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VICINITY: HALL OF GOVERNORS

TIME: November 9-13, 1991

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COMMUNITY Helps Santa

The Penny Cup

The Neediest Children Christmas Fund

If you need a penny take one...
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by Barbara Johnson

"Mom, I need to bring a treat for a Christmas Party at school."
"I gonna be a reindeer! Can you make me a reindeer?"

"It's a gift exchange and everybody's got to bring something."

Families are hit with the financial cost of Christmas beyond the obvious toys and tree in the home. Christmas has become a social institution as well. To ask a child not to participate is virtually impossible; kids need to belong and feel that they're part of the community. We're not 'weird'.

The financial stress that hits us all is especially felt in homes where there are few financial resources. It is virtually impossible to provide even a small something for the child to pocket money for a special toy or for the child to participate in an activity that otherwise would have to be forgone.

It is a unique 'Chicagoan-style' fund; different from the other charities a person contributes to during the year. For one, ALL the money goes directly to the families, there is NO fundraising or administrative costs whatsoever. Secondly, the money goes to the parents to spend at their discretion. The child does not know where the money came from; the gift is from Mommy and Daddy (or Santa), not from 'Charity'!

Thirdly, it's a 'GSU thing'; part of being a member of the GSU community. Since 1986, Virginia Cunnigham has kept a cup next to the register to collect spare change for the fund. The goal this year is to collect $2300, enough to provide something extra for 115 kids. As a community, we're not even halfway there yet. Recessions and depressions have been a part of our lives since 1986.

Fields Concert Rescheduled

For November 15

Governors State has rescheduled a performance by prize-winning pianist Richard Fields for 7:30 p.m. on November 15.

Inclement weather made it impossible for Fields to get to the GSU campus October 4, the night originally scheduled for his performance. Tickets purchased for that concert will be honored at the door.

Fields has received critical acclaim nationally and internationally for his outstanding performances. He is a commanding, assured player and a genuinely moving interpreter," said a reviewer for "The New York Times" of Fields' 1988 debut concert. "Remarkable... virtuosic... fine tone and inner feeling," commented the "San Francisco Examiner."

Fields, who studied at the Juilliard School of Music, was the American prize winner at the Viotti International Piano Competition in Italy, and has won numerous prizes.

His other 1991-92 season performances include guest appearances with the Los Angeles Philharmonic and with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's Allied Arts Series, and a piano recital at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington. Advance ticket sales at the GSU Student Life Office on campus are $5 general admission.
2nd International Festival November 16

The world will meet at Governor State University for the 2nd "International Festival" Saturday, November 16. The program, hosted by the GSU International Student Organization, will feature food, entertainment and an auction of jewelry, sculpture and handicrafts. Special dishes from India, Malaysia, China, the Philippines, Taiwan, Turkey, Italy and Palestine will be served from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Hall of Governors on the campus on Stenske Road just east of Governors Highway in University Park.

Entertainment from 6:30 to 8 p.m. will include native dances from India, Croatia, Mexico and an American folk dance. Governor State University brings together students from many cultures and backgrounds.

This program is designed to promote international culture and understanding," said student Raji Jaggi of India. Ticketto the festival are $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens.
CONTEST FOR TELEVISION PRODUCTION STUDENTS

SPRINGFIELD, IL — Television and video production students are invited to enter a television public service announcement contest to promote Financial Aid Awareness Month during February 1992. One entry will be selected as the winner of the $500 prize. The 30-second PSA must promote a toll-free hotline which will be available February 10 through 14. Students are invited to submit questions about financial aid to college or postsecondary vocational school. The contest is sponsored by the Illinois Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, Inc. and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

Workshop in self-esteem to help students with stress and find success

I am sure that you have heard the term "self esteem" before. Simply put, it means feelings of personal worth. Another term that has probably come across your mind and that you have probably experienced is "stress." Very often, those customary, anticipated life events such as graduating from college and marriage and those unexpected life events such as tragedy and shocks of life can be much easier to handle when we believe in ourselves or have healthy self esteem.

Why? Because it gives us heartiness to roll with the punches of life and to see these experiences as challenges to be met rather than threats to be feared. Let's look at this in the context of being in school. Remember how intimidated you felt with a class that presented a challenge for you? Did you give up or hang in there? Did you pass or fail? Your success very often will depend upon your self confidence and your self esteem level. In short, you can learn to decrease the stress that you experience when confronted with challenges by learning to improve your self esteem.

Join Ronald Tanis on Tuesday, November 12 for a workshop titled "Stress - Self Esteem is the Key."

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BRIEF THOUGHTS

The golden rule is to test everything in light of reason and experience, no matter from whom it comes.

Mohanadas K. Ghandi

The proud hate pride — in others.

Benjamin Franklin
Recent trends in the Soviet Union have been moving so quickly as to constitute a revolution. To sort out this overload of information and to lead an informed perspective to our workshop, we have chosen a nationally-recognized Dr. James Cracraft, of the University of Illinois, Chicago. This Workshop will take place on the main campus of Governors State University on Saturday, November 9 and December 7, 1991 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Using various methods of presentation, Dr. Cracraft will lead the class through a survey of contemporary Soviet history, politics, and social developments. The major focus of the workshop activities will be the exploration and analysis of the Gorbachev Revolution and the new Soviet policies of Perestroika and Glasnost. Other topics include the recent coup attempt, the future of the Soviet Union, The Stalin Question, the KGB, the political elite, foreign policy, military strategy, women, ethnicity, and mass media in the Soviet Union.

Dr. James Cracraft is professor of Russian and Soviet history at the University of Illinois at Chicago and formerly served as a fellow of the Russian Research Center, Harvard University. He is the author or editor of numerous works in Russian and Soviet studies, including 'The Soviet Union Today: An Interactive Guide.' Dr. Cracraft has worked and traveled extensively in the Soviet Union since 1964, and talks frequently on Russia to school, church, and civic groups as well as on Chicago radio and television. He has served as special consultant on Soviet affairs to the Roosevelt Center for American Policy Studies, Washington D.C., as an editor of 'The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists,' and as study leader for trips to the Soviet Union sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution, the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, and the University of Illinois Alumni Association. He holds degrees in Russian history from Georgetown and Oxford Universities. From the latter university he received his doctorate in 1968.

Meant as a complement to GSU's earlier conferences on the Soviet Union, this workshop will be valuable to students and social science teachers, current events buffs, political activists, and graduates and undergraduates in all fields.

This workshop may be taken for undergraduate credit as Political Science 510 - "Topics in Political Science: Recent Trends in the Soviet Union." The text for the course is Moshe Lewin, 'The Gorbachev Phenomenon: A Historical Interpretation,' University of California press, 1991, expanded edition available in the Follett's Bookstore. Registration is easy! Just call the Office of Conferences and Workshops at (708)534-5000 extension 2320. Fee: $60 noncredit; $120 Undergraduate credit; $123.50 Graduate Credit (includes materials, lunches, and breaks). There is a special noncredit group rate of $45/ person for five or more registering at the same time and paying in advance.

Registrations canceled five working days prior to the program will receive full refund of fees. After that time, a service charge may be applied. No refunds are permitted after the first session begins.

Independent study offers open schedule through telecourses

Too busy to come to campus for all your courses? Enjoy studying on your own time, at the location of your choice? Check the teleclass and telecourse offerings from the new Center for Extended Learning and Communications Services in the back section of the Winter 1992 Schedule of Classes. Some of the topics included in the winter trimester's telecourse offerings include: adolescent substance abuse, religious diversity, drama, Chinese history, African civilizations and civil rights.

Independent study by correspondence courses for the winter trimester included: Concepts in Communication, Hispanic Experience in the U.S., Organizational Behavior and Public Finance. See the schedule for details and a complete course listing. Your advisor can help you fit these convenient courses into your program of studies. For more information, call Media-Based instruction, extension 2549.

Employee of the Month

'Never Fails to Get the Job Done'

by Marilyn Thomas

When the boss is away, Bobbie Powell takes charge. Because Kim Sit, continuing education coordinator of the 'Families First' contract with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), travels to meetings throughout the state, Bobbie, the project's secretary, has been left with numerous responsibilities.

The October 'Employee of the Month' completes each task with accuracy. Her dependability is essential, but as Kim says, "Bobbie has never failed to get the job done." The Park Forest resident moved to the area two years ago when her husband, an employee of the Illinois Central-Gulf Railroad, accepted a transfer from the Champaign-Urbana area. With their three children grown, Bobbie wanted to continue working. She'd been on the staff in the personnel department at the University of Illinois, so she came to GSU to apply for a position and accepted the special project work.

GSU has a contract with DCFS to coordinate the state wide program of training for foster parents, state employees and representatives of private agencies. A core training program is offered for employees of DCFS and private agencies, and classes in substance abuse and reunification of parent and child are available for all parties. Kim travels throughout the state acting as the on-site coordinator at each program, and Bobbie does all the work on campus. Workshops are two to five days. During the 1989-90 contract, Kim organized 47 sessions. "I hired Bobbie when the original contract was in full swing," Kim told the nominating committee. "Within two weeks, she was in command of all her duties, with few questions regarding procedure. Bobbie quickly learned the human resources available for information required to process forms/correspondence in my absence."

Bobbie has developed forms which expedite reports to be made for each training," Kim said. "She processes all correspondence efficiently (often extensive amounts) and can be counted on to double check her work for accuracy." I can always depend on Bobbie to complete any task on hand. She is ever efficient and seeks to perform at an above expectation level at all times," Kim noted. "Bobbie is the primary phone contact for 1,000-plus registrants, as well as hotel contact for all registrations made. She received nothing but applause." In her special Mississippi Delta way, Bobbie says she's flattered by the nomination. She admits the work keeps her busy, but she says, "Families First' is a very interesting program."

Bobbie considers Kim a wonderful person to work for. She shares her warm feelings for Dr. Dominic Candeloro, Sandi Padgett and Roger Paris, her fellow Office of Conferences and Workshops staff members, who she willingly helps when the pace slackens on her 'Families First' work. As the coordinator, GSU is responsible for organizing the sessions, hiring seminar speakers, reserving room not only for the meetings but also for the participants, and reimbursing the parties."

Frances S. Stearns, a resident of Crestwood, IL., will be awarded a scholarship by the Illinois Restaurant Association at its 14th Annual Restauranters Scholarship Ball on Friday, November 8, 1991, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago.

Stearns, a student at Governors State University, will receive a $1,500 scholarship.
A letter to the Editor:
Re: A rebuttal to the letter from Mr. Eddie Carroll, Jr. in the Oct. 24 issue.

Dr. Mr. Carroll, 
I, too, am a graduate student in Counseling, and I, too, have experienced many of the frustrations of which you wrote in your letter. I can empathize with your plight, yet I find myself taking exception to several of your complaints. You wrote that prior to starting your practicum, you must have eight taped sessions with a client, with at least one of those being good enough to pass muster. This is not an unreasonable requirement. The practicum/internship is not a game. We are working with real people who have real problems, and they deserve to work with counselors who have a decent sense of what they are doing. You wrote of your difficulties coordinating your job with school. This is a difficult situation with which many of the students have to contend. Many students have spent time in the counseling lab on Saturdays, the only guaranteed on-campus jobs available. We are working with real clients. Yes, spending Saturdays at school can be a real inconvenience, but sometimes we need to suffer some short term pain for long term gain. I must admit confusion as to your anger at Dr. Wolf regarding client prejudice. I am not sure what you expect Dr. Wolf to do. Should he force clients to see counselors whom they do not want to see, however small-minded their reasons may be? At best, to do so would be ignorant. At worst it is a violation of the ethics code, as I understand it. Prejudice, in many forms, sadly exists in the workplace and unfortunately or fortunately, whatever the case may be, there are certain norms and guidelines which need to be followed. Chaos would reign if this were not so.

I am truly sorry that you have had to face prejudice from counselors who have a decent sense of what they are doing, yet I cannot expect them to force clients to see counselors whom they do not want to see, however small-minded their reasons may be. At best, to do so would be ignorant. At worst it is a violation of the ethics code, as I understand it. Prejudice, in many forms, sadly exists in the workplace and unfortunately or fortunately, whatever the case may be, there are certain norms and guidelines which need to be followed. Chaos would reign if this were not so.

Getting a Masters at GSU is not an easy task. This I know all too well. Many have accomplished this feat, however, and many more will do so in the future, if not with great sacrifice. Maybe the sacrifice is just not worth it for you, Mr. Carroll.

Sincerely,
Donna M. Collins

STUDENT DISAGREES WITH DESPAIR MASTERS DEGREE CANDIDATE
WHAT IT REALLY MEANS TO BE THE MOMMY....!

by Laura Hays

As I was standing at the sink scraping cat doo-doo off the bottom of my daughter's Reeboks the other day, I suddenly remembered my favorite t-shirt slogan --- "Because I'm the Mommy, that's why." I always assumed the slogan meant that kids shouldn't talk back or try to argue with Mom because what she says goes. She's in charge. She has the last word. Always, Why? Because she's the Mommy.

The cat doo-doo incident, though, opens up another interpretation of that slogan. That is, that because I'm the Mommy, I get stuck with all the dirty work.

I'm the only one in the house with enough intestinal fortitude to take a knife and clean the cat stuff out of the hundreds of nooks and crannies on the sole of an athletic shoe. I'm also the only one who can change the sheets when a family member comes down with the stomach flu in the middle of the night. The greasy, sticky bacon pan on Sunday? Yep, I'm the Mommy, I get to scrub it. It's simply too difficult and too distasteful for an ordinary member of the family to handle.

There's another category of the "Mommy Job" --- finding things. No one in my house can find a thing. They stand in front of an open refrigerator and whine, "I can't find the jelly." I can try giving hints: "It's on the door," or "It's behind the milk." They still can't find it. No, I have to get up and shift the milk and catchup a quarter inch and --- miracle of miracles --- the jelly appears!

Intravarsity Christian Fellowship Club

Janet McGee spoke at the Intravarsity Christian Fellowship Club's meeting on Wednesday, October 31. The meeting was held in the Student Life meeting room from 5 - 6 p.m.

Scary Faces

Patricia Callahan and Robin Worley pose for a picture at the Halloween Dance. Robin, an alumna, won best costume prize. Sponsored by the Office of Student Life.
A BLAST FROM GSU'S PAST

Part 2 in a series on history of GSU

by Marilyn Thomas

At one time or another, we've probably all repeated Shakespeare's famous quotation, "What's in a name?" When it comes to Illinois politics, everything is in the name. Names are synonymous with power. (Just ask Richard M. Daley.) So what do you call a new university in Will County? What won't offend the Chicago Democrats or the surrounding Republican farmers? It should be a name of character and charisma, and a name that represents the people well. But on paper this newly-organized state university had a very bland name. And when it was taken out of context, anything was possible, says Board of Governors Universities Chancellor Thomas Layzell who was on the Illinois Board of Higher Education staff in 1967. As he recalls "...at one time the name attached to GSU was Illinois Metropolitan University in the legislation and I can remember some of the legislators at the hearings having fun with that talking about I-M-U and somebody said how about I-O-U." Despite the jokes, the name was no laughing matter to the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities which was to manage the university, GSU's first president, William Engbretson, remembers the deliberations: "Our board met and said, 'What Indian tribe is indigenous to this area?' The Sauk. Sauk State U? sponsored the legislation for Governors State University, said he worked to find the right location in the southern suburbs that would satisfy all the university's supporters. They wanted a university for all the county's supporters. Lewis and Nathan Manilow, developers of Park Forest South (since renamed University Park), agreed to help. Lewis Manilow recalls, "...we sat down with the search committee and effectively made a deal with them. We agreed to give them a certain amount of land and we agreed to build them an interim building." GSU's first president, William Engbretson, also remembers the hard deal. "Nathan Manilow was a fascinating man...he gave us 108 acres and a house, but the quid pro quo was always there with him. It was never one-sided. You can't name a university after one person," Engbretson said of Manilow's agreement. The 760-acre site that was selected in Will County bordered the Cook County line. It was farm land in a pastoral setting, but not too distant from Chicago. Scariano approved. "It was the most feasible spot..." he recalls. They insisted on an apostrophe in Governors, says Tim Arr, director of the Business Office and a 19-year employee at GSU. "I think I did it for a week or two, spelled it with an apostrophe," he recalls. "You still see it...despite the times we might have tried to change it." On the plus side, the name had status, says Professor Reche Hagens of the College of Arts and Sciences. "Because it was Governors State, they thought it had been specially established by the governor. It had some clout. Now, where do you put a new state university? Retired legislator Tony Scariano Sr., who

Richard Fields concert ---- continued from front page

admission; $4 senior citizens, GSU faculty and staff, and GSU Campus Community Center members; $3 GSU students, alumni association members with valid identification and children under age 12. Tickets sold at the door are $8 for general admission; $7 for senior citizens, GSU faculty and staff, and GSU Campus Community Center members; $4 for children under age 12. GSU students, alumni association members, and their children under age 12 are admitted free the night of the concert. For more information on the program or ticket availability, call the GSU Office of Student Life at (708) 534-5000, extension 2123.

MIDTERM SUCCESS BRINGS TEMPORARY SIGH OF RELIEF

by Kim Hamilton

Abhh... Is that a collective sigh of relief I hear? Hmmmm, I thought so. Yes, I too am savoring these fleeting moments now available to those of us who actually survived midterm. I crammed, I freaked, I ran my fingers though my hair in a vain attempt to pull it all out of my head. (At least I was afraid it was empty.) But I lived to tell the story. Honestly though, I don't know why this little variation of "hell week" sends my heart beating wildly and whispers to my palms to commence profuse sweating. I have said, "glowing". If local hearsay is credible, I was not the only one "glowing" up a storm last week! As I commingled with my fellow students, it occurred to me that this mid-point competency-testing time ought not to be referred to as "midterm". As a mother, I associate that word with the midterm of a pregnancy—a peaceful, face-stuffing time of sweet complacency. The wretched and general misery of the beginning is past, but the laborious end is yet to come. But I guess it's not quite that way in the wonderful world of academia. The first few weeks, for us, are a time of blissful ignorance. We wander along, happily enough, not even daring to dream about the horror that soon awaits us. No indeed, the beginning of a new trimester is a lovely time—the time of a clean slate and limitless possibilities. I like to call this add/drop period "La La Land". (Especially for those who choose to add instead of drop!) The middle part of the trimester might be renamed, "Be Still, My Child, For This Too Shall Pass Week" because, though the time seems interminable, the cramming finally ends, the exams get taken, etc. In short, life goes on. My pregnancy analogy does work well for the end of the trimester though, don't you think? No matter how prepared we are, how anxious we are to see the fruit of our labors, we're never quite prepared for the reality of it. Perhaps we could borrow from the Nike

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(from the late Fall rain) seems to have hit the school's giving spirit. Think of the cost of the gifts, $20 wouldn't make a dent in that, but the cost of the extras. The extra gas you use to go to this church function and that school event. The extra money it costs to feed the kids when they're at home and not eating school lunches. The special foods you'll want to enjoy around the holidays. The trip to the movies, just to get out of the house.

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If you are unsure how one of the scheduled presentations can be applicable to you or if you want a complete schedule of events, please feel free to contact Susan Bova at the Office of Student Life by calling ext. 2214 or by dropping off a note in her mailbox expressing your concerns or questions. She will be happy to share any information about Disability Awareness Day With you. In any event, please consider making this day a part of your day. Be informed! Don't let ignorance be your disability. Attend Disability Awareness Day on Wednesday, November 13, 1991 at Governors State University, sponsored by the Office of Student Life.

or more of the qualified presenters scheduled throughout the day on Disability Awareness Day, November 13.