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## Happenings at GSU

- 29 "Connections," Employee Training Program, 9:30 a.m. to noon, D1702. Also on Nov. 5.
- 1 "Literature of the American West," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Hall of Honors. Also on Nov. 2.
- 2 "Contemporary Chicago Writers," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., E-Lounge.
- 6 Art Gallery Exhibit Reception, 6 to 9 p.m., E-Lounge.
- 7 Time Management Series, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Hall of Honors.
- 8 Media Workshop: "First Amendment and New Media," 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., F-Lounge.
- 8 Strategies for Career Development, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., E-Lounge.

## Ethnic Tourism is topic of panel

"Ethnic Tourism in Chicago" will be the panel discussion hosted by Governors State University at the 4th Annual Board of Governors Universities Public Policy Conference.

The two-day meeting, Nov. 18 and 19, will be at Eastern Illinois University. The theme for the conference is "Tourism and Economic Development."

The GSU panel will be led by **Dr. Henry Lowenstein**, chairperson of the Division of Public Administration. Joining him on the panel will be **Dr. Dominic Candeloro** of Chicago Heights, who will discuss the Italian immigrant population. He has written the two books and has published numerous articles on Italian-Americans.

Also on the panel will be Leah  
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## Second expansion at GSU Orland Park site underway

Physical Plant Operations staff members have been busy converting a storefront at Orland Park Place Mall for Governors State University's second expansion project.

The newly remodeled storefront will have one large classroom with seating for 72 students, and two smaller classrooms that each will accommodate 30 students, according to **Monica Johnson**, manager of the Orland Park Place facility.



She's set an Oct. 31 opening date for

the new space. PPO staff members **Bill Gregory**, **Mike Knabjian**, **Bill Kelly**, **Cliff Sullivan**, **Tony Ziccardi** and **Ron Canali** have been rewiring, painting and putting up walls to change the space from a massive, open room into the classrooms and student study areas.

Governors State opened its off-campus site in the mall at 153rd Street and LaGrange Road in August 1988 by converting a storefront into a

Physical Plant Operations employees remodeled this storefront at Orland Park Place Mall for three new classrooms.

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## Student Life hosts 2nd Annual Disabilities Awareness Day

The Office of Student Life is hosting the 2nd Annual Disabilities Awareness Day Nov. 13.

"The Bottom Line—Overcoming Barriers" is the theme for the daylong program that will focus on what can be done to help people with disabilities overcome physical barriers and to assist the general public in attitudinal changes toward the disabled.

The day's activities begin at 10 a.m. with the presentation "Watch Your Language" by **Lenda Hunt**, executive director of Options for Independent Living based in Kankakee. She will outline terms and phrases that can best be

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## Cafeteria Menu

(Week of October 28 to November 1)

**Monday**—Minestrone soup. B.B.Q. chicken platter; meatballs in mushroom sauce over noodles; Italian submarine sandwich.

**Tuesday**—Corn chowder soup. Roast beef roulade platter; Oriental pork over rice; grilled bratwurst.

**Wednesday**—Chicken barley soup. Veal piccata platter; stir fried turkey, rice; French dip sandwich.

**Thursday**—Beef noodle vegetable soup. Fried chicken wings platter; beef pepper steak over rice; grilled chicken fillet sandwich.

**Friday**—Seafood gumbo. Fried perch fillet platter; crab, shrimp Mornay over pasta; Tuna melt.

(Week of November 4 to 8)

**Monday**—Turkey rice soup. Veal parmesan, spaghetti; oriental chicken over rice; Philly cheese steak sandwich.

**Tuesday**—Beef barley soup. Turkey divan platter; sweet tamale pie; mushroom Swiss burger.

**Wednesday**—Cream of broccoli soup. Honey ham platter; beef Stroganoff; Turkey fillet sandwich.

**Thursday**—Chicken noodle soup. Salisbury steak platter; stir fried chicken over rice; Footlong hot dog.

**Friday**—Manhattan clam chowder; Fried catfish, fries, cole slaw; broccoli noodle casserole; Grilled cheese with tomato sandwich.

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## Employee of the Month

# Secretary 'never fails to get the job done'

By Marilyn Thomas

When the boss is away, Bobbie Powell takes charge.

Because Kim Sit, continuing education coordinator of the "Families First" contract with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), travels to meetings throughout the state, Bobbie, the project's secretary, has been left with numerous responsibilities.

The October "Employee of the Month" completes each task with accuracy. Her dependability and reliability are essential, but as Kim says, "(Bobbie) has never failed to get the job done."



Bobbie Powell

The Park Forest resident moved to the area two years ago when her husband, an employee of the Illinois Central-Gulf Railroad, accepted a transfer from the Champaign-Urbana area.

With their three children grown, Bobbie wanted to continue working. She'd been on staff in the personnel department at the University of Illinois, so she came to GSU to apply for a position and accepted the special project work.

GSU has a contract with DCFS to coordinate the statewide program of training for foster parents, state employees and representatives of private agencies. A core training program is offered for employees of DCFS and private agencies, and classes in substance abuse and reunification of parent and child are available for all parties.

As the coordinator, GSU is responsible for organizing the sessions, hiring seminar speakers, reserving rooms not only for the meetings but

also for the participants, and reimbursing the parties.

Kim travels throughout the state acting as the on-site coordinator at each program, and Bobbie does all the work on campus. Workshops are two to five days. During the 1989-90 contract, Kim organized 47 sessions.

"I hired Bobbie when the original contract was in full swing," Kim told the nominating committee. "Within two weeks, she was in command of all her duties, with few questions regarding procedure. Bobbie quickly learned the human resources available for information required to process forms/correspondence in my absence.

"Bobbie has developed forms which expedite reports to be made for each training," Kim said. "She processes all correspondence efficiently (often extensive amounts) and can be counted on to double check her work for accuracy.

"I can always depend on Bobbie to complete any task on hand. She is ever efficient and seeks to perform at an above expectation level at all times," Kim noted. "Bobbie is the primary phone contact for 1,000-plus registrants, as well as hotel contact for all registrations made. She received nothing but applause."

In her special Mississippi Delta way, Bobbie says she's flattered by the nomination. She admits the work keeps her busy, but she says "Families First" is a very interesting program.

Bobbie considers Kim a wonderful person to work for. She shares her warm feelings for Dr. Dominic Candeloro, Sandi Padgett and Roger Paris, her fellow Office of Conferences and Workshops staff members, who she willingly helps when the pace slackens on her "Families First" work.

## The Grapevine

### **Environmental concerns addressed on Nov. 7**

Calling the environmentally conscientious!

If you are concerned about the environment, you may be interested in the Greenways Openlands Project being initiated to establish 1,000 miles of corridors of open land in the Chicagoland metropolitan area. The project will be discussed at a 7 p.m. Nov. 7 meeting at the Marie Irwin Community Center, 18120 Highland Ave. in Homewood.

The program is sponsored by the Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center. Guest speaker will be **Betsy Otto**, director of Greenways.

More information may be obtained by calling Irons Oaks at (708) 481-2330.

### **New officers elected to GSU Faculty Senate**

Congratulations to the new officers of the GSU Faculty Senate. **Professor Barbara Conant (UL)** is the president with **Dr. Sonny Goldenstein (CBPA)** serving as vice president.

Members of the executive committee are **Dr. Akkanad Isaac** and alternate **Dr. Jagan Lingenmini** of the College of Business and Public Administration, **Dr. Larry Levinson** and alternate **Dr. Shelly Kumar** of the College of Arts and Sciences, **Dr. Linda Proudfit** and alternate **Dr. Sally Glenn** of the College of Education, **Dr. Ralph Bell** and alternate **Dr. Ami Wang** of the College of Health Professions and **Dr. Judy Hinga** representing the University Library, Counseling and Communications Services.

Chairperson of the Curriculum Committee is **Dr. Ronald Small (CE)**; chairperson of the Academic Program Review Committee is **Dr. Lee Hertzman (CHP)**; and chairperson of the Educational Policies Committee is **Dr. Judy Hinga (SD)**.

### **Civil Service Senate welcomes new officers**

Congratulations to the newly-elected officers of the GSU Civil Service Senate. **Charles Barnett (PPO)** will continue as president for another term. **Susan Inman (CAS)** is vice president; **Brenda Chapman (CAS)** is secretary; and **Deirdre Burton (CE)** and **Diane Cole (REG)** are executive board members.

### **Yeltsin to take part in Nov. 7 videoconference**

Russian President **Boris Yeltsin** will be on campus at 11 a.m. Nov. 7. Yes, **Mikhail Gorbachev's** biggest supporter during the recent coup in the Soviet Union will be one of the panelists for a special videoconference on trade and business links between the United States and the Soviet Union. He will be joined by trade and banking ministers in Moscow who will discuss the Soviet economy with experts in Oklahoma where the videoconference originates. For more information, contact **Roger Paris (OCW)** on extension 2558.

### **Eldercare options focus of panel discussion**

At some point in our lives, many of us will be asked to care for an elderly parent or relative. How have companies designed programs to accommodate their employees' needs for leave or special services?

This will be the topic for the Nov. 1 videoconference "Eldercare: Options for the '90s" presented in the Hall of Honors beginning at 10 a.m. Participants will discuss the critical issues of eldercare and how hospitals, public service agencies and corporations can work together to assist the care givers of the elderly.

**Dr. Mary Geis**, professor of nursing, will lead the panel discussion at GSU. For more information on the videoconference, contact **Dr. Dominic Candeloro (OCW)** on extension 2320.

## **Expansion underway**

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computer lab and a classroom. **Peg Donohue**, special assistant to the provost who organized the off-campus location, said the format had been successful for several other universities, so GSU decided to try the approach.

During its first year, the center served more than 1,000 students and things haven't slowed down, **Johnson** said. A video crew from Purdue University-Indianapolis recently came to the Orland Park extension to tape a special program on "learning in shopping malls," she added.

Earlier this year, it became apparent that the university needed additional computer space, so GSU leased the storefront next door and converted it into a new computer lab for 12 additional computers and printers.

By doubling the extension's area, **Johnson** was able to schedule non-credit computer workshops in one lab, and credit workshops in the other.

But that still didn't take care of the classroom space problem. **Johnson** found that the classroom was booked from morning until evening on the weekends, limiting any possibility of booking additional meetings or workshops.

In July, Governors State officials approved a lease for a third storefront in the mall directly across from GSU's original space.

Several classes now being conducted at Oak Forest and Tinley Park High Schools will be transferred to the Orland Park Place location.

"This will make our job of serving students much easier," **Johnson** explained. "By tripling our classroom space, we will be able to accommodate the needs of our students and professors, making the situation tolerable for all."

### ***Congratulations***

to **Carolyn Conrad (PROV/AA)**, on the birth of her granddaughter, **Lauren Catherine**, on Oct. 8.

## Program will heighten disability awareness

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used to refer to and assist the disabled.

Northern Illinois University's "Healing Harps" program will give a concert at 11 a.m. followed by a presentation on the training and the benefits of the program. "Healing Harps" teaches students to play the harp despite their disabilities.

At noon, representatives from the Will-Grundy Center for Independent Living will present five vaudeville-style skits dealing with public accommodations and attitudes, public transportation, employment, housing and relationships for the disabled.

The philosophy of independent living and peoples' attitudes toward the disabled living on their own will be discussed at 1 p.m. by a speaker from the Will-Grundy Center for Independent Living.

At 2 p.m., a panel of disabled Governors State students and alumni will discuss barriers they have had to overcome at GSU and suggest other changes that would help them.

At 3:30 p.m., attorney Ken Jenaro of the law firm McBride, Baker & Coles will discuss "Employment Aspects of the American Disabilities Act

Law from the Business Perspective." Following Jenaro's presentation, Linda Hoke, assistant director of the Legal Center for the Council for Disability Rights, will speak at 4:30 p.m. Her topic will be comparison of the Illinois Environmental Barriers Act requirements, the Illinois Human Rights Act requirements and those requirements of Title I and Title III of the American Disabilities Act.

At 6 p.m. Jenaro, Hoke and a third guest will conduct a panel discussion relative to their topics.

Throughout the day, guests at the Disabilities Awareness Day program also will have a chance to participate in activities, including a wheelchair obstacle course, presented by the Options for Independent Living Center in Kankakee, and the chance to use wheelchairs and motorized carts provided by Homex.

Videos of past disability awareness segments hosted by Karen Meyer for WLS-TV will be shown throughout the day, and representatives of the Illinois Assistive Technology Project will familiarize guests with models of equipment that can assist the disabled and employers in adapting work and living environments.

## GSUings...

...Dr. Larry Levinson (CAS), being elected to the Committee on Teaching and Learning for the National Collegiate Honors Council, speaking on the topic "The Promise and Challenge of Revolution in Eastern Europe" at the American Association of University Women (AAUW) meeting in Joliet on Oct. 22 and speaking at the Park Forest Library on Nov. 7 on the topic "The New World Order and the Middle East"... Dr. Roger Oden, chairperson of the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences, serving as keynote speaker at the Nigerian-American Forum's (NAF) second annual dinner dance at the Marriott Hotel in Chicago on Aug. 31.

...Dr. Maribeth Kasik (CE), serving on the executive board of the Illinois Teacher Education Subdivision of the Council for Exceptional Children after having completed a term as president of the organization. Also, being elected as chair-elect of the Higher Education Advisory Board (for special education) to the Illinois State Board of Education of which she has been a member since 1985. Dr. Kasik was elected to her position on the board by chairpersons of departments of special education...Dr. Joseph Addison (CAS), being selected to serve on the Faculty Advisory Committee to the State of Illinois Board of Higher Education for a four-year term...Professor Sung-Young Lee (CAS), presenting his paper "Parameter Decision Methods of Server's Capacity for Aperiodic Tasks in Real-Time Systems" at the 5th annual Southeastern Small College Computing Conference in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 1 and 2...Jeff Gilow (ACS) and Vince Donahue Jr., telecommunications consultant, being invited to speak to a class at Devry Institute of Technology in Lombard about their projects at GSU. Donahue's topic was the installation of the Fujitsu 9600 and Gilow's was the

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## Veterans of Innovation

for October

1971	Michael Lewis (CE), Barbara Mucklow (UL), Philip Orawiec (DPS)	1975	Michael Stelnicki (CAS)
1972	Joyce Gordon (BO), Ila Gallagher (PPO), Ana Kong (CAS), Jon Mendelson, (CAS)	1975	David Matteson (CE), Diane Cole (REG)
1973	Susanne Hildebrand (CHP), Debra Conway (SL)	1976	Quemolia Owens (UL)
1974	Lee Collins (DPS), Susan Morriss (A&P), Jean Brubaker (UL), Suzanne Oliver (ICC), Jay Lubinsky (CHP), Christine Tolbertt (BO), Sharon Browne (ICC),	1977	Annie Lawrence (CHP), Paul Schwellenbach (MR)
		1979	Debra Boyd (DPS), Lon Wolf (CE)
		1980	Margaret Donohue (PROV/AA)
		1981	Leone Middleton (ICC), Robert White (ICC)
		1982	David Sparks (A&P)
		1984	Sherry Kohl (SAS)
		1986	Mary Anne Clark (CHP), Alice Hanes (REG)

## Piucci organizes international educators meeting in Italy

More than 600 educators from the United States and Europe attended an international meeting in Italy on "The Future of the University: The Challenge of Change in Europe and America," organized by **Dr. Virginio Piucci**, vice president of administration and planning.

The American Association of University Administrators (AAUA) and Permanent Association of Italian University Presidents (PAIUP) international meeting Sept. 16 through 23, was conducted in Perugia and Siena, Italy.

Board of Governors Universities representatives who took an active part in the meeting were **GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II**

who chaired the "Exchange of New Ideas" session; **BGU Trustee Dominick Bufalino** who was a panelist for the "Organization and Governance of the University of the Future" session; **Dr. Paul Green**, director of The Institute for Public Policy and Administration who spoke during the "Political Revolution of 1989 and Its Implications for the University" session that was chaired by **Dr. Dominic Candeloro** of the Office of Conferences and Workshops; and **Dr. Mel Muchnik**, special assistant to the president, who presented the paper "Extended Learning and Communications Technologies: The University Challenge in the Information Age." **Mike Foley**, director of

PPO, also attended the conference.

**Dr. Piucci** closed the meeting with a summary speech titled "Continuity and Change."

AAUA and PAIUP agreed to establish a permanent committee to work through problems of professional exchanges between American and European institutions of higher learning. **Dr. Piucci** will be co-chairing the committee with **Dr. Frederick Kelly**, president of AAUA. **Dr. Candeloro** will serve as executive secretary. Also on the committee will be **Bufalino**, **Dr. Louis Masotti** of Northwestern University, **Dr. Brian Booth**, rector of Lancashire Polytechnic in England, and a president of an Austian university who will be selected at a later date.

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Novell local area network that soon will be coming to the university...**Dr. Winfried Rudloff**, (CAS), recently attending the 3rd International Symposium on Systems Research, Informatics and Cybernetics in Baden-Baden, Germany, where he presented an invited plenary lecture on "Intelligence of Men and Machines: Recent Developments in Artificial Intelligence and Their Implications to Understanding the Human Mind" and chairing a session on education at which he organized a workshop on "Education of the Future: How Will We Cope with the Demands of Global Education in the 21st Century?" and in August, presenting an invited paper on "The Potential of Artificial Neural Networks in Weather Prediction" at the XXII OSTIV Congress in Uvalde, Texas...**Dr. David Matteson** (CE), featured on the front page of *Contemporary Sexuality*, the newsletter of the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists, for his work on bisexuality.

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## Edgar vetoes BGU tuition waiver bill

A bill that would have provided discounted college tuition rates for children of Board of Governors Universities employees was vetoed by **Gov. Jim Edgar** who cited fiscal constraints.

Under provisions of the bill, BGU institutions would have offered 50 percent tuition waivers for undergraduate education at any campus of the five BGU institutions to employees' children who are 25 or younger and meet college admissions requirements. To be eligible, the employees must have been employed at least seven years at any of the five BGU institutions.

The governor's message to legislators said the bill's costs were unknown and it "would place an additional burden on the universities in this tight budget year and for the future."

He added, "The state should not be mandating new and possibly costly programs for universities, particularly if the programs mandated can be administered by the systems without legislation. We should allow the university system boards in the state to make their own choice on these matters."

**BGU Chancellor Thomas Layzell** had urged **Gov. Edgar** to support the legislation saying, "In times of financial stringency, the existence of a competitive benefits package becomes increasingly important as we seek to recruit and retain the best employees available. The addition of dependent tuition waivers as provided in (the legislation) would offer faculty and staff of our universities a significant enhancement in benefits without an appreciable increase in instructional costs."

At this time, the chancellor has not suggested to trustees that the Board of Governors Universities enact its own discounted tuition policy. There is a possibility legislators will be asked to override the governor's veto during the fall veto session.

## Phone books available

South suburban telephone directories are now available at the switchboard office on the first floor.

## GSU hosts Ethnic Tourism discussion

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Axelrod, founder and president of "My Kind of Town Tours" which specializes in arranging tours of ethnic communities for foreign guests.

The public policy conference originated at Governors State University in 1987 when Dr. Paul Green organized a daylong program that brought faculty members, representatives of government and economic development specialists to the GSU campus. The program was hosted by The Institute for Public Policy and Administration at GSU and by the Board of Governors Universities. Since that time, the meeting has been moved to the various campuses of the BGU.

## CBPA holds silent auction on Oct. 29

Staff members can help the College of Business and Public Administration's Student Advisory Board through its silent auction.

The sale will be conducted on Oct. 29 from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Hall of Governors. Students have solicited items from local businesses for the auction. Donations benefit CBPA's endowed scholarship fund. The 1990 auction raised \$2,000. Students hope to raise \$10,000 this year.



*Dr. Addison Woodward admires a sweater knit by Virginia Lenart as Monica Johnson (center) displays her handicrafts. They were among the exhibitors at the Oct. 17 Civil Service Arts and Crafts Fair in the Hall of Governors.*

### *Published*

Dr. Shensheng Zhao (CAS), the article "Knowledge Representation and Reasoning with Bidirectional Exceptions" with co-authors Stewart N. T. Shen and Jih-shih Iisu in the *International Journal of Modeling and Simulation*, Vol. 11, No. 2, 1991.

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