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## This Week at GSU

- 8 Classes Begin (Blocks 1 & 2)
- 8 Add/Drop/Late Registration, 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Main Entrance, continuing through Jan. 11.
- 9 "Connections," 2 to 4 p.m., D1702, continuing on Jan. 11.
- 9 GSU Symphonic Band, 7:30 to 10 p.m., Theatre.
- 10 University Singers, 3 to 5:30 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall.
- 10 Jazz Ensemble, 7:30 to 10 p.m., University Theatre.
- 11 Office of University Relations 5th Annual Holiday Feast, 2 to 4 p.m., UR Area, 3rd Floor.
- 11 Educational Forum with Gov. James Thompson, 6:30 p.m., University Theatre.
- 12 Martin Luther King Memorial Observance, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., University Theatre.
- 12 Add/Drop/Late Registration, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Main Entrance.
- 13 Add/Drop/Late Registration, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

All events held at University Park campus unless otherwise noted.

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## Another dazzling year for those 'Leo's

The annual Governors State University holiday party brought a few surprise gifts to faculty and staff members when the annual "Leo Awards" were presented.

The Leos are awarded to persons who have been known for their dubious or incomprehensible actions. The awards are given strictly in jest and add to the levity of the evening. Each recipient receives a flexible toy Lion "statuette," GSU's answer to the gold-plated Oscar Awards statue.

The awards this year proved just as hilarious as in the past, thanks to program hosts Professor Susanne Hildebrand and Dr. Melvyn Muchnik who work with a committee to come up with the wierd and wacky awards based on nominations submitted by GSU's staff.

The "1989 Grand Leo Award" winner was Jill Stanley of the University Library staff. Jill was cited for coming up with offbeat, different ideas that some would call bizarre. For example, during the library's renovation it was Jill who designed signs with D-Day and Pearl Harbor themes.

She's also known for her practical jokes, such as purchasing requests for a morphine dispenser and boxing gloves.

The "Surprise Choice Award" is given annually to the "totally unexpected winner of a national search who comes out of the woodwork and walks away with the job." Nominees this year were Peg Donohue, Dr. Larry Freeman, Dr. William Dodd and Vice President Dan Quayle. The winner

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## Governor to visit GSU

Gov. James Thompson will make a "first-time ever" visit to the GSU campus on Jan. 11 when he conducts an Educational Forum in the University Theatre.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and will feature a 10-minute address by the governor, followed by a discussion of educational issues by a panel of 20 educational leaders from south Cook, Kankakee and Will counties.

GSU President Leo Goodman-Malamuth will serve as one of the panelists. Others include school superintendents, parents, teachers and personnel from special education and community colleges.

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## Veterans of Innovation

Congratulations to the following employees of Governors State University who celebrate their anniversaries of employment during December.

- 1970 Florence Dunson (ACS)  
1971 Jacob Liao (ICC), Louise Brown (REG)  
1972 Beatrice Grant (ASR)  
1973 Peter Yaus (PPO), Sonya Monroe (CHP)  
1975 Gloria Chu (BO)  
1976 Dorothy Sanders (DPS)  
1978 Gary Fisk (ICC), LaVerne Bennett (REG)  
1979 Polly Bernd (SPCE)  
1980 Geraldine Kerestes (UL)  
1981 Laird Hartley (UP Shop), Dorothy Legge (REG), Joseph Addison (CAS), Kathleen Czyz (SAS), Tony Labriola (ICC), Roger Paris (OCW)  
1983 Peggy Woodard (SD)  
1984 Catherine Borem (CBPA), Audrey Simpson (ASR)

## Cafeteria Menu

(Week of January 8 to 12)

- Monday** - Chicken rice soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Swiss steak; breaded turkey patty; French style green beans; whipped potatoes.  
**Tuesday** - Beef noodle soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: roast beef aujus; lasagne w/meat, garlic toast; mixed vegetables; whipped potatoes.  
**Wednesday** - Vegetable soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Hoagie steak and grilled onions; Polish sausage and sauerkraut; buttered broccoli; whipped potatoes.  
**Thursday** - Chicken gumbo soup w/1 pkg crackers; chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: creamed chicken and biscuit; fried chicken; buttered peas; whipped potatoes.  
**Friday** - Specials posted in cafeteria.  
(Menu subject to change)

## Employee of the Month

# BO secretary cited for her 'cooperative spirit'

By Marilyn Thomas

Arlene Hylander's job title may be secretary, but she's never shirked additional duties, as she proved once again this past trimester.

Arlene was selected the December "Employee of the Month" for her many contributions to the Business Office including her assistance at registration.

"Arlene certainly did her best to keep the traffic flowing smoothly in the collections office during fall registration and add/drop," Cathy Swatek said in her nomination. "She was invaluable in helping students find their way to collections, answering the phones and easing the flow of traffic in the collections office."

The staff saw more than 500 students and most of them stopped at Arlene's desk as they waited in line.

Students are detoured out of the regular registration line to the collections office if there is a question about tuition payments, outstanding loans that may have put them on the 'hold' list temporarily prohibiting them from registering, or there is a problem with their financial aid paperwork.

"Arlene was friendly and courteous and able to offer a smile, even to the disgruntled students...Above all, this was done in the spirit of cooperation. She was a tremendous help," Cathy added.

"Believe me, when you want something kept a secret (at GSU), it is possible," Arlene said. "I was totally surprised when I was announced as the 'Employee of the Month.'"

Arlene has been at GSU for 12 years. At the suggestion of her grade school

friend, Lu Poroli, Arlene took the job placement tests at GSU and was hired as a Business Office employee in July 1977. Her first position was an accounting clerk. In the days before computers, Arlene would write orders and records in long-hand. Today the job is done by computer data entry clerks.

After 18 months in that position, Arlene became the secretary to Tim Arr, then director of purchasing. She also worked for Dee Woods who succeeded Arr.

Among her duties was typing each purchase order. Sometimes the sample products or the janitorial supplies ordered would surprise her. And some of the names were confusing. For example, she couldn't understand why the university would want to purchase a mouse until it was explained to her that it was part of a computer.

Six months ago, Arlene transferred into a secretarial position within the office becoming the secretary to Tim Arr, acting director of the Business Office.

"I've seen many people come and go in my time here," she said, "and I can say that I've enjoyed working with everyone in this office. It is really a fun group of people."

Arlene has fun outside of the office, too. That's why she organized the GSU Foundation bowling team about eight years ago. "I was bowling with a group from the computer center, and it disbanded, so I got some bowlers together and the foundation sponsors us." She keeps the team on a roll with her 153 average.

Fellow teammates are Ellen Zalewski of the Business Office, Jean Coughlin of the BOG Program Office, and Gwen Siebert in Student Development.

Arlene and her husband, Al, have been residents of Glenwood for 25 years.



Arlene Hylander

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## The Grapevine

### **Civil rights leader to head 'King Day' program**

A widely recognized leader of the civil rights movement during the 1960s will be the featured speaker for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. birthday observance at GSU on Jan. 12.

**Diane Nash**, a Chicago native who has returned to her hometown to do community work and pursue a graduate degree in psychology at Chicago State University, will recount her work with Dr. King and other figures during the turbulent period leading to the integration of the South.

Nash, as a student at Fisk University, led a successful movement to make Nashville, Tenn., the first southern U.S. city to integrate its lunch counters.

Much of her work during that period, including accounts of her work for both the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), is reported in the highly acclaimed text *Parting the Waters: America in the King Years, 1954-1963* by Taylor Branch.

In 1965, Nash was recipient of the SCLC's highest award, presented by Dr. King himself, for her leadership in the Selma, Ala., "Right-to-Vote" movement.

Nash will speak at 10:30 a.m. in the University Theatre. A 30-minute coffee reception will precede the program and a luncheon will follow at noon.

### **Smithsonian hosts meeting on GSU teleconference**

The Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., was site for a recent meeting to discuss "Corporate America and the Environment," an April 3 videoconference being produced at GSU.

**Dr. Melvyn M. Muchnik**, special assistant to the president for new technology development, met at the Smithsonian with a prestigious set of advisors to prepare for the conference. He explained that the event will be cosponsored by GSU, the Calvert Social Investment Fund, the National Resources Defence Council, the John G. Shedd Aquarium of Chicago, and the Smithsonian.

Also attending the meeting were **Charles Alexander**, science editor for *Time*; **David Lonsdale**, assistant director at the Shedd; and **Thomas Lovejoy**, assistant secretary for external affairs at the Smithsonian.

### **Schranz exhibits work in annual photography show**

**Professor Paul Schranz**, photography instructor in the Division of Fine and Performing Arts, had a one-man show as part of the seventh annual "PHOTO '89" seminar hosted by *Photo* magazine. Schranz's exhibit was sponsored by Ilford Photo. He also presented a darkroom techniques workshop titled "A No-Mask Approach to Prints from Color Transparencies" at the seminar.

Schranz also participated in the Society for Photographic Educators conference in St. Louis, Mo., in October.

### **Students honor prof with personal plaque of thanks**

A class of students doesn't always have wonderful things to say about its teacher. But **Dr. Sonya Monroe** was excited when her social work class presented her with a personal plaque honoring her for her teaching.

Dr. Monroe has been teaching since 1968, and this was the first time an entire class was involved in a "thank-you" at the end of the class. "You usually don't get that kind of immediate feedback from students," she said. "I think they realize we care about them and their development. I've gotten letters after students are on the job, or a note from someone in graduate school, but never anything like this."

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## **GSUings...**

...**Professor Maria Connolly** of the College of Health Professions being elected president of the Southside Chicago Area Chapter of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses...**Professor William Toner** of the College of Business and Public Administration serving as a planning consultant for the Village of Minooka working on revising the village's 1973 comprehensive plan...**Dr. Ami Wang** of the College of Health Professions speaking at the recent District 20 Illinois Nurses Association meeting at Trinity Christian College...**Dr. Michael Purdy**, chairperson of the Division of Communications in the College of Arts and Sciences, presenting a paper titled "Listening as Formative of Community" at the New York State Speech Communication Association fall meeting in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and speaking on "Communication/Listening for Oncology Staff" to the South Suburban Chicago Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

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## **Staff Directory Changes**

The GSU community would like to welcome four new employees. **Deborah Ferguson**, secretary II, transcribing, in the President's Office may be reached on extensions 2339, 2341-2. **Kimberly Griffin**, clerk III in the Provost's Office, is on extension 2343. **Mary Lee Johnson**, library clerk III, may be reached on extension 2574. **Roberta Anne Brady**, new admissions counselor in Admissions and Student Recruitment, is on extension 2518.

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## **Condolences**

To **Harry Wakal** of the Physical Plant Operations staff, on the death of his wife, Joan, on Dec. 12.

To **Pamela Meyer**, associate vice chancellor for public affairs at the BOG office in Springfield, on the death of her father, Roger Plab, on Jan. 1.

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# 'Leo's highlight annual holiday event

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was Dr. Freeman who, according to his nomination, "went from an independent, often autonomous dean to an associate vice president with decisionmaking powers granted on alternate Thursdays (if the president and provost have been struck by lightning or eaten in the cafeteria).

"The Neuro-Toxin Mutation or the I'm All Aglow Award" was given to the person who sponsors a waste incinerator project at GSU and uses the famous inscription, "Give me your tired, your poor, your leftover body parts, your huddled masses yearning to breathe on a respirator." The winner was Dr. **Virginio Piucci**, vice president for administration and planning.

"The Real Hunk Award" was given to the person who best answered a classified ad in the GSU Innovator: "Tall, big and incredibly handsome man desiring

foxy female...loves to travel, loves to play tennis, volleyball, darts (explosive delective)...always willing to do a job other than his own when called upon by his superior." The winner was **Gary Fisk** of the ICC staff.

"The Smoking Addict Defender Award" given to that individual combatting or defending drug abuse in whatever form, yet working against a "no smoking" policy for the Faculty Senate's consideration. The winner was **Pall Mall puffer Dr. Gregory Blevins**, a faculty member in the alcohol and substance abuse program.

"The Dean Ahead of Her Time Award" was given to **Dr. Joyce Verrett**, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, who not only has brought the tradition of the Mardi Gras 1,000 miles north to her new campus, but also has put her staff "back to the future" of the 19th century with a memo dated not 19-hundred-89,

but 19-thousand-89!

"The University Party Girl Award" was given to **Barbara Flowers** who dedicates herself to particularly dubious revelry each year planning the annual holiday party. She was cited for "seeking out participants, twisting arms and holding back paychecks," and her continuing efforts to find exceptional bands and entertainment.

"The Hold That Tiger Award" was shared by three persons who each set out to find additional Leo Award statuettes after a critical shortage was revealed in 1988. But **Sherry Lowe**, wife of College of Health Professions Dean **John Lowe**, ended up with a shipment of tiger statuettes that had to be exchanged for the "real thing." Others sharing in the award were **Terry Varnet**, wife of **Harvey Varnet**, director of the University Library, and retiree **Virginia Bixby**.

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According to **Dr. William H. Dodd**, vice president for public affairs and development and the GSU coordinator for the visit, Thompson also will take questions and comments from members of the audience.

Dr. Dodd said GSU personnel are encouraged to attend the forum.

Telephone directories for Chicago Business, Chicago Consumer, Springfield, and South Suburban are available outside the Personnel Office on the first floor.

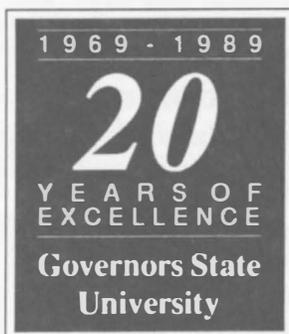
## Congratulations

To **Marilyn Thomas**, coordinator of public information in the Office of University Relations, and husband **Donald**, on the adoption of a daughter, **Brigid**, born on Dec. 11.

To **Shelby McConkey**, of the Business Office staff, and husband **Craig**, on the birth of a son, **Kevin Thomas**, on Dec. 15.

To **Sylvia Cifelli** of the Personnel Office staff, and husband **John**, on the birth of a son, **John Jr.**, on Dec. 15.

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