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News and Events

Convocation 2009

President Maimon will present her annual *State of the University* address during Convocation 2009. The event will be held on Thursday, September 10, at 2:30 p.m., in Sherman Hall, and is open to the entire GSU community. In addition to the President's address, the winner of the Baysore Award will also be announced. Refreshments will be served.

Final Phase

The final phase of campus road construction begins this week. Work this week will include grinding the existing asphalt, laying down an asphalt-saturated paving fabric, and placing the final asphalt surface course.



To help expedite project completion before the start of the fall trimester, additional roadway/parking lot closures are necessary. The outer ring road closure at the carillon drive will be extended to parking lot E. This will require parking lots C and D to be closed from Monday night August 24, at 11 p.m. through Friday, August 28.

Parking lots A, B and E will remain open. Weather permitting, all lots and roadways will be open on Saturday, August 29. As has been the case for the past few weeks, please use the north (Stuenkel) entry to access parking lots A and B and use the east (Crawford) entry to access lot E.

Again, Facilities regrets this inconvenience. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Facilities at ext. 4515.

Chow Down

Don't miss your chance to taste some of the finest food this side of I-57 at the Civil Service Cookout. The Cookout takes place today through Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

Hot dogs, beef & veggie burgers, and chicken breast sandwiches will be available for purchase. Pop, water, cookies, and chips complete the meal as the perfect sides.

Volunteers are also still needed. For more info, contact Renee Rainey at ext. 7525.

No Ordinary Secretary

The Secretary of State's Mobile Service Unit will be at GSU on Tuesday, September 1, from 1:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Services available at the mobile service unit include driver's license renewal, replacement, and corrections; State ID card renewal, replacement, and corrections; vehicle sticker sales; passenger and b-truck license plates, vehicle title and registration, parking placards for persons with disabilities, and organ/tissue donor information. In addition, vision tests and the written driver's license exam can be taken. No driving tests will be given.



The services provided are available to all qualified Illinois residents. Acceptable forms of payment include personal checks, cash, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover credit and debit cards.

For information, call ext. 4550 or visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

New Vending Options

Next week, GSU will welcome Food Services, Incorporated (FSI) to campus as its new provider for vending, catering, and cafeteria related operations.

Please pardon the dust this week as new vending machines are transitioned onto campus.

GSU food service operations will be closed for annual maintenance this week and will reopen on August 31. The annual Civil Service Cookout will provide tasty lunch options as an alternative.

Contact Jerad Garrison at ext. 7445 for additional information and with all catering requests for the months of August and September.

In the Zone

Governors State University's Graduate Program in Reading is sponsoring The Literacy Zone, a reading tutorial program for students in grades six through twelve.

"This is a one-to-one program that brings students experiencing reading problems together with teachers who have the skills to help them," explains Dr. Mary Hession, Coordinator of The Literacy Zone.

Students meet on campus with certified, experienced teachers enrolled in the Master of Arts Reading Program at GSU. Sessions are held on Tuesdays from 4:45 to 6:30 p.m., from September 15 through December 1. Enrollment is limited and transportation is not provided.

There is a \$100 registration fee. However, \$30 will be refunded to the parents/guardians of those students who complete the program with good attendance and return all Literacy Zone materials.

For more information, contact [Mary Hession](#) at ext. 4122.

