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## News and Events

### [Register for Spring/Summer Classes](#)

The Registrar's Office reminds students that priority registration is underway this week. Open registration begins on Monday, March 24. All students are encouraged to register early to get the classes they need.

Registration is available [online](#) or via touchtone phone at 708.235.8887.

### [MIS Club Leads Campus Safety Discussion](#)

GSU's MIS Club invites students, faculty, and staff to attend *A Rude Awakening: Violence on College Campuses*, on Thursday, March 20, from 6 to 7 p.m., in the Student Commons (second floor, A wing).

The event features a presentation by Lt. McGee from the university's Department of Public Safety (DPS). He will discuss the recent NIU tragedy, DPS procedures for ensuring safety on campus, safety tips, and emergency evacuation procedures.

For more information, contact [Chayla Wilson](#).

### [Phone-a-thon Volunteer Reminder](#)

There is still time to volunteer for the GSU Foundation's 2008 Phone-a-Thon. This year's event will take place from March 31 through April 3 and April 6 through April 10.

Volunteers are an important part of the success of this fund-raising venture. Calls help raise donations to support GSU's scholarship programs, professional development for faculty and civil service professionals, the GSU Promise, and more. The Phone-a-Thon also helps encourage connections between alumni, faculty, students, and GSU.

Food, fun, and door prizes will be available to all who participate. For more information or to sign-up, contact the GSU Foundation at 708.235.7494.

### [Limerick Winners Have Luck of the Irish](#)

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with the announcement of the winners of GSU's first limerick contest, sponsored by the Civil Service Senate. The contest inspired a unique show of creativity from the GSU community.

Some finalists chose to present their own limericks to the crowd gathered in the Hall of

Governors. Others asked colleagues to read their works or made donations to have Irish Storyteller Lynne Clayton present the poems. All donations went to the Civil Service Senate.

“The Civil Service Senate would like to thank all who participated and especially those whose generous donations helped to make this event a success,” said Kathy Miller, president of the Civil Service Senate.

Winners:

*1<sup>st</sup> Place - Eric Nicholson, University Library*

Though at Governors State University

We all celebrate our diversity

An exception is seen

When we all, donning green

Perpetrate this poetic perversity.

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tie - Charles Klaas, Digital Learning & Media Design*

There once was a guy from gov state

Who complained about all that he ate.

Now that Aramark’s gone

Sodexo’s a charm

And now he returns from lunch late.

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tie - Deirdre Webb, Registrar’s Office*

Each winter morning on campus I see

The tower that plays melody.

I try not to freeze

With the snow to my knees

As it “Welcome’s Sweet Springtime” for me.

## **Wild Blue Yonder**

The United States Air Force Academy Band will perform a free concert at Governors State University, on Tuesday, April 8, at 7 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts.

The group hails from Colorado Springs, Colorado and is comprised of service members of the United States Air Force. The group performs nearly 600 times per year. The Band will perform concert band classics and patriotic favorites. They will also present highlights from the musical "Oklahoma!," complete with vocalists and costumes.

Seating for the event is general admission. Free tickets are available at [www.centertickets.net](http://www.centertickets.net) or by calling The Center box office (708) 235-2222. Governors State University is located at 1 University Parkway, University Park, Illinois.

## **Challenging T.A.L.E. Classes**

Once again the Anita M. Stone JCC, with the co-operation of GSU, will offer T.A.L.E. (The Adult Learning Exchange), enrichment classes for adults, on campus. The 8-week sessions run from April 18 to June 6. Course topics include short stories in film, American essays, Tibet, beginning improvisation, and understanding humans through myths and fables.

For more information, call 708.799.7650.

