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## News and Events

### [GSU As A Model of Higher Education](#)



President Maimon

President Elaine P. Maimon's column, *GSU Will Be a Model of Higher Education in a Free Society*, appeared Sunday in the Times of Northwest Indiana.

You can read [Dr. Maimon's column](#).

[LINK: [http://www.nwitimes.com/news/opinion/columnists/guest-commentary/editorial-advisory-board-gsu-will-be-model-of-higher-education/article\\_91b46d1a-3b30-5765-95a8-23db45c03505.html](http://www.nwitimes.com/news/opinion/columnists/guest-commentary/editorial-advisory-board-gsu-will-be-model-of-higher-education/article_91b46d1a-3b30-5765-95a8-23db45c03505.html) ]

### [Down Mexico Way](#)



Surveying the palms

Pierre the Penguin got in some quality beach time with he traveled with student Joanna Martin to

Cozumel, Mexico this summer. Pierre went sightseeing, took a dip in the ocean, and enjoyed meeting several interesting aquatic birds.

There's still time to submit entries to GSU View's Take Pierre on Vacation photo contest before Friday's deadline. Send in your entries to GSU View and you'll be eligible for fabulous prizes.



Cozumel sunset

Check out [Pierre's website](#) for contest details.

### [Remembering 9-11](#)

GSU will mark the 11th anniversary of the September 11 attacks on Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Hall of Governors. The event is free and open to the public.

For additional information contact [Keith White](#) or call 708.235.2223.

### [Lincoln Laureate Honors Deserving Students](#)

Nominations are being accepted for the prestigious Lincoln Academy of Illinois Student Laureate.

Each fall, 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 thereby

becomes a Student Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois. Student Laureates are honored for their overall excellence in curricular and extracurricular activities.

The Lincoln Laureate honors individuals whose contributions to the betterment of mankind have been accomplished in or on behalf of the State of Illinois, or, whose achievements have brought honor to the state because of their identity with it, whether by birth or residence, or by their dedication to those principles of democracy and humanity as exemplified by the great Illinoisan whose name it bears. The Laureate honors senior students at each of the four-year, degree-granting institutions in Illinois for overall excellence, in both curricular and extra-curricular programs.

Deserving students are nominated by faculty. Applications are available at the [Student Life website](#). Send nominations to [Sheree Sanderson](#). The deadline is Thursday, October 4.



### **Broadway's Next H!T Musical Headed for CPA**

Governors State University Center for Performing Arts opens its 2012-2013 season with *Broadway's Next H!T Musical*, on Friday, September 21, at 8 p.m. Master improvisers collect made-up song suggestions from the audience and create a spontaneous evening of music, humor, and laughter. The audience picks a favorite song and the cast turns it into a full-blown improvised musical - complete with memorable characters, witty dialogue, and plot

twists.

To purchase tickets, or for further information, contact the box office at [www.centertickets.net](http://www.centertickets.net) or 708.235.2222.

### **Walk for Recovery Slated Sept. 22**

Put your feet to good use and take a walk. The GSU Addictions Studies Alumni Club and the Alumni Association are sponsoring the Walk for Recovery on September 22. This event celebrates National Recovery Month. The Recovery Walk is a two-mile walk around the GSU campus and the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park.

In addition to the walk there will be door prizes, refreshments, music and entertainment, and a resource fair.

Featured speakers include Peter Palanca, GSU senior lecturer in addictions studies and Executive Vice President and COO of TASC, Inc.; Theodora Binion, Director of the Illinois Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse; Dr. Groove, inspirational spoken word artist; and comedian Tommy Connolly.

Admission is free and there is no charge to participate in the walk. Registration is from 8 to 9 a.m. The program begins at 9 a.m. and the walk begins at 10 a.m.

To register online and to be entered to win a special door prize, visit [www.govst.edu/alumniwalk](http://www.govst.edu/alumniwalk).

For more information or to sponsor this event, call Alumni Relations at 708.534.4128.

## **Sign Up for Home Inspection Course**

GSU is offering a home inspector certification course on November 30, and December 1 and 2, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The course provides the tools needed to successfully start a home inspection business and is open to those seeking both a part and full-time career opportunities. Studies show that full-time certified home inspectors earn approximately \$50,000 per year.

GSU's Office of Continuing Education has partnered with the American Home Inspection Training Institute (AHIT), the industry leader, to offer a comprehensive home inspection course. Students will accompany the instructor to five local homes to conduct actual hands-on inspections. The course includes training on structure, interiors, exteriors, plumbing, electrical, roofs, heating and cooling, and report writing. Students will also receive expert guidance in how to develop and market a business.

The course fee is \$1,795, which includes all materials. Registration must be completed by November 2 and is available by calling 877.838.0959. Further information is available at [www.ahit.com/affiliates/govst](http://www.ahit.com/affiliates/govst).

## **Knowledge Exchange Starts Fall Classes**

The Knowledge Exchange begins its fall session on September 21 with classes on Fridays, from 10 a.m. to noon, and 1 to 3 p.m.

Course offerings include a wide range of classes, including Civic Engagement, Play Reading, Cinema Studies and the Supreme Court, and Topics in Science.

The Knowledge Exchange is a continuation of the former Adult Learning Exchange (T.A.L.E.) with the same focus – to continue to offer unique and diverse non-credited courses at a reasonable price (\$73 per class, \$28 for an additional class). Classes are designed for participants aged 55 years and over and provide a relaxed and friendly environment, open to shared learning, and the free exchange of opinions and ideas.

Classes are peer-led by a community of dedicated volunteers including GSU faculty and alumni, and many former Exchange students.

Call the Office of Continuing Education at 708.534.4099 to request more information or to register.

## **GSA Meets Every Wednesday**

GSU's Gay Straight Alliance meets every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in E2590.

This month, club officers will discuss how to build a Gay Straight Alliance Presence on campus, and plan upcoming events for October.

Everyone is welcome to attend GSA Meetings.

## **Aim for the Fences**

Faculty and staff, there is still time to play softball before the arrival of wintry weather. Coed softball games are taking place Thursdays, from 5:30 to 7 p.m., through October 11. Games are being played at the GSU baseball field across for West 2 parking lot.

For more information contact the Recreation and Fitness Center at 708.534.4556.

## **Chicago Sky Basketball Discounts**

GSU students can get special discounts to Chicago Sky basketball games. Games are played at the Allstate Arena.

Upcoming games are:

- Police & Fire Night against the defending WNBA champion Minnesota Lynx on September 11
- Breast Health Awareness Night against the Atlanta Dream on September 20
- Fan Appreciation Night against the Washington Mystics on September 22

Under the student discount, \$45 floor seats are \$37, \$30 seats are \$26, and \$15 seat are \$10. Tickets are available through [Ticketmaster](#). Use the promo code "Governors" to get your discount.



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