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Our Events

Tuesday, July 4

- **Independence Day.**

University closed.

July 9-11 and 16-18

- **New Student Orientation.**

Faculty and administration are invited to Sunday evening Get Acquainted Socials, Monday evening Parent Socials, and Monday evening Picnic Suppers. Immediate family members also are invited to the Picnic Suppers, and tickets are required. For more information, call Melissa Lesniewski, New Student Services, ext. 7597.

July 10-14 and 17-21

- **Governor's Regional Summer School of Excellence.**

High school students will be on campus for "Researching and Investigating Environmental Health Problems." Directed by retired Dean Stan Zagorski.

July 16-18

- **International Business School Computing Association's 28th Annual Conference.**

Professionals will be on campus for this international conference, directed by Robert Brooker, Ph.D., associate professor of Finance and director of Business Technology Scholars Program.

Our Big News

Business school earns region's first national accreditation

Gannon's Dahlkemper School of Business Administration has earned national professional accreditation, becoming the only business school in the Erie region with both undergraduate and graduate programs to earn such a distinction.

The school has earned accreditation from the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs after a rigorous, three-year accreditation process, making the school the region's first business school with national accreditation.

The accreditation was formally ratified June 25 in Las Vegas at a national conference of the ACBSP. Several Dahlkemper School officials were in Las Vegas for the conference, which included an official accreditation presentation ceremony.

Meanwhile, celebrations of the achievement were being held both in Erie and Las Vegas on June 26. At Gannon, other Dahlkemper School of Business faculty, students and alumni were joined by Erie business leaders that afternoon to celebrate at a reception. In Las Vegas, alumni of the Dahlkemper School of Business who live in that area joined the visiting Gannon officials and faculty members that evening for a celebratory reception in that city.

The ACBSP accreditation applies to the entire school, encompassing both the undergraduate and graduate level programs. With this new distinction, Gannon now has the area's only professionally accredited business school with both undergraduate and graduate programs.

Accreditation is an assurance of quality and integrity of a school by the accrediting body, which sets forth standards of quality a school must meet before gaining approval. Such a distinction aids prospective students and employers in assessing the quality of undergraduate and graduate business programs.

ACBSP emphasizes the encouragement of excellent teaching and the continuous evaluation of teaching effectiveness within its member organizations, according to the association. Its mission is to establish, promote and recognize educational standards that contribute to the continuous improvement of business education and to recognize business schools and programs that adhere to these standards.

While Gannon University holds accreditations for the university as a whole, as well as accreditations for several individual programs, this marks the first time the business school itself is professionally accredited.

Read more about this subject at www.gannon.edu/new/



Our Sympathies

Sympathy extended

Regretfully we announce the death of: †**Donald Tronetti**, son of **Donald and Peggy Tronetti**, School of Education. The younger **Tronetti** died June 27. Please remember all in your prayers.



Our Notes

Go Greek!

Dr. Thomas Parthenakis, associate professor of History and an active organizer of Erie's annual Greek Festival, extends an invitation to the Gannon Community to attend this year's 12th Annual Panegyri Greek Festival July 7-9 at the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 4376 West Lake Road, Erie.

Admission and parking are free. The festival features live music and dancing, Greek foods and pastries, a Greek Boutique, raffle, Gold Mart, arts and crafts, and church tours.

Make a discovery

Volunteers are needed for GU's part at the 9th Annual Discover Presque Isle July 28-30.

This popular event, sponsored by local companies, attracts nearly 100,000 people to the peninsula and generates a profit that is invested in the park.

Gannon will be staffing the fourth vista parking area on the right as you enter the park. Volunteers are needed to collect donations, working in two-hour shifts. As last year, volunteers will receive a complimentary Discover Presque Isle t-shirt and the satisfaction of knowing they helped to make the event a success.

To schedule a shift, call the Office of Student Development at ext. 5618.



Our Folks

Fulbright Fellow among us

Dr. Constantine Kliorys, associate professor and director of the Risk Management Program of the Dahlkemper School of Business, has been awarded a William J. Fulbright Fellowship for 2000-01. He will be performing research, lecturing and directing doctoral dissertations in Lithuania at Vytautas Magnus University and the University of Vilnius.

The Fulbright Program was established in 1946 to provide opportunities for exceptional scholars to study and teach at international universities while advancing international understanding. The grants are competitively awarded after multiple levels of peer review based on recommendations of the host institution and the quality of professional accomplishments, as evidenced through publications, research grants, exhibition records, and papers delivered at conferences. Alumni of the program include governors and senators, corporate CEOs, heads of state, and Nobel and Pulitzer prize winners.

Previously, **Dr. Kliorys** has served as a visiting United States Academy of Sciences Professor at the institute of Mathematics and Cybernetics the former Soviet Union and as a Senior Scholar with the International Research and Exchanges Board. He is a National Science Foundation grant recipient and has been an invited lecturer at numerous international conferences, including the Second International Conference on Analytic and Probabilistic Methods in Number Theory in Lithuania.

Welcome to GU

☼ **Donald Douglass**, adjunct faculty, Education. ☼ **Paul Graham**, custodial worker, Physical Plant. ☼ **Keith Hardner**, adjunct faculty, Criminal Justice. ☼ **Laura Spinks**, switchboard operator, Campus Police and Safety. ☼ **Stephanie Turner**, accounts receivable clerk/cashier, Cashier's Office. ☼ **Vincent Vargo**, purchasing agent, Finance and Administration. ☼ **Amy Weller**, business analyst, SBDC.

Light the candles

☺ July 3... **Evonne Hanson**. ☺ July 4... **Mary Ann Muller, Cynthia Duda, Kathleen Kingston**. ☺ July 5... **Laurie Wehman**. ☺ July 6... **Charles Murphy, Virginia Ayres, Capt. Emerson Rusk, Diane Surma**. ☺ July 7... **Robert Dobiesz, Joseph Lafaro, Virginia Arp**. ☺ July 8... **Virginia Dombrowski**. ☺ July 9... **Robert Sercu**. ☺ July 10... **Michael Tkach, David Rosswog**. ☺ July 11... **Robert Falkewitz, Debra Meszaros, John Young**. ☺ July 12... **Timothy Kelben, Carol Crockett, Eric Billings, Rick DeDionisio**. ☺ July 13... **Gary Loncki, Robert Wallace, Carolyn Gaither, Claudia Pasquarette, Jon Shickler, Benjamin Nagle, Joel Natalie, Janise Hinson, Robert Case, Dennis Dunnz, Kimberly Hefner**. ☺ July 14... **Fr. Chris Hamlett, Penelope Smith, George Simmons, Kristine Artello**. ☺ July 15... **Carlos Mamani, Beth Pierce, Alan Millet**. ☺ July 16... **Raymond Luniewski, Frances Grabski, Melissa Medwid-Skinner, Susan Greenaway**.