

# Campus Review

## Clayton State to Begin Health & Fitness Management Program

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Interested in a career in health or wellness, corporate fitness, or exercise science? Beginning fall 2005, Clayton State will introduce its latest baccalaureate degree program, Health & Fitness Management (HFM), part of the University's Health Care Management department in the School of Health Sciences.

The first program of its kind in Georgia to combine the exercise science field with management and healthcare coursework, HFM will prepare graduates for a variety of entry and mid-level management positions within the broad field of health and fitness. The curriculum will not only explore the scientific basis of exercise, but will also address health care issues among pregnant women, the elderly, and persons with chronic diseases.

Clayton State's proposal for the HFM major was approved by the Board of Regents of

the University System of Georgia at the Board's February meeting.

"Clayton State already has a broad variety of degree offerings in the health care arena, but this is the first offering for those students interested in the preventative end of health care," says Dr. Melanie Poudevigne, assistant professor and program coordinator for HFM.

The HFM program will include courses such as: Kinesiology, Exercise Physiology, Exercise Testing and Prescription, Principles of Fitness, Personal Health, and Health & Fitness Management. These courses will range from the study of the human body's physiological response to exercise to the development of the communications skills required for a career in the health and fitness field. In addition to coursework, students will also complete an internship to give them hands on experience. With such a broad

knowledge base, HFM graduates should be in high demand.

"HFM graduates will have a strong background in both the science and application of exercise as a health maintenance and illness prevention tool," explains Poudevigne. "This foundation will make our graduates extremely valuable in both the public and private health care arena."

And the health care arena will need Clayton State HFM graduates. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, some 264,000 health and fitness jobs will be available by 2010. Plus, Poudevigne says that nearly 800,000 people in the Southern Crescent are seeking exercise as a form of alternative medicine – exercise that will not only give them a healthier today, but also a healthier tomorrow. With the skills learned in the HFM program, graduates will be able to properly instruct the community in exercise.

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## Clayton State Sets Seventh Straight Spring Semester Enrollment Record

Clayton College & State University's enrollment for the spring 2005 semester is 5,920, a new record for a spring term at Clayton State.

The previous spring mark, set in 2004, was 5,888. In fact, the current total marks the seventh consecutive year that Clayton State has increased its spring enrollment.

- Spring 1998 – 4,196
- Spring 1999 – 4,404
- Spring 2000 – 4,447
- Spring 2001 – 4,700
- Spring 2002 – 4,748
- Spring 2003 – 5,572
- Spring 2004 – 5,888
- Spring 2005 – 5,920

That represents a growth of 1,724 students over seven years, or a 41 percent increase since 1998.

Several factors play into Clayton State's student boom, not the least of which is the University's growing list of baccalaureate programs that better serve the needs of the population of the Southern Crescent, and also provide students with quick entry to... or quick advancement in... the job market. ■

## Department of Nursing Receives Positive Site Visit Report

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Clayton College & State University's School of Health Science's Department of Nursing received a positive review after a Feb. 2-4 accreditation site visit by CCNE, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. The site visitors' report will be added to the department's self-study and evaluated further by the Commission. Final action on the accreditation is anticipated in October.

CCNE is officially recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education as a national accreditation agency, and serves the public interest by

assessing and identifying baccalaureate and graduate education programs – such as Clayton State's nursing program – that engage in effective educational practices.

As a voluntary self-regulatory process, CCNE accreditation supports and encourages continuing self-assessment by nursing education programs and supports continuing growth and improvement of collegiate professional education. The visit by CCNE affirms the quality of existing programs by evaluating curriculum, clinical facilities, fiscal and physical resource materials currently available, and by comprehensive interviews with the faculty, staff, students, other departments within the university and the community at large.

The other Clayton State departments the CCNE team met with include Admissions, Registrar, Financial Aid, the Library, and the Center for Instructional Development. In



*Department of Nursing*

addition, they met with the faculty of the School of Arts and Sciences and other staff members in an effort to ascertain the level of support the Department of Nursing receives from the rest of the campus – an important factor in the review process.

The Clayton State nursing faculty had been working for more than 18 months toward the accreditation visit, which included intensive committee work and an in-depth self-study. Each faculty and staff member in the department contributed to the process in some form.

“Our campus community strongly supports the students and faculty in the Department of Nursing and this support was showcased throughout the 3-day review,” says Dr. Deborah Clark, associate dean of the School of Health Sciences. “The visitors were very impressed with the accomplishments of the nursing program.”

Prior to leaving last Friday, the visiting team presented a summary of findings noting several key characteristics of the program. Significant achievements include: the 97.1 percent pass rate for first time NCLEX-RN exam test takers in 2004; the faculty's instrumental role in creating, implementing, and evaluating the current curriculum (which is congruent with the mission, goals, and outcomes of Clayton State); and the program itself as responsive to both the learning needs of the students, and the healthcare needs of the entire community.

The visiting team, consisting of two leaders in nursing education and a clinical nurse leader, were particularly impressed with the students and their knowledge of the curriculum and program outcomes.

“The visitors couldn't have been more complimentary of our students, both in clinical practice and in the interviews, says Dr. Judith A. Plawecki, dean of the School of Health Sciences.

“This is really an incredibly positive review of the nursing program,” concluded Clark. “This accreditation visit substantiates the quality of our program and supports future growth and expansion – particularly for graduate study. The process validated what we already knew – that Clayton State's nursing program has the highest quality students, faculty, clinical resources, and curriculum.” ■

### Nominate a deserving staff member for the 2004-2005 Smith Staff Award!

The Smith Staff Award Committee is currently seeking nominations for this year's Smith Staff Award. Each staff member will receive a hard copy of the nomination form in campus mail today (February 14, 2005). For your convenience the form is also available online: <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/staffcouncil/smithaward.htm>.

Don't delay, nominate someone today!!!



## Martha Wicker Receives 2004 Distinguished Fellows Presentation Award from ISETL

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Martha Wicker, director of the Center for Instructional Development (CID) at Clayton College & State University was awarded the Fellow Presentation Award for her presentation, "Real Action Heroes: Adventures in Active Learning," presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Society for Exploring and Learning (ISETL) held in Baltimore.

"Founded in 1970 at Purdue and the University of Windsor, ISETL is the oldest society in North America dedicated to teaching and learning in higher education," says Dr. Susan Henry, professor of English at Clayton State and president-elect of ISETL.

Henry noted that more than 200 instructors from the U.S., Canada, Belgium, Turkey, South Africa, Kenya and Israel attended the conference, including 22 presenters from Clayton State.

CID was established under the office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Clayton State in August 1998, and supports faculty in the use of software and multimedia tools, enhances instruction through the development of online courses, builds community among academic support units, explores new technologies for instruction, and models pedagogical principles.

According to Henry, one criterion for presenting a proposal at the conference is it has to be interactive.

"ISETL supports development of active learning strategies in academic environments across the world," she says. "Sessions must reflect that support by being active learning sessions themselves."

Wicker's proposal was initiated as part of Clayton State's Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Quality Enhancement

Plan to implement instructional strategies that promote student success. The objective of the presentation was to give participants the opportunity to discuss documented benefits of active learning, to search an online active learning strategy database, to share discipline-specific applications for a selected active learning strategy, and to reflect on possible ways for integrating these strategies in their teaching. The Clayton State Student Success Faculty Development Grant recipients (Richard Clendenning, Debra Durden, Erica Gannon, Lou Jourdan, Jon Preston, Susan Sanner) developed the active learning database to provide online access to strategies that increase student engagement in the classroom.

It was submitted to a committee of reviewers and selected as one of many to be presented at the conference. Based on the proposal ratings and recommendations, a review panel composed of Society Board members and the Distinguished Fellows of the Society attended a select number of presentations during the conference and chose Wicker's presentation for the Distinguished Fellow's Award. An abstract of the proposal was published in the Proceedings, and Wicker will give the same presentation at this year's conference in Cocoa Beach, Fl., where she will accept her award.

"As a 'cutting edge' session using the latest technology and pedagogy, Martha's proposal sounded very promising, according to committee members," says Henry. "From what I understand, [hers] was the decisive winner. We should all be proud to know that our Director for the Center for Instructional Development has also been so rewarded on an international level for her ability to teach. Her faculty members have known this all along, of course." ■

## Paralyzed Clayton State Student Heads to Portugal for Surgery

by Erin Fender and Lauren Baker, University Relations

Kristy Justus, a student at Clayton College & State University, headed to Portugal two weeks ago for what could be a life changing surgery.

On Nov. 18, 2002 during an intramural flag football game at the State University of West Georgia, Justus sustained a spinal cord injury that left her paralyzed from the neck down. Despite her paralysis, Justus was determined to complete her education, and last fall she transferred to Clayton State and changed her major from biology to psychology.

"I hope one day to use this major to help those who may have gone through a situation similar to mine," she says.

And if her upcoming surgery is a success, Justus may be able to use her degree to not only encourage paralyzed patients, but to also serve as a testimony to determination and perseverance.

In 2004, a friend from church informed Justus of an experimental spinal cord surgery currently performed in Portugal. After Justus and her sister Kelly did extensive research, Justus consulted with Dr. Lima, the surgeon who performs the procedure. Now, five months after speaking with Lima, Justus has traveled to Portugal for her surgery, which took place Feb. 5.

The surgery will hopefully help Justus regain function, muscle control, and



**Kristy Justus**

sensitivity in her paralyzed body by clearing out scar tissue around her spinal cord and

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# Across the Campus

## Admissions

The Office of Admissions annual Counselor Luncheon for high school guidance counselors from throughout metro Atlanta was held on Wednesday, Feb. 2. Interim Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Services Diane Burns welcomed the 70+ counselors in attendance and was followed to the podium by Director of Admissions Jeff Hammer and deans from Clayton State's five schools. Counselors from high schools in the following counties attended; Clayton, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Pike, Rockdale, and Spalding.

## Athletics

The Clayton State track & field teams opened their first indoor seasons on Saturday in impressive fashion with the men's squad winning and women's squad placing third in the Tiger Indoor Invitational hosted by the University of the South. The Clayton State men scored 87 points and were led by junior Brian Etelman, who provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division II national championships in two events, winning the 55 meters and the 200m events. Etelman won the 55m with a time of 6.28 seconds, while he took the top spot in the 200m with a time of 22.48. Junior Manuel Aguilar brought home a first in the 1,500m with a time of 4:17.70. Senior Carlos Guyton won the 400m with a time 50.71, while men's 4x400m relay of Etelman, Guyton, sophomore Eric Simmons and junior Greg Galloway captured first in 3:26.66. On the women's side, the Lakers placed third behind Beville State and Tennessee Tech. The Laker women were led by freshman Allison Kreutzer, winning the 3,000 meters with a time of 11:17.51. Clayton State will return to action on Saturday, Feb. 12 in the Tiger Invitational hosted by Clemson University.

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The Clayton State women's tennis team opened the 2005 season on a positive note last Friday, blanking Albany State University 9-0 at the Clayton State Tennis Complex. The 2005 Laker team, which features seven freshman and one sophomore, swept through the doubles, dropping only two games in the three matches. The only scare came at No. 3 singles, as Clayton State pre-

vailed in a three-set duel. Clayton State will return to action on Saturday, Feb. 12, opening its Peach Belt Conference schedule by traveling to face the University of North Carolina Pembroke in a 2:30 p.m. match. The Lakers' next home match is slated for Thursday, Feb. 17, hosting Emory University in a 2 p.m. match.

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The Clayton State men's golf team opened its spring season earlier this week, tying for 12th in the Outback Steakhouse Intercollegiate at the Hombre Golf Club in Panama City, FL. The Lakers opened the tournament with a round 316 and was in sixth place after the first day in the 15-team field before falling back on the second day, shooting a round of 321. Defending national champion the University of South Carolina Aiken won the tournament in a playoff over Columbus State University. Clayton State sophomore Matt Beall led the way for the Lakers with rounds of 75 and 78, followed by junior Daniel McKibben with rounds 78 and 79. Clayton State will return to action on Mar. 7-8 in the Richard Rendlemann Invitational at the Country Club of Salisbury in Salisbury, NC.

## Financial Aid

Students, mark your calendars for Student Financial Aid Chat Night, Tuesday, Feb. 22 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Including: federal and state loan, grant, and scholarship program information; and assistance in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To participate via internet, log on to [www.gsfc.org](http://www.gsfc.org). Or, to participate via telephone, call 1-800-505-GSFC (4732). Sponsored by the Georgia Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and the Georgia Student Finance Commission.

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The Second Annual Financial Aid Fair will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 22 from noon until 2 p.m. and from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. in the University Center. Attendees at the noon and 5 p.m. seminar, "Making it on a College Budget," will be entered in a drawing for a \$300 scholarship.

## Health Care Management

Deborah Gritzmacher and Debra Cody, both of the Clayton State Health Care Management Department, have published in the winter 2005 edition of the "Journal of Legal Nurse Consulting" an article titled "The Clinical and Legal Aspects of Massage Therapy."

## Honors Association

The Clayton State student Honors Association held one of its regular Red Cross Blood Drives on Wednesday, Feb. 9 in the Lobby of the University's Business and Health Sciences Building. All donors will receive a free T-shirt.

## Music

The Clayton State Department of Music and the University's Lyceum program hosted a tribute concert to composer Dan Welcher on Feb. 2 in Spivey Hall. Welcher also gave a master class on composition to students pursuing the Bachelor of Music in Composition, and a lecture on the creative process to Clayton State students. The tribute concert began with a short discussion by Welcher.

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On Friday and Saturday, Jan. 21 and 22, the Clayton State Music Department served as site host for the second annual Mid-Winter Workshop jointly co-sponsored by the Atlanta Early Music Alliance and the Atlanta Chapter of the American Recorder Society. Nearly 70 participants from all over Georgia and surrounding states converged on the Music Education Building to work on Renaissance music of England and Spain under the tutelage of eight faculty members from Georgia, North Carolina and Florida as the Music Education Building resounded with recorders, viols, Baroque flutes, Renaissance reeds, and even one sackbut. A program for singers was added this year as well. The Mid-Winter workshop was inaugurated in January of 2004 at Clayton State, and was so successful that the Education Committee of the Atlanta Early Music Alliance immediately determined to make the workshop an annual event; plans are already underway for the 2006 workshop. The local coordinator and host for the event since it be-

gan is Director of Vocal Activities and Opera Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller, who is currently vice president and president-elect of the Atlanta Early Music Alliance.

## Plant Operations

Twelve newly installed landscaping sprinkler heads have been damaged by the carts being driven carelessly on the campus sidewalks. The vehicle's wheels cause this damage when they go off the sidewalk into the grass/mud area where the sprinkler heads are located. Also, please do not drive around the Lecture Hall on the brick pavement... it is not strong enough to hold that sort of load, and a few sections have been broken already.

## President's Office

Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden is profiled along with 14 other university presidents who are alumni of the University of Cincinnati in the January, 2005 issue of the University of Cincinnati's *Horizons* magazine (p. 40). The article is a follow-up to a July 2003 article that profiled 13 other UC alumni who rose to become university presidents. What isn't commonly known is the Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller, knowing that Harden was a fellow Bearcat, contacted the Alumni office to let them know that they needed to include him in the second edition.

## Professional Development Committee

The Professional Development Committee presents... Captain Byrd of the Morrow Fire Department for an hour long course in First Aid, Child CPR and Adult CPR. Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and Feb. 17 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (This is NOT a certification course.) Each course is limited to 12 people. The room location will be announced by Feb. 15. Please RSVP to Karin Smoot by noon, Tuesday Feb. 15 via email.

## Spivey Hall

Richard Morris, Spivey Hall Organist-In-Residence, will present his annual recital on Saturday, Feb. 12 at 8:15 p.m. Faculty, staff and student discounts apply. Call the Spivey Hall box office (ext. 3683) for details. Morris, one of the most successful and consistently entertaining organists today, celebrates his 10 year as Organist-in-Residence at Spivey Hall. He began his career as an

organist in 1973, largely through the influence of the late Emilie Spivey and Virgil Fox. For more than 25 years, Morris has maintained a rigorous touring schedule, including a rare solo organ recital at Carnegie Hall.

## Student Life

It is time to nominate outstanding students for recognition in the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges program. The Advisory Committee for Campus Life is charged with selecting nominees for recognition in the Who's Who Among Students program. Qualifications include: Junior or Senior Class Status (61 or more earned credit hours—including transfer credit), 3.0 minimum institutional G.P.A. The selection criteria include: Academic ability; participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities; citizenship and service to the University; potential for future achievement. To nominate one or more students, please go to the on-line nomination form at <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/studentlife/WhosWhoform.htm>. Nominees will be asked to complete an Information Form and have a Recommendation Form completed by a Clayton State faculty or administrative staff member. All nominations must be received by Monday, Feb. 14. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Office of Student Life at (770) 961-3510.

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"The Tradition" cultural programming series presented, "Israel and Palestinians: Past, Present & Future" on Thursday, Feb. 3. Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin of The Temple in Atlanta examined the history of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict and discussed whether that history can be transformed for the future.

## University Bookstore

The University Bookstore announces its Valentine Specials... 20% off on Clayton State Merchandise, including Teddy Bears, caps, cups, decals, shirts, sweat shirts, sweat pants, shorts, jackets, license plates, clocks, banks, coasters, business card holders, chairs, basketballs, soccer balls, footballs, folio pad holders, CD cases, wallets, I.D. holders, blankets, lunch boxes, key rings, picture frames, paper weights, flip flops, pennants, greeting cards. The sale is on Feb. 14 to Feb. 17 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Feb. 18 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Graduation Fast Facts...

The Spring 2005 graduation ceremony will take place on

Saturday, May 14, 2005 in the Clayton State Athletic & Fitness Center.

There will be two ceremonies...

9:00 a.m.

- School of Arts & Sciences
- School of Business

12 Noon

- School of Health Sciences
- School of Technology
- College of Information & Mathematical Sciences

**Kaufmann Tire Company is offering a 7% discount to all Clayton State employees and students. Ask your local Kaufmann Tire representative about how you can save nationwide and online with Kaufmann Tires!**



## Arts Page

# Clayton State Opera Performs “A Little Night Music,” Feb. 25 and 26

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

The Clayton College & State University Opera will perform the Tony Award winning musical “A Little Night Music” on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m. with a matinee performance on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 2 p.m. in acclaimed performance venue Spivey Hall located on the Clayton State main campus in Morrow.

General admission to “A Little Night Music” is \$10. Clayton State students receive free admission with a valid Laker Card. All parking is free. For driving directions, visit [www.clayton.edu](http://www.clayton.edu) and click on Maps/Directions.

Produced by such famous opera houses as the New York City Opera, Houston Grand Opera, and Los Angeles Opera, “A Little Night Music” first premiered on Broadway in 1973 and won both the Tony Award and the Drama Critics Circle Award for Best Musical. Set in the early 1900s, the musical is a satirical comedy about confusing social and romantic complica-

tions that climax in a series of lover’s triangles at a lavish Swedish estate.

To produce such a complicated production, Clayton State Opera has assembled its largest cast ever. Featuring both music and non-music majors as well as performances by Clayton State faculty members and a com-

munity arts leader, “A Little Night Music” promises to provide more than a little operatic entertainment.

According to Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller, director of Vocal Activities and Opera at the University, “A Little

Night Music” is not only an entertaining romantic musical comedy, but is also a nod to the 19<sup>th</sup> century operatic style which, like the Viennese operettas, is based on the waltz. Because this production owes so much to the opera of yesteryear, Zeller hopes the cast realizes that there is a historical continuity that connects commercial Broad-

way works of today to the operatic hits of the past.

The following students will appear in “A Little Night Music:” freshman music major

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**Senior Nigel Traylor and junior Candace Henry play Count Carl-Magnus Malcolm and Countess Charlotte.**



**R to L: Chambermaid Petra (freshman Anita Coachman), Fredrik’s son Henrik (junior Iván Segovia) Fredrik’s second wife Anne (junior Heather Davis), and attorney Fredrik Egerman (junior Brandon Odom).**

## “Sankofa” Featured for Black History Month

Clayton College & State University will feature a special showing of “Sankofa,” a film by Haile Gerima, on Thursday, Feb. 24 at 7:30 p.m. as part of the University’s observance of Black History Month.

Following the screening of “Sankofa” in room 272 on the new University Center will be a discussion with Pervis Brown, Clayton State instructor of African-American History. The screening is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Art, Film, & Video Club and the Department of Communicative Arts & Integrative Studies at Clayton State.

Sankofa is an Akan word that means “We must go back & reclaim our past so we can move forward; so we understand why & how we came to be who we are today.” Written, directed and produced by Ethiopian-born filmmaker Gerima, Sankofa is a powerful film about Maafa — the African Holocaust, says Clayton State Assistant Professor of Media Dr. Virginia Bonner. Told from an African/African-American perspective, the film gives a story that is vastly different from the generally distorted, Hollywood representations of African people, she adds.

For more information on “Sankofa,” go to <http://www.sankofa.com/welcome.shtml>, or call (770) 961-3460 or go to <http://a-s.clayton.edu/vbonner/film/festivals.html>.

## Arts Page

### Upcoming at Spivey Hall

#### **RICHARD MORRIS, organ**

Saturday, February 12 at 8:15 p.m.

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#### **JITRO – Czech Children’s Choir**

Sunday, February 13 at 3 p.m.

After receiving a standing ovation from thousands of choral directors at the 1993 National Convention of the American Choral Director’s Association, Professor Doreen Rao of Toronto University asked Jitro, “Are you aware that you have just changed forever the character and style of all American choral singing?” Internationally regarded as one of the most important children’s choirs, Jitro has performed more than 250 concerts all over the world.

#### **ACADEMY OF ST. MARTIN IN THE FIELDS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE**

Friday, February 18 at 8:15 p.m.

The Academy of St. Martin in the Fields

Chamber Ensemble was created in 1967 to perform the larger chamber works—from quintets to octets—with players who customarily work together, instead of the usual string quartet with additional guests. Drawn from the principal players of the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Orchestra, the ensemble, in its string octet incarnation, returns to Spivey Hall to perform music by Dvorak and more.

#### **CANTUS, a cappella**

**male vocal ensemble**

Saturday, February 19 at 8:15 p.m.

Established less than five years ago in the St. Olaf choral tradition, the remarkably young and remarkably talented Cantus is gaining recognition as one of America’s finest male vocal ensembles.

Their repertoire includes everything from Gregorian chant to pop tunes. Cantus has performed hundreds of concerts throughout North America. They made their European debut in the summer of 2003 at France’s Pollyfolia Festival. If you like a *cappella* artistry, don’t miss Cantus! [www.cantusonline.org](http://www.cantusonline.org) ■



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**Alan Xie**

### Clayton State Art Instructor

### Exhibits Work at San Francisco RX Gallery

By Erin Fender, University Relations

Clayton College & State University art instructor Alan Xie is exhibiting his artwork in the prestigious RX Gallery in San Francisco from Feb. 7- Mar. 12, 2005.

“It is my first time to exhibit my art works in the RX Gallery,” says Xie. The RX Gallery contacted Xie after the gallery saw his work in the AAF Art Fair in New York City last year. The RX Gallery was ranked the best art gallery in 2004 by “San Fran-

cisco Weekly” thanks to their creative merging of art and music with contemporary innovations.

Xie will have ten art pieces at the exhibit. He says, “these paintings seek to highlight the artificial, simulated nature of our contemporary media. They bring to our attention the transient, temporal nature of the television image as opposed to the stable and permanent nature of painting.”

Originally from China, Xie moved to the United States in 1999. Xie studied painting and sculpture in the China Academy of Art and Savannah College of Art and Design from 1989-2000. He holds a B.F.A. in sculpture and a M.F.A. in painting.

If you would like further information about the exhibition or Xie, please contact him at [alanxie@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:alanxie@mail.clayton.edu) or (770) 961-3460.

## Georgia Student Finance Commission Presents HOPE to Clayton State Audience

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Michael Behler, account executive for the Georgia Student Finance Commission, presented an information session on the HOPE Scholarship and HOPE Grant to faculty, staff, students and parents in the University Center at Clayton College & State University on Thursday, Jan. 27, 2005.

Speaking to a nearly packed hall, Behler spoke not only about the HOPE Scholarship, but the HOPE Grant, initial eligibility, and changes that in the program since its inception in 1993.

HOPE is funded by the Georgia State "Lottery for Education," and when first conceived was limited to freshman and sophomore college students only. Each year since, the program has undergone changes to improve and expand its services. It is now offered to junior and seniors, but due to a decrease in lottery earnings, the question now is how will HOPE be sustained?

Currently, HOPE covers matriculation fees, or tuition, along with extra institutional fees and \$150 per semester for full-time students and \$75 per semester for part-time students for books. Last year, a cap was placed on additional fees and if these increase in the future, HOPE will not cover the difference.

Overall, it is expected that HOPE will cover less expenses in the future. If lottery earnings continue to decrease, the amount for books could go down or be eliminated altogether.

These expectations are generalities. Specifics depend on individual students as well. Student outcome and expectation is also increasing.

Beyond the initial eligibility, students' HOPE GPA will be checked more frequently than in the past.

Before, it was checked every 30 hours, now it will be checked the end of the spring semester. If the student's GPA is less than a 3.0, HOPE will be suspended until the student has completed 60 semester hours.

A student can accumulate 127 hours under the HOPE Scholarship. With the HOPE Grant, the cap is 63 hours. The HOPE Grant is for students enrolled in a Certification or Diploma program. The 3.0 GPA is not a factor, but there are other eligibility requirements.

The information session was very thorough and many attendees asked questions. Two of those attendees were non-traditional student Britt Gaines and his wife Lisa. Britt attends night classes at Clayton State. They have two sons in

college, Jason, a senior at Clayton State, and Paul at Valdosta State.

"The session was very informative, but not nearly long enough," says wife Lisa, who took her lunch break to join her husband for the session.

Melody Hodge, director of Financial Aid at Clayton State has promised to have more sessions like the HOPE Informational Session in the near future. For details about the session, visit Clayton State's Financial Aid website at <http://admisservices.clayton.edu/financialaid/>, where the entire session is available for viewing. ■



## Counseling Services Takes Stock of Student Concerns and Preferences

Researchers at Old Dominion University in a 10-year study have found that student attitudes and personality characteristics, as well as behaviors in high school, can serve as an equal or even better predictor of academic performance than traditional cognitive factors (SAT, high school grades). In addition, researchers at Harvard University (see [College of the Overwhelmed](#)) have reported on trends of increasing severity in the issues that college students are bringing to university counseling centers. To better understand the concerns facing Clayton State students, the university counseling service has developed the SCQ, or Student Concerns Questionnaire. The questionnaire is voluntary and confidential, and

provides students the opportunity to report on concerns they see for themselves and their peers.

The questionnaire starts with 28 main concerns seen in university counseling centers nationally. Next, various modalities of service delivery are presented. Finally, an extensive demographic section is included.

The SCQ is available to students on-line at <http://admisservices.clayton.edu/counseling>.

Initial data show that a broad spectrum of students are completing the SCQ. Thus far, student response rates closely resemble the demographic data for Clayton State as a whole.

Any faculty member who is interested in promoting student participation and involvement with the SCQ is encouraged to do so. For more information on the SCQ, or to schedule a brief class visit to make sure your students are informed of this opportunity to share their perspectives and concerns, please contact Bates Canon at (770) 961-3716. ■

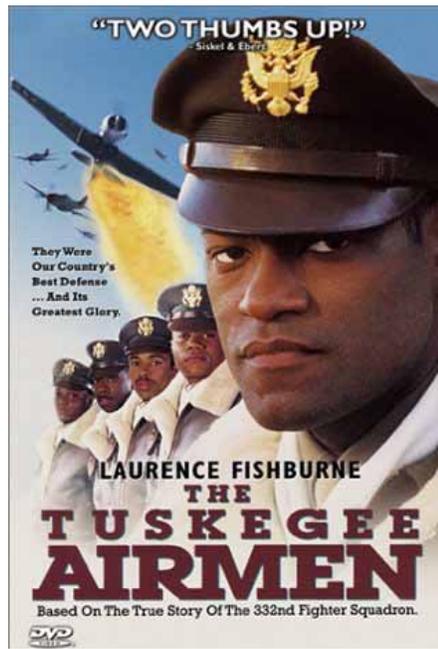
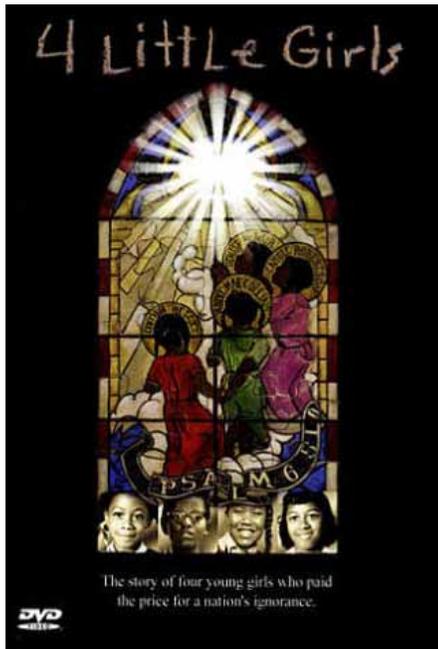


**Bates Canon**

## Black Cultural Awareness Association February Events

by Yasmin Neal, University Relations

The Clayton College & State University Black Cultural Awareness Association (BCAA) will be holding a variety of events for the month of February... Black History Month. The events range from speakers like author Omar Tyree, to movies such as "The Tuskegee Airman." All are free and open to the public.



The first black American pilots to defend their country in World War II.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

"4 Little Girls" - featuring Maxine McNair and Chris McNair

A story about the 1963 Birmingham church bombing

All movies will be shown in the Clayton State University Center room 272 starting at 7 p.m. Free popcorn will be available, while it lasts.

Guests to be featured for Black History Month are as follows:

The events are as follows:

The "Make You Think" Film Festival presenting:

Wednesday, Feb. 16

"The Tuskegee Airmen" - featuring Lawrence Fishburne and Cuba Gooding, Jr.

Powell, public speaker and hip hop historian, will be speaking on male and female relations. Noon, room 132, Arts and Sciences Building

Thursday, Feb. 24 — Giwayen Mata, African Dance Ensemble.

7 p.m., room 132, Arts and Sciences Building ■

Monday, Feb. 21 — Kevin

## School of Technology Welcomes New Faculty Members

by Gina Finocchiaro, University Relations

Clayton State welcomed many new faculty members this fall including the School of Technology's Dr. John Burningham, Tammy Tebo and Dr. Ian Toppin.

Burningham is a new instructor in the School of Technology. He received his doctorate in Industrial Technology from the University of Northern Iowa in 1992. Burningham has been in the technology field for more than 30 years, beginning his career in 1973 working for B&J Tool Inc., as a Numerical Control Programmer. His teaching career kicked off in 1977 at Southern Ohio College as an instructor in the Data Processing Department. His most recent positions in-

cluded teaching at both Century College in Minnesota and at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. He recently moved to Georgia from Menomie, Wi.

Tebo is the new academic advisor for the School of Technology this fall. She received

her Master of Education from Springfield College in 2000. She recently served Georgia State University as an academic counselor for the students in the Social Work and Criminal Justice Programs. She currently resides in Fairburn.

Toppin is also a new instructor in the School of Technology. Another veteran to the technology field, since 1985, when he received his bachelor's in Industrial Education from South Carolina State University. Since then he has worked for Tandy Corporation and Clark Atlanta University where he held his most recent position as an assistant professor in the Computer Science Department. Toppin also resides in Fairburn. ■



L to R: Burningham, Tebo, Toppin

## Development/Alumni

# Southside Seafood Partners with Kroger to Cater Lunch to Extreme Makeover: Home Edition

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Even though Southside Seafood, Inc. is a privately owned business, Clayton State likes to claim it as her own. Founder and President, Robert Lee, chairs the Clayton College & State University Foundation Board of Trustees and is an avid supporter of the University. Moreover, faculty and staff and students alike patronize Southside Seafood and enjoy its down-home atmosphere and superb seafood.

Recently, the seafood restaurant, known for catering to the stars, partnered with Kroger to serve lunch in one Lake City neighborhood to the cast and crew of "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition," which finished filming their latest search and rescue mission on Jan. 23. The "reveal" had already taken place, but there was still plenty of work to do and plenty of mouths to feed.

"This is when the bulk of the work is done," said Lake City Mayor Willie Oswalt, one of the many carpenters that participated in the build and who stated (while posing with celebrity designer/carpenter Paul DiMeo) how great it was to be "just a carpenter" for a week.

Southside Seafood set up shop across the street in a neighbor's drive-way. With one gigantic, 10-foot mobile grill, compliments of the Johnsonville company, and a 16 foot buffet-style table, Southside Seafood co-owner,

Steve Stanley, with volunteers from Kroger's regional headquarters and a handful of volunteer servers, including Lee's wife, Shelby and Cathy Harden, wife of Clayton State President Dr. Thomas Harden, prepared a gourmet meal fit for any Hollywood celebrity (and hungry carpenters too!)

The menu consisted of bourbon marinated and lemon dill Jamaican Jerk Salmon (donated by Stolt Sea Farm), grilled BBQ boneless Chicken Breast (donated by Kroger), served over mandarin pecan field greens w/raspberry vinaigrette, grilled Johnsonville bratwurst (donated by Kroger), complimented by sides of sauerkraut and German mustard and served on a (Kroger) bun; sautéed Tuscan vegetables, dinner roll & lemon meringue ice box pie, ice tea, lemonade, and Clayton State bottled water, donated by Clayton State's Dining Services.

"This is the best meal we've had all week," said Rex Ballard, one of the carpenters on the set. Extreme Makeover's building/ planning designer,

Constance Ramos, chimed in, "This is

possibly one of the best lunches I've ever had."

ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition," is a reality television show that renovates homes of families in need of home-repair or, as in this case, replaces the entire house. According to one neighbor whose backyard was torn up to allow access to the property, the Harper family had used their life savings to purchase their "dream home" after moving from a housing project in New York. But the house was plagued with problems, particularly the septic system, which would back up and flood the basement every time it rained. The Harpers were at times forced to sleep in their van to escape the stench and mold.

Family, friends and a Lake City elementary school teacher wrote letters to "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" on behalf of the family. The television show surprised the family and sent them to Disneyland for a week, while crews set to work demolishing the entire house and then rebuilding it.

Looking around, the neighborhood seemed almost like a war zone, except for the perfectly manicured lawn of the beautiful new English county-style home. There would be another week of clean-up to get the neighborhood back to normal. And on this day, Southside Seafood and Kroger, brought a good hearty meal to the worn out cast and crew, who even though had worked round-the-clock for seven days, still managed to smile and say "thank-you."



L to R: Shelby Lee with volunteers; Lake City Mayor Willie Oswalt and Extreme Home Makeover's Paul DiMeo; Clayton State's Chef Tom with volunteers. Chimney: Steve Stanley cooking

## Valentine's Day Wishes From Clayton State

From: Destinee Means Stroud  
To: Mr. Kenneth Stroud, II.



To my new husband, Mr. Kenneth Stroud, II: "Here is to our first Valentine's Day together, and knowing that with each year it will be sweeter than the last!! With all my heart, your wife, Destinee Means Stroud."

To: Everyone!  
From: SmartBodies



Do something for YOUR heart this Valentine's day by joining SmartBodies! Your sweetheart will be pleased that you are taking time to invest in your health so that you will live a long and healthy life together. Call today at (770) 961-3408 - Our professional staff will get you started on a path to better health!



### Opera, cont'd from p. 6

Stephanie Butler (Atlanta); integrative studies major Anita Coachman (Hampton); junior music major Ciara Crowe (Conyers); junior music major Heather Davis (Douglasville); sophomore music major Patricia Flower (Hampton); sophomore music major Ashley Floyd (Senolia); junior music major Candace Henry (Lithonia); senior music major Brian Mayer (Dawsonville); junior music major Brandon Odom (McDonough); freshman music major Jennifer Phelps (Douglasville); senior political science major Kyle Pinion (Stockbridge); junior music major Jennifer Proveaux (Zebulon); junior music major Ivan Segovia (Jonesboro); senior music major Nigel Traylor (Stone Mountain); and freshman music major Shellee Wilson (McDonough).

Clayton State Adjunct Instructor of Voice Holly McCarren; Lovejoy High School drama teacher Susan Simich; and Zeller will also appear in the production. In addition to his performance role, Zeller will direct the production and is also credited with the design and production aspects of the opera. The cast of "A Little Night Music" will be accompanied by a professional orchestra conducted by Clayton State's Director of Choral Activities Dr. Shaun Amos.

Funding for the Clayton State Opera production of "A Little Night Music" is made possible through Clayton State's Lyceum. The opera is produced by special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

To learn more about the Feb. 25 and 26 production or for additional information on the Clayton State Opera or Music Department, e-mail [kurtzeller@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:kurtzeller@mail.clayton.edu).

## Southern Crescent SHRM Hosts Exceptional Networking

by Erin Fender, University Relations

The Southern Crescent chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) will host a session on Exceptional Networking on Tuesday, Feb. 22 from 7:30 a.m. until 9 a.m. in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education on the Clayton College & State University campus.

The session will help participants develop networking skills by covering topics such as: how and where to meet people, scheduling second meetings, and following through for profit.

The session will be hosted by Wendy Kinney of "Ready...Set...Go Make Money!" Kinney, armed with a B.S. in business management, teaches proven techniques to enhance one's profit line to the fullest. And she is well experienced in networking – Kinney opened PowerCore in Atlanta in 1995, one of the most powerful business referral networks in America.

"I hope you'll considering attending this valuable personal and professional development session," says Vickie Fennell, treasurer of the Southern Crescent SHRM chapter.

Fees range from \$12 for non-members to \$5 for members and Clayton State faculty to \$2 for Clayton State students. Those who do not register before the Feb. 22 session will pay \$14 at the door. Complimentary refreshments will be served.

Those attending Exceptional Networking are encouraged to contact Fennell at [vickiefennell@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:vickiefennell@mail.clayton.edu) or go online to <http://www.southerncrescentshrm.org/rsvp/rsvpfeb05.htm> to register for the event.

For more information, please contact Carol Carter with Southern Crescent SHRM at (404) 364-8325 or contact Fennell by phone at (770) 960-4271.

## **SOUTHERN CRESCENT**

**SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

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then implanting her own stem cells at the site. Approximately 30 procedures of this nature have been performed, and rehabilitation of lost motor functions has been achieved in similar cases.

Justus will return home on Feb. 12. Intense, on-going therapy will be key, since recovery time is estimated at one to one and a half years. Justus will complete this recovery process at The Shepard Center in Atlanta three to five days a week for three to five hours each visit.

If you would like further information about Kristy Justus and her progress, she plans to keep a website updated with news and journal postings at <http://www2.caringbridge.org/ga/kristyjustus/>. ■

## Meet the Spivey Hall Five



**Sam Dixon**

**Sam Dixon, general manager**  
Sam joins the Spivey Hall staff as General Manager and Assistant Director after eighteen years of managing artists, programming and festivals for major orchestras in the United States and Australia. A graduate of the American Symphony Orchestra League's Orchestra Management Fellowship Program, he held artistic administration positions with the Minnesota Orchestra, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, and the six orchestras of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation's Symphony Australia network. He has also served as Vice President for Artistic Operations of the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, California. As a consultant there and in New York City, he provided management and artistic planning services to a variety of music organizations, including Chicago's Music of the Baroque. A native of Rochester, New York, Sam spent six years of his youth in Milan, Italy. A magna cum laude graduate of Dartmouth College with highest distinction in music, he also holds an MBA from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.



**Jared Morrison**

**Jared Morrison, marketing manager**  
Selected nationally as one of three OPERA America Fellows in 2003, Jared started as Spivey Hall marketing manager immediately after completing that program. As a Fellow, Jared worked in the areas of marketing and artistic administration at Houston Grand Opera, New York City Opera, Pittsburgh Opera and Lyric Opera of Chicago. Previously, Jared was as marketing and public relations associate with Sarasota Opera, where he managed that organization's marketing, advertising, single ticket and subscription campaigns. He has served as development associate for the Illinois Institute of Technology and completed an internship in the same area with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, where he co-managed the CSO Associates young professionals volunteer board. Jared's professional association with Spivey Hall began seven years ago when he first performed on stage as a member of the Shorter College Chorale. After completing a degree in vocal performance from Shorter, he obtained an MA in arts administration from The Florida State University School of Music. Jared currently resides in Midtown and is a staff singer with the All Saints Episcopal Church Choir.



**Amber Joy Dimkoff**

**Amber Joy Dimkoff, education manager**  
As the Education Manager, Amber presents educational programs such as master classes, workshops, and daytime performances for Spivey Hall and supervises the Spivey Hall Children's Choir program. Amber attended college at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Music. After graduating, Amber joined Teach For America and spent the next two years teaching in under-resourced elementary and middle schools, where she emphasized incorporating the arts into the regular curriculum. She concurrently attended Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland, where she received her Master of Arts in Teaching degree. Amber most recently interned with the education department of the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC. While there, she worked in the office of Professional Development Opportunities for Teachers, learning many ways in which the arts can be integrated into students' lives. She also attended numerous exciting performances! Amber is a pianist, loves to travel, and lives with her elderly, but very dear cat, Pippi.



**Aishah Zuhri Pacheco**

**Aishah Zuhri Pacheco, events coordinator**  
Aishah began her career in musical theater at the famed NYC Performing Arts, thereafter attending Adelphi University and Queens College. Upon graduation, she embarked upon her professional career at Children's Television Workshop on the series 3-2-1 Contact! and The Following Program. Then followed the CTW flagship math series, Square One TV, on which Aishah was a cast member as well as a member of the production team. After a brief stint at WCBS-TV, Aishah joined the staff of the Louis Armstrong House & Archives, where she discovered her love of jazz music. She has produced concerts for Ray Barretto, Illinois Jacquet, Clark Terry, Jimmy Heath, Milt Jackson, Dave Valentin, Roy Ayers, Freddie Hubbard, Frank Foster's Loud Minority Big Band, and scores of others. She has served as production manager for York College Performing Arts Center, and as producer for the Black American Heritage Foundation Music History Archives. Upon her arrival in the Atlanta area, Aishah joined the production staff at the Ferst Center for the Arts at Georgia Tech. Aishah is currently production consultant for the Trenton Jazz Festival and a founding member of two prominent music festivals in New York.



**Barret Hoover**

**Barret Hoover,  
production coordinator**

Barret Hoover, jazz saxophonist and audio engineer, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Audio Recording from the Indiana University School of Music. While in Bloomington, Barret managed Indiana University's Department of Recording Services, taught laboratory courses for the Department of Audio Recording, and worked as a freelance recording engineer. In 2001, Barret founded 1130 Audio, a company specializing in classical music recording. Barret's unique specialization in classical music recording has afforded him opportunities to work with top rate artists, including David Baker, James Campbell, Dee Stewart, the Bloomington Camerata, and the Bloomington Early Music Festival. His recordings have been aired nationally on NPR's Performance Today and Harmonia, and can be heard on the Callas and Summit record labels. In Atlanta, Barret has served as the lead audio engineer at the Ferst Center for the Arts at Georgia Tech, lending his expertise to outstanding artists such as Ramsey Lewis, Mavis Staples, Denyce Graves, Ballet Nacional de Cuba, and the Moscow Symphony Orchestra. As Production Coordinator of Spivey Hall, he is honored to have the opportunity to work with some of the best artists in the world.

## Please Join Us for a Reception Introducing the New Spivey Hall Team

Sam Dixon, *general manager*  
Jared Morrison, *marketing manager*  
Amber Joy Dimkoff, *education manager*  
Aishah Pacheco, *events coordinator*  
Barett Hoover, *production coordinator*  
Sara Prisk, *box office coordinator*  
Sherryl Nelson, *executive & artistic director*

### **And the Kick-Off of the new CCSU Social Hour**

**Refreshments will be served**

Wednesday, February 23 , 2005  
11:00 a.m. - Noon  
Spivey Hall Lobby  
Clayton College & State University

## **New Employee Orientation Sessions to be Held Monthly**

The Office of Human Resources & Services (OHRS) is now holding New Employee Orientation sessions on the first working day of each month. These sessions are primarily designed for benefits-eligible employees, but others may attend. The location and time are Room UC324 from 9 a.m. till noon. The dates for the remainder of this year are: Mar. 1; Apr. 1; May 2; June 1; July 1; Aug. 1; Sept. 1; Oct. 3; Nov. 1; and Dec. 1.

This is a great opportunity for your new employees to become familiar with the university and its policies, and to receive required training. OHRS will also assist them with required new employee paperwork, and coordinate with other offices on campus so that parking permits and Laker Cards are issued at the same time.

OHRS strongly recommends that you hire new benefits-eligible employees on the first working day of the month. Sending your new employees to Orientation on their first day will be easy for you, and will give them a good introduction to the campus!

### **Staff Council Day – May 26**

*CARE Packages for the Workplace – Dozens of Little Things You Can Do to Regenerate Spirit at Work* is the message Barbara Glanz will be bringing to campus as part of our first Staff Council Day on Thursday, May 26. Glanz, whose motto is *Spreading Contagious Enthusiasm™*, is the author of several books including Care Packages for the Workplace and Care Packages for the Home. She appreciates the abilities we all have to affect our campus and she will give us some ways to maximize that potential.

## Fulbright Scholar from Russia Visits Clayton State



**Rajgopal Sashti**

Clayton State and its Office of International Education recently hosted Professor Igor Kuzmin, a Russian Fulbright scholar who visited the campus for meetings with President Dr. Thomas Harden, Provost Dr. Sharon Hoffman and Director of The Nine University and College International Studies Consortium of Georgia, Rajgopal Sashti regarding student and faculty exchange programs.

In addition, Kuzmin also held informal discussions with Associate Provost Dr. James Mackin, Dean of Arts and Sciences Dr. Ray Wallace and Director of the Honors Program Dr. Gene Hatfield. Asked about his impressions of Clayton State, Kuzmin indicated that he was deeply impressed by the commitment of senior administrators to promote international education, the desire on the part of the students to learn more about Russia and other countries, and the University's classroom and other infrastructural facilities.

Named after late Senator William Fulbright, the purpose of the prestigious Fulbright program is to promote mutual understanding between United States and other countries through educational and cultural exchange.

Kuzmin is currently a Fulbright Scholar in Residence at Augusta State University, and is an Associate Professor at St. Petersburg State Technical University in St. Petersburg, Russia. He received his degree in Political Science from the Central European University in Budapest, Hungary, and did post-graduate work at Leningrad University. In connection with his professional work, he has traveled in England, Singapore, Syria and a number of other countries.



## Yikes! Bikes on Campus

The Department of Public Safety, in cooperation with the Clean Air Campaign and the Atlanta Regional Commission, is looking for good used bikes (no gears) to be used around campus instead of driving personal vehicles around campus.

The donated bikes will be painted a uniform bright color and can be picked up and dropped off at several places around campus. This type of project has been used successfully at other campuses, and Clayton State would like to implement it soon. This not only will help the environment, but will also encourage exercise.

“This initiative is certainly a move in the right direction towards getting folks more physically active on a daily basis. It goes without saying that I whole-heartedly endorse any type of physical activity, whether walking or biking, to move around our beautiful campus,” says Cindy Lauer, director of SmartBodies Fitness & Wellness Center.

The Clayton College & State University Foundation accepts gifts in kind, therefore allowing you to receive a tax deduction for your donation.

To donate a bike, please contact Bruce Holmes or Joan Murphy, (770) 961-3540, for more information.



## Get Ready for Career Expo 2005

All currently enrolled Clayton State students and graduates are invited to attend The Career Expo... Thursday, Mar. 17 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Athletics & Fitness Center.

The event is designed for all Clayton State majors (Certificate, Associate and Bachelor's Degree Programs) and offers full/part-time or temporary employment and co-op/internship opportunities. Whether you are currently seeking employment or think you might in the future – attend and gather valuable career information and make employer contacts. Dress for success and bring plenty of resumes. A list of employers who attended in 2004 is found at <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ccs/careerexpo.htm> and will be updated as companies begin to register for 2005.

While you are currently enrolled at Clayton State, take advantage of the following seminars! They are designed to assist you in preparing for a successful job search and to utilize the opportunities provided at The Career Expo. A reservation for the seminars is required: [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### Dress to Impress

Presented by Barbara Blake,  
Dressbarn  
Thursday, February 10  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.

### Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes,  
Director, Career Services  
Tuesday, February 15  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Job Search Strategies

Presented by Angelyn Hayes,  
Director, Career Services  
Thursday, February 17  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.

### Job Search Strategies

Presented by Rex Trewin,  
MonsterTRAK.com  
Tuesday, February 22  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Resumes & Cover Letters

Presented by Angelyn Hayes,  
Director, Career Services  
Thursday, February 24  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.

### Resumes & Cover Letters

Presented by Elizabeth Sutton,  
Enterprise Rent-a-Car  
Tuesday, March 1  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes,  
Director, Career Services  
Thursday, March 3  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.

### Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes,  
Director, Career Services  
Tuesday, March 15  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Interviewing

Presented by Angelyn Hayes,  
Director, Career Services  
Tuesday, March 22  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Interviewing

Thursday, March 24  
Presented by Margie  
Woodhurst, Nationwide  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.

### Life's Transitions...

It's a girl! Rhonda Brown, Financial Aid representative, and her husband Frank are the proud parents of Kameron Sinclair. Kameron was born on Jan. 31 and weighed 6 lbs. and 15 oz.



Retiree Cecil Howell, who worked in maintenance at Clayton State, died Monday, Jan. 31. He was the father of Jeannie Holton, who also worked at Clayton State. The funeral services were held on Thursday, Feb. 3.

### HFM cont'd from p. 1

"There are many sources that society can turn to for information about how to stay fit and healthy; but, unfortunately, many of those sources are not accurate," says student George Brown, who is currently studying Health & Fitness as a concentration within Clayton State's Health Care Management program. "The HFM program will arm students with the truth about how the body functions...I think it's important that there are professionals armed with the correct knowledge to ensure that the public gets the proper instructions."

HFM graduates are not only equipped to instruct the community in health and fitness, but are also well prepared for graduate studies and certification through the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and the National Strength & Conditioning Association (NSCA).

Poudevigne, HFM program coordinator, holds a Ph.D. in Exercise Psychology from the University of Georgia (2004), a Master's in Exercise Physiology from the University of Marseille in France (2000), a B.S. in Coaching & Motor Performance from the University of Paris (1999), and an A.S. in Physical Education, also from the University of Paris (1997).

Poudevigne offers special thanks to Clayton State's Janet Hamilton, MA, RCEP, CSCS and Cindy Lauer, MSED, LAT, ATC who have worked since 2004 to bring the Bachelor of Science in Health & Fitness Management to Clayton State.

Students interested in entering HFM for fall semester 2005 should contact Poudevigne at (770) 960-2095 or e-mail [melaniepoudevigne@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:melaniepoudevigne@mail.clayton.edu). ■

## Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

### Clayton State Employment Opportunity in Career Services

F/T (Temporary) Staff Assistant  
For details go to [www.monsterTRAK.com](http://www.monsterTRAK.com) - job number 102543921

### National Non-Profit and Government E-fair

January 10<sup>th</sup> – March 10<sup>th</sup> 2005  
Sponsored by MonsterTRAK  
Log into your [www.monstertrak.com](http://www.monstertrak.com) account – E-fair logo/link appears on the student menu on the right side  
Periodically check throughout the two-months of the E-fair for updates to the participating employers

### Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director, Career Services  
Tuesday, February 15  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### Job Search Strategies

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director, Career Services  
Thursday, February 17  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### U.S. Marines

Thursday, February 17  
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.  
University Center Commons  
Recruiting for: Officer Programs and P/T Reserves

### Job Search Strategies

Presented by Rex Trewin, MonsterTRAK.com

Tuesday, February 22  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### The Sales Career Forum

Tuesday, February 22  
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
No pre-registration required  
Embassy Suites Hotel Atlanta-Perimeter Center  
For directions: (770) 394-5454  
For more information: [www.IRCdirect.com](http://www.IRCdirect.com) or [careers@ircdirect.com](mailto:careers@ircdirect.com)

### Resumes & Cover Letters

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director, Career Services  
Thursday, February 24  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### UPS

Monday, February 28  
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
University Center Commons  
Recruiting for P/T Loaders/Unloaders  
\$8.50 – \$9.50 per hour

### Resumes & Cover Letters

Presented by Elizabeth Sutton, Enterprise Rent-a-Car  
Tuesday, March 1  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director, Career Services  
Thursday, March 3  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### Making the Most of The Career Expo

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Tuesday, March 15  
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Student Center 223  
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### The Career Expo

Thursday, March 17  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Athletics & Fitness Center  
<http://admisservices.clayton.edu/ccs/careerexpo.htm>

### Interviewing

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director, Career Services  
Tuesday, March 22  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### Interviewing

Presented by Margie Woodhurst, Nationwide  
Thursday, March 24  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

### Walgreens

Thursday, March 31  
Interviewing on CCSU Campus  
Schedule an appointment and submit a resume w/ [joanmcelroy@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:joanmcelroy@mail.clayton.edu)  
Recruiting for:

- 1) Retail Management Intern – must be a jr. level student for a summer 2005 internship (May-August), 10 week program, \$12-\$14 per hour
- 2) Retail Management Trainee – must be graduating spring 2005

or alumni, salary is low 30's w/ opportunity for paid overtime, plus benefits

[www.walgreens.com/careers](http://www.walgreens.com/careers)

### Business Etiquette Dinner/ Effective Networking

Presented by Peggy Newfield, Personal Best, Inc.  
Tuesday, April 5  
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education  
Advance Ticket Purchase Required (STC-223)  
[www.personalbest.net](http://www.personalbest.net)

### Women For Hire Career Expo

Thursday, April 14  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Cobb Galleria Centre  
[www.womenforhire.com](http://www.womenforhire.com)

### College to Career Fair (Statewide Job Fair)

Tuesday, April 19  
11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Cobb Galleria Centre  
Pre-registration Required (online registration procedure will be announced at a later date)

### Primerica

Tuesday, April 19  
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
University Center Commons  
Recruiting for: P/T & F/T Representatives, commission based  
[www.primerica.com](http://www.primerica.com)

### How Money Works

Presented by Mitch Johnson, Primerica  
Tuesday, April 26  
Noon – 1:00 p.m.  
Student Center 223  
Reserve your seat w/ [roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:roxannedilbeck@mail.clayton.edu)

## January Carpoolers Win Prizes

Check out <http://admins-services.clayton.edu/ps/winners.htm> and see which carpoolers (both students and employees) won and what they won.

If you carpool to and from Clayton State at least one time a week and haven't already registered, call or e-mail Joan Murphy in Public Safety. You too might be a winner once you are registered. For more information, go to <http://admins-services.clayton.edu/ps/ehsnewprogram.htm>

These are some of the prizes this month:

- \$10 Gas Cards, Amoco/BP
  - Two free dinners at Cracker Barrel
  - SmartBodies Massage Therapy by Integrated Wellness—gift certificate for 1/2 hour therapeutic massage by Michael Clark, Certified Massage Therapist—located in the A&F Center (678-984-2943).
  - Automatic Umbrella (Golf size) from Southern Regional Health System
  - Chick-fil-A Two free dinners from Forest Park Dwarf House, Jonesboro Rd., Forest Park.
  - One dozen cookies from CookieGrams of Georgia, Forest Park
  - Dozen donuts and Free drink from Dunkin Donuts/Baskin Robbins, 5663 Jonesboro Road (next to Walgreens). Wireless network connections for laptops.
  - Lake City Subway (Free Reg. 6" Sandwich)
  - Mag-Lite mini flashlight from Georgia Power, A Southern Company
  - \$5 Kroger Gift Card from McDuffie Realty, 1085 Main Street, Forest Park, GA
  - Free meal, CCSU Dining Services (Value up to \$5)
  - Travel Mug from the Clean Air Campaign
  - Desk Paper Weight from Georgia Power, A Southern Company
  - Leather bound notebook from Pinnacle Advertising Specialties, Inc.
  - Post-It Leather Holder from RBC Centura
  - Fall Earth Day t-shirt from University RideShare
  - American Office Paper Recycling t-shirt
- Winners must come to Public Safety, Student Center, D-209, and bring a photo ID to claim their prize. Public Safety is open 24 hours a day.

## Trivia Time

### One Upset

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Despite what you may have read and heard among the sycophant sports media locally, the Eagles' 27-10 demolition of the Falcons in the NFC Championship Game was no upset. After all, the Birds had throttled the Vick-led Falcons 20-6 in the 2002 playoffs.

What was an upset was that loyal reader, trivia expert and former Bent Tree Sports Editor Kevin Dixon got nosed out on the first correct answer. That's right, Dina Swearngin, another alumni trivia expert, had Dixon beat on this one. However, he gets one bonus Trivia Point for adding some humor, "Eagles have to come to Atlanta next year. We'll be ready!" Won't matter...

Now, to completely change the subject... who was the first U.S. President to survive an assassination attempt while in office? Send your answers to [johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu). Just to show we don't discriminate, we'll even allow members of the History faculty to answer.

## Upcoming Events at the University Bookstore

\* **February 14-15; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.** - Jostens's will be in front of the University Bookstore to assist anyone with questions and ordering: Caps, Gowns, Tassels, Announcements, Class Rings. Come by and speak with Donna.

\* **February 17; noon** - Tayari Jones will be in the UC 272 for readings in her book Leaving Atlanta. This book is used in several English classes this semester, bring your book by and have her sign it. We also have copies available in the University Bookstore, and we will be there for the readings. Come by and pick up your copy early. Don't miss this.



\* **March 28-29; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.** - Jostens's (Last days Donna will be here to assist you with your order for Graduation)

Orders can be placed on line from [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) select College & Post High School, select State: Georgia, select City: Morrow, select: Clayton College & State University, then Continue, Register to Order and the place your order.

Call 1-800-854-7464 for Jostens's Home Ship Program.

Dental and Nursing Pin: Come by the University Bookstore and see Helga. Place your order now. Last day to place orders is Mar. 29.

## Sports Page

# Craig Butts Named Peach Belt Player of the Week

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

Clayton College & State University's Craig Butts had back-to-back career highs last week and led the Lakers to three Peach Belt Conference victories. His efforts didn't go unnoticed by the league office on Monday, as the senior forward was named the Peach Belt Player of the Week.

Butts led the Lakers to wins over eighth-ranked the University of South Carolina Upstate, Columbus State University and the University of South Carolina Aiken, averaging 24 points and 10 rebounds in the three wins. He shot 54 percent from the floor in the victories.

A 6-7, 220 lb., Savannah native, Butts scored 26 points and pulled a career high 14 rebounds against Upstate on Saturday, as the Lakers toppled the Spartans 61-59 to tie for first in the PBC. He connected on 8-of-14 shots from the floor, including 2-of-3 from behind the three-point arc. He also converted 8-of-11 attempts from the free throw line.

Butts' 26 points against Upstate came on the heels of 26-point effort against Columbus. He drained 12-of-19 shots and pulled nine



boards in the team's 82-72 win over the Cougars on Wednesday. He opened the week with a 19-point, eight-rebound effort in the team's 61-58 win over Aiken on Monday.

The Player of the Week honor is the first for a Laker men's player since Clayton State's Peach Belt Conference Championship season in 2001-02 when Karen Harris received the honor in late February.

Butts' honor also comes at a time when he is closing in on several career milestones. His 14 rebounds on Saturday gave him 543 career rebounds, only 10 rebounds shy of the all-time Clayton State record of 553 rebounds held by Keith Herring (1991-94). He was also only six points shy of 1,000 points for his career.

Butts currently leads the Lakers in scoring, rebounding and field goal percentage. He averages 17 points and nine rebounds per game, while shooting 52 percent from the floor. He ranks second in the PBC in rebounding, fourth in scoring and third in field goal percentage. ■

## Clayton State Sweeps USC Aiken

The Clayton State women's basketball team knocked off the Peach Belt Conference North Division leading University of South Carolina Aiken 86-76, while the Clayton State men's team fought off a late University of South Carolina Aiken comeback attempt Monday to post a 61-58 win last week at the Athletics & Fitness Center.

Leading by seven points with 3:37 remaining, the women took control of the contest striking for seven quick points in a 7-1 run in a two-minute stretch. A three-pointer by senior Shanakie Ward, followed by a steal and layup from senior Jamika Hindsman gave the squad a 77-65 lead with 2:49 remaining.

After a free throw from USCA's Kasey Mills, senior April Taylor capped the run with an inside basket, giving the Lakers a 13-point, 79-66 lead with 1:37 remaining. Clayton State held onto a double-digit lead until Aiken cut the deficit to eight points on a free throw by Benazura Serbecic in the closing seconds.

USC Aiken led late in the first half, 30-29 with less than two minutes remaining only

to have the Lakers close the half with a 10-2 spurt to take a 39-32 lead at intermission. A basket by Taylor, followed by two straight three-pointers by junior Carlie Anderson in a 25-second span ignited the run. Taylor closed the half with a put back at the buzzer on another three-point attempt by Anderson.

Hindsman led the attack for Clayton State with 23 points, hitting 6-of-8 from the field and 11-of-12 from the free throw line. Taylor poured in 18 points and to go along with five boards. Junior Jasmine Patterson had 11 points and nine boards.

Clayton State shot 50 percent (28-of-56) from the floor, its second best percentage from the field this season. The Lakers also capitalized from the free throw line, draining 22-of-26 for 85 percent. USC Aiken shot 44 percent (24-of-55) from the floor and 68 percent from the line, hitting 23-of-34.

USC Aiken controlled the boards outrebounding the Lakers 37-29, including 17-9 on the offensive boards. The Lakers, however, forced the Pacers into 26 turnovers compared to 20 for Clayton State.

In the men's game, the Lakers were leading by eight points, 58-50, with 3:47 remaining, and hit just enough free throws down the stretch to hold onto the victory. A basket by USCA's Marcus Robinson, followed by a jumper from Josh Geyer cut the Laker lead to four points, 58-54, with 1:54 remaining.

Clayton State senior Justin Levy drained a free throw with 1:01 remaining followed by two from junior Donte Dawson to give the Lakers a seven-point lead, 61-54, with 41 seconds left. USCA answered with a free throw by senior Curt Triplin and then got a three-pointer from Triplin at the top of the key with nine seconds remaining to trim the deficit to three points, 61-58.

After the Lakers missed four straight free throws, USCA had one final possession but a three-point attempt by USCA's Richard Blocker from just across half court banged off the backboard.

Craig Butts led the Laker attack with 19 points and eight rebounds, followed by B. J. Puckett and Darien Chavis with eight points apiece. ■

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overall and 8-3 in the Peach Belt. Kennesaw State dropped to 12-10 overall and 4-7 in the league.

In the second half of the men's win over Upstate (the former USC Spartanburg), the Lakers pulled out to 16 point lead, 42-26, at the 12:24 mark of the second half on a lay-in by junior T.J. Waldon. Clayton State led by double-digits the rest of the way until Upstate made a late run. For the game, Clayton State held Upstate to 38 percent (20-of-53) shooting from the floor.

The Spartans cut the deficit to five points, 53-48, with 1:37 remaining on a three-pointer by Luke Payne, but Clayton State came right back with junior Maxi Rios hitting two free throws. Upstate answered again with a three-pointer by C.J. Paul only to have the Lakers strike immediately with a long inbounds pass to Rios that resulted in a layup on the other end, giving the squad a six-point 57-51 lead with 1:33 remaining.

Clayton State hit its free throws down the stretch to seal the victory with senior Craig Butts draining 4-of-4 in the final 20 seconds. Butts, who had a career high 26 points in the team's previous win over Columbus State, matched that effort with 26 points against Upstate, hitting 8-of-14 shots from the floor to go along with 14 rebounds. Although the Lakers subsequently lost to Kennesaw 62-52, they remain in second place in the Peach Belt with an 8-3 record (15-10 overall).

Against Kennesaw, Jamika Hindsman led the Lakers with 24 points, hitting 12-of-15 shots from the floor. She also had eight rebounds, four assists and three steals in the game. Shely Harp finished with 21 points, hitting 7-of-9 from the floor, to go along with eight rebounds and six steals. Senior Shanakie Ward and Brandi Catia also chipped in 10 points for the Lakers. ■

## Clayton State Forms Table Tennis Club Team

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Students, faculty and staff at Clayton College & State University have a new team to cheer (or play) for... a non-varsity, club sport... Table Tennis.

The Table Tennis Club had a successful opening to its first season of competition last Saturday and Sunday, decisively defeating club teams from the University of the South (Sewanee) and Georgia College & State University.

The matches, held at Emory University, marked the first off-campus competition for the new club, which was formed this past fall by Clayton State Information Technology students Dennis Groseclose and Peter Zolja, and is coached by assistant professor of Information Technology Robert Marcus. Clayton State took three of four singles, and the doubles match, from Sewanee, and swept fellow University System of Georgia member Georgia College, 5-0

Although the Lakers lost to the big guns of the match — Clemson University, Auburn University and host Emory University — they still had some good efforts. Clemson escaped with a 3-2 win, as Zolja won at third singles and the Clayton State doubles team also defeated their Tiger counterparts. Clayton State's number one singles player, Pablo Indacochea, provided the rest of the

Clayton State highlights, splitting matches with undefeated Auburn's Li Zhou and Emory's Jake Zenn, coming from behind to defeat the host school's top player after losing the first game, 11-0.

Zolja, who just picked up a paddle last spring and only this last fall started playing regularly, debuted by winning three of his five matches. As a doubles player, Clayton State's Soklamar Hy finished 3-2, including the win against Clemson.

The club is also holding a planning and organizational meeting on Friday, Feb. 11 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the lower level of the Student Center. Future events, club goals, and general direction of the club will be discussed, and new members welcomed. Open play and practice will follow. The club expects to be officially recognized by the Office of Student Life this week.

According to club co-founder Groseclose, "We became a club because Peter Zolja and I were playing almost every day last fall during our lunch breaks and eventually other people started showing up, wanting to get some organized play started. I decided to ask Student Life if we could start a club." Groseclose also credits Ron Robertson, Clayton State Student Life intramural coordinator,



dinator, with a pivotal role in getting the Table Tennis Club started.

"We will field a team to send to NCTTA events, but our main goal is to promote the sport on campus and create a community of people who love the game," says Groseclose, in inviting other Clayton State students to join. "Right now two tables are available in the Student Center anytime students want to get a game going. Paddles and balls are available from the Intramural Office, room 206 in the University Center.

"It's good exercise, costs almost nothing to play, and you never get rained out. I've played a lot of sports, but ping-pong is turning out to be the most fun. I think students are going to really like this club."

For more information, contact Groseclose at [dennisingroseclose@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:dennisingroseclose@mail.clayton.edu). ■

## Sports Page

# Kreutzer to Run in USA Cross Country Championships

by **Gid Rowell, Sports Information**

Coming off her second place finish at the NCAA Division II Cross Country Championships in November, Allison Kreutzer will be representing Clayton State on Saturday at the USA Cross Country Championships in Vancouver, Wa. The freshman from Lilburn, Ga. will be competing in the 6K junior women's division.

"This is a rare opportunity for Allison to compete in this U.S. championship race," says head coach Mike Mead. "Following her run at nationals, I told her about the junior meet. Since she is 18 and the age limit is 19, I felt this would be a nice experience for her, provided she was up to the challenge."

The event, sponsored by USA Track & Field, will be run at Fort Vancouver National Historic Site located outside Portland, Ore. Should Kreutzer finish among the top six, she'll earn a spot on

the U.S. junior team that will compete at the 2005 IAAF World Cross Country Championships in Saint Galmier, France next month.

Last fall, Kreutzer won five meets and finished no worse than second during the Cross Country season. She was the Georgia Collegiate champion and won the Peach Belt Conference individual title to earn "Runner of the Year" and "Freshman of the Year" honors. She finished runner-up in the NCAA South Region and Division II National Championship meet and became Clayton State's first cross country runner to earn All-American honors. ■

## Basketball Posts Big Wins Over Upstate and Kennesaw

Defense led the Clayton State Lakers men's basketball team to one of the biggest wins in school history last week, over eighth-ranked the University of South Carolina Upstate 61-59 at G.B. Hodge Center in Spartanburg, SC. Clayton State had never defeated a NCAA Division II team ranked in the top 10.

Not to be outdone, the Clayton State women's basketball team then did something only accomplished twice before in school history... they beat the Kennesaw State Owl women's basketball team and did it in convincing fashion. Clayton State pounded Kennesaw 91-63 at the KSU's Spec Landrum Center in Kennesaw. The victory was only the third time in 23 tries that the Laker women have defeated the Owls in women's basketball. With the win, Clayton State maintained its hold on second place in the Peach Belt Conference, improving to 16-6

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