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## Clayton State's First Student Success Forum Packs the House

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

On Tuesday, Mar. 21, Clayton State faculty, staff and administrators gathered in the Baker Center Auditorium for the first in a series of three Student Success Forums to show their support for enhancing the Clayton State student experience and to learn how to help its students be successful in college. Dr. Thomas K. Harden opened the standing-room only session with a warm welcome and praise for the numbers in attendance.

"You are all like me," he said. You are here because our students are a priority. They are why we're all here."

The purpose of the series, according to Harden, is to open a campus-wide dialogue to enhance the capability for every student to graduate. A new strategic plan includes two new strategic planning themes. At the

top of the list is Student Success. It reads: "The success of students is the highest priority of the University. The university will provide students with necessary information, create student centered policies, reduce barriers to student progression, and strengthen the connections between students and the university. We are committed to recruiting highly qualified students, retaining and graduating them in a timely manner, and ensuring they are well-prepared to obtain personal and professional goals and to be productive citizens."

Dr. Mark May, dean of Retention and Student Success, offered the participants some statistics on retention and reminded everyone that there is no "one-size-fits-all" when it comes to utilizing the formulas and equations for measuring success. He did however, encourage the crowd that "the

## Celebrate Spivey Hall's 15th Anniversary, Sunday

In celebration of Spivey Hall's 15th Anniversary, Clayton State University faculty, staff and students can attend this Sunday's recital for free.

Pianist Stewart Goodyear will be performing this Sunday, Mar. 26 at 3 p.m. in the Hall. His performance is free, based on availability, for Clayton State faculty, staff and students with a limit of two tickets per Clayton State ID.

Known for imagination, a graceful, elegant style, and artistic maturity well beyond his 26 years, Toronto native Goodyear is an accomplished young pianist whose career is strongly on the rise. Goodyear will be playing: Scriabin Piano Sonata No. 10, Op. 70; Barber Piano Sonata, Op. 26; and Brahms Piano Sonata No. 3 in F minor, Op. 5.

Call (678) 466-4200 to reserve your seats.

more we learn about our students, the more we'll be able to retain them."

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## Chancellor Erroll Davis Visits Clayton State Campus

by John Shiffert, University Relations

University System of Georgia Chancellor Erroll B. Davis made his first visit to the Clayton State University campus Thursday, and promised that it wouldn't be his last.

"I intend to come back," he said, in part describing his active managerial style. Davis was visiting the campus as part of a four-month long tour of the University System's 35 institutions. "I'm here today practicing the skill of active listening. I want to listen and learn what we do well, what we should do more of, and what we should do less of," he said.

Davis' visit to Clayton State brought him together with all of the University's constituencies, from President Dr. Thomas K. Harden, to the Faculty Council, to the Staff Council, to student leaders in a series of meetings held throughout the morning. After an 11:45 a.m. press conference, the Chancellor met with local community leaders over lunch.



Chancellor Davis speaks to student leaders while visiting the University Mar. 23.

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## Business Brief: News from The School of Business



Dennis R. Beresford, Ernst & Young executive professor of Accounting at the J.M. Tull School of Accounting at the University of Georgia, addressed the Clayton State University School of Business' Spring 2006 Business Conference on March 15 in Clayton State's Spivey Hall. Beresford spoke on "How I Lived Through the Biggest Accounting Fraud and Bankruptcy in History" to a nearly packed house of faculty, staff and administrators. He was appointed to the Board of Directors of WorldCom in 2002 shortly after the company's accounting malpractice began to unravel and worked with three other newly appointed board members (after all the others were fired) to turn the company around to become "a good model of good corporate governance." Beresford joined the board because he was intrigued by the greatest accounting fraud scandal in history. All in all, there was \$90 billion reported in the WorldCom accounting fraud case.

## University Health Fair March 29

The 2006 Clayton State University Health Fair is set for Wednesday, Mar. 29 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Food Court of the University's James M. Baker Center.

The health fair will provide health education information and screening to students, staff, faculty and the community. The health fair is also part of the University's Women's Awareness celebration in conjunction with Women's History Month.

Attendants of the health fair will receive free health education information from the following vendors:

Aids of Atlanta  
American Cancer Society  
Arthritis Foundation  
Center for Disease Control  
Clayton Eye Clinic  
Clayton State's Dental Clinic  
Clayton State's SmartBodies fitness program  
Clayton State's Department of Public Safety  
Diabetes Association of Atlanta  
Life Link Organ Donation  
Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies  
Planned Parenthood  
Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia  
National Mental Health Association of Georgia  
1-877- RideFind  
The Clayton County Board  
of Health & Nutrition Services  
Right from the start - Peach Care for Kids  
Sisters Love, Inc.  
Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Clinic  
Clayton State University Rideshare

The Clayton State University Nurse Managed Clinic will also provide cholesterol screenings for a \$5 fee. Other health screenings will be provided courtesy of; the American Diabetes Association (blood sugar check), the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation (sickle cell test), the National AIDS Education Services (AIDS testing), and the Clayton Eye Clinic (vision and glaucoma screening). In addition, mini massages will be provided by Integrated Wellness' Michael Clark.

Special emphasis will be placed on women's health issues by:

Mary Kay Cosmetics  
Warm Spirit - pampered hands, face care and information on herbal medications  
Sister's Love, Inc.  
Planned Parenthood  
Battered Women of Clayton County  
Aids of Atlanta Women's Outreach  
Georgia Dept. of Community, Office of Women's Health  
Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Center

For additional information concerning the University Health Fair, contact Terrilyn Lemons, director, Clayton State Nurse Managed Clinic, at (678) 466-4940.

The Health Fair is sponsored by the Nurse Managed Clinic, the Clayton State School of Health Sciences, the Clayton State Women's Awareness Committee, and the Clayton State Diversity Program and Diversity Services. ■



These vendors and more on Mar. 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the James M. Baker University Center.

# Travis Copeland Designs T-shirt and Logo For Georgia's National History Day Program

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Travis Copeland is a man of many facets.

A senior history major at Clayton State University, Copeland is also an archives technician at the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) Southeast Regional Archives, and an intern with the Georgia Humanities Council. As part of this latter assignment, Copeland has designed the official logo and T-shirt for the upcoming National History Day in Georgia 2006.

The Humanities Council's assistant coordinator for National History Day in Georgia, Copeland's duties also include coordinating all the judges, and securing all rental contracts for the facility, booths, tables, as well as designing this year's logo, T-shirt, and buttons. National History Day in Georgia is a history education program for students in grades six to 12. In conjunction with a national theme (for 2006 it's "Taking a Stand in History"), students research topics and present their findings in papers, performances, exhibits, or documentaries. Students can work individually, or in all categories except historical papers, they can collaborate in teams.

The Georgia Humanities Council sponsors National History Day in Georgia, which will be held on May 6, 2006 in Macon, Ga. Eight regional contests will previously be held throughout the state with the students who place first, second or third qualifying for the state contest. After the state contest, students who place first or second move to the national contest at the University of Maryland from June 11 to June 15.

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Above:  
Copeland's  
National History  
Day in Georgia  
logo

Right: Copeland  
outside the  
NARA Southeast  
Regional  
Archives.

## Hapeville Ford Plant Partnership Offers Employees New Career Opportunities

Clayton State University has long had an educational partnership with the Ford Assembly Plant in Hapeville, Ga., offering onsite courses to employees interested in

furthering their professional and personal development.

The Center for Continuing Education at Clayton State University was invited to the plant earlier this month to discuss educational options for the more than 1900 employees who face lay-offs in October due to the plant's closure. Dr. Dale Bower, Clayton State assistant vice president for Extended Programs and Dr. Benita Moore, associate dean of Clayton State School of Technology, met with employees seeking the opportunity to finish their college education.

Clayton State University is currently partnering with Ford on an onsite training program in HVAC and a Master Electrician Licensing prep course. Clayton State Continuing Education Director Assuanta Collins will also be working with employees this spring to identify courses that will help current employees transition into new careers.

"We've had a long standing relationship with Ford," says Collins. "We want to offer Ford employees the opportunity to move forward by helping them prepare for the next chapter of their careers." ■



Learn more about Continuing Education at <http://conted.clayton.edu>

## Development/Alumni

### Alumni Association Ready To Place Commemorative Bricks

by Gid Rowell, Alumni Relations

In just a matter of weeks, a number of Clayton State alumni and friends will have their names etched in stone... or more like brick, in the heart of the Clayton State campus.

The Clayton State Alumni Association and the Alumni Relations Department are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the first set of the official Clayton State Commemorative Bricks. The first shipment is expected to arrive shortly, and University officials hope to have the bricks installed some time in March.

"We are so excited and can't wait to see the bricks displayed," says Clayton State Alumni Association President Dina Swearngin. "Purchasing a brick is an excellent way to honor a friend, parent, child, favorite professor or anyone deserving that permanent mark of distinction on the Clayton State campus."

The bricks will encircle the replica of the Bent Tree that is located at the south entrance of the James M. Baker University Center, near the Administration Building,

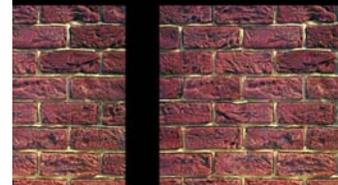
which is now appropriately called "Legacy Court." Almost 80 commemorative bricks, which will match the color of those used in the Baker Center will be placed in the initial installation.

Swearngin says the brick campaign was introduced by the Alumni Association to show support for the rapidly growing University and to make a lasting contribution to the beautiful Morrow campus.

The Alumni Association will accept orders for a commemorative brick on an on-going basis. They are available for personalization with name, degree and year for only \$50 or, for \$57, they may be placed in honor of someone that supported an individual while at the university. Proceeds will benefit the Clayton State University Alumni Association.

For more information, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at (678) 466-4477. Additional information and order forms are also available via the Clayton State Alumni Relations website. ■

*alumni*  
*Bricks*



**Alumni Association**

**Legacy  
Court  
Brick  
Campaign**

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FOR TODAY  
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A PATHWAY  
FOR TOMORROW

Clayton State University invites its special friends to make their mark on Legacy Court. Purchasing a brick is an excellent way to honor a friend or loved one—parent, child, favorite teacher or anyone you would like to recognize with a permanent mark of distinction.

A gift of \$50 or more will make certain you have a place in Legacy Court that remains through future generations as a lasting reminder of your generous contribution.

### Alumni Association to hold 14th Annual Meeting, Dinner at Atlanta Motor Speedway



Clayton State University alumni and friends, "start your engines;" it's time for the 14th Annual Alumni Meeting and Dinner.

The Clayton State Alumni Association will host the dinner on Thursday, Apr. 20 at Atlanta Motor Speedway in Hampton, Ga.

The dinner at the Speedway's Tara Ballroom begins at 7 p.m. All alumni, faculty/staff, students and friends of the University are invited.

Georgia Commissioner of Labor Michael L. Thurmond will be the featured and guest speaker. Thurmond oversees a staff of more than 4,000 employees in the divisions of Employment Services, Unemployment Insurance, Workforce Development and Rehabilitation Services. He has held the office since 1999.

In conjunction with the dinner, the Alumni Association will also recognize its 2006 Distinguished Alumni and will hold a silent auction. Individual tickets for the dinner are \$30 per person until Apr. 10, after which the cost goes to \$40. A table for 10 can be sponsored for \$350.

For more information, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at (678) 466-4477 or email [gidrowell@clayton.edu](mailto:gidrowell@clayton.edu). The Association welcomes any in-kind gifts for the silent auction and will accept donated items until Monday, Apr. 13.

Clayton State University's 12,000+ alumni are located in more than 100 counties in the State of Georgia, with the heaviest concentration in Clayton, Henry, Fayette, Rockdale, Fulton, Coweta, DeKalb, Spalding, Newton, Gwinnett and Cobb counties. ■

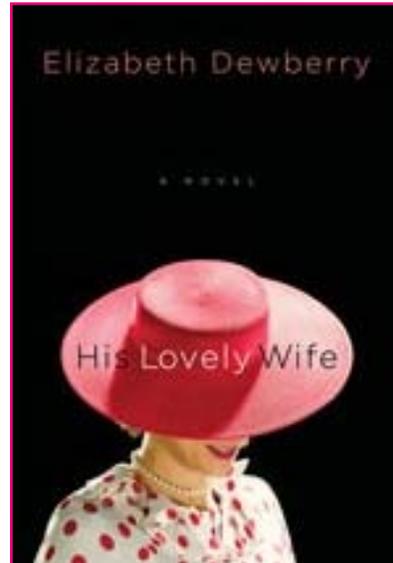
## Arts Page

# Novelist Elizabeth Dewberry to Read “His Lovely Wife” for Visiting Writers Reading Series

by John Shiffert, University Relations

*A*uthor Elizabeth Dewberry will be making a personal appearance at Clayton State University on Monday, Mar. 27 at 7:30 p.m. for a reading for her latest novel, “His Lovely Wife.”

Dewberry will be visiting Clayton State as part of the School of Arts & Sciences’ Department of Language and Literature’s Visiting Writers Reading Series. The reading/book signing, which is free and open to the public, will be in room 265 of the University’s James M. Baker Center.



whose credits include “Flesh and Blood,” “Four Joans and a Fire-Eater” and “Many Things Have Happened Since He Died...” and “Here Are the Highlights.” Currently writer-in-residence at Florida State University, she lives near Tallahassee, Fl., with her husband, author Robert Olen Butler.

Dewberry started writing in the late 1980s while studying for her oral exams for her Ph.D. in American Literature. “His Lovely Wife” is about a woman attending a physics conference in Paris who is first mistaken for Princess Diana and then, after Diana dies in an auto accident, finds herself possessed by

Diana’s just-departed spirit. However, Dewberry makes no claims to be able to “channel” Princess Di in her reading. ■

### *What to know:*

Copies of “His Lovely Wife” will be available for purchase in the University Bookstore. A booksigning will follow Dewberry’s Mar. 27 reading in UC 265.

Just released on Mar. 1, 2006, His Lovely Wife is Dewberry’s fourth novel, following “Many Things Have Happened Since He Died,” “Break the Heart of Me” and “Sacrament of Lies.” The Clayton State University Bookstore has copies of both “His Lovely Wife” and “Sacrament of Lies” on sale.

“Stop by and get your copy early. Then come to the reading and get it signed,” says the Bookstore’s Linda Campbell.

Born and raised in Birmingham, Al., Dewberry holds a Ph.D. from Emory University and is also a well-established playwright,

### *More to come...*

The Visiting Writers Reading Series will conclude next month with a reading by REGINALD SHEPHERD Apr. 11. For more information, visit <http://a-s.clayton.edu/langlit/writersauthors.htm>.

## Poetrypalooza is coming...

# *The Cygnet is coming...*

Faculty-Staff Poetry Reading is coming...

Wednesday, Apr. 12, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.  
in A&S 132. More info to come in the next  
issue of *Campus Review*.

## Across the Campus...

### Athletics

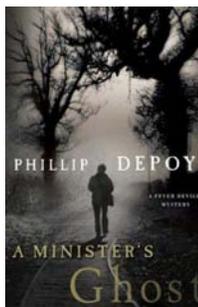
Clayton State University's Eric Simmons, making his first appearance at the NCAA Division II Indoor Track & Field Championships, finished a disappointing 10th in the prelims of the 400m dash at the Reggie Lewis Center. Simmons ran 48.91 and just missed making it to the finals by one place. Simmons had been bothered by minor injuries the past few weeks after running 48.70 on Feb. 4, winning the 400m event at the Carolina Invitational at UNC-Chapel Hill. Meanwhile, Laker head coach Mike Mead was named women's South Region Coach of the Year. Last season, Mead was the men's selection. Both Clayton State teams will turn their attention to their outdoor schedule which begins Mar. 25 at the Emory Invitational.

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For the second straight year, the Clayton State men's basketball team had a player named to the NCAA Division II All-South Atlantic Region squad. This year, Clayton State leading scorer Todd McLaurin was named to the squad after leading Lakers in scoring this season and ranking second in the Peach Belt Conference at 17 points per game. Craig Butts was named to the All-Region squad last season. McLaurin, a 5-11 junior guard from Clinton, N.C., was named to the first team All-Region squad. Clayton State finished the 2005-06 season with a 21-7 record, its second 20-win season in the last three years.

### Clayton State Theater

Clayton State Theater Director Phillip DePoy was the featured act on Mar. 19 at the Java Monkey in Decatur, Ga., reading from his newest mystery novel, "A Minister's Ghost."



### Health Sciences

At the 42nd Annual Meeting of the MBAA International Association held from Mar. 15 to Mar. 17 in Chicago, Amelia Broussard and Peter Fitzpatrick of the Health Care Management Department presented a paper also co-written by Russ

Porter of the HCMG Department titled "Hospice Utilization: A selective Analysis of Hospice Administrators' Attitudes." At the same conference, Debra Cody and Deborah Gritzmacher, also of the HCMG Department, presented a paper titled "Recruitment of Minority Students in Health Care Professions."

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Clayton State will host a three-day personal trainer workshop Apr. 7 through Apr. 9 and a one-day personal trainer workshop on Apr. 9 in room 203 of the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education. Coordinated by Dr. Melanie Poudevigne, the three-day workshop will prepare attendees to receive the newest personal trainer certification from the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) ([www.acsm.org](http://www.acsm.org)). The one-day workshop is designed for currently and previously certified personal trainers and will provide the knowledge necessary to successfully attain the new ACSM Certified Personal Trainer credential. To register for the three-day or one-day workshop, contact ACSM by calling (317) 637-9200 or visit [www.FRAUSA.com](http://www.FRAUSA.com) or [www.ACSM.com](http://www.ACSM.com). Workshop costs range from \$359 to attend all three sessions to \$129 for the one-day ticket. One-day tickets are available only for those who are already certified or educated in exercise science.

### International Education

Clayton State is sponsoring Study Abroad Maymester 2006 in London and Paris. The program will include a study of the Western European Health Care systems and its legacy, and will run from May 14 to May 26. Clayton State student attendees will earn three hours credit in International Health Care [HSCI 4800 or NURS 4950] and attend lectures from native guest speakers from the Ministry of Health in Paris and the Institute of Child Health in London. Package cost is \$2,500 and includes roundtrip airfare, transfer by plane between London and Paris, airport transfers, accommodations, breakfasts, tours, and travel passes for the tube and the metro. It also includes opportunities to visit both cities' most famous tourist attractions. For more information, visit the OIE site [www.adminservices@clayton.edu/oie/](http://www.adminservices@clayton.edu/oie/) or

contact [mpoudevigne@clayton.edu](mailto:mpoudevigne@clayton.edu) or (678) 466-4937, or Robert Welborn, Clayton State director of International Education at (678) 466-4109 or [robertwelborn@clayton.edu](mailto:robertwelborn@clayton.edu).

### Public Safety

Clayton State University celebrated Earth Day & Environmental Awareness Day on Tuesday, Mar. 21 outside of the University's Baker Center. Topics featured included: recycling, community service, volunteerism, alternate transportation, and environmental energy savings.

### Spivey Hall

The Spivey Hall Children's Choir Program will audition young singers on Friday, Apr. 28 and Saturday, Apr. 29. Singers must be between the ages of 10 and 13 on Sept. 1 in order to audition. No previous choral experience is required. Students must complete and mail in an Audition Request Form by Apr. 17. To access this form, and for complete information, go to [www.spiveyhall.org/images/educ\\_shcc\\_register.pdf](http://www.spiveyhall.org/images/educ_shcc_register.pdf), call (770) 946-9072, or email [shcc-tc@juno.com](mailto:shcc-tc@juno.com).



Children's Choir members on European tour.

### Women's History Month

As part of the University's observance of Women's History Awareness Month, Clayton State University held its first Women's Issue Forum on Tuesday, Mar. 21. Issues such as sexism, relationships and motherhood were discussed in a moderated-discussion format.

## Smithsonian Institute Director To Address Local Educators to Improve Public School History Courses

by Lauren Graves, University Relations

On Tuesday, Apr. 18, Dr. Brent D. Glass, director of the Smithsonian Institute's National Museum of American History will speak to local educators from Henry, Cobb and Fayette County Public School Systems at 7 p.m. at the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) Southeast Region facility in Morrow, Ga.

This select group of educators is part of the "Linking American History: Past to Present" program funded by a Teaching American History grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Education. Glass's lecture, which is free and open to the public, will focus on the importance of history not only in the classroom, but also in public life.



Dr. Brent Glass

"Dr. Glass is one of the foremost historians of public history in the United States," says Clayton State University History Professor Dr. Eugene Hatfield, the lead historian in the

Linking American History: Past to Present program. "Our group of public school teachers will be visiting Washington D.C. in June, and Dr. Glass will be able to tell them what they may expect to find at the Museum of American History."

For the teacher interested in bringing American history to life in the classroom, Glass has a wealth of knowledge to offer. After all, he manages several collections of historic items that most people see only in history books, including: the Star-Spangled Banner, the flag that inspired the National Anthem; the hat worn by

President Lincoln the night he was assassinated; the wooden writing desk Thomas Jefferson used while writing the Declaration of Independence; and the lunch counter that was the site of the 1960 student sit-in in Greensboro, N.C.

Hatfield hopes that Glass's first-hand knowledge will add another dimension to the Linking American History: Past to Present program, introducing the teachers to tangible objects from the recent American past.

"Our program emphasizes American history from 1945 to the present," explains Robynn Holland, director of the grant program, now in its third and final year. "We found that teachers indicated they knew less about this period than others because they seldom teach it. This program, with the contribution of people like Dr. Glass, gives them background in this very important period and allows them to create lesson plans by including the wealth of materials we have right here in this area."

"Teachers are telling us they are now covering this period in greater depth than ever before," Hatfield reports.

On Apr. 18, grant participants will have the opportunity to meet Glass for the first time. But Hatfield and Glass are long-time acquaintances, having met in graduate school at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. While Glass pursued a museum career that eventually led him to the Smithsonian Institute, Hatfield traveled south to then Clayton Junior College where he devoted himself to teaching history. Through the Teaching American History grant, Hatfield's passion for history has extended beyond teaching college students, and his role in educating local

public school teachers will have a far-reaching effect.



Dr. Gene Hatfield

of their students will undoubtedly attend Clayton State."

Joining Hatfield in teaching the educators of the next generation of college students are Clayton State Assistant Professor of History Dr. Kathryn Kemp and Associate Professor of History Dr. R. D. Rosenburg. In addition to Clayton State professors, others involved in the Linking American History: Past to Present program include: the Georgia Archives, NARA, the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and the Georgia Humanities Council, as well as historians Dr. Glenn Eskew from Georgia State University and Dr. Robert Pratt from the University of Georgia.

As the program concludes this summer, Hatfield hopes that the participants return to their classrooms with a renewed sense of what it means to be an educator, and also what it means to be an American.

"As we are confronted with cultures different from our own, it is imperative that we understand the values our society rests upon and where these values came from," Hatfield says. "If we do not understand our history, we cannot fully appreciate the freedoms we enjoy." ■

"The knowledge and skills these teachers learn through this grant will benefit students in area public school for many years," shares Hatfield.

"A good many

## Students Perform Mock Trial At Clayton County Courthouse

by Joey Rogers, University Relations



Students enrolled in Clayton State University's Criminal Justice program will have the opportunity to perform a mock trial at the Clayton County Courthouse on Mar. 28.

"My passion is to enable students to help young men and women who get caught up in the criminal justice system because they lack family and community support," says Richard Brown, an assistant district attorney and part-time professor at Clayton State University, who is also leading the mock trial presentation.

"Clayton County District Attorney Jewel Scott fully supports all of our efforts to provide the students and faculty with any assistance possible," says Brown, "She has also cleared her schedule to meet with interested students prior to the mock trial presentation."

Also accompanying the students to the Clayton County Courthouse are Head of the Department of Social Sciences Dr. Gene Hatfield, Criminal Justice Program Coordinator Dr. Kevin Demmitt, and Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice Hamin Shabazz. They will also meet with Scott to discuss new ideas about Clayton State's Criminal Justice Program.

### Copeland, cont'd. from p. 3

A native of Thomasville, Ga., and a graduate of Thomasville High School, Copeland secured his internship with the Humanities Council through Arden Williams, a former NARA employee who also taught Copeland's Public History class at Clayton State. After Williams left NARA, she was offered a position at the Humanities Council and, after an inquiry from Copeland, she passed along his resume to Humanities Council Vice President (and Copeland's current internship boss) Laura McCarty, who is the state coordinator for National History Day in Georgia.

While continuing on his path towards a December 2006 graduation from Clayton State, and coordinating National History Day in Georgia, Copeland also wears several hats on his job at NARA. These include; restoring and preserving precious documents, creating databases to serve as finding aids for these newly preserved documents, and assisting archives' patrons with their research.

"Whether the research pertains to genealogy, or a lawyer researching U.S. District court cases, I help them find the information they are searching for," says Copeland, who refers to himself as a "gentleman scholar." "My experience both at the National Archives and the Georgia Humanities Council had made me a better historian, a better scholar, and educator."

"I am most impressed and quite proud of Travis," says Williams, currently a program officer with the Georgia Humanities Council. ■



Copeland performs holdings maintenance and indexing activities on Civil Rights records from Montgomery, Al.

### Chancellor, cont'd. from p. 1

In speaking to the media, Davis covered a number of topics, including; his background as president and CEO of Alliant Energy Corporation, the power of education, his first impression of Clayton State University, and the subject of satellite campuses.

Davis took office as chancellor of the University System of Georgia (USG) on Feb. 6, 2006, leaving his position as chairman of the board of the Wisconsin-based Alliant. A long time member of the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents, a former chairman of the Board of Trustees of Carnegie Mellon University and a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago, Davis also has extensive higher education experience, in addition to his corporate background, which includes corporate finance positions at Xerox Corporation and the Ford Motor Company.

In his position as chancellor, Davis feels that the most useful aspect of his corporate background is his familiarity with the governance of a widespread organization – comparing governing the many units of the University System with managing the many units of Alliant Energy.

"Although the Board of Regents [of the University System] deals with governance, we would like the implementation of that governance to happen on the campus level," he said.

Speaking on his perspective on education, Davis lauded the transforming power of education, and noted that the USG must make that point to every level of the educational system in the state.

"We need to participate in the K-12 system more than we do," he added.

Although Davis spent just three hours in a whirlwind tour of Clayton State, he did have some first impressions of the University.

"You're doing an excellent job in a tough environment. You have an explosive student population," he said. "There is a lot going on here that could be replicated within the system."

Davis also remarked on some of Clayton State's needs, notably lab space and buildings, noting that, "we can't get buildings built in a timely-enough manner," and suggesting that other resource methods for obtaining funding for buildings be explored.

The issue of meeting student needs and providing education to as many Georgians as possible also came up in relation to the issue of satellite or

# Changes for Center for Academic Assistance

by Joey Rogers, University Relations

Clayton State University's Center for Academic Assistance has been experiencing some changes this spring semester. Along with new Lead Director Dr. Mark Daddona, the center is changing its name to the Center for Academic Success. The transition to the new name will begin within the next few weeks and will be fully implemented by July 1.

The decision for these changes comes from Daddona's reviewing more than 100 centers at other institutions with similar services. Replacing the word "assistance" signifies that the department contributes much more to the campus by offering a variety of programs such as academic support workshops, peer tutoring, supplemental instruction and the new Study Behavior Inventory — a 15-minute survey that assesses study skills.



"My goal is to work with at least half of the students here at Clayton State," says Daddona, whose motto is to "Help All Students Reach their Academic Potential."

Physical renovations to the center include converting the foyer underneath the library stairwell into a contemporary student study lounge with lighting and artwork. According to Daddona, students have always used the area for studying; now they are encouraged to do so with help just an arm's length away.

The Center for Academic Success now has Kathy Garrison, a former Clayton State assistant professor of Mathematics, serving as the new assistant director. Elise Rhodes also joins the staff as instructional services coordinator. She joins Clayton State from the

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**Forum #2 - Open to Students, Faculty and Staff**  
**Graduating from Clayton State:**  
**Insights from the Upcoming Graduating Class**  
Tuesday, Mar. 28, 2006, noon, Location: UC 272

**Forum #3 - Open to Students, Faculty and Staff**  
**Creating an Atmosphere for Success:**  
**Where do we go from here?**  
Thursday, Apr. 6, 2006, noon until 1:30 p.m.,  
Location CE 101

<http://cims.clayton.edu/ssforum/>

## Success Forum, cont'd. from p. 1

The highlight of the forum was guest speaker Dr. Nanette Commander, associate vice-president of Undergraduate Recruitment and Retention at Georgia State University. Commander was introduced by her long-time colleague and friend, Dr. Donna McCarty, professor and chair of the Department of Psychology at Clayton State.

Commander gave an excellent presentation systematically moving the audience through the evolving issues in higher education from challenges – like who was least likely to graduate and why, to reasons that are out of the control of the institutions – like motivation or family resources.

But Commander went on to talk about the opportunities and success of other institutions and how they could be a model for success in all institutions. "What institutions do, matters," she reiterated, while stating four critical factors for student success: 1) student engagement; 2) teaching and learning; 3) data driven initiatives; and 4) institutional leadership.

Commander went on to reiterate what

May had said earlier, "There's no silver bullet, best practices are numerous." But she did add, "It matters whether institutions focus on engagement. It matters there's an emphasis on quality teaching and learning. It matters whether institutions use data to discover patterns of student success. It matters whether campus leaders make student success a priority.

"I applaud Clayton State for the Student Success Forum Series," said Commander. "It indicates the value the institution places on student success and demonstrates the leadership of the institution. Clayton State recognizes the importance of faculty and academic professionals working together and listening to the powerful voice of its students."

The second series of the forum, "Graduating from Clayton State: Insights from the Upcoming Graduating Class," will be held next Tuesday, Mar. 28 at noon in Baker Center Auditorium, UC272. The last session in the series, "Creating an

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# Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

## **Business Etiquette Dinner/Effective Networking**

Tuesday, April 4  
6 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education  
Tickets on sale NOW in Technology 113 – just a few tickets left!  
\$15 (cash or check)  
Presented by Peggy Newfield, Personal Best  
[www.personalbest.net](http://www.personalbest.net)

## **College to Career Fair**

Tuesday, April 11  
11 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Cobb Galleria Centre  
Pre-registration required –  
[www.gace.org/careerfair](http://www.gace.org/careerfair)

## **On-Campus Interviews**

### **Mueller Industries, Inc.**

Wednesday, March 29  
Recruiting for: 1) Finance/Accounting Trainee - Bachelor's Degree in Business, Finance, Accounting, or related degree  
2) Sales Trainee - Bachelor's Degree in business disciplines or related degree  
Submit a resume and make an appointment with [joanmcelroy@clayton.edu](mailto:joanmcelroy@clayton.edu)  
[www.muellerindustries.com](http://www.muellerindustries.com)

### **Walgreens**

Wednesday, April 5  
Recruiting for: 1) Retail Management Trainee – Bachelor's Degree, graduating May, 2006.  
2) Retail Management Internship – between the months of May through August, \$12.00 - \$14.00 per hour  
Submit a resume and make an appointment with [joanmcelroy@clayton.edu](mailto:joanmcelroy@clayton.edu)  
[www.walgreens.jobs](http://www.walgreens.jobs)

## **On-Campus Recruiting**

### **Girl Scouts of Pine Valley**

Monday, March 27  
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Baker University Center  
[www.girlscoutsofpinevalley.com](http://www.girlscoutsofpinevalley.com)

## **Upcoming Events**

### **RN Open House**

Saturday, March 25  
Piedmont Fayette Hospital  
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Cafeteria Conference Room (Main Hospital, Ground Floor)  
1255 Hwy. 54 West  
Fayetteville, GA 30214  
[www.fayettehospital.org](http://www.fayettehospital.org)

## **Announcements:**

### **New Office Hours for Career Services!**

Monday and Tuesday: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Wednesday through Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

### **National Association of Colleges & Employers (NACE) Job Outlook 2006 Report:**

[www.jobweb.com/joboutlook](http://www.jobweb.com/joboutlook)

Career Services has moved to a temporary location, Technology 113, during the renovation of the Student Center.

The campus of Clayton State University has a new phone system and new phone numbers.

Career Services phone number is (678) 466-5400 and the fax number is (678) 466-5468.

Job Search Resource Library found in Career Services, Technology 113

On-Campus Interviews/Recruitment:  
<http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/career/recruitment.htm>

Career Services Seminars:  
<http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/career/series.htm>

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branch campuses, suggesting that flexibility is needed in establishing and maintaining such facilities.

"I take an entrepreneurial view of such campuses," said Davis. "If you have a program people want, they will come. I'm willing to market-test... to go to a location for three or four years and try it out. If it works, fine."

However, Davis added a codicil, noting that resources should not be allocated for the long-term if they are not working.

"It's management's job to make tough decisions on when and where to allocate resources," he said. ■

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SUNY at Buffalo.

The Center for Academic Success is keeping its regular working hours to better serve the University: Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Daddona holds a doctorate in Counseling and Student Personnel Services from the University of Georgia, and is also a licensed professional counselor.

For more information on the Center for Academic Success, e-mail Daddona at [MarkDaddona@clayton.edu](mailto:MarkDaddona@clayton.edu). To find out more about the services provided here at Clayton State University's Center for Academic Success, visit <http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/caa> or call (678) 466-4072. ■

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Atmosphere for Success: Where do we go from here?" will be held on Thursday, Apr. 6, 2006 at noon in CE 101.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in learning how each and every individual, faculty, staff and administrators can make a difference in the success of Clayton State's most valued asset, its students. ■

## Clayton State Clobbers J.C. Smith 76-52 In NCAA South Atlantic Regional Opener

The Clayton State women's basketball team opened play in the 2006 NCAA Division II South Atlantic Regional by clobbering Johnson C. Smith 76-52 at host Shaw University's Spaulding Gymnasium.

Clayton State, the third seed in the Regional, raced out to an early lead and never looked back, jumping out to double-digit lead 18-7 advantage in the first five minutes of the half. The Lakers took a 20-point lead on the second of two free throws by All-Region forward Jasmine Patterson with 12:24 remaining in the half. All-Region forward Shelcey Harp was the catalyst of the first half run, finishing with 12 points, six rebounds, four assists and two blocks in the period. Patterson and Crystal Brown also finished with nine points in the period.

The Lakers took a 29-point advantage, 45-19, 5:17 remaining in the period on a three-pointer by Carlie Anderson. JCSU, the sixth seed, closed the period with a 5-0 stretch and trailed 47-24 at halftime.

"We came out without a lot of intensity and shot the ball well early in the game," said

head coach Dennis Cox. "They got off to a slow start...we had not played them this season, and I would like to think they weren't accustomed to the type of pressure that we like to apply."

The difference in the game was shooting, as Clayton State held J.C. Smith to 22 percent (8-of-35) from the floor and 28 percent (18-of-64) for the game, tying the second lowest of any opponent this year. The Lakers hit 48 percent (28-of-58) from the floor, its third highest of the season.

Harp and Brown each finished with 17 points for the Lakers, while Patterson chipped in 15 points on 6-of-9 shooting. Harp also led the team on the boards with seven rebounds to go along with five assists and two blocks. Brown pulled six boards for the club.

For J.C. Smith, Shemika Jones finished with 17 points, followed Tiana Pope with 11 points and Janai Jackson with 10 points.

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## Clayton State to Host Georgia MathFest Competition

The largest math extravaganza on Earth is coming to Clayton State University. Nearly 2,000 students in grades K through six from throughout Georgia will be taking part in MathFest at the University's Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education on Saturday, Mar. 25.

Sponsored by the E.W. Oliver Elementary School PTA and the National School Improvement Alliance, MathFest 2006 is a competition for public, private, home and Christian school students that will run from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Clayton State's Downs Center. MathFest was created in June 2001 by a group of elementary educators as a math initiative that would motivate students, parents and teachers to raise standards and expectations in math.

MathFest consists of a practice session, testing session and a competition session in three divisions; Primary (K, first and second grades), Intermediate (third and fourth grades) and Senior (fifth and sixth grades). The first two sessions have already been conducted in schools around the state. The students with the highest composite total from each grade level will be competing in the final session on Mar. 25 at Clayton State. In addition to the competitive aspect of MathFest, the event also includes fun activities and math games, exhibits, creative instruction and a math/science job fair.

### Trivia Time

## It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World

by John Shiffert, University Relations

This writer's nomination for the "Funniest Movie Ever Made" goes to the 1963 classic, "It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World," which featured just about every big name comedian then living... Sid Caesar, Milton Berle, Buddy Hackett, Mickey Rooney, Phil Silvers, Terry Thomas, Jonathan Winters, Jim Backus, Jack Benny, Buster Keaton, the Three Stooges, Jerry Lewis... the list went on and on.

There were so many great comics that the late Don Knotts -- then at the height of his fame as TV's Barney Fife -- only got a bit part. (However, so did Keaton, Lewis and Benny, among others.) Knotts played a scene with Silvers wherein each was playing the persona of his TV character... Knotts acting like Barney Fife and Silvers acting like Sergeant Bilko.

A question harking back to this comedy classic and Knotts' role brought out the real heavy hitters of trivia: last year's winner, Rob Taylor; the 2005 runner-up, Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller; two more former champs, Tom Eddins and Lou Brackett; and this year's hottest new trivia expert, Maria Johnson. Taylor came in first, and earned a bonus point by pointing out that Knotts was a native of West Virginia (giving him something in common with Steve Stephens), and a graduate of West Virginia University, and was on the soap opera "Search for Tomorrow" from 1953 to 1955. Zeller was second, Eddins (who lives for questions like this) third.

What "discovery" of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark chased them (at least according to their journals) for more than a mile, swimming across a river, despite having a couple of musket balls in it? Send answers to [johnshiffert@clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@clayton.edu).

## Sports Page

# Clayton State Season Ends in 67-64 Loss to Wingate in South Atlantic Region Semifinals

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

The 22nd-ranked Clayton State women's basketball team's season came to an end in a heartbreaking loss, falling 67-64 to Wingate in the 2006 NCAA Division II South Atlantic Regional at host Shaw University's Spaulding Gymnasium.

Wingate's Anna Atkinson drained a three-pointer with 15 seconds in the game to propel the Bulldogs to the victory. Her three-pointer gave Wingate a 65-62 lead and was her second of the game, both in the second half. The Bulldogs hit five three pointers in the second half after not hitting any in the first half.

The Lakers responded on their ensuing possession, as Shelcey Harp was fouled on the baseline attempting a three-pointer to tie with less than seven seconds in the game. Harp hit two of the three free throws, pulling the Lakers to within a point, 65-64 but that was as close as the Lakers would come.

Clayton State had to foul and after

Atkinson missed the front-end of a 1-and-1, the Bulldogs got the rebound, forcing the Lakers to foul again.

This time, Wingate's Lakin Byer hit both free throws, her only two points of the game, giving the Bulldogs a 67-64 lead. The Lakers had one chance to tie the game with a three-pointer with six seconds remaining, but without any timeouts, the Lakers were unable to get a good look at the basket.

With the loss, the Clayton State season ends at 25-5, only the second time in school history the program has won 25 games and matching last year's best.

The stat sheet was as close as the game, as Clayton State and Wingate both had 24 field goals. The Lakers shot 38 percent from the floor compared to 44 percent for Wingate. Wingate hit 5-of-11 from three-point territory and 14-of-19 from the free throw line, while Clayton State hit 3-of-15 from three-point range and 13-of-18 free throws. Wingate edged Clayton State 14-

13 offensive rebounds but Clayton State won the turnover battle committing only 11 compared to 19 for the Bulldogs.

For Clayton State, Sharon Wiles finished with 20 points, hitting 9-of-12 from the floor. She also had four rebounds and five steals. Jasmine Patterson finished with 16 points and five rebounds, while Harp added 13 points and six boards and Alecia Humphrey chipped in 12 points. ■

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