Lady Day is gone. The hill overlooking University Parkway is empty and the hulking form of Mark di Suvero's multi-ton tribute to Billie Holiday has gone to New York for its creator's 25th anniversary. The event is being celebrated at Storm King Art Center in New York's Hudson Valley. Dismantling of the 10,000 pound sculpture began at 8:00 am and was not completed until 12 hours later.

The chore required the efforts of a crew of six headed by Lowell McKegney of Storm King and Dr. John Payne, artist in residence at GSU. Payne, commending Storm King on its choice of Lady Day, explained the sculpture's significance. "Things like the Virgin Smile (see Innovator April 29, 1985) and to Lady Day are the guts that it took to change attitudes toward what sculpture can be."

In place since 1976, Lady Day received a coat of paint in 1982. Though intended to preserve the piece, the paint acted as glue freezing the connecting bolts. All this was no surprise to McKegney who had anticipated the need for a cutting torch which was supplied by Physical Plant Operations. "It was a bear," he grumbled, "just as I expected, because of those bolts."

Di Suvero met the truck in New York and supervised the setup, a task requiring roughly the same length of time as the dismantling. Storm King, located on 200 acres, 90 minutes outside of New York City, has the largest collection of monumental sculptures in the country, over 100, including four di Suveros. GSU has one other by the artist-Prarie Chimes.

The retrospective exhibition—MARK DI SUVERO: 25 Years of Sculpture and Drawings, will run through October 31.
Dear Editor:

I think there should be more stringent searches at the airport. I flew into Greece five years ago and I don't recall any kind of search, any kind of x-ray machine going on whatsoever. I know Reagan presented the idea of having armed guards on board every international flight to any area that might be at risk. I don't know that I disagree with a statement in Mr. Ostenburg's nor the University president. I find businesses might consider "withholding this information" so as not to unilaterally restrict the airports, where you can only go to those airports that have x-ray machines.

Interviews by Margie Owens

Ruthann Jenkins
Student Sergeant-G
Oak Forest

I just flew in recently and some places just let you go through without looking back. Other places were real strict and people had such misgivings for it, it's going to come from both airports as well as people. People are really going to have to be more patient with taking the time and make the x-rays. They're going to have to be much more cautious. We can't blame the air transportation itself. We can't expect them to do all the work. We have to be as cautious as they are.

Pam Guenzler
Counseling-G
Lansing

I think baggage is going to have to be searched. Right now they're basically checking the carry on luggage of the person getting on the plane. Until this recent incident, the luggage being checked in the baggage department wasn't being security checked. I think it's going to slow things down and raise costs, but that's one thing that's going to have to be done on a regular basis. There are going to have to be checks on the people doing the security checks.

Conrad Wayne
Interpersonal Communication-G
Richton Park

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Give Yourself A Present

Legislature Helps Education

by Margie Owens

At long last the state legislature has begun to tackle the problems encountered by public education in the State of Illinois. Legislators have finally passed funding that will bring Illinois up to par to compete for jobs in the 21st Century. Through the legislature’s proposed educational reforms, public education in the State of Illinois will experience great improvements.

These reforms include better screening of teachers, evaluation of existing teachers, standardized testing of students to determine needs, making teachers accountable for their final products, verifying the quality of public education in Illinois, increased salaries for teachers, and proper equipment and tools to do the job.

In recent years many school systems have been forced to accept incompetent educators, who, too often have a profound effect on future generations. With this legislative action these disqualified educators will be weeded out. Teaching is a noble profession, too often underpaid and criticized. We salute the competent educators who we trust with the minds of generations to come. Hopefully, with the legislature’s initiative, the declining number of qualified educators will once again rise in the State of Illinois. With these improvements being made in the area of public education in Illinois, hopefully, more students will look forward to careers in education.

Improved education in Illinois will bring about the economic and social renaissance of Illinois, which is so vital for the future of our state. We wait with enthusiastic anticipation for this to come.
Congratulations to the following students who were elected to the following positions: Larry Lulay, Board of Governors Student Representative and Cheryl Sims, Representative to the Illinois Board of High Education Student Advisory Council.

The Institute for Public Policy & Administration is offering 2 fellowships in public service for the 1985-1986 academic year. The Mimi Kaplan Fellowship for Women in Government Service is in honor of the long-time GSU employee and community leader. The Arnoce Foundation Fellowship is open to both men and women. Further information about these fellowships can be obtained by contacting Beverly Goldberg at ext. 2267. Deadline for submission of application, resume and transcripts is July 27, so hurry.

The GSU Placement Office will hold a workshop on "Marketing Yourself." The workshop will take place Aug. 19 from 1-5 p.m. and again Aug. 20 from 4-8 p.m. Participants will learn techniques of resume writing and interviewing. Advance registration is advised because space is limited. Call ext. 2163 for more information.

First on the list is "Prizzi's Honor," a darkly funny tale of love, power, and money. It stars Jack Nicholson and Kathleen Turner as two of the unlikeliest lovers you will ever meet. You see, both make their living by killing people who wrinkle the smooth operation of organized crime. That's right, hitman and hitlady, who will spend the rest of their lives together, that is if they don't kill each other first. Directed by master filmmaker John Huston, "Prizzi's Honor" includes a shocking ending that you'll either love or hate; what's more, she has the "hills" for him, which really makes matters sticky.

This complicated story has not one hole in it, and though some of the predictable, it manages to remain suspenseful and ultimately satisfying. So there you have it, three of my summertime movie picks, each one seemingly better than the next, and all of them intelligent alternatives to the standard summer Teenagers-in-Heat films.

Three Summer 'Pics' Highlighted

Future Teachers Association

"Market Yourself"

POETRY CORNER

YOU, ME, AND GOD

By Lee Lyman

You, me, and God: Adorning a flower Whose loneliness years upward Toward light, and air, and shower.

You, me, and God: Observing the weeds That promise no harvest But on like delf feeds.

You, me, and God: See Joy and Sorrow wed A flower and a weed, entwined, Upon a single bed.
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My husband and I are interested in adopting an infant. If you know of anyone who is considering placing a child for adoption, please call COLLECT (312) 650-4923.

Wheelchair-bound South Holland student, able to get in car, needs ride to GSU once per week 4:30-10:30 or twice per week 4:30-7:30 for Fall Tri-mester (days may vary according to schedule). Will pay gas and $10 per week. Call 339-7580 and ask for Lauri. If Lauri is not home leave message–she will call back.

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1. Which ex-U.S. Presidents died on July 4?
2. Who is Jughead Jones?
3. Who is Dennis the Menace's girlfriend?
4. Who married Li'l Abner and Daisey Mae?
5. What was the motto of Paramount News?
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The IRA Rollover
Prior to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), a lump sum payout from a qualified retirement plan was subject to immediate taxation. Now you are allowed a tax free transfer of your vested benefits into an IRA rollover. The rollover is designed to defer taxation on the lump sum distribution until withdrawals begin. In addition, no taxes are paid on any earnings within the account until funds are distributed to you. As funds are withdrawn from an IRA rollover, they are taxed at your ordinary income tax rates at that time. Since you pay no current taxes, the entire rollover amount may be put to work for you. The rollover account allows you to accumulate your assets and any earnings to grow tax deferred until distributed. This tax deferral can be a very valuable advantage. This advantage would be especially great if distributions from the IRA were made over a number of years.

In order to take advantage of the tax free rollover provision, you must roll your distribution into an IRA within 60 days of receipt. If you receive your distribution more than one payment, you have 60 days from the receipt of the last distribution. Remember, however, that the entire distribution must be made within the same calendar year to qualify for the rollover.

There is no maximum age limitation for IRA rollovers. Unlike tax-deferred IRA contributions, which are not permitted after age 70 1/2, an individual may establish a rollover account at any age.

If you do not want to roll over your entire lump sum distribution, you may choose to use part of the funds to cover current expenses, and roll the rest into an IRA. Your IRA tax will be deferred on the portion rolled over, and ordinary income taxes will be due on amounts not rolled (other than non-deductible employer contributions, which are tax-free).

There is no special tax treatment allowed for the money that is not rolled over in a partial rollover.

In addition, distributions from two or more plans in the same year are treated as one distribution. If you decide to roll over one plan and pay tax on the distribution from the other, this is considered a partial rollover and you will not be eligible to use the tax deferral on the portion rolled into the IRA.

The treatment of a lump sum distribution is subject to an independent decision that could have a great impact on your financial situation. Since it is an independent decision, it is best to consult with a professional advisor before proceeding.

Financial

Footnotes

The busy IRA season has just ended, but IRA business continues all year. One of the most important uses of the IRA is for rolling over lump sum distributions from qualified retirement plans.

Suppose you have been a participant in your employer’s retirement plan for a number of years and you have earned your vested retirement benefits. A lump sum distribution from a qualified plan not only represents your vested interest in the plan, it may also represent a substantial source of future retirement funds. You should, therefore, be aware of the options available to you, and how each of those options will affect the amount of tax you will pay and when you will pay it.

A lump sum distribution is the payment within one taxable year of the entire balance of your credit under all qualified retirement plans of the same type maintained by your employer. For example, if your employer maintains two profit sharing plans and one pension plan, the two profit sharing plans, being of the same type, would be treated as a single plan. You would have to receive your entire benefit from both of these plans within one taxable year to fulfill lump sum requirements.

In addition, in order to qualify as a lump sum distribution, your payout must be received as a result of at least one of the following: retirement or other separation of service, attainment of age 59 1/2 even if employment has not been terminated, plan termination; or death of an employee.

You may choose to take the lump sum distribution and pay the taxes due in the year you receive it. Any non-deductible employee contributions you made into your retirement plan are returned to you tax free. The remaining lump sum portion of your payout will be taxed as ordinary income unless you are eligible for special tax treatment.

Special Tax Treatment
Special tax treatment on your lump sum distribution may be available if you have been a plan participant in at least five tax years prior to the distribution year. Instead of including the lump sum distribution in your taxable income for the year received, to be taxed at your current tax rate, the 10-year averaging method allows you to compute the tax separately, usually at a lower rate. Very simply stated, the current tax on the amount eligible for 10-year averaging will be the tax a single taxpayer (having no other income) would pay on one-tenth that amount, multiplied by ten. Depending upon your tax bracket and size of your lump sum distribution, 10-year forward averaging could significantly reduce the amount of tax you would pay on your lump sum distribution.

10-year averaging is one method to take advantage of a partial rollover. There are exceptions to the special tax treatment. A distribution as a result of plan termination is not eligible for the special tax treatment unless you are over 59 1/2 at the time you receive it. Furthermore, lump sum distribution from 403(b) plan and distributions of deductible employee contributions (together with the related income) are not eligible for special tax treatment but are eligible for a 10-year averaging. The partial rollover and you will not be eligible for the tax free rollover. Remember, however, that the entire distribution must be made within the same calendar year to qualify for the rollover.

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