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News and Events

[Rent-A-Text Program at GSU](#)

Follett's GSU Bookstore will begin offering a textbook rental option this fall.

The textbook rental program

- is available to students in store and online;
- allows students to choose a preferred form of payment, including financial aid and campus cards;
- allows students the freedom to highlight and take notes all within the normal wear and tear associated with coursework; and
- gives students the option to purchase their textbook at the end of the term.

The rental option is available for select titles only. For more information, contact [Bernie Bolz](#), Bookstore Manager, at ext. 4562.

[2010 Micro-Enterprise Advocate](#)



Bob Rakstang, Assistant Director of CenterPoint at GSU, has been chosen as one of ACCION Chicago's 2010 Micro-Enterprise Advocates of the Year. "Each year ACCION Chicago honors its outstanding referral partners, those who have generously donated their time and expertise to help us assist small business owners. Without our loyal partners, we would not be able to reach the clients who need credit so desperately in these tough times," Jill Stevens, ACCION Vice President of Lending and Marketing said.

CenterPoint at GSU has for the last three years been a Micro-Lending partner of ACCION Chicago covering the Chicago southland region and Lake and Porter counties in Indiana. As an ACCION partner, CenterPoint has provided availability of credit for small business clients who do not have access to traditional sources of financing. Micro Loans range from \$200 (Credit Builder) to \$15,000 for a startup venture and up to \$25,000 for an existing business looking to expand.

Delicious Chemistry

An herb here, a spice there, a chemical reaction, and voila! A tasty dish is created.

The chemistry behind the recipes for delicious foods is investigated and enjoyed during a presentation by journalist turned foodie Anupy Singla, on July 10, at 1 p.m., in E-Lounge, Singla will present *Easily Indian*, a demonstration of how the right herbs and spices can turn an ordinary meal into an extraordinary Indian treat. The presentation is free and sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences as part of the Chemistry of Cooking workshop.



Singla, a former CLTV reporter, is the author of *The Indian Slow Cooker*, which will be released in October 2010. Her food-related work has also appeared in the Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Sun-Times, and the Wall Street Journal.

The presentation is free and part of a Chemistry of Cooking workshop. The workshop is designed to explain chemistry as it applies to cooking for non-science majors. Cooking is something that occurs in every household. Recipes are chemical experiments done at home with many observed chemical changes. The workshop will eventually be part of a proposed three hour for credit course, which will strive to answer those nagging questions such as “Why did my brown sugar get hard?” and “Which salt should I purchase?” Course topics will include proteins, carbohydrates and fats, spices, chocolate, and beer and wine.

For more information about the presentation or the course, contact [Marjorie Hummel](#) at ext. 7696.

Serenity by the Lake



On July 14, relax by the GSU pond with a 10 or 15-minute chair massage. It is only \$5 for students for a massage. For everyone else, however, the cost of a message is \$1 per minute. At either price, it is a great deal and a great opportunity to unwind from the stresses of school and work.

Massages will be provided by Massages by Design and Student Life is sponsoring the event. Pre registration and pre payment is required at the GSU Recreation and Fitness Center. The First 50 participants who pre-register and pre-pay will be entered into a drawing for a complimentary relaxation package consisting of a 1-hour massage, manicure, and pedicure. Walk-ins will be accommodated if time and space allows.

For more information, call 708.235.4556.

Free Counseling Services on Campus

Free individual, couples, family, and career counseling is offered by the Division of Psychology and Counseling to the community and as part of its training program for advanced graduate counseling students.

Counseling sessions are conducted on the GSU campus in the Counseling Lab. Sessions may be audio or video taped to assist in the evaluation and learning processes. Faculty members, who are also licensed counselors, supervise the sessions.

Counseling sessions are conducted in total confidentiality. The initial assessment determines the nature and length of the counseling services required. Counseling services assist clients with communication issues as well as depression, stress management, loneliness, lack of self-confidence, and career counseling. Families and couples often benefit from joint and individual sessions. Children under the age of 18 are seen only in conjunction with their parents. Career counseling services, however, are available, with parental permission, for sixteen and seventeen year olds.

For more information, call ext. 4545.

Pierre hits the Road

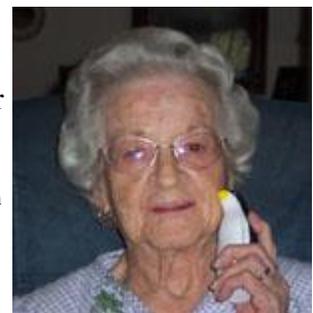


Pierre certainly has the travel bug now that so many students, faculty, and staff are taking him on vacation. Photos show Pierre enjoying life, sightseeing, and visiting old and new friends.

Nancy Burley of CHHS recently took Pierre to visit family in Nashville and enjoy a swim in their pool. Pierre felt right at home.



Just last week Pierre celebrated Mary Rabe's 100th birthday at her home in Richmond, Virginia. Rabe's granddaughter Penny Perdue, Executive Assistant to the President, submitted the photo of Pierre planting a birthday kiss. Word has it that Pierre also helped her blow out all those candles.



CBPA adjunct faculty member took Pierre on a trip to Boston with a stopover at Niagara Falls. Pierre loved the spray.

For information on how you can pick up your own Pierre travelling companion and submit photos to the Take Pierre on Vacation contest, go to Pierre's [webpage](#).

