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Happenings at GSU

- 4 Circle K Club Valentine Flowers Sale, Hall of Governors. Also on Feb. 5 and 10.
- 13 Future Teachers of America Bake Sale, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Hall of Governors.
- 14 CBPA Scholarship Dinner/Dance, 6:30 p.m. cocktails, 7:30 p.m. dinner, Greek Orthodox Church Hall.
- 16 "Festa Italia," Dinner/Dance, 6 to 10 p.m., Hall of Governors.

Presidential search committee named

The GSU community's presidential search committee has been named. GSU President **Leo Goodman-Malamuth II** will retire July 31 after 16 years. A new president is expected to be named by June.

The committee will be chaired by **Professor Barbara Conant** of the University Library who also is president of the Faculty Senate this year.

Committee members are GSU students **Varghese Mathew** and **Barbara Johnson**; alumni representative **Jo-Ann Hassan**; division chairs' representative **Dr. Annie Lawrence** (CHP) and alternate **Dr. Roger Oden** (CAS); deans' representative **Dr. Jay Lubinsky** (CHP) and alternate **Dr. Esthel Allen** (CBPA).

Administrative staff representative **Dr. Mel Muchnik** (PO) and alternate **Barbara Clark** (PERS); vice presidents' representative **Dr. William Dodd** (DPA) and alternate **Dr. Virginio Pucci** (A&P).

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Ryan unanimous choice for Employee of the Year

The 1991 Employee of the Year award has been presented to **Barry Ryan** of the Business Office.

The nominee, who was the November "Employee of the Month," was the unanimous choice of the selection committee.

Ryan, a data processing analyst, was cited for his competence, commitment and willingness to work with staff from all areas of the university.

He will receive a \$300 stipend, a certificate and a plaque. "I was surprised the other month when I got the award, and I am just as surprised this time," the winner said. "It is really nice because I usually find myself in a position where I have to say 'No, I can't get the computer to work' rather than helping out."

Others see it differently.

"Barry has extended himself to assist both Student Affairs and Services and the university," **Dr. Harvey Varnet**, director of Information Services, said in his nomination. "His involvement with touchtone telephone registration and other computing-related issues has proven he's willing to give his time and energy to more than 'just his job!'"

Jeff Gilow of Academic Computing Services agreed, saying, "I have worked closely with Barry this year, and I have found him to be highly motivated and dedicated to making GSU a better place to work. His positive attitude is reflected in all of his work."



Barbara Clark, director of Personnel, presents Barry Ryan with the 1991 Employee of the Year award.

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Mandated budget reductions create a 'lose-lose situation'

The \$528,027 giveback mandated by the Illinois General Assembly in its latest round of budget reductions is exacerbating cuts already made at Governors State University during the winter trimester.

The latest round of budget cuts, totalling three percent of GSU's annual budget, are forcing curtailments in equipment purchases and services. GSU will cut \$310,000 from contractual services, \$60,000 from social security/Medicare and \$16,400 from permanent improvements in the general revenue fund, and \$115,000 from contractual services, \$24,327 in equipment and \$2,300 in permanent improvements in the educational assistance fund.

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Cafeteria Menu

(Week of February 3 to 7)

Monday—Turkey barley soup. Fried chicken platter; bacon cheeseburger.

Tuesday—Chicken gumbo soup. Spaghetti with meat sauce and garlic bread; Footlong hot dog.

Wednesday—Beef vegetable soup. Roast pork loin platter; Italian sausage sandwich.

Thursday—Minestrone soup. Baked potato with choice of toppings; Chicken breast fillet.

Friday—Cream of tomato soup. Poached fillet of pollack platter; tuna melt sandwich.

(Week of February 10 to 14)

Monday—Chicken vegetable soup. Breaded pork cutlet platter; Chicago style hot dog.

Tuesday—Beef noodle soup. Roast turkey breast platter; B.B.Q. pork sandwich.

Wednesday—University closed—Abraham Lincoln's Birthday.

Thursday—Split pea soup. Chicken fried beef steak with country gravy. Sloppy Joe sandwich.

Friday—New England clam chowder. Fried perch fillet platter; patty melt sandwich.

Entrees include vegetable, potato, roll and butter.

(Menu subject to change.)

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Employee of the Month

Years of service make Ball valued employee

By Marilyn Thomas

Katie Ball recognizes that she is a team player in the Division of Nursing.

The secretary, who has been named the January "Employee of the Month," knows her work helps not only the faculty but the students, and she believes her efforts reflect a good image for GSU.

Katie says she tries to be of service to the nursing faculty which she calls "very professional and very concerned about their program and their students." She places special emphasis on attention to detail recognizing it is especially important in keeping student records and schedules.

Part of Katie's responsibility is working directly with hospitals, clinics and care centers scheduling nursing students for their on-site clinicals. Today her vocabulary is sprinkled with nursing terms as she explains each component.

"The complex problem of managing student clinical rotations has been considerably streamlined because of her interventions," Dr. Mary Geis, professor of nursing, told the nominating committee. "I truly admire her and wish I had some of her organizational skills.

"Many times," Dr. Geis noted, "Katie has gone to considerable trouble to find an answer for me, whether it's repairing a piece of equipment, assistance in working on my grant," or whatever.

"Katie is unfailingly helpful and positive with faculty, students, callers, way past the point where I would become exasperated," the professor added. "She always tries to find a solution and when people leave the office, she asks to determine if they believe they have been

helped and tries to find additional assistance if they haven't.

"She provides much assistance to students, and they obviously feel that she is approachable," Dr. Geis said.

Katie admits she enjoys working with these students. "I don't know what it is. Maybe it's because they're nurses, but they tend to be warmer. They're a very close group, and they work together well."

Of course, this isn't the first time Katie has worked with students. She came to GSU in 1974 to work in the College of Human Learning and Development (now the College of Education) with Dean Roy Cogdale. She then worked as a research associate for Dr. Sonny Goldenstein on a federally funded grant that enabled government service employees to earn college degrees. Katie, herself, earned a bachelor's degree in social work from GSU at that time.

She also was a research associate with Dr. Peggy Williams who had federal funding for a Teachers Corps program, and as a staff secretary for Administration and Planning, the Department of Public Safety and the alumni association where she later took on administrative duties.

Her transfer to the Division of Nursing two years ago was a pleasant change. She enjoys being back in the main building and working directly with faculty and students.

We have Katie to thank for GSU's "Civil Service Day." She originated the special recognition day as a way of bringing faculty and staff together in a "thank you" to their support staff. Katie continues to serve as a member of the Civil Service Senate.

Katie and her husband, Larry, live in Park Forest. Their daughter, Stephanie is a sophomore in the engineering program at the University of Illinois.



Katie Ball

The Grapevine

Completion of new phone system expected by April

The new phone system is coming—*honest!* Dr. Harvey Varnet, director of Information Systems, said GSU now has a signed contract for completion of the work. Workmen will be back in the building pulling the wires for the new system. The cutover date from the new phones is April 24.

Just a reminder, if your phone is on the fritz, the buttons won't stay down, the intercom doesn't buzz, etc., Chuck Nebes of the Information Services unit will take your complaints. He now is responsible for any concerns, problems, changes with telephones. Previously, repair requests were handled by Physical Plant Operations (PPO).

Circle K Club hosts annual Valentine flower sale

The Circle K Club invites you to send Valentine wishes to someone special this year. The student organization is hosting its annual flower sale. Advance sales will be accepted the week of Feb. 3 in the Hall of Governors. Messages can be written to your special friends, or you can send the flowers anonymously.

Education pursued by more than 200 on GSU staff

Did you know that 221 staff members are taking advantage of educational options through tuition waivers offered by the Board of Governors Universities?

In a report to the board, GSU administrators said 93 civil service staff members attend school part time. Their tuition waivers total \$29,119. Another 128 GSU staff members are attending universities full and part time. Those waivers total \$84,743.

Prescott, Fricker recognized for voice mail work

Dr. Suzanne Prescott and Professor Donald Fricker have received certificates of achievement from Johns Hopkins University for their voice mail network for students with disabilities. The project was entered in competition for research funding.

The network allows students with disabilities to get information on agencies that serve their special needs, and to receive information on GSU services on campus.

Velkovitz is second to earn CMA and CPA titles

Congratulations to Professor Dale Velkovitz in the College of Business and Public Administration, who passed the Certified Management Accounting (CMA) exam. The two-day exam is a comprehensive review of economics, finance, decision sciences, quantitative methods and management, in addition to financial and managerial accounting. Professor Velkovitz joins Dr. Aida Shekib as the second member of the CPBA faculty to have CMA and Certified Public Accountant (CPA) titles.

Professor Velkovitz is working on his doctoral dissertation at the University of Illinois.

Child care center needs volunteers to share time

Geri Dalton, director of child care programs for the Office of Student Life, is asking staff members to share some time with the kids as a volunteer. For more information on how you can help, call Geri on extension 2552.

Enjoy 'Italian Festa' dinner/dance/fun

Enjoy life as Italians do at Governors State University's "Italian Festa" benefit dinner/dance Sunday, Feb. 16.

The festa's fun, from 6 to 10 p.m. on the GSU campus, includes dancing to the music of Paul Ciminello's Society Orchestra, an Italian-style buffet, a silent auction and a raffle of two tickets to Italy on Alitalia Airlines.

Tickets are \$20 each. All proceeds will go to the GSU Carillon Fund. The private fundraising effort will build a commemorative carillon recognizing the explorations of Christopher Columbus and the contributions to building the United States that have come from the cooperative efforts of its ethnic groups.

If you can't make the benefit, but would like a chance at the trip to Italy, the Alitalia raffle tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25.

ICC under water

Water, water everywhere was what library and Instructional Communications Center (ICC) staff members discovered Jan. 21 when returning to work after the Martin Luther King Day holiday.

An elbow pipe in the fire sprinkler system burst in the library offices area, and the pressurized system also sent water into the graphics, photography and secretarial areas of ICC.

Luckily, none of the books in the library were damaged, and equipment in ICC appears to be functional again.

Physical Plant Operations (PPO) staff were busy for days soaking up the water, drying carpeting and shampooing it to get the moldy smell out.

Published

Dr. Suzanne Prescott (CE) and Professor Donald Fricker (CBPA), the article "The Uses of Voice Mail in Distance Education" published in the November issue of *On Line Journal of Distance Education and Communication*.

Budget cuts create hardships for GSU

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"This is not a win-lose situation," GSU President **Leo Goodman-Malamuth II** said. "This is a lose-lose situation. The university loses, the students lose and the state of Illinois loses, and eventually it will be the workforce that loses because we are educating the future employees of this state."

This winter trimester, GSU was forced to drop approximately 100 class sections because of 11 vacant faculty positions and a \$250,000 reduction in adjunct faculty salaries.

Students' frustration levels are rising, according to **Dr. Jay Lubinsky**, dean of the College of Health Professions, who had received petitions and letters from students asking for additional class offerings.

"We (at the university) look like the bad guys because we don't have the class sections, but we are forced to make these cuts" because of state funding reductions, he added.

Reductions in equipment and book purchases mean the University Library will be forced to curtail many purchases

of library books and serials.

Instructional equipment purchases will not be made, despite emphasis by a visiting North Central accrediting team that GSU update its laboratory equipment.

A drop in the commodities budget means the university's purchasing power is being further eroded, limiting the staff's abilities to purchase even basics such as office supplies.

Although some have suggested the university raise tuition to make up for the deficit, that is not a feasible solution, according to **Dr. Linda Heiser**, director of budget and planning. The university's budget is segregated into general revenue and income funds. Tuition is part of the income fund. Transfers between the two funds are rare.

But even if a transfer were permissible, **Dr. Heiser** said the four percent tuition increase recommended by the Illinois Board of Higher Education for the coming academic year would generate only an estimated \$160,000, not the \$528,027 cut the state recently imposed.

Search committee named

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Faculty representative from CPBA **Dr. Akkanad Isaac** and alternate **Dr. Gary Fernandez**; from CAS **Dr. Ronald Brubaker** and alternate **Dr. Larry Levinson**; from CHP **Dr. Lee Hertzman** and alternate **Dr. David Burgest**; from CE **Dr. Diane Kjos** and alternate **Dr. Maribeth Kasik**; from the University Library/ICC/Counseling **Professor Mary Konkel**; and at-large delegates **Professor Connie Edwards** (CHP) and **Dr. Peggy Williams** (CE).

Civil Service representatives **Charles Barnett** (PPO) and **Lynne Hostetter** (IS) and alternates **Dottie Legge** (REG) and **Debra Boyd** (DPS).

Committee members will interview prospective presidents selected as finalists by Board of Governors Universities Chancellor **Thomas Layzell**.

Their work is expected to begin in late February, **Conant** explained.

Staff at Eastern Illinois University also will be conducting a presidential search this year. In December, **President Stan Rives** announced his retirement. He will leave EIU in July.

Correction

F.Y.I. apologizes to **Dr. Diane Kjos**, professor in the Division of Psychology and Counseling, whose name was not included in the November listing of "Veterans of Innovation" provided to F.Y.I. by the Personnel Office. **Dr. Kjos** joined the GSU staff in 1983.

GSUings...

...**Dr. David Matteson** (CE), co-presenting the talk "Male Partners of Incest Survivors: A Group Intervention" at a November meeting of the Chicago YWCA and presenting a program titled "Counseling Bisexuals in Marriages" at the recent conference of the Illinois Association for Counseling and Development...**Dr. Barbara Jenkins** (CE), presenting a lecture at the Park Forest Public Library in October. The lecture was titled "Israelis and Palestinians Working Together." In December, she also participated in an invitational forum explaining women's initiatives to build multicultural relationships...**Professor Paul Schranz**, having a photography show of his works on display in the Annex Gallery of the William J. Bachman Gallery as part of the Northern Indiana Arts Association's December art show...**Dr. Lawrence Freeman** (PROV), explaining the third airport preliminaries to community colleges and reporters, with other administrators from surrounding community colleges, at a press conference held in October at Prairie State to determine job training needs for potential employees of the new airport...**Joanne Sandberg** (FA), speaking on "Issues Facing the Returning Student" at a November workshop sponsored by the Graduate Record Exam Forum at the Palmer House in Chicago...**William Craig** (ASR), serving as moderator for the workshop panel... **Dr. Hugh Rank** (CAS), leading an all-day workshop on "Advertising in the Classroom" for 50 teachers as part of the program of the 81st annual convention of the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) in Seattle in November.

Condolences

To **Dr. Marsha Katz**, professor in the College of Business and Public Administration, on the death of her father, **Sam Goldberg**, the week of Jan. 6.

Dozens complete 'Connections'

Dozens of staff members have graduated from "Connections," the in-house training program, during the past 18 months.

"Connections: Putting Quality Student Services into Action" is designed to give staff members helpful hints at quality service options to GSU's customers, the students. It is believed the generous giving of time and effort by employees to students helps boost student morale and student retention. The program has been ongoing since Summer 1989.

Those who completed the "Connections" course in 1990 were Vanessa "Star" Anderson, Dorothy Sanders, Terry Rickhoff, Leda Lance, Michael Hassett, Janice Washington, Margo Ellman, Sherwin Hurd, Kimberly Griffin, Sherry Kohl, Gladys Rogala, Mark Stevens, Brendan O'Rourke.

Jeff Franklin, Susan Bell, Rich Van Pelt, Ruby Washington, Paulette Stark, Dorothy Sherman, Jacquie Hemingway, Kim Denton, Bobbie Powell, Eleanor Kane.

Rose Mascolo, Alice Gardner, Linda Kuester, Patrick Longtin, Franchon Lindsay, Beverly Kyser, Tom Sauch, Rosetta Gibson, Leone Middleton, Carl Cross, Harold

Newling, Rita Nagy.

Annas Bruce, Marshall Dunsenbury, Lynn Deslierres-Romaniak, Vivian Sherman, Margo Witkowsky, Marie Riney, Linda Ayala, Sandi Padgett, Gwendolyn Glenn, Joanne Fields, Anita Werner.

Mary Ellen Rauch, Marilyn Thomas, Bill Gregory, Helen Spencer, Marilyn Prater-Rivers, Annie Ware, LaVerne Bennett, Leroy Morrison, Mary Gotsos, Barbara Lane, Jacob Liao, Dolores Baker.

Susan Inman, Maureen Bendoraitis, Jean Brubaker, Melody Paul, Bill Erickson, Susan Jillson, Mike Knabjian, George Vesvardes.

The 1991 graduates of "Connections" included Shirley Armistead, Edward Farmer, Bill Van Dyke, Laird Hartley, Jeanne Murphy, Josephine Wiater, Jean Cox, Bob Jensen, Michael Hanei, Larry Lewis, Kathryn Norman, Leora Erickson.

Barb Basler, Hank Jablon, Richard Kara, Barb McLennan, Jane Siefker, Barbara Stapleton, Bill Simpson, Gloria Chu, Linda Dean, Harry Wakal, LouElla Rozier and Sharon James.

Seven on sabbatical, others join ranks

Several faculty members are on leave, while others have had a status change.

Three faculty members are on sabbatical leave this trimester. Dr. Joyce Mohberg, a chemistry professor, will conduct research on the uptake of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) by physarum polycephalum.

Dr. Robert Donaldson, a public administration professor, will generate hypotheses for ensuing investigation regarding the impact of the new Harold Washington Party on the current political parties registered in Chicago and Cook County.

Dr. Jagan Lingamneni, a public administration professor, will be on leave to review recent literature and

conduct research in international justice.

Professors Robert Kaufman, Patricia Koutouzos, Della Rush and Tomi Thompson (CAS) have been reclassified from adjunct professors to university lecturers.

Drs. Jagan Lingamneni and Sonny Goldenstein, professors of public administration with special emphasis on criminal justice, have transferred from the College of Business and Public Administration to the College of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Joyce Kennedy-Hayes has returned to her position in the Division of Communications after a year's leave.

Veterans of Innovation

Congratulations to the following employees who celebrated their anniversaries of employment in January.

- 1971 Robert Press (CE)
- 1975 Franchon Lindsay (PERS)
- 1976 Teresa Marcus (SD)
- 1977 Arthur Bourgeois (CAS), Virginia Lenart (CE), Mary Sallander (UL)
- 1979 William Toner (CBPA), Lisa Chang (CE), Michael Dimitroff (CE)
- 1980 Robert Woodard (Print Shop)
- 1981 Linda Smith (UL)
- 1982 Jay Boersma (CAS)
- 1984 Charles DeBrizzio (PPO), Leda Lance (ICC)
- 1986 Thomas Chambers (PPO)
- 1987 Susan Bell (UL), Melani Davis (UR)

Ryan wins 1991 employee honor

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Chris Tolbertt in the Business Office said she appreciates Ryan's futuristic approaches. "He assesses things and recommends areas that would better the job or gives ideas to maximize the effect of the final product. He just doesn't look for now. He tends to look at long-range solutions."

Two members of the Registrar's Office, Alice Gardner and Dottie Legge, laud Ryan for his involvement in the office's computer needs. "He stepped in when the Registrar's Office needed help and continued with his own responsibilities at the same time. He is hard working and always there to lend a hand," Gardner told the committee.

Legge added "Barry has done outstanding service for the staff, the students and GSU's registration."

Teacher recipient of 1991 Lincoln Laureate award

Neal Podell, a successful businessman who returned to school to become a teacher, is the 1991 GSU Lincoln Laureate Award recipient.

The award, given by the Lincoln Academy of Illinois, is intended to recognize, encourage and seek to further the outstanding contributions of Illinois citizens working for the betterment of humanity.

Podell was nominated by **Dr. Sally Glenn**. He received the Lincoln Laureate medal from **Gov. Jim Edgar** during ceremonies in Springfield.

The GSU education degree will be Podell's third college degree. He received a bachelor of science degree and a master of business administration (M.B.A.) degree from Michigan State University.

After graduating from MSU, Podell worked for an advertising agency and counted Miller Brewing Company, Bob Evans' Restaurants and Sausage, French's Mustard and Goodyear among his clients. Later he worked for two market research companies.

Podell left the business world to become a teacher. Although he had the success, he says the business world "just didn't mesh with me."

Podell has attended GSU full time and worked evenings. He will graduate with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

The Union honors GSU president



GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II (left) accepts the Exemplary Service Award given for his 15 years of commitment as a trustee of The Union Institute in Cincinnati and for his guidance and support. The presentation was made by Dr. Robert Conley (right), the institution's president. Dr. Goodman-Malamuth has agreed to continue serving on The Union's board after his retirement from GSU. The Union, formerly known as The Union of Experimenting Colleges and Universities, also presented Dr. Goodman-Malamuth an honorary doctorate during its fall convocation ceremonies.

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