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## Happenings at GSU

- 1 University Chorale, 8 p.m., Sherman Music Recital Hall. Also on April 8.
- 2 Symphonic Band, 7:30 p.m., University Theatre. Also on April 9.
- 2 FPA, Senior Project Exhibition Reception, 6 p.m., E-Lounge.
- 3 University Curriculum Committee, 1 p.m., D1702. Also on April 19.
- 4 Artform Lecture, 7:30 a.m., F1200.
- 9 Division Chair Council Meeting, 10 a.m., Hall of Honors.
- 10 University Planning Committee, 9:30 a.m., Hall of Honors.
- 10 Colloquium: Dr. David Blood, 12:15 p.m., Hall of Honors.

## New phones planned for mid-September

Central Management Systems (CMS) and GSU have approved a contract with Fujitsu Business Communications Systems for a new communications system for the university.

Chuck Nebes, coordinator of information systems, said work on the project is expected to begin in May. The phone system should be in place by mid-September.

GSU's current rotary dial phone system, with its 600-plus lines, is at capacity. It limits the ability of staff to interact with voice-mail and other technological features available at other state-supported universities, as well as with outside businesses and contacts. Replacement parts also are becoming scarce.

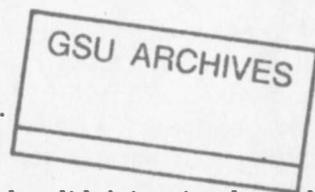
Over two years ago, GSU administrators began planning for a new phone system. Questionnaires were sent to staff and department heads, asking for

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## Indoor landscape makes beautiful difference

*I think that I shall never see  
a poem lovely as a tree.*

*A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed  
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast.*  
Joyce Kilmer



Governors State University's indoor garden didn't inspire the early 20th century poet, but its gracing the Hall of Governors has made a difference to many of us.

In the building's architectural drawings, the space was designed for an indoor garden, says Jo Shaw, landscape gardener. A basement was never dug under the Hall of Governors. The trees were planted in the dirt and clay from the site.

The first ficus trees were about the size of large bushes. Unfortunately, they died shortly after they were planted in January 1974. Ila Gallagher of PPO remembers them being delivered in a big semi-truck. Transporting them from a southern state into the January cold of University Park killed the trees. "They like a consistent temperature," Jo explains. The second set has thrived here.

The ficus trees that grace the hall are a variety of the fig family. Today

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Bill Erickson of PPO sprays the ficus trees in the Hall of Governors during routine cleaning and maintenance.

## Original employees honored for 20 years of service to GSU

For the first time, GSU staff members have been honored for 20 years of service to the university during the annual service recognition program in February.

GSU was organized in July 1969. These staff members, who came to GSU in 1970, were among the original organizing team. They include Dr. Daniel Bernd, Ginni Burghardt, Dr. David Crispin, Leona Erickson, Barbara Flowers, Dr. Carl Peterson, Gwen Siebert, Mildred Toberman, Frieda Vazales and Dr. Dick Vorwerk.

Staff members honored for 15 years of service were Marlene Anderson, Professor Teresa Barrios-Aulet, Dr. Tom Byrne, Dr. Ed Cehelnik, Gloria

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## Cafeteria Menu

(Week of April 1 to 5)

**Monday** - Minestrone soup. B.B.Q. chicken platter; meatballs in mushroom sauce over noodles; Italian submarine sandwich.

**Tuesday** - Corn chowder soup. Roast beef roulade platter; oriental pork over rice; grilled bratwurst.

**Wednesday** - Chicken barley soup. Veal cutlet piccata platter; stir fried turkey over rice; French dip sandwich.

**Thursday** - Beef noodle vegetable soup. Fried chicken wings platter; beef pepper steak over rice; grilled chicken fillet sandwich.

**Friday** - Seafood gumbo. Fried perch fillet platter; crab, shrimp Mornay over pasta; tuna melt.

(Week of April 8 to 12)

**Monday** - Turkey rice soup. Veal cutlet parmesan with spaghetti; oriental chicken over rice; Philly cheese steak sandwich.

**Tuesday** - Beef barley soup. Turkey breast divan platter; sweet tamale pie; mushroom swiss burger.

**Wednesday** - Cream of broccoli soup. Carved honey ham platter; beef Stroganoff over buttered noodles; Turkey fillet sandwich.

**Thursday** - Chicken noodle soup. Salisbury steak platter; stir fried chicken over rice; Footlong hotdog.

**Friday** - Manhattan clam chowder. Whole fried catfish, fries, cole slaw; broccolinoodlebake casserole; grilled cheese with tomato sandwich.

**Menu subject to change**

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## Employee of the Month

# 18-year veteran retires after winning award

By Marilyn Thomas

Ann Travis says she always went the extra mile for students "because the university gave me 100 percent."

The March "Employee of the Month" took her award with her when she retired from GSU March 15 after more than 18 years on the job.

Ann of Chicago Heights said she first was encouraged to apply for a position at GSU by the late Elizabeth Blackwell who was a community leader in Chicago Heights. She took her advice and a short time later began working in the Admissions/Registrar's Office, which was combined in the early days of GSU.

Ann later transferred to the College of Environmental and Applied Sciences (now part of the College of Arts and Sciences). After working there several years, she took a position in the College of Business and Public Administration. Shortly afterward she was back in the Registrar's Office assisting Gusta Allen, her supervisor, with transcripts and graduation duties.

In her nomination of Ann, Gusta Allen told the committee, "Ann is willing to do whatever is necessary to assist a student, even if it means that she has to contact the college or firm in question to give pertinent information relative to a student's record. The student sees and hears Ann as she works in his behalf, and he is always grateful.

"As her supervisor, I am happy to have an employee who is always willing to do what is asked of her and displays a high level of motivation when accomplishing tasks. Even though the Registrar's Office is a very visible office, Ann is not a visible person. She oper-

ates behind the scenes, but she does an excellent job of representing the university and assisting students," Gusta added.

The number of thank-you cards and notes Ann received in appreciation of her help speaks highly of her consistent efforts, Gusta noted.

"I was shocked, excited and happy to know that I was chosen 'Employee of the Month,'" Ann said of the award which is like the frosting on the cake for her. "In my 18-plus years at GSU, I've grown with the university. My experiences here (leave me with) nothing but wonderful thoughts."

Ann said she is especially grateful to President Leo Goodman-Malamuth who gave her a full-time position after her job in CBPA was eliminated, and Mary Taylor, administrative assistant to the CHP dean. At the time, Mary was working in the Registrar's Office and on the suggestion of former SAS Dean Frank Borelli interviewed Ann for a position. "I will never, never forget them," she added.

For Ann, who was left a widow with two of her four children still in high school, her Governors State job was a way for her to help pay for college costs.

"I'm very proud of my children," she said. "All four of them are college-educated with good jobs now." Each lives in the area. They have blessed Ann with six grandchildren.

Retirement will give her the chance to travel and do other things she hasn't found the time to do. "I'm looking forward to it," she said.



## Get Well Wishes

To Temmie Gilbert, professor of media communications, who is recovering from a serious illness in Olympia Fields Osteopathic Hospital.

## The Grapevine

### **Northeastern Illinois University hosts Andre Watts**

Northeastern Illinois University, 5500 N. St. Louis Ave. in Chicago, is hosting a performance by the renowned pianist **Andre Watts** at 8 p.m. April 11 at the university's auditorium. Tickets for this scholarship benefit are \$30 and \$40. For more information, call the university at (312) 794-6122.

### **Computer equipment donated to aid GSU research**

Governors State University is the recipient of approximately \$4,000 in computer equipment donated by **Brian Berman** of Demo Source, a California electronic distribution and PC-based voice-mail outlet.

Berman learned of the GSU research of telephone testing with voice-mail equipment when seeing the GSU segment on "Good Morning America" in December. He presented **Dr. Suzanne Prescott** of the Division of Psychology and Counseling and **Professor Donald Fricker** of the Division of Management/Administrative Science/Marketing with a speech digitizer, a talking fax board and software (as yet unreleased) for BETA testing for voice-mail. The equipment will help them in their work on testing by telephone.

### **GSU staff invited to attend two colloquia in April**

GSU staff members are invited to two colloquia in April. The College of Health Professions staff will lead a discussion at 12:15 p.m. Thursday, April 4, in the Hall of Honors on student practica that will include hints on placing students, finding the proper supervisors and other pertinent topics. Guest speakers will be **Professor Susanne Hildebrand**, **Dr. Jim Massey**, **Dr. Annie Lawrence** and **Professor Bill Boline**. **CHP Acting Dean Jay Lubinsky** will be the moderator.

**Dr. David Blood**, acting chairperson of the Division of Education, will discuss his recent trip to the Soviet Union at the 12:15 p.m. colloquium April 10 in the Hall of Honors.

David has insights not only on the Russian schools, but also on the country's changes in its government and economy.

### **Hantack house features 'Week of Young Children'**

In keeping with the "Week of the Young Children" April 7 through 13, the GSU Child Care Program staff is inviting students, staff, faculty and alumni to visit Hantack House. **Geri Dalton**, program director, has organized a community occupations program for the children that week to highlight the importance of quality care and education at a very early age.

### **Holocaust artifacts displayed in Temple exhibit**

**Ursula Sklan** of the Admissions Office, who is serving on the Holocaust Exhibit Committee for Temple Anshe Sholom, invites the GSU community to see an exhibit of Holocaust artifacts April 8 through 18.

The exhibit begins with people walking through a replicated entrance to a concentration camp, complete with the barbed wire, Ursula said, calling it "very eerie."

Lecturer **Milton Kohn** has gathered uniforms, insignias, money, weapons, photographs and other materials for this exhibit which is free to the public. The exhibit at Temple Anshe Sholom, 20820 Western Ave., Olympia Fields, is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays and 12:30 to 5 p.m. Sundays. Group reservations are being accepted by the temple office at (708) 748-6010.

## **Phones by September**

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input into the needs of their units. **Tim Arr**, director of business operations, **Mike Foley**, director of physical plant operations, **Linda Deloache** of CMS and **Chuck Nebes** were appointed to the Telecommunications Project Committee.

The committee agreed that the new communication system will provide GSU the capacity to use voice, data and video. The phones will be touch-tone with voice-mail features that allow for recording incoming and distributing outgoing messages. The system will have speed dialing, call waiting, call transferring and group pickup.

Nebes said the system also includes a campus-wide data network providing LAN (Local Area Network) connections at the desks of each faculty and staff member, as well as in classrooms.

The system will provide connectivity to the Cooperative Computer Center Administrative Systems, the Educational Computer Network, electronic mail, library services and outbound modems. The network will incorporate a fiber optic backbone for high speed data transmissions.

Of nine bidders for the phone system, three remained competitive. GSU and CMS selected the Fujitsu proposal because it offered "the best overall and cost effective solution for GSU," Nebes explained. Fujitsu's parent company is Fujitsu Ltd., Japan's largest computer manufacturer.

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## **Published**

**Dr. Arthur Bourgeois**, chairperson of the Division of Fine and Performing Arts, two articles in European publications, "Initiation and Inthronisation bei den Yaka in Zaire" in *Mannerbande Mannerbunde, Zur Rolle Des Mannes Im Kulturvergleich*, Rautenstrauch-Joest-Museum fur Volkerkunde, Koln, Vol. I, 301-308, and "Mbawa-Pakasa, L'image du Buffle Chez les Yaka et Leurs Voisins," in *Arts d'Afrique Noire*. 77(Printemps 1991), 19-32.

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## Veterans of Innovation

Congratulations to the following employees who celebrated their anniversaries in February:

- 1970 **Leona Erickson** (UL)
- 1971 **Lowell Culver** (CBPA)
- 1972 **Ken Wieg** (CE)
- 1973 **Ann Glascoff** (UL)
- 1975 **Marlene Anderson** (PERS)
- 1977 **Mohammed Kishta** (CAS),  
**Michael Knabjian** (PPO)
- 1982 **Beverly Kyser** (SPCE)
- 1984 **Marie Bertz** (CHP)
- 1985 **Elaine Sherman** (DPA)

and to those employees who celebrated their anniversaries in March:

- 1971 **Henry Jablon** (BO)
- 1973 **Paul Schranz** (CAS)
- 1974 **Michael Reilly** (PPO), **Mary Taylor** (CHP)
- 1975 **Colette McHale** (BO),  
**Adrienne Kelly** (CAS)
- 1976 **Alice Gardner** (ASR), **Pamela Zener** (SD), **Haddon Anderson** (REG)
- 1977 **Margo Ellman** (ASR)
- 1978 **Willette Jones** (PERS), **Mary Smith** (PPO)
- 1980 **Michael Purdy** (CAS), **Rose O'Neal** (CAS), **Lynn Deslierres** (CAS), **Judith Gustawson** (ADVIS), **Brenda Chapman** (CAS)
- 1985 **Dee Woods** (BO)

## Employees honored for 20 years of service

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**Chu, Bill Erickson, Dr. Efraim Gil, Bill Gregory, Mark Hampton, Dr. Joyce Kennedy Hayes, Adrienne Kelly, Franchon Lindsay, Dr. David Matteson, Colette McHale, Dr. Vinicio Reyes, Dr. Sang-O Rhee and Marie Turak.**

Ten-year honorees were **Brenda Chapman, Chris Cochrane, Dr. Judy Cooney, Clark Defler, Lynee Deslierres, Judith Gustawson, Dr. Reino Hakala, Elizabeth Helsel, Dr. Jeff Kaiser, Larry Lewis, Dr. Jagan Lingamneni, Dr. Jim Massey, John Morton, Rose O'Neal, Dr. Mike**

# Nuclear reactor used to unravel Aztec mysteries

A nuclear reactor is helping GSU graduate student **Laurene Lambertino-Urquizo** unravel the mysteries of Aztec colonization in 15th century Mexico.

She has received grants from the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Energy and the GSU Foundation for neutron activation analysis of ancient Mexican pottery at the University of Missouri's Research Reactor Facility in Columbia, Mo.

Neutron activation analysis (NAA) is sometimes referred to as "atomic fingerprinting." It is an extremely sensitive scientific method of testing various materials for very subtle amounts of trace elements. This then allows researchers to compare results with other findings to determine the probable origins of the materials.

NAA will enable the Steger resident

to determine the clay makeup of approximately 60 pieces of Mexican pottery in the Field Museum of Natural History's Starr Collection.

The clay samples come from Aztec and Matlatzincan ceramics which are part of the 1,400-piece Tlacotepec Collection. The pieces were brought to the United States in the 1890s by anthropologist Frederick Starr.

Lambertino-Urquizo hopes the "fingerprinting" will allow her to tie Aztec clay samples from the site in the Valley of Toluca to clay samples from the Aztec capital of Tenochtitlan, which lies today under Mexico City.

She has spent the past 18 months working on this project, which is her graduate thesis. **Dr. Art Bourgeois**, chairperson of the Division of Fine and Performing Arts, is her thesis advisor.

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## Staff Directory Changes

To reach **Professor Jay Boersma**, call his office, extension 2462. If he cannot be reached on this extension, call extension 2461.

**Purdy, Judy Reitsma, Ursula Sklan, Catherine Swatek, Virginia Thurston and Bob Woodard.**

Staff members with five years service were **Professor Mary Bookwalter, Barbara Conant, Carl Cross, Virginia Eysenbach, John Fedak, Professor Donald Fricker, Dr. Deborah Holdstein, Jean Johnson, Dan Kriedler, Dr. Cheryl Mejta, Andriette Montague, Dr. Linda Proudfit, Elaine Sherman, Professor Al Smerz, Kim Tobeck-Sit, Dr. Harvey Varnet and Dee Woods.**

## Trees make difference

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they stand approximately 40 feet. The trees are watered weekly by **Barbara Lane** of the PPO staff who uses two water spigots located in the Hall of Governors flooring.

General maintenance is minimal, according to Jo. The trees are sprayed with water as a method of cleaning "only because they aren't cleaned by rain." It's also a method of keeping fungus and other plant diseases from developing.

The trees are pruned into their lovely shapes and height by members of the PPO staff who scale scaffolding to reach into the trees. Once an outside contractor was hired to prune the trees. "He did such an awful job it took years for them to recover," Jo says.

At one time, ground cover was planted in the tree wells, but the trees shade the space, and the plants couldn't survive, Jo explains.

## Schranz photos depict abuse of American Indian

Americans wouldn't stand for a car being named the "Cadillac Afro-American or a sports team named the "New Jersey Yellow Skins."

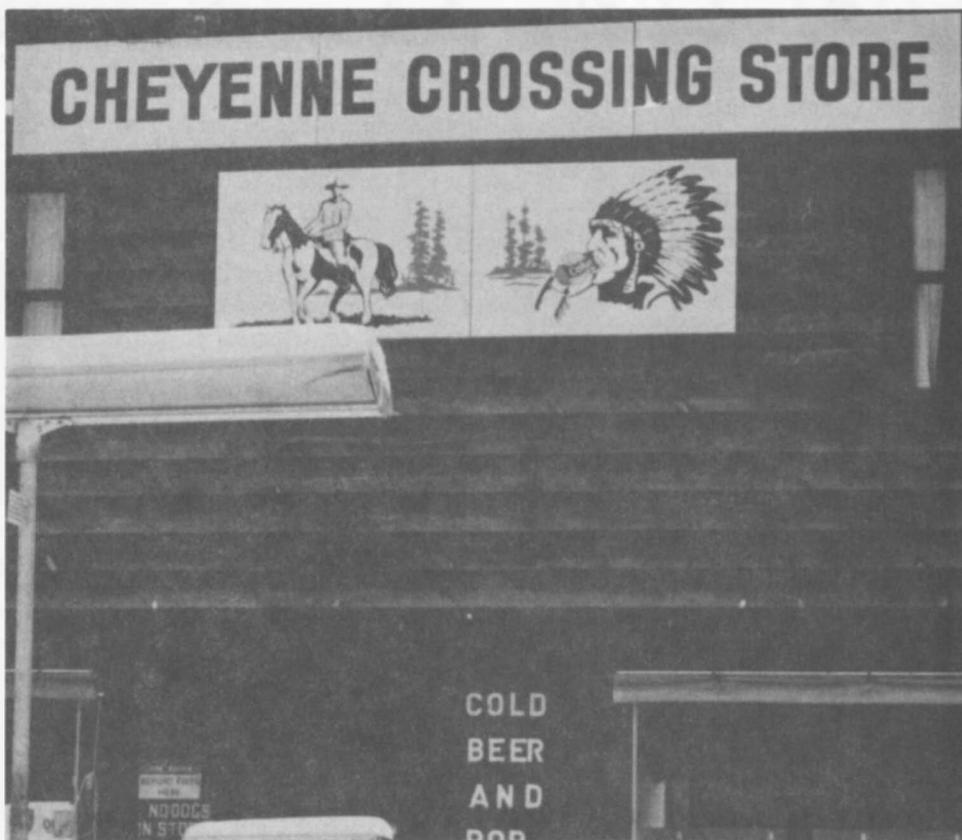
Why, then, do Americans tolerate "Mazda Navaho," "Atlanta Braves," "Red Man Chewing Tobacco," "Big Chief Go-Carts" and car dealerships using the Indian with the slogan "Heap Big Deal," asks Professor Paul Schranz, professor of photography.

"If we use the Indian names and associations to pay tribute, then I say fine," the professor said, but he believes that 75 percent of the time the Indian is used in a derogatory fashion or to make money.

"After all we did to deny them, we now use the Indians as symbols for consumerism," he argues. "This is a really poor joke."

He has documented his theories in a collection of photos titled "The American Indian—Part 5." He received a GSU mini-grant to help him underwrite the project.

Schranz has become passionate about the Indians over the nearly three years he has worked on the project. His photo collection is accompanied by a four-part essay that outlines the sophisticated Native American culture before European influence by settlers, the colonization of Native Americans by those settlers and their attempts to annihilate whole tribes, the systematic removal of Native Americans from their sacred places into encampments, the forced Christianization of their populations and the attempted assimilation of the Native Americans into the new America.



*The Indian is used to sell Coke while the cowboy sits proudly on his horse. It is one of the photos by Professor Paul Schranz that reflects the misuse of the Native American.*

"I don't see Indians as 'the poor Indians.' We are poorer for what we did, because in the process of hurting them, we hurt ourselves more. We could have learned from them," he says.

Schranz traveled Montana, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri photographing Indian reflections.

"I didn't start this project looking for an answer. I already knew what I was talking about and what I was going to find. I just hope people become sensitive to it. The Poles, the Irish, the African-Americans, the Japanese and every other ethnic group here is sensitive to its heritage. The Indians deserve that same respect," he adds.

## Nuclear reactor aids in grad student project

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"I find it a project with exciting possibilities. I'm very eager for each of the art history graduate students to work on projects that are in collections, so their work is hands-on," Bourgeois said.

Through this project, Lambertino-Urquizo has met with leading experts in the field. The financial support of the GSU Foundation also has enabled her

to attend several workshops relating to her research.

Lambertino-Urquizo has had considerable help from Dr. Charles Stanish, curator of Middle and South America Anthropology and Ethnography at the Field Museum, who first showed her the Starr Collection.

He also referred her to Dr. Donald McVicker, anthropology professor at

North Central College in Naperville whose research has centered on Frederick Starr's anthropological work.

Lambertino-Urquizo and Dr. McVicker are working in conjunction with the Mexican Fine Arts Center Museum on plans for a 1992 exhibit of pre-Columbian art from the Field Museum's collections.

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## Fax a message free to troops still in Gulf

You can fax a message—free of charge thanks to AT&T—to troops still in the Middle East. Although the war is over, those who are there still need to hear of the support we offer, say GSU Support Committee members **Dee Woods, Beth Harms, Michael Blackburn, Mildred Toberman, Cathy Swatek and Marlene Anderson.**

The AT&T fax forms are available at the front desk in the University Library, at the Cashier's Office and at the Information Booth. Completed forms can be left with committee members or placed in an envelope and dropped into the night deposit at the Cashier's Office. The fax messages will be delivered to the AT&T Center in Lincoln Mall the next day and faxed within 48 hours. Troops receive them within a week.

At GSU, several employees have loved ones in the Persian Gulf area and would appreciate staff sending them greetings. They are **Marlene Anderson's** brother-in-law, **Verne**; **Diane Cole's** brother, **Anthony**; **Beth Harms' friend, David Colegrove**; **Debra Drake's** brother, **Cardell**; **Jeanette Manual's** brother, **I.D. Hurd**; **Joyce Gordon's** daughters **Theresa Gordon-Richmond** and **Glynis Gordon-Williams** her son-in-law, **Kenneth Richmond**; and **Robbin Rietveld's** brother, **David**. Two students, **Thomas Burkholder** and **Paul Vroegindewey**, also are serving in the Gulf.

## Give student workers extra pat on the back next week

Staff members are invited to give their student workers an extra pat on the back during "Student Worker Week" April 7 through 13.

GSU has nearly 150 student workers on campus working in a variety of capacities, according to **Robbin Rietveld** of the Financial Aid Office. Each will receive a certificate of appreciation during "Student Worker Week."

"These students deserve our recognition," Robbin said. "A large thank you card will be circulating around the university. Please write a little note and sign the card."

Units can also initiate their own ways of saying thanking their student workers, she added.

On April 5, Robbin will name the GSU student nominated for the "Student of the Year" award. The student will represent GSU at state and national competitions. The winner will be selected for his/her reliability, quality of work, initiative, professionalism and uniqueness of contribution.

## Dust off your dancing shoes

Get those dancing shoes ready for the next GSU dance May 3. Dance organizers haven't decided on just one theme for the dance, so they're calling this the "Celebratin' Graduatins" dance, the "Just Having Fun" dance or the "Is This the Prom?" dance.

The party from 8 p.m. to midnight is being co-hosted by the Student Program Action Council and the GSU Alumni Association. The dance is free, and refreshments will be available.

The disk jockey will play songs for all generations, so don't be shy, the committee members say. They invite all staff, students and alumni to join their friends for an evening of camaraderie.

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## Condolences

To **Teresa Barrios-Aulet**, professor of Public Policy and Latin American Literature in the College of Arts and Sciences, on the death of her mother, **Herminia de la Rosa**, Feb. 27, in Mexico.

To **Dorothy Pais**, library technical assistant, on the death of her mother on Feb. 27.

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