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President Harden Delivers Annual State of the University Address

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University President Dr. Thomas K. Harden delivered his annual "State of the University" address in Spivey Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 5, using the forum to review what he referred to as a "monumental year" and to inform his audience further on what is changing at Clayton State, and what is staying the same.

While discussing at length the details of the three major building projects currently underway on campus, and the changes they will engender, Harden also assured his listeners that some very important aspects of the University would not be changing over the coming year – notably, Clayton State's on-going focus on student success and those aspects of Clayton State that make the University a special place.

"We must diligently hold on to and protect that which is most highly-valued at Clayton State," he said, mentioning, among other things, the closeness between the students and the faculty, the culture of giving and giving back, and the adherence to the University's academic standards.

"We must continue to commit ourselves to student success," he urged, listing some three dozen student success-related programs the University already has in place. "We are focused on student success."

"We will increase our support of all students, traditional and non-traditional, by increasing programs."

Many of the University's initiatives in the area of increasing programs are tied

directly to the three building projects, the detailing of which consisted of the bulk of Harden's address. In discussing the status, and purpose, of the new School of Business building, the University's first student housing, and the student activities center, Harden noted that all three were targeted to better serve the University's primary constituency in the south metro region, an area that comprises all or part of 11 counties.

The student housing and student activities center are both directly related to student support and success. Although Harden noted that the University has targeted student success, he also said that there was one important aspect missing – doing a

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CEO of Kentucky League of Cities To Give Keynote Address At Constitution Day Celebration

Sylvia L. Lovely, president, NewCities Institute™ and CEO of the Kentucky League of Cities, will be the keynote speaker at Clayton State University's 2007 celebration of Constitution Day.

Lovely will be speaking on "How 'We the People' Can Become Community Patriots" on Monday, Sept. 17 at 12:30 p.m. in room 132 of the Clayton State University Arts & Sciences Building. Her keynote address is free and open to the public.

Lovely is president of the NewCities Institute, a national nonprofit organization that encourages citizens to get involved in helping their communities thrive in the

rapid technological change and global challenges of the 21st century. Her commitment to the wellbeing and safety of our cities and the people that call them home has



Sylvia L. Lovely

shown in her work as CEO of the Kentucky League of Cities and interim executive director of Kentucky's new Office of Drug Control Policy.

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Clayton State Begins Portal Implementation

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Some 10 years after it was first proposed, Clayton State has selected and begun the implementation of a world-class intranet portal. The Luminis Portal from SunGard Higher Education was selected to link real-time Banner student information into Clayton State's web site. "Currently, Clayton State's web site is static; however, a portal will enable Clayton State to build a dynamic web site that can provide students, faculty, and staff with real-time, personalized information," explained Dr. John Bryan, Vice President of the Office of Information and Technology Services.

SunGard personnel were on campus Tuesday and Wednesday, conducting a series of day-long introductory seminars on the company's Luminis™ platform. Clayton State will be the first university in the USG system to implement the new Version 4 Luminis Portal from SunGard Higher Education of Malvern, Pa.

According to the SunGard website (www.sungardhe.com), "the Luminis Platform gives individuals personalized, 24x7 access to information and services previously limited by location or hours of operation. It integrates with Banner, so

users can access the information and services they need through a single sign-on. Information from the Banner administrative systems helps to personalize the Luminis Platform, and users can work through Luminis to supply information back to Banner. The Luminis Platform functions as the foundation of a unified digital campus through a combination of portal features, enterprise applications, and infrastructure.

"Because the Luminis Platform is based on open standards, it can incorporate legacy systems and future technology choices. This means you don't have to replace existing systems, and you can enhance them by making their combined services easily available through the Luminis Platform."

The meetings with various members of Clayton State's Luminis Portal Core Implementation Group started with the project's Kickoff meeting on Tuesday morning, led by SunGard's Jeff Handa. After a high level overview of the Luminis Portal, the Kickoff meeting proceeded to more detailed planning for the first group of departments who will be the

primary users of the portal in the initial implementation.

"The Luminis Platform Project Kick-Off is a highly participatory engagement to educate the University community about the functionality of the Luminis Portal and to preview the six month initial implementation and go-live," explained Dr. John Bryan, Vice President of the Office of Information and Technology Services.

Bryan noted that the University's goal is to go live with the intranet portal in mid-to late-January 2008. The next step in the University's collaboration with SunGard will be a series of SunGard-directed focus groups to be held on campus during the first week of October. These focus groups will provide feedback to Clayton State and SunGard from all of the potential users of the portal – faculty, staff, students and eventually alumni.

SunGard personnel will be on-campus throughout the fall semester as part of the implementation process and training for the portal going live in January. ■

"Catch Us if You Can" – Clayton State Homecoming 2007

"Catch Us if You Can" is the theme for Clayton State University's 2007 Homecoming Celebration, to be held the week of Oct. 22 to Oct. 27.

With three new buildings going up on campus (student housing, student activi-

ties center, School of Business) and three new graduate programs (MBA, Master of Science in Nursing, Master of Health Administration), 2007 is a year of progress, with history in the making at Clayton State. As such, the University is inviting all of its 13,000+ graduates, its 6000+ students, its 1000 employees and all of its many friends to campus for a week of celebrating, of homecoming.

As always, the week's highlight will be Saturday, with the 12th Annual Alumni Pancake Brunch and Reunion, Laker Fest, the Homecoming King and Queen Coronation and Parade, a soccer game and a fireworks show.

Starting at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27 in the atrium of the Harry S. Downs Center, the free Clayton State Alumni

Association-sponsored Brunch will run through to 2 p.m. Following the Brunch, several individual groups are planning reunions, which will also be held in the Downs Center. The Laker Fest carnival, featuring food, music and more, will go from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., when the Clayton State Lakers men's soccer team takes the field for a game against Francis Marion University. The soccer game will be followed by the fireworks, starting at approximately 9:30 p.m.

The Annual Homecoming Parade will be starting later this year, around 4 p.m., and will conclude at Laker Field, site of both Laker Fest and the soccer game. Also included in Laker Fest is the Southern Crescent Hot Dog Extravaganza.

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Clayton State University Foundation To Hold Annual Town/Gown Golf Tournament on October 22



Join the Clayton State University faculty, staff, administrators and friends on Monday, Oct. 22 at the award winning Crystal Lake Country Club in Hampton, Ga., for a fun-filled opportunity to raise money for the Clayton State University Foundation Excellence Fund -- primarily used for scholarships for Clayton State honors students -- in the Annual Clayton State University Foundation Town/Gown Golf Tournament.

The cost per team is \$500, or \$150 per individual entry if registration is received by Friday, Oct. 5 -- after that date, the cost will be \$600 per team and \$200 per individual entry.

For more information, please call Terri Taylor-Hamrick at (678) 466-4475. ■

Clayton State to Host First Psychology Speaker Series

by Gina Finocchiaro, University Relations

Clayton State University will hold its first Psychology Speaker Series this fall. The program, which begins today with Lisa D. Wiggins of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is free and open to the public. All sessions begin at 12:30 p.m.

Following Wiggins' talk on "How many children have an Autism Spectrum Disorder in the U.S.? A public health response from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention," The second session will host Dr. David C. Purselle and will be held Wednesday, Sept. 19 in room 272 of the Baker Center. Purselle is the director of Acute Care Services at the Veterans' Administration Hospital and an assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Emory University School of Medicine. He will discuss mood disorders and suicide.

Dr. Margaret C. Herrman will discuss mediation and conflict resolution on Friday, Oct. 26 in room 322 of the Baker

Center. The editor of *The Blackwell Handbook of Mediation*, author, scholar, and veteran practitioner describes exciting developments in theories of mediation including underlying negotiation processes, including how work in neuro-linguistics, narration, communication, as well as cognition open up possibilities for even richer understanding of how and why mediations and mediators act as they do.

The final presentation, held on Tuesday, Nov. 27 in room 272 of the Baker Center, will be a joint presentation from Clayton State psychology professors Dr. Brian Goldman and Dr. Samuel Maddox, and Clayton State psychology undergraduates Michael Terrell, Keri Williams, and Emily Trexler.

Clayton State's baccalaureate program in Psychology and Human Services is firmly grounded in the discipline of psychology while at the same time stressing realistic career opportunities in human services fields for the bachelor's degree graduate. ■

Trial Access to Databases at the Clayton State Library

The Library has trial access to three databases: **CredoReference**, **Morningstar Library Edition**, and **Scientific American Archive Online**. Access to these databases is limited to on campus only from the link located in the "News and Events" box of the Library Homepage.

Please note the expiration dates of the trials. As part of the evaluation process, the Library would like to receive comments from both faculty and students about the usefulness of these databases. Please submit comments and questions to Joan Taylor, Public Services Librarian at joantaylor@clayton.edu.

CREDoreference features full-text, aggregated content from more than 270 reference books from more than 55 publishers, covering such subjects as medicine, art, technology, history, and more. The collection includes encyclopedias, dictionaries and thesauri, as well as subject specific titles. It includes text entries, images (art, diagrams, maps, and photos), and multimedia files (audio and video). **Trial Expires: Nov. 20, 2007.**

Morningstar Library Edition provides faculty, staff, and students with access to daily updates on more than 30,000 mutual funds, stocks, closed end funds and exchange traded funds. It also includes Morningstar fund and stock screeners, all 3,500 fund and stock Analyst Reports, Portfolio X-Ray and 150 investment classes. **Trial Expires: Dec. 31, 2007.**

Scientific American Archive Online is a comprehensive, searchable science and technology resource containing the full text and graphics of every Scientific American issue from 1993 to the present. The archive features the writings and colorful graphics that readers of Scientific American have come to depend upon and enjoy. Each of the more than 4,000 articles in the archive is available to view online or to download in PDF, and presented exactly as originally printed in the magazine. In addition to the regularly monthly issues of the magazine, users will find all of the Scientific American special issues in the archive as well. **Trial Expires: Oct. 5, 2007. ■**

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“Supernatural Shakespeare” Haunts Clayton State University, October 13

by Lauren Graves, University Relations

“It’s really scary, it’s really fun and it’s really Shakespeare.”

Such were Project Director Phillip DePoy’s remarks about “Supernatural Shakespeare,” an original professional production set to haunt the Spivey Hall stage at Clayton State University on Saturday, Oct. 13 at 8 p.m. Admission is free. Visit www.clayton.edu for driving directions.

It’s not your typical Halloween haunted house or night of trick-or-treating, but if you want to set the tone for a spooky All Hallows Eve and are curious about seeing Shakespeare’s most creepy characters united in one frightful spectacle, “Supernatural Shakespeare” delivers.

“Seeing all the ghosts, witches, monsters and magicians together in one place seems irresistible,” says DePoy, who conjured the idea for the production with Clayton State Assistant Professor and Integrative Studies Coordinator Dr. Wendy Burns-Ardolino. “The whole point is to scare the bejesus out of the audience with Shakespearean text... We hope the audience will have more fun than a barrel of witches. Or, you know...”

“Supernatural Shakespeare” Publicity Coordinator Dr. Kathryn Pratt adds, “Most directors of Shakespeare are so desperate to appeal to a wide audience that the productions end up being ‘dumbed-down.’ By bringing together some of Shakespeare’s most famous supernatural scenes, DePoy removes the challenge of having actors recite lines explaining dynastic succession or complicated assassination plots.”

Professional actors Hugh Adams, Jennifer Akin and Shontelle Thrash and

accomplished choreographer Nichole Livieratos join in the haunting, while community events such as Shakespeare on the Green, an Oct. 13 afternoon forum on Shakespeare that includes discussions and presentations; a high school Shakespearean sonnet contest; and a supernatural themed lecture by Stanford University’s Dr. Stephen Orgel on Oct. 1, make the project much more than one night of spooky Shakespeare.

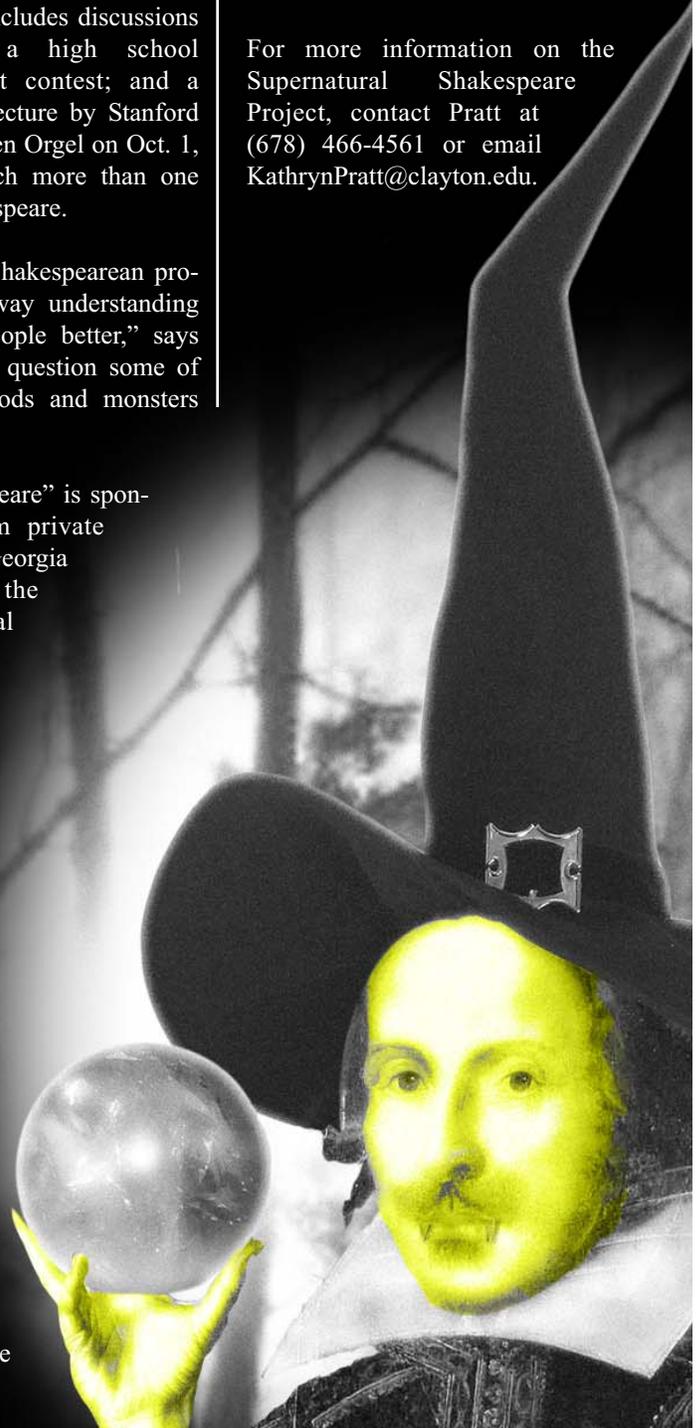
“When you attend a Shakespearean production, you come away understanding yourself and other people better,” says Pratt. “You may even question some of the motives of the gods and monsters Shakespeare invents.”

“Supernatural Shakespeare” is sponsored by grants from private foundations and the Georgia Council for the Humanities. Special thanks also to Chris Tryba-Cofrin and David Cofrin and Patrick and Joanne Burke.

DePoy, a resident of Atlanta and artistic director of Clayton State Theatre, is no stranger to strange Shakespeare and the supernatural. He wrote the script and music for “Hamlet the Musical,” presenting the Shakespearean tragedy through the

unlikely lens of a musical comedy; and his latest novel, “A Widow’s Curse,” (St. Martin’s Press) touches on the paranormal.

For more information on the Supernatural Shakespeare Project, contact Pratt at (678) 466-4561 or email KathrynPratt@clayton.edu.



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Second Reading in Marietta, Sept. 22

Phillip DePoy to Read from “A Widow’s Curse” at Fayette County Public Library, Sept. 15

by Lauren Graves, University Relations

A folklorist is accused of murder. And you can hear about it straight from the author when mystery novelist, playwright and director of Clayton State Theatre Phillip DePoy reads from his latest fiction novel, “A Widow’s Curse” (St. Martin’s Press), on Saturday, Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. at the Fayette County Public Library, 1821 Heritage Park Way, Fayetteville, Ga.

The fourth novel in DePoy’s Fever Devilin series, “A Widow’s Curse” follows folklorist Fever Devilin as he deals with a corpse in his living room, a shady lawyer trying to dupe Fever and his friend, a lunatic whacking heads with a cricket bat and a ghostly wraith in an aubergine dress wafting through the Barnsley Gardens.

And if you want a sneak preview of other adventures Fever encounters in “A Widow’s Curse,” DePoy’s Sept. 15 reading followed by a book signing and question/answer session will plunge you deeper into the mystery.

“When an author reads from his or her work, it’s more of a communal or theatrical experience rather than a solitary act, which is what books are normally about,” says DePoy. “It doesn’t often happen that

you get to sit down with people you don’t know and hear them ask questions about your work.”

“A Widow’s Curse” was released last month and has already received laudable reviews from Kirkus Review and Publisher’s Weekly. Copies of the novel will be available for purchase at DePoy’s reading.

DePoy’s next reading will be held at Marietta’s independent bookstore, The Book Exchange, on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 2 p.m.

For more information on DePoy’s reading at the Fayette County Public Library, contact DePoy at PhillipDePoy@clayton.edu or call (678) 466-4715. To learn more about “A Widow’s Curse” and other works by the author, visit his website at www.phillipdepoy.com. ■



Phillip DePoy

Pianist Polina Leschenko at Spivey Hall, Oct. 6

Pianist Polina Lischenko will present a recital program of bravura Romantic works culminating with the monumental Sonata in B minor by Franz Liszt in Spivey Hall on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$40.

Faculty and staff enjoy a 50 percent discount (limit two tickets per ID), and Clayton State student tickets are \$10 (limit two tickets per ID). Call (678) 466-4200 or visit the Spivey Hall box office.

These discount policies for faculty, staff and students (\$10 or 50 percent of full price, whichever is less), apply throughout the season.

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better job at keeping first time, full time freshmen, and moving them forwards towards graduation. Since the 451 beds in the student housing will be dedicated to first time, full time freshmen, this is the keystone to the University’s future efforts in this area.

“In the student housing, the first time, full time freshmen will be more under our influence than not under our influence,” he pointed out. “Students who live on campus have a higher success rate than those who do not. I’m confident this will help our student success rate.”

Of course, once you have some 450 freshmen living on campus, you need to have something for them to do.

“The student activities center will be for all students and it will also enhance our ability to retain the students who live on campus,” he pointed out.

So, what’s in-store for the 2007/2008 academic year? Other than a lot of construction on campus leading towards three building dedications in the summer of 2008? No major new initiatives, said Harden, but, “We must focus on continuing the efforts we have underway.” ■

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Other Homecoming Week events include the Annual Town & Gown Golf Tournament on Monday, Oct. 22 at Crystal Lake Country Club, another men’s soccer game (vs. Limestone College) on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m., the Basketball Tip-Off Party at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 25 and a Pep Rally at noon on Friday, Oct. 26. Also, after the Pep Rally on Friday afternoon, a basket-

ball skills competition and a faculty/staff game is planned at the Athletics & Fitness Center.

Campus events held in conjunction with Homecoming will feature Spirit Days in the James M. Baker Center for each of the University’s five academic units, and the annual Door Decorating Contest on Wednesday, Oct. 24. ■

Across the Campus...

Athletics

The Clayton State Laker men's golf team concluded its first tournament of the 2007 fall season on Tuesday by finishing 11th at the Kiawah Island Invitational, hosted by USC-Aiken. The Lakers fired a 310 in Tuesday's final round to finish with a 610. Individually for the Lakers, junior Will Wilcox had the top performance with a three-over par 147 (74-73) to finish tied for 15th. Also, junior newcomer Jonathan Visconti had a solid debut for Clayton State with a four-over 148 (74-74), finishing tied for 18th overall.

Clayton State women's head basketball coach Dennis Cox announced on Thursday the resignation of Laker assistant coach Shannon Reid. An assistant the last two seasons at Clayton State, Reid is leaving the Laker program for an assistant position at NCAA Division I Albany of the American East Conference. Due to the lateness of the change, Cox has also announced the hiring of former Laker player Kaleena Coleman as Clayton State's interim assistant coach for the 2007-08 season. Coleman, who lettered for the Lakers from 2003-05, served as a student assistant coach during the 2005-06 season and a part-time assistant last season, had accepted an assistant's position over the summer at Truett-McConnell College in Cleveland, Ga., serving under another former Laker, Carlie Anderson.



Shannon Reid

Continuing Education

Clayton State University and Bellwether Services, Lean Six Sigma training part-

ners, have been selected as finalists for The Global Six Sigma Award (TGSSA). The TGSSA recognizes the year's best individual and organizational achievements in Six Sigma. The focus of the awards program is to demonstrate to the global business community the real results and excellence which organizations achieve through a successful Lean Six Sigma deployment.

Image and Communications

The Office of Image and Communications is planning the roll-out of a new feature for the Clayton State web page – the Laker Spotlight. Each week, a faculty member and a staff member will be profiled on the Laker Spotlight in what Dolores Cox refers to as a “getting to know you feature.” The Laker Spotlight is scheduled to go live on Sept. 20.

SmartBodies

In a good faith effort to help ease the financial strain that some of the students are feeling paying the new \$75 fee for the new Student Activities Center, SmartBodies has opened its doors and are inviting students to use the fitness facility for FREE on the slower workout days of the week: Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. A one-time charge is required to cover the required mini-assessment for those who have not taken the former PHED 1010 course. As a point of information, SmartBodies does NOT obtain any student fees for its operations nor is it collecting the new \$75 fee. Also of note, current seniors paying into the Student Activities Center project, who graduate in May will have access to the new facility for one year after the doors open. The students are also encouraged to utilize the Student Weight Room located in the Athletics & Fitness Center at no cost.

Staff Council

Staff Council will be selling “limited edition” calendars with featuring pictures of the campus. The calendars will run from Nov. 2007 to Dec. 2008 and will sell for \$10 each. Included on the calendar are important Clayton State dates, Spivey Hall concerts and athletic events. The calendars will be printed in late October for Clayton State's annual Homecoming celebration.

University System of Georgia

Chancellor Erroll B. Davis Jr. has announced the appointment of Dr. Susan Herbst as executive vice chancellor and chief academic officer (EVC/CAO) for the University System of Georgia (USG). The selection of Herbst concludes a national search launched this past May. Herbst currently serves as the acting president of the University at Albany, State University of New York. She will assume her new role at the USG on Nov. 1, 2007. The EVC/CAO is responsible for meeting the academic needs of more than 260,000 students and approximately 10,000 University System faculty members. The position also provides leadership to the System's comprehensive universities and to a division at the University System Office that includes academic programs and planning, faculty affairs, student affairs, international programs, teacher-education initiatives, strategic research and analysis, and information and instructional technology.

SmartBodies Announces Winners of Annual “Spring Into Action” Program

The results are in, and a lot of hard work since May 7, 2007 has paid off for three members of the Clayton State University School of Nursing.

George Brown, program coordinator for SmartBodies, Clayton State's on-campus, public fitness and wellness center, has

announced that the School of Nursing team of Ruth Jean, Aquila Welcome, and Amelia Senkbeil are the winners of the SmartBodies 2007 “Spring Into Action” contest.

The trio had an average time of 1,953 minutes (32 hours and 33 minutes) over the course of the 12 week event.

“They exhibited tremendous dedication and pride during the contest,” says Brown.

Academic Affairs placed second, followed by Budget and Finance.



President George W. Bush with squadron HMLA 269 in Iraq. See more pictures from the President's visit: <https://www.2maw.usmc.mil/MAG29/HMLA269/photoalbums/president.asp>

Clayton State Alum Crownover Meets the U. S. President in Iraq

United States President George W. Bush made surprise visit to Iraq over the Labor Day weekend, and Clayton State University alumnus Charles "Eddie" Crownover was there to meet him.

Crownover's wife, Melissa, a Clayton State School of Business graduate who is now serving as a software engineer for GE Energy, e-mailed Clayton State Dean of the College of Professional Studies Dr. Benita Moore (still another Clayton State grad) with the news that her husband, a native of Jackson, Ga., currently serving his second tour of duty in Iraq with squadron HMLA 269, had met the president over the weekend during his visit to Al Asad Air Base.

Naturally, Bush's visit drew a lot of media attention, and U.S. Marine officer Crownover has, as a result, been all over television and the internet.

Eddie Crownover is a 2002 Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) Technology Management graduate who had his officer commissioning ceremony in the University's Technology Building upon graduation. The University's Outstanding BAS Technology Management Graduate for the 2001/2002 academic year, Crownover was also one of Clayton

State's nominees for that year's Chancellor's Academic Recognition Award from the University System of Georgia.

And now, he's met the Commander-in-Chief. Or, maybe, the Commander-in-Chief has met Crownover. ■



United States President George W. Bush meets Clayton State alumnus Eddie Crownover (R) while visiting Iraq over the Labor Day weekend.

Hot Dog! Faculty/Staff Fund Rally on September 25

The annual highlight of the Faculty Staff Fund Drive, the Hot Dog Rally, will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., or until all the hot dogs are gone. 

Campaign chairs Keya Reed and Dr. Jim Braun and the entire External Relations gang (aka Steve Stephens, Reda Rowell, Terri Taylor-Hamrick, Linda Castleberry, et al) invite you to an afternoon of fun, fellowship and, best of all... free food (hot dogs, chips, soda, etc.)

The Rally will be held in the quad area outside the library and student center. Plan to join us for this annual event in support and encouragement of the Faculty/Staff Fund Drive. There will be plenty of food, music, door prizes and trivia. Hope to see you there!

College Game Day Comes To Truett's Grill in Morrow

Attention sports' fans! Truett's Grill is celebrating the college football season with a special College Game Day promotion. Wear your favorite college team's jersey, or your Clayton State jersey (soccer, basketball, etc.) on any Saturday in September and October to the Truett's Grill in Morrow and receive a free Chick-fil-A sandwich with any purchase. While you are at Truett's Grill, be sure to register to win a free Chick-fil-A party tray, which is the perfect addition to any tailgate party. Truett's Grill is located at 2042 Mt. Zion Road in Morrow.



Constitution Week



Lieutenant Colonel Stephanie L. Stephens To Speak at Clayton State's Women's Forum

Lieutenant Colonel Stephanie L. Stephens, executive officer for the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Forces Command, Ft. McPherson, Ga., will be the speaker at the Constitution Day luncheon of the Clayton State Women's Forum.

The luncheon, which will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 18 in room 101 of the Harry S. Downs Center on the Clayton State campus, will follow the University's Constitution Day theme, "The Patriot Act: Balancing National Security and Civil Liberties." Stephens will speak on that topic as well as giving insight into a woman's career in military service, her success strategies and the mentors who have helped her along the way.

A 1986 graduate of United States Military Academy at West Point who achieved the rank of Cadet Lieutenant, Stephens earned a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Military Police Corps.

Following her West Point career, Stephens attended Airborne School at Fort Benning, Ga., where she was the honor graduate of her class, the first woman in the Army to achieve that distinction.

In 1993 she received her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law where she was instrumental in starting a new law journal, *The Journal of Social Policy and the Law*, and served on its first managing board. After completing the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course, Stephens served as the trial counsel for the 24th Corps Support Group and the Headquarters Command at the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Ga. Her next assignment was as the Chief of Administrative Law, 2d Infantry Division, Korea. She then served as the Officer-in-Charge of the Camp Casey Legal Center, 2d Infantry Division, Korea.

Stephens completed the ABA-accredited Judge Advocate Graduate (JAG) Course



Lieutenant Colonel Stephanie L. Stephens

at the Army Judge Advocate General's School in Charlottesville, Va., in 1997, earning a LL.M. in Military Law, with a specialty in Administrative and Civil Law. Stephens served for two years as an associate professor of Law in the Administrative and Civil Law department, teaching claims and federal labor-management relations. She spent her final year at the JAG School as the Deputy Director, Academic Department.

She was then selected to attend the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in residence at Fort Leavenworth, Ks. She served as the staff judge advocate, Joint Task Force Civil Support at Fort Monroe, Va., and staff judge advocate, U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Stephens' awards and decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Army Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster, the National Defense

Do You Know How Many Failed Amendments There Have Been?

Clayton State's Annual Reading of the Constitution Scheduled for September 20

by John Shiffert, University Relations

If past experience is any indicator, Clayton State University's annual reading of the United States Constitution will take a little less than an hour on Thursday, Sept. 20.

The highlight of the University's Constitution Day observance, the reading of the entire Constitution takes place starting at noon in the Commons area of the James M. Baker Center. And while it will take less than 60 minutes to read that historic document with all of its amendments – 27 to date – the readers, who will be drawn from Clayton State

faculty, staff and students, may be glad that the founding fathers made the amendment ratification process a rigorous one.

That's because there have been more than 11,000 amendments proposed in Congress since 1789. However, only a fraction of a percentage of those proposed changes gathered enough support to actually go through the constitutional ratification process. The success rate of an amendment to become part of the Constitution is less than one percent.

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Constitution Week



Clayton State Class to Visit National Archives on Constitution Day

As has been the case for the past three years, Clayton State University's observance of Constitution Day will include the Southeast Archives of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

Just one of many partnerships between the University and NARA, this year's Constitution Day includes a NARA exhibit of historical documents pertinent to the Constitution



Southeast NARA

along "Main Street" in the University's James M. Baker Center and Clayton State history classes visiting the NARA archives to view the on-going exhibit, "This Great Nation Will Endure."

Presented by the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum and the National Archives Southeast Region, the exhibit is a photographic exhibition of more than 150 images of America taken between 1935 and 1942 by great photographers of the Farm Security Administration (FSA), including Dorothea Lange, Walker Evans, Ben Shahn, Jack Delano, Arthur Rothstein, Gordon Parks, Carl Mydans, Russell Lee, Marion Post Wolcott and John Vachon.

The exhibition was created by the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in Hyde Park, N.Y.

One of the largest and richest exhibitions of FSA black-and-white photography brought to Georgia, the photographs are drawn from the massive Farm Security Administration photography collection at the Library of Congress. Their work includes some of the most familiar and powerful images of the nation to emerge from those difficult years. Many have reached iconic status in American culture.

"The National Archives Southeast Region is sponsoring an excellent exhibition through Nov. 17 entitled "This Great Nation Will Endure: Photographs of the Great Depression," said Dr. Eugene Hatfield, chairman of the Clayton State Department of Social Sciences in an e-mail to faculty. "This would make an excellent Constitution Days assignment for your history or political science courses and includes photographs by Roy Stryker, Walker Evans, Dorothea Lange, and Carl Parks among others. I hope many of you will be able to view this outstanding exhibit."

Actually, the first class to visit "This Great Nation Will Endure" is not a Clayton State history or political science class, but that of Associate Professor of

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"New York Times Talk" is Part of Constitution Events

Clayton State Political Science Association to Sponsor Patriot Act Discussion

The Clayton State University Political Science Association will sponsor the first in a series of "New York Times Talks" on Wednesday, Sept. 19 as part of the University's observance of Constitution Day.

"The Patriot Act: Balancing National Security with Liberty" is open to students, faculty and staff and will be held from 12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. on "Main Street" in the James M. Baker Center on the Clayton State campus in Morrow. Dr. Eugene Hatfield, chairman of the Clayton State Department of Social Sciences will introduce the program and Dr. Joseph Corrado, assistant professor of Political Science, and the faculty advisor to the Political Science Association, will facilitate the discussion.

"This will be the first in a series of Times Talks with both students and faculty facilitating the discussions," says Hatfield. "We will base the discussions on articles from the 'New York Times.'"

"We think it will be a very interesting opportunity to share different perspectives about important questions from different areas, including politics, science, the arts, and medicine." ■

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"I heard her speak at the national American Democracy Project annual meeting and also at the American Democracy Project South conference. She is a dynamic speaker with an inspiring message of what people can do to make a difference on their campuses and in their communities. Her focus in her presentation at Clayton State will be on civic engagement," notes Dr. Eugene Hatfield,

chairman of the Clayton State Social Sciences Department and director of the Clayton State American Democracy Program. "Born in modest circumstances, Ms. Lovely has a compelling personal story of how she was able to get a college education and build her highly successful career. It is a story that highlights the importance of a college education at public universities across the country."

A nationally recognized speaker speaking to student groups, as well as business and professional organizations, Lovely is a regular contributor to newspapers and publications and a featured commentator on various TV and radio programs. She is also publisher of City magazine, a community issues publication. Her first book,

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Constitution Week



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While the Equal Rights Amendment is probably the best-known failed amendment, there have been many other attempts to make significant changes in the Constitution. The following is a very limited list of some of the other proposed amendments that have not been ratified:

1876: an attempt to abolish the United States Senate

1876: the forbidding of religious leaders from occupying a governmental office or receiving federal funding

1878: an Executive Council of Three should replace the office of President

1893: renaming this nation the "United States of the Earth"

1893: abolishing the United States Army and Navy

1894: acknowledging that the Constitution recognizes God and Jesus Christ as the supreme authorities in human affairs.

1912: making marriage between races illegal

1914: finding divorce to be illegal

1916: all acts of war should be put to a national vote. Anyone voting yes had to register as a volunteer for service in the United States Army

1923: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

1933: an attempt to limit the personal wealth to \$1 million

1936: an attempt to allow the American people to vote on whether or not the United States should go to war

1938: the forbidding of drunkenness in the United States and all of its territories

1947: the income tax maximum for an individual should not exceed 25 percent

1948: the right of citizens to segregate themselves from others

1971: American citizens should have the alienable right to an environment free of pollution.

In addition to the reading of the Constitution, Thursday's Constitution Day event will also include vocal performances by mezzo-soprano Lianna Wimberly and distribution of free copies of the Constitution – without the 11,000 failed amendments. ■

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"New Cities in America: The Little Blue Book of Big Ideas," is published by Minerva Publishing and Butler Books.

Named one of Kentucky's Top Women of Influence, Appalachian Woman of the Year, Communicator of the Year and one of

Kentucky's Power Elite, she was also a keynote speaker in the Dominican Republic at an international conference of women leaders.

Lovely and her husband Bernie live in Lexington, Ky. They have been married for 32 years and have two sons, Ross and

David. She is a graduate of Morehead State University, where she is a member of the Board of Regents. She graduated from the University of Kentucky College of Law and is an adjunct faculty member of the UK Martin School of Public Policy and Administration. ■

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Teacher Education Dr. Mary Hollowell, proving the broad attraction of the exhibit. Hollowell's class will be attending on Constitution Day, Monday, Sept. 17.

"This Great Nation Will Endure:" Photographs of the Great Depression runs through November 17, 2007. Free tours and lectures will be offered in conjunction with the exhibition. For information about tours or to schedule a group viewing or a tour for students and educators, please contact Mary Evelyn Tomlin, Public Programs Specialist at mary.tomlin@nara.gov or James McSweeney, Regional Administrator, at

james.mcsweeney@nara.gov. Or call (770) 968-2100.

The exhibition is open Tuesday through Saturday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the National Archives Southeast Region, 5780 Jonesboro Rd., Jonesboro, Ga., adjacent to the Clayton State campus. ■

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Service Medal with star, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Korean Defense Service Medal, the Overseas Service Ribbon, and the parachutists badge. She is a member of the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and is admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

The cost of the Women's Forum luncheon \$12. Please RSVP to (678) 466-4475 or email territaylor-hamrick@clayton.edu. ■

Laker Women Make it Two Straight With 1-0 Squeaker at Montevallo

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

The Laker women's soccer team turned in another sterling defensive performance and got just enough offense needed in a 1-0 victory at Montevallo on Wednesday.

The victory was the second straight for Clayton State, which remained undefeated on the season at 3-0-1 heading into Saturday's Peach Belt Conference showdown at 16th-ranked Armstrong Atlantic.

It was a scoreless first half, and it remained scoreless until the 17th minute of the second half when senior forward Olaitan Yusuf struck for her sixth goal of the season. She took a through ball pass

from defender Kyle Browning and beat Montevallo goalkeeper Corey Gross one-on-one for the game's lone goal. Yusuf has scored all six Laker goals on the season, raising her career-leading mark at both Clayton State and in the Peach Belt to 69.

For the second straight, the Lakers got a sterling defensive effort, led by senior defender Loretta Ashu and junior defender Jennifer Powell. Junior goalkeeper Whitney Jowers recorded her second straight shutout with three saves for Clayton State, while Gross recorded four saves for Montevallo (2-5). ■

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However, the Bees were stellar on defense, cutting off the passing lanes and thwarting every Laker attempt at the goal.

SCAD took a 1-0 lead in the 30th minute as Joss Millar scored on a breakaway pass from Dan Fadida. It stayed 1-0 until the 61st minute when Darren Spong scored

off a corner kick to give the Bees the 2-0 lead.

SCAD goalkeeper Tommi Sarkkinen recorded four saves in the shutout, while his Clayton State counterpart Billy Hale had one save. ■

Gibbons Signs Transfer from Drake

Coach Gordon Gibbons has put the finishing touches on a "reloading" recruiting class with the signing of a Division I transfer power forward. The big coup to the Lakers is power forward Arnel Traore dit Nignan from Drake. The newest addition brings the number of Clayton State newcomers for the upcoming season to eight. They join six returning players from last season's 24-8 squad that advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division II National Tournament.

"Arnel brings valuable experience to our squad," Gibbons said. "His strength will compliment the ability and skill of our team."

Traore dit Nignan, a 6-8, 240-pound senior who hails from the same African city (Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso) as recently-graduated Laker center Aristide Sawadogo, comes to Clayton State after playing last season for the legendary head coach Dr. Tom Davis at Drake. He red-shirted in 2005-06, and saw action in only seven games last season due to an injury.

Prior to signing with Drake in the spring of 2005, Traore dit Nignan was a two-year starter at Tompkins Cortland Community College in Cortland, N.Y., where he earned All-Mid State Athletics Conference honors in the 2004-05 season and was selected to the NJCAA Region 3 All-Star Team. He averaged 15 points and nine rebounds a game during his sophomore season, and set the Tompkins Cortland career records for rebounding (515) and blocked shots (94).

In addition to Traore dit Nignan, Gibbons is also welcoming two additional transfers to the Laker mix. Freshman guard John Austin comes to Clayton State after walking on and red-shirting at West Virginia, while 6-1 junior guard Eric Wilson comes to Clayton State from Division II Tuskegee. He prepped at nearby Morrow High School with current Clayton State point guard Trey Goss and former Laker wing Rod Venner. ■

Trivia Time

Car 54, Where are You?

by John Shiffert, University Relations

It's a little known fact that the Athletic Department's Pat Keane and the author of this column grew up less than five miles from each other, just inside (Chestnut Hill - Keane) and outside (Lafayette Hill - Shiffert) of the Philadelphia city line.

And while Keane may still be trying to keep this quiet, she wasn't shy about answering our last question... what TV show's theme song opened with "There's a holdup in the Bronx." Now, this may or may not mean that "Car 54, Where are You?" was especially popular in Philly, but it is true that another Delaware Valley native, Emeritus Director of Student Life Rob Taylor, knew the answer as well.

Before drawing your own conclusions, know that another dozen people also answered this one correctly. Following Keane they were, in order, Tom Eddins, Jean Myers, Dina Swearngin, Mary Coursey, Lou Brackett, David Ludley, Theodora Riley, Robert Caine, Norman Grizzell, Todd Birchfield, Dotty Bumbalough, Taylor and Chris Wilkie. Bonus points go to Caine and Bumbalough for knowing all the words to the theme song, and to Taylor, for being from the Delaware Valley.

Before moving on, let's give credit to a late answer from the Aug. 17 question about Jethro Bodine and swimming pools. It turns out that Clayton Staters aren't the only people who remember the Beverly Hillbillies. Dr. Lawrence Weill, president of Gordon College, also knew about the SEE-ment pond, and joined in the fun.

Since television seems to be so popular as far as a subject for trivia, let's turn to a more current show - "Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader?" Or more accurately, "Are You Smarter than a Sixth Grader?" To answer that question, and in honor of her 12th birthday on Sept. 18, we have turned the column over to a sixth grader at Madras Middle School, Maggie Shiffert, who asks, "What was/is the supercontinent called?" Send your answers to her father at johnshiffert@clayton.edu, since Maggie doesn't have e-mail.

Sports

They're on the Schedule -- Clayton State To Play UGA in Men's Basketball Exhibition

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

For the first time in program history this season, the Clayton State Laker men's basketball will take on a Division I opponent, and it is one that most basketball fans within the state are very familiar with.

Laker head coach Gordon Gibbons officially released his 2007-08 schedule on Thursday, and Clayton State will open the season with an exhibition game on Nov. 2 at the University of Georgia. The Lakers and Bulldogs square off at Stegman Coliseum at 7:30 p.m. Georgia, under head coach Dennis Felton, is coming off a 19-14 season with a berth in the NIT.

"It is an honor for our program to go to Athens and compete against the Bulldogs," said Gibbons, who is 121-57 entering his seventh season at the Clayton State helm.

In addition to the exhibition against Georgia, Clayton State has loaded its schedule with 12 teams, both from out of conference and in the Peach Belt Conference, that have competed at one point in the NCAA Division II National Tournament over the last four years.

The non-conference slate includes the traditional home-and-home series against in-

state rival and Gulf South Conference power West Georgia. The Lakers host the Wolves on Nov. 20, and then travel to West Georgia on Dec. 8. In addition, Clayton State plays host to another traditional Gulf South power in North Alabama on Dec. 15, and travels to Gulf South contender Arkansas-Monticello on Dec. 31.

Finally, hosts St. Augustine's as a part of the Heritage Bank Holiday Classic on Dec. 28. The Lakers officially open the 2007-08 season on Nov. 17 at home against Tennessee Temple. ■

SCAD Hands Fifth-ranked Clayton State its First Defeat of 2007

The "Rootes Curse" continues to haunt the Clayton State men's soccer team.

For the third straight season, the Savannah College of Art & Design Bees and their head coach, former Clayton State head coach John Rootes, came onto Laker Field and defeated the Clayton State Lakers. This season, SCAD recorded a 2-0 shutout over fifth-ranked Clayton State on

Wednesday, handing the Lakers their first defeat of the 2007 season.

Clayton State is now 1-3 overall against Rootes, its head coach from 1998-2004.

The game was physical with a combined 39 fouls and five yellow cards issued. In fact, Clayton State out-shot SCAD 20-9.

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