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News

President Elaine P. Maimon on Chicago Tonight

On Wednesday, July 12, 2017, GSU President Elaine P. Maimon talked with Paul Ponce at WTTW about moving ahead in Illinois with the new budget. Along with Northeastern Illinois University's Interim President Richard Helldobler, Dr. Maimon discussed the damage done and the path ahead for higher education in Illinois.

“We are moving into a resurgence mode now and a restorative mode,” Dr. Maimon said. “We did everything that was responsible to do during this unprecedented two years ... and now we can send the message that through these two years, we have been resilient.”

You can view the entire conversation here.

State of Illinois Releases Education Funding
For the first time in over seven months, public universities and students who qualify for MAP grants were issued over $523 million by Comptroller Susana A. Mendoza last Thursday, July 13. “Like the many legislators who supported a bipartisan budget solution last week, my office is committed to helping our colleges and universities recover from the unprecedented – and unnecessary – wreckage,” Comptroller Mendoza said in a press release published by her office.

To read the release, click here.

Happy Birthday, GSU!

Today our university celebrates its 48th birthday. Take a look at who and what else turns 48 this year in our GSU Newsroom!

Announcements and Events

Save the Dates – Upcoming Events in Fall 2017
The fall semester is rapidly approaching. Add these events to your calendar so that you don’t miss out on exciting opportunities at GSU.
Convocation 2017 will be held Friday, August 25 at 3 p.m. in the Center for Performing Arts. Come and let’s kick off the year together!

GSU’s Fall 2017 All Campus Symposium will be held on Friday, November 10 on the stage of the Center for Performing Arts. The symposium will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end in the early afternoon. Additional details will be announced soon.
Contact Penny Perdue or call 708.534.4130 for more information.

Do Good and Feel Good by Taking Part in GSU Library Amnesty
All GSU students, faculty, and staff who bring overdue GSU library books and materials along with one or more cans of food to the Library circulation desk will have their late fines forgiven. This does not include charges for damaged materials.

Canned good donations will be directly donated to the GSU Food Depository. Those who do not have library fines are also welcome to donate. Contact the Library for more information.

Follow GSU on Snapchat
Add governors_state on Snapchat and live every moment at GSU in real-time. Snap or screenshot the snap code to add GSU on Snapchat.

**Graduate Writing Camp**

The Writing Center is hosting GSU’s first Graduate Writing Camp Saturday, July 29 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. in the Student Success Commons. This day-long session provides graduate students time and space to work on theses, dissertations, or any longform writing project.

A reservation is required to participate in this event. Email Dr. Jarrett Neal, Writing Center Coordinator, or call him at 708.235.2105 to reserve a spot. Lunch will be provided. Space is limited to ten students.

**Take a Summer Time-Out for Fun!**

Summer is for fun, so take a break from the office for GSU’s Time Out for Fun (TOFF)! All GSU staff, students, and faculty are invited to get together, as schedules allow, between noon and 2 p.m. this Wednesday, July 12 for a variety of organized activities such as bean bags, bocce ball, volleyball, hula-hoops, board games, and more. In case of rain, pool, X-Box, and ping-pong are on the agenda.

TOFF activities are planned for the following Wednesdays during the summer: June 28; July 12, 19, and 26; and August 2 and 9. Locations will be announced in an upcoming e-blast. For more information, contact TOFF Committee members Karen Caesar, Dean Jennings, Marco Krcatovich, or Lydia Morrow-Ruetten.

**Sports Broadcasting Internships**

Are you interested in Sports Broadcasting? The Department of Digital Learning and Media Design is seeking interns to participate in sports coverage for men’s and women’s basketball games and women’s volleyball games. Positions include camera, audio, graphics, announcers, engineering, and social media. For more information, view the flyer here or contact Mark Kundla.

**Summer Film Festival**

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend the Summer Film Festival, hosted by GSU’s School of Extended Learning and Intellectual Life Committee. The next screening, Michael Caplan’s Algren: The Movie, will take place Wednesday, July 19 at 4:30 p.m. in F1622. Reserve your seat here.

**Highlights**

**Turkish Faculty Visit GSU**

Turkish faculty are visiting Governors State to study English. They recently shared their culture and history with the GSU community at Conversational Café. Read more here.

**Shooting Stars Story Time in the GSU Library**
The GSU Library has some very special guests this summer. On Wednesday and Friday afternoons, a group of excited young children from the GSU Family Development Center's Shooting Stars Summer Camp are led by their teacher, Khuloud Mansour, to visit campus for Story Time in the Library. Help us welcome these young book-lovers when you see them!

**Listen to Dr. Anthony Andrews on the Thought Leaders Viewpoint**

On the fourth episode of *The Thought Leader’s Viewpoint*, Associate Professor of *Economic* Dr. Anthony Andrews discusses the impact of external environment on small and mid-size companies. “What I really enjoy and get inspiration from at Governors State is teaching our students and preparing them to face their internal and external environment,” said Dr. Andrews in his closing remarks. To listen to this episode of the Thought Leader’s Viewpoint, click [here](#).

**Workshops & Trainings**

Check out the next Office of Marketing and Communications WorkZone training as well as information and training sessions for 25Live, GSU’s university-wide events calendar. For the complete list of workshop and training options, click [here](#).

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Do you have a story or event you want to submit for the GSU View? Click [here](#) to learn about our submission guidelines.
Governors State University Turns 48

Happy birthday, GSU! You're 48. Although still an adolescent in institutional reckoning, in human years, you sit square in the midst of middle age. You're officially "distinguished" now. Along with Jennifer Aniston, Ice Cube, and Christian Slater—all born as well in 1969—you've made it through Watergate, disco, and Reaganomics. You Just Said No, and you saw the Berlin Wall come down. Your halls were filled with parachute pants and perms that eventually gave way to skinny jeans and flannels, and here, you are. Congratulations on being the steadfast engine of the Southland's economy and dreams, on surviving the tumult of the late 20th century and flourishing in the 21st.

When GSU was founded, Gunsmoke and Laugh-In were among the country's favorite television shows, and we were listening to Creedence Clearwater Revival, James Brown, and Gladys Knight & the Pips on FM radio. We talk often of the 1969 Apollo 11 moon landing and its tie to the university—the shared spirit of discovery—but what else happened the year we were founded?

- The Beatles released Abbey Road.
- Sesame Street premiered.
- The film Easy Rider hit theaters.
- The first human eye transplant was performed.
- The Boeing 747 Jumbo Jet made its debut, carrying 191 members of the press from New York City to Seattle.
- The first ATM was installed in the United States.
- Woodstock Music Festival drew 350,000 fans to upstate New York.
- Willie Nelson started playing Trigger, his famously named guitar.
- The Gap opened their first store in San Francisco.

So there you have it—we're as old as Willie Nelson's guitar. Happy birthday again, GSU. Here's to many more celebrations.
University Park, IL, July 26, 2017

**Turkish Faculty Visit GSU**

Governors State University is not just a public square for the Southland; it's a dedicated space for global exchange and learning to take place. This summer, GSU once again welcomes faculty members from Sakarya University in Adapazari, Turkey. Each year, a group of professors comes to Governors State to refine their conversational English and further the cultural exchange between our universities. Please say hello if you see them on campus!
Chicago, IL, July 26, 2017

**Workshops and Training Opportunities**

**25Live Information and Training Sessions**

25Live is GSU’s university-wide Events Calendar. To learn more about this resource and how to use it, please drop by for one of the following sessions:

- Wednesday, July 26, 1 – 2 p.m., in the Hall of Honors
- Tuesday, August 1, 10 – 11 a.m., in the Hall of Honors

Once acquainted with what 25Live offers, sign up for one of the following training sessions to learn hands-on how to complete the new Event Request Form and how to enter the event on the new Main Event Calendar.

- Monday, August 7, 1 – 2:30 p.m., in D2430B
- Tuesday, August 8, at 9 – 10:30 a.m., in D2430B
- Tuesday, August 15, 2:30 – 4 p.m., in D2430B

Reserve your seat by emailing ITS Training (mailto:ITStraining%20@GOVST.EDU?subject=25Live%20training).

**Faculty Profile Page Update Made Easier**

Faculty members: did you know posting your profile on the GSU website can yield higher search engine results for you? Since GSU's website employs Google Search as its engine, posting your profile means any searches for you, your areas of expertise, or even keywords within your CV will result in a higher search engine listing result for your profile.

This also means that academic colleagues, as well as those within your research community with shared fields of interest, can learn more about you and the breadth of your work in one centralized academic location. In addition, your areas of expertise will be easily discernable to media members seeking subject-matter experts for commentary and insight.

Finally, you can facilitate contact through other channels by presenting your professional personal website or social media presence as part of your profile.

Click on this link for the online submission form (http://www.govst.edu/faculty-profile-form/) and we will have your profile up within a matter of days.