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### PICK UP YOUR ELECTION PACKAGE

in Student Life, Room A2201 Starting Oct. 17, 1991

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Early Registration Monday - Friday November 4 - 15 Roman-Santos, executive director of the Ruiz Belvis Cultural Center.

Her talk, "The Puerto Rican Experience," was one of three presentations at the Latino Cultural Awareness Program on Wednesday, Oct. 9.

Ms. Roman-Santos spoke of her teen years in Aurora, IL where she attended a parochial school. Classmates and teachers alike had little appreciation for the concerns of a Spanish-speaking student.

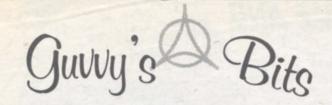
"I would run through the halls, unable to find the class and when I finally found the room, would be yelled at for being late."

"At one point, I thought I was finally fitting in. My classmates would ask me to repeat a word over and over

L-R Evelyn Roman-Santos, Executive Director Ruiz Blevis Cultural Center, Helen Valdez, President Mexican Fine Arts Center Museum and Glenn Abbott, Assistant to the president/affirmative action officer.



Dr. Jesus Negrete, Director Mexican Cultural Institute.



#### By Barbara Johnson

IT'S TOO LATE ... to give blood in an emergency. Donations are NEEDED EVERY DAY to maintain the United Blood Services' supply. PF Running and Pancake Club and PF Women's Club are co-sponsoring a BLOOD DRIVE on Wednesday, Oct 23 between 4 and 3 p.m. at Freedom Hall (Lakewood and Orchard) in Park Forest. Call Rhoda Adler at 748-7120 so she can remind you or she can SUGGEST ANOTHER DRIVE if that day is not convenient.

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HAUNTED HOUSES GETTING A BIT ... tame for you? Visit Lake County, Indiana's FORBIDDEN FOREST. Meet your GHASTLY GUIDE at the covered bridge and be prepared for a fright on Thursday, Friday or Saturday, Oct 24 - 26 at Lemon Lake County Park. Be warned! Some children 'OF ALL AGES' have been frightened. Hot Chocolate, coffee, and doughnuts will be available at the END OF THE TRAIL for any survivors Cost is \$2.50 per mortal. Call (219) 769-PARK for directions and other details.

GET GSU AND THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE ... for all they're worth. Bring the whole gang to FAMILY TIME on Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Swim in the POOL or dunk a BASKETBALL through the hoop. Face it, you can't get any homework done until you WEAR THE LITTLE TIKES OUT, anyway. Call the Office of Student Life at ext. 2214 to see about getting an ID for the whole crew.

RECESSION HAS HURT EVERYBODY ... including the Neediest Christams Fund. Virginia Cunningham's cup at the cafeteria cashier's station has NOT BEEN OVER-FLOWING. Only \$1,065 has been collected this year. The goal was \$2,300. Luckily, there's STILL TIME. With 5000 students (not counting staff) A MERE 26 CENTS EACH would raise the \$1,300 pronto. Drop by the cafeteria and make a donation today.

OVER 35 EMPLOYERS ... in one place makes Gary, IN the place to be on Friday, Nov 8. Focus 91/92 Job Fair is scheduled at Indiana University Northwest from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., making it an ideal start to a GRAND MINI-VACA-TION. Registration must take place by Oct. 18, so call Dan Kreidler at ext. 2157 for a HEAD START on the career path.

### Let the pros at BAR/BRI work their magic <u>for you</u>!

## **Orland Park Campus To Expand**

UNIVERSITY PARK – Expansion work is evident at Orland Park Place Mall these days as Governors State University adds three classrooms and a study area to its space.

The newly remodeled storefront will have one large classroom with seating for 72 students, and two smaller classrooms that each will accommodate 30 students, according to Monica Johnson, manager of GSU's Orland Park Place facility.

Governors State opened its offcampus site in the mall at 153rd Street and La Grange Road in August 1988 by converting a storefront into a computer lab and a classroom.

During its first year, the center

served more than 1,000 students and things haven't slowed down, Johnson said.

Earlier this year, it became apparent that the university needed additional computer space, so GSU leased the storefront next door and converted it into a new computer lab for 12 additional computers and printers.

By doubling the extension's area, Johnson was able to schedule non-credit computer workshops in one lab, and credit workshops in the other.

But that still didn't take care of the classroom space problem. Johnson found that the classroom was booked from morning until evening on the weekends. limiting any possibility of booking additional meetings or workshops. In July, Governors State University approved a lease for a third storefront in the mall directly across from GSU's original space.

GSU maintenance staff have been working on the space conversion, and Johnson hopes to have the classrooms ready by Oct. 31. Several classes now being conducted at Oak Forest and Tinley Park High Schools will be transferred to the Orland Park Place location.

"This will make our job of serving students much easier," Johnson explained. "By tripling our classroom space, we will be able to accommodate the needs of our students and professors, making the situation tolerable for all."

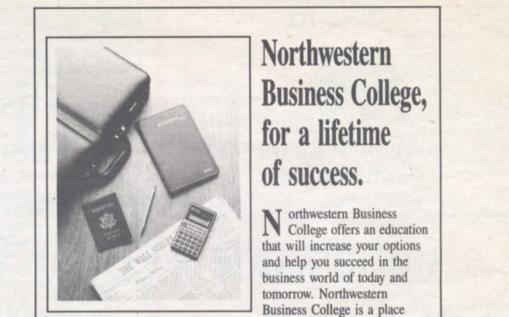
### **Salvation Army Celebrates 100 Years**

In December 1891, Captain Joseph McFee, director of the Salvation Army's homeless men's shelter in San Francisco, probably never dreamed that a borrowed crab pot - placed on a tripod along a busy street - would someday change millions of lives.

Yet, 100 years later, that familiar red kettle and symbolic bell have done just that, as th ousands of contributors have given monetarily to help others. This year, as more than 40,000 volunteers ring bells at shopping establishments throughout America, the "Sharing Is Caring" season is especially noteworthy.



During this Christmas season, The Salvation Army will offer a commemorative 100th anniversary gift of gratitude to anyone who stops by a kettle site. No donation is required.





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### Hispanic Culture (Cont'd from P. 1)

again. I thought they were trying to understand me, but it was really that they were making fun of the way I talk."

Her answer to the 'speak English in America' issue was that this is the United States, not America. "There is Central America, South America and Latin America, not just North America. In much of the Americas, Spanish is spoken.

She passed those 'dark days' and earned two bachelors degrees from ISU and a masters from U of C.

The president of the Mexican Fine Arts Center Museum, Helen Valdez was the other speaker. For the past 9 years, she has governed the largest museum of its type in the United States.

It is located in the Pilsen area of Chicago, a low-in-

come Mexican-American area

"We wanted the museum to be accessible to the average person. We have worked hard to keep the admission free of charge although of course donations are welcome."

75,000 people visit the museum yearly and it handled 600 school groups.

The cultural center boasts classes and lectures for youth and seniors. Some lectures are given in one language (Spanish or English) and simultaneously translated through headsets into the other language.

One of the current exhibits is called "Dia de los Muertos" or "The Day of the Dead." Ms. Valdez explained that the tradition was a blend of the Aztec-Mayan Indians tradition and the Spanish Roman-Catholic All Saints and All Souls Days.

Another exhibit features turn-of-the-century photos of the Mexican revolution.

The museum is located at 1852 W. 19th St. in Chicago and is open Tues through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The musical portion of the program was performed by Dr. Jesus Negrete, Director of the Mexican Cultural Institute

Dr. Negrete mesmerized the audience with his oneman story set to music. He is an accomplished guitarist and folk singer. Stirring slides accompanied his original script.

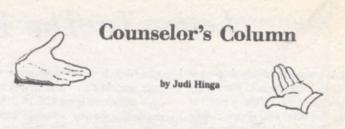
The lyrics of the one-hour show depicting the history of the Mexican struggle were piquant.

Explaining the triadic racial origins of the Latino people he spoke "I am an Aztec prince, a Catholic christos and an African King.'

We never were immigrants."

The program was sponsored by the GSU Advisory Committee for Cultural Diversity and Affirmative Action and the Council for Cultural Diversity (Office of Student Life).

Guests attending were 6 students from Prairie State College accompanied by Ruben Bellorin, Director of Minority Affairs at PSC and 3 members of the community's Amigos Hispanos.



Anxiety, a feeling most of us have experienced, is hard to define. It's a feeling of discomfort and discontent. It's worrying, sometimes for no apparent reason. Or it's even trouble digesting foods and "knots" in our stomachs.

Whatever your particular reaction, anxiety is real. Dealing with it can be difficult, but one theory of behavior lends itself to the problem very well. If we start listening to the sentences running through our heads, we can usually figure out how we are upsetting ourselves. The meaning we make of an event dictates our reaction. For example, if a handsome man is staring at me across that proverbial crowded room, I can choose to think, "My, but I'm beautiful tonight. He's really attracted to me." Or, I can think, "I knew this dress was ugly when I bought it. He really thinks I'm a dork." Your behavior resulting from the two mind sets will be drastically different - elation in the first situation, anxiety in the second.

So, why were we human animals given thoughts and emotions which create anxiety? Some anxiety is healthy and even necessary. What else would keep us moving forward in life? If you're uncomfortable, you will work to relieve the discomfort. If you're always content and satisfied, there's no need for change. You're a little blob without ambition. GSU would close its doors. No one would want a degree. No one would want to get a better job. No one would want to succeed. So make friends with some of that anxiety. It "ain't" all bad.

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### **EARLY REGISTRATION BENEFITS** STUDENT AND UNIVERSITY

Registration for Winter 1992 begins November 4 and continues for two weeks until November 15.

The week prior to that is designated as Advising Week. It is becoming more and more important for GSU students to register during this initial period of registration in order to get and keep classes. There were many disappointed students who came to registration during the open registration period (the week before classes) this

trimester and found after waiting three hours that they couldn't get the classes.

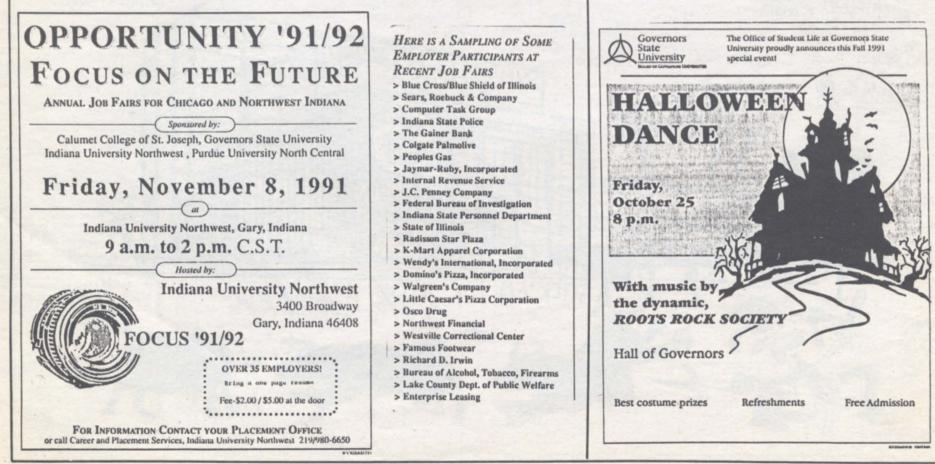
There were also some disappointed students who registered early and their classes were cancelled.

It is also frustrating for advisors when classes are cancelled due to low registration during the initial registration period. Some of these cancelled classes are later requested by students during the open registration period.

Advising Week is a time to have forms approved and seek assistance in schedule planning. During this week workshops will be offered to aid students with current and future schedule planning. Registration for workshops will be held in the Advising Office.

Fee payment can be delayed until open registration on January 7 and 8, 1992 for those concerned about paying fees in November.

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Legal assistance

# Letter To The Editor

I'm a black graduate student at GSU. Believe it or not I started my graduate work in the winter of 1982, but after taking one class I was offered a job 100 miles north in Lake Villa. My graduate work had to be put on hold.

I have taken classroom work that is required of me in the Counseling/Psyche Department. Before I can start my practicum work I must do at least eight tapes with one being good enough for the professors of the Counseling/ Psyche Department.

In order for me to do the tapes I have to have a client and meet the client at GSU for eight or more visits for the same amount of weeks, between the hours of 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Due to my job I am not able to go to school and this is frustrating because I'm so close to finishing.

I work with the Illinois Department of Children/Family Services/ ChildWelfare Specialist dealing with abused/neglected Children ages birth to twenty-one years. I start work at 8 a.m. and my day is over anywhere from 4:30-10 p.m. depending on my schedule barring emergencies. It's very rare when Γm off work at 4:30 p.m.

With this in mind, how can I be at GSU for eight sessions with a client? Let's say I did leave at 4:30, I would not arrive at GSU until 6 p.m. at the earliest. There are many many times I'm in court fighting to keep children from their abusive parents or fighting to reunify or reunite a family and I may arrive at court at 9 a.m. and not have my case called until 5 or 6 in the evening. My work schedule is very inconsistent because I deal with physically, emotionally and

mentally abused children everyday.

I have tried in earnest on numerous occasions to explain this to Professor Woodward but that's like talking to a wall. He seems not to care very much and is more of a figure head.

Three trimesters ago I was supposed to be at Professor Lewis' counseling class by 4:30. I had worked my schedule to be there on time. At the last second I was subpoenaed to Juvenile Court on one of my cases. I didn't finish until 4 o'clock. I called the university, told Professor Lewis' secretary that I would be late. I called twice because I wanted to be certain the professor received my message.

When I got out of court I drove like a mad man to arrive at school as close to 4:30 as possible. There was no traffic and somehow I made it to school by 4:50. I went to class feeling guilty because I was fifteen minutes late. When class was over Professor Lewis spoke with me alone stating that he didn't care how many messages were left. If I was a minute late for one more class I would FAIL THE COURSE!

Being physically shaken by his

statement I dropped the course because there was no guarantee that I wouldn't be late again. This angered me so much that I went to the head of the department, Addison Woodward and explained everything. He put on one of those sheepish grins and stated he would talk to Professor Lewis. Nothing happened. The "Old Boy Network/System" did not do a thing. When a professor has tenure it looks like a student can be treated like a spoiled piece of meat and thrown out.

I finally received two potential clients that needed counseling. When the clients found out I was black they stated they did not want me to counsel them. This hurt but at least they were honest. I explained this to Professor Wolf and all he said was, "Well that happens." He offered no solution other than try and find clients through your community or church. No one here really seems to care.

Let it be known I tried the proper steps before writing this letter. Here's what was previously done. I contacted my instructors about my dilemma to no avail, spoke

\$50.7 million during the year. This continued increase indicates that many defaulted borrowers want to and are repaying their student loans.

"The offset program is an effective method to gain the attention of those borrowers who have continually ignored the efforts of the collections staff at ISAC." said. Art Bilski, ISAC Director of Claims and Collections. Bilski urged borrowers who need assistance in repaying their loans to contact an account representative at (708) 945-7040. Monday through Friday. 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. For borrowers outside the 312 and 708 area codes. the telephone number is 1-800-934-3572. with Professor Woodward which was a joke. Wrote letters to the registrar's and admission's office which was no help either and finally wrote a letter to the President of the university and got no response at all.

I registe. . for a class and can't complete it due to my job and receive an incomplete which later was changed to a failure (F) because I have not been able to return to school.

I need help before I lose all my credits. I'm so close to finishing. I do counseling on my job but GSU doesn't count that for much. If this letter doesn't help me I will send copies to every newspaper and news radio/TV station. I'm not trying to sound tough. I'm desperate. Please help me, please help me! Respectfully submitted,

Eddie Carroll Jr. P.S. The only human who has tried to help me is Professor Ken Wieg. I have 20 credit hours for Master level courses through DCFS and no I can not afford to

take a three to six month leave of

absence because I would not want



### Loan Defaulters Beware!

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois student loan defaulters face possible loss of 1991 federal tax refunds under Federal legislation that continues a very successful tax offset program.

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) has for the seventh consecutive year entered into an agreement with the U.S. Department of Education (ED) to assign certain defaulted loans for the potential offset of the borrowers' 1991 federal tax refund.

Under the terms of the agreement with ED, ISAC will certify

for offset any loans on which there has been no payment for 120 days by Nov. 22, 1991. Borrowers were notified by letter during the first two weeks of September that their loans had been assigned to the U.S. Department of Education. The Department will in turn assign the account to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for the offset against any 1991 federal tax refund. If the debtor responds to the letter by paying the loan in full or by entering into a satisfactory repayment schedule with ISAC, the assignment of the loan may be cancelled.

Last year, ISAC assigned 59,966 accounts to ED. Of those, 52,295 were certified for offset. As of Sept. 13, 1991, that assignment resulted in 19,087 borrowers being offset for a total amount collected of \$13.03 million. This year, ISAC has assigned 74,630 borrowers whose loans total \$298.3 million to ED. "The government has demonstrated once again its commitment to crack down on student loan defaulters." said ISAC spokesperson Bob Clement.

The 1991 state fiscal year (July 1. 1990 through June 30, 1991) was another record-breaking year for student loan collections in the State of Illinois. ISAC collected

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Editorials

## The Melting Pot, Don't Knock It

There are some settlers who come to the United States, take the education and anything else that is offered and then have the audacity to knock what the United States of America is all about. The reference is to a speaker from Puerto Rico who spoke at the Latino Cultural Awareness Program.

To hear"I'm not going to give up my culture." from someone who has been educated in one of the best schools in this country is arrogant but the refusal to become part of the melting pot is even worse.

No one says you have to give up your culture. It is sad that this speaker didn't take the time to tell the audience a little bit about what she is the director of. Why didn't the audience hear about the discovery of Puerto Rico or the beautiful traditions that are held during the holidays.

Since Puerto Rico is a Commonwealth of the United States you already have your big toe in the melting pot. Many customs are shared by both countries, such as currency and the postal system. American citizens can travel back and forth to Puerto Rico without the usual passport or visa. English is taught in the schools and is also the secondary language that is spoken.

When the word America is mentioned, it is assumed that the reference is to the United States. The majority of people who say America means the USA

It is hard to believe that there is someone with little knowledge of the movie "West Side Story." It's only been on TV this last summer three or four times. Was this because the Puerto Ricans (or one segment) weren't shown in a good light? There are a lot of us, who

form the melting pot, whose ancestors did some questionable things

That's what's so great about the melting pot. We share each other's cultures and sort out the good from the not so good. We learn to rise above the not so good.

The melting pot is what the US of A is all about. This country was founded and built by people who came from all over the world. Some of these immigrants arrived with only the clothes on their backs and only a name tag pinned to that clothing. They didn't mind learning the English language or get all upset because they didn't get preferential treatment.

So don't knock the melting pot. It's where anyone can get an education, be able to stand in front of an audience and spout out some truths and some not so truths and get away with it.

in the sense of seeing what we all

### **Father Carl's Line**

If there is one thing we Americans all have in common despite our many differences. I believe it is the fact that we are all human beings juggling schedules and trying to meet our responsibilities while coping with problems, burdens, conflicts, confusions, tensions and for some even heartache and grief. Oh yes. we are all something like Constitutional kin folk for we live in relationship to one another by virtue of that special document. And ves, we especially realize that on days like the Fourth of July and Thanksgiving and when we seek justice from our legal system. But the Constitution just doesn't have the same capacity to knit us together as does a simple reflection on our common humanness.

Life today is complex and demanding for all of us, especially those who try to take their responsibilities seriously, those who try to make their lives count for something. We are surrounded by advantages and opportunities as no people before ever k new. The material goodies available to us seem endless at times and challenge us all to select and use them wisely. In fact, the art of

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choosing wisely in many aspects of our lives is becoming more and more important, even critical. It behooves us to think, decide and choose intelligently or we will pay the unfortunate consequences as in fact so many are doing today!

I say all this because I think it can help us to overcome our many real differences, overcome them

have in common i.e., the challenge of living daily life and making it count for something. Perhaps too, it can help us to 'climb out of our shells' and at least smile at or speak to one another as we go about our busy ways. It can help us from thinking that we are the only ones with problems, concerns, etc. Often times, if we can open up and reach out to others, we become more human ourselves. We grow and gain in ways we didn't expect. It is in this spirit that I try to

make myself available to all here at GSU on Wednesday afternoons in the Campus Ministry Office (A-1806). Regardless of your faith tradition or lack of same, if you would like to talk, feel free to contact me. If you can't make it at that time, simply phone me at (708) 469-0404, and we'll see if we can work something out.

> Fr. Carl O'Rourke **Campus Minister**

### LETTERS AND NOTES

Legitimate concerns of both faculty and students need to be addressed. Though many students support the plight of the faculty, a greater concern of the student body is "What will be the effect on a death in my family. this term? How will this effect registration for the winter term? Will faculty members enter projected grades prior to the walk

sence from participating in the "Enhancing Cultural Diversity" Seminar (September 25, 1991) along with Dr. Cross (Chicago State University), et al., was due to

Roger K. Oden CAS/Division of Humanities and Social Sciences

#### AWARENESS CORNER The Bottom Line'

by Susan Bova with insights from Rebecca McLeroy, Director, Marketing & Development, Will Grundy Center for Independent Living

Is GSU barrier free? Too many things are taken for granted. Being "able-bodied" may only be temporary. Anyone "able-bodied" today, can be a person with a disability tomorrow. No one is exempt. So, the attitude of taking things for granted today, may be one of the biggest barriers you may face tomorrow.

Just for a moment, step out of your perspective and imagine GSU from another point of view. "Put the shoe on the other foot" to to speak

Enter the front doors of GSU after a long "hike" from the parking lot. OK - go to the elevator. Gee, no braille marker on the outside of the elevator, or none marking the 2nd floor on the inside? (Library's on the 2nd floor, you say? Awww, I don't have to do that term paper ... ) Gee, no bell to inform blind people what floor they're on, and really, no lights to inform deaf people ... Enter the elevator again .... oooh no room to turn around in a wheelchair, how do I know what floor the door will open on to? Can't really turn around to look ... Oh well, I'll use the ramp. Oh, the ramp only goes to the 2nd floor? OK, back to the elevator.

Hungry? OK, let's go to the cafeteria. Gee, can't get through the turnstyle with a wheelchair, crutches or if I have limited strength. (Why is that turnstyle there anyway?) OK, so I'll enter through the exit. Ooops - excuse me all you 25 people standing in line - gotta get through. Gosh, I barely made it! Gee, can't put the tray all the way up on that shelf. I'll use my lap - no problem. Yeah, well my wheelchair is too wide to fit through the exit (or is the exit too narrow?) Awwwh, who needs home cooking anyway - I'll use the vending machines. Darn, can't reach the coin slots! Oh well ...

Now I have to use the rest room. Hmmm, there's no international symbol on the door. Maybe it's not accessible, but I'll take a chance anyway. Ahhh - there's a wide stall, great! Hmmm, only one grabbar? Not much room to maneuver in here. Sinks are low enough, but I must be careful with the non-insulated pipes - don't want to burn my legs ... Darn, can't reach those paper towels. No problem, air drying is fine

Gotta call home! Great! All the telephones are low enough to reach ... but why is that big rug-covered bench in the way? No problem, I'll use another phone. Gee, can't make a front approach at the other phones because all those phone books are in the way. What, no electricity near the phones? How can I use my TDD (telecommunication device for the deaf)? Maybe the school will let me use their TDD. What's that you say? TDD's not working? So, not necessary to let anyone know I'll be late coming home - no one will worry.

How many more things can you find that would make it difficult for a person with a disability to make it through a day at GSU? On Wednesday, November 13, 1991, find out more about the kinds of barriers people with disabilities face everyday. Attend GSU's 2nd annual Disability Awareness Day. Listen to lectures by prominent people in the field. Take a "wheelchair challenge" and see for yourself. Let's break through these physical and attitudinal barriers and allow people with disabilities to make their own choices and be as independent as everyone else!

## **MEA CULPA**

#### Dear Readers:

We apologize for not recognizing Glenn Abbott as the presenter of the award to CSU's Dr. Delores Cross in the photo on page 7 of the October 10 edition of the Innovator.

The student who wrote the article, "Smoker's Lounge - An Inspiring Place," which appeared on page 2 of the October 10 edition was Kim Hamilton, an MCOM student in the CAS division.

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out? Will the term be extended? And finally one student asked, Why do we (students) always have to pay? We (students) pay for tuition, parking, books and now must we pay for the poor treatment of administration toward the faculty."

The questions posed by the faculty need to be addressed not only for the sake of the faculty but also for the sake of the student body, remember the students are what the university is about.

Anything that can be done to help the faculty members should be done, for their unanswered needs will become the plight of the entire student body.

Acknowledging our direct need for each other the GSU students support our faculty. Take a minute to stop and ask a faculty member how you may help.

Barbara J. Jones

A short note (for the record) to inform your readers that my ab-



### **INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL PLANNED TO EXAMINE CULTURE AND RELATIVITY**

We see the world with colored glasses. The notion of one's country is Ptolemaic, so to say. I use the term in the sense of Ptolemy to whom the Earth was the center of the universe.

This brief article does not intend to be a dissertation on ethnocentrism. The history of mankind is witness to the fact that some of the worst wars of this century and before have been fought on the grounds of superiority on one or the other types.

With this lofty ideal (well, why not) the International Student Organization, is organizing an International Festival. This will include varieties of ethnic food, a bazaar and entertainment. The D-day is Saturday, November 16 from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Admission will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for GSU students and senior citizens. Children less than 10 years old will be admitted free.

Festivals of previous years have included dishes and other contributions from Nigeria, Greece, India, Philippines, Malaysia, Germany and other nations.

Larry Levinson (advisor), Rajiv Jaggi (president), Rocco Schmakel (vice president), Savitha Paga, Nim, Seema Srivastava, John Talbot, Aneesh and many others are working toward the success of this venture.

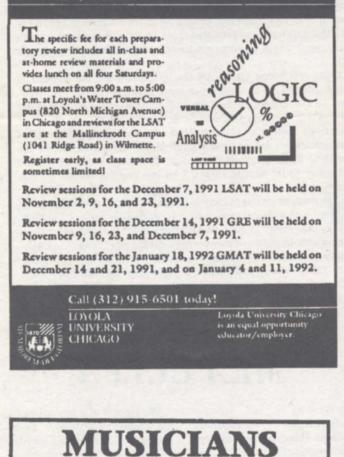


Members of the International Student Organization dress in their native garb in preparation for the International Festival on Saturday, November 16, 1991.

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### **1991 SECURITY COUNCIL SIMULATION TO BE HOSTED BY GOVERNORS STATE**

The Governors State Model United Nations Organization will be hosting the 1991 MUN Security Council Simulation on Saturday, November 9 in the Hall of Honors.

The Model United Nations is an international program designed to allow participating students to interact in global diplomacy and to better understand the nuances of international relationships. The MUN sponsors conferences around the world, including one in Chicago this fall. GSU will be represented by a team of students at the Chicago conference, and will portray delegates from Rumania.

### SAM...

Society for the Advancement of Management is sponsoring a food drive from November 4 to November 26.

GSU students and faculty are asked to donated canned goods and nonperish-

GSU has participated in the MUN for the past five years. The GSU program is directed by Larry Levinson, its founder. The Security Council Simulation will copy the composition and format of the current Council in New York. The main topics of debate will be the ongoing conflict in the Middle East, particularly in the Israeli Occupied Areas, and the civil war in rugoslavia.

Twenty-five other colleges have been invited to participate in the simulation, which will be chaired by officials of the American Model United Nations Organization.

Anyone interested in the GSU MUN program is invited to contact Levinson in the College of Arts and Sciences.

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### MARKETING CLUB...

The Marketing Club has a new focus this academic year. The club had decided to become a collegiate chapter of the American Marketing Association. New opportunities are available to learn about careers in the marketing field from professionals. Networking us emphasized as the club hears guest speakers and attends AMA-sponsored luncheons, conferences and other events.

Activities are going to be exciting and potentially door opening! It is not necessary to be marketing major to become a member of the club or the AMA. When attending AMA events, contacts may be aware of other potential job openings! So don't wait. Join the Marketing Club/AMA today!

Meeting dates are scheduled for: Tuesdays, October 29 and November 19 at 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Lisa Ware at (708) 754-0261.

The Minority Business Student Association wishes all student to have a good academic school year. We are off to a running start this year and have plans to enhance our members' networking abilities and career advancement skills.

To facilitate participation in the organization, we are holding meetings for daytime and evening students. On the second Thursday of every month, the meeting time will be 3:30 p.m. and on the fourth Thursday of every month, the meeting time will be 6:30 p.m. Minority students, we need your support. Join us and take part in this most exciting year, as we develop and implement our agenda. Your unique input would be greatly appreciated.

## A Blast From GSU's Past

Who was Bill Engbretson? How did GSU come to Will County? What's changed at GSU the last two decades?

In 1988, as Governors State University's 20th anniversary was approaching, Marilyn Thomas, coordinator of public information in the Office of University Relations, began looking for answers to those questions and dozens of others in an effort to publicize the university's founding.

"I'd heard stories about how progressive GSU's early days were, how we originally were in a warehouse and this building was designed without walls, and how courses had strange names, but what I found from those days were

formal documents and meeting transcripts.

Pursuing a master's degree in media communications at the time, Thomas decided to do an audio documentary on 20 years of GSU history as her master's thesis. "I want to give special thanks to my advisor, Professor Eli Segal, who backed me 100 percent, calmed me when I panicked and was always there when I had questions and concerns.

"My only regret is that I didn't collect stories from everyone on campus who has been instrumental in the organization of the institution. I collected interviews over a seven-month period, and even at that I simply ran out of

time," she said.

"I didn't have the project finished for the 20th anniversary. In July of 1989, I'd barely scratched the surface. But I did get to interview Bill Engbretson, GSU's first president, and Robert Hauweiler, GSU's first registrar, who returned to campus for the anniversary celebration," she added.

Thomas has transcribed her audio script for the written word and has agreed to share GSU memories with students through The Innovator. The 13-part series begins with this edition.

She plans to donate her interview tapes and finished product to the GSU Library.

#### **By Marilyn Thomas**

(1st in a Series)

The turbulent '60s. In 10 short years, America

mourned the slaying of its president, gave its people the guarantee of civil rights, won the space race and found itself dragged into a war in Southeast Asia.

In the '60s the buzz word was change, bringing new directions, dreams and possibilities to the nation.

Governors State University was born of change. It was to be an innovative university that would allow students and staff to experiment and create.

Governors State was to prove that change in higher education was possible. Its grading system, curriculum and structure would bring all the best ideas of the 1960s together to create a new environment for learning.

In retrospect, the visionaries and free thinkers who organized Governors State University say change wasn't always easy to implement.

But, they do recall the excitement and challenges. Professor Paul Schranz in the College of Arts and Sciences remembers, "We had some good ideas and it was fun. There's a lot of fun involved."

In the early 1960s, the Illinois Legislature recognized the need for more college classrooms to meet the demands of the World War II baby boom. It agreed to fund two new state university campuses, but the opposition for these schools became a political football

**Retired Illinois legislator Tony** Scariano Sr. said Cook County Democrats met resistance not only from private colleges and universities that feared the effects of a less-expense state-

Location, location, location. Realtors say they are the three most important words of the business. They represent opportunity, wise investment and growth.

South suburban organizers leading the charge for a new university were told more than once they weren't in the right location. Jim Patterson, a leader in the South Cook/North Will Counties Committee for Higher Education, remembered, "We were among the people the experts said didn't have a chance of getting it where it is.

The south suburbs had been rejected as the location for the new University of Illinois Circle campus, but residents weren't about to give up, Patterson added. "There was no college within ... that whole south suburban area, and there were many, many people in many, many colleges, so we had a very persuasive case. We formed a committee and we did a study and we presented persuasive facts of the number of junior colleges around there.'

There also was a new city in the works - Park Forest South - with a projected population of 110,000 that would lead to other exciting community developments.

The battle for Governors State in the south suburbs was won not only by these persuasive facts and figures, but also by the ability of Rep. Scariano who served on the House Education Committee. In an effort to win the south suburban location, Scariano lobbied fellow Democrats from Chicago and neighboring suburbs to agree to a package that gave his constituents Governors State and downstaters a university in Springfield.

"The downstate boys said what's in it for us, everything for Chicago. And the compromise was Sangamon State and Governors State," he conceded. "That wasn't expressed in that many words, but you give us one and we'll give you one ...

South suburbanites began celebrating. Then Gov. Richard Ogilvie and the university's new president, William Engbretson, were the honored guests at a dinner July 20, 1969 at Olympia Fields Country Club.

Organizer Patterson remembers the event. "We had Governor Ogilvie sign the bill that enabled the university ... right in front of everybody ... and that was the moment the university was born. It wasn't a fake. It was the real bill.

President Engbretson immediately brought word of this new university to the community. Alice Hanes of the Registrar's Office who was one of GSU's first students, learned about the university at church.

"Bill Engbretson came to the Unitarian Church and he spoke one Sunday morning about what he envisioned as GSU and how it was to take shape and what it was to have, and he was extremely dynamic," she said. "And, I remember just feeling so thrilled about the fact that there would be a university close by ... I thought my golly, just one mile from my house. This is just like a gift. It really was a gift."

#### GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY 2ND ANNUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS DAY SPONSORED BY THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE WEDNESDAY **NOVEMBER 13, 1991**

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 9:00 a.m. 1 Exhibits open. Many "hands-on" opportunities available - including: blood pressure testing and blood typing, wheelchair obstacle course, a variety of adaptive devices and much, much more. Take a wheelchair challenge to test your awareness!
- "Watch Your Language" a presentation on proper 10:00 a.m. terminology and attitudes towards people with disabilities
- Healing Harps Listen to a concert beautifully 11:00 a.m. orchestrated and presented by people with disabilities, followed by a presentation on the techniques used by the musicians in learning to play the harp and the barriers overcome through music.
- Vaudeville Show! The staff of Will Grundy Center for 12:00 p.m. Independent Living will present 5 short humorous skits on various aspects of disability awareness. Included are: "Lousy Luncheonette," "Up a Blind Alley," "Employment Agonies," "Housing from Hell," and "Dating Dilemma."
- Presentation on the Philosophy of Independent Liv-1:00 p.m. ing and Personal Assistants including, attitudes, independent living vs. rehabilitation, peer counseling and skills training.
- GSU Student Panel. Students at GSU will talk about 2:00 p.m. barriers they've overcome at GSU and those barriers that still need to be addressed.
- Americans with Disabilities Act and its impact on 3:30 p.m. the business world. A prominent business attorney will address this recent federal legislation and will be available to answer questions and address concerns.
- 4:30 p.m. Americans with Disabilities Act and public accommodations. This presentation will compare the IIlinois Environmental Barriers Act requirements, the Illinois Human Rights Act requirements and those requirements of Titles I and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act. This will be presented by a prominent consumer well-versed in this area.
- Entertainment Excitement Fun!!! 5:30 p.m. -
- Panel discussion regarding the ADA law and its im-6:00 p.m. pact on society. The panel will include experts knowledgeable in different aspects of legislation, consumers, and business employers preparing to implement the new federal rules and regulations. Questions will be generated by GSU students and questions and concerns from the viewers are welcome.

7:30 p.m. - To be announced.

#### INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CLUB

#### SURVEY

WE NEED YOUR HELP! IN ORDER TO "FELLOWSHIP" WE HAVE TO COME TOGETHER. IF YOU COULD TAKE A MINUTE TO LET US KNOW YOUR INTERESTS AND AVAILABILITY WE COULD TRY AND ACCOMMODATE YOUR NEEDS AND SCHEDULE. AFTER YOU COMPLETE THE SURVEY, SEND TO: IVCF C/O THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE. THANK YOU.

TIME YOU COULD COME TO AN ACTIVITY OR MEETING

ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE WORD "FELLOWSHIP?" HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT IT? (CIRCLE ONE OR MORE LETTERS.) A. NEVER HAVE BEEN TO ONE. B. DON'T HAVE TIME TO COME, TAKE ME OFF YOUR MAILING LIST.

supported university, but also from other areas that jumped on the bandwagon.

"Ultimately it grew into a movement - a four-year university – and it wasn't the south that was looking for it," he recalled, "It was the north side, the east and the west and everybody else."

The efforts paid off. The south suburbs would officially become home to a new university: Governors State.

Several Companies have recently expressed the desire to come to Governors State University to conduct on-campus recruitment of students who may be interested in full time employment. We are happy to accommodate these recruiters. Students interested in interviewing with these companies need to register in the Career Services office and provide us with a resume.

Company	Position	Date
Wild Pair Shoes	Management Trainee	Oct. 29
(Division of		
Edison Brothers)		
Wohl Shoes	Management Trainee	November
located in Carson		to be announced
Pirie Scott, Boston		
and Bergners Dept.		
Stores		
Chicago Housing	Human Resource	date yet to
Authority	Representative	be determined

C. D. É.

I'M BUSY BUT KEEP SENDING ME MAIL, I MIGHT GET TO A MEETING. I HAVE PARTICIPATED IN CHURCH OR OTHER CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIPS. I DON'T WANT TO BE INVOLVED, TAKE ME OFF YOUR MAILING LIST. I HAVE BEEN WANTING A GROUP LIKE THIS AND AM INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF A FELLOWSHIP. F.

WHAT KINDS OF ACTIVITIES DO YOU PREFER? (CIRCLE ONE OR MORE LETTERS.) A. ANYTHING INVOLVING FOOD

- в. MAKING NEW FRIENDS WITH OTHER CHRISTIANS
- C. PRAYER MEETINGS
- D. PRAISE AND WORSHIP SERVICE
- BIBLE STUDY E.
- GOING TO CHRISTIAN CONCERTS
- 6.
- BOWLING, VOLLEYBALL, OR OTHER SPORT \_\_\_\_\_\_ A FAMILY ORIENTED ACTIVITY SO MY KIDS CAN COME н.
- A SUPPORT GROUP FOR MY UNRESOLVED HURTS Ι.
- J. OTHER

WOULD YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF ..... (OPTIONAL QUESTION.)

A CHRISTIAN

- NOT A CHRISTIAN BUT WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT IT. NOT A CHRISTIAN AND DON'T WANT TO BE ONE. NOT SURE AND WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT IT. B.
- D.
- OTHER E.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, YOU CAN SEND THIS SURVEY BACK VIA THE IN-HOUSE MAIL BOX, BY THE DOOR AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE, IN THE HALL OF GOVERNORS, AT G.S.U. ADDRESS IT TO THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE, OR VISIT THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE AND DROP IT OFF THERE. THERE ARE MANY INTERESTING CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS AND THEY CAN TELL YOU ABOUT THEM.

### Janet McGee to be Special **Guest of Intravarsity Club**



**Janet McGee** 

The Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Club will be having a prayer meeting at Governors State University, in the Student Life Meeting Room, A1804, on Thursday, October 31st, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. There will be a teaching on prayer from our special guest, Janet McGee.

Ms. McGee is an Assistant Vice President for a real estate management company, holds a Real Estate Broker's License, and is a Certified Property Manager.

She is actively involved in Women's Aglow Fellowship International, serving in the Riverdale-Dolton Illinois Chapter as Treasurer and Coordinator for the Intercessory Prayer Group, and is on the Statewide Prayer Network

She is part of the three-fold prayer team which prays regularly at TV 38. A member of Homewood Full Gospel Church, she serves as Women's Ministries Prayer Network Co-chairman. Ms. McGee is a frequent seminar and retreat speaker, and just recently returned from ministering with Evangelist Bill Smith in

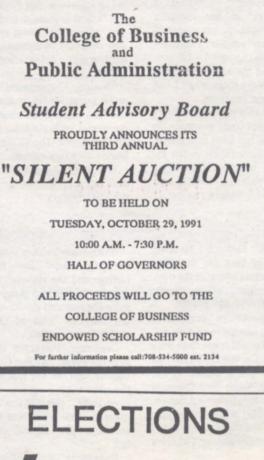
learn more about prayer and bring our requests to God. If you have any prayer requests or questions send them to I.V.C.F., care of the Office of Student Life at G.S.U. The Bible says if we will humble ourselves and pray, God will heal our land. Now, more than ever before, our nation and Governors

#### **GSU INNOVATOR**

### Learn More About The Wild West At GSU

UNIVERSITY PARK - The stories of rodeos, bronco bucks, cowboys on the trail and Indians living on the plains have been part of the American literary scene for generations

Governors State University Adjunct Professor Willis McNelly will explore "The Literature of the American West" in a two-day 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. workshop Nov. 1 and 2 on campus.



HALL OF GOVERNORS **PPORTUNITY:** November 9-13, 1991 Sat. 11/9 12:00-4:00pm Mon. 11/11 11:00am-8:00pm IME: Tues. 11/12 11:00am-8:00pm Wed. 11/13 11:00am-8:00pm ELECTING STUDENTS TO ENT REPRESENT YOUR INTERESTS. INTERESTED? CONTACT STUDENT LIFE, EXT. 2123/2124

and Professor McNelly will focus his discussions around the role of the cowboy, the Native American culture and the impact of geography on the literature of the American West.

This workshop is designed for English teachers and professors, social studies instructors, Western and history buffs, curriculum developers and writers and will be of interest to the general public.

Readings will include works by

Schaefer, Martin and Barosch.

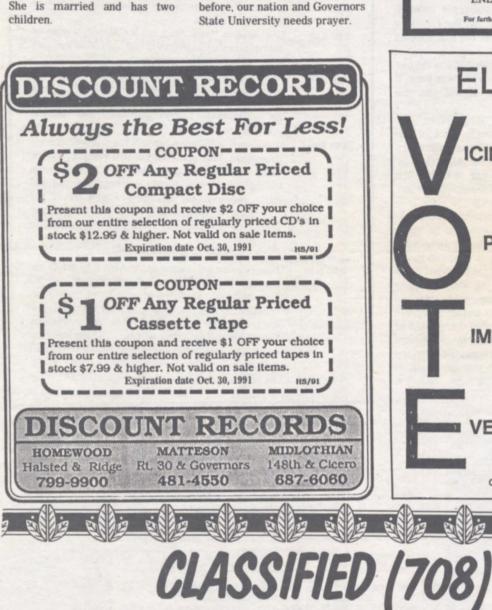
Tuition for this workshop is \$120 for undergraduate credit and \$123.50 for graduate credit. The noncredit fee is \$110. Participants will be served lunch and refreshments. Registrations are being accepted by the GSU Office of Conferences and Workshops at (708) 534-5000, Ext. 2484.

### Local AARP Will Hold Workshop

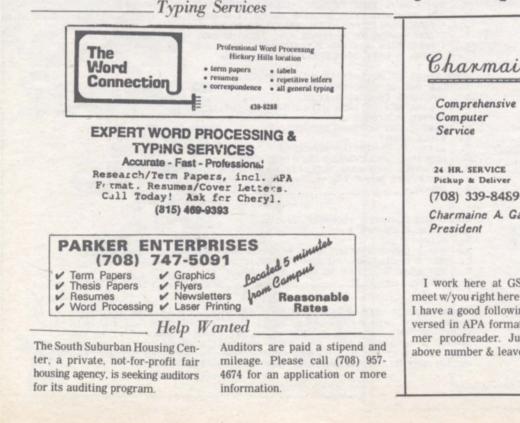
AARP, American Association of Retired Persons under the direction of Illinois District Director Frank Ertl, will hold a workshop on how to get action started. His theme is "Building a Better Health Care System," on Thursday, October 31st promptly at 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the Dorchester Inn, 1515 E. 154th Street, Dolton at no charge with plenty of seating. This is needed now, not after the presidential election. Presently Americans are spending 600 billion and in no time at all will reach a trillion dollars. Take responsibility and ask Doctors their fees up front, cost of tests and don't accept answers as "Don't you want to get well," "What do you care your insurance company is paying the bill," or "Doctor, is this test you suggest very purposeful." Please don't accept answers as, "Do you want to stay sick if you don't accept our suggested testing."

Seniors, as well as anyone interested in their health and its rising cost including organization, men and women's clubs are welcome to become involved in making our legislators face the U.S. Health Care System. Don't be a pawn to accept today's health care coverage as OK. This is every Americans Challenge to make our legislators and newspaper editors listen to the people here in America now. We must have better long term care for everyone.

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