

# GUSSA News

**Gannon University Support Staff Association**

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## *A message from the President...*

You've got a cell phone.  
You've got a computer.  
You've got a Blackberry.  
You've got the latest addition to this wonderful world of technology. You think you're wired and ready to go. But unless you're connected to an association such as the Gannon University Support Staff Association, you may not know what you're missing!

During our unhappy 'down' time, we had to call on our old qualities, such as using the 'typewriter', walking into another office and leaving a handwritten message or even using an irreplaceable piece of equipment called a 'telephone'. We managed some how to make it through those exceptional times.

The best part of being 'down' was how easy it was to call upon a GUSSA member and get some assistance, have a question answered or maybe find a solution or suggestion on how to handle a particular situation. We were never in a state of 'panic' because we knew who to turn to for the answer.

Thanks to our wonderful ITS Department who worked so hard and diligently! We're up and running again!

It's great to be a part of an organization that is so widely spread across campus and can give support just by asking! Every one of us has an irreplaceable talent and is ready to give our all when a question arises. We

hope you will become a part of the GUSSA tradition if not already a member, and come back if your membership has slid.

Your current Executive Board will be ending our term this summer with elections coming up in May. Please take some time to think about choosing a new Board to carry on the programs started, and a Board who will keep GUSSA members closer than ever. It's important to maintain our distinctive place at Gannon University and to keep GUSSA moving forward.

*Barbara Roberts*

## Upcoming Events



### **April**

**21** GUSSA Meeting  
**22** Administrative Professionals Day

### **May**

**12** Elections  
**19** Purse & Pearl Luncheon

### **June**

Picnic – Date to be determined

## April 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting Information

There will be a special presentation for GUSSA members by Ms. Pearl Graham at the next GUSSA meeting. Ms. Graham is a Financial Advisor and Gannon's representative for VALIC. She has agreed to speak and discuss the topic "*Retirement Strategies for Women*". Even if you have been in the working field for years or just starting out, Ms. Graham has important information for you.

**To insure proper materials for this program, please RSVP by**

**April 20th** for the meeting to [roberts001@gannon.edu](mailto:roberts001@gannon.edu) or call ext 7666. A light lunch will be served. Desserts are always appreciated.

Before Ms. Graham's presentation there will be a short GUSSA meeting and a word from Vic Delaney on how the nominations are coming in for the next GUSSA Executive Board, a summarization of the candy sale and the upcoming "Purse & Pearl" luncheon.

*Remember voting will take place at the May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

For a current list of GUSSA members, please contact Vic Delaney or Melissa Lesniewski

### Current GUSSA Officers

Barbara Roberts – President  
Melissa Lesniewski – Vice President  
Nancy Kujawinski – Treasurer  
Katie Bailey – Secretary

## Annual Picnic

This GUSSA season will be coming to an end until we meet again in September, 2009. In June we have an annual summer picnic.

Volunteers are needed to coordinate this event. If you are interested in heading up or helping with this committee,

please contact Barbara Roberts ([roberts001@gannon.edu](mailto:roberts001@gannon.edu)) for further information. This will be the last event of this season until

school starts again. Thank you for your consideration.

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## Administrative Professionals Day

GUSSA is supporting support staff by participating in a reception to celebrate Administrative Professionals Day, Wednesday, April 22, 2009 from 3 pm until 4:30 pm in room 219 of the Waldron Campus Center. An array of delicious desserts, a selection of beverages and lovely door prizes are just a part of this wonderful afternoon for Support Staff.

Please take a moment and stop by and enjoy the company of our many wonderful staff members at Gannon; even if you can't stay long

stop by, register for wonderful gifts and have a bite to eat.

Visit the HR Web site for more details at [www.gannon.edu/depts/hr/specialevents](http://www.gannon.edu/depts/hr/specialevents).

RSVP by Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> to [mancini001@gannon.edu](mailto:mancini001@gannon.edu)

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