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## News and Events

### **Happy New (Fiscal) Year!**



It is a new fiscal year. Financial Services and Procurement want to remind at faculty and staff that outstanding invoices and travel forms must be submitted immediately for FY10 work received/completed by June 30.

When preparing requisitions for FY11, you must complete the entire form, or it will be returned. Contracts, bids, and purchase orders for FY11 are initiated. Training sessions will be scheduled for the new Procurement Code that begins July 1. Call the Procurement Office or email [Tracy Sullivan](mailto:Tracy.Sullivan@gsu.edu) with questions.

Please note:

1. GSU will not be able to pay for any work done prior to a fully executed contract
2. Nothing may be ordered without a purchase order
3. Due to new State approvals required, Procurement Office processing time may not be as efficient as in the past. Contact the Procurement Office if you require assistance in your planning.

### **Holiday Schedule**

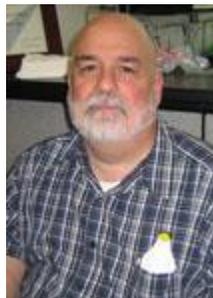
**A note from Gail Bradshaw, Director of Human Resources:**

As you are aware, the July 4 holiday is on Sunday this year therefore university employees will have Monday, July 5 off as a holiday. During that week, employees who are on a Monday thru Thursday, 4 day per week Summer Schedule, will maintain their summer hours schedule. That is Monday, July 5 will be a holiday and the campus will be closed. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will be regular summer hour workdays – 9.5 hours on Tuesday, 9.5 hours on Wednesday, and 9 hours on Thursday.

If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at extension 4100.

### **Battaglia on the Move**

Executive Vice President Gebe Ejigu announced recently the appointment of Nick Battaglia as Interim Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management Services effective today.



In his [memo to the university community](#), Dr. Ejigu noted Battaglia's leadership and coordinating skills as well as his varied and lengthy experience in many facets of administration and admissions processes. "Nick will provide leadership and coordination for a wide variety of GSU's student enrollment related functional and service units," wrote Dr. Ejigu. "In this capacity, Nick will be working closely with staff in these units as well as those in our colleges to ensure that GSU achieves the enrollment growth goals of Strategy 2015."

Battaglia is leaving his position as Coordinator for Academic Services in the College of Education. While he is only moving across campus, COE hosted a bon voyage party that included good company, good food, and, of course, Pierre the Penguin. Pierre will accompany Battaglia to his new office.

## **Let's Get Fit! Summer Rally**

Hey fitness fans – don't miss the Let's Get Fit! Summer Rally today, at noon, in the Hall of Honors. Attendees will learn about project updates and new rules for July. Plus you can pick up your July fitness record card, turn in your June cards, and receive rewards for exercising.

If you're not already a part of Let's Get Fit!, join today. Sign up for the Let's Get Fit! program in the Department Human Resources or at the rally.

## **Farm Fresh Today**



Don't miss the opportunity to pick up fresh, locally grown fruits and vegetables at the GSU Farmers Market. The university's outdoor farmers market is now entering its third week of providing fresh produce, honey, breads, and natural products as well as various indoor and outdoor plants.

The market is located in Parking Lot C. Hours are from 1 to 6 p.m., rain or shine. The market will be open every Thursday through September.

## **Halvorson Talks Business**

On June 3, 2010, 11<sup>th</sup> District Congresswoman Debbie Halvorson hosted Karen Mills, of the U.S. Small Business Administration, at a small business roundtable at the Panduit Corporation World Headquarters in Tinley Park. Hilary Burkinshaw, Don Brozek, and Bob Rakstang representing CenterPoint at Governors State University and Janet Kuester (CenterPoint client) of the Music Connection were among the limited number of invited guests at the event.



"We had the opportunity to talk to Administrator Mills and Congresswoman Halvorson about the Illinois SBDC at CenterPoint and they in turn were both very supportive of our efforts at Governors State University," said Burkinshaw. Comments from roundtable participants regarding the frustration they share about financing availability and the role small businesses will play in the economic recovery were underscored by Administrator Mills and Congresswomen Halvorson. Both referenced pending congressional action designed to increase SBA lending for the region's small business financing needs.

## **See the White Sox in Style**

Faculty, Staff, and Alumni are invited to join the GSU Alumni Association during GSU White Sox Day at U.S. Cellular Field on Sunday, August 29. Wear your black and white colors to show support of both GSU and the White Sox as they battle the New York Yankees. Mingle with co-workers and alumni during a 90-minute reception prior to the game. There will be unlimited food and drink including BBQ ribs, Cajun chicken, fried chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers and more, as well as wine, and Miller and Pepsi products. The cost for both the reception and the game is only \$84.



To order tickets or for more information, call the Alumni Office at 708.534.4128, or e-mail [Alumni Relations](#).

## **Annual Psych and Counseling Awards**



The Division of Psychology and Counseling recently awarded its highest honors to both students and faculty.

Vilma Matthews of Hazel Crest was named the graduate psychology student of the year. Greg Severin of Lansing earned the undergraduate psychology student of the year award. Jessica Specht of Country Club Hills was named counseling student of the year. Dr. Shea Dunham, assistant professor and Counseling Lab Coordinator at GSU, was awarded 2010 Faculty of the Year Award.

Dr. Shannon Dermer, Chair of the Division of Psychology and Counseling, presented certificates to each of the honorees and the students were also awarded a gift card.

“These are given to students who have shown great dedication to their studies and to realizing their goals within the Counseling and Psychology degree programs,” said Dr. Dermer. “Dr. Dunham was recognized for her achievements as an educator and for her work coordinating the extensive services of the GSU Counseling Lab, which offers free counseling services to individuals, couples, and families. We are very proud of all this year’s honorees.”

## **BSU Back Pack Drive**

The Black Student Union is sponsoring their annual Elementary School Back Pack Drive to assist elementary school students who are in need of school supplies and back packs.

Participants are asked to purchase a back pack (girl or boy) and include two spiral note books, four folders, four report covers, two packs of loose leaf paper, safety scissors, crayons, glue, glue sticks, markers, pencils, pens, wet wipes, travel size hand sanitizer, highlighters, individual packets of Kleenex tissue, and a pocket dictionary.

The back packs will also include a note from the BSU encouraging the students to achieve high grades and be the best they can be.

Back packs with school supplies should be dropped off at room A2126, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Donations will be accepted through August 6.



Sponsored schools include:

Coretta Scott King Magnet School: University Park, Illinois

Lincoln Elementary: Chicago Heights, Illinois

Medgar Evers: Ford Heights, Illinois

Wilson Elementary School: Chicago Heights, Illinois

## **Pierre in the Big Apple**



It did not take Pierre the Penguin long to sample the sights, sounds, hustle, and bustle of New York City. He hitched a ride with Eric Matanyi of Public Affairs and enjoyed it all - from Time Square to the Empire State Building. From all accounts, he had a great time, but he is eager to hit the road again, see more sights, and have more adventures.

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](#).

