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# OpenLine

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

May 6 ..... CS Council meeting @ noon  
May 11 ..... Mother's Day  
May 20 ..... CS Council meeting @ noon  
May 26 ..... Memorial Day  
May 28 ..... OpenLine article deadline  
May 28 ..... Next classified ad deadline

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## QUICK QUOTE

"The speed of communications is wondrous to behold. It is also true that speed can multiply the distribution of information that we know to be untrue."

-- Edward R. Murrow



[Source: <http://thinkexist.com/>]

## FRIVOLOUS FACT



Bees see all colors except the color red. That and their sense of smell help them find the flowers they need to collect pollen.

[Source: <http://www.pestworldforkids.org/bees.html>]

## ONLINE PARKING PERMIT RENEWALS

~ Shelly Braxton, Office of Parking and Transportation

The Office of Parking and Transportation will begin online renewals for FY15 parking permits starting June 2, 2014.



The online permit enrollment period for faculty and staff utilizing payroll deduction will begin on June 2, 2014, and conclude on August 14, 2014.

New permits will be distributed after the beginning of the fiscal year, and will be mailed to the address chosen by the employee, or can be picked up at the Office of Parking and Transportation if preferred.

To access the online site and purchase a parking permit, employees may access the Office of Parking and Transportation website at **Parking.IllinoisState.edu**. Upon login, using University Logon ID (ULID) credentials, employees are eligible to renew their current Faculty/Staff, Reserved Space and Reserved Zone permits during the enrollment period.



Permits may be purchased using payroll deduction, debit or credit card, based on employee eligibility.

Updates regarding sales dates, permit mailing dates and other information pertinent to online permit sales will be conveyed on the Office of Parking and Transportation's website. If an online permit purchase using payroll deduction has not been made prior to the end of the enrollment period, eligible employees may still choose payroll deduction to purchase their permit; however, paperwork must be completed in the Office of Parking and Transportation past the enrollment window.

## APPRECIATION FOR FOOD DRIVE DONATIONS

The Western Avenue Community Center wrote a letter of thanks to ISU's Civil Service Council for collecting so many donations in this year's annual food drive.

The Center's executive director says donations like these allow them to serve more and more people in need with their food pantry and other important services. Thank you for your support of the food drive!

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## TIP OF THE HAT

~ Gail Norris, Human Resource Data Management

### WELCOME TO ISU – APRIL 2014

- Brenden Detherage, IT Support Associate, Client Services
- Julianne Farris, Accounting Clerk, Superintendence
- Brenda Ferrara, Office Support Specialist, Special Education
- Michael Friedman, Electrician, Building Maintenance
- Valentina Ilyukhina, Office Manager, Dean of Arts and Sciences
- Candy Land, Benefits Counselor, Human Resources
- John Lukaszewicz, IT Support Associate, Std Affairs Information Techn
- Bruce Marston, Business/Administrative Assoc, University Housing Services
- Patricia Merma, Benefits Counselor, Human Resources
- Patrick Murphy, Horticulturist, School of Biological Sciences
- Steven Peckmann, Carpenter, Building Maintenance
- Traci Rigsby, Customer Service Specialist, Administrative Technologies
- Rishi Sheth, IT Support Associate, Client Services
- Brian Smith, Food Service Worker II, Dining Services

### PROMOTIONS/RECLASSIFICATIONS – APRIL 2014

- Stacy Brown, Purchasing Officer II, Comptroller's Office
- Bosango Ememe, Cook, Dining Services
- Michael Knerr, IT Technical Associate, Infrastructure Op & Networking
- Donna Long, Academic Contract Specialist, Human Resources
- Patrick Lubala, Cook, Dining Services
- Nkanza Mbala, Food Service Worker II, Dining Services
- Michael O'Reilly, Cashier II, Parking and Transportation
- Laura Samland, Cook, Dining Services
- Melanie Shirley, Cook, Dining Services
- Jill Smith, Human Resource Asst Manager, Human Resources
- Russell Wood, Dishroom Supervisor, Dining Services

### RESIGNATIONS – APRIL 2014

- Laura Fehr, Web Specialist I, Psychology
- Elyse Griffin, Human Resources Associate, Human Resources
- Joshua Hedrick, Mailing Equip Opr/Expd II, Mail Service Center
- Marni Johnson, Snack Bar Attendant, Dining Services
- Linda Klopfenstein, Spec Educ Tchr Asst (Phys DI), Thomas Metcalf School
- James Meade, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Thomas Murray, Police Officer, University Police Department

### RETIREMENTS – APRIL 2014

- Orland Cornell, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Marjorie Hewitt, Benefits Service Supervisor, Human Resources

## CDS RETIREMENT RECEPTION

~ Dianne Kinney, Campus Dining Services

Please join Campus Dining in congratulating Roger Cann, Chuck DiVerde, and Carolyn & Ron Kohlrus on their retirement and celebrating their years of service and dedication to Campus Dining Services. A reception in their honor will be held on Friday, May 30, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Watterson Private Dining Room.



## SERVICE AWARDS

~ David Schaafsma, Human Resources Asst. Director

### 35 YEARS

- Russell John Derango, Agriculture, 5/22/1979

### 15 YEARS

- Patricia Lynn Franz, School of Communication, 5/17/1999
- Jane Marthene Lopiccalo, Illinois Special Olympics, 5/10/1999

### 10 YEARS

- Lois Elaine Soeldner, Admissions, 5/3/2004



## POTPOURRI

### SYMPATHY – OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY TO:

- Robyn Schuline, Chemistry, and his family on the passing of his father, Gary Joe Schuline Sr., on April 12, 2014.

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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](mailto:cscopenline@ilstu.edu). Notifications are not verified by birth, marriage, or death certificates.*

## ISU NIGHT AT CORNBELTERS

~ Juliana Duncan, Alumni Relations



Bring your friends and family to a baseball game on Thursday, June 26, 2014! Illinois State University Alumni Association, the Department of Agriculture and the Office of the Provost would like you to bring your family out to a Cornbelters baseball game this summer! Join fellow alumni, friends, faculty, summer session students, Reggie Redbird and Corny for fun and socializing.

### Pregame Cookout

5 to 6:30 p.m. at Horticultural Center, Raab Road

Enjoy the pregame cookout at the Illinois State University Horticulture Center located on Raab Road directly across from the Corn Crib. The event fee of \$5, includes a burger/hotdog/veggie burger, chips, cookies, ice cream and beverages. Each guest will receive one drink ticket and one ice cream ticket with each paid registration. A cash bar will also be available.

### Cornbelters Game

7 p.m. Cornbelters will take on Windy City at the Cornbelters Stadium, Raab Road; Game tickets are \$9 per person.

**RSVP online:** [Alumni.IllinoisState.edu/Cornbelters](http://Alumni.IllinoisState.edu/Cornbelters) or call Alumni Relations at (309) 438-2586 or (800)366-4478. RSVP deadline June 25, 2014.

## WHAT WE DO AT ISU – OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY REGISTRAR

The *OpenLine* wanted to share how civil service employees serve Illinois State University by highlighting their work in key areas of the University. This month, we talked with Jess Ray, the University Registrar:



**Q: How many Civil Service employees work in the Registrar's Office?** A: 27

**Q: What kind of jobs do they do?**

*A: Office of the University Registrar civil service employees provide many services such as editing the university catalogs; maintaining student academic records; assisting with course registration; processing course transfers; auditing graduation requirements; providing enrollment verification; producing transcripts; providing technology/technical support; and many other important functions. They also provide administrative support while assisting students, faculty, staff and alumni on a variety of issues.*

**Q: How do Civil Service employees contribute to the mission of the Registrar's Office?**

*A: The office would not be able to provide the excellent level of support to the campus without the help of our civil service staff. Many of our key functional areas are staffed by civil service employees.*

**Q: There is a lot of longevity among employees in the Registrar's Office. What do you think are some of the reasons employees stay around so long in the Registrar's Office?**

*A: I think that three of the reasons that we have a history of longevity are that the work is important, we try to have fun while doing the work, and we have great people working in the office. That is a powerful combination. Knowing that at the end of the day you have helped someone with reaching their dream by sending out a transcript or helping fix a registration problem is a great feeling. Working with great people who are fun is icing on the cake. I certainly appreciate everyone who works in the office and that make it such a positive environment. I think that keeps many of us here.*

**Q: Is there anything else you can think of to add about CS employees and the work they do in your area?**

*A: I appreciate the work of the Civil Service Council and their contribution to our shared campus governance. I have encouraged staff in the Office of the University Registrar to help our campus by participating in the Civil Service Council.*

## SPRING OF WELLNESS

~ Erin Link, Health Promotion and Wellness

### Support for Working Mothers

Take advantage of two support opportunities available to help balance your work and family life.



- **Support for Working Moms: Lactation Consultant**

Lactation consultant Brandi Hansen goes over Illinois State laws and tips to help you return to campus successfully.

**June 6, Noon to 1 p.m. in the Spotlight Room, BSC**  
Register online at [Wellness.IllinoisState.edu](http://Wellness.IllinoisState.edu)

- **Working Moms' Chat n Chew**

Connect with other working mother's for support in a relaxed, confidential setting. No formal program or need to register. Bring your lunch and enjoy the company of other working moms!

**May 16, June 20, & July 18 from noon to 1 p.m. in McAlister's Private Dining Room**

- Are you a dad that would like the opportunity to connect with other working fathers? Let us know by emailing [Wellness@IllinoisState.edu](mailto:Wellness@IllinoisState.edu).

### Break down wellness barriers

I'm too busy. I'm too tired. Have you ever said these phrases as you talk yourself out of doing a wellness activity? Check out our blog post on how to overcome common wellness barriers and prioritize your wellness

<http://bit.ly/wellbarriers>.

### Summer Lifestyle Enhancement Program



Summer lifestyle enhancement classes run from May 12 to August 17. Classes include badminton, Balanced Bellies and Backs, Noon Yoga, and table tennis. T'ai Chi will return in the fall. To register, download and fill out forms available online at [Wellness.IllinoisState.edu](http://Wellness.IllinoisState.edu).

### Weight Watchers at Work

Interested in participating in a Weight Watchers at Work program? An informational meeting will be held either at the end of May or beginning of June. If you are interested in learning more or possibly attending, please call Health Promotion and Wellness at (309) 438-WELL (9355) for more information.



### EWING MANOR TOURS BEGIN AGAIN



Tours are beginning again at historic Ewing Manor on Sunset Hill. They're available from 4 to 6 p.m. Mondays from May through October, except Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Docents guide visitors through three floors of the Manor. The tour requires the ability to climb stairs.

A \$5 donation is suggested to help in the restoration of the Manor.

Leave time to walk through the Genevieve Green Gardens. Parking is available across the street at St. John's Lutheran Church. The grounds are open every day from 8 a.m. until sunset.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

#### For Sale:

- 2008 Harley Davidson XL883. 4770 miles with medium leather jacket, goggles, helmet, and extra parts. \$4,500 or best offer.



**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.**

To place an ad in the OpenLine, access the classified ad form at [http://cscouncil.illinoisstate.edu/downloads/openline/Ad\\_2011.pdf](http://cscouncil.illinoisstate.edu/downloads/openline/Ad_2011.pdf)

### NEXT OPENLINE ARTICLE DEADLINE

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The next deadline to submit articles to the *OpenLine* newsletter will be **Wednesday, May 28**. Items pertinent to Civil Service employees can be sent to

[cscopenline@ilstu.edu](mailto:cscopenline@ilstu.edu).

### MS RESEARCH STUDY

~ Julia Balto, Exercise Neuroscience Research Lab, U of I

Do you have multiple sclerosis (MS) or know someone who does? We are dedicated to the study of exercise and its benefits in persons with MS. Located on the U of I campus in Champaign-



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LABORATORY

Urbana, the goal of our research and our center is to establish the scientific evidence for encouraging exercise and physical activity as behaviors that can yield desirable consequences for slowing, stopping, and reversing the life-altering effects of MS.

We have research projects available for persons with and without MS. If you are interested in learning more or participating, please give us a call anytime at 1.888.796.7966 or visit our website at [www.enrl.net](http://www.enrl.net).

