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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 30 *OpenLine* article deadline
November 30 Next classified ad deadline
December 4..... CS Council meeting @ noon
December 9 Children's Holiday Party
December 18.... CS Council meeting @ noon
December 21 Winter begins
December 24 to January 1.... Holiday shutdown

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FRIVOLOUS FACTS

"Second Street" is the most common street name in the U.S.; "First Street" is the sixth!



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

QUICK QUOTE



"The hardest thing about any political campaign is how to win without proving that you are unworthy of winning."

-- Adlai E. Stevenson

[Source: http://thinkexist.com/quotes/adlai_e._stevenson/2.html]

CIVIL SERVICE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

~ Maureen Peel, Civil Service Council

Nominations are being accepted for the Civil Service Distinguished Service Award. Any University employee or student may submit a nomination. This award is the highest honor a Civil Service staff member can achieve at Illinois State University, and it is presented on Founder's Day in February.

Criteria for this award (job performance, campus/university involvement, and community service), as well as the application form, can be found on the Civil Service Council website. Recipients of this award will receive \$1,000, a personal plaque, and have his/her name added to the Wall of Fame in the Bone Student Center.

Deadline for submission of applications is 4:30 p.m. December 12, 2012. Any questions regarding this award should be directed to Maureen Peel, mkpeel@ilstu.edu.



CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY REMINDER

~ Kathleen Webster, Civil Service Council

Don't forget to register for the annual Children's Holiday Party taking place on Sunday, December 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Horton Field House. Brought to you by the Civil Service Council, A/P Council and University Events, the party is open to the children and grandchildren of all Illinois State University faculty, staff, retirees and current students.

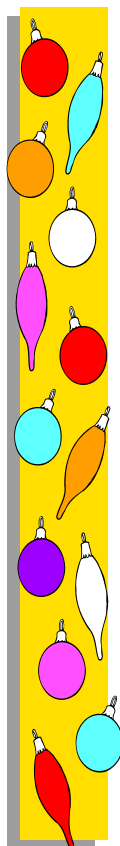
We MUST receive reservations by Monday, December 3, 2012:

Please register at: UniversityEvents.IllinoisState.edu/holiday or call (309) 438-8790. Use your ULID and password to log into the registration form. For questions, please contact University Events at universityevents@ilstu.edu. Illinois State University I.D. must be provided at the party and will be electronically swiped.

A Time For Giving

The Civil Service Council and the A/P Council are looking for individuals who would like to donate a few hours of their time helping with the Children's Party. If interested, please contact a civil service representative or email Kathleen Webster at kdwebst@ilstu.edu

The Civil Service Council, A/P Council and the University Events people are giving their time and talents to making this a great event. We are asking those attending to make a donation of a non-perishable food item. Donations will be delivered to the Center of Hope who has a great need for donations this year.



TIP OF THE HAT

~ Gail Norris, Human Resource Data Management

WELCOME TO ISU – OCTOBER 2012

- Elizabeth Babin, Library Specialist, Milner Library
- Valerie Baker, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Darrin Bateson, Cook, Dining Services
- Stuart Brown, Building Service Worker, Building Service Worker
- Charles Carver, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Rendi Cottrell, Business/Administrative Assoc, Comptroller's Office
- Michael Eich, Electrician, Building Maintenance
- Annette Flynn, Cook, Dining Services
- Julia Geary, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Brian Giller, IT Technical Associate, Telecomm Network Support Svcs
- Donald Griswold, Spec Motorcycle Safety, Health Sciences
- Marcus Hord, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Cynthia Jadgodzinski, Office Support Specialist, Curriculum and Instruction
- Clifford James, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Megan Lapping, Office Support Specialist, Philosophy
- Jessica Lowe, Business/Administrative Assoc, Research & Sponsored Programs
- Justin Palm, Cust Service Representative, Bone Student Center
- James Quast, Painter, Building Maintenance
- Allison Tucker, Snack Bar Attendant, Dining Services
- Jayne Zeller, Office Manager, Dean of Arts and Sciences



PROMOTIONS/RECLASSIFICATIONS – OCTOBER 2012

- Brian Bragg, Food Serv Sanitation Laborer, Dining Services
- Miguelina Almanza, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Jean Dargatz, Business/Administrative Assoc, Mennonite College of Nursing
- Todd Eddy, Administrative Aide, Ctr for Math Sci & Technology
- Sarah Evans, Benefits Officer, Human Resources
- Sabrina Fairchild, Benefits Officer, Human Resources
- Leslie Fitzwater, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Michael Gibson, IT Technical Associate, Telecomm Network Support Svcs
- Catherine Hempstead, Benefits Counselor, Human Resources
- Erik Horna, Account Technician II, Bone Student Center
- Charles Ilebo Ilunga, Building Service Worker, Janitorial
- Robin Knapp, Assistant Comptroller, Comptroller's Office
- John Madison, IT Technical Associate, Telecomm Network Support Svcs
- Adam McCrary, Safety Officer II, Environmental Health & Safety
- Stephanie Osuna, Library Specialist, Milner Library
- Jenna Sherrard, Cust Service Representative, Public Service
- Tenna Webb, Admissions and Records Rep, Mennonite College of Nursing

RESIGNATIONS – OCTOBER 2012

- Sabrina Coleman, Dining Services
- Michelle Followell, Facilities Management
- Renee McDonald, Health Services
- Craig Pollitt, Telecomm Network Support Svcs
- Brian Stufflebeam, Dining Services

RETIREMENTS – OCTOBER 2012

- Benjamin Ryburn, Superintendence
- Penny Stephens, Arena/Field House-Facilities

SERVICE AWARDS

~ David Schaafsma, Human Resources Asst. Director

30 YEARS

- Candace Christine Gustavson, Admissions, 11/8/1982

25 YEARS

- Tonya Ann Meins, Dean of Students Office, 11/10/1987

15 YEARS

- Cindy Ellen Baker, Accounting, 11/10/1997
- Diane Marie Jeakins, Dining Services, 11/3/1997

10 YEARS

- James Leroy Chambers, Janitorial, 11/3/2002
- Maria C. Correa, Janitorial, 11/3/2002
- George D. Drollinger, Janitorial, 11/3/2002
- Jenna Colleen Sherrard, Public Service, 11/11/2002



CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL RAFFLE

~ Maureen Peel, Civil Service Council



Tickets remain on sale for the annual Illinois State University Civil Service Council raffle. This year's drawing will be held on December 4. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact any Civil Service Council Representative.

There are more than 80 prizes to be awarded this year. First Prize is a \$300 Visa gift card. Other prizes include restaurant and merchandise gift certificates; rounds of golf at Weibring Golf Club; dinner with Dr. & Mrs. Bowman at Biaggi's, tickets to ISU men and women's basketball games, and two tickets to a St. Louis Cardinals baseball game. A complete list of prizes can be found on the Civil Service Council website. – cscouncil.illinoisstate.edu

Proceeds from this raffle fund scholarships for children of Illinois State University civil service employees. Join in the fun and get your tickets today!

SHOPPING TRIP REMINDER

~ Kathleen Webster, Civil Service Council

Don't forget to sign up for the Civil Service Council sponsored holiday shopping trip to IKEA and Woodfield Mall. Charter buses will transport shoppers to Schaumburg on Saturday, Dec. 1. Buses will depart from the Bone Student Center at 7:30 a.m. Shoppers will arrive at Woodfield Mall around 10 a.m. with an additional drop-off at IKEA about 15 minutes after the first group of shoppers are unloaded. A courtesy baggage pickup time to stow packages under the bus has been arranged for 2:30 p.m. An evening departure from IKEA is scheduled for 5 p.m. with an additional stop at Woodfield Mall at 5:15 p.m.



Cost for the trip is \$27 for ISU staff and students (AP/Civil Service employees, faculty, retirees and ISU students); \$30 for non-ISU community members; and \$17 per child (17 years of age or under).

Your reservation form along with a check made payable to the "ISU Civil Service Council." must be received no later than 4 p.m. on Nov. 16. Access the registration form on the Civil Service Council website. – cscouncil.illinoisstate.edu

CELEBRATE WELLNESS

~ Erin Link, Health Promotion and Wellness

Mediation in Motion Stress Relief Walk

December can be a stressful month. Join Health Promotion and Wellness for a special event to help relieve stress. Meditation in Motion allows you to quiet your mind while moving your body. Reflection questions will be available to help guide your thoughts as you walk. Walk by yourself or bring a friend! This event is free and open to students, faculty and staff. Contact Health Promotion and Wellness at (309) 438-WELL (9355) with questions or visit Wellness.IllinoisState.edu



The Meditation in Motion Walk will take place on Thursday, December 6, from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Concourse Level, Redbird Arena

December Family Swim



Calling all families! Keep winter cabin fever at bay and come to Family Swim on Saturday, December 8 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Metcalf Pool. This is a free event. Prior registration is required. Register online at Wellness.IllinoisState.edu Please call (309) 438-WELL (9355) with any questions.

The Family Swim will take place on Saturday, December 8, from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Metcalf Pool. Register online at Wellness.IllinoisState.edu

Special November SEVEN Challenge

The winter months can be busy. Don't let your wellness fall to the bottom of your priority list! Earn 200 SEVEN points in the month of November and receive a special SEVEN Camelbak waterbottle. Participants also receive a t-shirt for the first 50 points earned. SEVEN is a free program available to all students, faculty, and staff that focuses on the importance of the seven dimensions of wellness: emotional, environmental, intellectual, physical, social, spiritual, and vocational. Join today at Seven.IllinoisState.edu!



SUBMITTING ITEMS FOR POTPOURRI



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.

NEXT OPENLINE ARTICLE DEADLINE

The next deadline to submit articles to the *OpenLine* newsletter will be **Friday, November 30**. Items pertinent to Civil Service employees can be sent to cscopenline@ilstu.edu



BECOME A HOLIDAY HELPER

Leadership and Service in the Dean of Students Office invites all faculty and staff to adopt a child for the Holiday Helper Party.

Participants "adopting" a child will purchase gifts based on the child's top three wants and needs (valuing approximately \$40) and return the items to Leadership and Service.



Holiday Helper parties are held to interact with children in the community and to distribute the gifts collected through Holiday Helper. Parties will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8, at four local community agencies in Bloomington/Normal: Boys and Girls Club, Catholic Charities, Western Avenue Community Center, and UNITY Community Center. One hundred volunteers are needed for the parties to help children with a variety of activities, such as games, sports, and arts and crafts.

Registration is currently being taken in the Leadership and Service office. Call 438-7346 for additional information. The deadline to adopt a child is Dec. 1.

Holiday Helper wrappers needed

Volunteers are also needed to assist with wrapping the gifts donated through Holiday Helper. Supplies will be provided. Wrapping takes place from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5, and Thursday, Dec. 6, in the Bone Student Center, Prairie Room. Sign up in the Leadership and Service office.

REDBIRD GIVING TREE RETURNS

The annual College of Fine Arts Redbird Giving Tree will be in the Center for Performing Arts foyer from Friday, Nov. 16 to Sunday, Dec. 16.

The festively decorated 25-foot evergreen will be the centerpiece of the foyer and will be lit on the evening of Sunday, Nov. 25. Donations of non-perishable food items will be collected for donation to the Midwest Food Bank. Donations may be left under the tree at any time.

Those planning on attending University events such as Music for the Holidays from Saturday, Dec. 1, to Monday, Dec. 3, or the Fall Dance Concert from Thursday, Dec. 6, to Saturday, Dec. 8, may place a donation under the tree on the way to the events.

For more information, contact the Center for Performing Arts Box Office at 438-2535.



BOOK SIGNING



Sue Rovens, author and Civil Service employee from Milner Library, will host a book signing on Saturday, Dec. 1 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Coffee House & Deli on 114 E. Beaufort St., Normal.

Sue has authored "In A Corner, Darkly: Short Stories To Horrify, Shock and Disturb." The book contains tales to entertain lovers of suspense and horror. University personnel will find several references in one of the stories that relate to our campus and community. "In A Corner, Darkly" is available online through Barnes and Noble.

Contact Sue with questions or comments at srovens@yahoo.com

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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.

ISU EMPLOYEE DISCOUNTS

~ Maureen Peel, Civil Service Council



Reminder: Several businesses in the Bloomington-Normal community are offering discounts to all employees of Illinois State University. A list of those businesses can be found on the Civil Service Council website.

Visit our website and then take advantage of the special discounts being offered. Additional discounts will be offered in the coming months.

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:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Free Items (\$2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Service (\$5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For Sale-Auto (\$5) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wanted (\$2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For Sale-Other (\$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

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