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## 'Lake Wobegon Days' creator, Keillor, to speak in Braden Sept. 22

Garrison Keillor, author and host of "A Prairie Home Companion" will present "Lake Wobegon Days" at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 22, in Illinois State University's Braden Auditorium.

The event is the third annual lecture in the Ames/Milner Visiting Author Program sponsored by Illinois Wesleyan University's Ames Library, Illinois State University's Milner Library and the Alice and Fannie Fell Trust.

Keillor's evening presentation is free but tickets are required for the event. The free tickets can be picked up starting Sept. 1 at the Ames Library circulation desk, the Milner Library general reference desk and the Braden box office in Illinois State's Bone Student Center. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and there is a limit of four per person.

Earlier that day, Keillor will field audience questions at a forum at 2 p.m. in Presser Hall, Westbrook Auditorium on the Illi-



Garrison Keillor

nois Wesleyan campus. That event is also free and open to the public. Tickets are not required for the afternoon event.

Every week more than two million listeners across the country enjoy Keillor's blend of storytelling, satire and music as "A Prairie Home Companion" is broadcast on more than 450 public radio stations.

Keillor began his radio career as a student at the University of Minnesota and went to work for Minnesota Public Radio in 1969. In 1974 he hosted the first broadcast of "A Prairie Home Companion." The show ended in 1987 but resumed in 1989 in New York as "The American Radio Company." The show returned to Minnesota and resumed the name "A Prairie Home Companion" in 1993.

## Tenured, tenure-track faculty to receive revised ASPT document

A revised ASPT document is being distributed to tenured and tenure-track faculty members. The most significant revision is the addition of an appeal policy for the Post-Tenure Five-Year Review.

Other minor revisions were made to the document, which becomes effective on January 1, 2005. The current document (Buff Book) will remain effective through the 2004-2005 academic year and will be used for tenure, promotion and reappointment reviews being conducted this fall.

The work of the University Review Committee, the document is available at <http://www.provost.ilstu.edu/>

**State of the University address  
by President Al Bowman  
2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8  
Center for the Performing Arts Concert Hall  
Reception to follow**

## Mennonite celebrates 85/5 anniversary Sept. 9

Mennonite College of Nursing will celebrate two anniversaries during a special open house and program starting at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9, in Edwards Hall.

The event marks the 85th anniversary of the founding of Mennonite College of Nursing and the fifth anniversary of Mennonite being part of Illinois State University.

Mennonite was founded in 1919 in conjunction with Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington and was part of the BroMenn Health-care system until 1999, when it became the sixth academic college at Illinois State.

The 85th/5th anniversary celebration will begin with an open house of Mennonite's facilities at 4 p.m. Guests will be able to tour classrooms, browse through a pictorial

history of Mennonite and observe nursing students working with state-of-the-art medical technology in clinical laboratories.

Presentations by Al Bowman, president of Illinois State; Nancy Ridenour, dean of Mennonite College of Nursing and Mennonite faculty, student and alumni representatives will be made at 5 p.m. in Edwards Hall Capen Auditorium. Special recognition will be given to Anna Ropp, who, is the oldest living Mennonite alumna at age 100. Ropp graduated in 1931 and began her nursing career at Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington.

A reception with refreshments will follow the presentations at 6 p.m.

## Conference for nontraditional women students in BSC Sept. 18

The Women's Mentoring Network will host a conference for nontraditional women students on Saturday, Sept. 18. The conference is designed to help women who are currently enrolled at Illinois State, or who are planning to begin college or transfer from an area institution, network with other students, faculty and staff.

The 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. conference, which will take place in Bone Student Center, will offer sessions for professionals who work with nontraditional students and sessions for students addressing issues such as juggling multiple priorities, career decisions, health and wellness issues, and financial planning.

Registration is \$5 for students and \$10 for non-students and includes continental breakfast, lunch, a dessert break and all conference materials. In addition, child care will be provided.

### Final Fore!

The final outing of the Faculty-Staff golf group will be on Tuesday, Sept. 7, beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the University Golf Course. The cost for golf and a cart is \$25. Contact Tom Fowles at [tsfowles@ilstu.edu](mailto:tsfowles@ilstu.edu) to sign up.

### Marsha Polacek retirement reception Sept. 10

A retirement reception for Marsha E. Polacek, School of Kinesiology and Recreation, will be from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, on the second floor of the Kaufman Football Building. Polacek is retiring after 16 years of teaching at Illinois State.

The keynote speaker will be Pat Colter, retired coordinator of Adult Services at Illinois State. Recipients of the Dorothy E. Lee Scholarship will be announced during the conference.

The deadline for registration is Sept. 3. Please contact Teri Farr at 438-8668 or at [tjfarr@ilstu.edu](mailto:tjfarr@ilstu.edu) for more information or a registration form. Registration forms are also available on the Women's Mentoring Network website at [www.mentoringnetwork.ilstu.edu/](http://www.mentoringnetwork.ilstu.edu/)

## Morenus Piano Recital Sept. 7 in CPA Concert Hall

Carlyn Morenus, School of Music, will present a faculty piano recital at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7, in the Charles W. Bolen Faculty Recital Series at the Center for the Performing Arts Concert Hall.

Admission is \$6 for the general public, \$5 for faculty and staff and \$4 for students. Tickets are available at the CPA box office from noon to 5 p.m. weekdays and for one hour prior to the recital.

Morenus' program will include Haydn's Sonata in C major; Beethoven's Sonata in E major, Op. 109; Aaron Copland's Piano Variations and Liszt's Ballade No. 2 in B minor.

An active solo, collaborative and chamber musician, Morenus has been on the School of Music faculty since 1999.

## Deaths

Harriett S. Hutter of Waltham, Mass., emeritus associate professor of Foreign Languages, died Aug. 26. She had 22 years of service at Illinois State University when she retired in 1991.

Creta D. Sabine of Scottsdale, Ariz., emeritus professor of Educational Administration and Foundations, died Aug. 24. She had seven years of service at Illinois State University when she retired in 1982.

## Child Care Center spots available for faculty/staff children

The Child Care Center has a few Fall '04 and Spring '05 enrollment slots available for children of Illinois State faculty and staff. Children must be between 3 and 5 years of age.

The Center's fall session began Aug. 23 and operates according to the academic class calendar. Hours are operates 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Highlights of the program, which is located in Turner Hall 124, include learning center activities, indepth projects geared to children's interests, campus field trips and outdoor water play. The cost is \$175 per child per week for full- or part-time care. Daily lunch and two snacks are included in the cost.

To obtain an enrollment application, visit the "Application Procedure" section of the child care's web site located at [www.child-carecenter.ilstu.edu](http://www.child-carecenter.ilstu.edu). Print off and complete the application and submit it to mail code 5060 Child Care, Attn: Karen Stephens, Director.

Questions about the service can also be sent via e-mail to the director at [kstephen@ilstu.edu](mailto:kstephen@ilstu.edu)

## 'Hebrew Heroes' is Sept. 9 Recital Singer's Program

Baritone Carl Ratner, director of opera at Western Michigan University, will present a guest artist recital titled "Hebrew Heroes" at 8 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts Concert Hall.

Tickets are \$6 for the general public, \$5 for faculty-staff and \$4 for students and senior citizens and are available at the Center for the Performing Arts box office from noon to 5 p.m. weekdays and for one hour prior to the performance.

The Sept. 9 program consists of selections from across many genres of music that have some relationship with the Old Testament. Ratner will sing oratorio, opera, songs, spirituals and Broadway, by composers ranging from Handel to Gershwin. He will be accompanied by pianist Susan Brandon.

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## Production of 'The Lover' Sept. 9, 10, 11 to benefit Theatre scholarships

School of Theatre students will be the beneficiaries of theatre scholarship benefit performance of Harold Pinter's one-act play, "The Lover," on Sept. 9, 10 and 11 in Westhoff Theatre.

Kim Pereira, Theatre, and former Theatre acting faculty member Connie de Veer headline the benefit performance, which will be directed by Deb Alley, Theatre. Senior acting major Dan Behrendt of St. Charles also performs in the play.

### Volunteer as Braden usher

Faculty and staff wishing to volunteer as a Braden Auditorium usher can pick up an application at the Bone Student Center Administration Office. Volunteers should have weekend and evening availability.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. each evening and there will be a 2 p.m. matinee on Sept. 11. Tickets are \$10 for the general public and \$6 for students and can be purchased at the Center for the Performing Arts box office beginning Sept. 7. The box office is open from noon to 5 p.m. and for one hour before each performance. Tickets also can be purchased by calling (309) 438-2535.

"The Lover" is about the sex life of a middle-class English couple and is a terse commentary on the often futile attempts of modern men and women to communicate. All the elements that make Pinter's plays memorable and fascinating are present - taut dialogue with menace lurking beneath the mundane phrases, the sexual power struggles of marriage and humor in the most unexpected places.



"Three Mo' Tenors," which showcases the great versatility of African-American tenors in performances featuring a wide spectrum of musical genres, will appear at Braden Auditorium at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11. Tickets are \$36 and \$29 to hear Ramone Diggs, Kenneth Gayle and Marvin Scott display their musical repertoire, from Verdi to Puccini, from gospel to Broadway. Tickets are available at the Braden box office or by calling 438-5444.

## Fisher thesis competition opens

Submissions are being accepted for the 16th annual James L. Fisher Outstanding Thesis Competition.

Each college will conduct a master's thesis competition during September to select a thesis for the Graduate School's Outstanding thesis Competition.

Students who have completed their thesis and received their master's degree between Oct. 1, 2003, and Sept. 30, 2004, are eligible for the competition.

The College of Arts and Sciences may submit a thesis from Humanities, Sciences

and Social Sciences. The five remaining colleges may each submit a single winner.

The winning thesis university-wide will be submitted to a regional competition sponsored by the Midwest Association of Graduate Schools. In addition, University awards for the college and university-wide winners will be presented at a ceremony on Dec. 7.

Competition information is available on the Graduate School website or the Research and Sponsored Programs office at 438-2585 or from any of the colleges.

## Bowling league season begins for faculty, staff teams

Faculty and staff interested in bowling are invited to join the Illinois State University Faculty/Staff Bowling league for the fall and spring league season. Bowling is every Wednesday night at 4:30 p.m. at the Bowling and Billiards Center (BBC) and usually completed by 6:30 or 7 p.m.

The mixed league starts shortly after the beginning of the school year and ends just prior to the end of the school year and is sanctioned by both men's and women's national sanctioning bodies. There is an end-of-the-year banquet with prizes and trophies. Sanction, prize and bowling fees apply.

For more information about joining a team, contact one of the league officers: Jean Darnall, president, 438-2222 or [djdar-na@ilstu.edu](mailto:djdar-na@ilstu.edu); Gary Duffy, vice president, 438-2214; Kriss Davis, secretary, 438-2802 or [kpDavis@ilstu.edu](mailto:kpDavis@ilstu.edu); or Charles Perkins, treasurer, 438-5759.

## Wellness

### Employee Fitness Program - Fall 2004 Session

Introducing Pilates on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., along with yoga, Tai Chi, land and water aerobics classes, lap swimming, fitness lab, badminton, table tennis, soccer and basketball. Visit the Wellness web site at <http://www.hr.ilstu.edu/wellness/efp.shtml> for registration information, class descriptions and schedules. Registration forms are due prior to attending activities.

### Adventures in Parenting - Noon, Friday, Aug. 27, in Moulton 102 C.

Topic: Sleeping

Parents connecting with one another to share ideas and offer support throughout their Adventures in Parenting. Topics and format are decided by those who attend the meetings. Visit <http://www.hr.ilstu.edu/wellness/activities-services.shtml> for upcoming meetings and speakers.



## Mornings with the Professors, Academy of Seniors begins in October

The popular mini-series of classes and lectures, "Mornings with the Professors," co-sponsored by the Senior Professionals of Illinois State University and affiliated with the Elderhostel Institute Network, has been scheduled for Friday mornings in October. The sessions will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church, Emerson and Towanda in Bloomington, from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m.

The scheduled speakers and their topics include:

Oct. 1 - Robert Bradley, Illinois State Politics and Government, "Count Down to Election Day: Examining Key Contests"

Oct. 8 - Brenda Recchia Jeffers, Mennonite College of Nursing, "Who Will Speak for Me? How the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care Works for You"

Oct. 15 - Ron Mottram, Illinois State School of Art, "Art and the Issue of Beauty"

Oct. 22 - Charles Witte, retired circuit judge, moderating a panel addressing "Drugs, Gangs, Sexual Assault and other Law

Enforcement Issues in Bloomington/Normal and McLean County"

Oct. 29 - Guy Fraker, attorney, "McLean County: Our Link to Lincoln"

Another opportunity for life-long learners is the "Academy of Seniors," consisting of four four-week courses in October that meet for two hours once a week at the Professional Development Building, 207 S. Main Street in Normal.

On Tuesdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. beginning Oct. 5, University of Illinois Master Gardeners will present "Your Dream Garden: Gardening with the Experts," which will look at creating and maintaining a dream garden.

On Tuesdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m., beginning Oct. 5, Illinois State University staff from the Campus Technology Support Group will present "Computer 101 Seminar on Computer Questions," which explores practicing safe computing, tips and tricks for secure on-line purchases, searching the web and buying a digital camera.

On Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. beginning Oct. 6, History Professor Richard Soderlund will present "Winston Churchill and the Making of the 20th Century," which looks at the larger-than-life Churchill and his contributions to the making of the 20th century.

On Wednesdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. beginning Oct. 6, English Professor Emeritus Bill Morgan, will consider "How to Read Poems for Pleasure," which examines poems from all over the map, including living Illinois poets and Bloomington-Normal poets.

The cost for each course is \$40. Registration details and further information are available from the Conference Services by telephone at (309) 438-2160 or (800) 877-1478 or by e-mail at [srprof@ilstu.edu](mailto:srprof@ilstu.edu)



Facilities Management employees Tuesday did emergency repairs to a water line that serves Feeney Dining Service and south campus residence halls.