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# OpenLine

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

October 31 ..... Next classified ad deadline  
November 2 ..... Daylight Saving Time ends  
**November 4** ..... **Council meeting**  
November 4 ..... Election Day  
November 5 ..... *OpenLine* article deadline  
November 11 ..... Veterans Day  
**November 18** ..... **Council meeting**  
November 27 ..... Thanksgiving

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## FRIVOLOUS FACTS



Panophobia is the fear of everything.

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<http://www.nicefacts.com/>]

HAVE A SAFE &  
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



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## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD APPLICATIONS

~ Melody Palm

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest honor a staff member can receive at Illinois State.

The typical recipient demonstrates excellence in three areas:

- outstanding job performance
- campus-wide involvement
- community involvement



The award is based on significant contributions over a period of time and is not given for a single contribution. A person can receive the award only once every seven years.

Distinguished Service Award recipients receive a monetary award and a plaque. In addition, recipient's names are added to the University's Wall of Fame in the Bone Student Center.

Civil Service and Administrative/Professional Staff Distinguished Service Awards, and awards for outstanding faculty contributions, will be presented as part of the Founders Day Celebration in February, 2009. The campus community affirms the vital role each of us plays in our shared mission as a University as we join in recognizing exceptional performance.

Any University employee or student may submit a nomination. Please access the Civil Service Council Web site, [www.cscouncil.ilstu.edu](http://www.cscouncil.ilstu.edu), for the criteria and application form. You may also contact your Dean, Director, Department Head, any member of the Civil Service Council, or Melody Palm (8-3930 or [mapalm@ilstu.edu](mailto:mapalm@ilstu.edu)) for a paper copy. Applications are due by December 1, 2008, and should be sent to Melody Palm, 2640 Bone Student Center.

## QUICK QUOTE

"There are three things I have learned never to discuss with people: religion, politics and the Great Pumpkin."

-- Linus Van Pelt in  
"It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown"

## SERVICE AWARDS

~ David Schaafsma

### 30 YEARS

- Debra L. Speicker, 9100 Campus Services/Grounds, 10/9/1978
- Marc Lebovitz, 3250 Media Relations, 10/17/1978

### 25 YEARS

- Christina R. Fatten, 8900 Milner Library, 10/3/1983
- Clara Lehan, 2540 Health Services, 10/3/1983

### 20 YEARS

- David Phillip Smith, 2640 Bone Student Center, 10/3/1988
- Robert Joseph Nuckolls, 9250 Parking & Transportation, 10/9/1988
- Kenneth M. Garrison, 2610 Food Service, 10/17/1988
- Ralph Eugene Lewis, 2600 University Housing Service, 10/20/1988
- Terry Lee Taylor, 9100 Campus Services/Grounds, 10/20/1988
- Dean Edward Plumadore, 2600 University Housing Svc, 10/30/1988

### 15 YEARS

- Barbara Joann Arbogast, 5121 School of Kines & Rec, 10/4/1993
- Sharon Kay Schultz, 9240 University Police, 10/4/1993
- Kim Elaine Shennett, 4040 Graduate School, 10/4/1993
- Karen Anne Cann, 4720 Speech Pathology & Audio, 10/25/1993
- Bertha Alicia Martinez, 9100 Campus Services/Grounds, 10/26/1993

### 10 YEARS

- Angela R. Scott, 4240 English, 10/3/1998
- Eric Daniel Ballard, 2640 Bone Student Center, 10/5/1998
- Samantha Lynn Melody, 2610 Food Service, 10/19/1998



## POTPOURRI

~ Dianne Liebenstein

### SYMPATHY – OUR SINCERE SYMPATHIES TO:

- Erin Dwyer, Admin. Information Systems, on the death of her mother, Judy Towle, June 9, 2008. Judy is also a 2001 ISU retiree.
- Donna Larson, Facilities Management, on the death of her sister, Sandra Harris, July 2, 2008.
- Sharon Hardesty, Student Health Services, on the death of her husband, Marvin Hardesty, July 9, 2008.
- Gerald Mulvaney, Facilities Management, on the death of his mother, Grace Mulvaney, August 13, 2008.
- Dianne Liebenstein, Office of Human Resources, on the death of her mother-in-law, Phyllis Liebenstein, September 6, 2008.
- Allen Grimm, Facilities Management, on the death of his mother, Annabelle Grimm, September 12, 2008.
- To the University Community on the death of the following retirees:
  - James Clark, Facilities Management, August 2, 2008.
  - Richard Mehl, Facilities Management, August 3, 2008.
  - Billie Watkins, Facilities Management, August 4, 2008.(Note: In the future, retiree deaths will be published in the ISU Annuitants Newsletter only.)

### BIRTHS – CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Lorra Frantz, Cashier's Office, on the birth of her grandson, Owen, born July 23, 2008, 6 lbs. 12 oz and 20 inches long.
- Rodney Moore, Campus Dining Services, on the birth of his son, Kyle, born August 8, 2008, 9 lbs. 11 oz. and 22 inches long.
- Leticia Dreyer, Facilities Management, on the birth of her son, Rylin Bayani Dreyer, born August 10, 2008, 6 lbs. 12 oz., 18 ¼ inches long. Grandmother Marsha Perry, College of Business.
- Linda Young, Student Health Services, on the birth of her granddaughter, Layla Grace Trammel, born August 12, 2008, 7 lbs. 11 oz, 19 inches long.
- Zack Bemis, Facilities Management, on the birth of his son, Evan Eugene Bemis, born September 13, 2008, 8 lbs. 2 oz., 21 inches long.



## WELCOME TO ISU – JUNE AND JULY 2008

- Janice R. Ballowe, English
- Steven R. Barcus, Univ. Marketing & Communication
- Christina M. Cassels, School of Art
- Jay C. Fitzgerald, Facilities Management
- Y. Michelle Freimann, Educ. Admin. & Foundations
- Daniel A. Hite, Environmental Health & Safety
- Candice A. Logsdon, Human Resources
- Laura Marshall, Human Resources
- Donald E. Mead, Comptroller's Office
- Jillian R. Phillis, University Advancement
- Linda J. Spencer, History
- Melinda L. Swearingen, Human Resources
- Robert Dale Tomaski, Univ. Marketing & Communications
- Ronald C. Wahlfeldt, Facilities Management
- Elias K. Wrightam, Student Affairs

## PROMOTIONS – JUNE AND JULY 2008

- Elizabeth A. Barna, Chief Clerk, Family & Consumer Services
- Teresha A. Bossingham, Admissions/Records Representative
- Christine Bull, Food Service Worker II, Campus Dining Services
- Yvonne M. Crutcher, Admissions/Records Supervisor
- D. Jean Darnall, Supvr/Univ. Union Operations, Bone Student Cntr
- Deborah L. Frank, Office Support Specialist, Thomas Metcalf Schl
- Mildred Gardner, Food Service Worker II, Campus Dining Services
- Ronald F. Glenn, Associate IT Support, Univ. Housing Service
- Eric A. Grab, Associate IT Support, Health Services
- Jeanette L. Harrison, Staff Clerk, Enrollment Mgmt. & Acad. Svc
- Lisa R. Hinthorn, Administrative Clerk, Special Education
- Laura J. Jones, Account Tech. II, Comptroller's Office
- Teri L. Lehr, Customer Service Rep. I, Career Center
- Bonnie F. Lucas, Staff Clerk, Facilities Management (April 2008)
- Kathy L. Lock, Tech Account III, Athletics
- David G. Marple, Mgr. Insurance Risk II, Env Health & Safety
- Kevin K. McCrone, Assoc. II Technical, Health Services
- Kevin McMahan, Assoc. II Technical, Career Center
- Lataundia M. Mintz, Associate IT Support, Health Services
- Lorraine B. Perkins, Administrative Clerk, College of Education
- Dean E. Plumadore, Assoc. II Technical, Univ. Housing Services
- Rod N. Repp, Assoc. II Technical, Univ. Housing Services
- Tracy D. Rosenberger, Assoc. II Technical, Univ. Housing Services
- Linda A. Wall, Administrative Aide, Educ. Admin. & Foundations

## RESIGNATIONS – JUNE AND JULY 2008

- Linda M. Cooper, Health Services
- Todd D. Cox, Univ. Police Department
- Creston L. Dennis Jr., Facilities Management
- Stephen F. Finley, Curriculum & Instruction
- Kimberly D. Hopkins, Campus Dining Services
- Martha Kiser, University High School
- Constance L. Margan, Dean of Education
- Jennifer J. Olson, Facilities Management
- Davis M. Rank, Campus Dining Services
- Julie M. Ruby, History
- James E. Scott, Environmental Health & Safety
- Rebecca J. Short, Athletics
- Ted G. Smith, Comptroller's Office
- Lynne A. Talbott, Thomas Metcalf School
- James V. Thorpe, Facilities Management
- Ari B. Turetzky, Admin. Information Systems
- David E. Vaughn, Facilities Management
- Janet A. Wulf, Disability Concerns

*Your help in providing Potpourri information is needed and appreciated. Please feel free to contact Dianne Liebenstein by phone (438-8311) or by e-mail (dbliebe@ilstu.edu) to report births, marriages, or deaths of immediate family members.*

## SECA'S GOING GREEN

~ Maureen Peel



Good news! If you haven't made your contribution to this year's SECA (STATE and UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEES COMBINED APPEAL) campaign, there is still time to participate.

Help the community and the world around us by donating to the more than 2,200 agencies or organizations of your choice listed in the SECA booklet.

SECA is going green this year! We have reduced the amount of paper being used in the campaign; we used many recycled materials; and, finally, if we reach our goal of \$95,000, Facilities Management will donate a tree to plant on the Quad in celebration of our success.

There are countless individuals and organizations needing the help of their local communities and world neighbors. Civil Service employees have always played a large role in contributing to the success of our campus campaign. Let's continue the tradition this year, and take this opportunity to lend our support to those needing our help.

No gift is too small! Together we can make a difference! Donations can be given as a one-time gift or through easy payroll deductions.

Every SECA donor will automatically be entered in a weekly drawing for a chance to win fabulous prizes! There are two more drawings left this month on October 24 and October 31, and lots of great prizes remain. Additionally, EVERY person contributing to SECA this year will receive four tickets to an ISU Men's Basketball game AND four tickets to an ISU Women's Basketball game.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact SECA co-chairs: Vickie Kiser at [vskiser@ilstu.edu](mailto:vskiser@ilstu.edu) or 8-5677; Barb Dallinger at [bldalli@ilstu.edu](mailto:bldalli@ilstu.edu) or 8-8540; and Maureen Peel at [mkpeel@ilstu.edu](mailto:mkpeel@ilstu.edu) or 8-5152.

*Remember: "I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver." -- Maya Angelou*

## CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

~ Jan Jolynn Staley

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7** is the date selected this year for the annual Children's Holiday Party. It will be held in the large gym at Horton Field House from 2 to 4 p.m.

This very popular event – co-sponsored by the Civil Service Council and the Administrative/Professional Council – is open to all children and grandchildren of ISU staff, faculty, and students. The Councils join together to provide food, fun, the Gamma Phi



Circus, Reggie Redbird, Santa, and more! Further details will be provided in next month's OpenLine; however, it is not too early to register your family's participation in this free event, as we will need to know how many are attending in order to provide enough refreshments for all and goodie bags for each child.

Please feel free to RSVP to Jan Jolynn Staley (438-7261 or [jjstaley@ilstu.edu](mailto:jjstaley@ilstu.edu)) to reserve space for your family. Remember to provide the number of adults and the number of children that will be attending. **NOTE: Reservations must be made no later than Wednesday, December 3, 2008.** We look forward to having you with us this year!

## PICNIC FUN

~ Valerie Bridson

The seventh annual lunch on Milner Plaza that took place on September 19 was another big success. Sponsored by the Civil Service Council, members ended up selling about 150 dinners, which included the usual delicious fried chicken and a new added feature, vegetarian lasagna. The luncheon was also a kick-off for the Civil Service Council's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary coming up in 2009. Congratulations to Maureen Peel, Administrative Aide in VP Finance & Planning for winning the drawing for the chip and dip set. Thank you to all and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

## GARTNER IT RESEARCH PORTAL

~ Pam Beach

Illinois State University has signed an agreement with Gartner, Inc, the leading provider of research and analysis on the global information technology industry, to provide internet access to Gartner's core research content for faculty, staff and students. Gartner representatives will be on campus to demonstrate this service on Friday, November 7 from 10 to 11 a.m. in room 366 in the College of Business building. We welcome ISU faculty and staff to attend this informative session. Access to Gartner's information technology research value provides University faculty and staff a valuable resource for: understanding current trends and issues IT professionals are facing; bringing timely, objective real world examples and content to the classroom, enriching the educational experience; gaining insight to the application of technology to business problems, separating hype from realistic future growth of technology trends; and learning how vendors perform and gauge where the overall market is headed.

## WELLNESS EVENTS

~ Nikki Brauer

Registration via the online system is required for the following events unless otherwise stated ([www.hr.ilstu.edu/wellness/register.shtml](http://www.hr.ilstu.edu/wellness/register.shtml)). If you have any questions or do not have online access, please send an email to [nbgegel@ilstu.edu](mailto:nbgegel@ilstu.edu) or call 438-8845.

- "An Apple A Day: Preventative Care throughout Your Lifetime" with Dr. Cash, M.D., Carle Clinic Family Practice on November 5 from noon to 1 p.m. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> W. Lounge, Bone Student Center.
- Massage appointments are available on October 20, November 6, and December 9 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Faculty/Staff Commons Conference Room of the Bone Student Center.
- Family Swims have been scheduled for October 25 and November 9 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Metcalf Pool.

The Faculty/Staff Wellness Program has purchased Healthier at Home Self-care guides for faculty and staff who reserve a copy through our office. These books will be offered until our limited supply has been depleted and there is no cost to you. These guides are an invaluable resource and with the purchase, Illinois State University will be granted access to an online health portal as well. You may choose to visit the portal at: [www.healthylearn.com](http://www.healthylearn.com). The guides are to be utilized as a resource, but never to take the place of consulting your physician or other health care provider. Please call 438-7003 to reserve your guide today. Guides will be available the first part of November!

"Healthy You Healthy Earth," the Wellness and Environmental Fair, will be held November 12 from 10 a.m. to 3p.m. in the Brown Ballroom of the Bone Student Center. Presentations, screenings, health information, environmental displays, food samples, and prizes are on the list of the many fun activities. President Bowman will give an address at 11 a.m. Other presentations include, "Reviewing Hippocrates in the Climate of the 21st Century" at 11:45 a.m., "Manage Your Stress, Manage Your Weight" at 12:45 p.m., and "Breathe Easy Through Your Home Improvement Project – VOC's 101" at 1:45 p.m.

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS**

**Free Items:**

- Kittens to give away. Call Reah at 376-5071

**Personal Service:**

- Stress-Free Holiday Shopping. Just visit my Mary Kay web site. You'll find pampering, fragrances and more. Contact Phyllis 454-3793 (marykay.com/pbond).
- Radon — #1 cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. Questions? Call David Smith, (309) 473-2955, licensed radon professional #98102.



**NEXT OPENLINE ARTICLE DEADLINE**

The next deadline to submit articles to the *OpenLine* newsletter will be **Wednesday, November 5** following the first Council meeting of the month. Articles, news and ideas pertinent to civil service employees can be sent to the Civil Service Council (cscouncil@ilstu.edu) or to the newsletter staff (cscopenline@ilstu.edu).



**OpenLine Classified Ad Submission Form**

*All information must be printed clearly.*

First and Last name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employment status: Full time / part time / retired / \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 ISU phone: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 Best time to reach you at your home phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Campus Box/Dept: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one category:

- Free Items (\$2)                       Personal Service (\$5)  
 For Sale-Auto (\$5)                       Wanted (\$2)  
 For Sale-Other (\$2)

**ONE word per box. 20 words or less.**


Send this completed form and payment by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month to:  
**Theresa Sanchez, 2202 Evaluation Services, 438-2500.**  
 (Make checks payable to: Civil Service Council - *OpenLine*.)

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