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Holiday Party Reminder

It is time to celebrate the season, each other, and the start of the yearlong 40th anniversary GSU observance. The GSU Holiday Reception, hosted by Dr. Elaine P. Maimon and the Board of Trustees, is on Friday, December 12, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Monday’s Campus Evacuation

The university’s Emergency Response Team (ERT) thanks the entire university for their cooperation and understanding during Monday’s power outage and campus evacuation.

A major electrical cable in the A-wing power plant faulted, causing smoke discharge and a power failure. Our mutual aid emergency partners from surrounding communities arrived within 10 minutes of the fire alarm. An electrical contractor immediately began working on remediation of the faulty cable and completed the work around 1:30 a.m. the following morning. An investigation has been initiated to determine the cause of the electrical fault.

The ERT welcomes feedback from the university community regarding the event. All input will be considered, as emergency procedures are refined to help ensure that GSU remains well prepared in emergency situations. Please e-mail comments to the Emergency Response Team.

Dance with the Sugar Plum Fairy

You may not know the moves, but you know the music and the wonderful feeling it brings during the holiday season. The Salt Creek Ballet with Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra presents “The Nutcracker” at The Center for Performing Arts with performances at 1 and 5 p.m. on Saturday, December 13.

Buy one, get one free tickets are available for the 5 p.m. performance, platinum seating only. The special offer begins at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 12, and ends at 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 13. Regular price tickets are available for the 1 p.m. performance.

Visit the box office or call x 2222 for tickets.

Final Two for Tuesday in 2008

The Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park’s last Two for Tuesday of 2008 looks to be a great one. Don’t miss the opportunity to discuss two of the park’s most interesting angular sculptures – Charles Ginnever’s Icarus and John Payne’s Mock II – V Form.

The lively, half-hour media presentations will take place at 12:30 and 3:45 p.m., on Tuesday, December 16, in room D1497 (just past the bookstore).
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For more information, visit the Writing Competition FAQ or contact Sheree Sanderson at ext. 3956.

Yes, We Did

The GSU community gathered together to view the inauguration of President Barack Obama along with several billion of our closest friends around the world and on the mall in D.C. The large screen TV in the Hall of Governors served as a magnet, as many, including the children from the Family Development Center, were drawn to witness the ceremony and hear the speeches. Cheers, applause, laughter, even some tears flowed through the crowd of observers.

A reporter from the SouthtownStar was also on hand for the GSU observance. Her article, which includes descriptive imagery and wonderful quotes from members of the GSU community, appeared in the January 21 edition of the paper.

Get Involved – Run for Office

Election and petition packets are available online for the positions of Student Senator, Student Representative to the Governors State University Board of Trustees, and Student Representative to the Illinois Board of Higher Education Student Advisory Committee.

Completed packets are due to Sara Appel, Director of Student Involvement and Leadership (A2132), by 5 p.m., on Thursday, January 22.
Civic and Community Engagement Continues

The Civic and Community Engagement lecture series at Governors State University sponsored by the University Honors Program and the College of Arts and Sciences’ Political and Justice Studies Program continues with a presentation by Sister Catherine Ryan.

Sister Ryan is currently the Executive Director of Maryville Academy and was the Assistant State’s Attorney under Richard M. Daley. She also served for seven years as the Chief of the Cook county Juvenile Justice Bureau.

Her presentation, Bringing in the Community to Serve Juvenile Offenders, is on March 25, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., in the Hall of Honors.

For more information, contact Dr. Larry Levinson at ext. 4578.

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Summer Programs at FDC

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Discounts are available for children and grandchildren of GSU students, staff, and faculty. Call today for more information, 708.235.7300.
Grant Funding for Research

Each year, the Provost’s Office sponsors seed grants as a way to encourage research in and among our faculty, students, and staff. The funding is designed primarily to encourage scholarly activity. This year, the maximum grant is again $3500.

Completed applications are due to the Provost’s Office by 5 p.m., on Friday, May 1. All research and expenses must be incurred and completed and submitted during the 2010 fiscal year (July 2009-June 31, 2010) to be funded by these grants.

For more information, contact Margaret Neumann, Chair, URG committee, at ext. 4968.

What’s Your GSU Story?

There is still time to contribute your own GSU story to the 40th Anniversary celebration. In honor of the event, we are collecting stories of the positive impact and enduring memories of community members, alumni, students, retirees, or employees of the university.

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2009 Scholarship Luncheon

Part of a whirlwind of activities on campus last Thursday, GSU’s 2009 Scholarship Luncheon brought together students, donors, community members, and faculty and staff. The annual event celebrates and recognizes the achievements of student scholarship winners and the generosity of donors.

GSU’s own Tony Labriola of Digital Learning and Media Design emceed the event. In addition to Tony’s recognition of the donors who attended, he introduced four students (Toure Peck, Hector Santiago, Marion Shalor, and Dawn Voss) who gave personal testimonials regarding how receiving scholarships personally affected them.

Two very special, non-scholarship related recognitions also took place. President Maimon joined Tony in celebrating Shakespeare’s birthday with appropriate quotes and a rousing rendition of Brush Up Your Shakespeare from the musical Kiss Me Kate. Illinois Representative Lisa Dugan also took to the lectern to issue a special proclamation in honor of GSU’s 40th Anniversary.
Civil Service Scholarship Deadline

The deadline to submit applications for the Civil Service Scholarship has been extended to May 15. Eligible scholarship recipients include Civil Service employees, their spouses, and dependent children.

Contact Diane Jones at ext. 7470 to apply or with questions.

Beach Body

GSU’s Recreation and Fitness Center will help you lose weight and get in shape this summer. The center is offering a wide array of courses including Latin Dance, Bellydancing, Yoga, Martial Arts for self Defense, Self Defense for Women, Personal Training, Next Level Fitness, Pilates Mat, Fitness Yoga, Aerobics, Fitness Boot Camp, Beginning a Workout Program, and Total Water Exercise.

For full course descriptions and details, visit the Recreation and Fitness Center website or call ext. 4556.

Exploring the Spiritual

David Matteson, COE Professor Emeritus in the Psychology and Counseling Division, will discuss his book, Exploring the Spiritual: Paths for Counselors and Psychotherapists, on Wednesday, May 27, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria Annex. Light refreshments will be served.

Enter a drawing to win a copy of Exploring the Spiritual by sending an email with “Matteson Book” in the subject line to Diane Dates Casey, by May 20 at 5 p.m.

Eat Right, Feel Great

It’s no secret that eating well is essential for good health. GSU will offer Weight Watchers at Work from June 3 through September 23, in coordination with the Let’s Get Fit program.

An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20, from 12:30 to 1 p.m., in room F1603. The program also includes complimentary, confidential weigh-ins.

The program requires 20 or more participants to commit to a 17-week session, so bring your friends.

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flow directions will be designated with signage. Subsequent phases of work will be announced throughout the summer.

Also beginning June 1, Pace Bus pick-up and drop off will be temporarily relocated to the F-wing entry. The GSU Shuttle pick-up and drop off will be temporarily relocated to the north end “B” Parking Lot.

For more information, call ext 4515.

**Ride the Sculpture Park Pathways**

Enjoy a tour of the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park from your bicycle. Bike the pathways of the park and enjoy a guided tour of many of the 26 pieces of renowned artwork!

The bike tour is on Saturday, May 30, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Riders will meet outside, behind the Hall of Governors. There is no charge. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. All riders must wear helmets. There will be some riding on public roads.

Pre-registration is not required. For more information, email or call the **NMSP** at ext 4486.

**Business Card Discount**

The upcoming Zip Code change for University Park will soon render Current GSU business cards collector’s items. To ease the transition to 60484, take advantage of the 20 percent discount on new business cards being offered throughout the month of June.

Convenient, new ordering instructions will be included in next week’s View.

Don’t worry if you have a stack of cards with the current Zip Code. That code is valid for GSU until July 2010.

**Scholarships Available**

The GSU Foundation and the GSU Alumni Association have announced the 2009/2010 scholarship offerings. For a list of available scholarships, visit [www.govst.edu/scholarships](http://www.govst.edu/scholarships).

The deadline to apply is June 26, 2009.

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**GSU BSU Invites U**

The next meeting of the Black Student Union will be held on Wednesday, June 17, from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., in the cafeteria annex. Everyone is welcome.

**Open Enrollment**

Benefits Choice, open enrollment period, has been extended to Monday, June 15, for the Fiscal Year 2010. Changes will be accepted through the end of business, 5 p.m., on June 15. Changes turned in during Benefit Choice through June 15 become effective July 1, 2009.

This extension does not apply to the Flexible Spending Plan, MCAP, and DCAP. Open enrollment or Benefits Choice Period for these plans will end on Friday, May 29, 2009. Employees who wish to apply or re-enroll must contact HR this week.

**MBA Students from China Graduate**

While all the students participating in Commencement exercises on June 6 have a story to tell of their journey to graduation, few have come as far as eight students from China earning their MBAs.

These students are among the 20 students attending GSU from Guangdong University of Technology (GDUT) in China. They are the first graduates of a program begun in 2006.

The education exchange agreement between GSU and GDUT was initiated by Hilary Burkinshaw, Director of the CenterPoint for Entrepreneurs at GSU. Burkinshaw travelled to China on a trade mission organized by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The agreement enabled GSU professors to work closely with the Chinese students to prepare them for their learning experience in an American university classroom.

Several of the students’ parents will travel to GSU to celebrate their children’s success at the invitation of Dr. Ellen Foster Curtis, Dean of CBPA.
**Campus Community Campaign Kickoff Event**

See, hear, and experience the power of change as the Campus Community Campaign begins with a celebration of GSU’s 40 years of changing lives. Through scholarships, programs, and special events the contributions made by the university community have supported GSU’s students and mission.

The CCC kickoff event is on Tuesday, September 22, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts. Refreshments will be served in the CPA lobby.

**Join the Anniversary Celebration**

Join the celebration recognizing GSU’s 40th Anniversary. The 40th Anniversary Celebration embraces the theme of *Celebrating the Past and Charting the Future*.

On Friday, November 5, at 3 p.m., in Engbretson Hall, past and current GSU presidents and staff will discuss the birth, growth, and future of the university. Following the discussion, the new history wall, commemorating 40 years of educational excellence, will be unveiled in the D Main Entrance Atrium. A reception will follow.

Students, alumni, employees, and the community are also invited to attend an evening of celebration that promises to bring the music, style, and fun of the '60s back to GSU. The celebration begins on Saturday, November 7, with a reception at 6 p.m. followed by *A Tribute to the Motown Greats* at The Center for Performing Arts. After the show, the celebration continues with a DJ and dancing.

Tickets are only $50 and include the reception, *A Tribute to the Motown Greats* show, and post-show DJ/dancing. There will be a cash bar before and after the show.

Renew acquaintances and make new friends. Let your hair down and dance the night away. And be sure to don your finest 1960s attire. Seating for this once in a lifetime event is limited. Visit the [40th Anniversary website](#) for more information and to reserve your tickets to the celebration.

**Time-Saving Strategies: Organizing Online Content**

Learn how to better use Blackboard CE-8 during an important, timesaving workshop. Instead of making additional copies of the course syllabus, lecture notes, PowerPoint presentations, and other content materials, educators can make them available to students online through Blackboard CE-8.

The Center for Online Teaching and Learning is offering *Time-Saving Strategies to Organize Online Content*. This hands-on workshop will discuss best formats to save, publish, and organize materials online for students.

The workshop will be held on Tuesday, September 15, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., in Room D2438 of the ACS lab. It will be repeated on Saturday, September 19, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., in Room D2438 of the ACS lab.

To attend register for this workshop, contact Barb Mandel, and indicate which session you will attend.
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Cook County State’s Attorney Anita Alvarez to Speak at GSU

As part of the Distinguished Lecture Series, Cook County State’s Attorney Anita Alvarez will speak to students, faculty, staff, and the community at a free and public presentation on October 1, at 6 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts. A question and answer period will follow.

Anita Alvarez is Cook County’s first female and first Latina State’s Attorney. Her presentation is part of the university’s observance of Hispanic Heritage Month and is sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences and the Title V/Latino Center for Excellence.

For more information, contact Sheree Sanderson at ext. 3956.

Principles and Profiles of Good Practice in Assessment

The second of a series of faculty development workshops around the theme of assessment will be held on Wednesday, September 23, from noon to 2 p.m., in D 34170. Attendees need not have attended the first workshop.

These luncheon workshops are free to GSU faculty, administrators and teaching staff as part of a wider campus conversation about teaching and learning. The luncheons are supported in part by the Provost's Office, the Division of Digital Learning, and the GSU Faculty Development Committee. To register, contact Eric Wignall.
GSU’s 40th Anniversary year will culminate in style with a weeklong celebration celebrates the past and looks forward toward a bright future. From November 2 through 7, the university community will host lectures, workshops, tours, and outreach events. The week culminates with a celebration in grand fashion on Saturday, November 7, with a Tribute to Motown Greats, featuring a pre-show reception and post-show dancing with a DJ.

**40th Anniversary Celebration**

- Pre-Show Reception - 6 p.m.
- *A Tribute to the Motown Greats* - 7:30 p.m.
- DJ/Dancing – 9:30 p.m. to midnight

The $50 ticket price includes the pre-show reception, *A Tribute to the Motown Greats* show, post-show DJ/dancing, cash bar before and after show. 1960s attire is encouraged.

Seating for this once in a lifetime event is limited. Reserve your tickets today. Mail the reservation form with a check to Governors State University Alumni Association, 1 University Parkway, University Park, IL 60484, or call **708.534.4128**.

**Dr. Quentin Young to Lecture**

Dr. Quentin Young, clinical professor of preventative medicine and community health at the University of Illinois Medical Center, will present *America at the Crossroads: The National Health Care Debate* at Governors State University on Friday, October 9, from 1 to 3 p.m., in Sherman Hall. The lecture is free. Staff, students, and the public are invited to attend.

Young is a long-time leader in public health policy and an early and active
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GSU Past, Present, and Future

Join a panel of distinguished guests as they discuss the birth, growth, and future of the university. Celebrating the Past, Charting the Future: A Panel Discussion will be held on Friday, November 6, at 3 p.m., in Sherman Hall. The event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Paul Green, Director of Roosevelt University’s Institute for Politics will act as moderator/panelist. Other panelists include GSU President Dr. Elaine Maimon, Prairie State VP for Academic Affairs Dr. Adenuga Atewologun, former GSU President Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth, and Matteson School District 162 Superintendent Dr. Blondean Davis.

Prevention... The Best Medicine

As flu season approaches, GSU students, faculty, and staff are reminded to take precautionary steps to prevent the spread of H1N1.

Helpful tips are available on GSU’s H1N1 information webpage, which includes links to Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) resources. All students, faculty, and staff experiencing confirmed symptoms of the H1N1 flu virus are encouraged to stay home, with the approval of their supervisors. Individuals should also call GSU's confidential hotline at 708.235.2827.

Touching Lives...

The Center of Performing Arts opened their 2009-2010 season last weekend with audience favorite Jim Brickman. This year's fresh season will free your imagination, tickle your funny bone, and touch your soul. Upcoming shows include:
The Center for Online Teaching and Learning (COTL) is holding a workshop for faculty investigating how to move their courses to a fully online format on Wednesday, October 14, from 1 to 3 p.m., in D2438. Participants will be provided individual support by COTL faculty to help them design and build their fully online courses.

The workshop will focus on:

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A separate workshop for faculty wishing to develop hybrid courses will be offered later in the month.

To register, contact Jan Engle at ext. 3073.

**Friends Solve the Mystery**

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Snakes, Spiders, Alligators - Oh My

Emmy Award-winning creator, producer, and host of Animal Planet’s The Jeff Corwin Experience and Corwin’s Quest, Jeff Corwin will visit GSU’s Center for Performing Arts on Saturday, October 17, at 2 p.m. He will be joined by amazing creatures and will talk about his adventures around the world.

GSU two-for-one tickets will be available for seats on the main floor. Regular price is $39 for adults and $26 for kids. Seats are available close to the stage and are the ones from which Corwin selects people to join him. The offer begins on Friday, October 16, at 10 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m. just before the show. Call 708.235.2222 or visit the box office to purchase tickets.

Principals Develop New Program

The Wallace Foundation and the Illinois Board of Higher Education have chosen GSU as one of three test sites statewide for reviewing and recommending models for the redefined new principal preparation programs.

The Metropolitan Institute for Leadership in Education (MILE) is coordinating GSU’s participation. Twelve current school principals will attend a day and a half long session on October 26 and 27, which will focus on creating a principal preparation program that focuses on student learning and school improvement. The primary goal of the agenda is to increase educational attainment to match the best-performing states in the country.

Principals participating in the program will receive a stipend and
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V-Team Wants You

Volunteering at GSU has an enjoyable way to help the university, make new friends, and learn about campus programs.

Now volunteering is even easier with GSU’s new V-Team. The V-Team is a corps of volunteers who provide the extra assistance that helps make GSU programs, events, seminars, and workshops a success.

The V-Team invites interested volunteers to attend an orientation meeting at 1 p.m., on Monday, October 26, in the Hall of Honors.

For more information contact Pulchratia Kinney-Smith or Mary Rothenberg.

Celebrate Like Its 1969

The 40th Anniversary Celebration week includes events for students, faculty, staff, and the community. Everyone is invited to join the celebration and commemorate 40 years of educational service and excellence.

Monday, November 2
Nontraditional Student Week
Pizza Party
6 to 8 p.m.
Hall of Honors

Tuesday, November 3
GSU Visual Arts Gallery
Graduate student Robert Catania
Through November 10

Psychology and Counseling
Department hosts Trinity College
(Invitation Only)
8:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Cafeteria Annex

Civil Service Senate Arts and Craft Fair
11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Hall of Governors

Nontraditional Student Week
*Emotional Wellness Workshop*
Learn to balance education, work, and family as a nontraditional student
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Hall of Honors

**Wednesday, November 4**
Civil Service Senate Arts and Craft Fair
11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Hall of Governors

Student Life
*Self Defense Workshop*
4 to 6 p.m.
Hall of Honors

Nontraditional Student Week
*Alpha Sigma Lambda Induction Ceremony*  
(Invitation Only)
6 to 9 p.m.
The Center for Performing Arts

Latino Center for Excellence
*Latino Film Festival*
View the year’s best Latino films
Time: TBD
Engbretson Hall

**Thursday, November 5**
Joint Nontraditional Student Week
Celebration with Moraine Valley Community College
Noon to 3:30 p.m.
Hall of Honors

Ingalls Wellness Center Seminar
Presented by Student Life
*Hello Fitness, Farewell Flab & Belly Fat*
2 to 6 p.m.
Engbretson Hall
Friday, November 6
Metropolitan Institute for Leadership in Education (MILE) workshop
Using a Strengths-Based Model for Leadership and Professional Development (Invitation Only)
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Room F1603

Celebrating the Past, Charting the Future - A Panel Discussion
Join GSU presidents, staff, and special guests as they discuss the birth, growth, and future of the university
3 p.m.
Sherman Recital Hall

Unveiling of History Wall and Reception
4:30 p.m.
D Main Entrance and Lobby

Saturday, November 7
Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park Tours
Tours originate in Hall of Governors
1:15 to 2 p.m. (Inner-loop tour)
2:15 to 3:45 p.m. (North-loop tour)

40th Anniversary Celebration Event
A Tribute to Motown Greats
Pre-show Reception, Awards, and Networking
6 p.m.
Hall of Governors
7:30 p.m.
The Center for Performing Arts

After Concert Celebration
DJ/Dancing
9:30 p.m. to midnight
Hall of Governors
Tickets $50 – Includes reception, Motown Greats show, post-show DJ/Dancing, cash bar before and after show.
Purchase tickets today:
708.534.4128 or www.govst.edu/40years
Managing Debt - For Free

Credit card bills, utility and car loan payments, mortgages, and rent can all add up to one big headache in the form of debt. Learn the Strategies for Managing Debt in Troubling Times at a workshop sponsored by the Academic Resource Center. Dr. Anthony Andrews of the CBPA will be the featured speaker.

This free workshop is open to students, faculty, staff, and the community. It will be held on November 5, from noon to 1 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m., in B1241. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Tamekia Scott at ext. 2228.

That’s the Ticket!

At the recent meeting of the Civil Service Senate, members voted to award a lucky civil service staff person two tickets to the 40th Anniversary Gala and Motown Concert.

According to Senate President, Kathy Miller, each civil service employee was randomly assigned a number. Dr. Maimon selected a number corresponding to the winning employee.

The recipient of the tickets is Kathleen Frossard-Fisher of Financial Services. Kathleen and her guest will enjoy the 40th Anniversary celebration compliments of the Civil Service Senate. Katie is happy to be going to the festivities and seeing the Motown show and thanks the Senate for this surprise gift.

“Congratulations to Katie, the lucky winner of the 40th anniversary party/show raffle,” said President Maimon. “I hope that many more members of the GSU family will attend the free events on Friday, November 6, and participate with Katie in the Motown celebration on Saturday, November 7.”

Getting Thirsty?

The university was notified recently that its bottled water provider, Great Glacier, has gone out-of-business. Auxiliary Services has adequate water supply/access on hand and will be announcing a new vendor and a new, streamlined ordering process within the next few days.

For questions, please contact Jerad Garrison at ext. 7445.

In the Blender
The Center for Online Teaching and Learning (COTL) is holding a workshop for faculty focusing on blended/hybrid courses, on Wednesday, October 28, from 1 to 4 p.m., in D2438. Participants will be provided individual support by COTL faculty to help them design and build their blended courses.

The workshop will focus on blended courses which retain face-to-face student contact while:

- Reducing the number of commutes to campus for both faculty and students
- Freeing up classrooms
- Improving learning outcomes

To register, contact Jan Engle at ext. 3073.

**CX Gets the (Re)Boot**

Beginning on Monday, October 19, the Jenzabar CX system reboot will be rescheduled from 10 p.m. daily to twice each week at 5 a.m. All Governors State Jenzabar products will be affected, including CX (Cars), MyGSU, Student View, Faculty View. This change will allow the reboot to happen when system usage is lowest.

**Page Turners for Sale**

Mark your calendars! The Friends of the GSU Library will sponsor a used book sale on Thursday, October 29, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. The sale includes paperback novels, and books on religion, business, management, psychology, nursing, and much more. Prices begin at $.50. All proceeds help support the work of the Friends of the GSU Library.

**Forty Year Old Mysteries to Solve**

The Friends of Mysteries are celebrating GSU’s 40th anniversary by reading and talking about mysteries that were published in 1969. Join us on October 28, at noon, in the cafeteria for a discussion of Agatha Christie’s *Hallowe’en Party*.

*Hallowe’en Party* is a Hercule Poirot mystery and was published near the end of Dame Christie’s career. Please join us for a lively discussion of this perennial favorite. On November 19, at noon, in the library, the groups will discuss *The Best Man to Die* by Ruth Rendall. On December 16, at noon, in the cafeteria, the mystery of the *Death of a Dude* by Rex Stout will be unraveled.
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Your Mission: Know the Mission

There are only eleven more working days before the HLC site visitors arrive on campus to evaluate GSU’s academic performance. As a part of their three-day evaluation visit, the team will formally and informally interview students, staff, faculty, and administrators from every unit in the university.

In preparation for their visit, please take time to identify how you contribute to GSU’s mission: Governors State University is committed to offering an exceptional and accessible education that imbues students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to succeed in a global society. GSU is dedicated to creating an intellectually stimulating public square, serving as an economic catalyst for the region, and being a model of diversity and responsible citizenship.

Panel Discussion Commemorates 40th Anniversary

As it commemorates 40 years of providing educational opportunity, GSU is sponsoring a discussion featuring a panel of distinguished guests on Friday, November 6, at 3 p.m., in Engbretson Hall.

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Current GSU president, Dr. Elaine Maimon and by past president Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth, II will be joined by Dr. Adenuga Ateagologun, Vice President of Academic Affairs at Prairie State College and Dr. Blondean Davis, Superintendent of Matteson School District 162.

For more information, call 708.534.4105
**GSU History Wall Dedication**

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This event is free and open to the public.

**FDC Harvest Day**

On Friday, October 30, the children of the Family Development Center will parade in costume through the D-wing main entrance lobby to receive treats. Approximately 75 children will arrive at 11:15 a.m. and second group of 40 children will trick or treat at 2:45 p.m. Because many children may be allergic or sensitive to certain foods, the FDC asks departments to consider passing out healthier and peanut free treats.

**Civil Services A & C Fair**

Vendors will display their wares for sample and sale at the Civil Service Arts and Crafts Fair on Tuesday, November 3, and Wednesday, November 4, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. Lookers welcome, shoppers more than welcome.

**BSU Bake Sale**

Feed your sweet tooth on November 3 and 4, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. from the table of goodies on sale in the Hall of Governors. The Black Student Union is sponsoring a bake sale in support of the Family Development Center. Proceeds from the sale will help finance the pre-kindergarteners’ field trip to the zoo.

Donations of baked goods for the sale are also being sought. Support the FDC and the BSU by baking, giving, and/or eating delectable sweets.

**GSU Makes an Impact**

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A minimum $5 donation is suggested per copy. All donations will be used to grow the GSU Promise endowment. To receive a copy of Impact, contact Donna Rutledge at ext. 3964, Lynn Clayton at ext. 3075, or Sheree Sanderson, at ext. 3956.

**Blog U**

The Center for Online Teaching and Learning (COTL) is holding a faculty workshop focusing on the academic use of podcasts, blogs, Google Docs, and wikis in teaching and learning. There will be hands-on opportunities for experimentation with each of the tools. Attendees will leave the session ready to integrate these engaging tools into their classes.

Participants can attend a session on Tuesday November 3, from 1 to 4 p.m. or Saturday, November 7, from 9 a.m. to noon, in D2438. Attendees should bring a headset microphone to the workshop. Those who do not have one will receive one that can be used in the workshop and taken with them to use in their courses.

To register, contact Jan Engle at ext. 3073.

**Give Thanks**

Continuing the tradition, the GSU Foundation will reach out and to express gratitude to this year’s donors. Gratitude Day, is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10.

The success of the program depends on volunteers willing to give a little bit of their time to share the gratitude attitude. One hour calling shifts are available from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Sixty volunteers are needed. Interested Gratitude Day volunteers should contact Jackie Small at ext. 2188.

Callers will also have the opportunity to sign up for GSU’s new V-Team volunteer corps. The group will help match up willing volunteers with university events throughout the year.

**ScholarShip Sails for CHHS Research**

CHHS faculty members Philip Kletke, Ph.D., of the Health Administration Department, Nancy MacMullen, Ph.D., interim Nursing Department chair, and Kim Boland-Prom, Ph.D., LCSW of the Social Work Department recently received new funding for their research and program activities.

Dr. Kletke received funding from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) for a one-year project designed to analyze data from the 2000-01 Physician Survey, which is part of the Community Tracking Study conducted by the Center for Studying Health System Change, in
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HLC on the Horizon

With less than two weeks before the accreditation continuation visit by the HLC site team, the campus community is making final preparations. Faculty, staff, and students can prepare for the visit (and learn a lot about the university) by reviewing GSU’s self study document. The self study provides information on how the university meets each of the Higher Learning Commission’s five criteria:

• Criterion One: Mission and Integrity
• Criterion Two: Preparing for the Future
• Criterion Three: Student Learning and Effective Teaching
• Criterion Four: Acquisition, Discovery, and Application of Knowledge
• Criterion Five: Engagement and Service

Celebrate GSU’s 40th

The 40th Anniversary Celebration week includes events for students, faculty, staff, and the community. Everyone is invited to join the celebration and commemorate 40 years of educational service and excellence.

Arts and Crafts, Gifts and Goodies

The Civil Service Senate is hosting an Arts and Crafts Fair, on November 3 and 4, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. A vast variety of merchandise will be on view from various vendors.

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Strategies for Managing Debt Workshop

*Strategies for Managing Debt in Troubling Times*, a workshop sponsored by the Academic Resource Center, will be held on Thursday, November 5, from noon to 1 p.m. and from 6 to 7 p.m., in B1241. Professor Anthony Andrews from CBPA will be the guest speaker. Everyone is welcome.
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Be Prepared!

As the HLC site visit (November 16-18) approaches, members of the GSU community are preparing to interact with the team.

Part of the team’s visit consists of impromptu conversations with faculty, staff, and students. Members of the campus community are asked to be receptive to answering questions, which may be asked anywhere – in the hallways, classrooms, offices, and outdoors. The visitors will be looking for answers that focus, primarily, on the university’s strengths.

A positive site visit will reaffirm GSU’s accreditation, which is integral to the university’s operation. Accreditation:

- assures students that they are receiving a high-quality education;
- promises prospective employers that GSU graduates are ready for the challenges of a 21st century workplace;
- provides a strong basis for continued recruitment of exceptional and innovative faculty and staff;
- demonstrates the institution’s commitment to excellence in teaching and learning and student services as well as sound financial management processes that meet nationally recognized standards; and
- affirms that eligible students are able to receive federal financial aid.

To learn more about the university’s self-study preparations, read the self-study report online.

Celebrate Good Times, C’mon!

All good things must come to an end, including GSU’s 40th Anniversary celebration. A year of special events and recognitions will culminate in grand fashion on Friday and Saturday.

On Friday, November 6, at 3 p.m., in Sherman Hall, the entire campus community is invited to attend and participate in a discussion featuring a panel of distinguished guests.

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The discussion will be followed immediately by the official unveiling of GSU’s history wall, located in the main entrance atrium. The museum quality wall, features a 40 year timeline of GSU and world events and an interactive touch screen with archival videos, photos, and more.

On Saturday, November 7, the university’s official celebratory event takes place complete with a performance of *A Tribute to the Motown Greats*, featuring a pre-show reception and post-show dancing with a DJ.

- Pre-Show Reception - 6 p.m.
- *A Tribute to the Motown Greats* - 7:30 p.m.
- DJ/Dancing – 9:30 p.m. to midnight

The $50 ticket price includes the pre-show reception, *A Tribute to the Motown Greats* show, post-show DJ/dancing, cash bar before and after show. 1960s attire is encouraged.

A few tickets are still available. Call 708.534.4128 to reserve yours today!

**I Just Called to Say “I Thank You”**

It’s not too late to catch the gratitude attitude as the GSU Foundation sponsors Gratitude Day on Tuesday, November 10. The purpose of Gratitude Day is to simply say “thank you” to donors – no pressure, no donation solicitation – just heartfelt appreciation.

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**HMO Benefit Changes**

One of GSU’s healthcare benefit providers, Unicare HMO, will no longer be servicing Illinois as of January 1, 2010. Illinois’ Department of Central Management Services (CMS) is currently exploring options that will be offered to those members and dependents affected by this announcement.

Employees using Unicare HMO are encourage to continue using their current doctors until the end of 2009. Coverage and available doctors will not change until that time, so please continue to use the services you are enrolled under until January 1, 2010.

CMS has advised the university that employees will not automatically be enrolled in another program, however further information on future options is not yet available. The Office of Human Resources can be contacted at ext. 4100.
Thanks and congratulations to all for the great success of this weekend’s culminating activities of our 40th Anniversary celebration. Many in the university contributed to the planning and execution of a first-class series of events. I especially appreciate the incredible team work and spirit of volunteerism in pursuit of our strategic goals. We sent a strong message to the larger community about the indispensability of Governors State University. We celebrated our past and palpably continued the positive momentum into the future. Everything was A+, from Friday’s panel discussion and the unveiling of the History Wall to Saturday’s Forty Years: Linking Tradition with Innovation video and Motown party to Sunday’s ceremony recognizing Arcadia Elementary School in District 162. All campus guests, from former GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth to Governor Quinn, who was here on Sunday, commented on the beauty and spirit of our campus.

All weekend I was thinking, “We are GSU!”

Sincerely,

Elaine P. Maimon
President

HLC - Join in the Discussion

As part of the HLC site visit next week, the team will host a series of open meetings for the GSU community. Attendees should expect to answer questions from the site visit team, but will also have the opportunity to ask questions of the team. As with any other communication with the team, members of the GSU community are encouraged to be open, honest, and positive during these meetings.

Open Meeting Schedule
Sherman Music Recital Hall (E1530)
Monday, November 16
Civil Service Staff - 2 to 3 p.m.
Faculty - 3 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, November 17
A&P Staff - 9 to 10 a.m.
Students - 2 to 3 p.m.
Faculty - 3 to 4 p.m.

For more information, read GSU's self-study online.

40th Celebration Success

It was a weekend to remember as members of the GSU community celebrated the university’s 40th Anniversary with a full slate of activities geared toward celebrating the past and charting the future. Alumni, students, retirees, faculty and staff, and community members participated in Friday’s panel discussion on GSU’s continuing legacy, and Saturday night’s gala celebration.

The weekend started with the panel discussion on GSU’s past, present, and future. Dr. Paul Green, a former faculty member who is now director of Roosevelt University’s Institute for Politics, moderated the discussion, which also included Dr. Elaine Maimon, current GSU President; Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth, GSU’s second president; Dr. Blondean Davis, Superintendent of Matteson School District 162; Dr. Adenuga Atewologun, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty at Prairie State College. Following the panel discussion, Dr. Maimon and Board of Trustees Chair Lorine Samuels spoke at the dedication of GSU’s History Wall, located in the main entrance atrium.

Saturday’s activities began with a reception in the Hall of Governors with a wide variety of dishes – and even a 40th anniversary cheese sculpture. Many attendees dressed for the special night, donning ’60s-era love beads and multicolored bellbottoms. A packed house in the Center For Performing Arts enjoyed the classic soul sounds of A Tribute to the Motown Greats and the party continued past midnight, with a crowded dance floor and members of GSU’s family sharing laughter and good times while marking the university’s milestone anniversary.

On Sunday, local School District 162 - led by superintendent Dr. Blondean Davis (a recent GSU honorary degree recipient) and school board president Alicia McCray (also director of GSU's MILE) - celebrated a special award. Arcadia Elementary in Olympia Fields was recently named a Blue Ribbon Award recipient from the U.S. Department of Education. Parents, students, and SD 162 employees celebrated alongside dignitaries
including Illinois Governor Pat Quinn, Secretary of State Jesse White, State Representative Al Riley, and several local mayors.

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Trumpeter Chris Martin and Trombonist Jay Friedman will join the CCPA Symphony Orchestra, which is part of the Roosevelt University music program. The concert is free and no tickets are needed.

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**Celebrating 40 Years - In Pictures**
Happy 40th Birthday GSU!

Dr. Paul Green leads Friday’s panel discussion: *Celebrating the Past, Charting the Future.*

Panelists discuss GSU's next 40 years. Panelists (left to right): Dr. Adenuga Atewologun, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty at Prairie State College; Dr. Elaine P. Maimon, GSU President; Dr. Paul Green, Director of the Institute for Politics at Roosevelt University; Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth, GSU’s second president; Dr. Blondean Davis, Superintendent of Matteson School District 162.
Former president Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth fondly remembers his GSU days.

Former professor Mel Muchnik and Interim Provost Dr. Curtis tease and toast Dr. Goodman-Malamuth.

President Maimon and Board of Trustees Chair Lorine Samuels have a BIG surprise.
VP of Institutional Advancement Joan Vaughan demonstrates the interactive history wall.

Celebrating in style.

Alumni Board President Sandy Brunson presents Gordon Cochrane with the Alumni Service Award.
Jim Garrett (CEO, Chicago Southland Convention and Visitor's Bureau) and his wife Peggy keep the peace.

Bob Rakstang (CenterPoint), Susan Rakstang (FDM), Charles Nolley (DLMD), & Saba Ayman-Nolley enjoy the evening together.

Alumni, students, staff, and community members dance the night away.

Alumni April Nicholson and Priscilla Southern show their GSU pride.
Tony Labriola (DLMD) wonders why the party has to end so soon.

President Maimon welcomes Governor Pat Quinn at the SD162 Blue Ribbon celebration on Sunday.