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Dr. Thomas Harden Named Chancellor Of the University of Wisconsin Green Bay

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University President Dr. Thomas K. Harden has accepted the position of Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin Green Bay, starting no later than June 1, 2009.

“Clayton State University is a special place with special people. During my nine years as president, I have been fortunate to work with some of the best people in the University System of Georgia,” he says. “In fact, the privilege of working with the people of Clayton State has been one of my greatest blessings.”

Harden’s accomplishments at Clayton State University have been highlighted by growth of academic programs and student enrollment, refinement of core processes,

and advancement in development of the Clayton State University Foundation. This era is also marked by continuing advances in the University’s award-winning Information Technology Project, the construction of the James M. Baker University Center, the University’s first student housing, a student activities center, and a new building for the School of Business. Additional highlights of Harden’s term are the establishment of the first joint state and federal archives facilities adjacent to campus, and the implementation of a comprehensive strategic planning and budgeting process.

In the past nine years, Clayton State has grown from 4300 students to more than 6000 students, growing into an outstand-

ing comprehensive metropolitan university and more than doubling its undergraduate programs and beginning its mission as a graduate degree-granting university. The University has also earned an outstanding commendation from SACS as part of its successful decennial accreditation reaffirmation.



Dr. Thomas Harden

“We have all worked together to make all of these milestones a reality at Clayton

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“The Status of the Dream... Where Are We Now?” Clayton State’s Week to Honor MLK

Clayton State University has planned eight days of events, ceremonies and educational opportunities in January 2009 for the University’s annual commemoration of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The theme of this year’s event is, “The Status of the Dream...Where Are We Now?”

On King’s actual birthday, Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009, Clayton State’s Department of Campus Life will hold a special ceremony, “Remembering the King,” that will honor his life, legacy and struggles. The ceremony will be held in the Lawson Amphitheater on the Clayton State campus from 11:30 a.m. to noon. The rain location for this event is room 272 of the James M. Baker University Center.

Also on Jan. 15, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

Southeast Region plans to go live with a new internet posting of its holdings relevant to King. “In Step with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.” includes records in the holdings of the National Archives—Southeast Region that speak clearly with the voice of history that surrounds many extraordinary events in American life. This document is a reference guide to NARA holdings related to King. Included are unedited court documents and exhibits from federal court cases that reveal much about the atmosphere and attitudes of the places and people involved in the civil rights struggles in which King played such a pivotal role.

On Monday, Jan. 19, 2008, the annual Freedom Run 5K and 10K road races will

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Clayton State Prepares to Welcome Back Students with “Welcome Back” Week

Clayton State is welcoming back its 6000 or so students for the spring 2009 semester with Welcome Back Week, sponsored by the Campus Events Council, Department of Campus Life, and University’s Customer Service Program.

The following is a brief summary of the Welcome Back Week events, which will run from Monday, Jan. 12 through Friday, Jan. 16.

Capture a Memory, Jan. 12

Students can have their pictures taken and placed inside a snow globe. Baker Center Main Street, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., sponsored by: Campus Events Council.

Ask Me, Jan. 12 and Jan. 13

Anyone who needs help navigating the

campus or would like more information about the Welcome Back Week events can visit one of the on-campus blue tents or stop a student in a bright orange “ASK ME” shirt! Monday, Jan. 12 and Tuesday, Jan. 13 from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. in the Quad, Student Center, Arts and Sciences Building and Technology Building. The contact person for “Ask Me,” is Audreianna Smith, AudreiannaSmith@clayton.edu. Sponsored by: Campus Life, Customer Service Program and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Design Your Own T-Shirt, Jan. 13

Students can create their own laugh aloud t-shirts. Baker Center Main Street, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Sponsored by: Campus Events Council.

Movie Night: Pineapple Express, Jan. 14

Pineapple Express is a 2008 action come-

dy film and starring Seth Rogen and James Franco. In the Student Activities Center Ballroom, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Sponsored by: Campus Events Council.

Game Night, Jan. 15

A night of Guitar Hero, Rock Band, pool, air hockey, and much more with Campus Events Council in the SAC Game Room. Refreshments will be served. Student Activities Center Game Room, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. Sponsored by: Campus Events Council and Department of Campus Life.

Winter Wonderland: Ice Skating, Jan. 16

That’s right. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to bring their families and

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Foundation Welcomes Three New Trustees

by Erin Fender, University Relations

The Board of Trustees of the Clayton State University Foundation has welcomed three new members; James M. Baker, Jack R. Hancock and Dr. Susan M. Hunter.

Baker is a 1976 graduate of the then-Clayton Junior College who, in 2004 at the 12th annual Alumni Association Dinner, was given the Outstanding Alumni Award. In honor of his commitment to education, in 2005, the Clayton State University Center was renamed the James M. Baker University Center in recognition for his financial contributions and support of his alma mater.

Baker is considered one of metro Atlanta’s foremost real estate developers as president of Chaseland Corporation and Baker & Lassiter. He has been responsible for much of the positive development of the Southern Crescent, including an



James M. Baker

instrumental role in Eagle’s Landing, now a signature development for the region.

Hancock, an attorney for the law firm Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP, is a member of the Board of Directors of the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce, serving as legal counsel and chair. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Regional Business Coalition.



Jack R. Hancock

Hancock has more than 30 years of experience in governmental and corporate liability. He is a successful and accomplished trial and appellate lawyer. He received his B.B.A. and his J.D. from the University of Georgia.

Hunter recently retired as professor of English and head of the Language and Literature Department at Clayton State. She was also the founding director of the

Master of Arts in Professional Writing program in the English Department at Kennesaw State University.

She is an accomplished writer with four published books and numerous articles published in refereed journals. Her most recent research is on multimedia data collection. Hunter and her husband are long-time supporters of cultural and artistic programming in metro Atlanta, particularly at WABE and Spivey Hall.

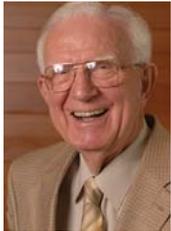


Dr. Susan M. Hunter

The Clayton State University Foundation is a nonprofit organization that works to support Clayton State in its “pursuit of excellence” in programs and services. Many of its programs include providing scholarships and grants to students, honoring and recognizing excellence in students, faculty and staff, and providing funding and assistance to various projects on campus. ■

School of Business Announces Speakers for Spring 2009 Wood Series

Clayton State University's AACSB-accredited School of Business has announced the schedule for the spring 2009 James Woods Lecture Series.



Jim Wood

Jim Wood is president of Jim Wood Associates, a former owner/publisher of the Clayton News Daily, and the only original member still serving on the Board of Trustees of Clayton State University Foundation. Dr. Martha Wood, is a professor emerita of Mathematics at Clayton State and founder of the Southeastern Center for the Enhancement of Learning. Together, they have spearheaded an effort that expands the University's speaker's series.

The Woods, as well as their family, friends, and business associates, have donated to the School of Business to create an endowed fund for the James Wood Lecture Series, which will financially support the efforts of the School of Business to seek and obtain guest lecturers who are some of Georgia's most celebrated business personalities. According to Dean Dr. Jacob Chacko, the School of Business sees the series as a means to forge bonds between Georgia's business leaders and Clayton State students, while ensuring students gain insights into current business trends and corporate strategies. All lectures in the

series are free and open to the public.

Leading off the spring 2009 series will be Julia Wallace, editor of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Wallace will be speaking on Wednesday, Jan. 28, from noon to 1 p.m. in room UC 272 of the James M. Baker Center.

Wallace will be followed by James E. Young, president & CEO of Citizens Trust Bank, on Wednesday, Feb. 18, also from noon to 1 p.m. in UC 272.

The third Wood speaker is no stranger to Clayton State or the South Metro region, he's Dan T. Cathy, president & COO of Chick-fil-A, Inc. Cathy will be speaking in Spivey Hall on Tuesday, Mar. 3, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Next will be M. Christine Jacobs, chairman, CEO and president of Theragenics Corporation, who will be speaking on Wednesday, Mar. 25, from noon to 1 p.m. in UC 272.

J. Crystal Edmonson, the broadcast editor of the Atlanta Business Chronicle, will be the final speaker of the spring. She will be appearing in UC 272 on Tuesday, Apr. 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For further information on the Spring 2009 James Wood Lecture Series, contact Dr. Michael Tidwell in the Clayton State School of Business at (678) 466-4546. ■

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friends out for a night of ice skating in the SAC Ballroom. (Courtesy of a portable ice skating rink, in case you're curious.) Clayton State students - free. Non Clayton State students - \$2. Student Activities Center Ballroom from 4 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Sponsored by: Campus Events Council and Department of Campus Life.

The contact for all the Welcome Back Week events is Nikita Haynie at NikitaHaynie@clayton.edu. ■

I-75 Overpass Lanes Shift Starting Jan. 9

Reconstruction of the Jonesboro Road (State Route 54) bridge spanning Interstate 75 will require a lane shift for traffic beginning



Friday, Jan. 9. Currently the bridge has five 12-foot lanes; with the lane shift, motorists will be funneled into five 10-foot lanes.

The lanes will be well marked with signage on the north and south ends of the bridge. Temporary barrier wall will separate traffic from workers on the bridge.

The bridge and intersection of State Route 54 at Interstate 75 in Morrow is undergoing a major facelift that will reconstruct bridges and add turn lanes with the goal of lessening current traffic congestion and preparing the community for future growth. Work began in mid-September and is scheduled for completion by Aug. 31, 2011.

The \$46.4 million project will add northbound and southbound turn lanes on State Route 54 by widening the bridge now spanning Interstate 75. Ramps entering and exiting the Interstate will be widened to allow for future high-occupancy use (HOV-HOT). Closed circuit television (CCTV) and Intersection Video Detection Systems (VDS) will be installed to monitor traffic flow. Decorative fencing and lighting will be installed on the Jonesboro Road bridge over the Interstate. The entire intersection will be illuminated with high-mast lighting.

Motorists should anticipate delays on State Route 54 and on the Interstate due to lane closures and lane shifts. Work zones will be clearly marked and motorists are encouraged to reduce their speed in work zones to assure the safety of the public and the work crews. The work zone speed limit will be reduced and fines for speeding are doubled in a work zone. Signs will be posted alerting drivers to the work zone.

For information on the Georgia DOT and this project, please visit the GDOT Web site (www.dot.ga.gov) or call Rick Parham in the Office of Communications at (404) 631-1829. ■

Spivey Hall Presents Dame Gillian Weir And Glenn Miller Orchestra this Weekend

The diversity of the musical experience that is Clayton State University's Spivey hall will be on display this weekend, as the Hall presents a return engagement by one of its earliest artists, followed by a performance by perennial favorite, the Glenn Miller Orchestra.

On Saturday, Jan. 10, organist Dame Gillian Weir will return to Spivey Hall, where, some 17 years ago, she dedicated the Hall's Albert Schweitzer Memorial Organ in a concert on memorable flair and virtuosity. Weir's 3 p.m. recital will be preceded by a 2 p.m. pre-concert talk in the Hall. (She is renown for her master classes at leading conservatories and schools of music.) Weir's recital will include; MATHIAS Variations on "Braint"; ATTAIGNANT Six Dances; J.S.

BACH Trio Sonata IV in E minor; PEETERS Toccata, Fugue and Hymn on Ave Maris Stella; FRANCK Choral III in A minor; BRIDGE Adagio in E; EBEN Moto Ostinato; SLONIMSKY Toccata; MUSHEL Toccata.

Tickets to this performance are \$30 (50 percent off for Clayton State faculty and staff); Clayton State students pay just \$10.

Sunday, Jan. 11 will see a completely different sound in the Hall as, for the third consecutive season, the world-famous Glenn Miller Orchestra returns. Such timeless tunes as "In the Mood," "Tuxedo Junction," "Chattanooga Choo-Choo" and "Moonlight Serenade," will be featured at two performances, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Under the direction of Larry O'Brien, the

Orchestra plays hits from the original Glenn Miller charts, reveling in the timeless tunes and classic arrangements popularized by Miller while also exploring new works in the style of the great American swing band tradition.

Spivey Hall is offering faculty and staff two free tickets to the 7 p.m. Glenn Miller Orchestra performance. Additional tickets may be purchased for \$10. Tickets must be purchased at the Spivey Hall Box Office with a valid Laker ID card. The regular ticket price for both performances (including all tickets for the 3 p.m. performance) is \$40. For tickets and more information, call the Spivey Hall Box Office at (678) 466-4200. Full-price tickets only are available online at www.spiveyhall.org (a per-ticket service fee applies). ■

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State," says Harden. "While it is difficult for me to announce my leave-taking from the fine people who are Clayton State, from this fine university, an institution that I will always consider 'my university,' I believe the time is right for me to make such a move, because we have reached so many of our goals. I am gratified for all of the growth and enhancements that have been accomplished at Clayton State since 2000, and wish all of you only the best in what I know will be a remarkable future."

Prior to becoming president of Clayton State University on June 1, 2000, Harden recorded an academic career focused on teaching and administration. His research interests included curriculum research and technology planning. He served as the dean of Eastern Michigan University's College of Technology from 1993-2000 and as dean of the College of Business from 1999 to 2000. He was instrumental in program development, active in economic development activities, and was a trustee on the Eastern Michigan University Foundation Board.

He held simultaneous appointments at Northern Kentucky University, as acting

dean of University College, from 1989-1990; and as associate dean of the College of Professional Studies, from 1988-89. Harden served as a professor and chairperson of the Department of Technology at Northern Kentucky University, a post he held from 1985-1993.

His current activities include service on the American Association of State Colleges (AASCU) Professional Development Committee, the Atlanta Regional Council for Higher Education Board of Directors, the NCAA Division II President's Council, the Peach Belt Conference Board of Directors, the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the Walter and Emilie Spivey Foundation Board of Trustees, and the National Museum of Commercial Aviation Board of Trustees.

Harden earned his Bachelor of Science degree in education from Miami University of Ohio, and a Master of Science degree in educational administration from the University of Dayton. He earned his Doctor of Education from the University of Cincinnati. He also earned a Certificate in College Management from Carnegie-Mellon University.



Dr. Harden and his wife, Cathy

Harden is married to Cathy Harden who is also a graduate of Miami University (B.S.) and the University of Cincinnati (M.Ed.). They have four adult children and five grandchildren. ■

Clayton State Prepares For Winter Weather

Winter officially started on Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008. And Clayton State University is getting ready for any winter weather that might occur over the next few months.

In case of a weather-related closing, or any other type of emergency closing, Clayton State contacts the following media list for emergency weather situations. These outlets are also applicable for closing information on Spivey Hall.

WSB-AM 750	WPCH-FM
B-98.5 FM	WSTR-FM
KISS 104.1 FM	WQXI-AM
97.1 The River	WSSA-FM
95.5 The Beat	WNNX-FM
WXIA-TV	WKHX-AM/FM
WGST-AM	WSB-TV
WKLS-FM	WAGA-TV
WMXV-FM	WGCL-TV

During emergency weather situations, information about Clayton State's plans will also be available on the University's web page (www.clayton.edu) and through the University's main telephone number (678-466-4000).

Although all of the above radio and TV stations will be contacted, the first pot of contact, and the station that broadcasts the most winter weather closing information is WSB radio, 750 on the AM dial. ■

Security Gates Close at 10:30 p.m.

Beginning on Monday, Dec. 22, Clayton State Public Safety Officers began nightly closing of the gates adjacent to the new Visitors and Welcome Security Station (VWSS) on Clayton State Boulevard at 10:30 p.m.

At 10:30 p.m., the security gates on the north and south ends of the campus, at the entrances on Simpson and Caldwell Drives, will also be closed. All gates will be secured at approximately 10:30 p.m. each night, with flexibility depending on conclusion time of any special events held on campus. They will be reopened each morning at approximately 6:30 a.m.

When the north and south gates are closed, all traffic will be routed through the main entrance on Clayton State Boulevard. Drivers will have to identify themselves for entry to the security officers assigned to the VWSS, either by display of their Laker Card or valid driver's license.

Between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m., all gates will be open, and with no requirement for drivers to stop or present identification at the VWSS. ■

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be held starting and finishing on the Clayton State campus, starting at 9 a.m. For more information, contact Stewart Daniel at (404) 234-6636. The Freedom Run races are sponsored by Southlake Kiwanis.

The Clayton State University Student Government Association will sponsor a viewing party for the inauguration of America's first African-American president, Barack Obama, at 10 a.m. on

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2009 in the University's new Student Activities Center.

On Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2009, NARA will show At the River I Stand, the award-winning documentary which reconstructs the two eventful months in Memphis in 1968 leading to King's tragic death. At the River I Stand demonstrates the integral connection between the struggle for civic

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Custodian of The Quarter

On Dec. 22, 2008, Querobin "Robin" Gonzales was named the Custodian of the Quarter at Clayton State University for the period from September 2008 through December 2008.



Querobin Gonzales

Gonzalez is employed with the Building Services Department and is responsible for maintaining restrooms in Business and Health Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Technology, School of Business and the Administration buildings. He operates a KAIVAC 1750 No-Touch Cleaning System every night to ensure the restrooms in his assigned areas are disinfected and spotless each night. These restrooms have been complemented on by the students, faculty and staff alike.

As it pertains to restroom sanitation, Gonzalez is the subject matter expert. He also maintains the entrance ways of the same set of buildings by keeping the doorways free of unsightly debris. Lastly, he is responsible for the removal of consolidated trash from points located at BHS, Arts & Sciences, Technology and the School of Business buildings.

He has demonstrated time and time again that he encompasses the qualities of team spirit, dedication, attention to detail, and understanding. He always accepts on-the-spot corrections with a smile and routinely volunteers to help out whenever there is shortage of staff. He can always be depended on.

His responsibilities are many; with his ability to organize labor and manage time; Gonzalez requires very little supervision to complete his duties. This allows management to focus their attention on other areas of responsibility.

"Robin has proven himself equal to the demand and continues to strive to achieve perfection," says Assistant Director of Building Services Donald West. "I am delighted to have Querobin 'Robin' Gonzales as a part of our team."

Across the Campus...

Athletics

Allison Kreutzer, Clayton State's four-time NCAA Division II All American runner, was recently featured in "Sports Illustrated's" famed "Faces in the Crowd" section. To see the article, go to <http://sportsillustrated.cnn.com/scorecard/faces/2008/12/29/>

While most people were getting ready for the festivities that are the holiday season, Clayton State's Will Wilcox was getting a head start on preparing for the 2009 men's golf spring season. The Lakers' two-time Division II All-American competed in the prestigious Dixie Amateur at the Heron Bay Golf Club in Coral Springs. He finished a solid tied for 10th place overall, firing an impressive 8-under-par 280 for the four-round Dixie Amateur, an event that was first played in 1924. He was one of

only six Division II players to make the cut, and was highest finisher out of all the Division II golfers.

Facilities Management

Ducks, geese, and swans are only to be fed along the access road by the dam. There should be no feeding of the waterfowl in areas adjacent to any sidewalks, to help keep said sidewalks clean.

International Programs

There are still a few spots available for students interested in participating in the May 2009 Literary London study abroad program. The program, which offers three credit hours toward graduation, is open to all students who have successfully completed English 1102 by the time of travel. Deposits for Literary London are due Thursday, Jan. 15, and final payment for the trip is due on Thursday, Jan. 29. The trip is scheduled for the Maymester, between the spring and summer semesters

at Clayton State. Travel dates are May 11-25. Contact Dr. Greg McNamara or visit the Office of International Programs in the Baker Center for further details or to make a deposit.

Staff Council

It's not too late to purchase one of the beautiful 2009 Clayton State calendars sponsored by the Staff Council. The cost is \$10 and it has some terrific pictures of the campus. There are still some available with the coupon packet included. Coupons are from Boston's, Moe's Southwest Grill, and Sonic. If interested, please let Karen Born know and one will be saved for you.

University System

Check out the December issue of the USG's A Worthy Investment at http://www.usg.edu/pubs/worthy_investment/

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

On-Campus (I)nterviews and (R)ecruiting

(Employers will setup on Main Street in the University Center. You may come as you are)

Tuesday, Jan. 13th

11am – 12pm
(R) Air Force ROTC

Tuesday, Jan. 13th

12pm – 2pm
(R) Arch Chemicals

Atlanta Area Career Fairs

*(Information purposes only;
No affiliation with Clayton State)*

SIX FLAGS OVER GEORGIA JOB FAIR

Saturday, January 17, 2009
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
275 Riverside Parkway
Austell, Georgia 30168
Students must complete the online application www.sixflagsjobs.com before attending. Be sure to come prepared for an on the spot interview.
For more information contact the Employment Center at (770) 739-3410.

Job and Internship Search

WALTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

200 Double Springs Church Rd. Monroe,
GA 30656
<http://www3.walton.k12.ga.us/employment/Pages/JobPostings.aspx>

TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

1800 Century Place, N.E., Suite 550,
Atlanta, Georgia 30345-4304
http://www.tcsg.edu/hr/dtae_job.php
Summer and Fall 2009 Internship Information. Looking for a summer or fall internship? Start Now! Learn How to search for an internship and Where and When to look by attending the following workshop:

ABC'S OF FINDING AN INTERNSHIP:

January 27, 2009
11:30a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – UC-262
5:15p.m. – 6:15 p.m. – UC 268

GEORGIA SECRETARY OF STATE
Karen Handel is pleased to announce several full-time or part-time internship

opportunities in the following areas:
Capitol Museum and Tours
Elections Division
Front Office
Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission
Legal Affairs
Press Office
Professional Licensing Board
Securities Division

Interested students must submit an application and a resume.

Applications and resumes must be received by Friday, March 20, 2009. For more information and qualifications, please visit:



<http://sos.georgia.gov/misc/intern.html>.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)
Summer Environmental Internship:
<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/cleh>

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and economic rights and shows how the African-American community rallied behind a strike by grossly underpaid sanitation workers. At the River I Stand will be shown at the NARA Southeast Region Archives, 5780 Jonesboro Rd., Morrow, from noon to 1 p.m. This special showing, which includes King's "Mountaintop" speech, is free and open to the public. For more information, call (770) 968-2555.

MLK Day at Clayton State will be Thursday, Jan. 22. The day will start with the MLK Student Dialog and Panel Discussion from 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in room 132 of the University's Arts & Sciences Building. Later that afternoon, Clayton State students, faculty and staff will participate in the University's first MLK Rally and March. Beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the University Quad, the march will proceed to Spivey Hall for the MLK keynote address. The rain location for this event is the Student Activities Center ballroom.



Dr. John Eaves

Dr. John Eaves, chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners and formerly the assistant dean of students at

Clayton State, will give the keynote address for the University's 2009 Martin Luther King, Jr., Commemorative Event in Spivey Hall on Thursday, Jan. 22. Eaves' 7:30 p.m. address in Spivey Hall will be preceded by a reception in the lobby of Spivey Hall that will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Finally, on Friday, Jan. 23, a total of 25 Clayton State students will take a tour of the King Center and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference headquarters. This "Life of the King" Trip is sponsored by the Department of Campus Life. ■

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"The first half was Columbus State playing very hard and they literally punched us in the face," Gibbons said. "But I give our team credit. They went to work, we simplified some stuff and the confidence changed."

Went to work the Lakers did. Trailing 42-26 with 15:37 remaining, Clayton State went on a tremendous 20-4 run over the next eight minutes.

Bernard Fields drained two big 3-point baskets to trim the Columbus State lead to 44-37 with 12:52 remaining. The Lakers then got a dunk by Michael Thorogood, and two free throws by Ricky Garrett at the 7:04 tied the game at 46-46.

Columbus State responded with a 3-point play off a missed Clayton

State jumper. Clayton State trimmed the Cougar lead to 53-51 on a lay-up by Eric Wilson at the 4:16 mark, but Columbus State answered with a huge 3-point basket.

The Lakers cut the deficit to 59-56, but Columbus State iced it with two free throws by Owen Brow with 19 seconds remaining. ■

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Stevens each with 12 points. Stevens, in fact, recorded a double-double with 12 rebounds, Clayton State's bench was pivotal with 36 points to only 11 for Columbus State.

The Lakers return to action next Wednesday, Jan. 14, at home against Georgia Southwestern. ■

Trivia Time

Kelly Adams Wins Second Annual Virtual Trivia Trophy

by John Shiffert, University Relations

All hail Kelly Adams, administrative assistant in Office of the Vice President for Business and Operations, for a dominating victory in the competition for the 2008 Tom Eddins Virtual Trivia Trophy.

A newcomer to the Clayton State trivia game in 2008, Adams proved she had the right stuff from the start, piling up a whopping 52 points (11 more than the 2007 winner, Dina Swearngin) to easily capture the second Eddins Trophy, leading second place finisher Rob Taylor by 20 points and third place finisher Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller by 22 points. Other top performers in 2008 included Scott McElroy and Kathy Garrison. Adams thus joins the distinguished roster of Trivia Time winners....

- 2001 – Lou Brackett
- 2002 – Lou Brackett and Terry Penn (tie)
- 2003 – Tom Eddins
- 2004 – Jean Myers
- 2005 – Rob Taylor
- 2006 – Tom Eddins
- 2007 – Dina Swearngin
- 2008 – Kelly Adams

To conclude 2008, the correct answer to the question regarding the final line in Hamlet ended up leading to two different sets of answers. Although Horatio's, "good night sweet prince, and may flights of angels sing thee to the rest" is one of the most famous lines in English Literature, several Shakespeareans, notably Adams and Zeller (who has played Horatio), pointed out that the actual last line in the original play is "Go, bid the soldiers shoot." In keeping with the spirit of the holidays (to say nothing of the spirits in Hamlet), Adams and Zeller both got credit, along with Dolores Cox (who was well-taught in the MALS program by Dr. Greg McNamara), Taylor and Brackett.

On to 2009, and such burning trivia questions as; can Adams become just the second individual to take back-to-back titles? Will former champions Brackett, Taylor and Swearngin make a run for their third or second wins? What does Eddins have up his sleeve for 2009? Will Zeller, a perennial top five finisher, break through for his first trophy? What about Todd Birchfield, another perennial top five contestant? Will another newcomer come out of the pack? The excitement is almost unbearable, so much so that we need a new punctuation mark to describe it. What was the new punctuation mark, first proposed some 30 or so years ago, that was designed for exclamatory questions such as this? Send your answers to johnshiffert@clayton.edu. ■

Sports

Lakers Stretch Winning Streak to 10

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

According to Clayton State women's head basketball coach Dennis Cox, winning the Peach Belt Conference means winning at home and stealing a couple of games on the road.

The Lakers got that road steal on Wednesday.

Spearheaded by strong play off the bench and a never-ending determination, Clayton State made it 10 straight victories with a thrilling 71-68 victory at big Peach Belt Conference rival Columbus State at the Lumpkin Center. The Lakers are now 10-1 overall and remain on top in the Peach Belt at 4-0.

"This team has shown it wants to win," said Cox. "Honestly, I thought Columbus State was the better team tonight, and it went right down the wire. We were real fortunate and we'll take it."

It wasn't the Lakers' best game by any stretch. Clayton State shot only 21 percent (6-for-29) from 3-point range and 38 percent from the field. In addition, the Lakers had only seven free throw attempts to 25 for Columbus State.

However, it was the Clayton State bench that kept the Lakers in the game, especially in the first half. With Columbus State controlling the boards behind center Phoebe Smith, the Lady Cougars five times built a seven-point lead. However, Tanisha Woodard and Nikkisha Pritchett kept Clayton State within striking distance with their strong play off the bench. Pritchett scored nine points in the opening half, while Woodard scored six to go with six steals.

The Lakers made their move in the second half. Trailing 37-31, Clayton State took its first lead of the game 44-43 on a running

jump shot in the lane by Woodard at the 14:52 mark. A big 3-point basket by Brittany Hall extended the lead to 51-47 with 11:51 mark.

The lead changed hands four times before the Lakers took the lead for good on a baseline jumper by Hall at the 2:09 mark. A jump shot by Lesheria Stevens extended the Clayton State lead to five points, but the Lady Cougars cut the lead to one point, 69-68 on a lay-up by Monique Jefferson with 58 seconds remaining.

However, Stevens sank two free throws with 41 seconds remaining, and Columbus State committed a turnover and missed a 3-point attempt in the final seconds.

Pritchett paced Clayton State with 13 points off the bench, followed by Hall and

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Lakers Drop 61-57 Decision to Columbus

Aiming to rebound from its first defeat of the 2008-09 season, the Clayton State Laker men's basketball team came up short on its quest on Wednesday, falling 61-57 at in-state Peach Belt Conference rival Columbus State at the Lumpkin Center.

The defeat drops Clayton State to 9-2 overall and 2-2 in the Peach Belt.

"The game was there for us to take, so it's disappointing," said Clayton State head

coach Gordon Gibbons. "We responded well and were eager to finish. Our problem is not effort, it's execution."

For the second straight game, the Lakers endured an abysmal first half, shooting only 25 percent from the field, 11 percent from 3-point range and committing 13 turnovers..

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