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## Chemistry Major Available to Clayton State Students

Clayton State University's newest undergraduate major, the B.S. in Chemistry, is now available to current and incoming Clayton State students.

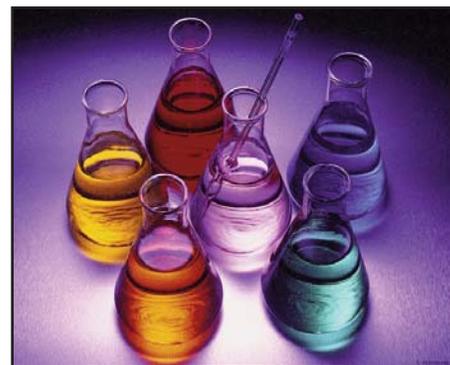
Approved by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia in April 2010, the chemistry major is housed in the University's Department of Natural Sciences in the College of Arts & Sciences. As noted by Dr. Caroline Clower, associate professor of Chemistry and associate chair of the Department of Natural Sciences, the B.S. in Chemistry is currently available for students – both incoming and existing students can declare the chemistry major.

According to Clower, chemistry majors at Clayton State will take lecture and laboratory courses representing the various disciplines within the physical science, including: General Chemistry, Organic

Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry, Biochemistry, Instrumental Analysis, internship or research, and chemistry electives chosen by the student

"The chemistry major is designed to meet the admissions standards and requirements of graduate and professional school programs such as graduate programs in Chemistry, Forensic Science, Environmental Science and other related fields; as well as Medicine and Dentistry, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Physician's Assistant, and Veterinary Medicine," says Clower. "We have an outstanding chemistry faculty, including past a past Smith Award winner and the current Arts & Sciences Teacher of the Year.

"In addition, many of our chemistry faculty are involved in undergraduate research, which can count for credit towards the major."



The Clayton State chemistry webpage (<http://www.a-s.clayton.edu/Chemistry/>) is in the process of being updated to include all the major information on the new major, including the curriculum.

For more information, contact (678) 466-4777, or [CarolineClower@clayton.edu](mailto:CarolineClower@clayton.edu), or stop by the department office, room A28 in the Clayton State Faculty Hall. ■

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## School of Business to Welcome New Dean, Dr. Alphonso O. Ogbuehi

by T.C. Cox, University Relations

The Clayton State University School of Business anticipates the July 2010 arrival of Dr. Alphonso O. Ogbuehi, who has accepted the position of dean of the AACSB-accredited school.

Ogbuehi brings to Clayton State extensive knowledge and experience, gained from scholarship and from leadership involvement with many educational organizations. Ogbuehi's involvement with education extends to more than 20 years with multiple honors and awards for high performance in the many responsibilities where he has served. Most notably, he has extensive experience in building international programs and institutional relationships and external development.

Ogbuehi was most recently the dean for the School of Business for Park

University in Parkville, Mo. According to Dr. Nasser Momayezi, chair of the Dean of the School of Business search committee, Ogbuehi rose above the other candidates.



Dr. Ogbuehi

"He has impeccable credentials. He led the university in Missouri, has an extensive international background, and a very impressive scholarly record," says Momayezi.

His long association with higher education began at the University of Kentucky, where Ogbuehi earned his B.S. His M.B.A., with a concentration in

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## Clayton State Confers Master Degrees on 35

At the conclusion of the spring 2010 semester, Clayton State University conferred master's degrees on 35 individuals as part of the University's hooding and commencement ceremonies.

The majority of the new Clayton State graduate degree holders were from the Masters of Business Administration program – two dozen new MBA holders in all. The Masters of Arts in Liberal Studies and the Masters of Science in Nursing each had four new degree holders, while the Masters of Health Administration had three.

The graduates came from a total of eight counties in the south metro region; Fulton, Clayton, Fayette, Henry, Butts, Coweta, DeKalb and Rockdale.

From Fulton County, Kimberly Bugg of Union City earned her Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, while two College Park residents, Devanaha Baudy and Sakonja Ragland, were awarded MBA

degrees. Another College Park resident, Nicole Lubrin, was one of just three individuals to be awarded the Master of Health Administration.

From Clayton County, three students each from Riverdale and Jonesboro had master's degrees conferred at the spring 2010 hooding and commencement ceremonies.

From Riverdale, Fern Victor-Thom earned the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS), and Kyle Mack and Dale Myers received MBAs. Jonesboro also had two MBA grads, Theresa Potts and Nikki Whitley. Jonesboro's Sha-Ron Rosignon earned the Master of Health Administration.

Ellenwood's Jacqueline Hudson earned her MALS, while Morrow's Karlowa Dukes was one of the 24 MBA graduates.

Five individuals from Fayette County graduated with master's degrees. They include three from Fayetteville and two from Peachtree City.

A total of four of the five received MBA degrees as part of the Clayton State School of Business' MBA cohort in Fayette County. They were Kashia Campbell and Jenice Larmond from Peachtree City and Michael Moore and Leslie Simon from Fayetteville.

Fayetteville's Marc Potteiger earned the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies.

Henry County was well-represented, nine of the new degree-holders were from Henry County, more than any other county in the state.

Six of these individuals were MBA graduates from McDonough. They were; Daundra Fletcher, Eric Hammond, Kristin Hanie, Matthew Harden, LeTanya Hines and Jose Vejarano. Also receiving her MBA was Janet Daggett of Locust Grove.

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## Academic Affairs Has a New Look

Dr. Micheal Crafton, interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, and the Office of Academic Affairs, has recently made the following personnel announcements:

Dr. Tom Eaves is leaving the associate provost position and returning to faculty status in Arts and Sciences. He will be housed in the Department of Natural Sciences where he will teach physics but will also teach some graduate education courses in the MAT program. He will also serve as the primary academic resource for our implementation of Astra Analytics. He will continue to assist in providing comparative data on faculty, students, and courses as related to space utilization.

Dr. Mark May is relocating to the faculty of the Department of Visual and Performing Arts to teach communication courses and to focus on the management

of the First Year Experience programs for freshmen including the management of CSU 1022. His title will be assistant to the Provost for First Year Experience Programming.

Dr. Robert Vaughan from the Board of Regents Office of Academic Affairs will assume the role of associate vice president for Academic Affairs. He will be instrumental in managing the changes in Learning Support, Core Curriculum, Regents' Test and Comprehensive Program Review. He is also an English Professor and will enjoy an opportunity to teach in that very fine department.

Dr. Kevin Demmitt's position has been reclassified to expand its supervisory role. He is now the associate vice president for Academic Affairs for Extended Programs and will be responsible for the Honors Program, Online Programming, Dual Enrollment, as well as off-campus pro-

gramming in Peachtree City, Henry and Rockdale Counties and beyond.

Dr. Jill Lane has been reclassified and her new title is dean of Assessment and Instructional Design. She will be the first point of contact for all assessment activities, such as Comprehensive Program Review, on campus regardless of where that work is being done and will also assume the role of SACS liaison. She will continue to supervise the Center for Instructional Design.

Dr. Mark Daddona has been appointed to serve as the interim associate vice president for Enrollment Management. He will assume supervisory duties of enrollment management units, such as Admissions, Registrar, CAS, and Financial Aid. The complete set of units is not quite finalized. He will be responsible for helping the

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## Lisa Eichelberger Addresses Board of Regents



Dr. Eichelberger

Dr. Lisa Eichelberger, dean of the College of Health at Clayton State University, addressed the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia (USG) on Tuesday, June 8, highlighting what the Clayton State School of Nursing has been doing to help address the issues facing nursing in the State of Georgia.

Eichelberger was speaking to the Regents at the request of the Board staff, which had previously decided to have one person from the nursing field and one person from the teacher education field address the Regents at the June meeting to highlight what their universities were doing and how to meet the critical shortage of

nurses and teachers... two professions the Regents have targeted for special initiative funding.

Speaking first on outlining the problems related to nursing in Georgia and the USG's response, Eichelberger noted that, "Georgia is facing a serious nursing shortage that is predicted to reach more than 40,000 by 2020. Even in this recession, health care has been the only industry sector that has added jobs. The demand for nursing far exceeds the supply even in these economic times.

"Two barriers to increasing the supply are faculty shortage and lack of clinical space for student experiences."

Eichelberger also noted that the USG's response to this crisis has been through ICAPP Health Professions Initiatives, and

through targeted funding from the BOR for capacity building. Individual institutions have also increased funding to nursing departments.

"The outcome has been that, over the past four years, we have increased production by 32 percent, which is good, but still far behind what is needed," she said.

In terms of Clayton State's efforts to increase capacity, Eichelberger touched briefly on four items: how Clayton State has leveraged Board of Regents and ICAPP funding to increase capacity; how Clayton State has contributed to the education of Georgia's minority and disadvantaged student population; this fall, Clayton State will be the first nursing program in Georgia to offer totally online

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## Georgia Power Donates for Clayton State Wi2STEM Students' Travel

Ron Shipman and June Wood from the Metro South Region Georgia Power Office recently donated \$5000 on behalf of Georgia Power to Clayton State University's Wi2STEM organization, so that students can attend professional conferences in their disciplines.

Wi2STEM is a Clayton State University organization created to increase knowledge of, and greater interest in, the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) disciplines. It is also a means of building a network of resources for women in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math disciplines and a means of communication for women having an interest in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math majors. Wi2STEM serves students of the Clayton State University community, and the communities surrounding the University. Wi2STEM has grown and continues to take on more initiatives with the full support of Dean of the College of Information and

Mathematical Sciences (CIMS), Dr. Lila Roberts.

Professional conferences are meetings of professionals in a given discipline, dealing with matters concerning the status of the discipline, and scientific or technical developments.

"Literature points to the fact that when students have the opportunity to attend professional meetings, there is a lasting positive impact. Students understand how their discipline/research fits into a bigger picture. They have a chance to interact with other students, form future collaborations, and build employment prospects, or prospects for graduate school," says Wi2STEM advisor Mary Hudachek-Buswell who, along with fellow advisor Dr. Yvette Gardner, have put in place a travel grant proposal process and the



Georgia Power Travel Grant that is open to all Wi2STEM students. Hudachek-Buswell works with these young women to facilitate their travel preparatory work, and ensure they had successful, productive trips.

Wi2STEM students Patricia Herron (Atlanta) and Christine Gardner (Peachtree City) were able to travel to conferences in the spring because of the Georgia Power's support of women in STEM disciplines. Herron attended the American Chemical Society (ACS) National Meeting held in San Francisco, and Gardner attended the Institute of Electrical and Electronics

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## Across the campus...

### Bursar's Office

In preparation for fiscal year end on June 30, 2010, please submit all departmental deposits and rectify any discrepancies by Tuesday, June 29, 2010 at 7 p.m. The Banner system will be unavailable for any transactions on June 30, 2010. The system will be available on July 1, 2010 for fiscal year 2011 activity.

### Human Resources

The deadline for submitting TAP applications for Fall Semester is July 15, 2010. Completed applications should be forwarded to the HR Department. If you participated in the TAP program during Spring Semester 2010 you must also submit a copy of your grade report. Both official and unofficial (web generated) grade reports are acceptable. TAP participants must receive a grade of "C" or better in each approved course in order to continue participation in the TAP program.

### International Programs

The annual board meeting of the World Trade Center-Atlanta, held on June 9, elected John E. Parkerson, Jr., to the World Trade Center-Atlanta's Executive Committee as incoming vice president-programs for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2010. Parkerson is director of International Programs at Clayton State University and an assistant professor of International Business and Global Logistics in the University's School of Business. Parkerson also serves as the honorary consul of Hungary for the southeastern United States, and is an attorney with more than 30 years of international legal practice.

### University Bookstore

Bookstore Buy Back dates will be Monday July 26, to Thursday, July 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Got News?

Send your campus news  
or event information to  
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Marketing, was also earned at the University of Kentucky. His D.B.A. with a major in Marketing, and Minors in Transportation and Sociology, was completed at the University of Memphis.

Ogbuehi has also served as director of the M.S. in International Marketing Program at the Erivan K. Haub School of Business at Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia from August 1996 to August 2001, and as a tenured professor of Marketing at Bryant University, from 2001 to 2007. He was also a professor of Marketing at Illinois State University (1987-1994) and at Christopher Newport University (1994-1996).

"Many colleagues from across campus participated in this search, not the least of whom is Dean Momayezi who chaired the committee," says Clayton Sate Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Micheal Crafton. "The colleagues in the School of Business were absolutely superb in meeting and greeting the candidates as well as presenting Clayton State in the manner appropriate for its first-class academic programming." ■



Former Clayton State University Vice President of Advancement Dr. Nancy L. Green and Clayton State President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., pose in front of the plaque that dedicates the study area off of Main Street in the James M. Baker University Center in Green's honor. One of Clayton State's first two women vice presidents, Green served at Clayton State from 1994 to 1999, and helped create the original plans for the Baker Center (then called the University Learning Center), based on the George Johnson Center at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. Green is currently assistant vice president of Marketing and Communications at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg, W.Va..

## Barnes Gives Howard University College of Dentistry's Dental Hygiene Speech



Dr. Barnes

Department of Dental Hygiene, Pinning and Candle Lighting Ceremony in Washington, DC, speaking to an audience of 14 graduating dental hygiene students, their faculty, college administrators, parents and friends.

"It was an honor to be asked to address the seniors on the eve of their graduation as they join a profession that I'm proud to have been a member of for more than 25 years," says Barnes. "The tradition of a 'pinning ceremony' is a longstanding one which dates back to the 1800's. When students are deemed ready to enter the professional world, a pin is given to show where they received their college experience and to welcome them to the profes-

sion. This ceremony symbolizes the right of passage from dental hygiene student to professional colleague.

"At Howard University, the dental hygiene students also have a candle lighting ceremony and repeat the dental hygiene oath."

Barnes received her dental hygiene credential from Howard University; her bachelor's and master's degrees in dental auxiliary teacher education from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill College of Dentistry; and her doctorate in higher education administration with a minor in hospital and health services administration from The Ohio State University.

In 2007, Barnes received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Howard University's College of Dentistry for outstanding service to the college of dentistry, the community and the profession of dental hygiene. In January 2007, Barnes joined the faculty at Clayton State after serving as the director of the Forsyth

Dental Hygiene Program of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Boston, Massachusetts.

Barnes' address, entitled, "Oh Happy Day, The Best is Yet to Come," contained the following thoughts for the graduates...

"As I look back I thought, this is the last time that you will be with this many professionals in an educational setting at one time... I hope that you will practice with integrity, honor and excellence...

I firmly believe that if you graduate from a dental hygiene program; you can do anything that you set your mind to do."

The College of Dentistry at Howard University was established in 1881. It is the fifth oldest dental school in the United States. As a teaching and patient care institution, the College has trained thousands of highly skilled dental professionals to serve their communities, particularly the underserved. Howard University was founded in 1867. ■

## Clayton State Professor Helps Local High School Students

by T.C. Cox, University Relations

Dr. Sean Mattie, assistant professor of Political Science at Clayton State University, recently responded to a request from Forest Park High School teacher Nichelle Wiggins.

Wiggins was asking for assistance in preparing her 10th grade Advanced Placement (AP) American Government Class for the AP exam. Wiggins initially contacted Clayton State Department of Social Sciences Chair Dr. A. Rafik Mohamed to inquire whether a Political Science faculty member could assist her in teaching "bureaucracy." Mohamed referred the request to Mattie, who was happy to help.

Mattie, Wiggins and her class of 20 gathered at Clayton State's University

Center for the tutorial. The session, which began at 8:30 a.m. and ran to 12:30 p.m., was a combination of a lecture plus a question and answer session, and included a lively discussion of the federal bureaucracy.

"Who'd have thought that the topic of the federal bureaucracy could stir such enthusiasm?" asks Mattie.

Wiggins thanked Mattie and reported that her students felt better prepared on the AP Exam because of the tutorial and promised to inform him on how the students performed on the exam once the scores were released in July.

"Ms. Wiggins' students were well-prepared, attentive, and excited to learn. I

found it a pleasure to teach them, and I believe it was a rewarding experience for everyone involved," reports Mattie.

"As I understand it, this is going to be an ongoing partnership between Clayton State -- Dr. Mattie specifically -- and Forest Park High School," adds Mohamed. ■

## Phillip DePoy's "Hamlet! The Musical!" Takes the Stage at Shakespeare Tavern July 9

by Lauren Graves, University Relations

"Hamlet! The Musical!" – written (of course) by Shakespeare, edited by Eddie Levi Lee and Rebecca Wackler, and composed by Clayton State Theatre's Artistic Director Phillip DePoy – makes its Shakespeare Tavern premiere on July 9, 2010. Tickets are available online at [www.shakespeare-tavern.com](http://www.shakespeare-tavern.com).

Audiences who come expecting traditional Shakespeare will be in for a surprise. Though the production uses the original words from "Hamlet," the musical delivery adds an element of humor to the otherwise weighty tale. To give audiences an idea of the caliber of the humor, DePoy confides that "Hamlet! The Musical!" owes as much to "Gilligan's Island" and "The Three Stooges" as it does to Shakespeare.

In addition to the slapstick humor genre, DePoy reveals that "Hamlet the Musical" employs a device called "Stupid Visual Foreshadowing." For example, in the traditional Shakespeare's "Hamlet," Ophelia drowns herself. To add humor to her

tragic demise, in "Hamlet the Musical" Ophelia appears on stage in a snorkel, facemask and flippers.

The partnership between DePoy and the Shakespeare Tavern (499 Peachtree St., NE, Atlanta) goes back about 10 years when Shakespeare Artistic Director Tavern Jeff Watkins first approached DePoy, expressing interest in producing his unorthodox portrayal of the Shakespearean classic.

"He recently emailed me out of the blue and said 'Ok, now!' So we agreed on it," says DePoy. "The production's director, Drew Reeves, has some new ideas for it, so after much ado, it comes to Shakespeare Tavern this summer."

According to the Shakespeare Tavern website, "This ain't your mamma's Shakespeare (nor the Tavern's typical take either). But never fear, fans, we're not changing our style, just having some fun! Join us as we turn this Shakespearean tragedy into a musical comedy with music ranging from Rock & Roll to Vegas Lounge Act to Gospel!"

Speaking of musical numbers, DePoy shares that one of his favorite moments in the show is when Ophelia sings "Crazy is a Four Letter Word." Incidentally, Redd Horrocks, who played Ophelia in the Clayton State Theatre production of "Hamlet! The Musical!" graduated from Clayton State with her B.A. in Theatre and now works at Shakespeare Tavern.

"Many Clayton State theatre majors have had the opportunity to intern with Shakespeare Tavern," shares DePoy. "And it's exciting that one of our alums found employment there."

For ticket prices, dates and show times for "Hamlet! The Musical!," visit [www.shakespeare-tavern.com](http://www.shakespeare-tavern.com). ■

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## Small Business Development Center Honored for Continuing Education Program of the Year

by T.C. Cox, University Relations

Alisa Kirk, consultant, and Kyle Hensel, area director of Clayton State University's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) were honored recently at the SBDC Georgia Network's annual banquet in Athens, Ga. The pair received the "Continuing Education Program of the Year Award" for the program called "Marketing with Social Media."

A full-day seminar, "Marketing with Social Media" was designed to strengthen the businessman's knowledge of social media in order to promote business using the internet. Classes included:

"Marketing Your Business with Facebook," "Better Business Blogging with Tweeting (Twitter)," "Future of Social Media," "Video Marketing," and "Search Engine Marketing/Optimization."

The SBDC of Clayton State developed the program in cooperation with the SBDC of Valdosta State University.

The Small Business Development Center is a partnership program between the U.S. Small Business Administration and colleges and universities from around the

state, working together to provide consulting, training, and applied research to Georgia's entrepreneurs. The SBDC office at Clayton State University serves new and existing businesses in Clayton, Fayette, Henry and Spalding Counties. ■

## Clayton State's ADEPT Team Chartered as Part of BACCHUS

The Clayton State University Office of Student Conduct's Alcohol and other Drugs Education and Prevention Team (ADEPT) has received its official charter as part of The BACCHUS Network.

BACCHUS, which stands for Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students, is a university and community based network focusing on comprehensive health and safety initiatives. It is the mission of this 501(C)(3) non-profit organization to actively promote student and young adult based, campus and community-wide leadership on healthy and safe lifestyle decisions concerning alcohol abuse, tobacco use, illegal drug use, unhealthy sexual practices and other high-risk behaviors.

The Clayton State BACCHUS Peer Health Educators provided alcohol education programming for the campus community throughout the Spring semester. Some of the programs included the PEERS DUI Simulator held in April to celebrate alcohol awareness month, and a seatbelt check program held in May as part of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety "Click it or Ticket!" campaign, which ran from May 17 to June 6.

For further information on the Clayton State ADEPT Team, contact Andre L. Clanton, assistant director of Student Conduct, at (678) 466-5420. ■



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education for nurse educators and leaders; and about a planned partnership with Columbus State University to offer the first collaborative nursing masters program in Georgia.

#### FUNDING

Since 2002, Clayton State's School of Nursing has received two rounds of funding from Georgia's ICAPP Health Professions Initiative program. This ICAPP seed money and the expansion Clayton State's simulation laboratory, has allowed the School of Nursing to double its annual enrollment each year.

With the nursing program's graduation rate of greater than 90 percent, and a 2008/09 state board pass rate of 95 percent, Clayton State's ICAPP funding is responsible for approximately 60 new registered nurses working in Georgia each year.

With more than 85 percent of Clayton State nurses staying in Georgia to practice and starting salaries at or around \$50,000, the economic impact of the ICAPP funding provided to CSU has been tremendous.

#### DIVERSITY

More than 10 years ago, the School of Nursing implemented a structured pro-

gram to target the recruitment and graduation of 80 percent minority nurses, going from an enrollment of 45 percent minority students to a 75 percent minority enrollment making Clayton State the largest producer of minority nurses in Georgia, including the Historically Black Colleges.

#### ONLINE MASTER'S PROGRAM

With the Regents' approval, Clayton State will begin offering its accredited masters degree program totally on line, making it the first such program in Georgia. The online format provides opportunities for many working RN's who are unable to come to a physical location for traditional educational offerings. CSU online program targets nursing education and nursing leadership, two of the most critical shortage areas in nursing.

The online masters degree is part of a new 2010-2012 ICAPP project enabling 12 RN's from across the state to enroll in a masters of nursing education program while receiving tuition support and employment as junior faculty in Georgia nursing programs. At the end of the new two year project, Georgia will have 12 new faculty who have made a commit-

ment to teach for a minimum of two years in Georgia nursing programs

#### COLLABORATIVE MASTER'S PROGRAM

Columbus State is adopting Clayton State's masters program curriculum and seeking approval to begin offering a masters degree in collaboration with Clayton State's already established master program. This is also a first for Georgia and is modeled after the very successful Georgia On My Line collaborative Masters of Arts in Teaching and Masters in Education.

Dr. Marci M. Middleton, assistant vice chancellor, Academic Programs, called Eichelberger's address, "a laudatory presentation of local, state, and national trends."

"We were very appreciative to have you join us. Thank you for your support," she added. ■

## Genealogy Group Meeting on Campus

Did you know that there is a genealogy group on campus? It's an informal gathering to discuss genealogy research. The group was started over a year ago as part of an internship project. The group liked the programs and activities so much that they have stayed together. The group is composed of faculty, staff, alumni, students, retirees, family members, and friends.

Some members of the genealogy group are planning to take the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Study course. Those taking the course will plan study sessions together and discussions to aid in learning the materials in the course. Everyone who would like to participate may. Contact Selma Blackmon at [selmajoey@yahoo.com](mailto:selmajoey@yahoo.com) for more information. You can learn more about the course at [http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/educational\\_courses](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/educational_courses).

You don't have to be an experienced genealogy researcher to belong to the Genealogy Group and everyone is welcome. If you would like to join, send an email to Blackmon or Rosemary Fischer at [rosemaryfischer@clayton.edu](mailto:rosemaryfischer@clayton.edu). There is no membership fee.

The genealogy group meets on the first Sunday (unless it is a holiday) of each month. The meeting time is 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The meeting place is the library classroom, L200. The meeting space for July 11 is tentative due to renovations in the library.

Upcoming meetings are as follows...

Date: July 11, 2010  
Program: Research Trip Report – How Vicki Evans planned and executed her research trip to Missouri.  
Speaker: Vicki Evans

Date: Aug. 1, 2010  
Time: 1 p.m. -2:30 p.m.  
Program: Basic Genealogy for Beginners  
This program, prior to the regular meeting, is for new family historians, so please invite, invite, invite! Selma will present a hands-on class. Attendees will fill out a four-generation pedigree chart, family group sheet, and research log. As this will be a hands-on program, please bring copies of documents such as birth and death certificates, marriage licenses, etc. to use for citing sources. Experienced family historians are asked to attend and assist newcomers.  
Speaker: Selma Blackmon

Date: Aug. 1, 2010  
Program: Heritage Societies – How to Become a Member. This program will

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Engineers (IEEE R3) Region 3 Meeting in Concord, N.C.

Herron's travel to ACS was to present research she conducted over the past year under the supervision of Dr. Susan Hornbuckle. Herron's work was accepted to the conference, and she would not have been able to exhibit her research without the Georgia Power Travel Grant. Hornbuckle also attended the ACS meeting with Herron.

Gardner's travel to IEEE R3 was to attend conference sessions on power and energy, and the Women in Engineering (WIE) professional development seminar. Gardner networked with WIE, Microsoft and Renasas representatives. Hudachek-Buswell also attended the IEEE R3 meeting with Gardner.

Both students will be presenting their experiences in a symposium to held the beginning of the fall 2010 semester.

Herron was born in San Diego, and is a resident of Atlanta. She is a junior majoring in Biology with a focus on chemical forensics, member of Wi2STEM, and remains on the Dean's list throughout her

demanding coursework. Her career goals include earning a master's degree in Forensic Science and working as a criminalist for the federal or state government.

"Joining Wi2STEM has helped open up a lot of doors for me," she says. "One of which is the career opportunities on the Clayton State campus. The Georgia Power Travel grant is very important to my work. It will allow me to go to San Francisco, and give a presentation at the American Chemistry Society conference on my research. My work consists of a brief history of Organic Chemistry college textbooks and how they have changed in content from decade to decade beginning in the early 1900's. Without joining this organization, I may not have used these resources."

Gardner is a junior at Clayton State, majoring in Computer Science. She is the treasurer of Wi2STEM, student assistant in the dean of CIMS office, and mother of three. Gardner is a resident of Peachtree City, Ga.

"Attending these conferences allowed me the opportunity to experience a 'real world' job interview with a Fortune 500

company. This, in turn, helped me to gauge my strengths and weaknesses which I used to make an action plan for the last years of my education," she says."

Wi2STEM has had a profound impact on my life. Through this organization I have found academic and professional mentors, leadership roles, outreach and community service opportunities, and friends that I will have for life"

Gardner's career goals are to work for a Fortune 500 technology company contributing to the betterment of society. She is the webmaster for Wi2STEM, and has implemented many technology tools for the organization.

These two women of Wi2STEM greatly appreciate the opportunity that has been handed to them by Georgia Power, and they plan to take full advantage of it. This is a chance for them to learn more about the fields they plan to enter as well as provide them with an experience that would normally be out of reach, notes Hudachek-Buswell. Gardner and Herron want Georgia Power to know they will be good stewards in their disciplines as a result of their travels, she adds. ■

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University create a set of enrollment goals, construct methods for achieving those goals, and report on our success in reaching those goals.

Kathy Garrison will assume Daddona's role in the Center for Academic Success (CAS) and will thus become the interim director of CAS.

Leslie Moore is relocating from the Provost Office to Clayton State – Fayette to assume the duties of director of the instructional site. She will also assume duties of advisor, particularly the dual enrollment students.

Tammy Wilson and Dianna Alsip will be assuming the duties that Moore was responsible for, namely and among many other things, faculty paperwork processing and Provost Office schedules, respectively.

Dr. Narem Reddy has had budget manager for Academic Affairs added to his job of director of Institutional Research.

Dr. Gordon Baker's title has been changed from director to dean of the University Library.

Janet Winkler, director of Continuing Education, has been promoted to executive director of Continuing Education.

She has done a superb job developing that department to become completely self-sufficient and a point of pride throughout the Southern Crescent.

Dr. Randy Rosenburg has changed positions from chair of Humanities to assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, joining forces with the formidable Dr. John Campbell.

Dr. Joe Johnson has now become the interim chair of Humanities, having proved his mettle most mellifluously as interim chair of the Department of English.

Dr. Ruth Caillouet has agreed to assume the post of interim chair of the Teacher Education program.

Dr. Jeff Chastine is leaving us, sadly, for a post at Southern Polytechnic University. We all wish him the absolute best. In response to such a loss, Dean Dr. Lila Roberts has reinstated a department chair. Accordingly, Dr. Byron Jeff will ascend to the lofty perch of chair of Department of Information Technology which consists of Computer Science, Information Technology, and CNET.

Dr. Nathan Borchelt will likewise assume an elevated post to the chair of Mathematics.

Dr. Michael Tidwell, as most of you know, has decided to make an audacious move to become dean of the School of Business at Bloomsburg University in Bloomsburg, Pa.

Dr. Alphonso Ogbuehi, from Park University in Missouri, has accepted our offer to become our next dean of the School of Business. (See related story on page 1.)

Dr. Diane Prince, who has ably served as interim dean of the School of Business for the past few months, will return to her position as associate dean of the School. The School of Business is also undergoing restructuring activities, and we can expect to announce some changes there as well.

Dr. Tom McIlwain has agreed to continue as interim dean of the Graduate School, having completed his initial six-month tour. Note also the relocation of the Graduate School in the former location of the ROTC offices on the second floor of the Baker Center. ■



Summer on the Clayton State University campus.

## Peach Belt Conference Recognizes Clayton State Athletes For Presidential Honor Roll

A total of 832 athletes were selected to the Peach Belt Conference 2009/10 Presidential Honor Roll, and from that list included 30 Clayton State athletes. The Presidential Honor Roll recognizes every student-athlete in a member institution who had a GPA of 3.0 or greater for the 2009-10 academic year.

The 35 honored is an increase from the 30 Laker athletes selected to the 2008/09 PBC Presidential Honor Roll. Women's soccer had the best representation with 11 selected, followed by men's cross country with six.

The honor roll is divided into four groups - Presidential Scholars, Bronze Scholars, Silver Scholars and Gold Scholars. All student athletes with a GPA of 3.00-3.24 are Presidential Scholars, while Bronze Scholars are 3.25-2.49, Silver Scholars are 3.50-3.74 and Gold Scholars are 3.75-4.00. Robert Spezzacatena of the men's cross country team was Clayton State's lone Gold Scholar. ■

### Genealogy, cont'd., from p. 8

provide information on what is required to become a member of a heritage society. Speakers: M. Sparks Ramey, Jr. (Sons & Daughters of the Confederacy) Liz Grimes (Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution)

Date: Sept. 12, 2010

Program: Cemeteries: A Graveyard Undertaking – How to Map and Survey a Cemetery

This is a how-to program for surveying a cemetery, mapping it, transcribing grave markers, planning trip to a cemetery, and publishing cemetery survey information. The Group is planning to map and survey

a local church cemetery and publish the information on line for the church.

Speaker: Rosemary Fischer

Date: Oct. 3, 2010

Program: Oral History – How to do oral histories and what is involved

This program will introduce family historians to the details of doing oral histories for genealogy research. The presentation will cover forms, releases, recordings, questions, etc.

Speaker: Beverly Craton, Hapeville

Historian ■

### Master's, cont'd., from p. 2

Kezzie Joseph of Hampton was awarded a Master of Health Administration while Stockbridge's Alisa Dent was one of four Master of Science in Nursing grads.

From Butts County, Dawn Deaton of Jackson, Ga., earned her MBA.

Three of Clayton State's 24 MBA graduates came from Coweta; Terry Horn and Glenda McCool from Sharpsburg, and Andy Steele from Senoia. In addition, Newnan's Shanna Ramsey was one of

four individuals to earn a Master of Science in Nursing.

From Dekalb County, Decatur's Allen Linton and Denise Wilson both earned MBA degrees. Lithonia's Cheryl Christian was awarded the Master of Science in Nursing.

Finally, Stephanie Thomas of Conyers, Ga., earned her Master of Science in Nursing. ■

### Trivia Time

## Horatio

by John Shiffert, University Relations

It's not a name one sees commonly in the 20th or 21st centuries, but Horatio was/is a famous moniker in British history and literature, starting with the Prince of Denmark's best friend in "Hamlet." As in, "alas, poor Yorick, I knew him, Horatio."

Other famous British Horatios include the premiere figure in England's long and distinguished naval history, Horatio Nelson (the hero of the battle of Trafalgar, where he also was shot by a sniper, thus losing his life, but winning the battle), and another naval Horatio, C.S. Forester's fictional Horatio Hornblower. (Forester supposedly named his hero after the Shakespearean character, and not the admiral.) Whatever the name Horatio, Lou Brackett was the first to put the three Horatios together, followed by Kathy Garrison, Kelly Adams, Kurt-Alexander Zeller and Rob Taylor.

Changing tunes... what 1970s singer/songwriter once recorded a hit wherein he sang part of the song baritone, and part tenor? Send your answers to [johnshiffert@clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@clayton.edu). ■

### Basketball, cont'd., from p. 11

"We really wanted Drameka out of high school, so we are elated now that she ends up with us," says Cox, who paced Clayton State to a 24-7 mark last season with the Peach Belt Conference Tournament championship. "She has the athleticism and the speed to be an elite guard in our system and in the Peach Belt Conference.

"I expect her to make an indelible mark on our program in the next three seasons." ■

## Sports

# Mason Hired as Women's Tennis Coach

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

Clayton State Athletic Director Mason Barfield has announced the hiring of LeTrone Mason as the new women's tennis head coach at Clayton State. Mason brings to Clayton State 10 years coaching experience at the collegiate level as both a head coach and an assistant coach, ranging from the junior college to Division I level.

Mason replaces Tamas Szabados as Laker head coach. Szabados, who paced Clayton State to the NCAA Division II "Sweet 16" this season, resigned last month to return to his native Hungary. In his four seasons at the Laker helm, Szabados paced Clayton State to three NCAA Division II National Tournament appearances, including the NCAA Division II "Sweet 16" this season, and a 59-32 record.

Overall, Clayton State has advanced to the NCAA Division II National Tournament eight times in program history with the Division II "Sweet 16" appearances in 2002 and 2010 and the Peach Belt

Conference regular season championship in 2001.

"We certainly had our work cut out for us in finding someone we feel can continue the success that Tamas brought to our program. However, we feel that LeTrone brings to us a great variety of successful experiences in college tennis that will allow us to continue our quest to fulfill the ultimate goal of winning a NCAA National Championship in women's tennis," says Barfield. "He has won a national championship, and at any level, that is something very few coaches have accomplished."

A standout player at Division I Florida A&M, Mason was a two-time All-Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference selection for the Rattlers. He was the team's No. 1 player in both singles and doubles during his junior season. Following his playing career, Mason served two separate stints as a men's assistant coach at Florida A&M from 1997 to 1999 and from 2000

to 2003 under veteran head coach Dr. Carl Goodman.

Mason had arguably his best coaching success as the women's head coach at Broward Community College in Davie, Fla., from 2004 to 2007. His 2005 squad at Broward finished third in the nation at the NJCAA level, and his 2006 team won the NJCAA National Championship.

In addition to his success at Broward, Mason also served one season at Division I Chicago State as the men's and women's teams head coach, where his Cougar women's team won the 2009 National Independent Tennis Championship. He was the Tennis Professional at the Tennis Center of Coral Springs in Coral Springs, Fla., from 2003 to 2008, and currently serves as the Tennis Professional at the Tennis in Motion Academy in College Park, Ga. This past season, he served as the interim women's head tennis coach at neighboring Division II Clark Atlanta. ■

## Cox Announces Impressive 2010 Signing Class for Women's Basketball

Three Division I transfers highlight what is a talented 2010 spring recruiting class for Clayton State Laker head women's basketball coach Dennis Cox.

Cox recently announced the five signees for the Lakers, including Division I transfers sophomore Drameka Griggs from Jacksonville, sophomore Kayla Mobley from North Florida and sophomore Alexiss Griffin from former rival Kennesaw State.

In addition to that trio, senior Renee Jackson transfers to Clayton State from Peach Belt Conference rival Columbus State, and freshman Shacamra Jackson signs with the Lakers from Osborne High School in Smyrna, Ga.

This group joins JUCO guard standout Keona Dixon, who signed with Clayton

State during the early signing period out of Indian River State College in Fort Pierce, Fla.

The headliner of the group is Griggs, a 5-foot-6 guard who is locally from Jonesboro, and was a prep standout at nearby Jonesboro High School. This past season playing for head coach Jill Dunn at Jacksonville, she played in 29 games with 15 starts, averaging eight points a game. Griggs averaged 13 points in her final 10 games of the season and led the team in both assists and steals.

In addition, she was also selected to the Atlantic Sun Conference All-Freshman Team. During her prep career at Jonesboro, Griggs was a four-year starter for head coaches John Kovzel and Jimmy Fields. She was selected first team All-State her senior season, pacing the

Cardinals to four straight region playoff appearances in her career.

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