

GSMMSA NEWSLETTER

President's Message:

February 27, 1986

Just two more weeks left this quarter, (please don't remind me!) and finals are just around the bend. A lot has happened during the past few weeks so let's get right to it:

On behalf of all the students at GSM, I would like to congratulate and thank LULU FALLS and JUDY ROSENER for the fantastic work they did with this year's Student Employer Reception held a few weeks ago. This is not an easy event to organize and I know it takes a lot of hard work and dedication to pull it off successfully.

I'd also like to personally thank all the students who gave their time and effort in completing the remodeling of the library which is now the ROCKWELL READING ROOM. Our thanks to KEITH KARETA, KRISTEN MONSON, IAN MORTON, TOM MASON, DIANA COOPER, LINDA GAILFUS, KATHRYN BUSCH, and everyone else I've forgotten to mention. I hope the improved environment will encourage more students to use the room for both socializing and studying for a long time to come.

Following the success of the Time Management seminar given by Suzette Alger last Monday night, GSMMSA will be following up with more seminars during Spring Quarter. We are currently looking for speakers on the topics of Presentations Skills, Business Communications (memos, letters, reports, etc.) and interviewing skills. If you have any further suggestions or proposed topics which may be of interest to others, feel free to contact any of the GSMMSA officers with your ideas.

On a sadder note, this week sees the end of an era at GSM. EVE MOUNT bids farewell to us after eighteen years with the school on the occasion of her marriage. All those who have work with Eve or have gone to her for assistance during their stay at GSM will be sorry to see her go. Our best wishes go with her as she embarks on her new life and we will all miss her smiling face and cheerful personality around the school.

Finally, all students are hereby invited to attend the GSM ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY which will be held Friday, March 21st in the New Rec Center in Verano Place. (The same place as the Aloha Party.) This is the last day of finals week and I'm sure we will all be able to use a glass of green beer or two to help ease the pain of chronic brain calcification. (Or studying too HARD!) Along with music from the top forty, we will have a huge selection of Irish Traditional music for those who are so inclined.

Well, that's all for now. The student surveys are still slow in coming in, and I'd like to remind those that haven't filled it out that it's important we get as large a response as possible if our suggestions are to carry any weight. If you've lost your survey, don't worry--there are plenty more. Please leave a note in GERRY GALLAGHER'S box if you need another copy. Remember, we need your input! Good luck on finals, see you next quarter.

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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES: All students who were conditionally admitted to GSM, please be aware that if you have not completed the conditions of your admission (calculus and/or statistics) you are subject to disqualification from the program. If you have any questions, please see Carla or Ann Jennings.

GRADUATING STUDENTS: March 15th is the DEADLINE for turning in your graduation materials to Carla. Materials are available from Bonnie in Room 323.

All About Eve

by Cindy Young

GSM will soon experience the loss of a small but very significant part of its heritage. In fact, after nearly 19 years in a graduate school that's only 20 years old, Eve Mount would be a likely candidate to author the history of GSM. Although Eve won't be setting up shop in our new building in 1987 she's already moved four different times with GSM. She accepted the position as secretary to the Dean in October, 1967. At that time there were five second year students in GSM and the school was located on the fifth floor of the Humanities building. From there she moved to the Town Center B of A building, which no longer exists. Next, the fourth floor of the computer science building (wouldn't that have been convenient for 201 A and B computer homework assignments?) and finally, the current location.

Eve does not anticipate a standard sort of retirement. When she leaves her post, February 28, she'll have less than two month's to prepare for her wedding day! On April 12 Eve will marry Ralph Rayner, a retired naval officer and friend from seventh grade in Waukegan, Illinois. They then plan to leave on a three month tour up the west coast and Canada in Ralph's motorhome. Their itinerary is deliberately vague; the only scheduled stop is a three day visit to the World Exposition opening May 1 in Vancouver.

Eve's retirement lifestyle promises at least as much excitement as she has grown accustomed to at GSM. Both she and her fiancé enjoy cross country skiing, hiking, water skiing, and ballroom dancing. When they return from their travels they can choose between homes in Costa Mesa, CA, Albuquerque, NM, and Durango, CO. To top it all off, Eve's four grandchildren and Ralph's five will certainly make for lively family gatherings.

What she will miss most about GSM, Eve says, are her daily interactions with students. She has attended all but one graduation and particularly enjoys talking to alumni she knew as students. "It has really been a privilege working here," is how Eve chose to sum it all up. A reception in her honor is scheduled on March 3, at 4 p.m. at the University Club. All GSM students, alumni, faculty, and administration invited.

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GSM's First Microcomputer Lab to Open Soon

by Dan Hofer

If one were to challenge a randomly selected GSM student or faculty member today with the question, "what do you feel is most needed at GSM right now?", the response would likely be, "A microcomputer software training facility!" Indeed, it's time has arrived! Thanks to Dean Margulies, Ken Kraemer, and other faculty and administration at GSM, this dream will become a reality sometime in the spring.

In May, 1985, Dr. Kraemer, professor of administration and information and computer science at GSM, submitted a proposal to the Hewlett-Packard Company to establish the first microcomputer laboratory at GSM. Hewlett-Packard accepted the proposal, endowing GSM with a sizable grant which has been used to construct a lab specifically designed to facilitate teaching of microcomputer software programs.

Unlike other computer facilities on campus which were put together by simply installing additional electrical outlets in a classroom and placing terminals around the room, the space allocated for the lab has been painstakingly studied and remodeled to provide for the ideal teaching and learning atmosphere. Ergonomics were taken into account, including correct lighting, anti-glare screens, tables set at a comfortable height, orthopedic chairs, and a five ton air-conditioner equipped with high and low humidity settings installed to service the lab specifically.

Directed by John Clarke, five lab assistants will share in staffing the lab, 8 am to 8 pm Monday through Friday, and 9 am to 5 pm Saturdays,