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TUITION WAIVER AVAILABLE—Pick up your staff tuition waiver form before registering for the fall trimester. Civil Service employees may pick up the form in the Personnel office, and faculty members may secure one from the Provost's office. The completed form with appropriate signatures should be presented at registration to the Office of Financial Aid where the tuition waiver will be recorded.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES CHANGES NAME—The Office of Student Activities is now known as the Office of Student Life. The new name clearly conveys the broad range of functions, programs and services being offered and will promote a better understanding of the role of this office, according to **Dr. Frank Borelli**, dean of Student Affairs and Services.

PUBLISHED—**Dr. Arthur P. Bourgeois** (CAS), a monograph in the Iconography of Religions Series entitled "The Yaka and Suku" issued this spring by E.J. Brill, Netherlands.

INFO SHEETS NEEDED—A request for information for the annual university directory has been sent out. If you didn't get an information request sheet call **Robert Jaynes** (UR) extension 2122. Deadline for return of information sheets is August 2. The new directory will be published this fall.

SHE WORKS OUT SOLUTIONS—A challenge really makes **Louise Kohl's** brown eyes light up as her mind begins the search for an appropriate solution to any problem presented to her. Whether it's hunting for a piece of antique china to complete a tablesetting or putting together a program request for an academic major, she sets about the task with zest.

Louise worked at Governors State as a university planner and had been responsible for significant curriculum revisions. She came to Governors State University as a university research associate in Administration and Planning in November 1981.

Her most recent challenge has been to combine the roles of homemaker and university planner. She enjoyed her job, but wanted to spend more time with husband David, a Mokena farmer, and their year old son Zachary.

Louise found a way to combine a career with homemaking. She will be a consulting university planner in Administration and Planning one day a week during the next year.

"She's one of our most outstanding employees, and she gets excited about a challenge," said **Gerald Baysore**, associate vice president for Institutional Research and Planning. "She conceptualizes things quickly and well, has a sharp analytical mind, is versatile and has excellent communication skills. This unique combination as well as her familiarity with academic program needs and fiscal responsibility has made her a very important person to the academic direction of the university," he added.

"The highlight of my work at Governors State," Louise said, "has been the combination of the program review process with the catalog update. The best thing about my new contract is the flexibility afforded me in continuing my professional work while allowing me to devote more time to family responsibilities."

AWARD WINNER NAMED—Our July Civil Service employee of the month is **Diane Cole**, an admissions and records officer in the Registrar's Office. Diane has worked almost ten years at Governors State University and all of those years have been in the registrar's office. Her assignments have included working in the main office and in the systems section. She is now in the records research and academic standing advising section.

The most enjoyable part of her job, said Diane, is the student contact even though some students are quite upset over problems with their academic records or their academic standing—especially suspension. Maintaining her composure is the key to helping students calm down, according to our winner. Being able to solve problems and see students pleased with results gives Diane immense satisfaction, she revealed.

She added that she feels that we have a really good employee of the month program and hopes it can recognize a lot more people who are very deserving and who often go unrecognized.

Diane has been involved since 1982 representing civil service staff on the child care advisory committee. She also volunteers as a facilitator for a teen mothers support group at Aunt Martha's.

Since Diane was raised in Virginia, it's no surprise that she hates winter and enjoys summer sunshine during which she plays tennis and goes bicycling. She has two daughters, 14 and 18 years old, and a son who is eight years old.

NEW ITEMS WELCOME—We're always looking for items about the members of the Governors State University community, their activities, accomplishments and future events to publish in our newsletter.

Inscapes is published every other Monday. Deadline for the July 29 issue is July 17; and July 31 is the deadline for the August 12 issue. Send your news to the Office of University Relations.

BULLETIN

In the closing days of the recent legislative session, the General Assembly passed legislation calling for "...up to 2.2 million dollars in matching funds" to help construct a regional performing arts center on the Governors State University campus. This legislation, which becomes law only after the governor signs the bill, Senate Bill 453, was initiated by State Senator Aldo DeAngelis. Bill Dodd, GSU Foundation CEO, reacted to the legislation: "I believe the GSU Foundation and the southern suburbs are up to this challenge. The Board is delighted with this terrific support from Senator DeAngelis and the General Assembly. We have already begun to intensify our planning for a capital campaign."

SHE BRINGS A SMILE—"Smile and the world smiles with you" must be more than just a trite saying to **Sonya Monroe-Clay**. No matter how glum you may feel, when you meet her and she flashes that big smile and says, "How are you?", you have to feel better.



Sonya Monroe-Clay

But what would you expect from a dedicated social worker interested in every stage of social behavior? Her entire career as teacher and counselor has been devoted to helping others. Her bachelor's degree from University of Illinois is in sociology, and she has a master's in social work, also from U of I. She completed the doctorate degree in educational leadership and community education at Western Michigan in 1981.

She began her professional career in the adult surroundings of the Veterans Administration Hospital at Danville as

a social worker. Soon after, she became a member of the youth project of Unit 4 School District in Champaign. She remained in the district's special education department for six years, serving at times as coordinator of social work services and assistant director of the summer Headstart program. This past spring she was coordinator of a successful seminar on the problems of the aging.

For the five years prior to joining the faculty at Governors State University in 1974 she was assistant professor at the Jane Addams Graduate School of Social Work, University of Illinois. Since coming to Governors State she has served as coordinator of the human services program, 1975-77, and has been coordinator of the social work major since 1983.

In addition to her teaching assignments, she has participated in several internships, including one as a management intern at Upjohn Corp. She also has received a number of fellowships and certificates in social work along the way. In 1974 she participated in a study of social services in Sweden and Denmark because one of her interests includes international social work practice.

Sonya is active in a number of professional and service organizations. Among them are the Council on Social Work Education, National Association of Social Workers, National Association of Black Social Workers, the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History, Urban League and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Perhaps, that marvelous smile is partially due to the satisfaction which she has found in volunteer work in various community agencies. Sonya has been a volunteer worker in community centers, residential treatment facilities, school districts and youth services.

STAFF DIRECTORY REVISIONS — Please note the following July revisions and additions to your staff directory:

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Please remove the following names from your directory:

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OLSON, CATHERINE
SHIPLEY, COLEEN
SHIPLEY, STEVEN



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