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**MARCH UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY MEETING...**Major portion of Assembly meeting was devoted to briefing by Accreditation Consultant DR. RICHARD DAVIS. (A summary of his report is included inside FAZE I)... Assembly considered proposal by CHRIS LIEBSCHER to change a recently passed tenure criteria (which includes requirement of 60 hours graduate work beyond B.A. or terminal degree in special field for eligibility for cyclical tenure). Liebscher proposal and substitute motion by DANIEL BERND would have had criteria negotiated by those in each field with the University Administration...both motions failed...passed by the Assembly was motion creating a University-wide committee to review tenure recommendations from the Units to ensure eligibility and correct procedures. Committee will advise the President. Also passed was change to Professional Personnel system appeal process calling for Unit head who supports appeal to act as advocate for the aggrieved party at the next level of the appeal. Also passed was complex Campus Land Use policy proposed by Physical Resources Committee and its Land Use Subcommittee chaired by HERM SIEVERING (CEAS) and LYNN BRENNE (Community Rep.)...procedures included with the policy were "received" by the Assembly. Assembly student representatives elected PAUL BISGAARD as student member of U.A. Executive Comm.

**AND NOW THEY REALLY ARE AFTER YOUR BLOOD...**Mark April 16 to 18 as days you can donate blood at GSU and cover you and your family for any future blood needs. A blood account for GSUers will allow any contributing member to use account "units" when and if that becomes necessary. To make an appointment to donate blood or for more info, call JOHN HEINZ (Ext. 2161) or BARBARA O'DONNELL (Ext. 2168).

**CAREERS IN BANKING...**is the public discussion sponsored by CBPS April 10 from 7-8 p.m. in the Community Conference Center. Among discussion leaders is GEORGE MORRIS, Secretary of the Illinois Bankers Association. Also included will be an executive from a loop bank and a banking personnel specialist. The event is free to the public.

**CARE FROM PENNSYLVANIA...**arrives in the form of a mobile van housing computer assisted renewal education programs (CARE). The Penn State van will be housed at GSU for at least the May/June Session offering pre-service and in-service training for teachers of elementary and pre-school children, school related personnel, and regular classroom teachers wishing assistance in recognizing and dealing with mildly handicapped children. GSU students may register by April 19 which will include four programs in the May/June Session. The facility will be run at GSU for 80 hours a week on days, nights, and weekends. Call Ext. 2376 or 2359 for more information. Operation of the program is supported by the National Center for Improvement of Educational Systems.

**FAZE I DEADLINE...**is Wednesday morning for a Friday distribution. Please submit all information, in writing, to the Office of Communications.

WOMEN AND MENTAL HEALTH...is the title of conference sponsored by CCS and coordinated by SANDRA WHITAKER (CCS). April 27 conference will be held at Chicago Heights Holiday Inn from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with \$5 student registration fee and \$10 general registration fee. Slated to appear in various workshops are SANDRA WHITAKER, DAVE CRISPIN (CHLD), PERRY NICASSIO (CHLD), BARBARA JENKINS (CHLD), ALICE DAN (U. of Chicago), HANNAH FRISCH (U. of Chicago), and MARGARET HUYCK (Ill. Institute of Technology). Registration forms and further info from CCS and SANDRA WHITAKER.

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GSU GETS "THE HAIRY MAN"...on April 13 at 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. The one act play by J.T. Stokes will be performed in the Community Conference Center. The story is based on a folk tale from Botkin's book "A Treasury of American Folklore." The cast includes T. JANGARI, ROSEMARIE CARUSO, SUSAN POOLE, CAROLE MCKAY, ANN (OKOLO) TAYLOR, VANESSA ALLEN and SHARON LEBRUN. Director is GERRY STEPHENS, CCS student and Chairman of the GSU Performing Arts Guild.

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COLLEGE COUNSELORS WORKSHOP...for community college counselors is set for April 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The workshop has invited some 31 Ill. community colleges and will provide orientation to GSU and its various programs. AL MARTIN and HARVEY GRIMSLEY (both of COMM. COLL. REL.) are coordinating the program which has an April 15 deadline for reservations.

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JAZZ AND GSU ORIENTATION...the GSU Annual Junior College Jazz Festival will also include a GSU open house for community college students to visit the GSU Phase I facilities. Hours for the open house are 1-10 p.m. on May 3 and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on May 4. The GSU Jazz Festival will include competition from 16 bands from 10 community colleges. A program will be included in an issue of FAZE I.

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ACADEMY AWARD...proposed by one GSUer for PRES. NIXON..."Best Supporting Actor Without a Supporting Cast."

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MORE VET HOURS...three veterans outreach advisors will staff the Office of Veterans Affairs Monday through Thursday from 5-8 p.m. The advisors will work closely with Veterans' Counselor JOHN HEINZ in assisting students and other vets in the University Community in such matters as educational benefits.

COOPERATIVE "OPEN UNIVERSITY"...funded by a small grant by the BHE, GSU will participate with Northeastern, Chicago State, the Chicago City Colleges, and Circle Campus of U. of I. GSU advisors are TED ANDREWS (CEAS), ROBERT KREBS (R & I), OTIS LAWRENCE (CEAS) and DAVE AINSWORTH (ICC). Intended is long-term cooperation in developing components of alternative education including course materials, systems of student access, proficiency tests, and evaluation of the system. The project will use a combination of campus-based and alternative courses and facilities and attempt to serve large numbers of unserved potential students in Chicago area. Educational media and instructional technology will play a large role. Faculty members from the participating institutions will be identified and become part of teams, each of which will have subject experts, instructional designers, and educational system technologists.

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NOTE FROM AL MARTIN..."I believe I have found the origin of the Streakers Movement. You should see the streakers at Ingalls Memorial Hospital wisk into X-ray labs, therapy rooms, hematology labs, etc. There is one difference: frontal views are no good, but from the rear take your choice. I also see why they call them streakers. They wear house slippers, can't get up enough energy to lift their feet, so shuffle across the room, leaving streaks...I thought you should have the correct information straight from good ole IMH."

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GSU WEATHERS THE STORM...last week's literal storm at GSU created a few wading pools in the parking lot and submerged University Drive. There was no particular damage to the University except for a mud residue in the flooded areas. DPS head RAY BENN cautions GSUers to take it easy on University Drive in such situations, particularly since the entrance/exit road has no lights of its own.



ACCREDITING ASSOCIATION CONSULTANT ADDRESSES UA...DR. RICHARD DAVIS, Dean of the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, visited GSU for two days last week as a consultant for the North Central Accrediting Association. He reviewed the University's draft of a self-study, met with the Self-Study Planning Group, visited other parts of the University and culminated his visit with a summary of his observations to the University Assembly at its March meeting last Thursday.

Saying, "We need universities like GSU," Dr. Davis sighted numerous strengths of the University, including its innovative nature which he said has been largely preserved since he visited in December of 1972 when he led an accrediting site visitation team that resulted in GSU's gaining the status of "recognized candidate." Also considered strong points for the University were the University's high resource base, the support of the Board of Governors, the faculty, community involvement, the nature of the University's clientele from the community colleges which the University seems to understand, the concepts inherent in the four Colleges, the concept of cooperative education, the follow-up studies the University is doing of its former students, the library (which Davis claimed is looking more like a Learning Resource Center since he last visited), and the physical plant.

Citing current and previous weaknesses, Davis had several concerns, a few of them, he claimed, serious, which the University must address and provide either solid justification and arguments for current practices or alter and improve upon. These included the lack of a faculty development orientation at GSU (he noted a general orientation problem including student orientation), graduate programs which are not always clearly defined or delineated from undergraduate programs, and high number of graduate students taking full time or more study while holding full time jobs. Davis thought this called into question the sufficiency or credibility of the instruction allowing students at the graduate level to accommodate several full time activities. He suggested that the University either develop an argument to justify or make some adjustments in its graduate programs.

Davis also noted that while GSU says it is working toward developing 25% of its instructional program as self instruction materials and that 10% should have been completed by now, in fact only 1% is currently being offered. He suggested that the gap is getting further apart, that faculty have not worked toward it and perhaps students don't want it. The time table, he suggested, needs to be revised. The time table for cooperative education where 20% of students are engaged at any one time is also not a reality (3% are now currently in co-op) and that the faculty and University are not treating this as a high priority item. Also noted was the previous accrediting association recommendation for a Vice President for Community Services which the University still does not have, but is now in the process of seeking.

Other areas of concern included the apparent lack of a module approval system to avoid overlaps which Davis hoped would be in place by Fall. Davis noted that while there seemed to be more going on between the Colleges since his last visit, there needed to be much more. A major concern involved the 42% non-completion rate of GSU students which Davis called "complete craziness" when faculty carry their current load and the high number of students from previous sessions still working on learning modules. He called into question the University's "session" calendar and made a strong recommendation for the University to get off the session calendar and into some other system. (President Engbretson joined in noting that our current system with 2500 students requires the A & R people power and budget equivalent to Western Illinois' with 14,000 students and at this rate would require more than the computed equivalent of a system serving the 55,000 students at Ohio State when GSU has 6000 FTE students. A calendar change would reduce workload as much as 40% in many units.)

Davis also noted that the Assembly seemed to be moving correctly into more substantive areas and that the faculty was more knowledgeable about the University system but needed to meet more with itself within Colleges as a faculty to share and deal with common concerns as well as become knowledgeable about the University and College systems being developed at GSU.

The accrediting planning group is now in the process of revising the self-study for submission to the North Central Association by May 1 and will make recommendations to the appropriate bodies to deal with the consultant's observations and directions before team visitation late in 1974.

# EVENTS

## MONDAY, APRIL 8

8:00 a.m.	Academic Affairs Staff
9:00 a.m.	R & I Staff
10:30 a.m.	Physical Resources Committee
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Coop Ed Staff (D1120)
3:00 p.m.	Publications Advisory Council (Preview Room)

## TUESDAY, APRIL 9

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	V.P.'s meet with President (President's Conference Area)
10:30 a.m.	Social Welfare Area of Emphasis Group (C3505)
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Academic Wing (President's Conference Area)
2:00 p.m.	LRC Staff

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Dean's Meeting (President's Conference Area)
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	SCEPP (President's Conference Area)
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	CBPS Discussion "Careers in Banking" (Community Conference Center)

## THURSDAY, APRIL 11

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	CEAS Faculty
1:30 p.m.	Union of Afrikan People (D1120)

## FRIDAY, APRIL 12

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon	V.P.'s meet with President (President's Conference Area)
12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.	Executive Committee (D1120)
2:00 p.m.	Intercollegial Task Force on Communications (C3301)

## SATURDAY, APRIL 13

3:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.	CCS Production "The Hairy Man" (Community Conference Center)
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