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President Hynes Offers Top 10 Hints for Success To Incoming Freshmen at New Student Convocation

by John Shiffert, University Relations

David Lettermen, move over... at least as far as Clayton State University freshmen are concerned.

Clayton State President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., unveiled his Top 10 List of "Hints for Success for Incoming Freshmen" during the University's Fifth Annual New Student Convocation on Friday, Aug. 13. Addressing some 250 freshmen as the keynote speaker for the 2010 Convocation, Hynes underscored the University's focus on student success by borrowing a page from Lettermen with his list of 10 things all freshmen should do at Clayton State.

Number 10 – Go to class

Number 9 – Master and meet your professors, get to know us, read your syllabus

Number 8 – Get and stay organized

Number 7 – Use your time wisely

Number 6 – Use your textbooks

Number 5 – Get to know your roommates and classmates

Number 4 – Strive for good grades, set the bar high for yourself

Number 3 – Stay on campus as much as possible

Number 2 – Seek help when you need it
And the *Number One* hint for all incoming freshmen...

Study! Study! Study!

Hynes opened his remarks to the incoming class of 2014 by congratulated them on starting on the path towards college graduation, noting that the ceremony, complete with the faculty appearing in their academic regalia was, in effect, the first part of a set of bookends for freshmen.

"We introduce you here to this academic enterprise, and then, four years later, to graduation," he said. "It is vital that you view this ceremony as the start of your progression to graduation."

Hynes also had a few words about Clayton State for the new students.

"This is a very good place to be every day," he said. "Our faculty can all say they're here to make a difference. All of our success starts on campus with our faculty, staff and students."

As it turned out, Hynes wasn't the only speaker to focus on some aspects of student success. Before his keynote address, returning Clayton State student Annisa Sivil had some words of advice for the freshmen that tracked closely to what Hynes would later list in his Top 10.

"If the faculty see that you are driven to succeed, they're very willing to help," said Sivil. "Time management and organizing your priorities are the key for freshmen."

In his charge to the entering class following Hynes' remarks, Dr. Brian L. Haynes, vice president for Student Affairs, also spoke on the importance of involvement and academics, emphasizing the need for freshmen to get involved in on-campus organizations (there are almost 80 now at Clayton State), to network (including the use of Facebook and the like) and to focus on academics early on in their college careers.

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President Hynes' Inauguration Scheduled for September 30 to October 2

Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., will be inaugurated as Clayton State University's fourth president during a three-day celebration from Thursday, Sept. 30, 2010 to Saturday, Oct. 2, 2010.

The actual Investiture Ceremony for Hynes will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 1, in the University's Athletics & Fitness Center.

A complete schedule of events will be published later, as will the official presidential inauguration website. ■

Event Schedule for Clayton State's Welcome Week

As a way to welcome Clayton State University's new and returning students to campus, the University's Department of Campus Life's annual "Welcome Week" is set for Monday, Aug. 16 through Friday, Aug. 20.

"The purpose of Welcome Week is to provide events, programs and information for students that will enhance their chances of excelling in and outside of the classroom," says Lakiesha Cantey, assistant director of Campus Life. "The week will feature several events and programs that will make new and returning students' college transition and experience memorable and productive."

Monday, Aug. 16 and Tuesday, Aug. 17

Ask Me! Program - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Volunteers will be placed in high traffic areas around campus to welcome new and returning students, assist with campus navigation, and distribute information about upcoming events.

Tuesday, Aug. 17

Student Part-Time Job Fair - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., James M. Baker University Center Main Street

Coffee Hour - 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Baker Center, room 268; and 5 p.m. - 6 p.m., Baker Center second floor Loft

Boot Camp Stamp - 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., Student Activities Center; Students will have the opportunity to create a personalized dog tag. Free for Clayton State University students.

All I See is Colors & Letters: What Does It Really Mean? Greek Q & A - 6:30 p.m., Student Activities Center, Ballroom B & C

Wednesday, Aug. 18

The Center for Academic Success provides information, resources, games and a little welcome treat - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Baker Center Main Street

Disability Resource Center Information Table - 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Baker Center Main Street

Laker Luau - 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., Laker Hall Pavilion

Second Annual King of the Court Basketball Competition - 6 p.m., Student Activities Center Basketball Courts

Thursday, Aug. 19

Student Involvement Fair - 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Student Activities Center Green; rain location: Student Activities Center Ballroom; exploring what the on-campus departments and more than 70 Clayton State student organizations have to offer.

Student Involvement Showcase - 7 p.m. - 9 p.m., Student Activities Center

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Brazilian Consul General Visits Clayton State University

The Consul General of Brazil for the southeastern United States, Ambassador Adalnio Ganem, recently visited Clayton State University for a traditional Brazilian lunch and to discuss a series of initiatives between Clayton State, the Consulate General of Brazil and Brazilian institutions.

According to Clayton State Director of International Programs John Parkerson, among those initiatives are Fulbright scholar opportunities, student and faculty exchange programs, study abroad programs, and research and cultural collaborations. In addition, Ambassador Ganem has agreed to speak in February 2011 as part of the Clayton State School of Business' on-going Jim Wood speaker series.

Pictured in the accompanying photo are: (left to right) Cele Blair, assistant to the director of International Programs; Dr. Robert Vaughan, associate provost; Dr.



Nasser Momayezi, dean of Arts & Sciences; Dr. Celeste Walley-Jean, professor of Psychology; Ambassador Adalnio Ganem, consul general of Brazil; Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., Clayton State president, Robert L. "Steve" Stephens, vice president for External

Relations, John Mascariolo, director of Logistics Practices and assistant professor of Supply Chain Management; and John Parkerson, director of International Programs. ■

Rex Duke is Thankful for an Afghan Dog

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University Public Safety Captain Rex Duke is extremely proud of his son, Chris.

A Coweta County firefighter, Chris Duke has been in the news recently in the aftermath of his return from Afghanistan, where he was Sgt. Christopher Duke of the Bravo Co., Georgia National Guard's 48th Infantry Brigade.

The younger Duke made headlines (and YouTube) with his story of three stray dogs that saved 50 soldiers in his barracks from a suicide bomber on Feb. 11, 2010, by attacking said bomber before he could get inside. Although five soldiers were injured in the subsequent blast, which took place in the doorway instead of inside the barracks, no one was killed, thanks to the efforts of Sasha, Rufus and Target. On his part, Chris Duke pulled a lot of strings with the help of Puppy Rescue Mission, to have Rufus and Target (Sasha had to euthanized after the blast) brought to the United States. Rufus, who like Sgt. Duke has



Sgt. Chris Duke (CBS)



Rufus (CBS)

recuperated from his injuries, is now living in Franklin, Ga., with the Dukes.

Here's Rex Duke's side of the story...

"Having just returning from Iraq myself in 2006, I can say it is much easier to leave and go into a combat zone than it is to send one of your children," he says.

"When I heard that he had been injured by a suicide bomber, you could only imagine how helpless I felt. Then I heard that he and his fellow soldiers in the building had been saved by a dog. I immediately thought how thankful I was that they had a trained bomb dog nearby and he must have alerted on the explosives carried by the suicide bomber."

Except, that's not exactly what happened. When Chris Duke called his father a couple of days later to say he was OK, he explained that they were untrained, stray dogs.

"I was amazed and even more amazed and thankful," says Rex Duke. "Chris said

when the suicide bomber entered the doorway the dogs went crazy barking, and Chris's favorite dog, Rufus, bit the assailant on the leg... Then there was an explosion in the doorway."

Rufus was also injured in the explosion, but, as Chris also explained to his father, Rufus had been previously ran over by a vehicle and shot prior to this incident.

"It was amazing he (Rufus) was even still alive," says Duke. "And then to survive an explosion at that distance..."

Rex Duke came to Clayton State's Department of Public Safety in 2004. He was called away to serve in Iraq in December 2004 and returned again to Clayton State in June 2006. Prior to coming to Clayton State, Duke spent 20 years in the police field, three years in the Marines and retired in 2007 from the National Guard with more than 18 years of service. He also served as the temporary director of the Clayton State Office Public Safety for the University in 2007 and 2008, prior to Chief Bobby Hamil's appointment.

Update: Chris Duke was in New York recently with Rufus to appear on the Fox news channel with Mike Huckabee. The piece is supposed to air on Thursday, Aug. 19. ■

Clayton State Revises Policies Regarding Weapons on Campus

Clayton State University prohibits weapons on campus. Pursuant with changes enacted as a result of the passage of SB 308 also referred to as Georgia's Common Sense Lawful Carry Act (www.legis.state.ga.us/legis/2009_10/summary/sb308.htm), Clayton State has revised its policies regarding weapons on campus (see below).

The campus is defined by the law to include the campus boundary as well as property leased by or loaned to the University for University functions, events and activities. OCGA 16-11-127.1(b). (http://www.legis.state.ga.us/legis/2003_04/gacode/16-11-127.1.html) and

www.georgiapacking.org/GaCode/?title=16&chapter). This prohibition extends to all faculty, staff, students, and visitors.

Weapons Prohibited on Campus: Weapons, Firearms, Explosives, and Incendiary Devices

1. It is against university policy for anyone (including students, faculty, staff, or visitors) to possess any type of firearm, or weapon as defined by O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-127.1(a)(2), at the following: any university function, whether held on or off campus; inside any facility owned or leased by the university; inside any vehicle used by the University to provide

transportation for students or employees; and during any pedestrian travel on property owned or leased by the university. The only persons exempted from this policy are those specifically identified in either O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-127.1(c) or in O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-130. If any such item is required for academic course work, or other official university purposes, it must be appropriately used and stored in accordance with campus policy and/or Federal and State regulations.

2. Possessing, selling, furnishing or using any poisonous, corrosive, or volatile sub-

Across the Campus...

Alumni Association

One of the Clayton State Alumni Association's most popular annual events is Clayton State Night at the Atlanta Braves. For 2010, the Alumni Association will sponsor Clayton State Night at Turner Field on Friday, Aug. 27. First pitch will be at 7:35 p.m., as Atlanta faces off against National League East rival Florida Marlins. A fireworks show will follow the Friday night contest. The tickets will be located in the Upper Box for \$16 per person. Dues-paying Alumni Association members will have the opportunity to purchase tickets at a discounted rate of \$12 per person. Tickets are limited, and they always go fast for this Alumni Association event, so please RSVP as soon as possible. For more information about purchasing tickets, please contact Gid Rowell, director of Alumni Relations, at (678) 466-4477 or by email at gidrowell@clayton.edu. Tickets may be purchased online at <https://adminsystms2.clayton.edu/foundation/alumni>.

CID

CID's Lou Brackett, is a non-traditional graduate student working with Educational Specialist Joel Walker at the National Archives in Morrow on a project involving World War I draft cards. Brackett is using her background in tech-

nology to create scanned duplicates of about 400 of the original draft cards to be used in a traveling trunk that can be taken to middle and high schools for educational purposes. Walker will take the finished product to any school within a two-hour drive of Morrow.

Graduate Studies

The Clayton State University School of Graduate Studies next open house will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 14. The open house will run from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in room 101 of the University's Harry S. Downs Center. The Clayton State School of Graduate Studies typically holds open houses on the second Tuesday evening of each month. This month's open house will provide information on the newest Clayton State graduate program, the Master of Science in Psychology, in addition to giving prospective graduate students the chance to learn more about the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, Master of Arts in Teaching English, Master of Arts in Teaching Mathematics, Master of Business Administration (which now has cohorts meeting in Peachtree City and Conyers, in addition to the Clayton State campus), Master of Health Administration, Master of Science in Nursing and Master of Archival Studies. For more information on the open house,

including application information for Clayton State's eight masters programs, call (678) 466-4113, or email graduate@clayton.edu or go to the School of Graduate Studies website, <http://graduate.clayton.edu/>.

Library

Dr. Gordon Baker, dean of Libraries at Clayton State, was recently featured on the GALILEO website as an endorser for the GALILEO program. He says, "GALILEO is the most useful resource that librarians and all the citizens in Georgia have! Whether you're a kindergarten student or an adult pursuing your graduate degree, GALILEO has resources to help you."

President's Office

Clayton State President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., will host an open budget meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 17 at 3 p.m. in Spivey Hall for faculty and staff.

Recreation & Wellness

The Department of Recreation & Wellness is pleased to announce the results of its Department vs. Department Challenge, "60 Miles in 60 Day. This campus wide departmental challenge was

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Clayton State – East to Host Continuing Education Classes

The Clayton State University Center for Continuing Education will be holding classes at the Clayton State – East facility, 5823 Trammell Road, Morrow, starting in September 2010.

Located just to the east of the University's main campus, Clayton State – East will be hosting a wide variety of continuing education (CE) evening and Saturday classes, starting on Sept. 11, 2010 and running through Nov. 30, 2010.

Among the featured CE programs at Clayton State – East in September are; Event and Meeting Planning, HTML, Web Design, Voiceover Certificate and Project Management. More high-tech course will be added for October, including JavaScript, Dreamweaver and Digital

Photography. You can also prep for the SAT or how to start your own importing and exporting business. November will add in Fireworks for the Web.

For more information, go to the Center for Continuing Education website at <http://conted.clayton.edu/>, or call (678) 466-5055. ■



Rockdale MBA Cohort is Ready for the 2010/2011 Academic Year

Just one semester after its official roll-out, Clayton State's East Metro Atlanta MBA program is preparing for the start of its first full academic year.

Having started with a cohort of 19 students in May 2010, the Clayton State School of Business' East Metro Atlanta MBA program is based at the Rockdale Career Academy, 1064 Culpepper Dr., Conyers, Ga. The East Metro Atlanta MBA, a 20-month, five semester program, is one of three such programs of the School of Business, joining the main campus (in Morrow) and the Clayton State – Fayette instructional site (in Peachtree City) cohorts.

"We are delighted to have these students as part of the Clayton State family," says Dr. Judith Ogden, the newly-appointed director of the Clayton State School of Business MBA program. "They bring so much to our MBA program, and provide an opportunity for us to spread out into the communities. Clayton State is really becoming the University of choice for the southern Atlanta metropolitan area."

The 19 members of the Rockdale Academy cohort started their MBA-journey in May with courses in Communications and Leadership, Operations and Supply Chain

Management, and Quantitative Methods. Starting next month, with the August to December fall semester, they'll be tackling Economics and Decision Making Under Uncertainty.

One thing that's not uncertain is the success of the East Metro Atlanta program. Plans are already underway to add a second cohort in Rockdale County, starting in May 2011. Individuals interested in applying for the May 2011 cohort at the Rockdale Career Academy should contact michelleterrell@clayton.edu, or call (678) 466-4520. ■

Clayton State Takes Part in Clayton County Schools' Annual Day One Program

At least 20 Clayton State University faculty, staff and administrators served as volunteers in the annual Day One program for the Clayton County School District. In addition, some 70 Clayton State students visited 13 schools as part of the yearly event, held on Monday, Aug. 9.

In addition to providing the community an opportunity to welcome students as they return to school, hand out pencils supplied by the school system, and give them a word of encouragement as they begin another school year, Day One also serves as the Clayton County Public School's kick-off for recruiting volunteers for the year.

Clayton State's faculty/staff contingent for Day One was spread throughout the county, at the elementary, middle school and high school level, starting with President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., who greeted students at Forest Park Middle School, along with Dr. Elaine Manglitz, assistant vice president of Student Affairs. Near by at Forest Park High School were the dean of the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences, Dr. Lila Roberts and Dr. Christine Smith, director of Counseling and Psychological Services. Some of the schools the students visited included:

Morrow Elementary School, Babb and Morrow Middle Schools, and Forest Park, Morrow, Mt. Zion and Jonesboro High Schools.

"This makes a powerful statement for our shared commitments to the success of student learning throughout the county," says Hynes of Clayton State's participation in the program.

Other Clayton State administrators participating in Day One included deans Dr. Lisa Eichelberger (Marshall Elementary) and Dr. Nasser Momayezi (Babb Middle School). Vice President of External Relations Robert "Steve" Stephens visited Morrow High School and Assistant Vice President of Auxiliary and Administrative Services Carolina Amero went to McGarrah Elementary. The Clayton State Athletic Department was represented by the University's first and only Athletic Director, Mason Barfield, at Mt. Zion Elementary. Director of Development Reda Rowell, who organized Clayton State's participation in Day One, visited Jackson Elementary.

Additional Clayton State faculty and staff visited Haynie Elementary, Jonesboro High School, Morrow Elementary, and Charles Drew High School. ■

Clayton State Helps Out with Annual Tomato Sandwich Party

The Good Shepherd Clinic's eighth annual Tomato Sandwich Party (TSP) fund raiser, held on Saturday, Aug. 7 at the new Morrow Center, had a Clayton State feel.

Beginning eight years ago, when the annual clinic fund raiser originated in the back yard of Clayton State Foundation Trustee Jim Wood and Clayton State Emeritus Professor Dr. Martha Wood's



home, TSP has always had Clayton State ties. Currently, Clayton State head cross country and track

coach Mike Mead serves on the Board of Directors for the Clinic (and does for them as well), as does Assistant Professor of Nursing Susan Walsh, as well as Jim Wood, who is also the only remaining original trustee of the Clayton State University Foundation.

The Mission of the Good Shepherd Clinic, located at 6392 Murphy Dr., Morrow, is to provide primary medical care to uninsured residents of Clayton County. ■

Clayton State Students Create Video Based on Turkey Study Abroad Program

Two Clayton State University School of Business students have created a video documenting the University's first Maymester study abroad trip to the nation of Turkey.

Dana Sweatt and Sarah Satcher returned from their May 2010 trip to Turkey determined to do more than just fulfill the course requirement to make a presentation about their experience. Perhaps, according to Clayton State Director of International Programs, they were spurred on by the success of the trip.

"It was the most successful study abroad trip ever for Clayton State: 17 students, mostly MBA students; three Turkish students as student-guides; faculty members Dr. Diane Prince and Dr. Micheal Deis; and my assistant, Cele Blair," says Parkerson in recounting the trip.

Or perhaps, when you have two such outstanding students, creative ideas come naturally.

"Both Dana and I share the interest of travelling to different places, and before

we went to Turkey we came up with the idea to document our trip via video, so that we could use a video for our presentation," says Satcher. "I made and edited the video, and the whole concept of the video was Dana's idea."

Satcher is currently a junior in the School of Business, majoring in Marketing. She reports that they also have a website that goes along with the video and gives a more in-depth look into the trip, including the curriculum, the places toured, and the people they met.

"Dana made the website that goes with the video," says Satcher, reporting that the URL is <http://www.wix.com/dspsvs/sand>. "We are more than happy to share our presentation with everybody so that they can experience at least a little bit of the Turkey that we experienced."

The video is on the website under the "About Me" page. There are also plans to put the finished video on YouTube and link to the Clayton State Office of International Programs website, <http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/oip/>.

Sweatt is an undergraduate pre-business major who initially attended Clayton State University's Clayton State – Fayette instructional site in Peachtree City. A "non-traditional" student, meaning it has been more than five years since she graduated from high school, Sweatt's ultimate goal is to earn her MBA, a program that is also available at Clayton State – Fayette.

"What initially attracted me to Clayton State was the new Peachtree City site," she says. "My first semester in PTC provided a comfortable re-entry back into school, a challenging curriculum, quality professors and a helpful staff. Differences were embraced as the norm and Clayton State's faculty helped with scheduling and advising that best fit my needs. My reservations about going back to school quickly faded." ■

Clayton State Student Appears on CNN Program

by T.C. Cox, University Relations

Rising Clayton State University senior Stephanie Cooper appeared on a CNN television program last Saturday, July 24, as part of a panel of four students from four of Georgia's Universities.

The program, hosted by CNN anchor T.J. Holmes, was on "Voices of Youth on Race." The discussion stemmed from race related events recently in the news.

"As I walked into the downtown CNN studios and checked into their security desk it was pretty surreal. I was somewhat nervous about what was to come, but ready for every moment of the ride. I loved every minute of the process,

everything from the quaint powder room to being 'miked' on a surprisingly quiet live set," says Cooper.

Cooper reported that the overall experience of being live on CNN was eye-opening and motivating. As a Communication and Media Studies major at Clayton State, seeing the inner workings of a major television network was an exciting learning experience for Cooper. She noted that all the professionals there were open to questions about their work.

"The host, T.J. Holmes, was laid back and funny. He made everyone feel completely at ease with the cameras," says Cooper, who adds that she was glad that Holmes

opened the opportunity to discuss racism and the way this generation is affected by it.

"We still have a struggle that we need to overcome. I know that the civil rights struggle for me is accessibility to resources to get further in life," says Cooper.

Cooper, an Atlanta native, also says the CNN experience was one of the best of her life. Clayton State Student Media Advisor L. Michelle Hayes recommended Cooper for the opportunity, in part because Cooper had just finished a course on Interracial Communication, and had also attended the Diversity Conference at Clayton State. ■

Clayton State Holds Reception for First Presidential Scholars

Clayton State University President Dr. Thomas J. “Tim” Hynes, Jr., Interim Provost Dr. Micheal Crafton, all four of the University’s deans, and several additional Clayton State administrators, took some time out from their preparations for the upcoming fall 2010 semester to officially welcome the University’s first five Presidential Scholars at a reception in the President’s Board Room on Thursday, Aug. 12.

The honorees at the reception were incoming Clayton State freshmen Kathleen Barbosa, Khalea Crowe, Kirk Muse, Sotheavy Vann and their families. Presidential Scholar Tawan Holmes, who was travelling in New York, was unable to attend the event, but was nonetheless noted for his status as one of Clayton State’s best and brightest.



Clayton State President Dr. Tim Hynes, Kirk Muse, Sotheavy Vann, Khalea Crowe, Kathleen Barbosa and Honors Program Director Dr. Adam Tate.

This new program consists of four-year presidential scholarships that continue annually so that in four years Clayton State will have approximately two dozen

honors students on presidential scholarships. The Presidential Scholars will supplement the existing University Honors Program, under the direction of Dr. Adam Tate.

Kirk Muse, One of Clayton State’s First Presidential Scholars

by T.C. Cox, University Relations

Clayton State University recently selected six outstanding high school graduates to be the University’s first Presidential Scholars. Kirk Muse, a resident of Fayetteville, Ga., and a graduate of Whitewater High School, is one of those scholars.

“These students represent the academic best of our incoming freshmen. They are very talented academically, they wrote competitive essays, and they chose Clayton State,” says Clayton State President Dr. Thomas J. “Tim” Hynes, Jr.

“Being one of the first Presidential Scholars is an honor and a pleasure. This will only make me want to work harder and continue striving for success,” says Muse.

Muse is already familiar with Clayton State, as he was a dual enrollment student while a senior at Whitewater High School, attending classes at Clayton

State and receiving both high school and college credit for those classes. He feels that experience will help him adapt to the college life, which he is eager to get into and to begin learning toward his career choice -- creating video games.



Kirk Muse

Muse, who starts as a full-time Clayton State student on Aug. 16, will pursue a B.S. in Computer Science as his major program of study. Clayton State also offers courses in programming and video game design.

“In my (application) essay, I explained how video games can help a person exercise, learn, and have fun doing it. It also brings families together. I want to be an advocate, helping others solve problems through game programming,” says Muse. ■

Crowe, a graduate of Miller Grove High School in Lithonia, plans to major in Business. Holmes, from Westlake High School in Atlanta, has Computer Science in mind. Muse (Whitewater High School), who is already a Dual Enrollment student at Clayton State, is planning on majoring in Liberal Studies with a focus on computer programming and gaming... the same field his father works in. Riverdale High School’s Vann, another dual enrollment student whose sister is a 2008 graduate of the Clayton State College of Health, and Barbosa (Chattahoochee High School in Alpharetta) are Biology majors.

As Presidential Scholars for the 2010-2011 Academic Year (encompassing the fall and spring semesters), each student will receive; an annual university grant, a housing and meal plan grant, and a bookstore award, for a total annual value of approximately \$12,000. These scholarship awards are in addition to any HOPE Scholarship funds for which the students would be eligible. ■

Gun Laws, cont'd. from 3

stances without proper authorization is prohibited on the University campus including any university function, whether held: on or off campus; inside any facility owned or leased by the university; inside any vehicle used by the University to provide transportation for students or employees; and during any pedestrian travel on property owned or leased by the university. If such substances are required for academic course work, or other official university purposes, these must be appropriately used and stored in accordance with campus policy and/or Federal and State regulations.

3. Possessing, selling, furnishing or using any incendiary device without proper authorization is prohibited on campus. This includes any university function, whether held: on or off campus; inside any facility owned or leased by the university; and inside any vehicle used by the University to provide transportation for students or employees.

Students violating these policies will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct for disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion. Staff and faculty violating these policies will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination. Visitors found in violation of this policy will face removal from University facilities or functions and the possibility of other criminal and/or legal action.

Clayton State Director of Public Safety Chief Bobby Hamil provides the follow-

ing FAQs in regard to Senate Bill (SB) 308:

1. Are faculty, staff, students, visitors, or any others on campus, who have weapons carry licenses, now permitted to possess weapons on campus grounds or in campus facilities?

No, unless they fit one of the listed exceptions in O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-127.1(c) or Section 16-11-130, which were not affected by SB 308. However, anyone, including faculty, staff, students, and/or visitors who has a weapons carry license ("weapon" as defined in O.C.G.A. 16-11-127.1(a)(2)), may now enter campus with a weapon in his/her vehicle, but must leave the weapon in the vehicle after parking on campus. It is strongly recommended that any weapons that are lawfully maintained in vehicles be appropriately secured for safety.

2. Prior to passage of SB308, weapons were not permitted within 1,000 feet of campus property boundaries, defined as the "school safety zone". Has that been changed?

Yes, "school safety zone" is now defined by campus property lines. There is no longer an additional 1,000 feet boundary, within which weapons are not allowed to be possessed.

3. Can anyone with a weapons carry license have the weapon in his/her possession (vehicle), while dropping off or picking up a student on campus?

Yes, with emphasis on having a valid weapons carry license. Additionally, the person in possession of the weapon must be over 21 years of age and not be currently enrolled as a student at Clayton State University.

4. What are the penalties for violations of provisions of SB 308?

It can vary from misdemeanor to felony charges, as well as student/employee disciplinary action. For example, if you have a weapons carry license and enter a university building or walk on university property with the weapon in your possession, you can be charged with a misdemeanor. However, if while doing so, you have the weapon exposed, you could be charged with a felony. If you do not have a weapons carry license and you bring a weapon on campus in any manner, you could also be charged with a felony.

5. What are the requirements for the purchase of a weapons carry license?

- Must be 21 years of age;
- Must not have ever been convicted of a felony, unless an official pardon has since been received;
- Must not be currently subject to any pending proceedings for a felony charge;
- Must not be a fugitive from justice, etc.

For additional restrictions to the issuance of a weapons carry license, refer to SB 308, Section 1-7(b). ■

20 Years of ADA

The Clayton State University Disability Resource Center (DRC) and the Clayton State Student Veterans Association (SVA) hosted a celebration honoring the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26. ■





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“Your freshman year is not like 13th grade,” he said. “However, college will be the best years of your life. There will be a need for time management, but remember to also maximize the moment.”

The Convocation was followed the first opportunity for the freshmen to maximize the moment -- a dinner with the faculty in the University’s James M. Baker Center. ■

Right: The freshmen class gathers in front of Laker Hall before the New Student Convocation



Catching Up With... Former Dual Enrollment Student Noni Carter

by John Shiffert, University Relations

There are approximately 2000 high school students currently enrolled in dual enrollment programs at institutions of the University System of Georgia (USG), thereby earning both high school and college credits.

According to Dr. Mannie Hall, Clayton State University’s director of Academic Outreach, 10 percent of those students, who represent the state of Georgia's best and brightest, are part of the Clayton State dual enrollment program. Counting all students, Clayton State has just 2.2 percent of the USG's total enrollment.

One of the reasons for the success of Clayton State's dual enrollment program is the qualitative approach taken by Hall, who indeed does focus on the best and brightest. Like, for example, Noni Carter.

A 19-year-old resident of Fayetteville who has just finished her freshman year at Harvard University, Carter has already achieved fame beyond her years, thanks to the success of her first

novel, “Good Fortune,” (Simon & Schuster, \$16.99) a work of historical fiction that tells the story of a young slave named Anna and her journey from Africa to America, and her pursuit of freedom... sort of a “Roots” for the 21st Century.

As is the case with most successful authors, Carter has been making the rounds of book signings, TV and radio interviews (Good Day Atlanta, CNN's What Matters, NPR, GPR) and magazine (Black Pearls) stories, so much so that she needs her own website, www.nonicarter.com. In addition, “Good Fortune” recently won its first award -- the Parent’s Choice Gold Award. And although most of the news stories will note her Harvard connection, she received her start in higher education in Clayton State’s dual enrollment program.

“Noni was one of my full-time, two-year Dual Enrollment students on our main campus,” Hall recalls. “She is very talented, unique, and capable, although it is true that many minority Dual Enrollment students attend the Ivy League schools. This is a noteworthy outcome generated from a

qualitative Dual Enrollment Program approach versus a quantitative approach. Much work went on behind the scenes to help this early college student succeed and move on to an Ivy League education.

“We are certainly producing more than just numbers. The full time dual enrollment students are quite remarkable and their achievements are uniquely unusual, especially the two-year full time dual enrollment students.”

Carter has been in the public eye in Boston, Atlanta and nationally. In Boston, she interviewed on the NPR show “On Point” with Tom Ashbrook, and was featured in the Harvard Crimson. In Georgia, she’s made the rounds to Georgia Public Radio and three local network affiliates. Nationally, she was just profiled in Black Pearls, which referred to her as the Alex Haley of this generation. And, of course, she's done a book signing at the high school that helped launch her dual enrollment career, Sandy Creek High School in Tyrone. ■

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

Student Part-Time Job Fair

UC Main Street
Tuesday, August 17, 2010
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Clayton State:
Recruitment and Admissions
Processing Support Staff (Imaging)
Morrow, GA
Part Time

Arch Chemicals
Lab Technician
Conley, GA
Full Time

Pampered Chef
Pampered Chef Independent Consultant
Atlanta, GA
Full Time, Part Time

Employer Information Sessions
Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
RSVP is Required

Aug. 31
UC Room 265
Association of County Commissioners

Sept. 14
UC Room 265
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Sept. 21
UC Room 265
TBA

Oct. 19
UC Room 265
TBA

On-Campus Recruiting

Employers will be on Main Street in the University Center.

Tuesday, Aug 24th
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
• Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities
• Sherwin-Williams Company

Internship News

Seeking an internship? Contact Bridgette McDonald, Associate Director of Career Services at bridgettemcdonald@clayton.edu or (678) 466-5400.

Announcements

▪ The Office of Career Services NEVER releases your Clayton State email address to employers. Many students have reported receiving unsolicited emails that offer employment opportunities. These are sent by people – not

real employers - who randomly access student email accounts. Many of these "opportunities" are work-at-home scams.

- Do not pay anyone a fee for the opportunity to work. Such promotions might be illegal or unethical. For real employment opportunities, check Laker CareerZone or contact the Office of Career Services.
- Career Services is now on Facebook! Login to Clayton State University Career Services and become a fan to get updates about upcoming Career Services events!

Walk-In Resume Review

Come to Career Services every Wednesday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Bring a printed copy of your resume. Remember, first come, first served.

Welcome Week, cont'd. from 2

Green; rain location: Student Activities Center Ballroom; student organization performances ranging from the fraternities and sororities, cultural groups to the Clayton State Cheerleaders.

Glow In the Dark Party -- 9 p.m. - 2 a.m., Student Activities Center Ballroom

Friday, Aug. 20

Get Involved -- 1 p.m. – 4 p.m., Student Activities Center Green; an event that will push students to their athletic limit. Students will overcome obstacle courses, tackle twister composition and endure inflatable fun. ■



Students taking morning courses make their way to class on the first day of fall semester.

Career Services Workshops and Events for Fall 2010

Student Part-time Job Fair

Tuesday, August 17
University Center (UC)
Main Street and Presidential Plaza
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Students have the opportunity to learn about job openings with local employers and on-campus departments. Employers and departments can meet students for the first contact that might lead to an employment match.

Graduate School Workshop

Thursday, September 2
11:30 a.m. - UC 265
5:15 p.m. - UC 272
Should you consider graduate school? How do you find the right program? What is involved with applying to graduate school? When should you start? What do they mean by GRE, CV, and personal statement? Students can learn answers to these and other questions by participating in the Graduate School Workshop.

Secrets to Finding a Federal Government Job

Thursday, September 9
11:30 a.m. - UC 265
5:15 p.m. - UC 272
The good news is that the Federal Government is hiring. The bad news is that finding those open positions can be a challenge. This workshop clarifies some of the ways to locate the open positions, especially the student positions that more easily lead to permanent employment.

Secrets to Applying for a Federal Government Job

Thursday, September 16
11:30 a.m. - UC 265
5:15 p.m. - UC 272
The Federal Government offers well-paid jobs with great benefits and opportunities for advancement. Many people never apply for these positions because the task is so daunting. This workshop is designed to remove some of the confusion about the application process including the hiring timeline, the federal resume, and writing KSA's.

ABC's of Finding an Internship

Thursday, September 23
11:30 a.m. - UC 265

5:15 p.m. - UC 272
Many students wait until the last minute to seek their required internships, thinking that Career Services will "place" them with organizations. This workshop educates students to think differently. Students learn the eligibility requirements, how and when to search for internships, forms that need to be completed, and other tools needed to be successful in finding an internship.

Internship/Non-Profit Job Fair

Tuesday, September 28
University Center Main Street
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Students have the opportunity to network with employers and on-campus departments who offer internships in a variety of academic areas.

Career Boot Camp

Mon – Thurs, October 11-14
This four-day series covers workshops on resume-development, interviewing, conducting a job search, and making the most of a job fair. Students must pre-register for Career Boot Camp and will receive a certificate and a gift for successful completion. Each topic will be offered during the day and repeated in the evening.

Resume Writing

Monday, October 11
11:30 a.m. Lecture Hall B-14
5:15 p.m. UC 272

Job Search

Wednesday, October 13
11:30 a.m. Lecture Hall B-14
5:15 p.m. UC 272

Interviewing

Tuesday, October 12
11:30 a.m. Lecture Hall B-14
5:15 p.m. UC 327

Career Fair

Thursday, October 14
11:30 a.m. Lecture Hall B-14
5:15 p.m. UC 327

Networking 101

Wednesday, October 20
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Student Activity Center Ballroom
Networking is the process of developing

professional relationships in industries and organizations of interest to you. It is the "human aspect" of the job search that helps to connect job seekers with the numerous positions that are never advertised. During this session, students will learn about networking and have a chance to practice networking skills.

Practice Interview Day

Thursday, October 21
9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (by appointment)
Career Services Office (STC 250)
Students gain valuable experience by having a practice interview with an employer. The employer conducts a realistic practice interview and then provides feedback about the student's interviewing skills. Students must schedule practice interview times in advance. Limited appointment times are available.

Senior Career Academy

Mon – Thurs, October 25 - 28
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Student Center 267
The Senior Career Academy is a week-long program designed to help graduating seniors focus their career searches and develop skills needed for career success. Seniors receive individualized assistance and have opportunities to network with a select group of employers.

Dress for Success

Tuesday, November 2
11:30 a.m. UC 272
5:15 p.m. - UC 327
You get one chance to make your first impression! This workshop helps you discover what is the correct attire to wear for an interview and for other professional situations.

Business Etiquette Luncheon

Thursday, November 4
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. - Student Activities Center Ballroom
Purchase tickets in advance from Career Services (limited number of tickets)
The Business Etiquette Luncheon provides students an opportunity to learn about effective networking and appropriate dining etiquette for a variety of professional situations. Participants eat a multi-

course meal while the leader guides them through the etiquette of using tableware, managing different courses, and responding professionally during business dining.

Career Opportunities Job Fair

Wednesday, November 10

Cobb Galleria

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Career Opportunities is a statewide job fair for students and graduates from more than 20 small colleges and universities.

Employers who might not visit each of the campuses will gather for this opportunity to network with hundreds of students from across the state. Students and graduates can learn about opportunities, network with employers, and make the personal contact that might lead to an interview or employment.

Employer Information Sessions

11:30 a.m.

August 31

September 21

September 14

October 19

All Sessions in Room 265

This series of sessions provides students with opportunities to learn about career and internship opportunities with a variety of organizations. The list of participating employers will be listed on the Career Services website.

Walk-In Resume Review

10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Every Wednesday

Parking and Traffic Information For the Fall 2010 Semester

In a message addressed to all Clayton State new students, faculty, staff, and the public, University Director of Public Safety Chief Bobby Hamil notes that, with each new semester, but especially in the fall, there is an increase in campus traffic congestion and parking questions.

“This is primarily due to the addition of many new persons to our campus community who are not yet familiar with the traffic flow and parking lots,” he says. “In an effort to minimize the confusion, especially with the presence of much construction on campus, the following information is being provided...”

For those entering campus via Clayton State Boulevard, upon approaching the intersection with Caldwell Drive, you will see a temporary detour sign directing traffic to Snelling Drive in attempt to alleviate traffic congestion and for easier access to parking lots E, F, G, H, and the Faculty/Staff lot adjacent to the ongoing construction of the Arts & Sciences Annex. However, lots C and D will still be accessible from Caldwell Drive if you prefer to park in either of those lots. There is no thru traffic allowed on Caldwell Drive beyond the D lot, due to the construction.

Be mindful that lots C, D, E, F, G, and H can fill up quickly at peak class times. A suggestion is to consider parking in lots K or L adjacent to the tennis courts if you are driving on campus at peak times or otherwise have difficulty finding a parking space. It may not be the most convenient location for you, but there are usually

plenty of vacant parking spaces in those lots at any time, and it is only a brief walk from there to any location on campus.

Campus maps, including parking lots and street names, can be found at: <http://www.clayton.edu/maps.htm>.

Public Safety has also placed directional signs to Clayton State -- East at strategic locations around the main campus boundaries for those driving there to attend classes. If you prefer to walk there from the main campus, a lighted secure pedestrian walkway is directly accessible to Clayton State-East from near the E parking lot adjacent to the Facilities Management Building.

Although the various construction projects on campus cause some disruptions, they should also be viewed as necessary signs of progress in future developments to further enhance the quality of our academic community.

Lastly, although parking can be a stressful situation, Hamil asks that everyone; students, faculty, staff and the public, adhere to the campus parking rules and regulations, which can be found at the Department of Public Safety website (<http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/>). Hard copies can also be obtained at the Public Safety office in the Student Center.

“Any questions, concerns, or suggestions are encouraged to be brought to our attention,” he says. “We appreciate everyone’s cooperation in helping to maintain a safe and secure campus.” ■

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launched in order to create some healthy competition for Clayton State University employees. The contest generated a lot of energy and was extremely close throughout the entire 60 days. The top five milers were; Kyle Hensel (157.3), Robert Holmes (146), Carolina Amero (136), Danielle Davis (116), and Atawanna Royal (110.5). The department winner was; the School of Business-Small Business Development Center (team captain-Alisa Kirk). ■

Life's Transitions

David Lee, 40, of Stockbridge, Ga., who graduated from Clayton State in 1996 with his Associate's Degree and then came back for his BSN in 2007, passed away on July 25, 2010. He was vacationing at St. Joe Beach in Florida when he was struck and killed by lightning.

At the time of his death he was an RN at Henry Medical Center and had recently been promoted to Director of the Picc Line Unit.

Funeral services were conducted on Friday, July 30, 2010 at the Chapel of Haisten Funeral Home in McDonough.

Petersen Welcomes Nine Newcomers

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

Clayton State head men's soccer coach Pete Petersen has announced the additions of nine newcomers to the Laker fold for the 2010 season.

The 2010 Clayton State men's soccer recruiting class consists of two forwards, four midfielders, a defender and two goalkeepers. In addition, the Lakers will also welcome the services of forward Deni Lulic to the squad this season. A former NJCAA All-American at Tyler (Texas) Junior College, Lulic was recruited last season to Clayton State, but had to take an NCAA redshirt season.

Normally a midfielder, Lulic will move up top to forward this season and join returning juniors Leighton Fredericks and Ryan Pugh in giving the Lakers a lethal scoring combination. Clayton State is coming off an 11-6-1 mark in the 2009 season, including 5-2-1 in the Peach Belt Conference.

"We have a solid group of juniors and seniors for the upcoming season," says Petersen, who is 69-32-15 entering his seventh season at the Clayton State helm. "However, these nine can plug in some key holes, especially at goalkeeper and midfield."

Replacing All-Peach Belt Conference and All-Southeast Region goalkeeper David Cristofoli was a top priority for Petersen during the off-season. Aiming to step up are a pair of transfers – Brian Garcia from NJCAA power Georgia Perimeter and Ryan Edwards from NAIA power Berry.

Garcia, a junior from Jonesboro, Ga., was a two-year starter at Georgia Perimeter. He garnered NJCAA All-Region honors last season as a sophomore, helping pace Georgia Perimeter to the NJCAA National Championship game. In his two seasons at Georgia Perimeter, Garcia had impressive goals-against averages of 0.59 as a freshman and 0.76 as a sophomore.

Edwards, a junior from Douglasville, Ga., lettered two seasons at Berry, starting last season as a sophomore. He helped pace the Vikings to a 12-2-4 mark in Berry's transition from NAIA to NCAA Division III status. Edwards recorded 41 saves, and allowed only eight goals in 1,055 minutes for an impressive 0.68 goals-against average.

Two-time NCCAA All-American Marcel Pries headlines the four newcomers at the midfield area. A native of Porto Alegre, Brazil, Pries transfers to Clayton State from NAIA power Spring Arbor. Petersen looks for Pries to step in and replace Peach Belt co-Player of the Year Kyle Timm at attacking center midfield this season.

Pries scored four goals with five assists for 13 points during his freshman season at Spring Arbor, followed by 14 goals and three assists for 31 points this past season.

In addition to Pries, a trio of talented freshmen join the fold at midfield – Taoufik Belhaj from Rabat, Morocco; Leslie Samuels from Johannesburg, South Africa and Rhys Jukes from Washington, England. Belhaj played for both the Moroccan U-17 and U-19 National Teams.

Two exciting freshmen forwards aim to make an immediate impact offensively for the Lakers this season. Arturo Cruz comes to Clayton State following a celebrated prep career at Atlanta's Riverwood High School, in which he was the Northeast Fulton Player of the Year with 17 goals and 14 assists as a senior in leading the Raiders to the second round of the Class AAA State Playoffs.

In addition, Cruz plays for the prestigious nationally-ranked Atlanta-area club Concorde Fire. The Fire finished seventh in this season's U-18 National Championships, and Cruz was extended an invitation to the United States U-18 National Team training camp.

Also joining the Laker fold is David Duot from Atlanta's Druid Hills High School. Duot scored 13 goals as a senior this season at Druid Hills, and also plays for the U-18 club state champion Gwinnett Soccer Association.

The lone new defender is freshman Kevin Rodriguez from Duluth High School in Duluth, Ga. Rodriguez was a Class AAAAA All-County selection by the Gwinnett Daily Post and a teammate of Cruz with the Concorde Fire.

Clayton State opens the 2010 season on Sept. 3 against Belmont Abbey in the Laker Shootout. ■

Trivia Time

Chutzpah

by John Shiffert, University Relations

It takes chutzpah to claim you've written the Great American Novel. It also takes a fair amount of nerve to try and fool the trivia experts with a question that asks who wrote the Great American Novel (note the lack of quotation marks).

Well, every once and a while you try and throw in a trick question. Although the Clayton State English Department may well object to this, it is true that someone did indeed write "The Great American Novel." It was Phillip Roth back in 1973. And it was indeed entitled "The Great American Novel," as a double entendre on both John William DeForest's 1868 essay on the subject of the great American novel (the first time the phrase was coined) and the subject of the book – the Great American Game... baseball.

Arguably the best piece of fiction ever written about baseball, "The Great American Novel" purports to tell the tale of the Patriot League, a major league that's very existence, and the memory of its existence, have been wiped from the public consciousness due to a scandal based on the Red Scare of the 1950s. It's a dilly of a story, populated with mythological characters (e.g.; Gil Gamesh, John Baal) and absurdities that only a mind like Roth's (who, by the way, clearly knows a lot about baseball and baseball history) could produce.

As for the chutzpah required to ask the question... three trivia experts, Norman Grizzell, Lou Brackett and B.D. Stillion took the question a little too literally (or maybe not literally enough)... with answers like "Tom Sawyer," "The Great Gatsby," etc. However, there was no fooling Rob Taylor, who had the first correct answer (i.e., Phillip Roth). And let's give three Bonus Points each to Kurt-Alexander Zeller (who had the second correct answer and also came up with the chutzpah line) and Dr. David Ludley (even though you'd expect an English professor to know about DeForest... that was his answer.) Doty Bumbalough also came up with Roth's book.

Sticking with DeForest's era... what might have happened if Grant had been drinking at Appomattox? Send your answers, not to Abe Lincoln (he won't reply to email anyway), but to johnshiffert@clayton.edu. ■

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