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News and Events

Farm Produce on the Way

Fresh, locally grown fruits and vegetables are coming to GSU. The university's first-ever outdoor farmers market opens for business June 3, on the south end of Parking Lot D. Hours of the farmers market are 1 to 6 p.m., rain or shine, on Thursdays through September.

Jill Stanley, who is serving as market manager, said three vendors – for produce, organic health and beauty products, and honey – have already signed up for the farmers market. She said other vendors are likely to come on board so that market offerings will expand throughout the summer. She expects that it will eventually include flowers and plants, fresh-baked goods, and other items.

The farmers market is a project of GSU's SPIRIT Committee, which is looking for ways to increase participation among GSU community members and the outside community. Other committee proposals include a community picnic, golf league and tournament, community orchestra, and movies on campus.

Women's Behavioral Health Seminar

The Addiction Studies department is hosting a seminar on women's behavioral health on Tuesday, May 25, at 2:30 p.m., in the cafeteria annex. Dr. Raven James, Dr. Cheryl Mejta, Cindy Schroeder, and Gigi Schroeder will present on a variety of topics including eating disorders, self-injury, substance abuse, depression, and suicide. A question and answer period will follow the one-hour presentation. The event is free and open to the public.

Pierre Chills in the Sun

Sunday was hot, bright, and sunny. Pierre the Penguin was bored, bored, bored.



With no place to go and nothing to do, he sat outside to catch some rays.

Pierre is interested in one thing – travel! And he is eager to accompany you on your vacation. Take Pierre on a trip – anywhere – and take a photo of him cavorting on holiday. Enter the *Take Pierre on Vacation Contest* sponsored by the GSU View.

Send your best photo of him in a fun, unique, or exotic locale to the [GSU View](#). All images become property of the university and will be shared via the university’s Facebook account and occasional features in the GSU View.

Members of the GSU community can pick up their very own Pierre the Penguin from the Office of Public Affairs (rooms G369 and G370).

One Degree of Separation

Besides their creativity and skill, the artists participating in the exhibit *Common Ground, Diverse Approaches: Works on Paper* currently on display at the Tall Grass Arts Association have another thing in common. From the curators to the exhibitors, many of them are connected to the university as faculty, students, or graduates.

Co-curators of the show are Roger Paris and Thomas Latham. Exhibitors include Mary Bookwalter, Javier Chavira, Sergio Gomez, Tyler Hewitt, Jane Hudak, Erik LaGattula, Chelise Slowik, Jerry Slowik, Jeffrey Stevenson, and Jessica VanSwol.

The exhibit runs until June 27. [Tall Grass Arts Association](#) is located at 367 Artists Walk, Park Forest.

Dean Martin Exits Stage Left

We are not sure if song and dance will be part of the farewell reception, but all crooners, hoofers, and friends of Eric Martin are asked to join the festivities as GSU says adieu to the Dean of CAS. The farewell reception for the Dean and former assistant provost will be held on Friday, June 4, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., in E Lounge.



Good memories, good times, and good refreshments will be shared as will celebrate Dean Martin’s time on stage at GSU.

Curtis Retirement Do



Join the entire campus community as we celebrate and thank our longtime colleague and friend David Curtis upon his retirement. It is time to dust off the stories and polish up the accolades as we honor Dr. Curtis.

The event will be held on Wednesday, June 9, at 3:30 p.m., in the E-Lounge. Refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP by June 2 to [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

Barns of Illinois

Photographic artist Larry Kanfer is known for striking images of Midwestern scenes. As part of the Distinguished Lecture Series, he will discuss his new book *Barns of Illinois* on Tuesday, June 8, at 5:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. A reception and book signing will follow at 7 p.m., in E-Lounge.

This presentation will include the images and stories behind the barns and families featured in the book. Presenting with Kanfer will be his wife and co-author Alaina Kanfer. Alaina Kanfer is a social scientist who contributed the text that accompanies the photographs in the book.

The event is free, open to the public, and sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences and the Intellectual Life Committee. For more information, contact [Fran Kostarelos](#) at ext. 6986.

