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Clayton State Holds Third Annual New Student Convocation & Reception

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Some 200 new students, and an equal number of faculty, attended the Aug. 26 Third Annual New Student Convocation at Clayton State University.

Held in the University's world-famous Spivey Hall, the New Student Convocation was, according to Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden, all about student success.

"We are here to help you succeed. We know you can do it," he told the students. "Apply yourself, stay in school, and graduate.

"This is your introduction to Clayton State University, its people and its traditions."

Noting that there were as many faculty present as students, Harden added that the faculty's presence (in academic regalia, it might be noted) was, "indicative of the support of all of our faculty for all of our students."

"This ceremony is designed to inspire, motivate and officially welcome new students to Clayton State University," adds Celena Milner, director of Orientation and New Student Programs, who put together the program. "The Convocation provides an opportunity for students to connect with faculty, staff and classmates."

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President's Message

Support the Faculty/Staff Fund Drive

The annual faculty/staff fund drive has officially begun -- packages were delivered to area coordinators on Thursday, Sept. 4.

I urge you to review the material and consider your contribution to the Clayton State University Foundation. As a campus, you have been incredibly generous in the past, and assisted the foundation with many accomplishments. I hope that you will wear your lapel pin proudly.

The goal this year is \$95,000 with a 95 percent participation rate. We will once again be enjoying a hot dog rally midway through the campaign, on Tuesday, Sept.

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Clayton State Student Body Named "Most Diverse" for the Sixth Time

For the sixth time since 2001, the student body at Clayton State University has topped the Racial Diversity rankings in U.S. News & World Report's America's Best Colleges edition.

Although Clayton State currently has four active masters programs, the 2009 edition of America's Best Colleges, which is based upon the 200/2008 academic year, ranks the University's student population as the most racially diverse among baccalaureate colleges in the southern United States.

Clayton State's 57 percent African-American student body was a significant factor in the U.S. News ranking, but not the only factor. As the magazine notes, "to identify colleges where students are most likely to encounter

undergraduates different from themselves, U.S. News factors in the proportion of minority students -- leaving out international students -- and the overall mix of groups in each institution's 2007-2008 student body." ■



Student Activities Center Dedication Set for September 18

Clayton State University will dedicate its new Student Activities Center on Thursday, Sept. 18 with a by-invitation-only 10 a.m. grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony in the lobby of the new building, located adjacent to the University's soccer field and tennis courts in the southwest quadrant of Clayton State's 163-acre main campus in Morrow. The ceremony will be hosted by Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden and the CSU Foundation Real Estate I LLC.

Although the dedication will take place on Sept. 18, the SAC will be "open for business" on Friday, Sept. 12.

Facts about the SAC:

Funding - a bond project with the

Development Authority of Clayton County the issuing agency. Owned by CSU Foundation Real Estate I LLC, and leased to the University System with the lease payments coming from student activities fees. Total hard cost - \$17 million.

Size - 62,000 square feet.

Facilities - two basketball courts, game room, work-out areas, locker rooms, a small café, a ballroom and offices for student government leaders, the Recreation and Wellness Staff and the Student Affairs staff. ■



Clayton State Presents Fourth Annual Constitution Days

Clayton State University's Fourth Annual celebration of Constitution Days will kick off on Monday, Sept. 8 and run through Friday, Sept. 19, with the help of the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) Southeast Region, and a distinguished (and recently retired) professor of History.

As has become traditional, NARA will help Clayton State with its celebration of Constitution Day by contributing a collection of historical document reproductions on loan from NARA. These documents, including a reproduction of the Constitution, will be on display on Main Street in the James M. Baker University Center from Sept. 8 to Sept. 19. Also on display during Constitution Days will be an 18th Century Women's Clothing display and the Women in the War for Independence display, both in the Clayton State Library.

NARA is also hosting an event on Wednesday, Sept. 17, when Dr. Jamil Zainaldin, president of the Georgia

Humanities Council, will be giving a presentation at 10 a.m. Music for the occasion will be provided by Clayton State University students Stephen Odom, tenor and Wilgens Pierre, trumpet. Tours of the Southeast Region archives will follow the speech and boxed lunches will be provided. NARA is located just up the street from Clayton State at 5780 Jonesboro Rd., Morrow.

The University's Constitution Days celebration will be keynoted by Dr. Eugene Hatfield, Clayton State professor of History (retired), whose address, "The Constitution and Civic Engagement," will be given in room UC 272 of the James M. Baker Center from 2 p.m. to 2:50 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 15.

Other Constitution Days events will include the first New York Times Talk of the semester, on Tuesday, Sept. 9, in room UC 267 of the Baker Center, from 11:10 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. The talk will be on "Gun Rights and the Constitution: National and Local Implications of the Heller Case" and the discussion will be

facilitated by Dean Dr. Nasser Momayezi of the Clayton State College of Arts & Sciences.

The University's traditional reading of the Constitution will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 18, in the Baker Center Commons. Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden will provide the introduction and the Color Guard for the program will be members of Clayton State University R.O.T.C. program. Patriotic music for the reading will be performed by Lianna Wimberly, mezzo-soprano and Wilgrens Pierre on the trumpet. Free copies of the Constitution will be provided and volunteer readers will receive a flag pin. A "Founding Fathers' Constitutional Lunch" will be served by the Lakeside Cafe' for the occasion.

Also scheduled for Monday, Sept. 15, to Friday, Sept. 19, will be a voter registration drive on Main Street of the Baker Center. ■

Corlis Cummings Named Interim Vice President of Business and Operations

Corlis P. Cummings, special assistant to the president/executive in residence at Clayton State University, and formerly the interim chancellor of the University System of Georgia (USG), has been named interim vice president of Business and Operations for Clayton State by President Dr. Thomas K. Harden. Her appointment took effect on Sept. 1, 2008.

Cummings arrived at Clayton State in October 2007. Since joining the University Cummings has assisted in the establishment of the Office of Legal Affairs, served as interim director of Human Resources, and managed various projects on behalf of the president.

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia appointed Cummings to serve as the USG's interim chancellor in August 2005. She took office on Oct. 1, 2005 and remained in that position until present Chancellor Erroll B. Davis, Jr., assumed his duties on Feb. 6, 2006.

Previous to her appointment as interim chancellor, Cummings was the University System's senior vice chancellor for Support Services, an area consisting of the offices of Legal Affairs, Human Resources and the Office of Sponsored Funds and Special Projects. As senior vice

chancellor for Support Services she was responsible for planning, management, and guidance of operational and policy aspects of the programs and services provided by those offices.

Prior to her appointment as senior vice chancellor, she held the position of assistant vice chancellor for Legal Affairs. From 1995 until September 2000, Cummings was an attorney with the Board of Regents, where she handled various transactions for the Regents System Office, University System and institutions. She also has worked closely with the Attorney General's office and other state agencies and departments on various projects and initiatives. Cummings has also served on several statewide committees and steering groups, as well as several University System committees.

From 1991 to 1995, Cummings served as assistant city attorney for the City of Atlanta. Prior to that, she was an associate with the South Carolina law firm of Nelson, Mullins, Riley & Scarborough.

A native of Atlanta, Cummings earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology from the University of Georgia. She attended Washington University School of Law and received



Corlis P. Cummings

her Juris Doctor degree, cum laude, from the University of Georgia. She is a resident of Fayetteville, Ga.

A search will begin this fall for a new Vice President of Business and Operations for Clayton State. ■

John Brooks Named Director of Human Resources

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Missouri's loss is Clayton State University's gain.

John M. Brooks, Jr., human resources manager for the University of Missouri System, has been named director of Human Resources at Clayton State University. A native and lifelong resident of the "Show-Me" state, Brooks is heading south in October, 2008, following a career in human resources in higher education, with the Missouri State Supreme Court, and with the State of Missouri. In addition to his 10-plus years in human

resources, Brooks also brings to Clayton State an equal amount of experience in academic and professional teaching on both the B.S. and MBA levels.

The holder of a B.S. in Criminal Justice Administration/Psychology from Drury University and a Master of Public Administration from Missouri State University, Brooks is an expert on the development of system-level human resources applications, policies and procedures. Indeed, he has recently developed a performance management applica-

tion for the University of Missouri System that is currently used in multiple departments with the intent to go live on a system-wide basis.

As a Human Resources manager for the University of Missouri System in Columbia, Mo., Brooks served across all system divisions and four campuses, including the Division of Student and Academic Affairs, Division of Information Technology, Missouri

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Daniel Pyle to Perform in Spivey Hall September 13



Dr. Daniel Pyle, adjunct instructor of Music Appreciation and Harpsichord for the Clayton State University Department of Music, and music director/organist for

The Church of Our Savior in Atlanta, will be performing in the University's world-famous Spivey Hall on Saturday, Sept. 13.

Pyle's free concert, an organ recital presented by the University's Department of Music, begins at 7:30 p.m., and will feature music of Northern Germany and Scandinavia by Baroque master Dieterich Buxtehude and Commotio by 20th-century Danish composer Carl Nielsen.

As an organist, Pyle has performed in the Netherlands, at the Universities of Kansas and Alabama and LSU, and elsewhere in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, and Kansas. As a harpsichordist, he has played with baroque ensembles in Paris, Amsterdam, the Utrecht Early Music Festival, London's St. Martin-in-the-Fields and the Boston Early Music Festival; and throughout the American Southeast.

The regular harpsichordist and a member of the board of directors for the newly-founded Atlanta Baroque Orchestra, Pyle's recording of Elizabethan music on a lautenwerk, *The Maidens Song*, is available on the Gasparo label (GSCD 334).

His most recent performances include three concertos by Bach: Brandenburg Concerto no. 5 with the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra and Orchestra Atlanta, the Harpsichord Concerto in D minor with the Clayton State University Chamber Orchestra, and the Concerto for Three Harpsichords also with the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra.

Pyle holds bachelor's and master's degrees in organ performance and music history from the University of Alabama, where he was a student of Warren Hutton. His doctorate is from the Eastman School of Music. ■



Dr. Deering in an interview with GPTV.

Kitty Deering Appearing In Documentary for GPTV

by Erin Fender, University Relations

Clayton State University Professor of Psychology Dr. Catherine "Kitty" Deering will appear on an upcoming documentary for Georgia Public Television (GPTV). The date and time is to be announced.

"This is an information piece to educate the public about Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in combat veterans. The journalists are interviewing Vietnam and Iraq war veterans who have posttraumatic stress disorder, political activists, and mental health professionals, such as myself," explains Deering.

Deering has worked with combat veterans who have posttraumatic stress disorder for more than 18 years. She is also currently serving as a consulting psy-

chologist at the Atlanta V. A. Medical Center and has worked there since finishing her pre-doctoral internship there in 1991.

"I felt honored to be a part of this effort to educate the public about an important and serious mental health problem. One of my former trainees at the V. A. gave the journalists my name. It's always nice to be remembered and appreciated by a former student," says Deering.

During her GPTV interview, Deering discussed the signs and symptoms of PTSD, the research regarding the most effective treatments, the impact of PTSD on the family of the veteran, and her opinions about what the public most needed to know about PTSD in combat veterans. She also discussed group psychotherapy, her specialty area.

"It's wonderful to be able to be a voice of hope for people suffering from PTSD. Fortunately, promising new treatments have been developed and some that studies have shown to be effective," expresses Deering. ■

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- Dr. Kitty Deering

Chairman Bell Helps Career Resource Center Open New Facility

Clayton County Commission Chairman Eldrin Bell led a host of officials, VIPs, and representatives of the Atlanta Regional Workforce Board, the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) and Clayton State University at yesterday's official ribbon-cutting and open house for the new Career Resource Center.

The Career Resource Center recently moved from its old location on Arrowhead Boulevard in Jonesboro to a brand new office in suite 350 of 3000 Corporate Center Dr., in Morrow. The Career Resource Center is funded through the Atlanta Regional Workforce Board and ARC and has been managed by the Clayton State University Office of Continuing Education since 1996. The Center, one of five in the metro Atlanta area, serves Clayton, Fayette and Henry



counties as a one-stop center which provides a variety of free basic and advanced services to assist individuals seeking employment, training and education assistance.

The Clayton Center assists local citizens in basic services, which include job matching, resume and cover letter preparation, workshops on interview skills,

how to use a computer, and access to general office equipment to copy, fax and email resumes. Advanced services include counseling for individuals who need additional skills to become employed or return to work, and financial aid planning, including applying for PELL grants, HOPE scholarships, and Workforce Investment Act planning to pay for training. ■



Clayton County Commission Chairman Eldrin Bell and Clayton State Foundation Trustee Randy Hayes wield the scissors for the Career Resource Center ribbon-cutting.

Health & Fitness Management Hosting Study Abroad in Spain, France

by Ciji Fox, University Relations



Clayton State University's Health & Fitness Management program will be hosting a Maymester trip to Barcelona, Spain and Marseille in Provence, France in 2009.

"I hope it will become annual, with potential different cities around the Mediterranean Sea so that we can have students attend the same trip at different locations each May" says Dr. Melanie Poudevigne, program coordinator of Health and Fitness Management.

Students from all majors and classes are encouraged to join the trip, as well as faculty and staff. However, nursing students will find the information extremely pertinent for their studies.

The Mediterranean tour will be centered on the lifestyle and the quality of life in this region. Individuals who take this trip will be able bring back knowledge and ideas that might influence healthier way of living for people in U.S.A., including information on the Mediterranean diet.

"The focus will be not only on cultural, historical, and artistic aspects, it will also focus on the nutrition and health aspects of living around the Mediterranean Sea," says Poudevigne.

The most commonly-understood version of the The Mediterranean diet was presented by Dr. Walter Willett of Harvard University's School of Public Health in the mid-1990s. It is based on what from

the point of view of mainstream nutrition is considered a paradox: that although the people living in Mediterranean countries tend to consume relatively high amounts of fat, they have far lower rates of cardiovascular disease than in countries like the United States, where similar levels of fat consumption are found, Poudevigne explains.

Another reason to consider studying abroad during Maymester is to experience the beauty of language. Clayton State University's students often opt to study Spanish and French as their second language, making Barcelona and Marseille great places to learn and perfect their skills.

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Alumni

Thank you to all who attended the recent ice cream social sponsored by Liberty Mutual. We hope you enjoyed the event! The winner of the lunch box cooler and water bottle is Dianne Graham. Clayton State University has partnered with Liberty Mutual to offer all of the employees a discount on car and home insurance. If you would like to discuss your insurance needs, or if you have questions at any time, please don't hesitate to contact Clayton State Alumni Association President Shawn Nelson at Shawn.Nelson@LibertyMutual.com.

Athletics

Men's and women's soccer both lost their first two games. The men fell to Nova Southeastern (0-2) and Barry (1-2) and the women to Alabama-Huntsville (1-3) and Belmont Abbey (1-2).

Biology

Biology professor Dr. Jared Tagliatalata's appearance on The History Channel's "Evolve" program is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 10 p.m.

Budget

Scott McElroy will be holding a training session for PeopleSoft 8.9 all employees responsible for managing departmental budgets. The session will focus on the same reports that he showed in last year's training session and how to access them in the new version of PeopleSoft that will Go-Live next week. He will also be discussing the Budget Amendment Request form and demonstrate how to complete this form which will still be required to amend any departmental budgets. The training will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 16 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the James M. Baker University Center, room 272. Feel free to invite any of your staff that you feel might benefit from this training. The presentation will be available on the Budget Office website probably the week before the training. Since the new version of PeopleSoft is web based, you can also bring your laptop and follow along in the system.

Campus Life

The Department of Campus Life has been designated as the centralized scheduling

agent for the University Center, the Student Activities Center, and other campus venues, including the Amphitheater. The only exceptions to this policy are for events held in the Continuing Education Building or at an Athletics Department venue. The Department of Campus Life will schedule space for events in the aforementioned areas exclusive of academic courses. However, the department will be responsible for scheduling requests initiated by all external entities, organizations and community groups. To schedule on-campus events please contact the Department of Campus Life at (678) 466-5433.

City of Morrow

Do you want to... meet new people? Share your skills and talents? Have your ideas be recognized? Become part of a community growth project? If you said "yes" to any of these questions, you should become a volunteer at the Morrow Tourist Center. No previous experience necessary! We currently need volunteers for Saturdays, but if you are interested in another day of the week, please give us a call. Volunteer job descriptions and applications may be obtained from the Morrow Tourist Center, 6475 Jonesboro Rd., Morrow, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, please call Clayton State alumna Lauren Singleton at (770) 968-1623.

Clayton Chamber of Commerce

The Clayton County Chamber of Commerce will present "Exporting 101... Is NOW the Time to Export?" from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at the National Archives and Records Administration's Southeast Regional headquarters, 5780 Jonesboro Rd. in Morrow. The event will be followed by a wine reception sponsored by The Honorary Consulate of Hungary. The registration fee is \$35. Registration forms are available to print and fax at www.claytonchamber.org. Fax to (678) 610-4025. Registration fee is payable at the door. Questions -- please call (678) 610-4021.

Counseling Services

Counseling Services cordially invites all faculty and staff to our open house on

Sept. 11 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 pm in Student Center 245. Join us as we give an official "Clayton State" welcome to our new consulting psychiatrist and graduate intern. Additionally, we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the services our office provides.

English

Dr. Susan Copeland's Georgia Historical Quarterly article on German PW Heinz Gaertner is referenced in the Encyclopedia Britannica on-line. Go to <http://original.britannica.com/eb/topic-109354/Cherbourg>.

Graduate Studies

The Clayton State University School of Graduate Studies will be holding its next monthly informational Open House on Tuesday, Sept. 9 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in room 201 of the University's Harry S. Downs Center. The Open House will give prospective graduate students a chance to learn more about the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, Master of Business Administration, Master of Health Administration, and Master of Science in Nursing. The Clayton State School of Graduate Studies regularly holds open houses on the second Tuesday evening of each month.

Grant & Contract Programs

PeopleSoft Financials users can now access the system via the link below. The log-on for the new web-based system is the same as your Employee Self-Service. <https://dfs-fs.gafirst.usg.edu/psp/F280/?cmd=logon>. Contact vickiesmith@clayton.edu if you have questions or require assistance.

History

You're invited to Dr. Eugene A. Hatfield's Thank-you Reception on Monday, Sept. 15, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in room 215 of the Baker Center. Please help us celebrate Dr. Hatfield's 32 years of service at Clayton State University.

Library

Do you have a special hobby, event, or place you'd like to share with your fellow faculty, staff, or students? If you do, the Clayton State Library has two lockable display cases with your name on it! The two displays are located in the Library

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lobby adjacent to the stairs to the lower level of the Library building. We are now accepting reservations for December 2008 and all the 2009 months. If you're interested, please contact Laura Herndon in the Library at lauraherndon@clayton.edu or gordonbaker@clayton.edu.

Music

The Clayton State Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Shaun Amos, will be presenting "PHOS HILARON" by Bruce Neswick at the CMS College Music Society 50th Anniversary National Convention on Sept. 26 in Atlanta. The College Music Society is a consortium of college, conservatory, university, and independent musicians and scholars interested in all disciplines of music. Its mission is to promote music teaching and learning, musical creativity and expression, research and dialogue, and diversity and interdisciplinary interaction. The concert, which is free and open to the public, is to be held at 7:30 p.m. at Sisters' Chapel on the campus of Spelman College. For

more information, go to www.music.org.

Political Science

On Tuesday, Sept. 9 from 11:10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Constitution Days will kick off with this year's first New York Times Talk. Arts & Sciences Dean Dr. Nasser Momayezi will facilitate a discussion about "Gun Rights and the Constitution: National and Local Implications of the Heller Case," to be held in room 267 of the Baker Center. A lunch of pizza and soda will be provided for a limited amount of people.

Registrar

The Office of the Registrar (STC-239) is currently accepting graduation application for students who plan to graduate spring 2009. Please make an appointment with your advisor to complete your graduation application. The deadline for applying for a spring 2009 graduation is Monday, Sept. 15.

School of Business

The School of Business is having a retirement gathering for Dr. George Messer on

Thursday, Sept. 11. There will be an open session from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. for any faculty and staff members who would like to say good-bye to George. The reception will be held in the Capstone Room (just off the lobby) of the new School of Business Building.

Staff Council

Staff Council will again be having the calendar fund raiser for 2009. If your department would like to sponsor a month this year, the cost will remain the same cost, \$100 per month. The calendar will be for 14 months. This will be first come, first serve so be sure to get your request in to either Bob Ward or Karen Born. If you are going to use your department foundation money and need an invoice, Born can print you one.

University System

The August issue of the University System of Georgia's "Value Added" newsletter has been posted at <http://www.usg.edu/pubs/value/>.

Clayton State Homecoming 2008 Plans Announced

by Gid Rowell, Alumni Relations

The 2008/09 academic year at Clayton State University is off to a fast start in what will be a historic year with the opening of Laker Hall.

In the spirit of opening the University's first residential housing facility, Clayton State has announced its dates to officially set out the place mat and welcome alumni, students, faculty/staff and friends to Homecoming 2008 festivities.

This year, homecoming will be Saturday, Oct. 18, and like always, there will be activities and events planned, leading up to the Saturday soccer matches. The Clayton State women's and men's soccer teams will face off against Peach Belt Conference foe Georgia Southwestern University.

In addition to the annual soccer matches, several other homecoming events have been set or are in the planning stages.

Homecoming Saturday will once again start with a long-standing favorite, the Alumni Pancake Breakfast. The Breakfast will be held in the Atrium of the Harry S. Downs Center and is free of charge to alumni, students, faculty/staff and friends of the University.

Following the breakfast, the Alumni Association, along with the support of various schools, colleges and departments, are planning Class Reunions. The Reunions naturally will be open to all respective graduates but will focus on the following class years, 1973, 35 years; 1978, 30 years; 1983, 25 years; 1988, 20 years; 1993, 15 years; 1998, 10 years; and 2003, 5 years.

Along with the traditional Homecoming Coronation Ceremony, other plans for students include a Comedy Show on Thursday evening, Oct. 16 and a Fraternity and Sorority Life Step Show on Friday evening, Oct. 17. Plans for other activities and events will be announced in the coming weeks.

The Clayton State University Foundation Town & Gown Golf Tournament will kick off the week on Monday, Oct. 13 at Crystal Lake Country Club in McDonough, Ga. ■

Clayton State – Fayette Filling its Seats

by John Shiffert, University Relations

It's a good thing that Clayton State University's Peachtree City instructional site, Clayton State – Fayette, had a fourth classroom ready at 12000 Commerce Dr., for the start of the fall 2008 academic year.

According to Dr. Kevin Demmitt, Clayton State assistant vice president of Academic Outreach and the director of Clayton State – Fayette, the University's less-than-a-year old instructional site has a total registered enrollment for all courses of 400 for the semester that opened this past Monday.

"The most significant growth has been the result of word of mouth advertising," he says. "Students are having positive experiences and are telling their friends about us. We provide excellent customer service helping students navigate through the admission process and we have outstanding faculty who are accustomed to working with traditional and non-traditional students."

Clayton State opened the Clayton State – Fayette instructional site in Peachtree City on Nov. 1, 2007. The facility's dedication and ribbon-cutting took place on Dec. 4, 2007 and the University began offering classes on site in January, 2008.

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia has currently approved to following degrees for Clayton State -- Fayette: B.S. Psychology; B.A.S. Administrative Management; R.N. to B.S.N.; B.S. in Integrative Studies; MBA. Degree programs that may be offered in the future pending approval by the Board of Regents include; a B.S. or certificate in Paralegal Studies; the Master of Science in Nursing; and the Master of Health Administration.

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Clayton State – Fayette Offering 20 Continuing Education Courses this Fall

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

Clayton State University's Division of Continuing Education will offer 20 non-credit courses this fall at the Clayton State University --Fayette instructional site in Peachtree City. The courses will be offered during the day and on Saturdays.

"The exciting array of classes are open to anyone ages 16 years and older. The only prerequisite is a desire to learn -- no transcripts or application process is required," says Janet Winkler, director of Continuing Education.

Learn how to become a private investigator, a professional personal trainer, purchase the right franchise, write a winning business plan, become a PMP professional or and Administrative Assistant. Are you interested in learning Spanish or American Sign Language? Have you always wanted to hear your voice on the air?

Clayton State offers continuing education courses to teach you new skills that could lead to a new career, gain hands experience in computer applications, or develop your creativity by learning about digital photography.

"We are offering many of our most popular courses in Peachtree City," says Winkler. "We are also introducing a number of new courses specifically targeting entrepreneurs as a direct result of information provided by the Fayette Chamber of Commerce."

Clayton State University's Center for Continuing Education serves approximately 7,000 students annually in non-credit courses offered online, in a classroom setting and through contract training. The main center is located on the main campus in Morrow with a satellite center that serves the residents in the North Fulton area of Atlanta. In addition, the Career Resource Center operated by Clayton State University in partnership with the Atlanta Regional Commission, provides services to help approximately 23,000 individuals gain workforce training and assistance with finding new jobs. The center is now serving the residents of Fayette County at Clayton State -- Fayette.

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Dental Hygiene Department Holds First “White Coat” Ceremony

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

The Clayton State University Department of Dental Hygiene held its first “White Coat” Ceremony on Monday, Aug. 18. The ceremony was held in room 203 of the Harry S. Downs Center on the Clayton State University Campus.

The purpose of the “White Coat” ceremony is to welcome students to professionalism, explains Dr. Susan Duley, head of the Department of Dental Hygiene

Dr. Karl Haden, founder and president of the Academy for Academic Leadership (AAL), was the keynote speaker to the 56 students in the classes of 2009 and 2010.

“He gave his perspectives on the privileges and responsibilities of the professions and on what the white coat symbolizes,” says Duley. “This is also to impress upon them the importance of when you wear a white coat you have special expectations. The public thinks that you represent a profession, which you do. With the privilege to represent a profession also comes a huge responsibility.”

On this memorable day, dressed in their white coats, the students were led in reciting the Dental Hygiene Oath by senior

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Senior Dental Hygiene students

Clayton State to Provide CEUs for RACO 2008 Atlanta

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University’s long-term ongoing partnership with the National Archives and Records Administration’s (NARA) Southeast Regional Archives will enter a new phase on Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, when the University’s Division of Continuing Education will provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for NARA’s first-ever Atlanta records administration conference.

The Southeast Region has developed a regional version of NARA’s popular national Records Administration Conference (RACO), which is held annually in Washington, DC. The Southeast Region event, RACO 2008 Atlanta, will take place at The Fox Theatre, 660 Peachtree St., NE, Atlanta, on Tuesday, Sept. 9. Entitled “Case Studies in Effective Records Management,” RACO 2008 Atlanta will feature a keynote address by the Archivist of the United States’ lawyer on challenges associated with the management of ephemeral electronic records. The conference will run from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Promising to provide “Strategies for Winning Your E-Records Battles,” RACO 2008 Atlanta also celebrates the fifth

anniversary of the NARA’s regional Records Administration Conferences, which are one-day events on Federal records management issues. Hosted this year by NARA’s Southeast Region, more than 200 records officers, records management and legal professionals, information managers, and information technology professionals from Federal, State, and Local Governments, the Academic Community, and the private sector are expected to attend.

The keynote address, “Gone With The Wind” - Thoughts From the Archivist’s Lawyer on Managing the Government’s Ephemeral Electronic Records, will feature Jason R. Baron, NARA’s director of Litigation and a frequent lecturer and author on e-recordkeeping and e-discovery. His address will provide guidance on new Federal and State e-discovery rules and the importance of responsibly managed electronically-stored information for evidentiary purposes; definitions of novel e-formats, including email, instant messaging, wikis, blogs, and other Web 2.0 applications, and their impact on traditional records management and access; and predictions on e-discovery and enterprise content management.

Additional sessions of RACO 2008 Atlanta will cover such topics as disaster preparedness and response, collaborative records management tools such as Web 2.0, records management training, and implementation of Records Management Applications. A continental breakfast, break refreshments, buffet lunch, exhibits and docent-conducted tours will round out the day.

With Clayton State having signed an agreement with NARA to provide CEUs for RACO 2008 Atlanta, individuals participating will be awarded CEUs as a measure of participation in a non-college credit experience, says Janet Winkler, Clayton State’s director of Continuing Education. ■

Clayton State Archives Wants to Know...

Yes, there is an Archives for Clayton State University. It is located in the library. The Clayton State Archives is charged with the responsibility of collecting and preserving the history of Clayton State University.

Each issue of the Campus Review will feature an item, photo, or event from the collections in the Archives. These items have no accompanying information. The Archives would like to collect data and associated artifacts for these "mystery" items.

Tennis Teams

Clayton State University has had tennis teams. The Archives needs information about these teams. Can you help us?

- When did tennis first come to the Clayton State campus?
- When did teams form? Were these intramural teams? Did we have male and female teams? Mixed doubles?
- When did the tennis team start competing with other schools?
- Do we still have tennis teams? Do they compete with other schools? Male? Female? Mixed?
- Who was on the first tennis team? What was their record? Who coached the team?
- Who has been on the tennis teams each year? Who have been the coaches?
- Do we have current teams? If so, do they compete? Male? Female? Mixed? Who are the coaches?
- Do we have photographs of the tennis teams through the years?

If you have information on this particular item, please mail Rosemary Fischer, University Archivist, at rosemaryfischer@clayton.edu. The Clayton State Archives thanks you for your help. ■

Clayton State Welcomes New Director for MSN Program

by Erin Fender, University Relations

Clayton State University recently welcomed Dr. Katherine Willock, new director for the Master of Science in Nursing program (MSN).

Prior to her appointment, Willock served as the director of Graduate Programs and as an associate professor at Indiana University/Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW). This is her 19th year in higher education.

"I was looking for a new place that was solid with a good foundation on which to grow. The administrators and staff here have done an excellent job on getting this program started. They have built this as a team and that is very impressive to me. There is a great group in the School of Nursing," she says.

While at IPFW, Willock created their MSN program. She also developed adult nurse practitioner and women's health nurse practitioner specializations for the graduate program. Willock also tripled the enrollment during her three year tenure at IPFW and expressed her hope to do the same at Clayton State.

Willock holds a B.S. in Nursing from the University of Texas, an M.S. in Community Health Nursing from Texas Women's University and a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from Kansas State University. She also has an ADN from North Iowa Area Community College.

Immediately out of high school, Willock went to Concordia College and obtained a B.A. in Christian Education. It was several years later, when she underwent EMT training, that her interest in health care began. In the beginning, she worked as an EMT on weekends as she worked as a hospital staff coordinator weekdays.

"After an especially hard weekend, I decided to go back to school and



Dr. Katherine Willock

become a nurse. I wanted to be able to offer more help to patients. At first, the majority of the work I did was in emergency medicine," says Willock.

She has practiced nursing in a variety of healthcare settings including psychiatric services, emergency rooms, orthopedics, and medical-surgical units. She is a member of numerous higher education and healthcare organizations, has published several articles on nursing and nurse education and has received many honors and grants.

Willock grew up in southern Minnesota but has lived all across the United States. She now lives in Morrow, Ga. with her 10 year old dog, George. She has a 23 year old daughter with cerebral palsy, who just began graduate school in Kentucky.

Her interests include educational advocacy for parents with children who have special needs and uninsured and underinsured community patients. ■

Clayton State Celebrates Dr. Robert Welborn

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

Dr. Robert Welborn celebrated his retirement after 35 years at Clayton State University on Thursday, Aug. 28 with a reception in the Atrium of the Harry S. Downs Center. Joining in the celebration of Welborn's career were colleagues past and present, Clayton State administrators, friends, and Welborn's wife Kathy and son Justin.

Although Welborn's career at Clayton State was highlighted by the creation and expansion of the Office of International Education, Welborn admits that Anderson, S.C., where he and Kathy grew up, wasn't a diverse place.

"Anderson was a cotton mill town, with a population of approximately 19 to 20 thousand. Seventy-five percent white, and 25 percent black, and that was the only culture," he says.

Initially Welborn wanted to go to law school and major in history and political science. While studying history at Clemson University, Welborn was exposed to a diverse culture and during his junior year at Clemson he decided that he wanted to teach. While his wife finished college, Welborn taught high school.

"I loved it! I loved teaching!" Welborn exclaims. However, he also realized that didn't want to teach high school.

During the spring of 1973, Welborn only applied to two year colleges for teaching positions. He decided to come to what was then called Clayton Junior College.

"I liked the idea of teaching at a junior college. I thought it would be a great opportunity for growth, and to also work with people who were first generation college like me," he says.

Similar to many of his future colleagues among the young professors in the Clayton State History Department

in the '70s, Welborn moved to Georgia with no family and no connections.

"All of us came from elsewhere, none of us had family near by, and we all had young children. During the first 10 years, my colleagues became my family," Welborn says, singling out Dr. Gene Hatfield, Dr. Brad Rice, Dr. John Kohler, Dr. Hardy Jackson and Dr. Joe Trachtenberg.

"When I first arrived at Clayton Junior College in September 1978 from having taught at Georgia Tech and met Dr. Welborn, he advised me that 'you are in the trenches now!'" says Trachtenberg, who hosted Welborn's retirement celebration.

During the 1980s, Welborn wanted to do a study abroad program. While finishing up his graduate studies in English History, Welborn received a fellowship to go to England and do research on his dissertation. The \$1000 fellowship allowed Bob and Kathy Welborn to spend their summer in London.

"We had a marvelous time. London was a great cosmopolitan city. During the 70s the population was approximately 7.5 million, with a huge Asian and West Indian population," he says.

When Welborn gained his Ph.D. in 1979, he wanted to start a study abroad program at Clayton State University. However the administration wasn't interested at that time. Thus, Welborn came up with an idea for adults to travel through the University's Continuing Education program. During the 1980's Welborn was extremely successful, taking five trips to Europe. When Clayton State Junior College became a Clayton State College and gained a new president in Dr. Richard Skinner, the program continued to flourish.

In 1997, Welborn was appointed Clayton State's representative to the European Council, one of four regional councils



Dr. Robert Welborn makes a point at his retirement reception on Aug. 28.

operating under the auspices of the System Council for International Education of the University System of Georgia. His first trip included 12 students.

"Once I get started, I made sure from then on that I recruited faculty," Welborn says

In 2004, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Sharon Hoffman wanted the international program to "take the next step," Welborn explains. This led to the creation of the Office of International Education, with Welborn as its Director.

"We have sent 300 students abroad since 1998," he says. "The program is very ambitious. The numbers continue to increase in the face of difficult economic times."

Welborn's journey at Clayton State has been an adventurous one with several memories. He notes that his biggest reward from the international programs is to see students successfully explore the country on their own.

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Research and Education Network, Missouri Online Bibliographic Information User System, and Enhancing Missouri's Instructional Teaching Strategies.

Prior to joining the University of Missouri System in 2003, Brooks served two terms as a personnel specialist in the Office of State Courts Administrator of the Missouri State Supreme Court. He has also served as an adjunct faculty member for Columbia College (Business Administration) and William Woods University (MBA and undergraduate Business Administration) and a human resources consultant.

"I was looking for the next move in my career, and Clayton State's vision and strategic direction were in line with where I wanted to go," he says of his decision to come to Clayton State. "There are some exciting initiatives in terms of Clayton State's strategic direction and I think I can use my experience to further the mission of the University."

In his spare time, Brooks enjoys playing the drums and producing music, watching movies, and spending time in the outdoors. He and his wife are currently in the process of moving to Georgia, most likely to Henry County. ■

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When students use their free time to travel and experience other cultures without his help, it makes him proud.

Welborn's contributions will also leave fond memories for his friends and colleagues.

"The most important thing I can say about Bob Welborn is that he has been my friend for the last 35 years. I have had the pleasure of his company, heard the joy in his laughter, listened to the stories of his life, and marveled at the grasp of his learning and the power of his memory," says Kohler. ■



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The keynote address for the Convocation was given by former ambassador and Georgia representative and senator, Wyche Fowler, Jr., who urged the students to exercise diligence in fulfilling their duties to both their professors and their fellow students.

"Develop a habit of community service," he said. "You have a duty to your university, your community and your country."

Also speaking at the Convocation were Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Dr. Sharon Hoffman, Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Brian Haynes, Dean of Retention and Student Success Dr. Mark May and

Student Government Association (SGA) President Darius Thomas, who provided SGA's official welcome to Clayton State.

Haynes in particular directed his remarks towards success, urging the students to follow three steps towards graduation – getting involved, focusing on academics early in their college careers, and networking.

As has become the tradition at the New Student Convocation, the students exited the Hall through a double line of applauding Clayton State administrators, faculty and staff, after which a luncheon was held for all in the University's Music Education Building. ■



Left to right; Dr. Sharon Hoffman, Wyche Fowler, Dr. Thomas Harden.

Rotary Club Group Study Exchange – Traveling the World

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University Director of Development Reda Rowell has traveled the world, including a trip this past spring to India, and several scenic tours in Europe with the Clayton State University Foundation.

However, it's possible that her most memorable trip was to England in 1996, with the Rotary Club Group Exchange (GSE).

"I was a GSE Team member in 1996 and it was a wonderful experience," she says.

As a past president of the Lake Spivey Rotary Club, Rowell is helping the club spread the word about the GSE program which, in 2009 will be sending a team to South Korea. Lake Spivey Rotary Club is currently seeking applicants to represent the district for this experience.

The GSE program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for

young business and professional men and women in their initial years of professional life. The program is designed to develop professional and leadership skills among young adults, so that they can address the needs of their communities and an increasingly global workplace.

"It's an opportunity for free world travel," says an enthusiastic Rowell. "Each year Rotary District 6900 sponsors a group study exchange team of four traveling with a Rotarian team leader to represent this district and the United States in a unique cultural exchange."

The eligibility requirements for the trip include that team members be between the ages of 25 and 40 and have four weeks available in May 2009 for the trip.

For more information, go to <http://www.rotarydistrict6900.or> or contact Rowell at redarowell@clayton.edu. ■

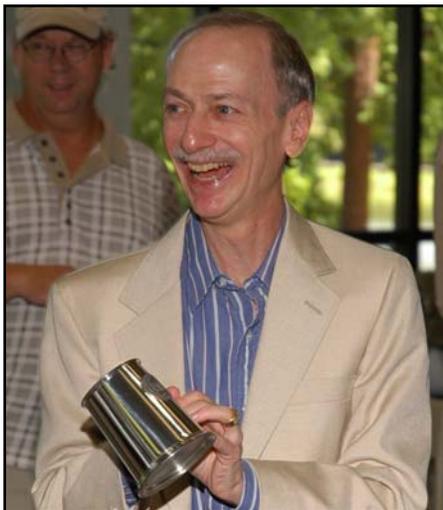
Clayton State Celebrates Bobby Marcus' Retirement

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

Clayton State University's College of Information and Mathematical Sciences' (CIMS) Information Technology Department celebrated the retirement of Robert G. Marcus, assistant professor of Information Technology, on Thursday, Sept. 4 with a reception in the Atrium of the Harry S. Downs Center.

Marcus' career includes many accomplishments worthy of recognition, including several contributions to the Clayton State University community. Although Marcus received his academic degrees at universities in Alabama, he decided to teach and give back to the community he came from, Jonesboro, Ga.

Marcus was hired by the University in 1985 as an instructor of Data Processing within the School of Technology. Since then his career has soared. By 1993 his position became assistant professor of



Robert G. Marcus

Software Technology within the School of Technology. In 2000, Marcus became an assistant professor of Information Technology within CIMS. ■

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30. The campaign ends on Oct. 3, with pizza parties for those groups achieving 100 percent participation.

Thank you in advance for your support of the faculty/staff fund drive – the Foundation Board of Trustees and I appreciate very much the work you do and the personal commitment you display to Clayton State University.

Dr. Thomas K. Harden
President

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"I am so excited about the response from the community to the University's presence in Peachtree City both for credit and non-credit classes. The chamber and the community leaders have invited us to partner with them to provide educational opportunities and training-and have been very supportive," says Dr. Kevin Demmitt, Assistant Vice President of Academic Outreach. ■

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Most courses are taught in the evening, but the University is expanding courses offered during the day. Many courses are offered online and representatives from the University's Admissions Office, as well as course advisement officials, are already on-site.

"We have had an increase of students in every sector," Demmitt points out. "Clayton State has more than 100 joint-enrolled students and this number will continue to grow as students seek to save money by earning college credits while in high school. Many students also find that they simply enjoy the atmosphere and challenge of the college classroom. We also are seeing an increase in the number of non-traditional students who are coming back to complete a college degree to be more competitive in the marketplace. We even are seeing growth in our number of traditional college students coming right out of high school. They appreciate being able to begin earning a college degree close to home.

"I simply could not be more pleased with the reception we have received from the community. The time was definitely right to expand our programs in Fayette County and I look forward to what the future will bring." ■

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“Studying in a non-English speaking country is one of the best ways to learn a foreign language,” notes Poudevigne, a native of France.

Not only Barcelona is elegant, and extremely classy, it is known as the electric and marginal city.

“Barcelona has a lot to offer in terms of history, and architecture. It is known as the world capital of modern architecture; Gaudi left his mark there by building the Sagrada Familia, an unfinished cathedral. Picasso, Miro and Dali lived in the city and developed their artistic talents there.” Poudevigne says.

As a part of the trip, students will also be able to experience the culture in Marseille.

“The Provence history is so rich! It started 600 years before Christ, when the Greeks created Massalia -- now Marseille -- for the business of olive oil and wine. It then became a strategic point for the Roman Empire,” she explains.

The Provence is culturally very different from the north of Spain. In regards to agriculture, it is more diverse. French people near the Mediterranean Sea have mastered many uses of water, soon-to-become rare because it is a highly demanded worldwide good,” Poudevigne says.

Students can earn three credit hours on this trip while having an experience of their lifetime.

“It can be an excellent tool and a gateway into many fields. Like any educational experience, the value of it lies almost entirely on each individual. There is so much going on in the world today. There is so much to see and learn,” says Poudevigne. “I can assure them that the trip will be the greatest experience they ever will have in Europe, plus, it will be lead by a native European.”

The cost of the trip will be approximately \$3,500 for 12 days. The schedule is as follows:

Depart Atlanta on May 10 - arrive in Barcelona, May 11. Depart from Barcelona to Marseille by train on May 16. Depart from Marseille to Atlanta on May 22. ■



Clayton State University's Dental Hygiene students take the Dental Hygiene Oath during the White Coat Ceremony.

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Dental Hygiene major Cierra Stegall. The oath is as follows...

In my practice as a dental hygienist, I affirm my personal and professional commitment to improve the oral health of the public, to advance the art and the science of Dental Hygiene, and to promote high standards of quality care.

I pledge continually to improve my professional knowledge and skills, to render of full measure of service to each patient entrusted to my care and to uphold the highest standards of professional competence and personal conduct in the interests of the Dental Hygiene profession and the public it serves.

Also featured during the ceremony was the first public showing of, “Losing your Bite?” a documentary produced by Clayton State graduate Christian Bowen.

“The documentary showcases the impact of working with the homeless or near homeless in downtown Atlanta. It includes testimony about how the people felt and the difference it made in their lives” Duley says.

“This video is an example of what people can do with knowledge when they’re committed to perform service,” said Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden during the ceremony. “I’m personally very proud of this program. Continue the great work you’re doing.”

In his closing remarks for the ceremony, Dr. Rodger Bates, dean of the Clayton State College of Professional Studies, left students with words of encouragement.

“The white coats symbolize honor, integrity and service,” he said. “Wear these coats with respect, wear them with pride and wear them well.” ■



Cierra Stegall, a senior in Clayton State's Dental Hygiene program, leads her classmates in the Dental Hygiene Oath during the White Coat Ceremony.

Part -Time Job and Internship Fair, Sept. 16

The Office of Career Services will be holding its annual Part -Time Job and Internship Fair on Tuesday, Sept. 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Main Street in the James M. Baker University Center.

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STUDENT BREAK sponsor: UPS

This event is for Clayton State University students and alumni only. Come as you are to find your part-time job and Spring/Summer internship.

Assistant Director of Career Services Ryan Whitfield needs six volunteers to help with the this event (1 ½ hour minimum) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please contact ryanwhitfield@clayton.edu for scheduled times. ■

Dental Hygiene Students Participate In the ADHA Annual Conference

A group of Clayton State University Dental Hygiene students participated in the Student Table Clinic contest at the 85th American Dental Hygienists' Association Annual (ADHA) conference in Albuquerque, N.M., during this past summer.

The students, Cierra Stegall (Newnan), Tamarsha Williams (Lithonia), Claïressa Perry (Covington) and Jashara Peeks (Douglasville) collaborated with Assistant Professor Dr. W. Gail Barnes on their topic, table clinic brochure and presentation in preparation for national conference. Their topic, "To Kiss or Not to Kiss: Let's Talk About Bacteria" dealt with the contraction, transmission and prevention

of oral bacteria and included a short skit as their presentation.

The Clayton State students also participated in the Student Assembly and other student-centered presentations.

While at the national conference, the students had an opportunity to meet the author of the most widely used dental hygiene text, Dr. Esther M. Wilkins. The textbook, Clinical Practice of the Dental Hygienists recently celebrated the publication of its 10th edition. Additionally, the students had the opportunity to meet the 2007/2008 ADHA President, Jean Connor, RDH, along with other authors of their textbooks. ■



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

by Kelly Adams, Business and Operations

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle. Is the phrase familiar? It should be. Schools focus on the lesson each year as Earth Day approaches. As being "green" has become increasingly trendy, television shows and commercials now spout similar messages. Regardless of the source, the message is extremely important -- decrease waste.

One of the easiest ways to decrease waste is to be more prudent when using paper. In a college environment, paper is quite possibly the biggest culprit when it comes to waste. We use it to maintain lists, print out e-mails, copy important papers, and provide visual aids for meetings. And that is just faculty and staff. When you take into consideration all of the students attending Clayton State and realize that each student takes notes and writes lengthy term papers, then you cannot deny that paper waste is an issue on a college campus.

So the question is: How can one decrease paper consumption?

If you must print something, then you may want to try the following to decrease the number of pages used: 1) Print on both sides of the paper. 2) Decrease margin sizes and font sizes to maximize use of the page. 3) Print only the portion that you need by highlighting it and choosing "print selection" instead of the entire document or web page.

Once you can no longer use a sheet of paper, then the next best thing to do it recycle it. Clayton State

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C.D. Moody Opens the Jim Wood Lecture Series

James M. "Jim" Wood, Jr., president of Wood Publications, Inc., former owner/publisher of the Clayton News-Daily, and the only original member still serving on the Board of Trustees of Clayton State University Foundation, and his wife, Dr. Martha Wood, professor emerita of Mathematics at Clayton State, and an original faculty member of Clayton Junior College, have joined with their family, friends and business associates to create an endowed fund for the Jim Wood Lecture Series for the Clayton State University AACSB-accredited School of Business.

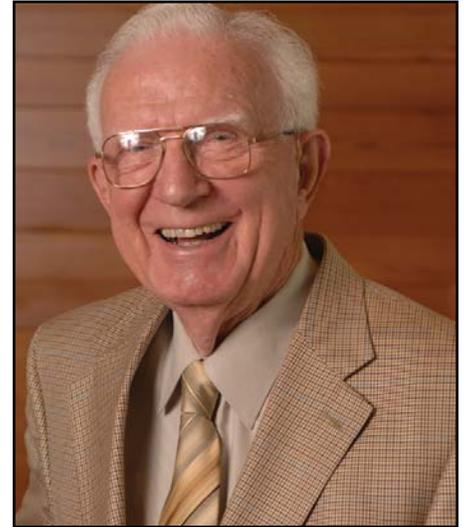
On Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2008, at noon in room 272 of the James M. Baker University Center, the Jim Wood Lecture Series officially kicks off with a visit from C.D. Moody, Jr., president and CEO of C.D. Moody Construction Company, Inc. Since its start in 1983, C.D. Moody Construction Company has grown from \$1 million to more than \$70 million in annual revenues. According to School of Business Dean Dr. Jacob Chacko, Moody's presentation will typify the Wood Lecture Series, which will support

the efforts of the School of Business to seek and obtain guest lecturers who are some of Georgia's most celebrated business personalities.

"The School of Business sees the series as a means to forge bonds between Georgia's business leaders and Clayton State students, while ensuring students gain insights into current business trends and corporate strategies," says Chacko.

The Woods' son, James Wood, III, a former student at Clayton State who serves as vice president of Business Services at AT&T, is the founder of and principal contributor to the Jim Wood Lecture Series endowment. However, according to Jim Wood, the Series is a good fit for the whole family.

"We wanted the students enrolled in the school to be able to talk and listen to individuals who have distinguished themselves in business," he says. "It's important that students realize that these successful people went through struggles just like themselves and have made a success of their professional life."



James M. "Jim" Wood, Jr., namesake of the upcoming lecture series.

Jim and James Wood already are recruiting and recommending additional guests for the lecture series. In October, the Series will offer lectures from Frank Argenbright, chairman of Air Serv Corporation, and Milton H. Jones, Jr., market president, Bank of America, Georgia. ■

Lila Roberts Wins MERLOT Mathematics Classic Award

Dr. Lila Roberts, dean of the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences



Dr. Lila Roberts

(CIMS) at Clayton State University, has been awarded the 2008 Mathematics Classic Award by the Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching (MERLOT). Roberts shares the award with Dr. David Hill of Temple University for their classroom demonstration, "Demos with Positive Impact."

The Mathematics Classic Award is part of the 2008 MERLOT Awards for Exemplary Online Learning Resources, a program that recognizes and promotes outstanding online resources designed to enhance teaching and learning. The award is granted to honor the authors and developers of these resources for their contributions to the academic community. MERLOT considers this learning material an exemplary online learning resource.

Roberts and Hill were honored at a ceremony at the 2008 MERLOT International Conference, held Aug. 8 in Minneapolis.

The editor of the MERLOT Mathematics Editorial Board had this to say about Roberts' and Hill's work:

"This site is a collection of classroom demonstrations each of which comes with stated objective, prerequisites, instructor notes and platform info, plus the level of the demo and credits. The focus on typical problems and how to help students overcome them contributes to the effectiveness of the material. Many demos provide an enhancement for activities that already happen in classes."

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The Ducks are Coming To the Clayton State Library

In support of Clayton County's Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program, Clayton State University is opening its doors to the program's annual Duck-O-Ration Tour.

Although Clayton State's Swan Lake is famous for its ducks (and geese and, of course, swans), this comical array of decorated ducks are a bird of a different feather that will be making several stops throughout Clayton County promoting the program's annual fundraiser, the Darlin' Duck Derby. Thanks to the support of Clayton State, one of the stops on this year's tour will be the Clayton State Library.

The Duck-O-Ration Tour is a competition as CASA's various community and corporate sponsors have each created their own unique duck. Look for the ducks to be in the Clayton State library on Sept. 15, 16, and 17, and be sure to cast a vote for your favorite duck. The winning sponsor will receive the People's Choice Award based on the public's votes.

The ducks will be appearing at the Baker Center entrance of the Clayton State Library. According to the Library's Katherine Ott, "this year we decorated a duck. He is the Clayton State University Studuck, Millárd W. F. Mallord."

The Darlin' Duck Derby is held each year to support the CASA program. The final resting point for this year's ducks will be at the Courthouse in downtown Jonesboro (121 S. McDonough St.) on Sept. 27. Community supporters are encouraged to "adopt" a duck, or a six-quack, and then cheer their duck on as it races to the finish line. Each year a total of 4,000 rubber ducks race, and duck ticket holders have the opportunity to win a myriad of prizes, including \$2000 cash, \$1000 cash, two, round-trip Delta air line tickets, and many, many other prizes donated by local businesses. In addition, ticket holders have an opportunity to roll the dice to win a 2008 Cadillac CTS.

The Darlin' Duck Derby is a fun-filled event with something for everyone, including children's games, face-painting, arts and crafts, food, a live DJ, the Cars for CASA car show, and the Cadillac give-away. What makes this event even more meaningful is the fact that all proceeds raised are supporting children in the community. CASA volunteers do extraordinary things for the lives of abused and neglected children, and together with the support of the community, they help ensure that each child has a safe and permanent home. ■

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proudly participates in a recycling program, and most offices are supplied with blue wastebaskets for just this purpose. Larger rolling bins are located in each building and are placed outside for pickup on Thursdays. Please keep in mind that paper is the only item that is to be placed in these receptacles. Clayton State uses American Office Paper Recycling for its recycling needs, and their website is www.amrecycling.com.

Recycling is important not only because it reduces the amount of paper that is tossed into landfills, but it also decreases the number of trees that must be cut down in order to create new sheets of paper. So think twice before throwing that Excel spreadsheet, junk mail, or an empty envelope into the trash can. Recycle it instead! ■



(Above) Dr. Harden thanks Dr. Heflin for his years at Clayton State University and opens the floor to others who gave Heflin their best wishes.



Clayton State's Studuck, Millárd W. F. Mallord along with other sponsored ducks will flock to the Courthouse in downtown Jonesboro (121 S. McDonough St.) on Sept. 27. Above is a photograph from the 2007 Darlin' Duck Derby (photo credit: <http://www.ducksrcoming.com>).

Best Wishes Dr. David Heflin

President Harden, the Business and Operations staff, along with faculty and staff across the campus, gathered on Wednesday, Aug. 27, at 3 p.m. in the University Center Board Room to recognize Dr. Heflin's contributions to Clayton State University and bid him a fond farewell.

Reflections on the Young People's Concerts

by Amber Joy Dimkoff, Spivey Hall

"Oh, I've been here before!" "Is this really a college?" "This is beautiful."

These are the first comments and questions I hear from children as they walk inside Clayton State University's Spivey Hall before their teachers have the opportunity to shush them. Filled with joyous anticipation, children from all walks of life find harmony — figuratively and literally — inside our doors.

Upon first glance, the children and their chaperones see the beauty of a fine recital

hall decorated with marble floors and furniture from Emilie Spivey's home, a staircase with lyres as balustrades, and floor-to-ceiling windows which showcase Swan Lake, the campus' 12-acre body of water which boasts waterfowl and wildlife. While this is a lovely start to the children's morning, their experience in Spivey Hall has only just begun.

Traveling from up to 12 public school systems, school children of all grade levels attend Young People's Concerts (YPCs) at Spivey Hall as a school field trip.

Established in 1994, YPCs enable children to hear excellent music of many traditions, enhancing their learning in a wealth of subjects. The genres range from musical theatre and opera to world music for elementary school children, and, for middle and high school students, from choral music to jazz and string programs.

Designed specifically with the students in mind, YPCs are approximately 45 min-

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Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

Come as you are to find your part-time job and Spring/Summer internship. The Part-Time Job and Internship Fair. Tuesday, Sept. 16, the James M. Baker University Center - Main Street, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sponsors: Enterprise Rent-A-Car, FedEx Ground, and UPS.

Job and Internship Search:

Management Trainee

Atlanta, GA
Hertz Equipment Rental Corporation
Full Time

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Internship/Co-op

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utes in length and contain a healthy mix of information, performance, and audience participation. Many of the YPCs include a study guide and/or question-and-answer session to reinforce the material demonstrated in the concert. Whether students see a delightful children's opera, find out that a pipe organ is really just a "musical computer," or clap their hands to the beat of an African drum, they learn about music, history, cultures and respect.

The artists giving YPCs are all outstanding musicians with a strong belief in music education. Some are local or regional artists; others are international guests on the Spivey Series. Together they make up a roster of approximately 45 YPCs each year, which run from the end of October through March. In addition to public school students, which made up 65 percent of our audience in 2007/08, private school students, home school families, day care centers, and senior citizens attend daytime YPCs as well. Registration is required in advance; the price to attend is \$1 per person, regardless of age.

Certainly I enjoy watching the students' jaws drop when they first enter Spivey Hall, but I particularly take pleasure in watching their faces when they are engaged in a performance. And while it is nice to hear students' reactions when they enter Spivey Hall, it is the comments they make as they leave the building that let me know I have done my job well. Sometimes it's a shy "thank you." Sometimes it's children whistling or humming the last tune they heard. Sometimes it's feeling two little arms wrapped around my legs in a hug. And sometimes it's,

"Ms. Amber, that was the best concert I've ever seen!"

Spivey Hall welcomed more than 15,000 individuals to its Young People's Concerts in 2007-2008, the highest number since 1999. An early learning program has been added in 2008-2009 for very young children. For more information or to be placed on our mailing list, email educationmanager@spiveyhall.org.

About Spivey Hall's Educational Programs

Spivey Hall's educational programs are one of the most comprehensive in the Southeast.

In 2003, the Dana Foundation, in collaboration with the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC, recognized Spivey Hall in its published report *Acts of Achievement: The Role of Performing Arts Centers in Education*, a national survey profiling performing arts centers' outstanding service in educational programs. Spivey Hall, the only venue selected in Georgia, was praised for its diverse programs that "build bridges between individuals and the world of music by reaching area school students and their parents, some of whom have never heard quality music in a world-class facility before."

Spivey Hall offers seven educational programs to individuals of all ages: Young People's Concerts, the Spivey Hall Choral Workshops, the Spivey Hall Chamber Orchestra Workshop, Spivey Jam (Jazz Workshop), the Spivey Hall Children's Choir Program, Master Classes, and Professional Development Opportunities for Teachers. ■

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McConnell), junior center Michael Thorogood (Kankakee C.C.) and freshman wing Juron Dobbs (Heritage H.S. – Conyers, Ga.).

The eight players returning for Clayton State include four of the top six scorers from last season and five of the eight players in the game rotation.

Senior 6-4 wing Bernard Fields, who was selected to the NCAA Division II South

Regional and Peach Belt Conference All-Tournament teams, leads the returnees after averaging 10 points and three rebounds a game, while senior 6-8 power forward Brian Kelly was steady inside, averaging eight points and seven rebounds, and shooting 56 percent from the field. In addition, junior 6-6 forward Will Lewis will be looking for a breakout season after averaging eight points and four rebounds a game, but stepping up his play tremendously down the stretch. ■

Trivia Time

Number 500

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Although Eddie Mathews is the only person to play for the Braves' franchise in Boston, Milwaukee and Atlanta (in fact, he's the only person to play for the same team in three different cities), he did not hit his 500th home run for the Braves.

Following the 1966 season (the Braves' first in Atlanta), Mathews was inexplicably traded to the Houston Astros for a mess of potage... well, Dave Nicholson and Bob Bruce. This despite the fact that; A) Mathews was still a better-than-average hitter, B) he was only 35 years old, C) he had 493 home runs, D) the terminally mediocre Braves of that time (they were fifth in 1966, seventh in 1967) could have generated some fan interest with Mathews' pursuit of 500 home runs. Go figure. Anyway, Mathews hit number 500 for the Astros in 1967, on his way to a career total of 512.

Kelly Adams had the first correct answer, followed by Scott McElroy, Rob Taylor, Theresa Kulesa, Robert Caine, Kurt-Alexander Zeller, Dina Swearngin and Charlene Laster. Since there were eight correct answers, this baseball trivia question was clearly too easy. So... what other major league baseball franchises played in three different cities in the 20th Century? Send your answers to johnshiffert@clayton.edu.

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Sports

Aguilar, Kreutzer Win Peach Belt Conference "Runner of the Week" Honors

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

The Peach Belt Conference's first weekly awards for men's and women's cross country were a sweep for Clayton State. The Lakers' Anthony Aguilar was selected "Runner of the Week" for the PBC on the men's side, while Allison Kreutzer earned PBC "Runner of the Week" honors for the women.

Both Aguilar and Kreutzer were victorious for Clayton State in its 2008 season opener on in the Cougar Invitational at Smiths Stations, Al. Aguilar, a senior from Glendale, Az., won the men's race in a time of 26:23.93. Kreutzer, a senior from Lilburn, Ga., and two-time Division II All-American, returned to cross country

after missing the 2007 season with a foot injury, winning the women's race in 18:36.58.

As a team, Clayton State finished second to Columbus State in both races. ■

Gibbons Finalizes 2008/09 Men's Basketball Roster

With classes now back in session, Clayton State men's head basketball coach Gordon Gibbons has put the finishing touches on his roster for the upcoming 2008/09 season.

Coming off a 2007-08 season which included winning the Peach Belt Conference Tournament championship and advancing to the NCAA Division II "Sweet 16", Gibbons welcomed back eight players off last season's squad and added six newcomers to the mix in the process.

The newest members to the Laker fold are 7-foot, 245-pound senior center Ejikeme "E.J." Ndefo, who comes to Clayton State from fellow Division II program West Alabama, and 6-1, 185-pound guard Josh Fullerton from NCAA Division I Savannah State. Ndefo and Fullerton join the 2008/09 Clayton State recruiting class which also includes senior point guard Freddie Williams (NAIA Lee), junior power forward Jaquas Dobbs (Truett-

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