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DATES TO REMEMBER

June 19..... CS Council meeting @ noon
June 20..... Summer begins
June 27..... OpenLine article deadline
June 27..... Classified ad deadline
Jul 3..... CS Council meeting @ noon
July 4..... Independence Day
Jul 17..... CS Council meeting @ noon

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FRIVOLOUS FACTS

If you spell all the numbers and try to find the letter "A," you will have to count to a "thousand."



[Source: <http://www.interestingfacts.org/category/science-facts>]

QUICK QUOTE



"Genius is one percent inspiration, ninety-nine percent perspiration."

-- Thomas Edison

[Source: http://www.quotationspage.com/quotes/Thomas_A._Edison]

2012 CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

~ Andrea Rediger, Elections Committee Chair

*Congratulations to the newly elected members of the Civil Service Council.
Thank you all for voting.*

Group 1 – Kathleen Webster

Group 2 – Diana Weekes

Group 3 – Jacob DeGeal

Group 5 – Carol A. Pfoff



This was the first year for the Civil Service Council to hold elections online. Accessible from the Council website, each civil service employee had the opportunity to self-nominate or nominate another person within the same group. All but one group had candidates for the election. Since Group 4 did not have a candidate for the ballot, according to the Council's bylaws, the outgoing representative was asked to serve a 1-year term. Tom Cotton agreed to serve another year even though he has served two consecutive 3-year terms. We encourage everyone to consider serving on the Council. It is an opportunity for civil service employees to meet people from all across campus, to advocate for improvements, and to learn of upcoming plans for Illinois State University.

CUBS WIN! HOLY COW....CUBS WIN!

~ Jean Darnall, Bus Trip Committee Chair



The Chicago Cubs vs. San Diego Padres baseball trip to Wrigley Field was a huge success. This year, we added a sixth Peoria Charter bus to accommodate the 296 people traveling to watch the game. The weather was absolutely fantastic and everyone seemed to have a great time.

Congratulations to all of the door prize winners: Vickie Kiser, Kelsey Young, Deborah Brown, Dave White, Heather Dennis & John Reimer.

On a personal note, it was an honor for me to have the opportunity to throw out the first pitch prior to the game. Walking up to the mound was not only exciting, but scary as well. Yes, I have to admit that I did NOT throw a strike ball, I was not even close, but what a joy it was none the less. It is a

memory that will remain with me for a lifetime.

Thanks to everyone for attending this year's trip.

SERVICE AWARDS

~ David Schaafsma, Human Resources Asst. Director

25 YEARS

- Wendy Lyn Keller, Dean of Students Office, 6/18/1987
- Robin Lynn Knapp, Comptroller's Office, 6/16/1987



15 YEARS

- Randall Lester Hill, Computer Infrastructure Support Services, 6/2/1997
- Patrick K. O'Connell, Bone Student Center, 6/9/1997

MY.ILLINOISSTATE.EDU: NEW FACULTY AND STAFF RESOURCES

~ Amanda Smith, Institutional Web Support Services



Beginning in August 2012, faculty and staff will have a one-stop resource called *My.IllinoisState.edu* for all web and computer-related information pertaining to Illinois State University, including email, links, service requests, and tools. The new site contains a section

specifically designed to provide an easy-to-use online system for Illinois State faculty and staff.

Service Requests

You can now submit requests for computer help, facilities maintenance, printing and mail services, and more all from a single location. This will eliminate the need to remember multiple websites and make completing a service request quick and efficient.

Parking

My.IllinoisState.edu will serve as a launch pad to all parking-related concerns, including purchasing a parking pass and paying parking tickets online.

Tools for Important Daily Tasks

Illinois State faculty and staff will now have access to all necessary information and tools from one location. Links for the campus A-Z, application review tools, survey administration, department intranets, and Datatel can now be found in the same place.



Your Need-to-Have Information

My.IllinoisState.edu will provide links to the specific information you need as a Civil Service staff member at Illinois State such as HR and Benefits, registration for classes through CTLT, the Civil Service Council website, the University Calendar, and more. Visit *My.IllinoisState.edu* daily for information about dates, deadlines, news, and events that are most relevant to you.

If there is something specific you'd like to see featured, please let us know! Visit *My.IllinoisState.edu* and complete our four question survey.

For more information or to set up a demo for your department or group, contact Institutional Web Support at My@IllinoisState.edu

TIP OF THE HAT

~ Ramona Swanberg, Human Resource Systems

WELCOME TO ISU – MAY 2012

- Michael Bantner, Pipefitter, Building Maintenance
- Stacy Brown, Purchasing Officer I, Comptroller's Office
- Kristen Grimes, IT Technical Associate, Instructional Tech - College of Education
- Jan Olson, Office Support Specialist, Special Education
- Scott Spaid, Pipefitter, Building Maintenance
- Dharma Reddy Thmmu, IT Technical Associate, BITS
- Ronda Wells, Office Support Specialist, Chemistry

PROMOTIONS/RECLASSIFICATIONS – MAY 2012

- Jeanne Merkle, Administrative Clerk, English – **March 2012**
- Angela Braxton, Business Manager I, Parking and Transportation
- Patricia Franz, Administrative Aide, School of Communication
- Eva Hurth, Pharmacy Technician II, Health Services
- Pat Miles, Account Technician II, Thomas Metcalf School
- Melody Palm, Business Manager II, Bone Student Center
- Stuart Palmer, Office Support Specialist, Honors Program
- Jamie Watson, Office Support Specialist, Clinical Experiences in Teacher Education
- Brenda Yoder, Administrative Clerk, Dean of Business



CHANGE DEPARTMENT – MAY 2012

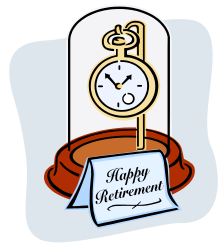
- Elizabeth Larson, Admissions

RESIGNATIONS – MAY 2012

- Walter Droba, University Police Department
- Michael Gletten, Anthony, Janitorial
- Monika Jallepalli, BITS
- Patty Love, Thomas Metcalf School
- Saurabh Pathak, BITS
- Amaris Pettie, Univ Mktg & Communications
- Robert Vicary, Dining Services

RETIREMENTS – MAY 2012

- Douglas Abbott, Building Maintenance
- Cinthia Allison, Janitorial
- Amy Armstrong, Registrar
- Agnes Barr, Janitorial
- Sharon Hardesty, Health Services
- Randel Hartman, Campus Services, Grounds
- Patricia McClure, Janitorial
- Lilly Meiner, Clinical Experiences in Teacher Education
- Elidian Miller, Janitorial
- Elizabeth Moore, Health Services
- Susan Payne, Diversity Advocacy
- Timothy Smith, Building Maintenance
- James Spelios, Janitorial
- John Stephens, Illinois Special Olympics
- Vicki Sullivan, Human Resources
- Marcia Taylor, English
- Kathy Viergutz, Financial Aid
- V. Jane Ward, Comptroller's Office
- Wilbur Wertz, Janitorial
- Warren West, School of Kinesiology & Recreation



POTPOURRI

~ Sarita Cox, Civil Service Council

BEST WISHES/CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Chris Kirchner, Recycling Route Driver, on the arrival of his daughter, Lyla Jean Kirchner, who was born May 2, 2012. She weighed 6 lb. 7 oz. and measured 20 inches long

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Your help in providing Potpourri information is needed and appreciated. Feel free to voluntarily provide Potpourri information, taking note of the article deadlines printed in each issue. Report births, marriages, or deaths of immediate family members via email to cscopenline@ilstu.edu. Notifications are not verified by birth, marriage, or death certificates.

SUMMER OF WELLNESS

~ Erin Link, Health Promotion and Wellness



Walking to Wellness

Walking resources are available to help you work walking into your day. Campus walking with a variety of routes are available for pick up at the main Health Promotion and Wellness office in McCormick 187. Additional resources are available online at Wellness.IllinoisState.edu.

Summer Lifestyle Enhancement Program

Summer lifestyle enhancement classes will run from May 14 to August 19. Classes include Balanced Bellies and Backs, various yoga classes, badminton, and table tennis. T'ai Chi will return in the fall. To register, download and fill out forms available online at <http://wellness.illinoisstate.edu/registration.shtml>

Wellness Presentations Available

Summer is a great time to schedule wellness presentations for your area. Presentations available include:



Ergonomics 101; Guided Relaxation; How to achieve health goals; State of your Health: Update on 2011 Faculty Staff Health Survey; and Yoga at your desk To schedule a session, call (309) 438-WELL (9355) or email nbgegel@illinoisstate.edu

Ergonomics at Work

Pain and discomfort are signals that your body is out of balance. Have you considered an adjustment of your work space? One-on-one appointments can be requested to review work postures that increase risk of injury and offer recommendations for a safer, seated work environment. Ergonomics 101 presentations may be scheduled for your department as a proactive approach to working safer. Contact (309) 438-8845 for more information.

NOON BASKETBALL FOR SUMMER

~ Andrew Read, Campus Recreation

The Student Fitness Center will be hosting open recreational basketball, "Noon-ball," throughout the summer for faculty, staff and annuitants. The fee is \$30 for those without a summer SFC membership, but is included for those with a current membership. Games are on Court B of the Student Fitness Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Pre-registration is required. For more details, call 309.438.7529.

A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS AT EWING MANOR

~ Juliana Duncan, Alumni Relations



Illinois State University Alumni Relations will host a buffet dinner for alumni and friends on the east lawn of Ewing Manor followed by a special performance of *As You Like It*.

Saturday, July 14, 2012

Ewing Cultural Center, 48 Sunset Road, Bloomington

5:30 p.m. – Social Hour with performance of our Madrigal Alumni

5:45 p.m. – Theater tour

6:30 p.m. – Buffet Dinner

7 p.m. – Remarks By: President Al Bowman, Jim Major, Dean College of Fine Arts and Deb Alley, Artistic Director, Illinois Shakespeare Festival

8 p.m. – *As You Like It*

Cost: The dinner is \$18; and the performance tickets are \$35 for Platinum plus seating, \$35 for Platinum seating, \$30 for Gold seating and \$25 for silver seating. **Please register by Wednesday, June 27, 2012.** Contact Alumni Relations for any questions regarding this event at (800)366-4478. Registration is available online at Alumni.IllinoisState.edu/Shakespeare

HOMEcoming ROYALTY NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

~ Rachel Hatch, Media Relations



The Alumni Association Homecoming Committee is seeking nominations for the alumni king and queen and prince and princess for the 2012 Homecoming court. Nominations are due by Sunday, July 1.

The alumni king and queen will be crowned at the Homecoming luncheon on Friday, Oct. 5, and they will reign over events with the new student king and queen and members of the student court throughout the Homecoming weekend. The Homecoming prince and princess will help lead off the annual parade and other events on Saturday.

To be eligible for consideration for alumni king and queen, alumni must have celebrated their 50th class reunion, have a strong connection to the University and be able to attend Homecoming events throughout the weekend.

Also, children of Illinois State University graduates between the ages of four and seven at the time of Homecoming 2012 are eligible for nomination for the Homecoming prince and princess. The prince or princess must display Redbird spirit, pride and enthusiasm and be the son or daughter of an Illinois State alum.



For more information and to download the application form, visit the Homecoming website at <http://illinoisstatehomecoming.com/royalty/>

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Personal Service:

- Ballroom, Latin, and Nightclub dance classes for adults, taught by Cathy Hempstead, Dance Partners Studio. 309/661-0529. www.dancepartners.info
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- Radon mitigation –IL licensed, insured, free estimates. 2400+ successful installations, 100% satisfied customers. David Smith Radon Remedies 1-800-838-1352.

NOTE: The Civil Service Council does not endorse any of the product(s) or service(s) included in the Classified Ads section of the OpenLine newsletter.

NEXT OPENLINE ARTICLE DEADLINE

The next deadline to submit articles to the *OpenLine* newsletter will be **Wednesday, June 27**. Items pertinent to Civil Service employees can be sent to www.cscopenline@ilstu.edu

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

ONE word per box. 20 words or less.

Make checks payable to: Civil Service Council - *OpenLine*.

Send this completed form and payment by the published classified ad deadline to:

Maureen Peel, 1100 VP Finance & Planning, 438-5152

For more information about advertising in the *OpenLine* visit www.cscouncil.illinoisstate.edu/openline/

