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News and Events

[Look East for Ample Parking](#)

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.

With the East Lot option, parking is always easy to find and you’ll reach your classes with time to spare.

[Student Fee Referendum Results](#)

In a special referendum, students voiced their opinions on fees at GSU.

You can see [the results](#) of the student referendum.

[Board of Trustees Meets - February 15](#)

GSU’s Board of Trustees will meet on Friday, February 15, at 9:30 a.m., in the William D. McGee Hall of Honors.



For further information, contact [Penny Perdue](#) or [Joan Johns Maloney](#).

[‘Tweet Treats’ for GSU Students on Twitter](#)

You’ve probably heard of “Sweet Treats.” But what are Tweet Treats?

Dean of Students Aurélio Valente is launching a “Tweet Treat” twice a month to get students more involved with

social media and to get your feedback on Student Life at GSU.

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."

Up to five students attending each "Tweet Up" will get a Tweet Treat and have a chance to ask him questions and share their ideas.

So You Think You Know Innovation? – March 7

Chart your course to the future at *So You Think You Know Innovation?* on Thursday, March 7 at 7 p.m. at GSU's Center for Performing Arts.



Join Dr. Roberta Ness, the renowned author of *Innovation Generation*, as she demonstrates how to expand your ability to generate original ideas. The discussion is free and open to the public.

Dr. Ness, a recognized expert in women's health research, is dean of The University of Texas School of Public Health.

Dr. Roberta Ness

Dr. Ness holds the M. David Low Chair in Public Health. She is a professor in the Division of Epidemiology and Disease Control, and Vice President for Innovation at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. She is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies of Science, a fellow of the American College of Physicians, and past-President of the American College of Epidemiology. She is President of the American Epidemiological Society.

In 2011 Dr. Ness was invited to speak about innovation at a TED conference. You can watch her [TED talk](#).

For information, contact (708) 534-4130.

Dr. Roberta Ness is Keynote Speaker at Symposium

The third symposium on planning GSU's first year experience takes place Friday, March 8 in the Center for Performing Arts. The symposium is open to faculty and staff.

Just like the 2012 symposiums featuring Carol Geary Schneider and Gary Gardner and Betsy Barefoot, March 8 will bring together faculty and staff for a day-long look at GSU's first year experience.

Dr. Roberta Ness is featured speaker and will talk about how to infuse innovation into your work and your life.

A continental breakfast will be served beginning at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will also be

provided and the day's work should conclude by 4:30 p.m.

Due to the nature of the event, RSVPs are required. Please e-mail [Penny Perdue](mailto:Penny.Perdue) or call her at ext. 4130.

Seven copies of Dr. Ness' book, *Innovation Generation* have been placed on three-day reserve in the GSU Library. The call number is YC9273 and they are listed under Dr. Terry Allison's name.

DRUMLine Live at CPA Friday

With scintillating beats and ear-grabbing might, DRUMLine Live brings the thrilling musical tradition of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) to the Center for Performing Arts for one show only, on Friday, February 15, at 7 p.m.

DRUMLine Live's high-energy cast members honed their astonishing skills and precision moves with years of training in cpa drumline 2013marching band programs across the southern United States at HBCU schools like Florida A&M University, Jackson State University, Clark Atlanta University, Norfolk State University, and Prairie View A&M University.

Now in their fourth year of touring, DRUMLine Live's versatile musicians and dancers continue to electrify audiences across the country with an exciting mix of vibrant sounds and athleticism. Equally at home with the hottest contemporary hip hop, R&B, classic Motown tunes, and the rousing sounds of the great brass tradition, DRUMLine Live shares the American Marching Band tradition with an expanding collection of admirers of all ages.

Tickets for DRUMLine Live are \$15 to \$58. To purchase tickets, or for further information, contact the GSU Center box office at www.centertickets.net or 708.235.2222. The box office is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and two hours prior to performances.

Relay for Life Meetings Set

Meetings have been scheduled for GSU's Colleges Against Cancer/Relay For Life team.

GSU's team will participate in the May 17 Relay for Life of Chicago Heights.

Meetings will take place on February 20, March 20, April 17, and May 15. All meetings will take place at 4 p.m. in Room A2110.

For event information, visit www.relayforlife.org/chicagoheightsil.

Give Blood - February 25

GSU's Student Occupational Therapy Association (SOTA) will host a university-wide blood drive on Monday, February 25, 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 or SOTA at 708.534.7294.

For eligibility questions, contact Heartland Blood Center at 708.633.0101.

Illinois Open Tech Challenge Coming to Campus

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/.

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.

ANCRA Law Compliance for GSU Employees

Gail M. Bradshaw, Associate Vice President of Human Resources and Diversity, has directed that all employees, including all full and part-time, extra-help, temporary, graduate assistants and student workers, receive notification about the new Illinois Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act (ANCRA).

To verify notification has been made, employees will receive an e-mail from HR shortly, containing information and instructions about this law, with a link to the DCFS [Acknowledgement Form](#), which each employee must complete, print off, sign, and date.

Please keep a copy for your records, and send the original DCFS form to the GSU Human Resources Department by March 1. You can drop it in the night mailbox next to the HR Department entry door, or place it in the university mail addressed to the HR Department, or place it in the U.S. Mail addressed to: Governors State University, Attn: Human Resources Department, 1 University Parkway, University Park, IL 60484.

'Shakti Chakra' Explores Cycle of Creation

Creation. Good and evil. Lust, greed, and anger. Purification.



In its stunning exhibition of classical Indian dance, *Shakti Chakra – the Energy Cycle*, Natya Dance Theatre examines powerful forces that have been central to the human experience since the dawn of time.

Shakti Chakra – the Energy Cycle is coming to the Center for Performing Arts for one performance only, at 8 p.m., Saturday, February 16.

In *Shakti Chakra – the Energy Cycle*, stories from Indian mythology are interpreted through movement and expression in order to explore humanity's place in the universal cycle of creation. Sections portray the relationships between humanity and divine forces.

Shakti Chakra – the Energy Cycle is the third One More Night production during GSU Center's 2012-2013 season. One More Night brings the best in Chicago theatre, music, and dance to Chicago Southland audiences; Quality performances are always affordable and close to home. The series is funded by a generous grant from The Chicago Community Trust.

Tickets for *Shakti Chakra – the Energy Cycle* are \$30 and \$10 for students, with 10 percent savings for seniors and 20 percent savings for groups of 10 or more. To purchase tickets, or for further information, contact the GSU Center box office at www.centertickets.net or 708.235.2222.



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