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DATES TO REMEMBER

May 25.....Next classified ad deadline
June 1.....Council meeting
 June 1.....Next *OpenLine* article deadline
June 15.....Council meeting
 June 20.....Father's Day

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SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

-MARTHA BURK

The Civil Service Scholarship

The Civil Service Council is again awarding four scholarships to dependents of Civil Service staff. The scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500 each (\$250 each semester). A student may be awarded a maximum of two one-year scholarships.

Eligibility requirements include the following:

1. The recipient must be a child living in the household and/or dependent of a full-time ISU Civil Service status employee who has at least two years of continuous service at Illinois State University.
2. Be a full-time student working toward an undergraduate degree or diploma.
3. Meet the requirements of the school he/she plans to attend and have a grade point average of "C" or above in both high school and/or college.
4. Financial need will be considered.

The Carl Johanson Scholarship

The Council is also awarding the third annual Carl Johanson scholarship. It was endowed by Al and Elaine Goldfarb and is named for Elaine's father. This scholarship is awarded to a Civil Service staff member who is taking classes and is seriously working towards a degree. It is awarded in the amount of \$500 (\$250 each semester).

Eligibility requirements include the following:

1. The recipient must be a full-time ISU Civil Service employee who has at least two years of continuous service at Illinois State University.
2. Be a student working toward a degree or diploma.
3. Have achieved at least junior status (including master's degree and doctoral candidates).
4. Have a grade point average of "C" or above during his/her college career to date. Scholarship will be one of two criteria considered for the award.
5. Financial need is the second of the two criteria.
6. Be a student at Illinois State University.

Applications Due

Application forms for both types of scholarships may be obtained on the Council's Web site (www.cscouncil.ilstu.edu) or by contacting your Council representative.

The application deadline for both scholarships is Wednesday, June 30, 2004. Please mail the completed forms to Martha Burk, Scholarship Committee Chair, 8900 Milner Library. For more information, contact Martha at 438-3474.

Quick Quote

-DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

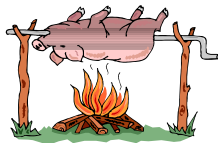
"A sense of humor is part of the art of leadership, of getting along with people, of getting things done."

Frivolous Facts

Pine, spruce, or other evergreen wood should never be used for barbecuing.

These woods, when burning or smoking, can add harmful tar and resins to the food.

Only hardwoods should be used for smoking and grilling, such as oak, pecan, hickory, maple, cherry, alder, apple, or mesquite, depending on the type of meat being cooked.



[Source: www.angelfire.com/ca6/uselessfacts]

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Services Offered:

- Tree and Shrub Trimming. Please call Carl or Terry at 310-3397, 530-5137 or 527-4492.
- Pampered Chef. Show you Care!! Order products during May to "Help Whip Cancer." Four products for \$1.00 ea. to Komen Foundation. Call Kathleen for details at 531-8950 or 8-8952.

For Sale – Other:

- Fresh asparagus picked daily. Ready in late April/May. Call Bonnie at 452-4197 or 830-3633 after 6:00 pm.
- Toro Lawn Roller: 48" steel, water-filled, garage kept, four years old \$24. Please call Shell at 728-2867.
- 7.5 foot artificial Christmas tree. \$25 or best offer. Please call Maggie at 438-7534.

To submit an ad: Complete the Classified Ad Submission Form. Send or deliver the form and payment (checks made out to Civil Service Council – OpenLine) to Pat Schnitker, 4040 Graduate School, Hovey 310. Ad must be received by the 25th of the month.

OpenLine Classified Ad Submission Form

All information must be printed clearly.

First and Last name: _____

Home phone: (____) _____ - _____

ISU phone: ____ - _____

Best time to reach you at your home phone: _____

Email: _____

Campus Box/Dept: _____

Check one category:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Free Items | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For Sale-Auto | <input type="checkbox"/> Wanted |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For Sale-Other | |

ONE word per box. 20 words or less.

Send this completed form and payment to:

Pat Schnitker, 4040 Graduate School.

(Make checks payable to: Civil Service Council - OpenLine.)

For more information about advertising in the OpenLine visit:
www.ilstu.edu/depts/civilservice/documentation/openline/Ad.pdf

YOUR COUNCIL OFFICERS FY-04



Martha Burk
Chair



Vicki Bryan
Vice Chair



Elaine Thoennes
Secretary



Pat Schnitker
Treasurer

These four Civil Service Council representatives have been serving as the Council officers over the past year. They were elected by the Council representatives last June. A new Council election will occur prior to July 1 when the new fiscal year begins. Watch for the announcement of the FY-05 Civil Service Council officers coming soon.

CONDITIONS FOR SUBMITTING ADS

Only Illinois State University employees and retirees may submit ads. There is a limit of ONE ad per employee or retiree, per issue. The ad must be resubmitted for each issue it is run. The appropriate fee must be



included with each submission form. Ads must be submitted on the Ad Submission Form, located in the OpenLine or on the Council website, photocopies are acceptable. No ads will be accepted over the telephone. One item or service allowed per submission form. Ads must be 20 words or less. Ads will not be accepted for travel, credit cards, real estate, financial, .com, nude, personals, and firearms to stay within accepted University practices and statutes. Ads will

appear in the next OpenLine, space permitting. Any ad not run due to space limitations will be held and appear in the following OpenLine; if you wish to cancel the ad the individual who submitted the ad must contact Pat Schnitker. Refunds will only be given if the ad was held for the following edition and cancelled prior to the submission deadline for that issue. Only your first name, home phone number, and email will appear in the ad, no ISU numbers will be published. OpenLine and the Civil Service Council are not responsible for any item or service advertised. The OpenLine staff and Civil Service Council reserves the right to restrict, edit or refuse any advertisement.

Abbreviations

AC = Air Conditioning	GC = Good Condition	PW = Power Windows
AT = Auto Transmission	Lrg = Large	RD = Rear Defroster
BR = Bedroom	LR = Living Room	Rm = Room
CC = Cruise Control	Mos = Months	S6 = Sleeps/Seats 6
DR = Dining Room	MR = Moon Roof	Sz = Size
EC = Excellent Condition	9P = 9 Passenger	SR = Sun Roof
EM = Email	PL = Power Locks	W&D = Washer and Dryer

CAMPUS CORNER

-- BARBARA DALLINGER

It is said in June of 1860, one thousand friends and family members were invited to "Anniversary Week" to join students at their final oral examinations, receptions, special meetings of the Illinois Natural History Society, the Horticultural Society, and the festive Commencement celebration which honored our first ten graduates. These six men and four women are joined in this photo by President Charles Hovey sitting in the center of the front row. Enoch Gastman of Hudson, the first student to enroll in the University, was also the first graduate to read his paper and answer questions from the faculty on the platform. Although these students were never able to attend classes in Old Main, tours of the nearly completed building were part of the festive week of celebration.



6.1.37 FACILITIES NAMING

Authority for naming campus facilities is conferred upon the University by Board of Trustees of Illinois State University Governing Document (Section C, IV, c; adopted 5-9-97):

The Board shall approve the naming of all facilities of the University. The University shall develop rules to be used in recommending names to the Board.

Please visit www.policy.ilstu.edu for more information on this topic.

SERVICE AWARDS

--TOM FOWLES

Service Award information is provided by the Human Resources Office.

35 YEARS

- Delmar Lee Hardwick, 2610 Campus Dining Service, 5/30/1969

25 YEARS

- Kathy Jo Crow, 2320 Financial Aid Office, 5/29/1979
- Russell John Derango, 5020 Agriculture, 5/22/1979

20 YEARS

- Harley James Carlson, 2640 Bone Student Center, 5/14/1984
- Charles L. Nehrt, 2600 University Housing Serv, 5/21/1984
- Timothy Lee Smith, 9000 Facilities Management, 5/7/1984
- Sharon Marie Sweeney, 9240 University Police, 5/14/1984

10 YEARS

- Dara L. Carr, 2540 Health Services, 5/23/1994
- Lorra M. Frantz, 1210 Student Accounts, 5/24/1994

REDUCTION IN MODEM POOL CAPACITY

-- BILL BLOMGREN

Starting July 1, 2004 all on-campus access to the University data networks through modems will end and off campus modem service will be reduced by 53% to 196 modem lines. A tentative date of January 1, 2005 has been proposed by Telecommunications and Network Support Services for the total elimination of all remaining modem service. Over the next few months a final decision on the total elimination of all remaining modem service will be made. This decision will involve further discussions with campus technology groups and a

final administrative review before any action is taken. However, a major hardware problem could result in the permanent shutdown of all university modem service without prior warning.

For detailed information on this reduction, please visit the Telecommunications and Network Support Services Web site at www.tnss.ilstu.edu or e-mail telecomweb@ilstu.edu with your questions or concerns.



--NIKKI GEGEL

Employee Fitness Program

Summer fitness program activities begin May 17. We are offering badminton, fitness lab, land aerobics, lap swimming, water aerobics classes, T'ai Chi, table tennis and yoga.

Registration forms are located on our Web site (www.hr.ilstu.edu/wellness/efp_registration.shtml) or by phone 438-7003 to request the forms.

Active for Life

Wellness is partnering with the American Cancer Society to offer a program encouraging participants to improve their lifestyles. The program will run from June 15 to August 24, 2004 and will meet on alternating Tuesdays from noon to 1 p.m. Please call 438-8311 to register.

Heart Healthy Cooking Class

OSF Center for Healthy Lifestyles is offering a private cooking class for Illinois State University faculty, staff and their significant others. The cost will be \$20 per person and the date will be determined by those interested. Please call 438-8311 to express interest.



Parenting Support

If you are interested in meeting with other parents to share ideas, offer encouragement and support for one another, please contact Nikki Gegel at nbgegel@ilstu.edu or 438-8845. The group will decide topics, format and meeting dates.

Blood Screening

The following blood screening tests will be offered on July 16 from 7:30 to 9:00 am:

- Lipid Profile, \$18
- Chemistry Profile +Lipid Profile, \$22
- PSA, \$63

A \$3 draw fee will be added for each person. Our screenings are now located at the Lab Corp facility on Clearwater Drive in Bloomington. Contact 438-8311 for an appointment.



Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

The State of Illinois offers assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, through Magellan Behavioral Health, at 866-659-3848. Employees and their dependents, covered by the State of Illinois Group Insurance Plans, are eligible to receive 3 free visits per year with a mental health professional provided by Magellan. Any visits beyond this will need to be covered through your individual insurance carrier. The on campus EAP contact is Nikki Gegel (438-8845 or nbgegel@ilstu.edu) during regular business hours.

Wellness Registration

Please contact the HR Customer Service Center at 438-8311, to register for any of the above sessions. For further information visit the Wellness Program Web site at www.hr.ilstu.edu/wellness or contact Nikki Gegel at 438-8845.

LIFE ADVICE ABOUT PLANNING FOR COLLEGE

....College graduates have more jobs to choose from, and they generally make more money than people who have a high school education. That makes a college education very important for your child's future....
College costs have risen consistently for the past 10 years, and there's little reason to think this trend will reverse itself. Most cost estimates predict annual increases of 5%. What's more, many people take more than four years to finish college and some go on to postgraduate studies, so you may need to save even more.



A child born in 1999 will probably start college in the year 2017, when a private college education could cost \$54,000 a year! Of course, these are only average estimates. If you have a specific school in mind, you may wish to contact the school now and when the anticipated date draws closer -for information on tuition costs, how they have changed and the trend for future increases.

Clearly, it helps to begin saving early, preferably as soon as the child is born. The idea is to save or invest as much money as you can and pay taxes on as little as possible. It's like buying a house: the more you've saved ahead of time, the less you'll need to borrow. Set aside or invest as much as you can, even if it's just a small amount from every paycheck.

For the complete article on this topic, check out www.pueblo.gsa.gov/cic_text/family/college/college.htm.

PRIVACY CHOICES

Federal privacy laws give you the right to stop (opt out of) some sharing of your personal financial information. These laws balance your right to privacy with financial companies' need to provide information for normal business purposes. You have the right to opt out of some information sharing with companies that are:

- Part of the same corporate group as your financial company (or affiliates)
- Not part of the same corporate group as your financial company (or non-affiliates).

But you cannot opt out and completely stop the flow of all your personal financial information. The law permits your financial companies to share certain information about you without giving you the right to opt out.

For the complete article on this topic, check out www.pueblo.gsa.gov/cic_text/money/priv-choices/privacy.html.

CONTACT US

Please feel free to contact any Council member if you have questions, comments, or ideas so that we may better serve you. Any campus activities or information that would be relevant to Civil Service personnel can also be submitted.

Send information to the Council officers (cscouncil@ilstu.edu), to the OpenLine editor, Pam Burriss (paburre@ilstu.edu), to our Council liaison, Vicki Bryan (vlbryan@ilstu.edu), or to any other Council member prior to the deadline.

