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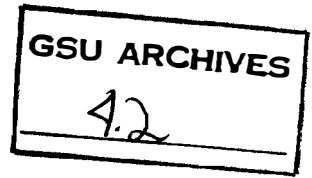
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Without art, the crudeness of reality
would make the world unbearable.

--George Bernard Shaw

The Sculptor, the Campus and the Prairie.

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"FLYING SAUCER" LANDS...SORT OF . . .
Mother Nature did not cooperate last Sunday. The grounds were so wet that there was a danger that the 20-ton crane, which was to assist in the "Saucer's" landing, might get stuck. The weather, however, did not prevent c. 50 hardy souls from coming to GSU for the celebration. Festivities were moved to the Hall of Governors where artist Jene Highstein was toasted and congratulated. As for the "Flying Saucer," it will, when the weather permits, finally be moved to its permanent site in the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Garden.

SHP DIVISION CHAIRPERSONS APPOINTED . . .
Robert Cornesky, Director of the School of Health Professions, has announced the appointments of four division chairpersons in SHP. They are: John Lowe III, Chairperson of the Communication Disorders Division; Linda Jones, Chairperson of the Health Sciences Division, Annie Lawrence, Chairperson of the Nursing Division; and Kenneth Whittemore, Chairperson of the Health Services Administration Division, who will also continue in his position as Program Coordinator of that Division.

FAITH PILLOW TO PERFORM AT GSU . . .
Singer-songwriter Faith Pillow will perform a mixture of jazz and gospel at the University on Friday, September 26, at 8 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall. Tickets for the concert are \$2 for the general public; \$1 for GSU faculty, staff and Alumni Association members, and senior citizens. GSU students will be admitted free.

GSU FOUNDATION ACTS . . . At its Annual Business Meeting last Saturday, the Board of Directors of the GSU Foundation made some decisions which will have a dramatic impact on the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Garden. At its last meeting in March, the Board acted on the purchase of Jene Highstein's "Flying Saucer." At this meeting the Board signed a contract to purchase Richard Hunt's "Large Planar Hybrid." This piece, which has been on loan from the artist to the University for four years, stands on a knoll near the main entrance to the University building.

Further, the Board approved a "self-liquidating" plan for its \$300,000 Manilow account. Based on an estimated 8% interest over ten years, the Board plans to spend c.\$45,000 a year for ten years on the purchase of sculptures and their maintenance. This decision was influenced by the Board's projection that inflation will continue to plague the American economy. Further, the (continued on page 2)



Hunt's "Large Planar Hybrid" (left)
guards University entrance.

GSU FOUNDATION (continued) . . . Board hopes that the dramatic, year-after-year progress of the Garden will attract attention and, therefore, patrons. It was suggested at the meeting that, if the Board acts wisely during this ten-year period, patrons will begin to bequeath sculptures to the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Garden.

There was some question at the Board meeting about the Foundation's expenditure of so much money on sculpture when there are many other University efforts deserving of support. President Jim Lund explained that the Board is bound to spend this \$300,000 on sculpture in accordance with the donor's wishes. The Board, Lund continued, has discretion in spending only over the unrestricted dollars it solicits. Of the \$97,000 Foundation income thus far in 1980, only \$11,000 were given without restriction. Lund and the Board then set a goal of raising an additional \$40,000 unrestricted dollars before the end of the calendar year.

PETITIONS . . . for the Civil Service Senate will be distributed via interoffice mail on September 15th. If yours fails to arrive, contact Lynne Hostetter, University Governance Office, x2345. Between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., deliver completed petitions to Lynne Hostetter at the Governance Office located in the President's area on the third floor; at any other time, petitions may be dropped in the ballot box located at the entrance of the administration area on the third floor. Completed petitions must be received no later than 11 p.m., September 29.

The election is to be held October 20-22, from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. in the Hall of Governors. Absentee ballots can be obtained by written request to the Governance Office and must be returned by poll closing on October 22nd. There are vacancies for ten representatives from the Non-Exempt Civil Service personnel and five from the Exempt Civil Service personnel. Eligible GSUers are urged to become involved in the Senate.

NAACP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE . . . Several GSUers are participating in the annual South Suburban NAACP membership drive throughout September. For applications to join the organization or renew NAACP memberships, contact: Diane Cole, x2536; Lillie Conrad, x2355; Harvey Grimsley, x2128; Willette Jones, x2194; Herb Robinson, x2146; or Alma Vinyard, x2424. Membership fees start at \$5.

IF YOU LOVE LIVING . . . and/or working in the southern suburbs, plan to attend one of the four programs which will be presented by the South Suburban FOCUS Council this month. FOCUS, a regional nonprofit council organized to promote the southern suburbs of Chicago, has designed the presentations to inform area residents of the image problem of the southern suburbs and to stimulate action and support in facing and dealing with the problem. Each presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be held at the following locations:

- Sept. 15, Oak Forest Municipal Bldg.;
- Sept. 16, Blue Island Municipal Bldg.;
- Sept. 17, Chicago Heights Municipal Bldg.; and
- Sept. 18, Garden House of River Oaks.

For further information, contact: Judith Kramer, FOCUS, 798-2300; or Bill Dodd, FOCUS Planning Committee Chairman and Director of GSU's University Relations, x2122.

GSUings. . . HELEN HUGHES (HLD) attending the Third European Conference of the International Neuropsychological Society in Chianciano, Italy in June; attending the World Conference of the UN Decade for Women in Copenhagen, Denmark in July; and preparing material for upcoming issues of The Creative Woman, a quarterly edited by Hughes who is now on leave and living in the Netherlands . . . JOHN CANNING (formerly UR) being named to a seven-year term on the Board of Trustees at Cottey College, Nevada, Missouri. He was appointed by the International Chapter of the PEO Sisterhood. . . TULSI SARAL (HLD) conducting two workshops in the Fall. On October 18, at the annual meeting of the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists in Chicago, the workshop will be entitled "Communication, Culture and Human Sexuality." On November 13, at the Fourth American Conference on Fantasy and Imaging Process to be held in San Francisco, the workshop will be entitled "Imagery for Creative Sexual Expression" . . . PAT BURKHARDT (UR) attending a workshop/retreat in Boulder, Colorado recently --an intensive 9-day learning experience on the use of herbal remedies. . . MARY TRUSS (PERS) being appointed recently to the Illinois Commission on the Status of Women.

A GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT . . . is needed in CAS to perform research duties related to a project on "Work and Leisure Among Urban Black Americans," funded by a grant from the U.S. Forest Service. The application deadline is 5 p.m., September 19. For requirements and other information, contact Roger Oden, x2429.

NOTICE

The interest rate used to compute the cost to purchase service credit in the State Universities Retirement System for prior service with employers covered by the Retirement System, other public employment and to repay refunds will be increased from 5% compounded annually to 6% compounded annually effective September 1, 1980. *

The new rate will be applied retroactively to the first day of participation in the Retirement System for prior service and other public employment and to the date of a refund, to repay such refund. The following example illustrates the effect of the increase in the interest rate.

Cost to purchase 1.00 year of service credit for other public employment. Assume employee is hired on September 1, 1965, at an annual salary rate of \$6,000.

IF PURCHASED IN AUGUST 1980

\$6,000.00
x 8% (see (5) on page 4 of green brochure)
\$ 480.00
x 2.0789 (Interest at 5% for 15 years)
\$ 997.87

IF PURCHASED IN SEPTEMBER 1980

\$6,000.00
x 8%
\$ 480.00
x 2.4085 (Interest at 6% for 15 years and 1 month)
\$1,156.08

The new interest rate plus one additional month of time increased the cost by \$158.21 (15.9%). The interest rate change will have the greatest impact on employees with the most service.

You should note that in the above example, if the employee had invested \$998.00 at 10% after taxes, and if the Retirement System interest rate remains at 6%, the cost to purchase the service credit would be approximately the same four years from now. However, the survivors insurance protection could be increased if the extra service credit is purchased now. See page 5 of the Retirement System's blue brochure for an explanation of survivors benefits.

If you intend to purchase additional service credit in the State Universities Retirement System before September 1, 1980,* you should act immediately to verify such service credit.

TO VERIFY PRIOR SERVICE

Inform the Retirement System of the name of the employer covered by the State Universities Retirement System, the dates of employment prior to the date contributions were withheld, your full name and social security number.

TO VERIFY OTHER FULL-TIME PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

Request an Affidavit Form from the State Universities Retirement System.

TO REPAY A REFUND

Advise the Retirement System of the date you received the refund, your name at the time you received the refund and your social security number.

* The September 1 effective date has been extended until November 1, 1980.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE . . .

State Universities Retirement System
50 Gerty Drive, Champaign, Illinois 61820

DATE TO REPAY REFUNDS OR PURCHASE PRIOR SERVICE
AND OTHER PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT - EXTENDED

On June 5, 1980, the Executive Director of the State Universities Retirement System notified participating institutions that the System's Actuary recommended that the State Universities Retirement System Board of Trustees increase the interest rate used to compute the cost of prior service, other public employment and to repay refunds from 5% compounded annually to 6% compounded annually effective September 1, 1980. **

Due to the fact that many employees were on summer vacation and not available for notification, the State Universities Retirement System Board of Trustees has extended the effective date of the interest rate increase from September 1, 1980 to November 1, 1980. In doing so, this allows participants to purchase service credit at the 5% interest rate until Friday, October 31, 1980.

If an employee intends to purchase additional service credit in the State Universities Retirement System before November 1, 1980, he or she should act immediately to verify such service credit.

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Inform the Retirement System of the name of the employer covered by the State Universities Retirement System, the dates of employment prior to the date contributions were withheld, your full name and Social Security number.

TO VERIFY OTHER FULL-TIME PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

Request an Affidavit of Public Employment form from the State Universities Retirement System.

TO REPAY A REFUND

Advise the Retirement System of the date you received the refund, your name at the time you received the refund and your Social Security number.

(**A copy of that Notice is printed
on the reverse side of this page.)

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NEEDED . . . in HLD's Communication and Services Division are two students eligible for Work Study Graduate Assistantships, to assist in data collection, tabulation and interpretation, program review, and alumni surveys. Employment would be effective October 1, 1980 through August 31, 1981. For qualifications, requirements and salary information, contact the Dean's Office in HLD.

CALLING ALL GSU WOMEN . . . There is still time for new or "renewed" members to join the GSU Women's Club. Carolyn Milam (1448 Oak Lane, Crete, 60417) is accepting any and all membership monies for the 1980-81 year. Make your \$5.00 check payable to the GSU Women's Club. Those interested in joining the Club should attend the organizational meeting at 4902 Cypress Court, Richton Park, on Thursday, September 18, at 7:30 p.m. After the meeting there will be conversation and bridge. For directions or a ride, call 534-5000, x2440. Plans for the upcoming year will be made. Activities already planned include the October 4th family picnic and hayride, monthly luncheons, the "Tea" at the President's home (there will be a surprise there for new members), the Christmas dinner dance, and the fashion show which has been rescheduled for March. The group is open to other suggestions. Members receive the Club's monthly newsletter. All GSU women are invited to join and attend the meeting on September 18.

Wouldn't you like to have more information or become a member of this group? Fill in the form below and mail it to the Treasurer, Carolyn Milam, or to the President, Charleyn Oliver, c/o SHP. The annual dues is \$5.00.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date _____

_____ I'd like to hear more about the club.

_____ I'd like to join. _____ Enclosed is my \$5.00 yearly membership fee.



THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE . . . welcomes Clark Defler (right) as the new Assistant Director of Financial Aid. Director Herb Robinson and Gloria Schuler, secretary, acquaint Defler with information and procedures pertinent to his new position.

IF YOU CAN TELL . . . the difference between an andropogon gerardi and a zizia aptera, or if you would like to learn how, then GSU would like your help with a new prairie restoration project. Lou Mule, University Professor of Environmental Science and project director, needs large quantities of seed for grasses and forbs, broad leaf flowering plants. The seeds are required to restore natural prairie growth to several areas of GSU's 753-acre campus. The seeds should be mature, ripe and dry. Mule notes that this would be an educational and entertaining project for such community groups as scout troops, school classes, clubs, or for individuals interested in environmental affairs. A list of desired seeds and their likely collecting sites and other information can be obtained from Mule, x2472.

MCCARTHY AND OTHERS HERE IN OCTOBER . . . Eugene McCarthy, former U.S. Senator and Democratic presidential candidate in 1968, will head a list of eleven nationally-recognized scholars and authors who will participate in a three-day workshop on language and politics, October 3-5, at GSU. The seminar is open to students and the public. Organized by University Professor Hugh Rank, the workshop represents the largest gathering of political scholars and writers in the history of the University. At 8 p.m. on Friday, October 3, McCarthy will deliver an address on "Language and Politics" in GSU's Engbretson Hall. For more information, contact Sharon Green, Office of Special Programs, x2549.

EVENTS

FRIDAY, September 12, 1980

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Lecture: "Survival Tactics," Richton Park Police Department (EH)

SATURDAY, September 13

7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.

Testing: Insurance (A1102)
Seminar: BOG Portfolio (EH)
Luncheon: GSU Alumni Board (HDR)

MONDAY, September 15

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Orientation: University Planning Model (EH)
Recruitment: Placement Office/National College of Education, recruiting grads (HOG)

TUESDAY, September 16

10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Graduate Art Exhibits: Paintings & Drawings by John Wade, through September 30, Mondays-Thursdays (Visual Arts Gallery, 1st floor, B Wing)

WEDNESDAY, September 17

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Theology for Lunch: "Patterns of Parenting" (HDR)

THURSDAY, September 18

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Meeting: Civil Service Senate (EH)

FRIDAY, September 19

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Meeting: Alcoholism Sciences Advisory Committee (HDR)

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