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Happenings at GSU

7/5 University closed—Independence Day Holiday.

7/13 Guest Lecture on changes in China by Professor Biexiong Yi, noon, GSU Conference Center.

Schmoke, Schroeder address graduates

Together Americans can make a difference, Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke and Congresswoman Patricia Schroeder told Governors State University's graduates.

"We've got a lot to do," Rep. Schroeder (D-Colo.) told the audience. "The bottom line is: Does the future just exist, or do we create it? We can accept what is, or we can get in there and work for what can be."

The congresswoman pointed to three critical areas for change: the country needs to convert its resources from defense to research, "family friendly" must become its motto, and violence must be brought under control.

Shifting money from defense is not an easy proposition, but there are numerous ideas on ways defense dollars can be converted into research and technology that will benefit mankind, she said.

The congresswoman called America "the least family friendly country in the world." The country needs to change its priorities and recognize the role of the family unit at a time when more parents are working.

The United States is the most violent country in the world today. And guns are affecting all segments of society, a fact that Schroeder said must be

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Paula Wolff ushered in as third GSU president

By MARILYN THOMAS

President Paula Wolff was officially ushered in to office during formal inaugural ceremonies June 4 on campus.

Before an estimated 700 guests and GSU staff members, the president accepted the challenge of leading one of Illinois' nine public universities into the 21st century. The challenge includes spreading the word about Governors State which she called a "well-kept secret."

During the ceremonies conducted under a white canopy on the grounds of GSU, Dr. Wolff accepted the medallion of office from Wilma Sutton, acting president of the Board of Governors Universities.

Dr. Wolff's leadership and intelligence were praised by guest speakers Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar, former state co-worker and now U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Ilana Rovner, and Dr. Joseph Cropsey, a former professor of the president's from the University of Chicago.

"We are indeed fortunate to have her expertise, her commitment to the citizens of Illinois, and her zest for life working for us at Governors State as we face new challenges in education during the twilight years of this century," Gov. Edgar said. "She has always worked to make a difference, and I know that Paula Wolff will carry forth the same devotion to making a difference in the lives of the students here."

"...What I truly understand is how fortunate this institution, and everyone



Dr. Paula Wolff

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University examines mission, curriculum as part of PQP Initiative

Governors State University has proposed to reprioritize its spending; consolidate, streamline or eliminate some of its programs; and begin steps to expand its course offerings.

The proposal was submitted to the Board of Governors Universities (BGU) trustees as GSU's response to a directive from the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) that the university examine its mission, curriculum and spending as part of the Priorities, Quality and Productivity (PQP) Initiative.

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GSU alum has Oscar-winning film

By MARILYN THOMAS

Barbara Trent remembers the days in the mid-1970s when she would hitchhike from southern Illinois to attend classes at Governors State University.

On April 29, Trent returned in style as the university's honored guest proudly displaying the Oscar she received from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Her film, "The Panama Deception," was selected the best documentary film of 1992.

Although only 91-minutes long, "The Panama Deception" has been controversial since its unveiling in early 1992. It outlines the United States' role in the 1989 invasion of Panama and its aftermath, but Trent says the message she hopes it brings to viewers is how the Reagan Administration deceived the American public.

The film gives a chronology of American involvement in Panama since 1903, and examines the Reagan/Bush administrations' support and then dismissal of the country's president, **Manuel Noriega**. Although the State Department's official line was that the invasion was necessary because Noriega was a "vicious drug-lord dictator," Trent worked through the film to present an opposing view, outlining how American policies changed, what the invasion's effects were on the Panamanian people, and how the American media "bought into" the government's story.

Trent admits she has critics who charge that she hates America, and she understands why the government

doesn't want the film shown, but, the director/producer argues, "if we want to help our country, we have to be able to transform our military budget into a budget that serves America."

Working for "people empowerment" has been a long-standing goal for Trent. A native of Lansing, Ill., she moved to southern Illinois to attend Southern Illinois University. After a few semesters, Trent found herself organizing the Drug and Life Crisis Center in southern Illinois. Through her work there as a certified drug addiction specialist, Trent met **Dr. Sonny Goldenstein**, a former Lutheran minister who also was working with drug abusers in the SIU community.

It was Dr. Goldenstein who told Trent about Governors State's specialty degree program that allowed students to earn credit for experiential learning and gave them flexible schedules for course attendance and completion.

"He would tell me, 'You've got to do that for yourself.' I wasn't the only one he influenced," Trent recalls. She took Dr. Goldenstein's advice, and by 1975, had earned the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts degree. In 1979, she received a master's degree in social science from GSU.

Dr. Goldenstein continues to influence GSU students. He joined the faculty in 1977. Today he is acting chair-

Five decades later grad earns degree

What brings three major television networks to a commencement ceremony?

Irene Broughton, of course!

The 70-year-old great grandmother was featured on the evening news on WLS-TV Channel 7, WGN-TV Channel 9, and WFLD-TV Channel 32 following the Saturday, June 5, commencement ceremonies at GSU.

It had been 42 years since Broughton graduated from DuSable High School, and 12 years since she began work on the bachelor's degree she completed at GSU in December 1992. Today she is an inspiration to both family and friends.



Barbara Trent (center) shares her Oscar award with Governors State University President Paula Wolff (left) and Dr. Roger K. Oden (right), acting dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

person of the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Trent never abandoned her social activist spirit. As a welfare mother she was appalled at how clients were treated and began organizing welfare recipients into self-help groups. In 1977, Trent was hired as a Volunteers In Service To America (VISTA) senior training specialist for the six-state Midwest Region.

In 1981, Trent accepted the directorship of the Ocean Park Community Center in California. While there, she met filmmaker **Haskell Wexler**. "It was like a lightbulb going off for me: the thought that I could translate (social activist) messages into film."

She started with training tapes, and then with partner **David Kasper** began making serious issue films, including "Destination Nicaragua," and "COVERUP: Behind the Iran-Contra Affair."

"The Panama Deception" was the third major production by their studio, The Empowerment Project. It has left them \$70,000 in debt, and Trent laughs about how nice it would have been to have had a cash prize attached to "Mr. Oscar" as she affectionately calls the gold statuette.

But there are no regrets. The film was something they wanted to do, and the Oscar has raised the consciousness of Americans on issues of the Panamanian invasion. And, Trent adds, "I'm going to keep working on this issue."

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President officially takes office

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whose lives will be touched by it, is to have Paula Wolff at its helm," Judge Rovner said.

"If the presence and example of an intelligent, upright and able leader can make a difference, then it is time to congratulate Governors State University on the inauguration of President Wolff," Dr. Cropsey told the audience. "She has been given a high honor in being placed among you in that position."

The president said, "Governors State represents the best of public higher education: the nexus between the fundamental American values and the citizens who must understand and respect those values to thrive in this (democracy). Educating those citizens is im-

perative for success of the (democracy)."

GSU is exemplary in this role, she noted, because it offers students opportunities to meet their educational goals. Its commitment to learning is matched by flexibility that allows students to study in a variety of formats.

The university's new mission statement, which was unveiled during the day's ceremonies, emphasizes GSU's mission of teaching. The university recognizes that its students represent a culturally and economically diverse population of lifelong learners.

GSU works to address the needs of traditional and nontraditional students through not only its curriculum but also its range of courses specially designed for the latest technologies.

"Our learning together — faculty,

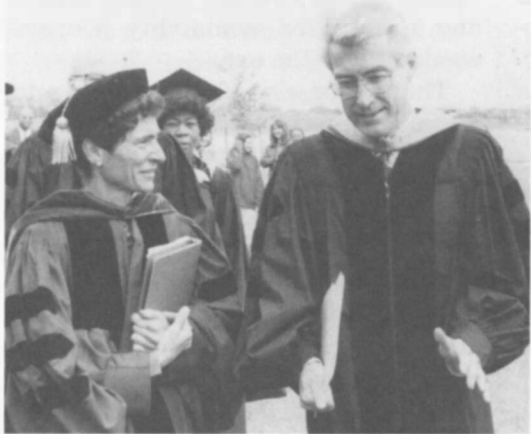
students and the staff of the university — has been done exceedingly well," the president said, as she pointed to GSU students' exceptional testing on professional exams, the continued accreditation of GSU programs, the Emmys won by GSU staff members, and the Oscar won by an alumna.

"And most importantly, when I ask our students, they (say they) love the programs they are in, and when I ask the faculty, they love teaching those students," Dr. Wolff said.

"Whether you want to be a nurse, a television show producer, a CPA, or a teacher, your goals are the goals of this institution," she said. "We thrive on diversity, and we pride ourselves in providing access to excellence in education. We emphasize the liberal arts while preparing people for advanced study and future careers. Most of all, we want to hook people on loving to learn."

The ceremonies were followed by an afternoon forum focusing on the arts, cultural diversity, health and human services, schools, the workforce, transportation, infrastructure and the environment in the GSU region.

As part of the university's community outreach, volunteers painted a Ford Heights house for a homeless family.



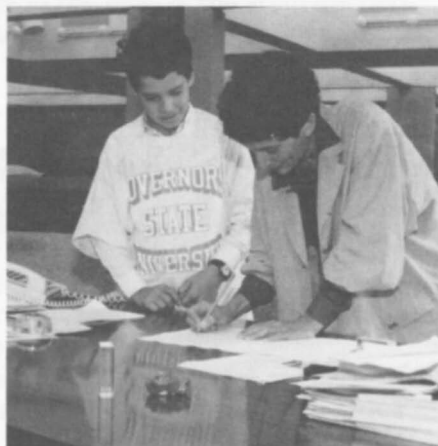
President Wolff and Gov. Edgar in discussion on the way to the ceremonies.



Judge Rovner called Wolff "superb" in many areas.



Community members discuss major issues in afternoon forum.



Nathaniel watches mom carry out her duties.



President Wolff helps spruce up a house for homeless.

GSU strengthens curriculum

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GSU has proposed consolidation or elimination of seven degree programs, the elimination of approximately 63 courses as degree requirements, and the reassignment and/or retraining of 13 faculty members.

"This report reflects our intention to improve our curriculum through managed change, and simultaneously to build upon the strength of our present curriculum. Faculty and administration in existing programs will establish goals and strategies to strengthen curriculum, streamline schedules, increase retention rates and also increase the number of graduates," GSU President Paula Wolff stressed.

The university also will reallocate \$600,000 from administrative to academic spending.

Among the proposed academic changes is the restructuring of the graduate degree programs in communication studies, media communications and instructional and training technology into an enhanced master's degree in communications.

The bachelor's degree in public administration would become a concentration within the bachelor's degree in business and administration. The bachelor's and master's degrees in music would be eliminated. GSU also agreed to drop the master's degree in sociology and the bachelor's degree in

office administration.

The report to the BGU also includes statements of intent to expand or initiate bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting, a bachelor's degree in liberal arts, new concentrations in international business and computer graphic arts, and new programs in physical and occupational therapy.

"This will truly strengthen all the GSU colleges, thereby strengthening the entire university. We are targeting resources on our top priorities, our high-quality programs and are focusing on fulfilling our new mission," Dr. Carolyn Conrad, acting provost, said.

Commencement speakers urge graduates to work for change

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Mayor Schmoke, in his address, reiterated Schroeder's perception of violence. He called for "sensible gun control" and a new attitude on the war on drugs. Drugs, he said, are "demoralizing our neighborhoods, overcrowding our jails, turning kids into drug runners, and developing an underground economy."

Schmoke's proposal, which he terms "medicalization not legalization," calls for recognizing drug use as a public health problem, not an issue for police. Government intervention is needed to

Bank presents SBDC with monetary gift

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Governors State University received a \$1,000 donation from American National Bank.

The unsolicited monetary gift is for SBDC operating expenses. It was presented to Christine Cochrane, director of the SBDC, by Samuel Crayton Jr., vice president at American National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago, who called the SBDC Center at GSU "one of the best run centers in the six-county (Chicago metropolitan) area."

set the price and availability of drugs. That, he believes, would curtail the profits which now are driving crime, and a controlled availability of drugs would reduce the use.

The mayor also urged students to dispel the myths about America's big cities as being nothing more than "repositories for the poor."

Cities and suburbs need to develop strong links and recognize the value each provides the other. That, he said, can only begin by people changing their attitudes. To learn about cities, he urged the audience to "live in one, or work in one, and if not, then visit one."



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Grapevine

Awards given for work on behalf of minorities

Congratulations to the winners of the 1992-93 Cultural Diversity and Affirmative Action Awards. Winners of the leadership awards were the Division of Nursing and the Personnel Office. The awards were accepted by **Dr. Annie Lawrence**, nursing division chairperson, and **Barbara Clark**, director of personnel.

Dr. Ami Wang was given the outstanding committee member award. The award for outstanding work on behalf of minorities was given to the GSU Alumni Association for the development of its minority scholarship program. The award for outstanding work on behalf of women was given to *The Creative Woman* magazine. **Dr. Helen Hughes**, former editor, accepted the award.

Congratulations to GSU's newly elected officials

Congratulations to our winners! **Christine Cochrane** (SBDC) won re-election as the Monee Township supervisor; **Polly Bernd** won re-election to the University Park Village Board, and **Janice Schultz** was elected Wilton Township supervisor. **Dr. Robert Donaldson** (CBPA) and **Dr. Dominic Candeloro** (CELCS) are applauded for giving their all in the April election. Dr. Donaldson was narrowly defeated in his race for mayor of Hazel Crest, and Dr. Candeloro missed election as Bloom Township supervisor by a slim margin.

Illinois retirement systems lobby for full funding

Members of the State Universities Retirement System joined other pension fund representatives in their lobbying efforts to convince the Illinois General Assembly that full funding of state employee retirement funds is essential. **State Comptroller Dawn Clark Netsch** was one of the speakers that day.

According to a story recently published in *The Chicago Sun-Times*, state pension systems have only 57 cents for every \$1 of future benefits. Pension plans for state employees, suburban and downstate teachers, university faculty and staff, legislators and state officers and judges is short \$12.9 billion. That debt was 10 percent higher than the \$11.7 billion needed in 1991. **Auditor General William G. Holland** said the growing shortfall is the result of the state's failure to set aside enough money each year to meet the cost of future benefits.

Connolly, nursing students lobby in Springfield

GSU nursing students, accompanied by **Dr. Maria Connolly**, nursing professor, lobbied the Illinois General Assembly April 13 during Illinois Nurses Association Lobbying Day in Springfield. The GSU representatives met with elected officials and attended several INA meetings.

Seven GSU staff members receive their degrees

Congratulations to GSU staff members who received their degrees during 1992-93 commencement ceremonies. Among the graduates were **Jeri Dalton** (SL) and **Susan Bell** (UL), Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degrees; **Yvonne Franklin** (ES), master of arts in communication studies; **Beth Harms** (BO) and **Henry Murphy Jr.** (BO), bachelor of arts in business administration; **Art Ellis** (BO), master of arts in business administration; **Dennis Webb** (IS), bachelor of arts in office administration.

Hicks named Affirmative Action Fellow for BGU

Dr. Charles Hicks, professor of music, has been selected the 1993-94 Board of Governors Universities Affirmative Action Fellow.

Dr. Hicks will be assigned to Eastern Illinois University from September 1993 through May 1994. He will work with **Dr. Charles Colbert**, vice president of business affairs at EIU.

Dr. Hicks will learn university operations at Eastern Illinois, including the management of administrative services, academic computing, central stores, human resources and physical plant operations.

The BGU Affirmative Action Fellow program is designed to expand and diversify the pool of leadership talent within the BGU system and increase minority and female access to top-level higher education administrative positions.

Dr. Hicks has been on the GSU staff since 1982. The Homewood resident has been primarily responsible for instrumental music courses and conducts the GSU Community Symphonic Band.

A native of Mississippi, Dr. Hicks received a bachelor's degree from Jackson State University, a master's degree from Wayne State University in Detroit and a doctorate from Michigan State University.

Obituary

Adjunct Professor Bettie Brown of the Division of Psychology and Counseling died June 18, after a battle with cancer. She had been on staff the past three years. She had received a bachelor's degree from Governors State, and her doctorate from the Chicago Professional School of Psychology.

April Employee of the Month

Conway recognized for cooperative spirit

In her own quiet way, **Debra Conway** is a "take charge" employee.

The April "Employee of the Month" is being recognized for her cooperative spirit, initiative and drive. Conway's good-natured attitude has been a benefit to the Office of Student Life during these trying times of reconstruction. In his nomination, Student Life Director **Tom Dascenzo** also cited Conway's work ethic that has helped the office run smoothly during significant changes the past few years.



Debra Conway

"Ms. Conway has in the last few months done a tremendous job in adapting to significant change," he said, "while at the same time providing significant support to the development of the systems needed to provide these services. She has been teaching herself data base management and continues to expand her word processing capabilities."

Dascenzo also lauded the division's secretary for her abilities to supervise student workers, reorganize operations and space needs, and reconfigure forms for improved efficiency and do it all willingly.

Conway also serves as a clearing house for information on Student Life activities, the Campus Community Center, the Child Care Center, and has even accepted applications for alumni membership, Dascenzo said.

Conway arrived at GSU 19 years ago as a part-time employee in the Office of Admissions and Records. She is one of the employees who remembers working in the "warehouse," GSU's first home in the Park Forest South industrial park. She became a full-time employee, and for about eight years, Conway worked in the Registrar's Of-

fice, providing information about transcripts, which initially were called competency sheets with listings of student achievements from the class. Some students had eight or nine achievements, and each competency sheet had to be typed, she remembered. She did "a lot of typing" then, because the university's student records were not computerized.

During that time, Conway completed a bachelor's degree in elementary education at GSU, but decided she wasn't ready to become a teacher. She transferred to Community College Relations where she worked with **Dr. Tom Deem**. As the secretary/assistant, Conway helped Deem with a variety of projects, including reciprocal course agreements and luncheons for community college administrators.

From that office, Conway went to work in Student Development with **Burt Collins, Dr. David Suddick** and **Gwen Siebert**.

It was in 1985 that Conway transferred to the Student Life Division.

After 19 years at GSU, Conway reflected on her years here saying, "I like the setting, the people and also I'm glad that I had the opportunity to work in the different departments of Student Affairs and Services."

At GSU, Conway has volunteered as a member of the executive board of the Civil Service Senate. In her community, she served four years on the Ford Heights District 169 School Board. She is an active member of the Progressive Baptist Church where she is a choir member, coordinator of events and the primary Sunday School teacher.

Mentoring program planned for fall

More than three dozen faculty and staff members will serve as mentors next fall when GSU initiates a minority student mentoring program.

"Today's pool of students for higher education includes groups of students who are inexperienced and unfamiliar with the halls of academia," GSU President **Paula Wolff** explains. "Often, once accepted into the university, they leave because they do not have the skills to survive the system, not because they do not have the academic potential to succeed.

"We want to change any roadblocks and provide a more personal support system in order that more minority students persevere to graduation. Teaming for Success: The Minority Student Mentoring Program at GSU has been developed to fill this role," she notes.

The GSU task force that worked to develop the program includes **Glen Abbott (PO), Dr. Esthel Allen (CBPA), Ginni Burghardt (AR), Burt Collins (SAS), Dr. Carolyn Conrad (PROV), Dr. William Dodd (DPA), Dr. Sally**

Glenn (CE), Judy Gustawson (AA), LaMonda Kidd (SL), Dan Kreidler (SD), Dr. Annie Lawrence (CHP), Dr. Roger Oden (CAS), Dr. Bill Wilkinson (CBPA), Dr. Leon Zalewski (CE), and BGU Fellow Santos Rivera.

This program will serve minority undergraduate students. It is designed to motivate students to achieve their educational goals at GSU and improve retention rates. The overall goal is to provide meaningful experiences that enhance the total personal and professional development of minority students.

Volunteer mentors will provide informal one-on-one interaction, personal support and encouragement by going beyond classroom teaching to address personal, social and cognitive development of students.

Each of the task force members will be serving as mentors. Joining them are **Dr. Joseph Addison (CAS), Dr. Teresa Barrios-Aulet (CAS), Professor Bill Boline (CHP), Dr. Ed**

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May Employee of the Month

Toberman honored after 23 years of service

It is almost 23 years ago that **Mildred Toberman** took a secretarial job at Governors State University.

Now the May "Employee of the Month" looks forward to her retirement starting July 1. "Everyone is sorry I'm leaving," she said, thanking all her friends for their kind words, "but I'm not sorry. I'm very happy with my decision. It's time for me to enjoy retirement."

Toberman is being lauded by those in the Division of Health Administration for her continued efforts these past years. "She has been the most productive and dedicated secretary for the program," **Dr. Sang-O Rhee**, chairperson of the division, told the nominating committee. "She has never failed to extend her hands to others who need them. She advises our students, meets with prospective applicants and maintains close relationships with our graduates. Millie is highly respected and loved by the program faculty, students and alumni."

Dr. Irwin Miller adds, "Mildred has provided committed continuity to the program as it has changed faculty, chairs and the budgets go up and down! Her courteous mastery of the program has benefitted all of the program's constituencies over most of the program's life."

Although she has been at GSU for more than two decades, Toberman has worked in only two colleges in that time. She started in August 1970, working in the basement of the Hantack House (now the Child Care Center) for five planners and the dean of the College of Human Learning and Development (now the College of Education). From there, she moved with the college to the GSU warehouse location, its temporary home until the GSU building was completed in the early 1970s.

The secretary is especially proud of her Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts degree. She earned 72 credit-hours for her experiential learning and went on to complete the degree in two years.

That led to Toberman's work on a master's degree in health administration. After 10 years in the College of Human Learning and Development, she transferred to the College of Health Professions' Division of Health Administration "because I thought it would be advantageous to me for my degree to work in the division." She received her M.H.A. in 1981.

Her student work led her to a new volunteer effort as a founder of Hospice South Suburbia. "I'd written a paper for class on hospice," Toberman explained, "and I'd read a notice in the paper about people in the area trying to start a hospice group," so she went to the meeting and got involved. Since its founding 13 years ago, Toberman has twice served as the group's president. She continues to work on its behalf today.

Being involved is something Toberman has done all her life. Originally from Pleasantville, N.Y., Toberman later lived in Manhattan and the Bronx and Connecticut before moving to Park Forest. Over the years, she served on her children's Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), was president of the Norwalk Chapter of the National Council of Jewish Women, and secretary of the Council of Jewish Organizations. She also was vice president and a member of the board of the National Council of Jewish Women Park Forest chapter, and on the board of the Park Forest Art Center.

She jokes about having served on every committee that was formed in the first 10 years of GSU's history, and she recalls the work she did on the GSU building dedication.

"GSU has been a good place for me," the long-time employee said fondly. "For one thing, it was just wonderful to me to



Mildred Toberman

know that I could get a master's degree, and I had never really been to college before."

Toberman will mark her 70th birthday June 20, and her retirement July 1 with a family reunion in California where she will meet her two daughters and their families. As for retirement, Toberman said she will continue her volunteer efforts, and she plans to travel, keep up with her bridge game and enjoy the theater.

Race relations examined

"The Great Divide: Racial Attitudes in Chicago," a detailed examination of race relations in Chicago and surrounding communities, is available in the GSU Library.

The compilation of a five-part series from *The Chicago Sun-Times* Newspaper gives readers a historical perspective, an examination of major issues in the workplace and communities, personal perspectives of what life is like for minorities and whites in the metropolitan area, and readers' comments on the issues.

The reprint was offered by The Chicago Community Trust in conjunction with its ongoing "Chicago Matters" series produced by WBEZ-Radio 91.5 FM and WTTW-TV Channel 11. The stations' current work examines issues of race relations in Chicago.

Copies of this reprint were purchased by the GSU Foundation.

"Good-bye" Wishes

are extended to staff members who are leaving the university.

Dr. Harvey Varnet (UL) and **Barbara Clark** (PERS) have resigned effective June 30. Also leaving the university are **Melani Davis** (UR), **Marshall Dusenbury** (BO), and **Dr. Heather Harder** (CE)

Dr. William Flodin (CBPA) and **Beverly Goldberg** (IPPA) are retiring July 31.

Glen Claus (CS), retired April 30, 1993 after 23 years.

Employees honored for years of service

President Paula Wolff honored 81 employees for their service to the university at the annual Service Recognition Awards ceremony.

Honorees recognized for five years service are Charles Barnett (PPO), Nicholas Battaglia (ADV), Susan Bell (UL), Loretta Calcaterra (CAS), Dr. Maria Connolly (CHP), Melani Davis (UR), Yvonne Franklin (ES).

Andrea Gaz (BO), Edward Herman (UPS), Dr. Gail Kempster (CHP), Cheryl Lambert (CS), Dr. Larry Levinson (CAS), Charles Nebes (IS), Professor Eli Segal (CAS).

Jill Stanley (UL), Dr. Amerfil Wang (CHP), Janice Washington (UL), Anita Werner (CBPA), Dr. William Wilkinson (CBPA), Margo Witkowski (CS).

Employees with 10 years service are Dr. Gregory Blevins (CHP), Professor Jay Boersma (CAS), Dr. Carolyn Conrad (PROV), Dr. David Curtis

(CBPA), Dr. Charles Hicks (CAS), Louise Kohl (PROV).

Beverly Kyser (CELCS), Dr. Zafar Malik (CBPA), Marilyn Molyneaux (BO), Leroy Morrison (PPO), Dr. Paul O'Brien (CBPA), David Sparks (SD).

Employees with 15 years service are Dr. Arthur Bourgeois (CAS), Dr. Robert Donaldson (CBPA), William Elliott (BO), Lynne Hostetter (IS), Michael Knabjian (PPO), Dr. Mohammed Kishta (CAS).

Dr. Annie Lawrence (CHP), Dr. Robert Leftwich (CHP), Virginia Lenart (CAS), Wilhelmenia Moore (CHP), John Mulder (CS), Kathryn Norman (UL), Paul Schwellenbach (BO).

Vivian Sherman (CBPA), Dr. Rudolf Strukoff (CAS), George Vesvardes (UPS), David Weinberger (FA).

Honorees recognized for 20 years service are Dr. David Ainsworth

(CELCS), Gusta Allen (REG), Timothy Arr (BO), Professor William Boline (CHP), Dr. David Burgest (CHP), Dixie Butz (CAS).

Glen Claus (CS), Burton Collins (SAS), Earl Collins (DPS), Dr. William Flodin (CBPA), Ila Gallagher (PPO), Dr. Sonny Goldenstein (CAS), Beatrice Grant (ES).

Dr. Peter Gunther (CAS), Dr. Elizabeth Hagens (CAS), Dr. Lee Hertzman (CHP), Dr. Barbara Jenkins (CE), Dr. Ana Kong (CAS), Dr. Otis Lawrence (BOG), Dr. John Lowe III (CHP).

Dr. Dale Max (CBPA), Dr. Jon Mendelson (CAS), Dr. Donald Miller (CBPA), Dr. Hugh Rank (CAS), Theodore Reid (DPS), Irving Roberts (BO), Della Shiffer (REG).

Dr. Jordan Tsolakides (CBPA), Dr. Shannon Troy (UL), Dr. Sandra Whitaker (CE), Dr. Kenneth Wieg (CE), Dr. Addison Woodward (CE).

June Employee of the Month

Print Shop employee always willing to help

George Vesvardes is rarely seen by those affected by his work in the University Print Shop. Yet his efforts have an impact on every job that is done because one of his responsibilities is the paper stock.

The June "Employee of the Month" is being commended for his efficiency, willingness to help others, accuracy and pleasant disposition.

In his nomination, fellow Print Shop employee Bob Sisk said Vesvardes is "always willing to help out when a pressman needs some assistance during a job, or needs help locating stock. When he has a task to do, he focuses on that task until it is completed. He puts in overtime when needed."

Vesvardes began his employment at GSU in early 1977 working for an outside maintenance crew. Eight months later, he got a full-time GSU position in central receiving where he was responsible for checking incoming deliveries and preparing them for shipment to the main building.

Eight years ago, the book bindery

worker's position became available, and Vesvardes transferred to the Print Shop staff. He prepares all jobs for shipment, helps maintain machinery, stocks and cuts all paper for print jobs, and has acquired the skills to drill, score, saddle bind and spiral.

Vesvardes works on an average of 35 to 40 jobs a day. They can be anything from syllabi for professors to specialty magazines like *The Creative Woman* that was produced at GSU for 14 years. For each job, he works with the pressman on paper selection and the proper cuts. Being off by even a fraction could mean a poor fit in an envelope or an awkward fold.

He knows the uses of a variety of papers. For example, an 80-pound weight suited the magazine format, but



George Vesvardes

a 70-pound weight is used for brochures.

Vesvardes and his wife, Phyllis, live in Lansing with their daughter, Gina.

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