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February 28  
7 - 9 p.m.  
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Sponsored by Student Life

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March 7  
4:30 - 6 p.m.  
Engbretson Hall

## News and Events

### Dr. Terry Allison Named Chancellor of IU South Bend



Dr. Terry Allison

President Elaine P. Maimon today announced that Dr. Terry L. Allison, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, has been named Chancellor of Indiana University South Bend.

Dr. Maimon congratulated Dr. Allison and thanked him for his leadership and his many accomplishments during his tenure at Governors State University.

"Everyone who has worked with Terry knows of his creativity, hard work, and sense of social justice," she said.

Read [Dr. Maimon's memo](#).

### Governor Appoints Three GSU Trustees

Governor Pat Quinn this week appointed three members to the GSU Board of Trustees. With the appointments, the Board of Trustees is at its full complement of seven members, plus one student trustee.



Bruce Friefeld

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance of GSU, with statutory powers and duties to operate, manage, control, and maintain the university.

Governor Quinn's appointees must be confirmed by the Illinois Senate; until then, their appointment is considered temporary. However, the three

appointees have all the rights and privileges of a university trustee during the interim period.



Anibal Taboas

The governor's appointees to the Board of Trustees are:

- Bruce Friefeld, of Mokena, who was re-appointed to the Board.

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Friefeld, the Chief of Staff for the Will County Board, has served as a GSU trustee since 1996. Friefeld earned a JD from the DePaul University College of Law. He is a longtime public servant and a veteran of the United States Naval Reserves.

• Anibal Taboas, of Woodridge. Taboas is the president and CEO of Aspira Inc., a not-for-profit



Lorraine Tyson

organization supporting the education of underserved populations in Chicago. He earned master's degrees in Mechanical/Nuclear Engineering from Northwestern University and in Physics from Indiana State University.

• Lorraine Tyson, of Chicago. Tyson is a partner at the Pugh, Jones & Johnson law firm, where she specializes in public finance and tax law. She earned a bachelor's degree from Northwestern University and a JD from the University of Illinois College of Law.

## **H2O Filling Station Aims to Reduce Plastic in Landfills**



Erin Fletcher uses H2O filling station

Facilities Development and Management building engineers have installed the first of what will hopefully be many bottle filler/water fountain combo stations. The new station is located in D Building, in the third floor south hallway.

The unit has a counter that indicates how many plastic bottles are eliminated when it is used. Water from the drinking fountain/filling station is double filtered to improve taste and smell while removing any sediment.

The filling station is a direct result of a topic that was brought up at the 2011 SMHEC Student Sustainability Summit. Participating schools were asked to encourage their institutions to install water bottle filling

stations as a way of reducing the amount of plastic going into landfills or needing to be recycled.

Try the filling station for yourself and pass on your opinion to FDM at ext. 6361.

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Houle's latest book, *Entering the Shift Age*, was released in January.

For further information, contact [Dr. Larry Levinson](#).

## **DPT Program Hosts Information Session – March 6**

GSU's Department of Physical Therapy will host an Information Session/Open House for its entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree program on Wednesday, March 6, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. in Room D34000.

GSU offers an on-campus, entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy degree for those interested in starting a career in physical therapy. Information will be presented about admission criteria and course curricula.

Participants can get their questions answered, meet the faculty, and tour classroom/laboratory spaces. Advisors will be available for individual consultation. Light refreshments will be provided.

Additional information is available by contacting [Mary Tracy](#) at 708.534.7290.

## **Mindfulness and Meditation Course Starts Next Week**

Students – you can ease your mind and find some peace through *Mindfulness and Meditation*, a free, eight week course on Thursdays between March 7 and May 9. The program take place from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Student Life Conference Room, A2110.

The course is based on the book, *Mindfulness: An Eight Week Plan for Finding Peace in a Frantic World*. It will be led by Dr. Maristela Zell and Dr. Tim Pedigo.

To register, call 708.534.4090. The program is sponsored by the Academic Resource Center and the College of Education.

## **Go Gaga at Gender Matters Preview – March 7**

Get a preview of the Third Annual Gender Matters Conference at *Going Gaga*, on Thursday, March 7 from 4:30 to 6 p.m., in Engbretson Hall.

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*Going Gaga*, an exclusive preview of the conference, offers refreshments, information, and networking. It is free and open to the public.



Gender Matters is an academic conference highlighting research on gender, women, and sexuality across all disciplines and historical periods. Governors State has hosted the

conference for the last two years.

This year's conference, *Continuities and Instabilities*, is co-sponsored by the DePaul University College of Communications. It will be presented April 12 and 13 at DePaul's campus in downtown Chicago.

For more information on the conference, visit [www.govst.edu/gendermatters](http://www.govst.edu/gendermatters). The Gender Matters Conference is sponsored by GSU's College of Arts and Sciences and the Office of Student Life.

## **Why Not? Site Back in Operation**

GSU's *Why Not?* [website](#) is back in operation. We look forward to reading your suggested solutions to problems that you see or experience on campus.

Stay tuned for forthcoming updates in the *Why Not?* site. For now, continue to submit your solutions to our existing site.

Remember - when you submit your first *Why Not?* solution, you will receive a free *Why Not?* T-shirt from the Provost's Office.

## **Great Lakes DVD Series Now at GSU Library**

Can you name the five Great Lakes? Did you know that The Great Lakes were created more than 10,000 years ago, and hold three-quarters of the world's standing fresh water? An excess of 50 million people, like us, live within 100 miles of a Great Lakes port. At 307 miles long, 118 miles wide, and 22,300 square miles, Lake Michigan is the third-largest of the Great Lakes.

Now, thanks to a generous contribution from The Friends of the GSU Library, you can come to the library to learn more about Lake Michigan and the other four Great Lakes. The five part Great Lakes DVD series is now located in the GSU Library. The series has DVDs on each of the Great Lakes: Erie, Huron, Ontario, Michigan, and Superior. *The Great Lakes: Lake Superior* has been placed on reserve in the library.

"We are focused on establishing partnerships between the GSU Library, students, faculty, staff, and the Friends of GSU Library," said Ann Manning-Nagle, President of the Friends of the GSU Library. "Being able to provide this engaging and informative series for our GSU community is an important part of our mission."

Remember, the GSU Library is your 24/7 Research Resource. Visit the

library online at [www.govst.edu/library](http://www.govst.edu/library), on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/LibraryGovst>, or Like the library on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/GSULibrary](http://www.facebook.com/GSULibrary).

## **Take a Survey on New Student Experience**

Attention, new undergraduate students. In an effort to improve GSU's support for new students, the Academic Resource Center is conducting a brief survey of new undergraduate students about your early experiences at the university.

The survey will be available March 1 through 15. As an expression of gratitude for your participation, upon completion of the survey, participants will receive a gift certificate (emailed coupon) that will entitle you to a complimentary beverage (fountain drink or coffee) from the campus cafeteria.

Please check your GSU email for a link to access to survey.

For more information, contact the Academic Resource Center at 708-534-4090 or [orientation.govst.edu](http://orientation.govst.edu).

## **Nominations Open for Student Leadership Awards**

The GSU Student Senate and Student Life Office are hosting the Student Leadership Awards Banquet on Friday, April 26. A buffet dinner will be served at 7 p.m. in E-Lounge, with the awards ceremony beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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Nominators and nominees are invited to attend the Student Leadership Awards Banquet recognizing the contribution and excellence of the various members of the GSU community.

## **Student Appointed to Argonne Internship**

Reuven Hicks, an undergraduate Computer Science major, was awarded an appointment for the U.S. Department of Energy Student Undergraduate Laboratory Internship at Argonne National Laboratory.

He will have the opportunity to become actively involved in ongoing research, have access to state-of-the-art equipment and instruments, and interact with senior researchers who are interested in enhancing his education and helping him achieve his full potential.

Hicks will serve his internship between May 28 and August 2. The

program also provides a weekly stipend and housing allowance.

## **Excellence Awards Nominations Due Friday**

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## **Dual Degree Program to Receive National Award (02-28-13)**

GSU's Dual Degree Program (DDP) has been selected to receive the Outstanding Program/Project Award from the Commission for Admissions, Orientation, and First Year Experience, a unit of the American College Personnel Association (ACPA).

The DDP will receive a certificate and lapel pin commemorating this achievement at the ACPA's annual convention in Las Vegas on March 3. GSU's program will be honored at the Awards Ceremony and Leadership/Corporate Partner Reception during the convention. At the reception, the Dual Degree Program's name and award will be included in a Power Point presentation, as well as in the awards booklet.

GSU's nationally recognized Dual Degree Program is an innovative partnership between the university and area community colleges that provides a quality, seamless pathway from community college to university graduation. DDP students have access to financial incentives and university advising to ensure their graduation on both the community college and university levels.

ACPA, headquartered in Washington, D.C., is the leading comprehensive student affairs association that advances student affairs and engages students for a lifetime of learning and discovery. ACPA, founded in 1924, has nearly 7,500 members representing 1,200 private and public institutions from across the U.S. and around the world.

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## **Dr. Jia Published in The Accounting Review**



Dr. Yonghong Jia

Please join CBPA Dean Ellen Foster Curtis in congratulating Dr. Yonghong Jia, Assistant Professor of Accounting, on the recent publication of her coauthored article, *Valuation Consequences of Clawback Provisions*, in the January 2013 issue of *The Accounting Review*.

The journal is one of the most prestigious in the accounting field, published by the American Accounting Association, and included in the Financial Times list of the top 45 journals in business. "This is a particularly phenomenal achievement for someone so early in her academic career," Dr. Foster Curtis said.

If you would like a copy of the article, please contact [Dr. Jia](#).

## **Blood Drive on Campus Today**

GSU's Student Occupational Therapy Association (SOTA) will host a university-wide blood drive today from 3 to 7 p.m. in the E Lounge. Donors will receive a free pair of pants; size and color of pants may vary.

For more information, or to sign up to donate, contact [Kim Tate](#). A photo ID is required to donate blood.

More information is also available at [www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org) or SOTA at 708.534.7294.

For eligibility questions, contact Heartland Blood Center at 708.633.0101.

## **Eating Disorders Workshop on Tuesday**

As part of National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, the Academic Resource Center will host an informative workshop on eating disorders on Tuesday, February 26, from noon to 1 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

The workshop will include explanations of the causes, effects, and treatments of eating disorders, and an opportunity for participants to ask questions. The workshop is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 708.534.4090.

## **Computing and Job Preparation – February 26**

GSU's Computer Science Club will host *Careers in Computing: How to Prepare and What to Expect* on Tuesday, February 26, from 4 to 6 p.m., in Sherman Hall.

Speaker Rahul Dhawan will show how to prepare for a lifelong career in computing, covering such topics as where the opportunities are, what it's like to work in the computing field in a large, professionally run organization, how the field of computing is likely to change in the future, and what hasn't changed.

Other Computer Science Club events this semester are:

- CCDC Luncheon - Saturday, March 2, 1 to 4 p.m., location TBA
- Microsoft Tour – Date, time and location TBA
- *Resume Writing and Portfolio Building for Computing and IT Disciplines* - Wednesday, March 6, 4 to 6 p.m., Engbretson Hall
- *Cloud Computing and Virtual Machines* - Wednesday, March 27, 4 to 6 p.m., Engbretson Hall
- *Information Security, Risks and Compliance* -Monday, April 8, 3 to 5 p.m.

## **Civil Service Senate Hosts Heart Healthy Events – February 27**

GSU's Civil Service Senate is sponsoring a "Heart Healthy Day" on Wednesday, February 27. A representative from St. James Hospital will be discussing heart health from noon to 1 p.m. in D34115 and a representative from the College of Health and Human Services will give a presentation on heart health in the Annex from 1 to 2 p.m.

Heart Healthy brochures and dark chocolate will be available to those who attend the presentation in the Annex. Also, the cafeteria will be offering a heart healthy salmon dish as a lunch special for \$5.55 on Wednesday.

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## **Healthcare Leadership is Topic – April 2**

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Dr. Blouin will discuss *Leadership in an Era of Health Care Reform: Quality and Patient Safety Implications*. She has more than 30 years of health care administration, consulting, and nursing experience, and has held several leadership positions. Dr. Blouin has also published and taught at nursing and medical schools and serves on the National Patient Safety Foundation Board of Governors.

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### **Here Come the Turkeys**

The Wild Turkey, *Meleagris gallopavo*, was a very important food animal to Native Americans, but was eliminated from much of its range by the early 1900s. Introduction programs have



successfully established it in most of its original range, and even into areas where it never occurred before.

Wild Turkeys seem to be thriving at GSU, where Bill Lopez of FDM counted 14 of the native gobblers on the south end of campus. Bill sent photos of the birds to GSU View – they show another side of the university's rich environment. Thanks for the photos, Bill.

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### **Provost's Office Studying Curriculum Change Request System**

The Provost's Office is in the process of identifying an appropriate electronic management system for submitting curriculum change requests to the University Curriculum Committee (UCC), the Academic Program Review Committee (APRC), the Graduate Council, and the Provost's Office.

Stay tuned for updates on needed technology for management of GSU's curriculum change process.

Comments and Questions can be directed to [Dr. Sandra Mayfield](#), Associate Provost for Curriculum, at 708.534.4598.

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### **Study Skills Workshop - March 5**

The spring semester is well under way and soon students will be preparing for midterms and finals. Your academic advisors, faculty, and fellow students are available to help you through "Giving Support 2 You!" - also known as GS2U.

GS2U is offering a workshop, *Oiling Those Rusty Study Skills*, on March 5, from 5:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

At the workshop, you will learn

- Positive actions for optimal study time
- How to locate a support systems
- Time management skills
- How to establish a study routine
- The benefits of study groups

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## **GSU Board of Trustees Meeting - February 15 (02-18-13)**

### **Trustees Approve Contracts for GSU's First On-Campus Housing**

Governors State University took a major step toward on-campus housing Friday when the Board of Trustees approved construction bids for the university's first-ever residential complex.



At the February 15 Board meeting, trustees unanimously approved construction bids for the first phase of the housing complex, Prairie Place. The complex, which will have both apartment and suite style housing, will be ready for occupancy in summer, 2014.

Construction contracts were awarded to:

- General contractor – Carlson Brothers, Inc., of Joliet
- Plumbing – Best Plumbing, Inc., of Crestwood
- Electric – Linear Electric, Inc., of Orland Park
- Ventilation – Dodson Plumbing, Heating, and Air Conditioning, of Pontiac
- Heating – F.E. Moran, Inc., of Northbrook

Construction of Prairie Place is expected to commence in mid-March. A formal groundbreaking ceremony will take place April 5.

Executive Vice President Gebeyehu Ejigu said GSU's architect of record, FGM Architects, completed a full review of the submitted bids, including the bidder's responsiveness to identified qualifications, requirements for the project, the selection of alternates, and the bid amounts. FGM recommended the lowest and most responsive bidder in each category, Dr. Ejigu said.

The approval of the construction bids follows other important steps in planning for the residential complex. The Board of Trustees approved a concept study for on-campus housing in December, 2011. The Illinois Board of Higher Education approved the project last February and, in April, the university sold revenue bonds to finance the design, site development, and construction of the residential complex. Last December, the university, following statutes for public procurement and contracting, solicited bids for the five contractors.

### **2013-2014 Tuition Rates, Student Fees Approved**

On Friday, trustees also approved tuition rates for the 2013-2014 academic year. Tuition for new undergraduates, both Illinois and Indiana residents, is increasing 2.4 percent, from \$249 to \$255 per credit. For in-state graduate students, tuition is increasing between 2.4 and 2.6 percent.

President Elaine P. Maimon said the new tuition rates are in line with GSU's commitment to providing the most affordable quality education

in Illinois. Some increases are necessary because of diminishing state appropriations, she said – appropriations were cut by 6 percent this year and the state is often tardy in providing necessary reimbursements for higher education.

Dr. Maimon added that the new tuition rates will be locked in for four years when students start attending GSU.

Board Chair Jack Beaupre said the state is likely to again cut education funding in the next budget and that he expects state support to continue to diminish in Illinois. "One of our responsibilities is to help solve the crisis in higher education funding," he said. "It behooves us to keep tuition rates down."

The Board of Trustees also approved student fee increases for the coming academic year. Two fees are going up: the University Facility Fee, which is increasing from \$16 to \$18 per credit hour; and the Strategic Initiative Fee, increasing from \$13 to \$14 per credit hour.

Dr. Maimon said the state does not provide the necessary resources to maintain GSU's facilities, so the Facility Fee hike is needed to make sure proper improvements can be made on campus. The Strategic Initiative Fee will be used to develop programs to help students become global citizens through Study Abroad and other initiatives.

### **Trustee Lorine Samuels Honored for Years of Service**

The Board approved a resolution honoring Trustee Lorine Samuels, who is stepping down after 12 years of service to GSU.

Samuels, the Board chair from 2007 to 2011, served with distinction and always enthusiastically supported GSU's mission, the resolution states. "She has served Governors State University during a time of great evolution, putting the university on a trajectory to success, always keeping the welfare of the students at the forefront," it states.

Samuels, an area business owner, was also praised for her contributions to the greater community by supporting and participating in social service organizations, public institutions, and business groups.

Beaupre said Samuels is a model citizen, both in her personal life and business career. "You are someone that students can always look up to," he said. "We couldn't have asked for a better board chair."

Samuels said she was grateful to the fellow Board members, administrators, and other members of the GSU community.

"I am privileged to have served this institution," she said. "This is a wonderful Board. Thanks for the journey."



President Elaine Maimon,  
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### **Information Technology Building Named after Former President Goodman-Malamuth**

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Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth II, GSU's second president, was honored with a resolution recalling his many contributions to the university. The Board approved the naming of GSU's Information Technology Services building after Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, who died in January. It will be known as the Goodman-Malamuth Technology Building.



Dr. Goodman-Malamuth

Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, GSU's president for 16 years, was remembered as a leader who transformed the university from its early days of educational experimentation to a more mainstream institution, all the while remaining true to its spirit of innovation.

Dr. Goodman-Malamuth was instrumental in revising the university's curriculum, redesigning its colleges, reorganizing the administration, and developing a new student grading system, the resolution states.

Three of Dr. Goodman-Malamuth's longtime colleagues in GSU's administration and faculty – Beverly Goldberg, David Curtis, and Mel Muchnik -- thanked the Board for its action.

Muchnik recounted Dr. Goodman-Malamuth's vision in bringing state-of-the-art telecommunications to GSU. The university became nationally known for its teleconferencing abilities, won numerous awards, and enjoyed increased visibility, Muchnik said. Dr. Goodman-Malamuth always supported new technologies that expand educational opportunities, he said, and renaming GSU's technology building after him is "appropriate and meaningful."

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### **Will Davis Appointed Interim Vice President for Development**



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Dr. Maimon announced Friday that Will Davis has been named Interim Vice President for Development. Davis will be in charge of strategic oversight for philanthropic initiatives, as well as corporate and individual giving on behalf of the university. He is also CEO of the GSU Foundation, the university's fundraising arm. The appointment became effective last month.

Davis will serve on the president's cabinet. Davis has been at GSU since April, 2012, and was formerly director of development. He said he plans to strategize GSU's brand to engage alumni, individual donors, foundations, and corporations to invest in "the university's renaissance."

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### **Rudloff, Wilkinson Named Professors Emeritus**

The Board of Trustees approved Professor Emeritus status for Dr. Winfried Rudloff and Dr.



William Wilkinson.

Dr. Rudloff served GSU for more than 25 years, primarily in Computer Science. He has conducted extensive research in areas of Intelligent Systems, Artificial Intelligence, and

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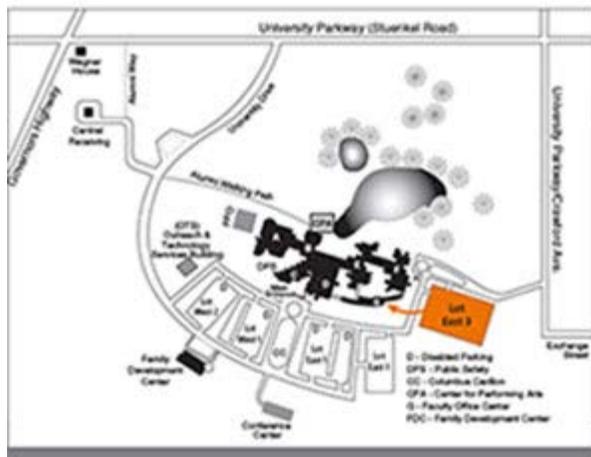
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Dr. Wilkinson served GSU for nearly 25 years in the College of Business and Public Administration. In addition to his faculty role, he served as interim dean and interim chair of the Division of Management, Marketing, and Public Administration.

### **Look East for Ample Parking (02-14-13)**



For quick, convenient parking, take the East Lot option.

During heavy volume times – especially around the start of late afternoon classes – Lot East 3 provides ample parking and easy access to GSU’s classroom buildings. Lot East 3 is located directly across from Illinois Landscape Number 5 in Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park.

While renovation of GSU’s science facilities continues, it’s a short walk from Lot East 3 to G Building’s main entrance. From there, you can quickly reach the rest of the campus, either via the third floor walkway to D Building, or by the entrances to other classroom areas on the first and second floors.

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You've probably heard of "Sweet Treats." But what are Tweet Treats?

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How can you participate and win some sweet "Tweet Treats"? Follow Dr. Valente on Twitter by subscribing to his Twitter account @GSUDean. Twice a month he will send out random announcements, known as "Tweet Ups," to meet in the GSU Café for "Tweet Treats."

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## **GSU Hosts Congressional Candidates in Packed CPA (02-11-13)**

Governors State University affirmed its position as an important public square at last Thursday's Second Congressional District Candidate Forum. Despite less-than-ideal weather conditions, the forum, in GSU's Center for Performing Arts, drew a large audience of area residents and GSU students and staff.

Twelve candidates for the vacant Second Congressional District seat – 10 Democrats and two Republican – attended the forum. Mike Flannery, political editor of WFLD Fox 32, did an exemplary job of asking questions, and making sure that every candidate had enough time to air their positions. A number of key issues were discussed, including the economy, health care, the environment, guns, immigration, ethics, the war in Afghanistan, spending cuts, and violence on our streets.



### Candidates Respond to a Question on Guns

"The Candidates' Forum is a perfect example of GSU's commitment to civic engagement," said President Elaine P. Maimon. "Our students studied the issues, prepared questions for candidates, and showed up in record numbers. The GSU community joined the larger Congressional District 2 in an audience numbering close to 800. It was democracy in action fulfilling GSU's mission as a Public Square."

Democratic candidates participating in the forum were Anthony Beale, Debbie Halvorson, Gregory Haynes, Toi Hutchinson, Victor Jonathan, Robin Kelly, Fatimah Muhammad, Larry Pickens, Charles Rayburn, and Anthony Williams. Republican candidates were Paul McKinley and Beverly Reid.

GSU's forum is being re-broadcast over the university's GSU's cable access channel, The Educator. GSU's broadcast area extends from Chicago to Kankakee on Comcast channel 16. It can also be found at WideOpenWest (WOW!) cable on channel 24 in South Holland, Oak Forest, and Calumet City. The forum will be repeated on The Educator through February 26 at 7 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Sundays, and at 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Sundays.

The Second District primary election takes place February 26, with the special election for the seat to follow on April 9.

In presenting the forum, GSU partnered with League of Women Voters chapters in Homewood-Flossmoor, Dolton-Harvey-Riverdale, and the Park Forest area, and Mikva Challenge, a nonpartisan 501(c)3 organization that prioritizes the development of civic leadership in underserved Chicago high school youth. A number of students from Mikva Challenge attended the forum.

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GSU is closed Tuesday, February 12 in honor of Abraham Lincoln's birthday, a state holiday in Illinois.

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Provost Terry Allison, chairperson of the GSU Honorary Degree Committee, invited members of the university community to submit nominations for inclusion on the roster of honorary doctoral degree candidate.

To nominate a candidate, forward a name with an accompanying recommendation statement and justification for the nomination to Dr. Allison or Myisha Meeks. A brief biographical statement should be included.

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Prior to attending this training, be sure to complete your FERPA training, submit your Administrative Systems Access Authorization Form, and submit the appropriate signature cards. Go to the [Procurement](#) information page for the details.

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Classes in this new degree program will begin in the Fall 2013, preparing students to be highly effective school psychologists, delivering services to children, adolescents, families, and school communities. Classes will be held in the evenings to accommodate working educators and therapists.

For more information, contact [Renee Zdych](mailto:Renee.Zdych@gsu.edu) at 708.534.6979. Additional information may be found at [www.govst.edu/coe](http://www.govst.edu/coe).

## **Dining Services Wants Your Opinion**

The GSU Café would like to know how to better serve you. Please take a few minutes to voice your opinion. A survey, posted online, asks you to help us create the perfect menu. The first 100 completed suggestions will be considered. The GSU Café staff will choose the best ideas and serve them in the café throughout the last week of February.

Please find the link to the survey on the GSU [Dining Services webpage](#).

Also, please explore GSU Café's webpage and enjoy its monthly newsletter, menus, and more.

## **Illinois Open Technology Challenge at GSU February 21**

The Illinois Open Technology Challenge is coming to GSU on Thursday, February 21 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Hall of Honors.

The event is aimed at making Illinois's open platform data, Data.Illinois.Gov, available statewide by hosting government training, community meetings, and hackathons that bring together developers in technology with civic-minded individuals and organizations.

There is \$15,000 in prize money that will be awarded for developing innovative software applications that utilize open government data to best address the challenges in Chicago's south suburbs.

Further information is available at [illinoisopentech.org/the-ilopentech-challenge-is-now-open/](http://illinoisopentech.org/the-ilopentech-challenge-is-now-open/).

The Illinois Open Technology Challenge at GSU is sponsored by the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association, Illinois Science and Technology Coalition, the State of Illinois, and Smart Chicago Collaborative.

## **Learn the Facts about Eating Disorders – February 26**

As part of National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, the Academic Resource Center will host an informative workshop on eating disorders on Tuesday, February 26, from noon to 1 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

The workshop will include explanations of the causes, effects, and treatments of eating disorders, and an opportunity for participants to ask questions. The workshop is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 708.534.4090.

## **Brush Up on Study Skills**

The spring semester is well under way and soon students will be preparing for midterms and finals. Your academic advisors, faculty, and fellow students are available to help you through "Giving Support 2 You!" - also known as GS2U.

GS2U is offering a workshop, *Oiling Those Rusty Study Skills*, on March 5, from 5:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

At the workshop, you will learn

- Positive actions for optimal study time
- How to locate a support systems
- Time management skills
- How to establish a study routine
- The benefits of study groups

For more information about this and other workshop, and to register, go to [www.govst.edu/gs2u](http://www.govst.edu/gs2u).

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## **A Reminder on Emergency Closing Procedures**

The GSU community is reminded that emergency campus closures due to inclement weather will be communicated via:

- GSU website homepage
- GSU website emergency info page
- Campus wide e-mail sent to faculty/staff e-mail and student e-mail addresses
- School Messenger alert system – per your personal contact preferences
- WGN Emergency Closing Center website ([www.emergencyclosingcenter.com](http://www.emergencyclosingcenter.com)), WGN TV news, WGN 720 AM radio

Students, faculty, and staff are asked to check these sources to determine if there is a campus closure and should NOT contact the Department of Public Safety with basic closure inquiries.

## **Congressional Forum Tonight (02-07-13)**

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## **Updated W-2 Forms Available on GSU Portal**

The programming issues in the Colleague HR/Payroll system that resulted in incorrect information appearing on *some* of the W-2s available last week have been fixed.

The Office of Financial Services is mailing paper W-2 forms to all employees whose initial forms had incorrect or missing information.

Updated W-2 forms are also available on the web for all employees

opting to receive them electronically.

Question: How do I know if my initial W-2 information correct?

Answer: Go to the "myGSU Portal" and compare W-2 information there with what was on your earlier version. If your initial form was correct, you will notice no differences.

On behalf of the University, please accept our sincere apologies for any inconvenience that may have been caused.

## **Student Advisory Referendum on FY14 Fees**

Student advice is requested on the amounts of mandated student fees for FY2014 (2013-2014): Student Activity Fee, Student Center Fee, the Career Services and Counseling Fee, Computer Technology Fee, Strategic Initiative Fee, University Facilities Fee, and Parking and Walk-Ways Fee at Governors State University.

The Advisory Referendum for FY14 Fees ballots was e-mailed to GSU Students this week.

The Advisory Referendum voting period for FY2014 fees is February 6 to 8, until 5 p.m.

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## **National Collegiate Table Tennis Association Tournament – February 9**

GSU will host a National Collegiate Table Tennis Competition on Saturday, February 9, and Sunday, February 10, in the Recreation and Fitness Center gym.

Competing teams are from Purdue, Northwestern, UW-Madison, DePaul, and GSU. Come out and see all the action. The tournament begins each day at 9 a.m.

The competition will be broadcast live on the web at [www.govst.edu/tabletennis](http://www.govst.edu/tabletennis).

## **Thank You for the MAGIC**

The Office of Development extends a heartfelt thank you to the entire campus for supporting this year's Campus Community Campaign "MAGIC." The Office also wants to salute this year's volunteers for services above and beyond what everyone hoped for.

This year's campaign to date has raised a total of \$77,729.96, with 46 percent of the campus participating. This is the largest total thus far and exceeds the department's goal of \$75,000. With 314 participants, the campaign exceeded last year's participation rate by 20 percent.

Dr. Maimon expressed the following sentiment upon learning of the outcome of the campaign, "Congratulations to the campus community for the increase in participation and in the dollar amount in the Campus Community Campaign. I am especially pleased with the significant increase in the numbers of employees making contributions. This documented internal support helps us immeasurably with external donors. Special thanks to Will Davis, Jackie Small, and to all the

campus volunteers for a successful campus fund-raising campaign.”

This year’s Campus Community Campaign volunteers who worked tirelessly to aid the Office of Development in this project are: Clarrisa Anagnos, Margaret Brady, Colleen Buche, Lisa Carra, John Cook, Lynn Dimaggio, Mona Douglas, Andrienne Gray, Patricia Guy, Rhonda Jackson, Elizabeth Johnson, Sheryl Jones-Harper, Bettie Lewis, Victoria Lloyd, Rashidah Muhammad, Laura Owens, Robert Sinclair, Pamela Stipanich, Patricia Thompson, Lori Townsend, Michael Trendell, and Ayita Woods.

In addition to our thanks, two lucky campus community campaign contributors won the drawing for the two specially designated parking spaces. The winners are Hollie Campbell, Executive Assistant to the Vice-President, Marketing & Enrollment, and Jennifer Davidson, Director of Academic Services in CBPA.

While the peer to peer solicitation is officially over, you can still make a gift to the university at any time and be counted in this fiscal year’s totals. You might choose to make a tribute gift to honor someone special, a gift of memoriam or perhaps honor a birthday or wedding. Whatever you choose, the Office of Development is ready to assist you.

### **Keep Warm with Alumni Scholarship Hat**



Flu season is here. Keep that flu bug at bay with a handmade GSU hat! These colorful, crocheted hats are only \$10 each.

The entire purchase price benefits the new Alumni Association Scholarship Honoring Rosemary Hulett. Hats are available for a limited time only. There are a variety of colors available – both with and without “GSU.”

Contact Cheri Garey in D34070 or at 708.534.7892.

### **Flowers for Someone Special**

Make Valentine’s Day special for someone you care about -- and easy for you. The Civil Service Senate is again sponsoring its annual Valentine’s Day carnation sale. Pre-orders are being accepted through Friday, February 8 or while supplies last. All orders must be paid in full by at the cashier’s office by Friday, February 8. Carnations will be delivered on Valentine’s Day, Thursday, February 14.

The cost of the carnations is also a great deal. Single blooms are only \$1.25. Six flowers cost \$6 and a dozen is only \$12. The more you order, the more you save so get your order in early.

### **GSU Board of Trustees Meets February 15**

The GSU Board of Trustees committee meetings scheduled for Friday, February 8 have been canceled.

The full Board of Trustees will meet on Friday, February 15, in the William D. McGee Hall of Honors. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m.

If you have any questions about the Board of Trustees contact [Penny Perdue](#) or [Joan Johns Maloney](#).

## **Education Job and Internship Fair – February 21**

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a career fair for people interested in employment and internship opportunities in education and related fields on Thursday, February 21. The career fair will be open from 2 to 5 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Current students, alumni, and community members are invited to attend. This is an opportunity to match job and internship positions with qualified personnel. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, please call 708.235.3974.

## **Graduate Business Programs Information Session – February 26**

CBPA is hosting a graduate programs information session on February 26, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

Information will be presented on graduate programs in Business Administration, Public Administration, Management Information Systems, and Accounting, as well information about the new accelerated, online MBA in Supply Chain Management. Admissions counselors, program advisors, and faculty will also be available to answer questions and discuss admission requirements. Attendees will also have the opportunity to network with current students.

Attendees are encouraged to bring official or unofficial transcripts for review. Refreshments will be served and tours of the campus will be offered.

For more information or to RSVP by February 20, call 708.534.4391.

## **Budget, Buy, and Pay Training Session – February 14**

The Procurement Office is holding a Budget, Buy & Pay training session for new employees with purchasing and budget responsibilities. If you are new to GSU, ask your supervisor if your job duties require you to enter requisitions online and/or approve requisitions online. If so, you need to attend. Also, employees who have changed positions and their new position requires them to work in Budget, Buy & Pay should attend.

Prior to attending this training, be sure to complete your FERPA training, submit your Administrative Systems Access Authorization Form, and submit the appropriate signature cards. Go to the [Procurement](#) information page for the details.

The training session is scheduled for Thursday, February 14 at 10:30 a.m. For more information about the training session, please contact the [Colleague Project Office](#).

## **GSU Library Announces Student Winner**

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The Governors State University Library staff would like to thank the students who visited the library and filled out the questionnaire during the Campus Crawl on January 23.

More than 60 students filled out the questionnaire for an opportunity to win an iPod Shuffle. Austin Cook, a transfer student from the University of Cincinnati, was the winner randomly selected from those who submitted their questionnaires.

Austin, who is majoring in Criminal Justice, indicated that this is the first thing he has ever won. "The Campus Crawl was a great idea. It gave me a chance to get a good feel for the campus. I'm glad to be here and appreciate being able to attend Governors State University," he said.

Information from the questionnaire will be used to help inform students, faculty, and staff about the services that are available through the library.

Remember, the Governors State University Library is your research resource 24/7, either during regular library hours or online. You can find library information online at [www.govst.edu/library](http://www.govst.edu/library).

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### **President Maimon: Keep Guns Off Campus (02-04-13)**

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President Maimon

In her most recent column in the Northwest Indiana Times, President Elaine P. Maimon argues that Illinois needs to take action to keep guns off university campuses.

"While I regret the court decision to force Illinois to join the other 49 states in permitting concealed carry, the major point of this column is to seek legislation that prohibits the public from bringing guns of any kind anywhere on university campuses," Dr. Maimon writes. "That means not in the buildings, not on the quads, not in the parking lots and not in cars driving through the campus."

Read [Dr. Maimon's column](#).

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### **Student Concerns Program is Introduced**

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In an effort to coordinate the support for students in need of assistance, the Office of the Dean of Students recently launched the Student Concerns Program. In addition to identifying and connecting students to valuable resources before more substantial problems potentially arise, the Student Concerns Program functions as a portal to provide faculty and staff with resources for managing students in distress.

The program utilizes current GSU structures such as Academic Advisors, each college's student services, and the Academic Resource Center to help students. Faculty and staff play a key role in identifying students who are in distress; as such the Student Concerns Program depends on their referrals to identify students who might benefit from proactive outreach and assistance.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to report behaviors or concerns of any GSU student by using the online Student Concerns Program form to identify students and describe their area of concern(s). Completed "Student Concern" forms are reviewed and then connected directly to campus resources best suited to address the conveyed concern. Student concerns can include, but are not limited to academic, physical, or emotional concerns. Please visit the [program website](#) at to learn more about the initiative or to complete a student concerns report.

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### **Watch Governor's Speech on GSU Monitors**

Illinois Governor Pat Quinn will present the annual State of the State Address on Wednesday, February 6, at noon.

Gov. Quinn's speech will be broadcast live over GSU's campus monitors.

### **Join the Colleague Users Group Meeting this Wednesday**

The Colleague Users Group (CUG) monthly meeting is Wednesday, February 6 at 2 p.m. in the Hall of Honors.

The forum will include three presentations:

- *Using Colleague Communications Management* by Sylvia Ponce DeLeon, Financial Aid Interim Director
- *What's New in the Portal?* by Hugo Solano, ITS Associate Director of Applications Development
- *Waitlisting – How Did It Work for Your College?* by Colleen Rock, Provost's Office Director, Academic and Tech Support Services, and Bonnie Simpson, Assistant to the Registrar.

CUG provides a monthly forum for GSU community members to share and discuss their experiences using the system. Membership in CUG is open to all faculty and staff.

Contact the [Colleague Project Office](#) with any questions about the meeting.

### **The Collector Closes with Wednesday Reception**

The closing reception for *The Collector*, at the GSU Visual Arts Gallery, takes place Wednesday, February 6, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the gallery. Remarks are scheduled between 6 and 7 p.m.

Artists exhibiting work at *The Collector* are Dalton Brown, Susan Clinard, Luis De La Torre, Stephen Flemister, Theaster Gates, Skip Hill, Barbara Jones-Hogu, Marva Pitchford Jolly, Tim Lemming, Joyce Owens, Max Sansing, and Julian Williams.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Visual Arts Gallery at 708.534.4021.

## **Book Scan Fax Station Now In the Library**

If you need to scan a document or send a fax, consider using the new Book Scan Fax Station now located in the library. The system has a touch screen that is very user friendly and will prompt you to which ever function you need.

Scanning is free. It is possible to scan from a document or book. Scanned items can be sent to a printer in the library, your email, USB drive, or Google docs.

Faxing is \$1 per page whether you are sending your fax within the United States or internationally. A maximum of 20 pages at a time can be faxed. There are no refunds for faxing. The Scan Station only accepts cash, and is solely for outgoing copies.

Students can make printed copies by using the GSU Print Shop's convenient paid-for-print copier/printer system located in both the ACS Lab and the GSU Library. Each page you print/copy is 10 cents.

For help or information regarding the Book Scan Fax Station, visit the Technology Desk in the library.

Remember. The GSU Library is your research resource available to you during regular library hours or online 24/7. Find us at [www.govst.edu/library](http://www.govst.edu/library).

## **Veterans Writing Groups Forming**

Veterans are invited to join a new Veterans Writing Group, where they will discover or re-discover the craft of narrative writing in a small, supportive group environment. Veterans will enhance and learn new skills and share camaraderie with other vets in a six-week workshop. Groups are forming now.

"Narrative writing helps veterans bridge the cultural divide between their military and civilian life," explains Robin Thompson, University Lecturer and Coordinator of the program. Their stories are important and may one day become a valuable family heirloom or community resource – everyone benefits."

There is no charge for participation in the Veterans Writing Group. To register, contact [Thompson](#) at 708.534.4581.

## **Dr. Elizabeth Johnson is Black History Month Speaker at Virginia Tech**

Dr. Elizabeth Johnson, Assistant Professor of History and Social Sciences, will speak on her forthcoming book, *Resistance and Empowerment in Black Women's Hair Styling*, during a February 14 Black History Month appearance at Virginia Tech.



Dr. Elizabeth Johnson

Dr. Johnson will also speak before a classroom on February 15.

Dr. Johnson's research and speaking interests are grounded in Black Feminist, Group Identity, and Critical Race theories and they include: hair aesthetics and body image; 19th century U.S. history; and magazine, television, and film representation of ethnicity and gender. Her book will be released in June, 2013.

Dr. Johnson's Black History Month event at GSU, *Africana Hip Hop Dance with Riley*, takes place Tuesday, February 5, from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

## **Call for Nominations - GSU Black Women Rock**

In celebration of Black History Month, we are pleased to announce GSU's First *Black Women Rock* awards. Phenomenal students will be recognized who have achieved success in the following areas:

Sistah Philanthropist: a person engaged in civic activities  
Literary Expressionist: a writer, poet, etc.  
Passionate Advocate: a political or social advocate  
Creative Soul: film producer, performing artist, script writer, etc.  
Miz Entrepreneur: a sole proprietor or partner in a business endeavor.

Submit a nomination at  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GSUBlackWomenRock>.

Self-nominations are also accepted. Only GSU students are eligible. Finalists will be selected by the Black History Month Committee. The deadline for nominations is Monday, February 15.

The *GSU Black Women Rock Awards Ceremony* will be held on February 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Sherman Hall. This event is sponsored by student Life and is free and open to the public. For more information contact [Vanessa Newby](#).

## **New York Times at GSU**

GSU is participating in The New York Times Newspaper Readership Program, which provides copies of The Times to our students. Students may pick-up a copy of The Times in three locations; Student Row (A2100), Student Commons (A2140), and the Student Gaming Lounge (A1105).

As a vibrant daily record of history as it is made, The New York Times' prize-winning coverage of national and global events provides an invaluable classroom resource. More than 2,000 college educators across the country, encompassing virtually every discipline, have adopted The New York Times for their classes. We are excited to be a part of this highly flexible and innovative program.

For additional information contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) or visit [www.nytimesincollege.com](http://www.nytimesincollege.com).

## **First Year Experience Symposium – Dr. Roberta Ness**

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The next in the series of symposia on the first year experience sponsored by the Office of the Provost will be held on Friday, March 8, in the Center for Performing Arts.

Dr. Roberta Ness is the featured speaker. Dr. Ness, author of *Innovation Generation*, will discuss ways to infuse innovation into your work and life. [Click here](#) to view her TED talk. It is informative and less than 15 minutes long.

In preparation for Dr. Ness' visit to campus, seven copies of her book, *Innovation Generation: How to Produce Creative and Useful Scientific Ideas*, have been placed on three-day reserve in the library. The call number is YC9273 and they are listed under Dr. Terry Allison's name.

## **Adhering to Illinois Articulation Initiative Procedures**

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Illinois Articulation Initiative procedures require all of faculty and staff to stay diligent to ensure that the university is a fully participating member of IAI by Spring, 2014. All new and revised courses need to be submitted to UCC by Monday, March 25 as per UCC guidelines.

Following UCC approval, general education and lower division core courses (as defined by IAI) need to be submitted by faculty to Randi Schneider and Lisa Helm by June 14.

The Office of the Provost is pleased to offer information sessions for faculty about the steps GSU will take to transition from being a 'receiving only' to a 'fully participating' university within the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI). We will demonstrate navigation of the IAI website to find the expectations for General Education and discipline specific (lower division) course development in addition to the timeline for the GSU approval process. Faculty who will write or revise curriculum for General Education courses and/or lower division curriculum for submission to [IAI Majors Panels](#) should attend.

For a complete schedule of the information sessions, visit the [Provost's website](#).

## **Fight Back Against Cancer in 2013**

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GSU is teaming up with the American Cancer Society to fight back against cancer by participating in the Relay For Life. The relay will be held on May 17 and 18, at Marian Catholic High School, in Chicago Heights, but planning begins now.

Come to our Launch Party, on Tuesday, February 5, in the Hall of Governors, to learn about the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life. Stop by any time between 3 and 7 p.m. to learn how to get involved. There will be door prizes, refreshments, and lots of fun. All cancer survivors will be honored with a gift.

For more information, please visit [www.relayforlife.org/chicagoheightsil](http://www.relayforlife.org/chicagoheightsil) or contact [Vanessa Newby](#) or [Erin Markase](#).

## **R.A.D. Begins Today**

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Be prepared! The R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) course includes

lecture, discussion, and hands-on self-defense techniques suitable for women of all abilities.

R.A.D. begins today and will meet every Monday for nine weeks until April 8. The first class on February 4 is free. The fee for the rest of the classes is only \$25. Classes meet from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

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## **Workshop Shows How to Write Winning Essays**

Learn to write winning scholarship and graduation admission essays at a workshop presenting strategies on how to convince your audience that you are among the best and brightest. The workshop takes place at 3 p.m., Wednesday, February 6, in D1496.

English Department faculty and the Writing Center staff will offer assistance about how to begin your essay, choose your approach, shape your writing, provide meaningful examples, and produce an error free piece. Previous scholarship winners and scholarship reviewers will provide valuable insight into the selection process.

Just bring yourself, your questions, and any instructions you may have been given about your essay. You're sure to get specific, hands-on help with your application and a new understanding of the essay-writing process.

## **Important Message to All GSU Employees - February 1, 2013 (02-01-13)**

Dear Employee:

I wanted to let you know as quickly as possible that the W-2s mailed to your address on January 31, 2013 and/or made available electronically on the GSU Portal on January 31, 2013 may have a calculation error in box 1 (wages and tips) and box 5 (Medicare wages and tips).

Please do not be alarmed. The Financial Services Department at Governors State University is working to ensure that your W-2 is accurate.

The staff is working diligently to rectify the issue and will re-mail the W-2s to your address on file on or before February 8, 2013. The function on the portal to download employee W-2s has been disabled.

On behalf of the university, please accept our sincere apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

Thank you for your attention,

Regards,  
Karen Kissel  
Vice President for Administration & Finance



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