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News and Events

[The Conversation Continues](#)

Civil Service staff are invited to a Chat with the President on Monday, March 9, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. Attendees are invited to bring their questions and ideas to this frank, open conversation with President Maimon and other university administrators. Contact [Penny Perdue](#), at ext. 4130, for more information.

[Women's Challenge – Not for Women Only](#)

Who knows what and who wants to prove it? The gauntlet is thrown; the challenge is made. *Who Wants to be in the Know?*- a contest sponsored by the Academic Resource Center, Student Life, and the College of Arts and Sciences, will give two-member teams the opportunity to show what they know.

The contest takes place on March 30, from noon until 2 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. Questions will concern women's history and health, women in sports, as entrepreneurs, and as artist, musicians, and entertainers.

This contest is part of the GSU celebration of Women's History Month. Refreshments will be served. Teams must register by March 23 with [Tamekia Scott](#) at ext. 2228.

[Lunch Workshop: Real-time Assessment](#)

An effective way to assess instruction and learning will be presented on March 6, from noon to 1:30 p.m., in the cafeteria annex. This workshop is open to all GSU faculty, teaching staff, and adjuncts with free lunch to the first 20 people who register. Prof. Robert Druzinsky will present his experiences with using personal assessment feedback devices (clickers) in classroom settings.

To register for this workshop, email [Barbara Mandel](#). Insert *lunch* in the subject line.

[Calling All Poets](#)

While some may view the limerick as not quite poetry, the Second Annual St. Paddy's Day Limerick Contest is calling on those not adverse to this form of verse to wield their pens to create a unique GSU limerick.

The rules are simple. The limerick topic is GSU and the GSU community. The content must be rated no higher than PG-13. Entrants are limited to three submissions.

All entries must be submitted to [Lynn Clayton](#), in room G256 by 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 10.

Impartial judges will whittle the submissions to the finalists who will read their entries in The Center for Performing Arts lobby on March 17, from noon to 1 p.m. Three winners will be chosen.

So stop your slackin' and get crackin.'

Credit Union Comes to Campus

The Prairie Trail Credit Union will be on campus on Thursday, March 12, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. They are available to enroll new members, provide information on services, and answer questions. The Credit Union offers payroll deductions as well as automatic paycheck deposit.

Online Assignment Training

WebCT supports a wide variety of assessment types. This hands-on workshop presents the many ways educators can create and use these assessments in both classroom and online instruction. The workshop will be held on March 13, from 10 a.m. to noon, in the ACS lab, room D2438.

To register, contact [Jan Engle](#).

Difficult Times – Good Solutions

Difficult times call for better preparation and better decision making. The Academic Resource Center (ARC) has teamed with various GSU departments to bring valuable workshops and presentations to the GSU community.

A workshop focusing on *Strategies for Managing Debt in Troubling Times* will be held on March 19, from noon to 1 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m., in room A1122. It is sponsored by ARC, the College of Business and Public Affairs, and the Office of Economic Education.

A series of Career Preparation Workshops will provide information and guidance on self-awareness, interest analysis, resume building, and interview skills from March 23 to 26. See the GSU View event calendar for details. These workshops are sponsored by ARC and the Office of Career Services.

All workshops are free and everyone is welcome.

15th Annual Student Research Conference

The 15th Annual Student Research Conference will be held on Wednesday, May 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at GSU. The conference provides students an opportunity to present their research work before an audience of their peers, and offers a forum to highlight research accomplishments at GSU. Students will make all the presentations.

Students may present a 15-minute podium presentation of their work followed by a five-minute question and answer session or they may display their work as a poster presentation. All abstracts

will be published in the conference proceedings.

Faculty are asked to encourage students to participate in this valuable educational experience. The registration and abstract submission deadline is Friday, April 11. There is no registration fee.

For more information or for participation application forms, contact [Dr. Shelley Kumar](#).

Silent Auction for Cancer Support

Make a bid, get some great good, and support a worthy cause at the Cancer Awareness Silent Auction on March 17 and 18, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. The auction is sponsored by Student Life and the Cancer Support Center of Homewood. The Village Door, a consignment shop for gently used items, provides the items.

Information will also be available about various cancers and support services available. All proceeds benefit the free programs of support, information, and encouragement provided by the Cancer Support Center.

For more information contact [Vanessa Newby](#) at ext 4551.

Open Government Comes to GSU

In recognition of President Obama's [Open Government Directive](#), will host a national webcast, which will include a "lively discussion from Washington, DC about open government, public engagement, and participation" by a national panel of government experts. It will be broadcast in the University Library (D2401C) on Friday, March 20, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

For more information, contact [Greg Johnson](#) at ext 7516 or visit the [Open Government.org](#) website.

