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## News and Events

### On-Campus Housing Forum

Students, faculty, and staff can join the design discussion about plans for new on-campus student housing at GSU.

An open forum on Student Housing Design takes place Tuesday, September 20 forum 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in Sherman Hall. Come to the forum and find out about proposed on-campus housing options at GSU.

[Download conceptual housing drawing.](#)

### GSU Picnic Winners



With cool autumn temperatures, Friday's Faculty-Staff Picnic featured delicious food, good companionship, and a chance to excel at a variety of games and contests. Highlights included the many excellent performances in the *GSU Has Talent* segments as well as the unseating of the perennial beanbag contest winners Eri Villagomez and Kevin Barto by this year's second place winners, Lisa and Mark Kundla.

When all the competitions were over, the winners were decided:

- Closest to the Pin winners were Nancy John and Rod Chambers.
- The Beanbag competition saw teams of Christina Gonzales and Marty Brooks vs. Mark and Lisa Kundla in the final playoff game. Gonzales/Brooks won the competition.
- Kelly Robinson won the Back Flip Minute to Win It game.
- Scott Smith won the Breakfast Scramble.
- Ayita Woods won the Stack 'em High cup game.
- Mike Cornelious won the Face the Cookie game.
- Raffle winners were Erick Brenes and Donna Finn



Check your tickets. Two raffle prizes remain unclaimed. Contact Tony Tymkow at ext. 4108.

**#885171-** 2 Cubs vs. Milwaukee terrace tickets for tonight, September 19, at 7 p.m., at Wrigley Field.

**#885169-** Round of golf for tour with carts at the University Park Golf Club.

The Picnic was sponsored by the Civil Service Senate, the Provost's Office, and the GSU Spirit Committee. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make the picnic a success.

### **Thrilling Preview on Thursday**

A special preview of *Thriller, the Legend Continues* will rock the Hall of Governors on Thursday, September 22 at 12:15 p.m. The show's lead singer and four dancers will perform numbers from the show, a tribute to Michael Jackson. The preview is free and open to the public.

GSU students can attend *Thriller, the Legend Continues* for the special price of \$25 per ticket. Student tickets are available at the Center for Performing Arts box office. Student ID is required.

*Thriller, the Legend Continues* takes place Saturday, October 1 at 8 p.m. at the Center for Performing Arts. The show includes an onstage lineup of "Our Michael," musicians, background singers, and dancers. The concert replicates Michael Jackson's BAD and Dangerous tours and is sure to be a musical thrill for everyone.

### **Dr. Rudloff Addresses International Conference**

Dr. Winfried Karl Rudloff, professor of computer science at GSU and distinguished professor of Internet-based global education at the International Institute for Advanced Studies in Systems Research and Cybernetics (IIAS), attended the 23rd International Conference on Systems Research, Informatics, and Cybernetics this August, in Baden-Baden, Germany.



During the opening plenary session, Dr. Rudloff presented a keynote address on *The Past, Present, and Projected Future of Science and Society: Technology Assessment, Technological Forecasting, and Futurology*. During the closing plenary session, he presented a second keynote address on *Multimedia and the Hybrid Classroom in the Context of Global Education II*.

In addition, Dr. Rudloff organized and conducted a special focus symposium and workshop on *Global Education and the Technological Frontiers VII* and a workshop on *Human Creativity in the Arts & Sciences in a High-Tech Era: On Minds and Memories of Men and Machines*.

At the conference, Professor Rudloff was elected Senior Fellow of the IIAS "in recognition of his outstanding work, innovative research and his great contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field."

Also in August, Dr. Rudloff attended the seventh International Symposium on Strategic Planning for the Future: Visions and Challenges where he acted as co-chair and presented a keynote address on *Humanity at the Edge: The Rise and Fall of Humankind?*

### **Deadline Nears for Golf Outing**

There's still time to register for the Second Annual GSU Dave Drechsel Golf Outing, to be held this Sunday, September 25 at University Golf Club in University Park.

Golfers must sign up for the event by Tuesday. Sunday's golf outing begins at noon, with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The banquet begins at 6 p.m. The fee for the entire day's events is \$75, or \$25 for persons who choose to just attend the banquet. Fees can be paid on the day of the

event.

The golf outing was established in memory of Dave Drechsel, who was Human Relations benefits manager and a longtime member of the GSU summer golf league.

To register for the event and submit payment, contact [Hollie Campbell](#) at 708.235.6813.

### **GSU Chorale**

Auditions were held last week for the GSU Chorale. The new group not only has 12 members, it also has booked its first performance. The GSU Chorale will be singing Christmas carols during the pre-show for the Nutcracker at the CPA, on December 10.

The chorale's first rehearsal is on Monday, September 26, from 12:15 to 1 p.m., in the CPA Green Room.

There is still time to join the fun. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to audition at noon on September 26. To reserve an audition time, contact [Lynne Clayton](#) at ext. 3075.

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### **Students in Service Information Session**

The Students in Service Program at GSU is again offering students the opportunity to learn while serving their community and earning a \$1,175 education award.

Students in Service, in collaboration with Illinois Campus Compact (ILCC) and AmeriCorps, encourage and support college and university students to provide valuable service in their communities. SIS members make a difference in their communities, gain valuable civic and workforce skills, and upon completion of their term of service, earn an education award.

Participating students are committed to 300 hours of volunteer work, specifically working with underserved communities. Upon completion they receive the \$1,175 award.

Learn more about this educational service opportunity at an information session on Thursday, September 22, at 4 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. Applications for the 2011-2012 Students in Service Program will be distributed at the meeting.

### **Tamales on Sale**

The Association of Latin American Students (ALAS) will sell tamales on Thursday, September 22, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

The tamale sale is part of Hispanic Heritage Month, which is being celebrated at GSU through October 15 with a number of fun, informative, and tasty events.

### **Grad School Fair in Chicago**

The GSU Office of Career Services is a co-sponsor of the seventh Annual Chicago Graduate and Professional School Fair. The fair gives students the opportunity to learn more about graduate school opportunities and programs and meet with advisors. More than 240 grad schools will be represented, including representatives from many of the GSU graduate programs.

The event will be held on Thursday, October 6, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the UIC Forum, 725 W. Roosevelt Road, Chicago. The event is open to students and prospective students free of charge.

## **Internship Opportunities Available**

Internships can provide valuable experience, a paycheck, and college credit. They help students make informed career choices and add valuable credentials to a resume. The GSU Office of Career Services wants to help you find an internship position.

Resumes are currently being accepted for internship opportunities in accounting and marketing. Additional internship opportunities are continually becoming available. Get your resume on file in the Office of Career Services so you will be prepared to take advantage of a valuable internship opportunity when it arises

Contact the Office of Career Services in Room A1120 at 708.235.3974, or e-mail [Cynthia Comber](#).

## **403(b) Planning**

John Olson of VALIC under the University's 403(b) plan will be on campus Tuesday, September 21, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the Library Conference Center. Appointments are not required.

Employees may choose to open a 403(b) account and begin pre-tax deductions for additional retirement savings at any time with the approved vendors. To open an account, contact the vendor of your choice directly. The IRS contribution limit is \$16,500 per year if under age 50. If over age 50, the maximum contribution is \$22,000 per year.

GSU has authorized the following vendors under its Tax Deferred Annuity Plan under Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, to handle new business with its employees. The approved vendors are:

VALIC – 800.892.5558 x89470, John Olson

TIAA-CREF – 800.842.2005 x5666, Patrick Windle

Fidelity – 800.343.0860, press “O”

The Legend Group – 800.835.2158, Neil Meldgin

## **Lincoln Laureate 2011 Nominations**

Each year, an outstanding senior from each of the four-year, degree-granting institutions of higher learning in Illinois is awarded the Student Lincoln Academy Medallion and named a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois. Student Laureates are honored for their overall excellence in curricular and extracurricular activities.

GSU is accepting nominations for the Student Laureate Award from the 2012 graduating class (baccalaureate degree). The Student Laureate Nomination Form is located on the [Student Life](#) web page. Please complete the Student Laureate Nomination Form and return it to Sheree Sanderson by Thursday, October 6.

For additional information, contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) at ext. 4552.

## **Hispanic Heritage - Did You Know?**

During Hispanic Heritage Month, important achievements are being honored in this special month-long feature in GSU View.

### ***Francisco de Goya***

Francisco de Goya is a well-known Spanish romantic painter. He is considered the last of the old masters. He was the court painter for the Spanish royalty and was a great portrait painter in his early days. After his death, his paintings of war and his etchings gained a lot of fame. His most famous paintings are *The Nude Maja* and *The Clothed Maja*, which depict a woman in two separate paintings in the same pose, one clothed and other nude. During the Spanish Inquisition, his works depicting nudes were confiscated, but were later returned.

## **Coats for Kids**

Students from the Group Communications class taught by Marilyn Yirku are sponsoring *Coats 4 Kids*. Here is your chance to help provide children in need with a warm winter coat. New and gently used coats will be collected from now until October 22. Everyone is encouraged to donate a coat for a child. Coats may be dropped off at the Student Life suite, A2101.

## **Skating Party**

The Phi Alpha National Honor Society, a national honor society for social work students, is sponsoring a youth charity skating benefit. Everyone is welcome to skate, have fun, and support area youth services.

Tickets are only \$10 in advance and \$13 at the door for an evening of roller rink fun. The event will be held on November 13, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the Glenwood Roller Rink, 656 West Holbrook Road, Glenwood. Skate rental is not included.

Advance tickets may be purchased on selected days in October at the Phi Alpha table adjacent to the cafeteria.

