)
- 1974 Richard Burd (ICC), Robert Jensen (BO)
- 1977 Lynne Hostetter (A&P), Vivian Sherman (CBPA)
- 1978 Samuel Steele (PPO), Marie Riney (PPO)
- 1979 Anthony Ziccardi (PPO), Joseph Hanes (PPO)
- 1980 Elizabeth Helsel (BO)
- 1982 Charles Hicks (CAS)
- 1985 Daniel Kreidler (FA)

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