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News and Events

Maimon Announces FY11 Budget Decisions

On Wednesday, July 14, President Maimon released a university-wide memo detailing the FY11 Operating Budget Allocations. In the memo, Dr. Maimon praised the PBAC process and the hard work of the related committees. She accepted virtually the entire set of PBAC recommendations including spending pre-approval and the budget carry-forward practice.

Two specific decisions were conveyed regarding the FY11 operating budget.

1. Begin FY11 with major unit-level budgets identical in total to those with which those same units began FY10.
2. Adopt procedures to more strictly regulate and restrict spending decisions to be made during FY11.

For full details, download [President Maimon's FY11 Budget Memo](#).

New Civil Service Officers

The Civil Service Senate held officer elections recently.

The new officers are:

President, Laura Owens - term ends June 30, 2012

Vice President, Sheryl Jones-Harper - term ends June 30, 2011 (serving the rest of the term vacated by Laura Owens)

Recording Secretary, Lynne Clayton - term ends June 30, 2012

Financial Secretary, Joyce Giroux - term ends June 30, 2012

Congratulations!

Tamales To Go

The Association of Latin American Students (ALAS) is sponsoring a delicious fundraiser. Tamales will be sold by the dozen or individually on July 21, from 4 to 5 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. The cost is \$12 per dozen or \$1 for one tasty tamale.

Pre-order by Monday, July 19 to ensure that your tamales will be ready and waiting for you and you will not have to make dinner.

To order, email angelicahernandez169@yahoo.com, or call 773.931.2888. To order in person and pay in advance,

visit room A2132.

Mentors Needed

The Title V Cooperative Grant - Latino Center for Excellence is looking mentors. Graduate students are needed to mentor undergraduate Latino students at GSU and undergraduate students are being sought to provide guidance to Learning Community Cohort students from Morton College.

Graduate Mentor requirements include current enrollment in a graduate program; a GPA of 3.0 or higher; an excellent academic attitude; enthusiasm to share your experiences; and the willingness to commit your time and effort to assist others. Students selected as mentors will receive support and training from the Latino Center for Excellence.

GSU undergraduate student mentors participate in the SEEDS Peer Mentor program at Morton. They receive training and stipend to encourage, advise, and guide community college students to earn their degrees. Mentors serve as role models and assist their students in the transition to college life.

Applications are available at the GSU Latino Center for Excellence (A2133). Applicants must meet specific qualifications and mentoring requirements, but need not be members of an LCE cohort, a participant in LCE programs, or speak Spanish.

Make a difference in someone's life today. For information, contact [Carlos Cantu](#) at 708.235.4553 or [Monica Teixeira](#) at 708.235.7609.

Pitched Rivalry

Id is on first. Ego is on second and Super Ego is on third. Don't miss the Counseling and Psychology faculty and staff vs. the Counseling and Psychology students in a softball game on Saturday, August 7, at 3 p.m., at the GSU baseball field.

The event is sponsored by the Illinois Counseling Association and Chi Sigma Iota.

Trip to Calder Exhibit

Whimsical cats and performing seals. Spiraling spiders and flying fish. You can view artist Alexander Calder's three-dimensional representation of such fantastic animals when the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park hosts a Saturday, July 17 trip to *Alexander Calder and Contemporary Art: Form, Balance, Joy* at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago.



Join NMSP Director Geoff Bates on an all-day road trip that examines Calder's continuing influence on modern American art. "This trip offers participants an opportunity to learn about Calder and some of his best-known work, and to be introduced to talented contemporary artists who are taking his original ideas in new directions," Bates said.

The July 17 trip begins at 9:10 a.m. when participants depart for Chicago from the Flossmoor Metra Station. After arriving at Millennium Station, they will travel to the Museum of Contemporary Art via the CTA Red Line. After viewing the exhibition, participants will eat lunch at The Elephant and Castle, a nearby English-style pub, and then head back to the Loop to view Calder's towering Flamingo in Federal Plaza. The tour group will return to Flossmoor at 5:23 p.m.

No advance reservations are required. Admission to the MCA is \$12 (\$7 for seniors) and participants should have money for train fare and lunch.

For more information, contact the NMSP at sculpture@govst.edu or call 708.534.4486.

Free Early Childhood Educator Workshops

Children can learn from the messes they create and the songs they sing. The many different ways children learn are celebrated and explained at two free workshops sponsored by GSU's Family Development Center. Both workshops are free and open to early childhood education students and educators at GSU and from the community.

Lisa Murphy, the Ooey Gooley Lady®, will present on August 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Sherman Hall. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Murphy is a well-known, early childhood educator and a strong advocate of play based learning. She uses humor and real life anecdotes to engage workshop attendees and share information and activities that combine learning, laughter, and play. She offers inspiration and a wealth of hand-on activities for early childhood educators to use to create child-centered, play based learning environments.

Kathy Poelker of Look at Me Productions, Inc., will lead a music-focused workshop on August 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Sherman Hall. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

Poelker is an award-winning children's recording artist, author, consultant, and creator of educational music for early childhood. She will present *Let's Develop the Whole Child - Using Brain Research, Song, Movement, Music, Games, Drama, Dance, and Sensory Motor Fun!* The workshop illustrates how music can and should be incorporated into the early childhood classroom to create a stimulating learning environment.

Come to one, come to both, come for free. For more information or to register, call 708.235.7300 or visit the [FDC website](#).

Grab Your Clubs!

GSU's SMILE committee is working hard to bring fun and exciting activities to campus. Already progenitors of the Farmer's Market and a fall trip to Great America, the committee is proud to announce the First Annual Dave Drechsel Golf Outing. The event is named after Dave Drechsel, former HR benefits manager and the founder and longtime member of GSU summer golf league.

All Governors State University faculty, staff, and their family and friends are invited to participate in an afternoon of golf, friendly competition, great food, and camaraderie. Everyone is encouraged to take part regardless of skill level or golfing experience. The event provides an excellent chance to celebrate summer and get to know your co-workers in a casual, fun environment.

The event will take place on Sunday, September 19, at the University Golf Club in University Park. Registration begins at noon with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The cost is only \$75 per person and includes 18 holes of golf (four-person, best ball format), a golf cart, lunch at the turn, dinner banquet, golf contests, trophies, a goodie bag, and door prize tickets.

For full information and to register, contact [Hollie Campbell](#) at ext. 7595.

GSU- SUAA Contributes

On June 24, GSU-SUAA held its annual luncheon sponsored by President Maimon. Forty-eight retired and working SUAA members renewed friendships, reminisced about the “old” days, and heard about recent GSU happenings.

Recently retired Interim Provost and SUAA member David Curtis conveyed greetings from President Maimon, who was in China. He received, on behalf of President Maimon, a \$250 contribution to the GSU Promise from GSU-SUAA President Leon Zalewski. Dr. Zalewski also presented a check for \$250 to be awarded to a student in need of books to Rosemary Hulett, Associate Vice President for Advancement and Alumni Relations.



The highlight of the luncheon was a talk and conversation with Representative Al Riley (D-38). Addison Woodward introduced Representative Al Riley as a friend of education and of working and retired employees of GSU. Representative Riley talked about the 96th session of the State Legislature and provided insights into the very complex and difficult session faced by the State.

Many Thanks

The Black Student Union and the Department of Social Work wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to all those who supported the *All Nations For Haiti Fashion Show* held in May. The event raised \$4,441 for the rebuilding and empowerment of Haiti through the work of the Joseph Assignment.

East or West - Pierre Knows Best

from all over campus vacations both near

China, where the sites. Pierre also



Relations.

Selina Ward of the Business Office and Monique Doyle of the Cashier’s Office took Pierre

Pierre the Penguin is having the best summer ever. People – students, alumni, faculty, and staff are taking him on and far.

Pierre accompanied President Maimon on her recent trip to visited the Great Wall of China and many other famous conducted some business at Guangdong University, with which GSU has an exchange program.

On an amazing trip to Ephesus in Khadasi, Turkey, Pierre walked the same road Anthony and Cleopatra walked after their wedding, according to Cheri Carey of Alumni



on a tour of Biloxi and New Orleans. Apparently, Pierre really enjoys the nightlife.

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](#).



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