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Bulletin Board Mania Invades UL...Do library workers sit with their noses in books all day whispering?



Jill Stanley (UL) with one of her whimsical bulletin boards proves librarians are "wild and crazy guys."

"No," says Jill Stanley, University Library office supervisor. "These people have some of the wildest senses of humor I've ever encountered."

And now Stanley has added her own sense of humor to the quiet spaces of the second floor with her bulletin board handiwork.

"The bulletin board really belongs to the documents section, but I couldn't stand walking past it from January to April when it was full of tax information. I mean, who likes taxes?" she wonders. "So I

asked if I could do something with the space."

When Stanley learned the date of the carpeting/remodeling work in the periodicals section of the library this summer, she immediately went to work.

"When they told me June 6, I knew it would be a D-Day theme. My father was a history buff. He served in World War II, so I know all the important dates from the war" she said. What she came up with was "the invasion of the carpet crews." Her bulletin board was filled with memos on the reconnaissance experts spotting troops of electricians, carpenters, movers and carpet layers invading the second floor.

"Low-flying reconnaissance planes were spotted circling over the stacks in the University Library today. Troopers were reportedly filling the planes with non-toxic glue and thoroughly saturating the area. It is not known if this act is in conjunction with the carpet-laying process, or simply a 1940s spirit week revival" one of the board's memos explained.

Photos on the bulletin board included a line of jeeps with the caption, "The carpet crew arrives," and a photo of a military man who stopped a Mideast resident in his jeep was captioned "Library director confers with carpet party rebel."

Stanley says she knows of one written response to her work, presumably from a member of the reconnaissance team. The message: "It's no rumor! Your days have been numbered and found wanting. Surrender! We have already undermined your library. Your resistance is futile. You have kept them in the dark long enough. We have come to enlighten your masses of stacks."

Once the hair-raising experience of war was behind them, Stanley decided people needed a vacation. She planned the current bulletin board "See the USA in Your Chevrolet"...a link back to the 1950s "Dinah Shore Show."

Using 1950s editions of the National Geographic, Stanley came up with depictions to entice us onto America's highways, with such notable ads as "Welcome to America's Wonderful Waterways—Trailer Your Boat to Fun Afloat," or "Free Dream-Aids & Trailways Does All the Planning" and "Some People Have All the Fun—Michigan Style."



Accompanying photos will have you reminisce about June and Ward Cleaver. (Sorry guys, back then there weren't any bikini-clad surfers photographed on California's beaches.) On a table display under the bulletin board the library staff had current brochures to help with travel arrangements.

Stanley says the bulletin board is a "one-woman effort" with creative assistance from library assistant **Pat Walker** and materials assistance from the reference staff who help her find "pertinent" materials. "No matter what I think up, I can find it here in our library," she explained.

"The idea behind these projects is just to create some levity," she said.

Stanley's already planning her next work using presidential commissions for a theme—in keeping with GSU's status as a federal documents depository.

And in December when the rest of the library undergoes renovation? Well, it's back to war, of course. Pearl Harbor Day was Dec. 7.

Staff Directory Changes...Please make the following changes in your staff directory:

A reminder from the new occupants at Krabbe House (renamed Wagner House)—**Bill Dodd, Ginni Burghardt, Elaine Sherman** and **Katie Ball** can be reached on their old extensions. Visitors are more than welcome.

Add the following to your staff directory...

Pamela Faye Bax (SPCE)

Secretary III, Trans.

Ext. 2121

Angela Jo Pilotto (BO)

Cashier II

Ext. 2171

Delete the following...

Mike Abels

Monica Johnson (A&P) is now acting coordinator of Academic Computing at Orland Park Place and the Academic Computing Center. She still can be reached on her old extension until she receives a new telephone number at the new facility.

A Letter of Thanks from Sue Morriss (A&P)...My family and I want to express our appreciation of your cards and flowers, as well as thoughts and prayers, during my father's illness and death. They helped us all through a trying period. Again, a heart-felt "thank you" from us all.

Published...**Beth Hansen** and **Rosemary Krol**, both of the University Library, serving as indexers and compilers of *The Sourcebook of Library Technology*, 1988 Ed., published by the American Library Association, Chicago.

SURS Gets Achievement Award...The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to the State Universities Retirement System of Illinois. The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) gave SURS the certificate for its comprehensive annual financial report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of public employee retirement system accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment. An Award of Financial Reporting Achievement also was given to Deputy Director Bryan Bloom, Finance Division, who was primarily responsible for the award to SURS.

CS Advisory Committee Seeks Rep...A status, full-time Civil Service employee with three consecutive years of service is eligible to run for representative to the State Universities Civil Service Advisory Committee. The election will be held in October, and the term of office is four years. If you are interested in running for this position, please call **Lu Poroli** or **Barbara Clark**, Personnel Office, extension 2194.

Cafeteria Menus

Week of Aug. 29...**MONDAY**-Chicken noodle soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Roast beef au jus; Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, garlic toast; Seasoned peas and carrots; Whipped potatoes. **TUESDAY**-Split pea soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Chuck wagon steak w/brown gravy; Oriental chop suey over rice, roll and butter; Corn O'brien; Whipped potatoes. **WEDNESDAY**-Garden vegetable soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Liver and onions; Five fried wing dings w/fries and cole slaw; Seasoned spinach; Whipped potatoes. **THURSDAY**-Beef barley soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Potted luncheon steak jardiniere; Italian sausage, tomato sauce, peppers on French bread; Seasoned cut broccoli; Whipped potatoes. **FRIDAY**-Manhattan clam chowder w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Fried perch w/fries and cole slaw; Baked macaroni and cheese; Vegetable de jour.

Week of Sept. 5...**MONDAY**-Closed for Labor Day. **TUESDAY**-Old fashioned bean soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Breaded pork cutlet w/brown gravy; Sloppy Joe on bun; Stewed tomatoes and zucchini; Whipped potatoes. **WEDNESDAY**-Cream of spinach soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Veal cutlet parmesan; French dip beef on roll; Medley vegetables; Whipped potatoes. **THURSDAY**-Minestrone soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Baked meat loaf; Creamed turkey over noodles; Peas and carrots; whipped potatoes. **FRIDAY**-Soup de jour w/cROUTONS; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Popcorn shrimp, sauce, fries and cole slaw; Batter fried whiting, Vegetable de jour.

Week of Sept. 12...**MONDAY**-Creole soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Pot roast beef; Mostaccioli w/meat sauce and garlic toast; Wax beans and pimento; Whipped potatoes. **TUESDAY**-Lima bean soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Roast turkey breast w/dressing; B.B.Q. beef sandwich; Seasoned peas; Candied sweet potatoes. **WEDNESDAY**-Cream of celery soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Roast pork w/dressing and apple sauce; Swedish meatballs over rice, roll and butter; Mixed vegetables; Oven browned potatoes. **THURSDAY**-Garden vegetable soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Fillet of chicken, fries and cole slaw; Fillet of chicken sandwich w/lettuce and tomato; Two tacos w/trimmings; Franks and beans. **FRIDAY**-Tomato rice soup w/1 pkg crackers; Chili con carne w/1 pkg crackers; Entree: Baked haddock in creole sauce; Pizza slice; Vegetable de jour; Whipped potatoes.

Italian Cultural Institute Hosts Dante Course...Governors State and the Italian Cultural Institute are sponsoring a fall course titled "Dante and the Gothic Middle Ages" as seen through Dante's Divine Comedy.

Dante's work has long been recognized for its rendering of artistic, moral and ethical foundations of Western culture, but the language barrier has often prevented in-depth study. This course will help students discover the richness and wisdom of the Gothic Middle Ages and use that perspective to con-

front the universal, social and moral dilemmas of society today.

Instructor **Antonio Mastrobuono** contends that "familiarity with Dante is an essential but overlooked attribute of the truly well-educated Westerner."

The course will be offered from 6:30 to 10 p.m., Thursdays, Sept. 29 through Dec. 8 at the offices of the Italian Cultural Institute, 500 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Registration is being accepted by the GSU Office of Conferences and Workshops. For further information or to register, contact **Dominic Candeloro** at (312) 534-5000, extension 2320.

Strba Joins GSU String Quartet...The GSU String Quartet is welcoming distinguished violist **Daniel Strba** as its newest member.

He will join **Steven Bjella** on violin, **Stephanie Goldman Meis** on violin and **Alan Rostoker** on cello.

Strba comes to the GSU String Quartet with a wealth of experience. He started his professional career as a member of the U.S. Army Chamber Orchestra, performing primarily in Washington where he often played for White House and official state functions.

Since his return to the Chicago area, Strba has performed with the Chicago Ensemble and Contemporary Chamber Players and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Lyric Opera and Chicago Sinfonetta.

Strba received his bachelor's degree from DePaul University and his master of music degree from the Cleveland Institute of Music.

"The directors of the GSU Foundation are delighted to welcome Daniel Strba to membership in the string quartet," William Dodd, chief executive officer of the GSU Foundation, said. "The fact that he has time and again been asked to perform for the CSO is testimony to his talent and abilities. Fans of the quartet may look forward to an exciting 1988-89 season."

Election Year Discussed in Political Science Class...Will the women's vote go to **Dukakis**? Will **Bush** hold on to the President's support among religious groups? Will Jackson manage to bring out the black vote for Dukakis?

You'll get involved in these topics and many more when Adjunct Prof. **Brady Twiggs** leads the discussion in "Topics in Political Science: Elections and Voting Behavior" offered from 6 to 9:15 p.m., Tuesdays, Sept. 6 through Dec. 6. Sessions will meet at Homewood-Flossmoor High School, North Building.

If you are interested in signing up for this three-credit-hour course, contact the Office of Special Programs and Continuing Education at (312) 534-5000, extension 2121 or (312) 799-7379.

Learning Styles: Focus of Course at H-F...Children aren't all alike, consequently their learning styles aren't alike, either.

Through Governors State University's "Topics in Professional Development: Learning Styles," educators, administrators and parents will learn to recognize fundamental characteristics of learners, including diversity of energies, of learning rate, of experience and of perceptual styles.

This three-credit-hour class will be offered from 5 to 8:15 p.m., Tuesdays, starting Sept. 9 at Homewood-Flossmoor High School's North Building.

Space can be reserved for this course by calling the Office of Continuing Education at (312) 534-5000, extension 2121.

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GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY
Interoffice Memorandum

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Originating Office: PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

To: All Staff Members

From: Leo Goodman-Malamuth

Date: August 17, 1988

Subject: FISCAL YEAR FY1989 OPERATING BUDGET

On July 14, 1988, the Governor signed the Board of Governors FY1989 Appropriation Bill into law. This appropriation provides Governors State University with a 4.7 percent increase over the FY1988 appropriated budget. The FY1989 budget, which totals \$20,655,300, is approximately \$800,000 higher than the budget originally recommended by the Governor in March 1988. The addition provides some funding for anticipated salary increases, but does not include support for price increases or program expansion.

For the second year in a row adequate funding for higher education has not been provided. When I spoke with campus and community constituencies during the fall and spring, the outlook for a tax increase seemed optimistic, but it failed again. Higher education, and Governors State University, must continue to struggle with basically the same program support as in FY1988.

In order to accommodate this funding level and a potential income fund shortfall, several vacant positions will not be filled for FY1989, and reductions have been applied to balance nonpersonal line-items. Commodities and contractual services have been reduced by five percent at the cost center level. Collegial travel budgets have been adjusted to meet instructional travel needs and to maintain faculty professional travel. The GSU Alumni Association again will provide additional funds totaling \$19,000 to support faculty travel in FY1989. Equipment funds have been maintained at the same level as FY1988. The library materials allocation has been increased by \$50,000 to offset last year's reduction and inflationary increases.

The University reserves have been established at a higher-than-normal level for FY1989 due to concerns about declining enrollment and a resultant income fund shortfall as well as overbudgeting of personal services due to inadequate funding of salary increases. Approximately two percent of the total budget resides in the reserves or on-hold in other accounts. This amount will allow the University to adjust to a three percent decline in enrollment without requesting a turnback of funds from Units. Thus, the outlook for the year is more than ever

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before dependent upon enrollment levels. If fall trimester enrollment increases or is stable, it is probable that a mid-year review will result in release of the reserves.

The vice presidents and I have thoroughly reviewed recommendations for initial allocations of the FY1989 State-appropriated budget. I believe that the unit allocations support the University's priorities and the need to increase enrollment. These circumstances continue to test the determination and skill of all parts of the University to maintain quality programs and services. The University currently enjoys a high level of recognition, support, and respect in the region and we must strive to retain our long-term viability and stability in the region.

I want to thank those who contributed to the budget-planning process for FY1989. Despite the fact that many requests cannot be funded, working together through the ambiguous budget situation has enabled the University to reallocate funds to priorities. The budget process is never easy and may seem unrewarding in recent years, but my commitment to seeking the funds required by our institution will not waiver.