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Mary Always Offers a Helping Hand... Mary Taylor is a busy person who seems to have time for everyone. As the administrative assistant to College of Health Professions Dean **John Lowe III**, Mary has been helping students, staff, faculty and division chairmen work within the GSU system for the betterment of all.

In nominating Mary for the June civil service "Employee of the Month," her co-workers pointed to her exceptional abilities to lead a major project, take on additional work when she's already busy, act as college liaison, organize, delegate and "cut through the GSU maze" while still keeping her humor and enthusiasm.

"Mary is one of the most capable people with whom I have worked," says Division of Health Administration Chairperson **Walter Wentz**. "She is bright, knowledgeable and always willing to do more than is asked of her. Among her fine attributes is her consummate ability to get along well with both supervisors and subordinates alike. She definitely has the great respect of all with whom she comes in contact."

Her boss, Dean Lowe, says "Mary was the first person I hired when I came into my position, and it was the best decision I've made. She works hard and adjusts her schedule and priorities to meet the needs of others. She is creative and thorough in handling a variety of responsibilities such as course schedules, management of civil service staff, etc."



Mary Taylor

Her co-workers, secretary **Mary Ann Clarke** and research associate **Marie Bertz**, say, "Mary's door is always open, her telephone is frequently ringing, her desk is mounded high with work, and a constant parade of people come in and out of her office. All of us—the dean, chairpersons, secretaries, faculty, students, maintenance and housekeeping personnel, representatives from outside the university community, personnel from all over the university who have just a little question—are received, heard and/or helped to their satisfaction.

"If Mary can't give you an answer, she knows who can. Believe it or not, she does all of this without losing her sense of humor," they say.

As for Mary, she graciously accepts the "Employee of the Month" honor. "I really am appreciative of this award. I do consider it an honor, and I appreciate the compliments my co-workers have given me," she says. "The people I work with are great, and John Lowe is peerless."

Mary has been on the GSU staff for more than fourteen years. She came to GSU as a secretary to Dr. **Roy Cogdell** who was dean of the College of Human Learning and Development (now College of Education). After two years there, she became office supervisor in the Registrar's Office. She remained in that position for six years and in 1982 was named administrative assistant to the dean of the School of Health Professions. In time, the school became a college, and Mary's job responsibilities grew.

"While GSU is close to my home in Park Forest, I've stayed here so long mainly because people are so nice," she adds.

Mary is especially proud of her Board of Governors degree, which she earned in 1979. Mary admits she probably wouldn't be the dean's administrative assistant without the degree, because the position requires a college degree. "That degree program is a godsend for people with lots of experience that can be converted to college credit," she says.

For relaxation after work, Mary enjoys sewing. She makes all of her own clothes and is now beginning work on her 1989 wardrobe.

Mary and her husband, **Thomas**, have three children and three grandchildren.



Orland Park Site Ready for Fall...In June GSU finalized plans to open a new site in Orland Park this fall. The site will allow the community to enroll in credit and non-credit courses in a convenient location.

A two-year lease that moves the university into a site in the shopping mall was signed by GSU President **Leo Goodman-Malamuth** and **William Spatz**, owner of Orland Park Place.

Conversion of the 2,100 square feet of storefront space was designed by **William Brazley & Associates**. The facility will include a microcomputer laboratory, classroom space, a telecourse viewing area and offices on the second floor of Orland Park Place, 153rd St. and LaGrange Rd. The facility, near **Montgomery Ward's**, will be ready to accommodate students for fall classes.

Peg Donohue, special assistant to Provost **David Curtis**, for the Orland Park project, sees the start-up of the Orland Park Place facility as "a significant investment in the future of the area and our commitment to the residents. We have received a very favorable response to our plans.

GSUings...William Boline (CHP) being appointed to the Coordinating Committee of the Chicago Intervention Network, the City of Chicago Anti-Youth Gang Program...**Temmie Gilbert** (CAS) winning her second Emmy Award from the Chicago Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences for her work as a producer of the NBC-TV special "Nothing Is Simple."...**Florence Dunson** (PO) radiating pride in her daughter **Julie** who recently was awarded the J.D. by DePaul University...**Dr. Brian T. Malec** (CHP), as chairman of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) Faculty Forum in Management Information Systems, conducting and contributing to numerous conference sessions and raising \$12,000 for research and continuing education for health administration faculty across the nation and in Canada. And directing a panel of nine national experts in the writing of a monograph and curriculum guide...**Dr. Helen Hughes**, editor, winning honorable mention for the quarterly publication, *The Creative Woman*. The award was made by Chicago Women in Publishing, and the magazine was judged in the "general interest" category.

IPPA Fellowship Taking Applications...The Institute for Public Policy and Administration at GSU is offering the Amoco Foundation fellowship for the 1988-89 academic year.

This position begins Sept. 1 and runs until June 30, 1989. It offers a stipend of up to \$400 per month plus tuition and fees. To be eligible for the award a student must satisfy GSU graduate admission and MPA eligibility requirements; take a minimum of two courses per trimester or be a full-time student; demonstrate an interest or experience in the public sector; and work in The Institute office from twelve to twenty hours per week.

Interested candidates should send a letter of application, a resume and, if not currently enrolled at the university, transcripts before July 22. Address all materials to Governors State University, Ms. Beverly Goldberg, Chair, Fellowship Search Committee, The Institute for Public Policy and Administration, University Park, IL 60466.

For additional information, call (312) 534-5000, extension 2267 or 2246.

Salm Concert Draws Huge Crowd...Close to 400 people recently gathered in the University Theatre to pay tribute to **Erna Salm**, fifty-year resident of south metropolitan Chicagoland, concert pianist, hostess of home concerts for over forty years, and teacher of forty-five classical music students a year.

The tribute, funded and produced by the Governors State University Foundation, assumed the most appropriate form imaginable: a concert. The performance opened with Beethoven's "First Quartet," played by the GSU String Quartet.



William Dodd, GSU Foundation CEO, following a moving tribute to Ms. Salm, stated "She is sacrament to us all, is she not?" He called the guest of honor to the stage where she was greeted by an extended standing ovation. Ms. Salm then performed solo works by Chopin and Handel, and the festival concert ended with a presentation of Dvorak's "Piano Quintet," played by Ms. Salm and the GSU String Quartet.

Ms. Salm, her family, the artists and guests then enjoyed a reception in the Hall of Governors.

Erna Salm (left) and her daughter, Monica, with some of the flowers presented in tribute.

Cafeteria Food Service Schedule...As of July 5, the cafeteria will offer steam table service from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Grill service will be available from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Kim Takes Leave of Absence...Dr. **Young Kim** (CAS) will be on a leave of absence from September of this year to the end of April 1989. During this period, she will be visiting professor, Department of Communication, University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla.

DPS Employee Retires...**Henry Patterson** of the Department of Public Safety retired on June 30. He began working at GSU in August of 1975. He worked for over twenty-six years in the state system and says he plans to do a lot of loafing.

Staff Directory Update...New employee **William Smith** (ASR) can be reached at extension 2518. Delete extension 2180 from the listing for **Rose Mascolo** (DPS). **Charles Nebes** (A&P) is on extension 2346.

New Clergyman Joins Campus Ministries Office...The newly-appointed pastor of St. Boniface parish in Monee, will assume the duties that Fr. **Joseph Stalzer** had performed at the university. Fr. **Ronald Hart** will care for the spiritual needs of Catholic students at GSU and can be contacted by calling the Campus Ministries Office.

Dr. Virginio Piucci Extends Thanks...On behalf of the Administration and the Commencement Committee, I wish to extend my thanks and appreciation to the entire University community for your cooperation and assistance in making our 1988 commencement ceremony a worthy tribute to our graduates. The response to request for assistance truly makes commencement a family affair.