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DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept 2 HOLIDAY - Labor Day
Sept 3..... Council meeting
Sept 3Next news deadline
Sept 17..... Council meeting
Sept 18..... Next OpenLine distribution

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CIVIL SERVICE TIDBIT

Employees may be given time off with pay, not to exceed two hours, to vote in general elections.

[Source: University Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines Web Site, 3.1.11 Leave of Absence, <http://www.policy.ilstu.edu/policydocs/leaves.htm>.]

COUNCIL MEETING RECAP

--ELAINE THOENNES

August 6, 2002, Bone Student Center Spotlight Room, noon-1pm. The Civil Service Council members chose committee assignments for the coming year. The Council will seek one Civil Service staff member not sitting on the Council to be on the Parking Committee. If you are interested in this position, please contact Chair Martha Burk at mjburk@ilstu.edu. The Council discussed fall activities including homecoming, a fall shopping trip and the holiday party. The Scholarship Committee will begin the process to award the new Carl Johanson scholarship to a Civil Service staff member. Human Resources reported that the 30 and out bill was signed by Governor Ryan. After discussing feedback from constituents the Council passed a motion to make the use of Social Security numbers on campus a higher priority than the issue of changing pay periods. Reports from the Board of Trustees meeting and the Employee Advisory Committee were given. For complete minutes please see <http://www.csc.ilstu.edu> or the copy distributed to each department.



As always, we encourage all Civil Service employees to attend Civil Service Council meetings. They are regularly scheduled the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from noon to 1:00pm in the Spotlight Room of the Bone Student Center.

A LETTER FROM THE COUNCIL CHAIR

--MARTHA BURK

It is an honor to be elected to serve as the Civil Service Council Chair. I am very excited about the upcoming year and hope to be able to make a valuable contribution to life on campus. Christa Lawhun has done a wonderful job in this position for the last three years and will be a tough act to follow, but I will do my best!

I thought it might be good to write a little bit about what the Council does— both for those of you who are new and for those who have not had much contact with the Council.

There are a number of highly visible things that the Council does each year: participate in Homecoming, sponsor shopping trips, sponsor the Children's Holiday Party starring the Gamma Phi Circus, participate in the WJBC Brotherhood Tree, help plan the AP-CS Award Ceremony, hold the CS picnic on the Plaza, and raise money for the scholarships for children of Civil Service staff.

The Council also does a lot that is not so visible. There are Council representatives on many committees such as Parking, Benefits/Sick Leave Appeals, the Employee Advisory Committee (a state-wide committee), Campus Communication, the Academic Senate and the Finance and Planning Committee of the Academic Senate.

In the past year the Council has also had the pleasure of hearing speakers on Educating Illinois, The Campus Master Plan, the Comprehensive Campaign, and many other important subjects. All of these meetings are open to anyone and guests are very welcome. Please come to a meeting and watch your Council in action!



SERVICE AWARDS

--TOM FOWLES

30 YEARS

Robyn F. McGownd.....2600 University Housing Serv 8/21/1972
 Dorothy A. Peasley2610 Food Service 8/11/1972

25 YEARS

Iva C. Coppengbarger5910 Special Education..... 8/15/1977
 Elaine R. George8900 Milner Library..... 8/8/1977
 John Todd Helgeson.....3470 Admin Information Sys..... 8/29/1977
 Jeffrey A. Imig4620 Psychology..... 8/15/1977
 Joan M. Winters8900 Milner Library..... 8/18/1977

20 Years

Cynthia Leiseberg9000 Facilities Management 8/15/1982

15 Years

Robert E. Crawford5020 Agriculture 8/2/1987
 Lori J. Cumpston0580 Payroll..... 8/17/1987
 Richard A. Meredith.....9100 Campus Services/Grounds 8/3/1987
 Ronda Queen.....8000 Advancement Services..... 8/5/1987
 Tami L. Radka.....3470 Admin Information Systems .. 8/3/1987
 Connie S. Taylor2600 University Housing Serv 8/17/1987
 Grace A. Taylor.....3500 Telecommunications 8/16/1987
 Marcia I. Taylor.....4240 English 8/24/1987
 Steven P. Wolfe.....2610 Food Service 8/10/1987

10 Years

Cathy J. Bess5060 Family & Consumer Sci..... 8/31/1992
 Judi Khalilallah2640 Bone Student Center 8/3/1992
 Dolores J. Lease1500 Mail Service Center 8/3/1992
 Kevin K. McCrone2540 Health Services 8/3/1992
 Kathleen A. Pollock8000 Advancement Services 8/6/1992

POTPOURRI



--DIANNE LIEBENSTEIN

BIRTHS...

❖[None Reported]

MARRIAGES...

❖[None Reported]

SYMPATHY – Our sincere sympathies to the following employees...

- ❖Dwayne Price, Facilities Management, on the death of his mother, Bernetta Price, July 27, 2002.
- ❖Howard Shoultz, Facilities Management, on the death of his father, Franklin Shoultz, July 26, 2002.
- ❖Brooke Hutchcraft, Facilities Management, on the death of her mother, Charlena Wallen, July 29, 2002.
- ❖Don Wallen, Facilities Management, on the death of his wife, Charlena Wallen, July 29, 2002.
- ❖Scott Landis, University Communications, on the death of his father, Norvan L. Landis, July 20, 2002.
- ❖Iva Coppengbarger, Special Education, on the death of her husband, Donald Coppengbarger, August 3, 2002.

RETIREMENTS (July 2002)...

❖John E. Langwith, Facilities Management

RESIGNATIONS (July 2002)...

- ❖Jeanette M. Parmenter, Office of Human Resources
- ❖Jessica B. Thompson, Curriculum and Instruction

Continued in next column...

NEW EMPLOYEES – Welcome to Illinois State University (July 2002)...

- ❖Bradley K. Brakebill, Facilities Management
- ❖Janet L. Carlton, Dean of Education
- ❖John A. Copes, Facilities Management
- ❖Kameron M. Cox, University Communications/Marketing
- ❖Scott M. Fisher, Facilities Management
- ❖Amanda L. Garrelts, Mennonite College of Nursing
- ❖Brooke A. Hunt, Health Services
- ❖Michael E. Johnson, Facilities Management
- ❖Edward E. Lawrence, Jr., Facilities Management
- ❖Shirley M. McCauley, Bone Student Center
- ❖April S. Myslinski, Curriculum and Instruction
- ❖Charles N. Oberts, Chemistry
- ❖Charles L. Robbins, Facilities Management
- ❖Jamie L. Schwendinger, Milner Library
- ❖Leslie M. Smith, Educational Admin. & Foundations
- ❖Jennifer L. Steenbergen, Admin. Information Systems
- ❖Amy K. Winn, Financial Aid Office

PROMOTIONS – Tip of the hat to you (July 2002)...

- ❖Jaime A. Aranda, Stationary Fireman, University Housing
- ❖Ramona J. Garner, Communications Ser. Specialist I, Telecommunications
- ❖Cindy A. Greskiwcz, Secretary IV, School of Social Work
- ❖Toni M. Helton, Library Tech. Assistant I, Milner Library
- ❖Marisela Link, Public Functions Supervisor, Bone Student Center
- ❖Garnet L. Allen, Administrative Clerk, Chemistry
- ❖Alan Patrick Hasty, Account Tech. II, Health Services
- ❖John W. Horonzy, Client Relations Representative III, Financial Aid Office
- ❖Suzann D. Locke, Administrative Clerk, Office of Human Resources
- ❖Douglas L. McCarty, Mechanical Engineer II, Facilities Management
- ❖Leslie H. Oberts, Laboratory Manager, Chemistry
- ❖Debra K. Shuck, Library Tech. Assistant I, Milner Library
- ❖Lauren M. Skrobot, Natural Science Tech. Assistant, Chemistry
- ❖Linda A. Wall, Staff Secretary, School of Social Work
- ❖Neva J. Waller, Staff Secretary, Psychology
- ❖Robin L. Woolsey, Staff Clerk, Military Science



Your help in providing Potpourri information is needed and appreciated. Please feel free to contact Dianne Liebenstein by phone at 8-8311 or by email, dbliebe@ilstu.edu, to report births, marriages, or deaths of immediate family members.

FRIVOLOUS FACTS



Coffee beans are not beans, but the pits of a fruit that resemble beans.

NEWLY ELECTED CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL OFFICERS

Congratulations to the new Civil Service Council Officers for FY-2003 elected at the July 16, 2002 meeting.

CHAIR: Martha Burk, 8900 Library Administration (Milner Library), 8-3474, mjburk@ilstu.edu

VICE-CHAIR: Vicki Bryan, 2320 Financial Aid (Fell Hall), 8-2782, vlbryan@ilstu.edu

SECRETARY: Elaine Thoennes, 2781 Recreation Services and University Golf Course (Beech St. facility), 8-5742, ecthoen@ilstu.edu

TREASURER: Pat Schnitker, 4040 Graduate School (Hovey Hall), 8-2109, plschnit@ilstu.edu

CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL REVISED MINUTES DISTRIBUTION POLICY

--ELAINE THOENNES

Effective with the August 6, 2002 meeting, only one copy of the minutes will be distributed to each mail code. To receive an individual copy, please forward your name, mail code and department to the Council Secretary: Elaine Thoennes, 2781 Recreation Services or email ecthoen@ilstu.edu. Minutes will continue to be available on the Civil Service Council website, www.csc.ilstu.edu.

HISTORY MYSTERY

What building on the quad is the oldest one standing (completed in 1897) and was originally built to be a gymnasium? The Governor at the time insisted all new state construction during his term in office resemble this building, so you will find a look-alike at many other state schools. (Answer on back page.)



Do you know a rumored ghost story or other fun and interesting information about buildings or facts about Illinois State's campus? Please send information to the editor via email at paburre@ilstu.edu. Please specify the source or if it is a rumor.

BLOOD DRIVE

--JULIE SHEPPELMAN

Illinois State University Police Department will be participating in the Battle of the Badges Blood Drive with the American Red Cross on August 29, 2002 at the Redbird Club Room in Redbird Arena from 10am to 4pm. Please come give blood and encourage others to give blood to support our blood drive.



If you cannot donate on that day, Normal PD with the Normal FD and Bloomington PD with the Bloomington PD will have blood drives on August 27, 2002 or August 28, 2002. Check with those departments for location, specific date, and time.

HR WORKLIFE PROGRAMS – HERE FOR YOU

--TUDY SCHMIED

The Office of Human Resources is constantly exploring how to best serve our employees. Eighteen years ago, Illinois State University was one of the first universities to offer a Wellness Program to its faculty and staff. This fall the Wellness Program will join with Training and Development, EAP, and a new area, Family Services, to unite as WorkLife Programs. The Assistant Director of HR-WorkLife will coordinate the efforts of these four programs to bring you comprehensive WorkLife Programs that will address work/life issues.

This past spring, faculty and staff were surveyed about their work/life needs. The results indicate these priorities for services:

1. Flexible work schedules
2. Employee medical services
3. Childcare center
4. Training for career advancement
5. Personal financial management
6. Various childcare services
7. Work/life resources

The WorkLife staff is dedicated to offering you excellence in WorkLife services. Our website, www.hr.ilstu.edu, is constantly being updated to inform you of current on-campus programs as well as links to excellent resources. Also, watch for WorkLife newsletters in your mail or on the web.

On a personal note, I will have retired on July 31. It has been my privilege to serve the faculty and staff during my 18 years in Wellness, EAP, and HR Development. I leave behind an excellent WorkLife staff whose number one priority is YOU.



GROUNDS

--TERRY EVERETT

Our campus has two shingle oak trees labeled as such on the Quad-side of the Old Union Building. An interesting fact is that the wood from shingle oak trees, which splits quite readily, is used to make house shingles. Check out the campus tree map for the exact location at <http://www.ilstu.edu/map/treemap/map/quadrant3.shtml> (number 71).

CONTACT US

If you have any campus activities that would be relevant to Civil Service personnel, please feel free to send the information to any of our Civil Service Council members, to the editor at paburre@ilstu.edu, or to our council liaison at vlbryan@ilstu.edu prior to the announced monthly deadline (posted in the "Dates To Remember" column on page 1).



SPOTLIGHT ON...

DAVE VAUGHN

--LYONEL LEONARD

Dave Vaughn, head of the electricians at Braden Auditorium and Bone Student Center, is a knowledgeable gentleman with a pleasurable personality. These traits make it easy for anyone to work with him, especially for me as I take his orders and see that he gets the correct material each and every time. Dave's character shines bright wherever he is present, day in and day out. If we could clone him on campus, it would be an exceptional atmosphere to work in.



Do you have someone you would like to thank? Someone worthy of being highlighted in the Civil Service newsletter? Someone whose work goes "above and beyond" other Civil Service employees' performances? Then we would like you to contact us to let us know. Please email all suggestions with an explanation to the editor at paburre@ilstu.edu.

QUICK QUOTE

Happiness is something that comes into our lives through doors we don't even remember leaving open.

--Rose Lane



HISTORY MYSTERY ANSWER

Cook Hall is occupied by the School of Music and serves as a practice area for many music students.

WORD

Anomalous -- adj : irregular
Pronunciation: /a-NOM-a-lus/

EXAMPLE: She considered her manager's decision to give everyone the day off to be an anomalous one.

MILNER HOURS OF OPERATION

Milner Library has radically changed their Fall semester hours of operation. Check out their website at www.mlb.ilstu.edu for more details.

