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#### Greetings

Civil Service Staff!

Happy Holidays to you all! I hope that we are all able to take this time of year to share our wealth, understanding that wealth is not about a paycheck but about reflecting on our own strengths and fulfilling our needs through the giving and sharing of our time, talent, and good will! There are so many opportunities in the world for us to cash in on out there!

There is a quote from "It's a Wonderful Life"; Clarence says "Strange isn't it? Each Man's life touches so many other lives. When he isn't around he leaves an awful

hole, doesn't he?"

We help by simply taking the time to listen to people or guide them to a solution so as not to despair. By donating food to a pantry, giving our talent through volunteering, by giving our newly used items to the needy or purchasing from fundraisers even though you already bought it or you don't need it. You see, true wealth is about sharing our love and love is about sharing our wealth, without ever worrying about a payday.

Merry holidays to you and yours and thank you for spreading your wealth!

-Laura





Laura Owens





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#### CIVIL SERVICE SENATE: MISSION STATEMENT

The Civil Service Senate works to promote scholarship and morale and protects the rights and benefits of the civil service constituency.

The Civil Service Senate helps promote:

- Quality Instruction and Scholarship by helping to create a positive university experience for students by supporting civil service employee continuing education through scholarship.
- Innovation and Improved Productivity by promoting a positive work environment through morale building events. This helps to create efficiency through increased productivity.
- Enhanced Collaboration and Partnerships by encouraging unity through special events and collaborative efforts with students, faculty, community, and staff.

#### CIVIL SERVICE SENATE: OUR PURPOSE

The Senate shall recommend policies and procedures concerning Civil Service affairs, evaluations, salary, merit, Civil Service education and development, Civil Service governance, grievances, and campus physical resources. The Civil Service Senate shall advise on the specific decisions which may be made under any of these policies and

which shall be set forth in the By-laws of the Civil Service Senate. This advisement shall be limited to those decision not specifically covered or stipulated by a ratified Civil Service union agreement and those not in the process of bargaining.

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#### **Senate Meeting Dates**

Civil Service Senate
Meetings are
scheduled the 2nd
Tuesday of every
month at 11:00am

All meetings are held in Room D1496

Location subject to availability. Notification will be provided if there are schedule changes.

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#### SENATE OFFICERS AND SENATORS

The complete Senate roster for the 2012-2013 year is as follows:

#### **Executive Officers:**

President:

Laura Owens

Vice President:

Sheryl Jones-Harper

**Recording Secretary:** 

Lynne Clayton

Financial Secretary:

Shelina Jenkins

**Correspondence Secretary:** 

Kelly Robinson

Lynne Clayton (2014)
Paula Cosenza (2014)
Andrea Dal Polo (2014)
Joyce Giroux (2013)
Adriane Gray (2013)
Shelina Jenkins (2014)
Shawn Jones (2013)
Sheryl Jones-Harper (2014)
Sandi Kawanna (2014)
Marlene Lees (2013)

Nancy McDaniels (2013) Eric Nicholson (2014) Laura Owens (2013) Gina Ragland (2014) Latonia Richmond (2013) Raquel Rios-Aguirre (2014) Kelly Robinson (2014) Mary Rothenberg (2013) Karen Sinwelski (2013) Scott Smith (2013)



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# Civil Service Senate Pie & Cake Silent Auction Nov 20, 2012

November 20<sup>th</sup> was the date for the Pat-a-Cake Pie & Cake Silent Auction. There were apple, pumpkin and potato pies, mouthwatering cheese cake's and a variety of other yummy treats. A Special





"Thanks" to Sam's Club in Matteson for donating four of their wonderful pies to our event! The Civil Service Educational Assistance fund was supported by this event. Thanks to all who donated or helped to make this event a success!

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Photos courtesy of Arriahn Tucker

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# Chili Dawg Day

Tuesday, October 30, 2012

Lunch was provided to all Civil Service Employees on Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 2012 for the second annual "Chili Dawg Day".

Employees gathered into the E-Lounge for Homemade Chili and hot dogs. A Dawg-on good time was had by all.

Andrea DalPolo

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#### PROCLAMATION

IN AS MUCH AS the Civil Service Staff of Governors State University provides essential services in pursuit of the mission of the university; and

IN AS MUCH AS the Civil Service Staff greets the university community, participates in planning and governance, maintains the buildings and grounds, provides protective services; and

IN AS MUCH AS the Civil Service Staff keeps the records, processes and prints the words, purchases and inventories the materials, gathers, analyzes and disseminates data, provides creative, artistic, and technical services; and

IN AS MUCH AS the Civil Service Staff provides all these services in support of the pursuit of excellence by the students, faculty, and staff, and are the heart and soul of the student support systems, now then, in recognition and appreciation.

Let it be known that Wednesday, December 05, 2012 shall be Civil Service Day at Governors State University.

Elaine P. Maimon, Ph.D.

President, Governors State University

Elaine P. Mainon

December 05, 2012

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# 29th Annual Civil Service Day:

The 2012 GSU Community Revue and Variety Show Presented by Lynne Clayton and the Civil Service Senate

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# **Program Speakers**

## **Proclamation Reading**

## **Sheryl Jones-Harper**

VP Civil Service Senate

## **Laura Owens**

Civil Service Senate President

## **Dr. Elaine Maimon**

Governors State University President

# **Jack Beaupre**

Governors State University Trustee

The Leroy Morrison Award Employee of the Year

"GSU Community
Revue and Variety"

Stage Performances

Civil Service Staff Banquet Lunch



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# **GSU Community Revue and Variety"**

# 2012 Civil Service Day Show



**GSU** Acappella

**Beth Hawkins** 

William Moore

**Chip Coldren** 

**Eddie Rogers** 

**GSU** Acappella

**Phil Orsi** 

**Keith Briggs** 

**Ayita Woods** 

**GSU** Acappella

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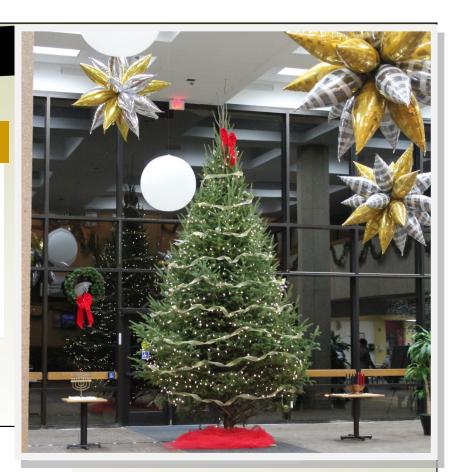
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#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

# Feb 14 Valentines Day

Carnation Sale

(carnations can be ordered in advance or purchased that day)

Mar 14 'Pi' Day

(selling pie slices on Pi Day)

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## **Important Dates**

Education Assistance Award Application next Deadline is Feb 28, 2012