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Registration
Through August 25

Meditation
Thursdays
2:30 p.m.
D 34150
Free

Alcoholics
Anonymous
(AA)
Thursdays
6 - 7 p.m.
A2150

Ways of Making
Juried Art Exhibit
Through June 23
Reception
June 23
4:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Visual Arts Gallery

Pre-K Screening/
Registration/Tours
June 12, 13
9 a.m. to 2
Family Dev Cntr
708.235.7300

Sex in the Sand
Counseling Workshop
June 21
10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Engbretson Hall
[Register](#)

New Perspectives on
Desire
Counseling Workshop
June 22
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
E Lounge
[Register](#)

News and Events

Meet the SharePoint Portal Team (11-29-10)

Portal Team members have completed the first portion of their training and consulting. While still under construction, the portal -- myGSU -- is ready for a preview. On Thursday, December 2, at 1 p.m., the Campus Wide Advisory Group will see the portal for the first time. All GSU community members are also invited to attend.



portal will have to wait for the completion of the Colleague Student Module before going live. The student portion of *myGSU* is likely to go live by April 15.

The hard-working Portal Team is comprised of three distinct sub-groups: Portal Technical, Portal Implementation, and Portal Governance. The Portal Technical Team is made up of IT personnel responsible for the portal. Portal Implementation Team members represent the various departments within the university. The Portal Governance Team sets the rules governing the site.

Team members are Eric Matanyi and Greg Kain, co-leaders; Ann Needham, Bruce Crooks, Diane Dates-Casey, Emma Ziems, Jane Siefker, John Stoll, Karen Stuenkel, Michelle Smith, Myisha Meeks, Nick Battaglia, Pete Mizera, Pulchratia Kinney-Smith, and Sheree Sanderson.

The faculty and staff portal site is expected to "go live" in January. The student portion of the



CAS Dean Candidates

Two candidates for the position of CAS Dean will be on campus in early December. Each will be on campus for a full day of interviews, including a public presentation on the topic of their vision for CAS. There will also be time for the audience to ask questions of the candidate.

All students, staff, and faculty are invited to these presentation.

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IDSS Portfolio Seminar
College Credit for Prior Learning
June 23
10 a.m. – noon
D1496
\$50
[Register](#)
708.534.4092

Chicago Southland Gospel Fest 2012
June 29
7:30 p.m.
Cntr Perf Arts
[Tickets](#)

DrOT Information Session
June 30
2 p.m.
G127

Monday, December 6 – Dr. Patricia Sullivan ([download vitae](#))

Tuesday, December 7 – Dr. James Payne ([download vitae](#))

On each day, the candidate will follow the same schedule, as listed below.

7:30 a.m. - Meeting with Provost Allison
9:30 a.m. - Meeting with President Maimon
10 a.m. - Meeting with CAS Faculty (CAS conference room, E2590)
11:15 p.m. - Meeting with CAS Chairs
12:05 p.m. - Lunch with Search Committee Members
1:30 p.m. - Public Presentation (Hall of Honors)
2:45 p.m. - Meeting with Academic Deans
4 p.m. - Meeting with Executive Vice President/Chief of Staff Ejigu
4:45 p.m. - Meeting with Provost Allison
5:15 p.m. - Meeting with President Maimon and Provost Allison

Please note that candidate Tamara Hunt has withdrawn for family reasons.

For questions or additional information, please contact Penny Perdue at ext. 4130.

Office 2010 Updates

Information Technology Services (ITS) will install Microsoft Office 2010 on computers across the campus over the semester break, December 17 through January 7.

To help prepare the campus community for the upgrade, ITS is offering classes to instruct users on the changes to the most commonly used Office applications:

- Access
- Excel
- Outlook
- PowerPoint
- Word



All classes will be held in the ACS Lab, and each will last an hour and a half. Space is limited. Reserve class time with [Maureen Bendoraitis](#) at ext. 3193.

Class Schedule

Monday, November 29

- Outlook: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Access: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 30

- PowerPoint: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Word: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Excel: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Outlook: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 1

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- Outlook: 12 to 1:30 p.m.
- Access: 2 to 3:30 p.m.
- Word: 4 to 5:30 p.m.
- Excel: 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 2

- Excel: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- PowerPoint: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Outlook: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Word: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, December 3

- Outlook: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Excel: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Word: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- PowerPoint: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Salute to Winter Grads

Students participating in the Winter Commencement Ceremony on February 5 are encouraged to attend Salute to Grads on December 1 and 2, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. Students can be measured for cap and gown, have professional graduation photos taken, review class ring options, sign up for the graduate luau celebration, receive a discount on alumni items from Follett Bookstore, and benefit from additional services and information.

Table Tennis Success



The GSU Table Tennis Team performed beyond expectations at the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association (NCTTA) Upper Midwest Regional Tournament held on November 20, at GSU. Fifty-nine players from six universities competed in the tournament.

Opening ceremonies included a welcome from Dr. Maimon, introduction of former world table tennis champion Guozheng Liu, and remarks by NCTTA regional director, Linda Leaf.

Results of the competition reflected the skill of the GSU table tennis team. In co-ed competition, GSU came in first with five match wins, followed by



University of Wisconsin-Madison with four match wins. In women's team competition, UW-Madison was first, Purdue was second, and GSU was third. It is important to note that in NCTTA ranking, UW-Madison was ranked fifth, UI-Chicago was 10th, and Purdue was 15th. The GSU co-ed team defeated them all.

The event was enjoyed by all competitors and audience members. Lunchtime entertainment included a performance by GSU student Eddie Rogers, who sang a Chinese rap song. The assistance of the many volunteers ensured the success of the tournament.

Tellebration! Success

The first *Tellebration!* at GSU was a huge success. More than 75 people enjoyed the stories of five storytellers. Dr. Maimon opened the event with a "Tellebration Proclamation."

Contributions filled a box with food and generated \$200 for the Rich Township food pantry.

Financial support for *Tellebration!* was provided by the GSU Spirit Committee. The event was coordinated by Lynne Clayton of COE with the help of many other volunteers.



Dr. Zhao Memorial

A memorial program will be held to honor GSU computer science professor Dr. Shensheng Zhao, who died on August 31. The program will take place on December 1, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. Dr. Zhao was a professor in Computer Science in the College of Arts and Sciences. He began teaching at GSU in 1990. He earned the Faculty Excellence Award in 2004. Everyone is welcome.

Celebrate the Season with The Center

Whether you're celebrating the holidays with family or searching for the perfect gift, The Center for Performing Arts has what you're looking for. Tickets are still available for December performances of *The Nutcracker*, *A Christmas Carol*, and *The Fantastic Toy Shoppe*. Or surprise your favorite rock and roll fan with tickets to Dennis DeYoung, Lurrie Bell's Chicago Blues Band, or *Blue Suede Shoes (The Ultimate Tribute)*. [Purchase tickets](#) today!

Dec. 1 - World AIDS Day

Information and discussion are the themes of GSU's World AIDS Day program, on Wednesday, December 1.

From 5 to 7 p.m., in Engbretson Hall, the real stats, facts, and answers about HIV/AIDS will be presented. Additional information on regional, national, and international statistics and perspectives concerning AIDS will also be discussed. Presenters include Dr. Raven James of CHHS, Dr. Elizabeth Johnson of CAS, and ARC counseling interns Falesa Ivory-Vorhauer and Shoma Vyas.

In addition, several community organization will have talk briefly about the services they offer people and their families and friends coping with HIV/AIDS.

Information tables will be available from 3 to 7 pm. in Engbretson Hall with information about services and HIV/AIDS.

Participants include the Joliet Area/ South Suburban Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Chicago HIV Risk Reduction Partnership of John H. Stroger Hospital, Aunt Martha Health Services,

Illinois Institute for Addition Recovery, and Proactive Community Services.

The event is sponsored by the Academic Resource Center, College of Arts and Sciences, and Student Life.

Waiting for Superman Screening and Discussion

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"We are not waiting for Superman to solve the education issues we face," says Alicia McCray, Director of MILE. "This is a good opportunity for people in the south suburbs to see the film, join the discussion, and be part of the solutions,"

Admission to the film only is \$10. Admission to the film, panel discussion, and refreshments is \$20. Advance registration is required. Please respond by November 29 to 708.534.4024 or registration-MILE@govst.edu.

GSU Holiday Celebration

Mark your calendars. It's time to celebrate a year of accomplishments at the holiday party! Join President Maimon and the Board of Trustees on Friday, December 10, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

RSVP to [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

Go to the Movies

On Friday, December 10, GSU students, faculty, staff, and board members will have the opportunity to see *Chicago Heights*, a film made by GSU faculty and students, at the Gene Siskel Film Center in Chicago.

The film, based on *Winesburg, Ohio* by Sherwood Anderson, was made on a very limited budget. It has been featured at international and national film festivals and earned a "thumbs up" from Roger Ebert. For more information on the film, visit www.923films.com.

Tickets are \$25 and include a special pre-theater reception, coach bus ride to and from the Siskel Film Center, and a theater ticket. For those not wishing to ride the bus, tickets for the reception and film only are available for \$10 each.

To reserve a seat, contact [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

Student Life Food Drive

From now until December 19, there will be boxes located around campus, ready to be filled with non-perishable food items. Please check your cabinets or pick up a few items at the grocery store to help fill the boxes before the holidays.

All food items will be donated to local food pantries. The food drive is sponsored by Student Life. For more information contact [Vanessa Newby](#) at ext. 4551.

Student Senate Holiday Bash

All GSU students are welcome to share the food, fun, and good cheer at the 2010 Holiday Bash, on December 7, from 4 to 8 p.m., in the cafeteria Annex. Join the celebration of the to celebrate the holiday season and the end of the Fall semester.

In the spirit of the season, donations of non perishable food items for the Student Senate food drive will be gratefully accepted.

This event is sponsored by the Student Senate. For more information, contact [Megan Clarke](#) at ext. 4550.

Health Professions Career Fair

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a health and human services career fair on Tuesday, December 7, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Prospective employers in the fields of physical and occupational therapy, nursing, social work, and non-profit services will meet with job candidates.

The career fair is open to current students, GSU alumni, and members of the community seeking employment in these fields. There is no charge for job seekers. Participants are advised to dress professionally and bring resumes.

Representatives from both public and private institutions, organizations, and businesses interested in meeting job candidates are also welcome.

For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974 or e-mail career@govst.edu.

Follett's Appreciation

GSU's Follett Bookstore invites faculty and staff to its annual Appreciation Event, on Monday, December 6, from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. As a token of appreciation, the bookstore will extend a 25 percent discount on select merchandise during the event. Refreshments will be served and the bookstore staff will be available to assist customers. Call 708.534.4558 for additional details.

Fresh for You!

Did you miss the big brunch in the cafeteria last month? Make sure to visit the cafeteria on Tuesday, December 7 to see what the buzz is about. Enjoy a delicious brunch with all the trimmings during regular lunch hours.

Be sure to read FSI's *What's Cooking Newsletter* for info on new, exciting menu options offered each month.

December specials include barbeque, a celebration of soups, and a holiday festival. Each edition of the newsletter also features valuable, money-saving coupons.

FSI also reminds the campus community that the cafeteria will be closed for holiday break at 2:30 p.m., on Friday, December 17 and will reopen on Tuesday, January 4.

HPT Meet and Greet

The Human Performance and Training (HPT) program is hosting a meet and greet party on Wednesday, December 8, from 7 to 9 p.m., in E1581, near E-Lounge. Prospective students interested in learning more about the HPT program as well as current HPT students are invited to interact with program alumni and faculty. Refreshments will be served.

For more information about this event, please contact Dr. Mary Lanigan.

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Applicants must submit their proposals by December 1. The Memorial Fund will award approximately \$1,000 to two recipients. To be eligible, projects must demonstrate the potential for subsequent external support, publication, or exhibit; the significance of the technological innovation; and clarity and quality in the project description and need,

plan of procedure, measurable objectives, appropriateness of the requested funds for the work, qualifications of the applicants, and reference to existing literature.

Information on the grant deadlines and how to apply for grants is available on the [Foundation website](#).

For information on making a donation to the Ronald Brubaker Memorial Fund, contact [Rosemary Hulett](#), associate vice president for advancement, at ext. 7892.

CAS Dean Candidates (11-22-10)

The CAS Dean Search Committee, chaired by Dean Deborah Bordelon, has identified three finalists for the position. The three candidates will be on campus in early December for a full day of interviews. In addition, each candidate will give a public presentation. The full schedule for each candidate will be posted in next week's GSU View along with their vitae.

In the meantime, please note the following days that candidates will be on campus:

Monday, December 6, 2010 – Dr. Patricia Sullivan

Tuesday, December 7, 2010 – Dr. James Payne

Thursday, December 9, 2010 – Dr. Tamera Hunt

For questions or additional information, please contact [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

Happy Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is almost here. The university will be closed from November 25 through 28. President Maimon's message to the campus community wishes everyone a joyful holiday.

Read [President Maimon's Thanksgiving message](#).

IRiS - Meet the Finance Operations Team

The Finance Operations Team has successfully reached an important milestone. After months of training and consulting sessions, the much-needed General Ledger, the central accounting legend for GSU's financial records, is complete.



The General Ledger needs to be in place so that Financial Aid, Human Resources, and Advancement can "go live" with the Datatel Colleague system in January. Team Leader Karen Kissel and her members spent endless hours building completing this portion of the project. For all their hard work, Financial Operations, along with Human Resources, enjoyed a congratulatory visit from President Maimon and the Executive Sponsor Team. Many of the Finance Operations Team members are also on the Human Resources and

Payroll Team.

GSU has many of things to be thankful for this year, and the successful efforts of Finance Operations, Human Resources, and the rest of the IRiS Project teams are at the top of the list.



Team members are Karen Kissel, Cathy Casson, Barry Ryan, Jane Siefker, Vicki Wright, Katie Frossard-Fisher, Shirley Zhang, Selina Ward, Penny Havlicek, Denise Jones, Tracy Sullivan, John Stoll, Emma Ziems, and Jeanne Hagen.

Cyber-Bullying

Cyber-Bullying is no longer only an elementary and secondary education problem. Online bullying and electronic harassment are happening to college students. Campus professionals need to prepare to educate and address bullying behavior that uses technology and social media.

Student Life is sponsoring *Cyber Bullying Comes to Campus: Preparation, Prevention and Policies Webinar*, on December 8, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., in B2203.

Learn from our presenters about:

- Common cyber-bully attacks and the impact they have on students, faculty, staff, and the larger campus community.
- Different campus approaches to this behavior (on and off campus).
- Cyber-bullying and technologies/platforms - text messaging, Facebook, Juicycampus, and more.
- Case studies related to cyber-bullying.
- Cyber-bullying from a conduct, legal, and counseling perspective.

Registration is not required. For more information, contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) at ext. 4552.

Online Program Scholarships

Applications for the Center for Online Teaching and Learning's Adjunct Scholarship program are due by December 1.

The purpose of the scholarship is to help faculty members complete the graduate Certificate Program in Online Teaching. The certificate program consists of the four, three credit hour courses. All courses are offered in a fully-online format with no on campus requirements.

Those faculty members who currently teach courses at GSU and who do not qualify for employee tuition waivers are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

The scholarship is provided by the Division of Digital Learning and Media Design. It covers all tuition and associated university fees.

Scholarship recipients are determined by the deans of the colleges, in consultation with division and program chairs as appropriate.

Download [ONTL Scholarship Application](#).

To learn more, visit the [Certificate for Online Learning web page](#).

Nominations for Student Speaker

Recognize the worthy, exemplary, soon-to-be graduating student! Nominations are now being accepted for Commencement Student Speaker for the February Commencement ceremony to be held on Saturday, February 5, 2011.

Nomination forms are available at the [Student Life website](#). Both nomination forms must be completed and sent to [Sheree Sanderson](#), no later than Tuesday, November 30. Students must be available for an interview.

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Education and Dance

Transforming Urban Education through the Art of Dance, is a special presentation and live performance by DanceArt, has been rescheduled. The presentation will be tonight, from 5 to 6 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts. A reception celebrating DanceArt's 10th anniversary will be held at 6 p.m., immediately following the presentation. Both the performance and reception are free and open to the public.

The event is supported by the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Lecture Series and the GSU Intellectual Life Committee.

Math Educators Learn from GSU Students

GSU graduate and undergraduate math education students had the opportunity to teach educators recently when they presented at the 61st Annual Meeting of the Illinois Council of Teacher of Mathematics in Springfield, Illinois.



The students presented math activities they designed based on the sculptures in the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park. Dr. Dianna Galante, Associate Professor of Mathematics, asked her students to develop an alternative assessment activity using

one of the sculptures to measure student understanding of a particular math concept. Each student chose a different piece of artwork and developed the lesson and assessment. The lessons were designed for sixth through twelfth graders.

The opportunity to present at the conference and share their ingenious lessons with educators from across the state also gave her students an important experience. "The exchange of ideas in education is a very important tool in creating better teachers," says Galante.

Most of the students who presented in Springfield are currently student teaching in middle schools and high schools throughout the south suburbs. The students are Daniel Lawrence of Frankfort, Joseph Kelly of Oak Lawn, Jonathan Forkal of Joliet, Alyssa DiBenedetto of Mokena, Dawn Wolf of Beecher, Pamela Anzelone of Romeoville, Abigail Garcia of Lockport, Brittany Washington of Richton Park, and Caitlin Adamski of Orland Park.

Holiday Cheer (10-18-10)

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Ten Pin Fun



Turkeys aren't just found on Thanksgiving tables. See if you can bowl a turkey in the Student Education Association (SEA) Wii Bowling Tournament. Test your skills on November 18, from 4 to 7 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. Students may bowl for \$2. Everyone else pays \$3. Baked goods will also be for sale in the Hall of Governors. Proceeds support the activities of the SEA.

Join the fun, win some prizes, eat some goodies, and learn about SEA. Everyone is welcome.

Shut It!

As winter blows in, faculty and staff are reminded to close their office windows when they are not in their offices. This prevents freezing/ruptured pipes in individual heating and cooling units. Employees should also adjust their heat units to low heat at the end of each work day, to conserve energy.

Please note that all damage costs associated with ruptured pipes will be borne by the department responsible for leaving the window open.

Contact Facilities Development and Management at ext. 4515 for questions regarding operation of university heating and cooling units.

Table Tennis Tournament Saturday

Everyone is welcome to attend the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association Regional Tournament at GSU on Saturday, November 20.

The competition of Midwestern colleges and universities will bring together some of the best players in the region – including GSU's Table Tennis Team.

The former world table tennis champion, Guozheng Liu, will also attend the opening ceremony and the tournament. Liu won the 2001 U.S. Open Singles Championship and the 2001 Men's Team World Championship, and was a quarter finalist in the 2000 Olympic Games in Sidney. He is currently a coach for the Chinese National Table Tennis Team.

The competition begins at 9:30 a.m. with the opening ceremony and will last all day with a break at noon for lunch. During the lunch hour, 16 young table tennis players will compete in the 2010 GSU Fall Youth Tournament in the GSU gymnasium.

Spectators are welcome to both the NCTTA Regional Tournament and the youth competition. Admission is free.

In preparation for the tournament, the GSU Table Tennis team will play some T.T. ball in the Hall of Governors today, from 4 to 7 p.m. As part of the festivities, the team will play all challengers. Challengers may also pit their skills against the table tennis playing robot.

Storytellers at GSU

Enjoy the tales of five master storytellers at *Tellebration!*, a free, international event on Saturday, November 20, at 7 p.m., in Sherman Recital Hall.

"This is the first time for *Tellebration!* in the south suburban area," said Clayton, who is Office Manager in COE and an avid storyteller. "We are pleased to offer it at GSU and very excited about our lineup of outstanding storytellers."

All *Tellebration!* storytellers perform free of charge. All money or donated items from the GSU event will go directly to the Rich Township Food Pantry. For further information, contact [Lynn Clayton](#) at ext. 3075.

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Commencement Preparation Commences

It is time to order academic regalia for the February Commencement ceremony. Faculty and staff who have ordered in the past, may amend previous orders to reflect any changes (size, degree, other corrections). Please complete and submit the [2011 Winter Commencement Oak Hill Regalia Order Form](#) by Friday, November 19, to [Karen Caesar-Smith](#) via interoffice mail, e-mail, or by delivering it to Room G325.

In addition, if you plan to participate in Commencement, the hooding ceremony, or both, please complete the [2011 Winter Commencement Participation Form](#) and submit it no later than Friday, November 19, to [Karen Caesar-Smith](#) via interoffice mail, e-mail, or by delivering it to Room G325.

For those wishing to bring a guest to Commencement, one guest ticket will be available from the Advancement Office at a later date. Please note that space is limited and we want to provide as many tickets as possible to the graduates.

Hyperreality



The GSU Visual Arts Gallery is hosting *Hyperreality*, is a solo exhibition of digital composites by MFA student Rebecca L. Heide, through November 23.

Heide's work explores the manipulation of time and space through digital imagery. Photographs of landscape, the human form, and sculpture are manipulated to create memory vignettes. The images are a simulation of the mental state at various times through life. Feelings of happiness, loss, fear, isolation, and complacency are reconstructed in a visual form for the viewer.

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Panelists include Dr. Kamala Buckner, Superintendent of Thornton Township High School District; Dr. Gregory Jackson, Superintendent of Ford Heights District 169; Jim Broadway, Publisher, State School News Service; Dr. Lanita Koster, Member, Illinois State Board of Education; and Dr. Blondean Davis, CEO, Southland College Prep Charter High School. Dr. Larry Stanton, Education Consultant and former Executive Director, Consortium for Educational Change (CEC) and former Strategy and Planning Officer for the Chicago Public Schools will serve as moderator.

"We are not waiting for Superman to solve the education issues we face," says Alicia McCray, Director of MILE. "This is a good opportunity for people in the south suburbs to see the film, join the discussion, and be part of the solutions,"

Admission to the film only is \$10. Admission to the film, panel discussion, and refreshments is \$20. Advance registration is required. Please respond by November 29 to 708.534.4024 or registration-MILE@govst.edu.

Job Fair in Health Professions

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a Health Professions career fair on Tuesday, December 7, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Prospective employers in the fields of physical and occupational therapy, nursing, social work, and non-profit services will meet with

job candidates.

The career fair is open to current students, GSU alumni, and members of the community seeking employment in these fields. There is no charge for job seekers. Participants are advised to dress professionally and bring resumes.

Representatives from both public and private institutions, organizations, and businesses interested in meeting job candidates are also welcome.

For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974 or e-mail career@govst.edu.

Follett's Appreciates You

GSU's Follett Bookstore invites faculty and staff to its annual Appreciation Event, on Monday, December 6, from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. As a token of appreciation, the bookstore will extend a 25 percent discount on select merchandise during the event. Refreshments will be served and the bookstore staff will be available to assist customers. Call 708.534.4558 for additional details.

Microsoft Office 2010 Deployment

Information Technology Services (ITS) will install Microsoft Office 2010 on computers across the campus over the semester break, December 17 through January 7.

To help prepare the campus community for the upgrade, ITS is offering classes to instruct users on the changes to the most commonly used Office applications:

- Access
- Excel
- Outlook
- PowerPoint
- Word



All classes will be held in the ACS Lab, and each will last an hour and a half. Space is limited. Reserve class time with [Maureen Bendoraitis](#) at ext. 3193.

Class Schedule

Monday, November 29

- Word: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Excel: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Outlook: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Access: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 30

- PowerPoint: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Word: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Excel: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Outlook: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 1

- Outlook: 12 to 1:30 p.m.
- Access: 2 to 3:30 p.m.
- Word: 4 to 5:30 p.m.
- Excel: 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 2

- Excel: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- PowerPoint: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Outlook: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- Word: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, December 3

- Outlook: 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Excel: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Word: 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- PowerPoint: 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Meet the IRiS Human Resources and Payroll Team (11-15-10)

While all the IRIS Project teams are experiencing looming deadlines, one team has been working non-stop getting ready to test their work: the Human Resources and Payroll Team.



Over the last month, testing payroll in the new Colleague system has been challenging, but productive. The past few weeks have demonstrated the importance of testing during new system implementation. Team members have run two successful payroll tests and, for their efforts, enjoyed a congratulatory visit from President Maimon and the Executive Sponsor Team, who surprised them with balloons and fruit.

The two test runs also helped them fix items, overcome obstacles, and correct issues prevalent in all new system processes. The big tests are yet to come. On November 22 and again on December 7, payroll will run their first "parallel tests" – running both the present CX system and the new Colleague system simultaneously.

Members of the Human Resources and Payroll Team are Debra Kappel, Pulchratia Kinney-Smith, Lillian Jung, Loretta Jones, Pete Mizera, Julia Jamison, Denise Jones, Janet Hart, Senatha Jenkins, Gail Mosier, Ayita Woods, Barry Ryan, and Vicki Wright. The team leaders is Gail Bradshaw, Associate Vice President for Human Resources and Diversity.

Men and Women in Black and White

In preparation for the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association Regional Tournament at GSU, the GSU Table Tennis team is moving a table tennis table into the Hall of Governors on November 18 - GSU Spirit Day. As part of the festivities, the team will play all challengers, from 4 to 7 p.m. Challengers may also pit their skills against the table tennis playing robot.

Join the fun – wear black and white – and play table tennis. Support our team!

And don't forget to catch the Spineless Pirate Production, *The Showdown*, starring the GSU Table Tennis Team on You Tube. The film was made by GSU students Matt Sass and Blake Labriola.

Sass and Labriola will also film the NCTTA Regional Tournament at GSU on Saturday, November 20. The competition begins at 9:30 a.m. with the opening ceremony. Everyone one is welcome to this free event.

[View *The Showdown*.](#)

Parent University Celebrated

U.S. Representative Jesse Jackson, Jr. joined President Maimon, University Park Mayor Al McGowan and the staff of the Family Development Center to celebrate the opening of the FDC's Parent University last week.

Rep. Jackson was integral in acquiring the funding for Parent University from the U.S. Department of Education. Parent University provides free workshops for parents on a variety of topics ranging from behavior management, to child enrichment, to effective parenting.



The celebration will included remarks by Rep. Jackson, Dr. Maimon, Mayor McGowan, Dr. Deborah Bordelon, Dean of COE, as well as a ribbon cutting, tours of the facility, children's performances, and refreshments.

At the Movies

On Friday, December 10, GSU students, faculty, staff, and board members will have the opportunity to see *Chicago Heights*, a film made by GSU faculty and students, at the Gene Siskel Film Center in Chicago.

The film, based on *Winesburg, Ohio* by Sherwood Anderson, was made on a very limited budget. It has been featured at international and national film festivals and earned a "thumbs up" from Roger Ebert. For more information on the film, visit www.923films.com.

Tickets are \$25 and include a special pre-theater reception, coach bus ride to and from the Siskel Film Center, and a theater ticket. For those not wishing to ride the bus, tickets for the reception and film only are available for \$10 each.

To reserve a seat, contact [Penny Perdue](#) at ext 4130.

Abri Credit Union

Representatives of Abri Credit Union, formerly Prairie Trail Credit Union, will be on campus tomorrow, November 16, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in D1489. All Christmas Club members should stop by for a free gift.

Activities Continue

Global Entrepreneurship and International Education Week 2010 continues today a workshop on *Becoming an Entrepreneur in Today's Society*, at 7:30 p.m., in G227.

Enjoy a cup and conversation at the Small World Coffee/Tea Hour on November 16, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. At 2 p.m. in Engbretson Hall, learn how to translate study abroad experience into a workplace advantage.

On November 17, learn about study abroad opportunities from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and about international volunteerism from 1 to 2 p.m., both in Engbretson Hall.

Three events are scheduled on November 18. They include a discussion of the legal aspects of post-education employment options for foreign students from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and a presentation on travel through Switzerland, Austria, and Germany from 1 to 2 p.m. Both events are in Engbretson Hall.

The events conclude on November 19, with an open house at CenterPoint, C3300, at 2 p.m. Completion results will be announced, prizes given, and refreshments served.

Everyone is welcome to these free events, which are co-sponsored by CenterPoint and the Office of International Services.

Shopping for All

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Hunger Management I

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Student Scholarship Information

The GSU Foundation and Alumni Association's list of scholarships and the application form are now available [online](#).

Interested students must apply for scholarships by November 19. Students are not eligible if they are:

- Community College Honors Scholars recipients
- University employees
- Fall 2010 Foundation scholarship recipients

Call 708.534.4105 for information.

NMSP's Yes! For Lady Day Repaired



Yes! For Lady Day, a towering masterpiece at the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park (NMSP) was repaired last week following damage from gale-force winds in October.

Artist Mark DiSvero's monumental sculpture, a tribute to the jazz singer Billie Holiday, consists of 30-foot-tall steel I-beams supporting two halves of a railroad tank car. The tank car sections are suspended from the I-beam frame by steel cables. As a result of high winds, the cable holding the lower tank car section snapped and the front of the piece fell to the ground.

"It was imperative that we made repairs as soon as possible since the piece is one of the signature elements of our collection, and one of the artist's most significant works," Bates said. "*Yes! For Lady Day* is one reason



people from around the world visit the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park.”

The park is open from dawn to dusk, 365 days a year, and admission is free. For more information about the sculpture park, visit the [website](#) or call ext. 4486.

Student Speaker Applications Online

Recognize the worthy, exemplary, soon-to-be graduating student! Nominations are now being accepted for Commencement Student Speaker for the winter commencement ceremony to be held on Saturday, February 5, 2011.

Nomination forms are available at the [Student Life website](#). Both nomination forms must be completed and sent to [Sheree Sanderson](#), no later than Tuesday, November 30. Students must be available for an interview.

Vet Counseling Available

GSU student veterans, servicemembers, and their families are eligible for free, confidential readjustment counseling at GSU.

Tony Wilson, from the Gary Area Vet Center, will offer readjustment counseling for individuals and groups every Wednesday, from 1 to 4 p.m., at the Academic Resource Center. Wilson, LCSW, is a Readjustment Counseling Social Worker.

For information, call 708.534.4090 or drop by the Academic Resource Center (B1215) on Wednesday afternoon to meet Tony Wilson.

Honored Veterans



Michael Griffin

During the recent GSU Veteran’s Day presentation, students, faculty, and staff honored the service of veterans. The event, *A Day of Recognition*, included a full honor guard and presentations by Dr. Cyrus Ellis, associate professor of psychology and counseling; Dr. Constance Edwards, retired faculty and nursing program director; and Michael Griffin, GSU student and Iraq War Veteran.

Coordinators of the event were Lana Bilyk, Coordinator for Veterans and Military Personnel; Larry Chisausky, student and Viet Nam War Veteran; Dr. Lorri Glass, assistant professor of social work; and Bob Rakstang of CenterPoint.

DanceArt and Education

Transforming Urban Education through the Art of Dance, a special presentation and live performance by DanceArt, has been rescheduled. The presentation will be on November 22, from 5 to 6 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts. A reception celebrating DanceArt’s 10th anniversary will be held at 6 p.m., immediately following the

presentation. Both the performance and reception are free and open to the public.

The event is supported by the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Lecture Series and the GSU Intellectual Life Committee.

Managing Debt Workshop

Managing your money requires discipline to keep spending under control so bills can be paid and savings can grow. Learn how to structure your spending at *Strategies for Managing Debt in Troubling Times*, an informational workshop on Tuesday, November 16. Sessions will take place from noon to 1 p.m. in Room B1241 and from 6 to 7 p.m. in Room B1215.

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The GSU Academic Resource Center sponsors the workshop, which is free and open to members of the university community. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact [Tamekia Scott](#) at ext 2228.

Pierre and Friends



Pierre is having the time of his life. Lydia Morrow Ruetten and her husband Bryon took him to meet some live penguins as part of the *Penguin Experience* at the Shedd Aquarium in Chicago. Lydia, of the Library, was the grand prize winner in the *Take Pierre on Vacation* photo contest.

According to Lydia, Penguin #410 was quite taken with Pierre and everyone had a great time.



Student Sandi Gustafson, who took the first holiday pictures of Pierre several years ago, is busy hitting the books and is making sure Pierre does his share



as well. Here he is in Business Communications class. "He's such a smart little fellow!" added Sandi.

While there is no ongoing contest involving photos of Pierre, we are still interested in seeing what the unofficial GSU mascot is up to. What will he eat on Thanksgiving Day? How will he light the Hanukkah candles? Will his stocking be hung by the chimney with care?

Help us answer these and other burning questions and we will publish your photos in the View. Remember, when you submit your photos to the GSU View, include your name and the department in which you work or the college in which you are a student.

FY 10 Carry Forward (11-11-10)

In the next few days, the Financial Services and Comptroller's office will carry forward any funds remaining in 10-accounts after all FY'10 expenses were paid and any year-end adjustments were made. The carry forward account number is the same number for each unit that was used last year when FY'09 funds were carried forward.

Consistent with the directives from executive management, these funds can be used at your discretion as long as expenses are in accordance with state and federal rules and regulations. These funds are to be used for expenses that your unit will incur within this fiscal year only, and not for expenses that require the obligation of these dollars for future years. For example, the monies from this account cannot be used to hire permanent ongoing full time employees. Additionally, these monies cannot be transferred to your FY'11 Operating Budget account. Expenses should be charged directly to your 21 account.

The process used to expend the carry forward monies remains the same as for all other university purchases. Purchase requisitions are issued from each department with the proper authorizations, and forwarded to Procurement for approval and processing prior to placing an order.

To facilitate a smooth transition, unless otherwise instructed, the Procurement department will allow those individuals who currently have authorization to sign on your FY'11 Operating Budget accounts to also sign on the carry forward account.

To change authorization designation, contact [Lisa Carra](#) at ext. 7443 in Procurement.

Questions should be directed to [Cathy Casson](#) at ext. 4034 or [Barry Ryan](#) at ext.7401. They are also able to provide Jenzebar information access training.

Fill the Food Drive Boxes

From now until December 19, there will be boxes located around campus, ready to be filled with non-perishable food items. Please check your cabinets or pick up a few items at the grocery store to help fill the boxes before the holidays.

All food items will be donated to local food pantries. The food drive is sponsored by Student Life. For more information contact [Vanessa Newby](#) at ext. 4551.

Beat the Drum

The Center for Performing Arts brings back the grand spectacle of *Drumline* on Friday, November 12, at 7 p.m. Based on the 2002 film, this show brings students from historically African American Colleges all over the country together for an evening filled with spectacular music and dance.

There are only a few tickets left. The GSU 10 percent advance sale discount still applies. Visit or call the box office at 708.235.2222.

Holiday Shopping at GSU

The Civil Service Senate Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair provides the perfect opportunity to get a jump on your holiday shopping and find the perfect gift for everyone on your list.

The Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair will be held on November 16, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. All proceeds from this event are used for the Civil Service Senate Educational Assistance Fund. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact [Lynne Clayton](#) or [Karen Stuenkel](#) at ext. 3978.

Get in the GSU Spirit

The entire GSU community is encouraged to wear black and white on November 18 to show support for the university and the GSU Table Tennis Team.

In preparation for the NCTTA Regional Tournament at GSU, the GSU Table Tennis team is moving their tables into the Hall of Governors on GSU Spirit Day. As part of the festivities, the team will play all challengers, from 4 to 7 p.m. Challengers may also pit their skills against the robot.

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Follow the Bouncing Ball at GSU

Eleven tables, seven teams, 50 competitors, and one day of rapid, high level table tennis competition. It all takes place at GSU when the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association Regional Tournament is held here on Saturday, November 20.

The competition of Midwestern colleges and universities will bring together some of the best players in the region. Adding to the excitement of the day, former world table tennis champion, Guozheng Liu, will attend the opening ceremony and the tournament. Liu won the 2001 U.S. Open Singles Championship and the 2001 Men's Team World Championship, and was a quarter finalist in the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney. He is currently a coach for the Chinese National Table Tennis Team.



"Everyone has been working hard to increase the level of play. GSU's team is only in its second year, but we are already seen as a major competitor," says Dr. T.J Wang, coach of the GSU team and associate professor of accounting. "I hope everyone comes to GSU for this great chance to witness an exciting level of play."

The competition begins at 9:30 a.m. the opening ceremony and will last all day with a break at noon for lunch. During the lunch hour, 16 young table tennis players will compete in the 2010 GSU Fall Youth Tournament in the GSU gymnasium.

Spectators are welcome to both the NCTTA Regional Tournament and

the youth competition. Admission is free.

Delicious!

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Mentors Matter

The Latino Center for Excellence is seeking graduate students interested in helping undergraduate students find academic success at GSU. Student mentors will serve as a resource, and listen, counsel, and motivate undergraduates.

Mentors must be registered in any graduate program at GSU, have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and be able to commit the necessary time. They will receive the support needed to ensure a beneficial experience for the mentor and the mentee and the opportunity to make a difference.

For more information, contact [Monica Teixeira](#), Transition Coordinator at 708.235.7609.

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Who's on Your Tree?



The Library is hosting *FamilySearch.org*, a genealogy workshop, on November 18, from 1 to 3 p.m., in A2438 (ACS Lab).

This workshop is for people with basic computer skills and a love of genealogy and for those wishing to begin exploring their family history. The workshop is free and everyone is welcome. Even Pierre the Penguin hopes to discover some long hidden ancestors!

Got Credit?

Understanding and Raising your Credit Score, a financial seminar sponsored by Student Life and CitiBank, will explain the importance of your credit score, how to check it, and how to raise it. The seminar is on November 17, from 3 to 3:45 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. It is free and open to the public.

IRiS Project Stays On Track (11-08-10)

Last week was another busy time for GSU's IRiS teams. Three consultants were on campus. Advancement training for Contribution and Campaign Management ran four days. Human Resources/Payroll met with their consultant Tuesday and Wednesday. Accounts Receivable and Cash Receipts trained both Thursday and Friday.



Although this week is much quieter on the training front, the teams have much to do to ready themselves for their "live" dates. The university is keeping to the timeline set for implementation of Datatel's Colleague system. Although a few modules' training dates have changed, the overall project is expected to go live on time.

In January, the Advancement, Financial Aid, Human Resources, and Payroll modules will make their debut. In addition, the campus Portal – *myGSU* – will be opened for GSU community on January 1.

Visit the [IRiS Project website](#) to view the timeline and much more information.

New Cable Program Debuts

The Division of Digital Learning and Media Design (DLMD) has begun work on a new television series for cable and web broadcast called *ART*

Out & About. The series highlights the diversity of creative and artistic organizations in Chicago south suburbs.

From gallery exhibitions to theatre performances and from film to sculpture, all art forms will receive equal consideration in the series. Future episodes will take audiences backstage in the theatre, observe a raku pottery firing, go on location with a student film crew, and reveal the moment when movement becomes expression in dance. Galleries, theatre, music, dance, film, photography, sculpture, paintings, and written works from the southland region will be featured.

Geoffrey Bates, Director and Curator of the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park, serves as the show's host. "The Chicago Southland is home to an extremely vibrant arts community. We'll help our viewers discover that community and challenge them to look at art from a new perspective," said Bates.

The pilot episode is currently airing on Comcast's public access channel (channel 16 in most communities). It features conversations about *Americana: Folk Art...Art and Decorative Objects from Private Collections*, the current exhibit at the Tallgrass Arts Organization Gallery in Park Forest.

GSU students were also were involved in the production of the pilot. "Our hope is to collaborate further with the CAS," said Tony Labriola for DLMD, "and involve more students in all phases of production—writing, producing, shooting, and editing."

The program schedule is available at www.educator television.com.

Depression Era on Film

Two Depression Era films, *The Power and the Land* (1940) and *Native Land* (1942), will be screened on November 10, at 4:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. Dr. Christopher White, Assistant Professor of English, will lead a discussion of the films and their reflection of an era.

The screening and discussion are free, open to the public, and sponsored by a grant from the GSU Intellectual Life Committee.

Go Global

Global Entrepreneurship and International Education Week 2010 begins this week with several contests. Compete in the Logo Identification contest, the Name the Entrepreneur contest, and the Scavenger Hunt. Information is available on the [CenterPoint website](#) or at the office, C3300.

Add your smile to the *All Smile in the Same Language* display in C building by contributing your smiling photographs to the International Services Office, C3370.

Learn all about the GSU/China Connection on November 10, at 2 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

Additional activities continue next week.

Student Celebration

Celebrate Non-Traditional Student Week, November 7 through 12, with activities, seminars, and information to help you continue to achieve.

The week begins today with pizza, popcorn, and GSU information tables, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Operation Green, GSU's new student club, will provide information on conservation and sustainability, as well as unique giveaways, on Tuesday, November 9, from 4 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

It is time to relax and have some fun at a Student Reception on Wednesday, November 10, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., in the Student Commons. It is also a chance to meet your Student Senators and representatives from Student Life.

For more information, call 708.534.4552.

Veteran's Day Activities

On Veteran's Day, Thursday, November 11, GSU is sponsoring *A Day of Recognition*, from 1 to 4 p.m., in Engbretson Hall and the Hall of Governor. Activities include a full honor guard, information on resources and services for veterans, and presentations on issues and concerns of veterans.

A food drive, coordinated by Master's in Social Work student Anna Tesauro, will collect food items to fill Thanksgiving baskets for veterans and their families. This food drive is sponsored by a Veterans' Outpost in Alsip. Non-perishable foods items are greatly needed and appreciated.

Say Thanks for GSU Support

Gratitude Attitude Day on Thursday November 11 provides an opportunity for everyone in the GSU community to say "thank you" to the many donors who provide the resources for scholarships, on-campus improvements, and other important additions to the university's overall quality of life.

The entire campus community is invited to participate by calling donors and offering thanks, from 2 to 6 p.m. Volunteers make calls during one hour sessions. Gratitude Attitude Day includes free refreshments.

To volunteer, contact [Mary Rothenberg](#) at ext. 2239.

Artistic Addition

Renowned sculptor Neil Goodman will share his insights about art with the public during a daylong appearance Thursday, November 11, at the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park (NMSP).

Goodman and NMSP Curator and Director Geoffrey Bates will engage in a conversation about art at GSU's Sherman Recital Hall at 5:45 p.m. It is free and open to the public. A public reception is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. in the atrium of the university's Faculty



Office Center.

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Storytellers at the GSU event are:

- The Rev. Linda L. Briggs, an ordained minister and inspirational storyteller. Many of her stories have an African American theme.
- Neil Whitam has entertained audiences more than 1,000 times in the last 18 years. He is a former Chicago area school teacher.
- Karen Slager is a children's librarian at the Highland (Indiana) Public Library, as well as a member of the Northwest Indiana Storytelling Guild.
- Daniel Hechenberger is assistant professor of social studies

education at GSU and is a former interpretative ranger at the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial.

- Lynne Clayton has been active in storytelling for several years. In 2008, she participated in the "Storytime, Anytime" project at Richton Park Public Library, which created 12 DVDs of stories from 12 tellers.

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Just For Vets

GSU student veterans, servicemembers, and their families are eligible for free, confidential readjustment counseling at GSU.

Tony Wilson, from the Gary Area Vet Center, will offer readjustment counseling for individuals and groups every Wednesday, from 1 to 4 p.m., at the Academic Resource Center. Wilson, LCSW, is a Readjustment Counseling Social Worker.

For information, call 708.534.4090 or drop by the Academic Resource Center (B1215) on Wednesday afternoon to meet Tony Wilson.

Money Management Workshop

Managing your money is difficult even in the best of times. During a bad economy, effective financial management requires discipline to keep spending under control so you can pay the bills and set money aside for the future.

Learn how to structure your spending at "Strategies for Managing Debt in Troubling Times," an informational workshop on Tuesday, November 16. Sessions will take place from noon to 1 p.m. in Room B1241 and from 6 to 7 p.m. in Room B1215.

At the workshop, participants will learn economic strategies to start debt cancellation, basic money management, and budgeting tips. They will also learn about the relationship between debt and stress.

The GSU Academic Resource Center sponsors the workshop, which is free and open to members of the university community. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact [Tamekia Scott](#) at ext 2228.

Lincoln Laureate - Tamara Lewis

Each year an outstanding senior from each of the four-year degree granting institutions of higher learning in Illinois is named a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois. This year's Lincoln Laureate from GSU is Tamara S. Lewis of Chicago.



Lewis exemplifies the characteristics of Lincoln Laureates who are chosen for their commitment to the principles of democracy and humanity as embodied by Abraham Lincoln. She was also honored for her outstanding academic achievement and her profound and generous service to others. On November 6, Lewis and the other student laureates participated in a ceremony recognizing their achievement at the Old State Capitol in Springfield, Illinois.

As a senior majoring in social work at GSU, Lewis has earned a 3.8 GPA. She is a member of the Phi Alpha Honor Society for students studying social work, and Alpha Sigma Lambda, the National Adult Learners Honors Society.

Lewis' compassion for others turned to action in May, when she was integral to the success of the "All Nations for Haiti" Fashion Show at GSU. Lewis helped develop, promote, and produce a show, which involved students and staff representing cultures and ethnicities from around the world to raise money to help the victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

Lewis was nominated for the honor by Dr. Phyllis West, Assistant Professor of Social Work. "Tamara is that person who is willing to step out of her comfort zone in order to serve others. Tamara does not mind being uncomfortable if it means getting the job done and helping others."

Vet Employment Rep

Lynn Salkeld, veteran representative from the Illinois Department of Employment Security, will be on campus to answer veteran's questions related to employment, disability services, and other topics on November 9 and December 14. She will be available from 1 to 4 p.m. in room D1408.

To schedule an appointment, contact [Lana Bilyk](#), Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel, at ext 2224.

Educator Economics Conference

The Office of Economic Education at GSU and the Illinois Association of School Economics Teachers (IASET) is sponsoring the 29th Annual Fall Conference, *Behavioral Economics Incentives Matter*. The conference will be held on December 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

This year's conference provides information and tools on teaching economics to students from sixth to twelfth grade. Educators or students studying to be teachers are encouraged to attend. There is a \$60 registration fee.

For more information, contact [Sheryl Gallaher](#) at ext 4926.

Ready to Budget (11-04-10)

Members of the PBAC Council 2010-2011 were announced recently in a memo from Dr. Elaine Maimon. This Council serves in an advisory capacity to the President, supporting the design of the processes, systems, and structures for the strategic allocation of resources.

[View the President's memo.](#)

[View the PBAC Council membership.](#)

Generator Test This Friday

Facilities Development and Management will test all emergency generators on Friday, November 5, from 7 a.m. to approximately noon. A to G buildings, IT, and the Family Development Center may be affected with one or two anticipated "blips" of power interruption as general commercial power switches to the generator.

Tests will only affect circuits that are on emergency power (specific light fixtures and certain outlets). Since most wall outlets are on our standard power panel, computer work should not be affected. However FDM recommends that computer users save their work often just to be on the safe side.

Contact FDM at ext. 4515 with questions.

Ethical Reminder

Not that we are nagging, but have you completed your Ethics Training yet?

[Tony Tymkow](#), University Ethics Training Administrator, reminds all university employees to be sure to complete the mandatory State of Illinois employee training requirement by close of business on November 18. Complete it soon and get us off your back.

Discount on Dance

Buy one, get one free tickets are available for the Ailey II Dance Company's performance on Saturday, November 6, at 8 p.m., in the Center for Performing Arts.

The regular price for each Platinum Price Range ticket is \$53. With the special GSU discount, tickets are \$26.50 each when purchased two at a time.

This offer begins at 10 a.m., Friday, November 5, and lasts until 7 p.m., on Saturday, and is open to students, staff, and faculty.

For tickets, call the CPA Box Office at 708.235.2222 or visit in person between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., on Friday or Saturday.

Watch ABC-Channel 7 news at 11 a.m., Friday, to see Ailey II promoting its GSU performance.

Celebrating Parent University

Jesse Jackson, Jr., U.S. Congressman, (2nd District, IL) will join the GSU Board of Trustees, President Elaine Maimon, and the staff of the Family Development Center to celebrate the opening of the FDC's Parent University, on November 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Representative Jackson was integral in acquiring the funding for Parent University from the U.S. Department of Education. Parent University provides free workshops for parents on a variety of topics ranging from behavior management, to child enrichment, to effective parenting.

The celebration will include remarks by Representative Jackson, Dr. Maimon, and Deborah Bordelon, Dean of COE, as well as a ribbon cutting, tours, children's performances, and refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

GSU and China

GSU's exchange program with Guangdong University of Technology (GDUT) in Guangzhou, China, has expanded beyond the College of Business and Public Administration. Dr. Elizabeth Ruiz, of the College of Education and this year's faculty representative to GDUT, will describe her teaching and research experiences at GDUT on November 10, at 2 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

To illustrate the international collaboration the exchange program makes possible, Dr. Ruiz will discuss her research that focuses on Chinese culture and global approaches to psychology.

President Maimon, will speak about her experiences in China this summer, specifically her visit to GDUT. Visiting Chinese faculty and students will also be introduced at the event.

Time to Eat

GSU's Food Service extended hours to better serve students. The cafeteria will be open Monday through Thursday until 8 p.m. Friday hours remain unchanged.

For more information, contact [Bill Reich](#).

Motivating your Child

The Family Development Center and the COE Department of Psychology and Counseling are sponsoring Parent University, a series of workshops pertaining to families, parenting, and raising children. The next workshop, *Motivating your Child*, lead by counseling professor Dr. Jon Carlson, will be held on Wednesday, November 10, from 6 to 7 p.m.

The free workshops are offered through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. For a list of all the Parent University workshops, visit the [Family Development Center website](#).



Student Success Celebrated

Celebrate Non-Traditional Student Week, November 7 through 12, with activities, seminars, and information to help you continue to achieve.

The week begins on Monday, November 8 with pizza, popcorn, and GSU information tables, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Operation Green, GSU's new student club, will provide information on conservation and sustainability as well as unique giveaways on Tuesday, November 9, from 4 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

It is time to relax and have some fun at a Student Reception on Wednesday, November 10, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., in the Student Commons. It is also a chance to meet your Student Senators and representatives from Student Life.

Honor veterans during *A Day of Recognition*, on November 11, from 1 to 4 p.m. in Engbretson Hall and the Hall of Governor. Activities include a full honor guard, information on resources and services for veterans, and presentations on issues and concerns of veterans.

For more information, call 708.534.4552.

Commencement Speaker Nominations Needed

Recognize the worthy, exemplary, soon-to-be graduating student! Nominations are now being accepted for Commencement Student Speaker for the winter commencement ceremony to be held on Saturday, February 5, 2011.

Nomination forms are available at the [Student Life website](#). Both nomination forms must be completed and sent to [Sheree Sanderson](#), no later than Tuesday, November 30. Students must be available for an interview.

Faculty Workshop

Managing Problematic Students in the Class Room, a workshop for faculty, will be held on November 16, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. Included in the workshop will be information on *At Risk Training* and **the** Campus Threat Assessment Team. Faculty are encouraged to attend. Presenters are Dr. Katherine Helm and Tamekia Scott.

The workshop is sponsored by the Interdisciplinary Studies Program and the Academic Resource Center.

Business and the World

Global Entrepreneurship and International Education Week 2010 will be celebrated at GSU from November 8 through 18.

The celebration begins with several contests: Compete in the Logo Identification contest, the Name the Entrepreneur contest, and the Scavenger Hunt. Information is available at the [CenterPoint website](#) or offices, C3300.

Add your smile to the *All Smile in the Same Language* display in C building by contributing your smiling photographs to the International Services Office, C3370.

Learn all about the GSU/China Connection on November 10, at 2 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

On November 15, enjoy a cultural fair and GSU open house and get on-the-spot passport application services and small business assistance - all from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. Also, on November 15, participate in a workshop on *Becoming an Entrepreneur in Today's Society*, at 7:30 p.m., in G227.

Enjoy a cup and conversation at the Small World Coffee/Tea Hour on November 16, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. At 2 p.m. in Engbretson Hall, learn how to translate study abroad experience into a workplace advantage.

On November 17, CenterPoint hosts the *Veterans Entrepreneurial Boot Camp*, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in E-Lounge. On the same day, learn about study abroad opportunities from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and about international volunteerism from 1 to 2 p.m., both in Engbretson Hall.

Three events are scheduled on November 18. They include a discussion of the legal aspects of post-education employment options for foreign students from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and a presentation on travel through Switzerland, Austria, and Germany from 1 to 2 p.m. Both events are in Engbretson Hall.

The events conclude on November 19, with an open house at CenterPoint, C3300, at 2 p.m. Completion results will be announced, prizes given, and refreshments served.

Everyone is welcome to these free events, which are co-sponsored by CenterPoint, and the Office of International Services.

Student Scholarships Available

The GSU Foundation and Alumni Association's list of scholarships and the application form are now available [online](#).

Interested students must apply for scholarships by November 19. Students are not eligible if they are:

- Community College Honors Scholars recipients
- University employees
- Fall 2010 Foundation scholarship recipients

Call 708.534.4105 for information.

Dude, Show Your Gratitude

Donors to GSU provide resources for scholarships, on-campus improvements, and other important additions to the university's overall quality of life. You can show your thanks to donors for their generosity during the annual Gratitude Attitude Day on November 11, from 2 to 6 p.m.

The entire campus community is invited to participate to call donors

and offer thanks. Volunteers are needed to make calls during one hour sessions. Gratitude Attitude Day includes free refreshments.

To volunteer, contact [Jackie Small](#) at ext. 2188.

Narratives of the Secret Darkroom

The Visual Arts Gallery will host the graduate exhibit of Joe Baltz, *Narratives of the Secret Darkroom*, through November 10. An opening reception celebrating the artist and the exhibit will be held today, November 4, from 5 to 8 p.m. in E-Lounge. The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public.

The exhibit explores the relationship between the language of visual reality recorded on black & white film and the language of inner emotional experience. Baltz used the silver gelatin process to produce postcards. *Narratives of the Secret Darkroom* is a two year photo project that allowed him to present a unique collection of personal observations and reminiscences captured on film and in text.

IRiS Team Takes Lunch Break (11-01-10)

IRIS Implementation Team members enjoyed a luncheon last week in appreciation of all their extra efforts. More than 90 team members attended the luncheon, which took place onstage at The Center for Performing Arts.

Team members were able to visit with each other, and pose for team photos in their green IRIS Project shirts. Flashes were seen regularly beginning at 11:20 a.m. through 1 p.m. Team photos will be on display in upcoming editions of GSU View.



President Elaine Maimon thanked all team members by visiting each table. The Executive Sponsor Team hosted the luncheon. Team members acting as hosts were Gebe Ejigu, executive vice president and chief of staff; Terry Allison, provost; Sandi Gieson, IRIS Project director; Sherilyn Poole, associate vice president for student affairs and dean of students; Linda Samson, dean of the College of Health and Human Services and vice provost for research and graduate studies; Jeff Slovak, deputy vice president for administration and finance; and John Stoll, vice provost for academic affairs.

Jobs and Internships

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a career fair for those interested in careers in business administration, public administration, and communications. In addition to employment opportunities, the fair will also include internship opportunities.

Current students, alumni, and community members are invited to attend. Potential employers are also invited to register as participants. This is an opportunity to match jobs and internships positions with qualified personnel.

The 2010 Business/Administration/Communications Career and Internship Fair is on Thursday, November 4, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the

Hall of Governors. This event is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974.

IDD - A Great Success

Instant Decision Day (IDD) at GSU on Saturday was an instantaneous success! More than 100 prospective students attended; seeking information and meeting with academic and financial aid advisors. Of the application completed and submitted on that day, 78 students were admitted in 25 bachelor's degree programs.

Table Tennis Film!

Thumbs Up! Four Stars for the new Spineless Pirate Production, *The Showdown* starring the GSU Table Tennis Team. The film was made by GSU students Matt Sass and Blake Labriola and can be seen on YouTube.

Sass and Labriola will also be filming the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association Regional Tournament at GSU on Saturday, November 20.

[View The Showdown.](#)

Neil Goodman in the Park

Renowned sculptor Neil Goodman will share his insights about art with the public during a daylong appearance Thursday, November 11 at the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park (NMSP).

Goodman and NMSP Curator and Director Geoffrey Bates will engage in a conversation about art at GSU's Sherman Recital Hall at 5:45 p.m. It is free and open to the public. A public reception is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. in the atrium of the university's Faculty Office Center.



Goodman's appearance also includes a meeting with GSU's fine arts faculty and one-on-one critiques with students.

Five of Goodman's sculptures are on display at the NMSP. *Neil Goodman in the Park* is a collection of sculptures produced in 2004: *Wind*, *Ballast*, *Ray*, *Four Corners*, and *Alcance*. Goodman's art marks the second installment in

NMSP's Solo Exhibition Series.

"Neil Goodman is an important artist who draws inspiration from the industrial landscape of northwest Indiana, where he grew up and continues to work," Bates said. "We are fortunate to have his work on display and his visit is an extraordinary opportunity for our students, faculty, and the rest of the NMSP and GSU community."

The five Goodman pieces are on loan from the artist and will appear at NMSP through October, 2011. The Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park is free of charge and open from dawn to dusk 365 days a year. For more information, visit the [sculpture park website](#).

Chicago PD Info Session

GSU adjunct faculty member Dr. Danny McGuire will conduct an information session on obtaining a career with the Chicago Police Department on November 11, from 4 to 5 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

Dr. McGuire has 20 years in Law Enforcement including 15 years on the Chicago Police Department. He is currently a Sergeant of Police on Chicago assigned to a specialized unit. He will also be available to answer questions.

Students interested in careers in law enforcement are welcome. The information session is sponsored by the Office of Career Services.

Food Drive for Vets

On November 11, the university's Veteran's Day activities will include a food drive for items to fill Thanksgiving baskets for veterans and their families. This food drive is sponsored by a Veterans' Outpost in Alsip and coordinated by Master's in Social Work student Anna Tesauro. Non-perishable foods items are greatly needed and appreciated.

Crafts and Arts for Sale

The Civil Service Senate is sponsoring a Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair on November 16, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. All proceeds from this event are used for the Civil Service Senate Educational Assistance Fund. The event is free and open to the public.

Vendors are also needed for the fair. Vendors must be crafters or artisans selling only handmade products, Fees are \$30 for one table, \$45 for two, and \$60 for three. The selling of any and all goods suspected of copyright restriction violations is strictly prohibited.

For more information or to register, contact [Kathy Miller](#); [Lynne Clayton](#) or [Karen Stuenkel](#) at 708.235.3978.

Credit Score Deciphered

Understanding and Raising your Credit Score, a financial seminar sponsored by Student Life and CitiBank, will explain the importance of your credit score means, how to check it, and how to raise it. The seminar is on November 17, from 3 - 3:45 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. It is free and open to the public.

DanceArt Rescheduled

Transforming Urban Education through the Art of Dance, a special presentation and live performance by DanceArt, has been rescheduled. The presentation will be on November 22, from 5 to 6 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts. A reception celebrating DanceArt's 10th anniversary will be held at 6 p.m., immediately following the presentation. Both the performance and reception are free and open to the public.

The event is supported by the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Lecture Series and the GSU Intellectual Life Committee.

He's Baaaaaack



Pierre, GSU's unofficial mascot, took a vacation from the spotlight recently, but he has returned and with him comes a new batch of photos.

Star Gill of
Accounts

Payable and her friend, Claudia Prisby, took Pierre to an Osmond Brothers concert in Branson, Missouri, and he got a chance to meet "the boys."



On a tour of England recently, Pierre toured numerous castles, manor houses, and estates – so many in fact, that he cannot recall the name of this one. Somewhere in Nottinghamshire, he thinks.

Pierre has also been busy sampling the fruit of the land. He enjoyed

Oktoberfest in Peotone and the wineries in France. Some day, Pierre may decide which libation he enjoys most, but for now he is happy sampling as much of each as possible.



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