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News and Events

Student Gaming Lounge

Ready to take a break from studying, work, and classes? It is time to chalk that cue, wield that paddle, and have some fun! GSU now offers students, faculty, and staff the chance to relax and enjoy billiards and table tennis in the new Student Gaming Lounge. The new recreation facility is located in A-north hall on the first floor.

Balls, cues, and paddles can be checked out at the Recreation and Fitness Center service counter (A1105). A valid GSU student or employee ID card is required to check out billiard and table tennis equipment.

For more information, call 708.534.4556.

Seeking Honorary Degree Nominees

GSU's Honorary Degree Committee is soliciting nominations for recipients of an Honorary Doctoral Degree from GSU, to be awarded at June's Commencement.

Nominees must reflect the mission and values of GSU in his or her work. Also, consider how their connection to GSU might further the mission and values of the university.

Nominations should include a recommendation and justification statement. Supporting documentation and reputable biographical information may also be submitted.

The Honorary Degree Committee will consider all nominations submitted and send a list of recommended names to President Maimon and the Board of Trustees.

Please submit nominations to [Myisha Meeks](#) by Wednesday, February 16. Thank you in advance for your nominations and recommendations.



Let the Penny Wars Begin

It's time to dig out your loose change and take part in GSU's Penny Wars. The competition begins Monday, February 14 and continues through Friday, March 11.

Employees, students, and visitors may feed the banks placed around

the university with pennies to support both the Civil Service Senate and Student Life. One point is earned for each penny gathered by the department. However, competing departments can sabotage a bank by adding nickels, dimes, quarters, and paper money to the container. Each silver coin or bill reduces the number of points in that container by the amount of the coin or bill.

Containers will be emptied and points tallied every Thursday. Totals will be posted in the Monday edition of the GSU View. The department with the most points for that week will display a rotating Lincoln doll and jumbo penny. At the end of the competition, the department with the greatest number of points will be awarded the doll and jumbo penny to display until the next Penny War.

Please note – there are a few new rules this year. All containers must have a coin slot that is at least two inches long by a quarter inch wide. All containers must be at least 50 percent clear so that any monies inside can easily be seen by all participants. No rolled coins will be accepted. All rolls must be opened and deposited as loose change.

Contact [Lynne Clayton](#) at ext. 3075 if your college, division, or department wishes to participate in Penny Wars.

African American History Month 2011

Student Life is teaming up with other campus organizations and departments to offer a variety of activities as part of GSU's observance and celebration of Black History Month.

Activities include the screening of the 2010 Emmy Award winning independent film *Girls on the Wall*, on February 21, at 4:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. A discussion led by Mariame Kaba, executive director of Project Nia, will follow.

Information about Greek Life will be available on February 23, from 3 to 6:30 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. A Step Show will follow from 6:30 to 9 p.m., in Engbretson Hall.

Minority Art: Inspiration, Obligation is the theme of an exhibit at the GSU Visual Arts Gallery on February 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. The exhibit features the work of Kehinde Wiley and other regional artists whose work reflects the African American experience.

These events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) at ext. 4552.

Author Submissions

The University Library is hosting the Faculty Authors Reception on Wednesday, March 2, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., on the library balcony.

All university faculty are invited to display their published works of scholarship and participate in the reception. Submissions must be received by February 18 for inclusion in the bibliography.

For more information, contact [Judy Hanacek](#) or [Erin Engelbrecht](#).

Workshop Targets Eating Disorders

As part of National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, the Academic Resource Center will host an informative workshop on eating disorders on Thursday, February 24, from noon to 1 p.m. in Room B1241.

The workshop will include explanations of the causes, effects, and treatments of eating disorders, and an opportunity for participants to ask questions. The workshop is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call ext. 7334.

Education Employment and Internship Fair

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring an employment fair for people interested in jobs and internship opportunities in education and related fields on Tuesday, February 22, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

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 internship positions with qualified personnel. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information or to register, call (708) 235-3974.

Emmy Award Winning Film and Discussion

As part of GSU's African American History Month activities, there will be a special screening and discussion of the 2010 Emmy Award winning independent film *Girls on the Wall*.

The screening will be on February 21, at 4:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. A discussion of the film led by Mariame Kaba will follow. Kaba is the Executive Director of Project Nia, which facilitates the creation of community-focused responses to youth violence and crime.

Girls on the Wall follows incarcerated teenage girls as they work toward redemption through the creation and production of a musical based on their lives. As the girls write and stage their play, they take the first steps toward breaking free of the prison system. The film features girls from the juvenile prison in Warrenville, Illinois.

Student Life sponsors this event in collaboration with the Cook County Commission on Women's Issues for the Fifth and Sixth Districts. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 708.534.4552.

Wanted – Blood Donations

The recent severe winter weather and dropping temperatures has affected blood inventories for

patients being treated in area hospitals. Heartland Blood Centers is reporting an urgent need for blood donors to rebuild blood inventories that have plummeted due to the winter storm.

Students, faculty, and staff will have the opportunity to respond to the call for blood donors on February 21, from 3 to 7 p.m., in E-Lounge. The Master's in Occupational Therapy student club is sponsoring the blood drive.

Photo identification is required to donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome. To sign up online, visit www.heartlandbc.org.

Career Preparation Week

Get Ready for your future during Career Preparation Week, March 8 through 10, sponsored by the Office of Career Services and the Academic Resource Center.

Career counselors will lead workshops on everything from social networking and interpersonal presentation to writing an effective resume and cover letter. Workshop topics also include preparing for an interview and practicing in a mock interview. Students will also have the opportunity to take the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator test and learn what their results indicate. Students attending any one of the workshops will be entered into a drawing for a flash drive. Refreshments will be served at the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator Seminar on March 10.

All the workshops are free and open to GSU students and alumni. For a complete list of the Career Preparation Week workshops see the Events listing in the View. For more information, contact the Office of Career Services, 708.235.3974.

