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News and Events

IRiS Update 07-26

One month after the IRiS Project's official kickoff, significant progress is taking place every week.

All hardware required to support Datatel's Colleague software system has been received, rack mounted in the OTS

Data Center, and configured with the necessary third party software, said Peter Mizera, GSU's Assistant Vice President for Information Technology. Today (Monday), Datatel software engineers are scheduled to begin installation of their core product software, a process expected to take about two weeks.



Hardware for the IRiS project has been installed. Software installation begins this week.

"There has been quite a bit of work in other areas to support Datatel," Mizera said. "Additional hard drives have been added to our existing Storage Area Network infrastructure and a Web load balancing product is also being implemented and should be completed by July 27."

Overall, the university is on schedule with the hardware and software phase of the IRiS Project implementation. "We are looking forward to bringing Datatel online in the very near future," Mizera said.

Also this week, Business Process Analysis (BPA) training is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. As BPA unfolds, team members will review current practices throughout the university and fit them into the Colleague system. Datatel consultants will be on hand to guide team members toward new skills that will be used throughout the entire IRiS Project.

Representatives from all functional university units – Advancement, Human Resources, Financial Aid, Registration and Record, Billing and Finance, and Admissions – will attend the Tuesday and Wednesday sessions.

Now We're Cookin'

The cafeteria is offering an authentic taste of summer this week. On Thursday, July 29, FSI will prepare barbecued food on the charcoal grill (weather permitting). Char-grilled food will be available for purchase from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. In order to take advantage of the new grilling station, patrons can purchase food tickets from the cafeteria cashier to be redeemed at the outdoor grill.

System Maintenance - Jenzabar



All Governors State University Jenzabar products/systems will undergo maintenance this weekend. Systems including CX (CARS), MyGSU, Student View, and Faculty View will be unavailable from 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 31 through approximately 3 p.m. on Sunday, August 1. Information Technology Services (ITS) apologizes for the inconvenience and thanks you for your patience. If you have any issues or concerns, please contact the help desk at 708.534.4357.

Annual Friends Meeting

The Friends of the GSU Library will host their annual meeting on Wednesday, August 11, at noon, in the Library Conference Center. Election of new officers will take place during the meeting. For more information about the meeting or how to become a Friend of the GSU Library, contact [Pam Taylor](#) at ext. 7527.

East to West, Pierre is the Best



while visiting

Library showed our Washington D.C.'s tranquil break after a

GSU's favorite penguin traveled from coast to coast this week, loving every minute of it.

TJ Wang of the CBPA showed Pierre the sights in Seattle. Pierre tends to be a bit acrophobic, so he took in the Space Needle from the ground.

On his way back east, Pierre met up with psychology and counseling professor Pat Robey in Memphis. It's rumored that Pat and Pierre shared a fried peanut butter and banana sandwich Graceland.

Lydia Morrow Ruetten of the University fine feathered friend a good time in botanical garden. The gardens offered a crazy week.

For information on how you can pick up your own Pierre the

Penguin to take on a trip near or far, and how to enter the Take Pierre on Vacation photo contest, go to Pierre's [webpage](#).

