

# Andrew Young to Speak at Clayton State's Martin Luther King Commemorative Event

by John Shiffert, University Relations

One of the nation's most distinguished public servants, former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Andrew Young, will be the keynote speaker at Clayton College & State University's fourth annual Martin Luther King Day Commemoration Event, Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.

Young will also be conducting a dialogue with Clayton State students on the theme, "The Civil Rights Act: An Historical Perspective" prior to his 7:15 p.m. keynote address, entitled "Memories of Martin Luther King, Jr.," in the University's world-famous Spivey Hall. The keynote address is free and open to the public, however seating is limiting to the first 400 in attendance.

The University's Martin Luther King Day Event will also include two speakers appearing on campus at noon and at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 20, courtesy of the nearby Georgia State Archives. Further details on the Archives' presentations will be released shortly.

A pastor, civil and human rights leader, former member of Congress and former mayor of Atlanta, Young began his career of public service in the 1960s as a close associate of King. He served as the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's (SCLC) executive director and executive vice president during King's tenure as SCLS president and also organized many of King's famous marches.

His career in politics began in 1972, when he was elected as Georgia's first African-American in the U.S. Congress in 101 years. After two terms in the House of Representatives, he was appointed ambassador to the United Nations in January 1977, serving in that role, as well as a member of President Jimmy Carter's Cabinet and the National Security Council, until September 1979.

In 1982, Young became mayor of Atlanta, beginning an eight-year tenure in that office and leading the city's unprecedented economic boom that continued long after he left office in January 1990.

During his 40 years of public service, Young has received innumerable awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom - the nation's highest civilian award - and the French Legion of Honor. ■

## Clayton State Grads Eighth in Average Wages Earned

# Study on Value of a College Degree in Georgia Shows Payoffs For USG Graduates and the State

A new report on higher education in Georgia shows that, for recent graduates of the University System of Georgia (USG), a college degree is worth an average of \$14,000 a year more than a high-school graduate could expect to make. Over the course of a working career, the average graduate of a public college or university in Georgia can expect to earn nearly \$1 million more than a high-school-educated neighbor. The study also confirms that the USG is the major source of recent college graduates in Georgia - about half of all Georgians who hold recent postsecondary degrees were educated by a USG institution.

Commissioned by the USG's Intellectual Capital Partnership Program (ICAPP), the "Value of University System of Georgia Education" study was conducted by research-

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Two Scholars to Debate the Meaning of Genesis on Nov. 20

## Is Genesis a Literal Description of How Life Started on Earth?

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

In an event unlike the typical “Creation vs. Evolution” debate, Clayton State’s Baptist Student Union invites you to attend a free “Creation vs. Creation” debate on Thursday, Nov. 20, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Clayton State Arts & Sciences theater. Listen as Christians Dr. Greg Hampikian (biologist) of Clayton State and Dr. Terry Mortenson (geologist) of “Answers in Genesis” debate the literal and figurative meanings of scripture in Genesis chapters one and two.

The purpose of the debate is to examine whether the first two chapters of Genesis literally describe the beginning of life on earth. Hampikian will maintain the position that the accounts at the beginning of Genesis are to be taken figuratively - meaning, for example, that there was no talking serpent, that the days of creation were not the usual 24-hour events, and that the forbidden fruit is symbolic.

“Genesis gives us a timeless explanation of God’s relationship to his creation, and the relationship of husband and wife. It is an explanation that worked before humans discovered the scientific method, and one that works for children and old people, philosophers and farmers,” he says.

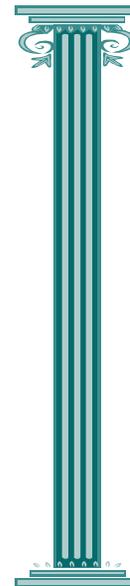
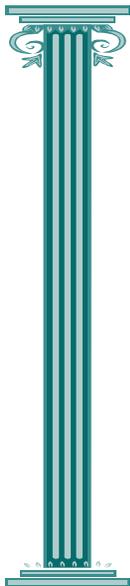
Mortenson will counter Hampikian’s argument with claims of the literality of the events described in Genesis - meaning, there was a real fruit; the serpent is not a metaphor but a true snake, and the days were like our own days.

Both speakers will present their views for 20 minutes. Immediately following the lectures, the debaters will have 10 minutes to bring a rebuttal. This will be followed by the speakers’ closing statements. The floor will then be opened to questions and answers.

Hampikian, a Christian since the 1970s, is a world-renowned forensic expert and an associate professor of Biology at Clayton State. He is also a cofounder of Clayton State’s Campus Christian Ministries (CCM), a non-denominational outreach of the United Methodist Church. CCM’s website states, “We believe that the Christian faith benefits from the careful scrutiny of all those who seek truth.”

Also influential in the Clayton State Theater, Hampikian has written two plays with religious connotations. His most recent work, “Things Not Seen,” focuses on the question of faith in marriage. The story centers on a pastor and his wife who face a relationship crisis, when only one of them experience a miracle. The play, whose title derives its origins from Hebrews 11:1, runs in the Clayton State Theater from Dec. 4-6 and 11-13 at 8 p.m. Admissions is \$8; \$4 for seniors citizens.

Mortenson, also a Christian since the 1970s, is in charge of Answers in Genesis, “a Christian apologetics ministry that equips the church to uphold the authority of the Bible from the very first verse.” He has debated creation related matters since the 70s and has spoken in an array of places including the United States, England, Russia, and most countries in Eastern Europe. For more information on Mortenson, visit <http://www.answersingenesis.org/> ■



*Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden and Vice President for External Relations Dr. Bryan P. Edwards were recently honored by Georgia Secretary of State Cathy Cox with an “Award for Advocacy” for their support of the Georgia State Archives.*

## Clayton State Biology Students Present at American Society for Microbiology SE Branch Meeting

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Clayton State biology majors Jennifer Benton, Andrea Coachman and Maggie Mills presented research findings at the recent American Society of Microbiology Southeast Branch (ASM-SEB) meeting held at the Classic Center in Athens.

"Each of these students worked very hard, spending at least 10 hours per week in the lab," says Clayton State Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. Michelle Furlong. "A number of judges at the competition could not believe they were undergraduate students - they thought they were on the graduate level. [Benton, Coachman and Mills] were each approached by a recruiter from a biotech lab who was interested in hiring them after graduation."

Of the 30 undergraduate students participating in the ASM-SEB meeting, Mills's poster presentation received the honorable mention award, which included a cash prize. "I am very proud of Maggie," says Furlong.

Mills's poster concerned research on the fecal contamination in Clayton County's Jester's Creek. Mills, under the direction of Furlong, traced the source of the contamination by studying the antibiotic resistance patterns of bacteria commonly associated with fecal matter. She plans to continue her research of Jester's Creek, and present more findings in the National ASM meeting in May.

For their research, Benton and Coachman worked under the direction of Clayton State Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. Nickie Cauthen to clone viral and cellular genes. They then used the cloned genes to show how the viral and cellular genes interact when the cell is infected with Adenovirus, a relatively mild pathogen that can cause respiratory illness or conjunctivitis.

"It is extremely important for our biology students to become accustomed to presenting their research at meetings," says Furlong. "Presenting research is a skill that most employers and graduate/professional schools want undergraduate students to master before they graduate. Plus, it allows [students] to make new contacts in science, which will help them in their pursuit of a career." ■

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ers at the Georgia Institute of Technology. The authors analyzed the earnings of nearly 90,000 University System students who graduated between 1993 and 1997 and found that, overall, the increased earnings resulting from their college degrees added \$1.25 billion to the state's economy during 1998 - the most recent year for which data was available. Clayton College & State University graduates fared especially well in this metric, ranking eighth among the USG's 34 institutions with an average wage of \$33,070.

In addition, Clayton County ranked eighth among Georgia's 159 counties in educational value gained from the University System in 1998, with \$23.6 million of the wages earned by USG graduates employed there attributable to higher education. Given that figure, it's not surprising that six of Clayton State's baccalaureate degrees ranked in the top 10 statewide for the greatest total economic impact in 1998 based on educational value - Business Administration & Management (first), Nursing (second), Middle School Teacher Education (fourth), Accounting (sixth), Computer and Information Sciences (seventh) and General Business (10th). Two Clayton State School of Health Sciences programs, Health Care Management (fifth) and Nursing (10th) ranked among the top 10 in greatest average economic impact in 1998 based on educational value.

"The economic value of college graduates is so massive, so widespread and so long-lasting that we tend to take it for granted," said Bill Drummond, a professor in Georgia Tech's City and Regional Planning Program, who collaborated with Jan Youtie, a researcher in Georgia

## Christian Campus Ministries Aids Victims in North Carolina

As part of Christian Campus Ministries, a nondenominational student organization at Clayton State, Lydia Vanderford, rehabilitation coordinator and instructor for SmartBodies, and Nathan Hilkert, part time instructor of English, traveled to New Bern, N.C. to assist in efforts to clean up property and relocate families hit by Hurricane Isabel in late September.

Vanderford and Hilkert also took with them a van filled with goods, donated by Clayton State students, faculty and staff, and Last Call Ministries, for the flood victims.

While near New Bern, Vanderford and Hilkert worked with the United Methodist Church's Disaster Response Team to move one family's furniture into storage, while their floors — destroyed by flood waters — were ripped out and replaced. Vanderford and Hilkert found that while wind damage was not widespread near New Bern, flood damage to many houses is inestimable.

Vanderford and Hilkert hope that such outreach becomes an integral part of the ministry that Christian Campus Ministries offers, and that the campus at large is able to participate in future relief efforts. ■

# Across the Campus

## Athletics

The Lakers' basketball teams opened their respective seasons with three exhibition games, the men defeating the WBA All-Stars 97-84 and VASDA 93-82 and the women losing to Georgia State, 60-46. The men open their regular season at home tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. against Southeastern. The women open tomorrow at noon at North Alabama.

## Baptist Student Union

The Baptist Student Union is collecting items for A Friend's House through Dec. 6. A Friend's House is a shelter for children in crisis. The shelter operates as an emergency placement for children in the custody of DFAC's. The shelter is in need of several everyday items... their wish list can be found at <http://studentorg.clayton.edu/bsu/wish.pdf>. Boxes (wrapped & labeled) can be found in all of the buildings to place these items. Monetary donations are accepted if you would like to do that.

## Biology

On Nov. 5, Clayton State Associate Professor of Biology Dr. Greg Hampikian and Georgia Tech Associate Professor of Materials Science and Engineering Dr. Janet Hampikian teamed up to substitute teach Susan A. Sullivan's seventh grade science class at Decatur's Shamrock Middle School.

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The team of professors and students looking for a new gene sequences in Georgia's important paper source, the loblolly pine, visited the Georgia Tech Institute of Paper Science and Technology on Thursday, Nov. 13, to tour the state of the art tree culture facility. The students have already begun their genetic research on the tree in the Biotechnology laboratory at Clayton State. Their groundbreaking research is part of the larger Loblolly Pine Genome Project funded through a \$1.3 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

## Center for Instructional Development

The Center for Instructional Development will be offering a wide variety of workshops during the month of November. For detailed descriptions, times, and registration go to <http://learningcenter.clayton.edu/cid/workshops.htm>

## Clayton State Track Club

Coming off its first sponsored race - the Oct. 25 McElroy Mile - the Clayton State Track Club (CSTC) will be meeting twice in the month of November to, among other things, discuss the race, as well as future events. This month's meetings will both be held in Clayton State's Athletics & Fitness Center, with the evening meeting scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 13 and the daytime meeting scheduled for noon on Wednesday, Nov. 19. Both meetings are open to anyone interested in running (or walking) who wishes to attend. In addition to rehashing The McElroy Mile, and discussing the race's future iterations, the meetings will also start planning for the construction of the McElroy Trail around the Clayton State campus, as well as future events, including the Jan. 20, 2004 Freedom Run 5K, which will be held on the Clayton State campus.

## Communications & Media Studies

CNN Writer Christine Boese discussed Weblogs with Communication and Media Studies majors as part of Clayton College & State University's Lyceum program on Thursday, Nov. 6.

## Diversity & Disability Services

March is Women's History Month. Individuals interested in being a part of the planning committee for the month's activities are encouraged to attend a brainstorming meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 3 p.m. in STC #222. Students are encouraged to participate.

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Clayton College & State University Integrative Studies major and federally recognized Cherokee Native American, artist Will Wiley Rogers, displayed his artwork at the University's Student Center and Library during the first two weeks of November. On Monday, Nov. 10, Rogers appeared at his exhibit in his native attire. In honor of American Indian Heritage Month, the exhibition, "The Trail of Tears Through the Eyes of Cherokee Artist Will W. Rogers," illustrated Rogers' interpretation of the hardship and heroism endured by the Cherokee Nation during the historic journey from Georgia and South Carolina to the Indian Territory in what eventually became the State of Oklahoma.

## Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office welcomes a new Financial Aid Representative, Rhonda Brown, who began working on Nov. 3 and comes to us with years of customer service experience in the banking field. She has also worked in the Bursar's Office at Georgia Tech.

## History

The Georgia State Archives and Clayton State once again teamed up to help the public learn more about Georgia's history when Dr. Eugene Hatfield, head of the Department of Social Sciences and professor of History, appeared as part of the Archives' regular "Lunch and Learn" lecture series on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at the Georgia State Archives. Hatfield spoke on the Battle of Jonesboro — which forced the Confederate evacuation of Atlanta — and its role in bringing the Civil War's Atlanta campaign to a conclusion.

## Human Resources

Open Enrollment ends on Friday, Nov. 14. Please make sure that you have completed all necessary paperwork for changes in benefits before the end of business, on Nov. 14. Also, if you have not done so, please open and read the information in the link below. For further information, please contact Mary Ward, Benefits Coordinator, at X3763.

# Across the Campus

## Library

The deadline for your contribution to the 2004 State Charitable Contributions Program is Friday, Nov. 14. Please complete the form along with your method of payment and submit it by using one of the following methods: Put it into campus mail to Gwen Bell-Library, or bring it over and give personally to Gwen.

## Music

Come hear our own Dr. Michiko Otaki in concert with the Kodály String Quartet on Saturday, Nov. 15 at 8:15 p.m. in Spivey Hall.

## SmartBodies

How are you relieving the abundance of stress that you are accumulating on a daily basis? Physical activity is the number one way people relieve stress and reap a bundle of health benefits to boot! We are entering into the holiday season, so why not kick off your exercise program NOW... before those pounds suddenly appear! SmartBodies is the best deal going — only \$115 for an entire year! Or if you prefer, you can pay \$17 per month, \$45 for three months, \$70 for 6 months! Companion rates are even better!

## Student Life

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority will hold its Fall 2003 Interest Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 18 in the Student Center Faculty Dining Room at 7:20 p.m. Attire is "Business Casual."

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The Clayton State Student Government Association hosted the University System of Georgia's Fall Student Advisory Council meeting on Saturday, Nov. 8. Student representatives from University System institutions from around the state gathered to hear presentations on a wide variety of topics, including ones from former Clayton State administrators Tonya Lam and Mike Vollmer, and current Clayton State Ombuds Terri-Taylor Hamrick.

Time to submit your activities for next semester's Activities Calendar. Please e-mail Angela Avery any activities you would like added to the calendar and include event, time, date and location. The submission deadline is Dec. 1.

## Women's Forum

Georgia State Senator and Clayton State alumna Valencia Seay was the featured speaker at the November Clayton State Women's Forum luncheon.



Dorothy (Dolores Cox) and Toto Too (Pepper) say, "There's no place like Clayton State!"

## Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

\*MonsterTRAK - The official job listing and resume database for Clayton College & State University students and graduates. Find postings of full/part-time employment, on-campus student jobs, federal work study, internships, and web posting of resumes at [www.monstertrak.com](http://www.monstertrak.com). (CCSU School Password: Success)

Missed Career Opportunities 2003?

Copies of the program (complete with employer contact information) is available in Student Center Room 223

Careers 2004

The 18th annual Careers 2004 application is now online  
[www.careers2004.com](http://www.careers2004.com)

Application deadline is November 28th

The Career Expo

March 18, 2004

CCSU Athletics & Fitness Center

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

<http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/ccs/careerexpo.htm>

## Life's Transitions...

*Jon Preston, professor in the IT dept., and his wife Jennifer would like to announce the birth of their daughter Lillian Sharon born on Nov. 3 at 7:59 a.m., weighing 7lbs 5oz., and measuring 19.5 inches long.*

And in Life's noisiest hour,  
There whispers still the ceaseless Love of Thee,  
The heart's Self-solace and soliloquy.

**The Presence Of Love**

*by Samuel Taylor Coleridge*

## Arts Page

# Clayton State Hosts Guest Composer Alvin Singleton November 18

The Clayton College & State University Department of Music and Spivey Hall will present a concert by guest composer Alvin Singleton at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18 in Spivey Hall.

In addition to the concert, Singleton will also teach a Composition Masterclass and take part in a pre-concert conversation on the 18<sup>th</sup>. All three events are free and open to the public, although RSVPs are requested for those wishing to participate in the Masterclass.

The Singleton Concert is funded by both Clayton State's Lyceum program and Spivey Hall and includes "Sing to the Sun," "Bernsteinlied," "Search," "Between Sisters," "Jasper Drag," "Fifty Times Around the Sun," "Gospel," and the premiere of "Helga" (2003) for violin, viola and cello. Guest artists will include author Ashley Bryan (recipient of the Coretta Scott King Award), the Spivey Hall Children's Choir, the ensemble group Thamyris, the Clayton State Collegiate Chorale, Assistant Professor of Music Dr. Maya Hoover, and former Clayton State adjunct faculty member Lisa Leong.

The Masterclass will run from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in room 221 of the Clayton State Music Education Building. Persons interested in observing the Masterclass should RSVP to Assistant Professor and Director of Theory & Composition Dr. Chris Arrell at [chrisarrell@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:chrisarrell@mail.clayton.edu) by Nov. 16.

The pre-concert conversation with Singleton will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in room 157 of the Music Education Building. ■

# Clayton State Collegiate Choral to Perform Free Fall Concert in Spivey Hall

Clayton State's Music Department invites you to attend the free Fall Concert presented by the Clayton State Collegiate Chorale. The concert will be held Friday, Nov. 21, at 8:15 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. in world-renown performance venue Spivey Hall, located on the University campus.

The Chorale will perform English Choral Music including pieces such as "Ave Rex" by William Mathias, "Festival Benedicte" by Herbert Sumsion, the "Magdalene Evening Service" by Herbert Howells, "Choral Hymns from the Rig Veda" by Gustav Holst, and "Songs from the Bavarian Highlands" by Edward Elgar.

The Chorale will be accompanied by harpist Ellen Foster, organist David Brensinger, and the Chorale's regular accompanist, Craig Kier. ■

# Clayton State Student Life Presents 5 Men On a Stool

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Clayton College & State University's Student Life Activities Committee (SLAC) is proud to present an intimate concert featuring 5 Men On A Stool, an Atlanta based R&B/Jazz ensemble, on Nov. 21 in the Atrium of the University's Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The group consists of five talented individuals, Hank Steward, poet and orator, Ken Ford, violinist, Leonard Julien, III, vocalist, and Antonio Allen, saxophonist, whose combination of music and poetry, results in an unforgettably unique performance unequalled in the Atlanta area.

The group, collectively and individually, has credits ranging from seven publications of poetry, to appearances on "Good Day Atlanta." When all is said and done, these young men have a passion for music, art, poetry and entertainment, which includes their new CD, "Come Ride," released last month.

Accordingly, their combined talents have been noted to leave their audiences inspired and enlightened about the community and the world. They have a loyal following that seems to be growing larger with each performance as they leave their mark on each person that experience their captivating, and indescribable performance.

5 Men On A Stool will be performing one time only on Friday, Nov. 21 on the campus of Clayton College & State University. The performance is open to the public for only \$5.00 at the door and free to Clayton State students with a LINX card. There will be a "Meet the Artists" reception following the performance. For more information, contact Shenoa Huff at [slac@clayton.edu](mailto:slac@clayton.edu) <<mailto:slac@clayton.edu>>.

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## ***Alumni/Development***

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*Clayton State Alumnus and Foundation Trustee Doug Walker (right) shows his concrete support for Clayton State during a photo shoot for an ad in Henry Magazine. Posing for the ad with Walker (who owns Walker Concrete, along with the cement mixer in the background) are; from left to right; Destinee Townsend, Lauren Baker, Gerald Heavens and Aaron Bailey.*

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## **Women's Forum Silent Auction Something to Shout About**

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

The Clayton State Women's Forum has announced the results of last month's Silent Auction with proceeds totaling \$5800, a 93% increase over the take from last year's auction.

Joan E. McElroy, Chair of the Women's Forum Fund Raising Committee, was thrilled with the numbers and the participation this year.

"A HUGE thank you goes to each individual who gave a donation of items/cash or participated in the event," she says. "And another HUGE thank you goes to the Women's Forum Fund Raising Committee: Row Anderson, Alina Brooks, Heidi Benford, Florence Cunningham, Pat Keane, Cindy Knight and JoAnn Quattlebaum."

Since all operating expenses for the Silent Auction were donated, every dollar earned will be deposited into the Women's Forum Scholarship Endowment Fund, started this year to continue a tradition set up as one of the primary functions of the Women's Forum.

Two staff scholarship and two student scholarships were awarded last year, and the Women's Forum is working to grow the Endowment Fund with the hope of someday being able to increase those numbers.

More than 200 items were donated from faculty, staff, and retirees. Items donated varied from vacation homes, hotel stays, restaurant gift certificates, concert tickets, art pieces, autographed Braves cap, personal services, crafts, baked goods, collectable dolls, books, CD's, and much, much more.

"The Clayton State Women's Forum Silent Auction has quickly become a fun annual event that the campus now plans for and looks forward to each year," says McElroy.

For more information about the Clayton State Women's Forum, its monthly meetings, guest speakers, and the Silent Auction, visit their website at [http://admservices.clayton.edu/wom\\_forum/default.htm](http://admservices.clayton.edu/wom_forum/default.htm). ■

## More Clayton State Students Call Clayton Place Home

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

At Clayton Place, the Place Collegiate Properties apartments adjacent to the Clayton State campus, 76% of the residents are Clayton State students - a testimony to the joint efforts of Clayton Place Business Manager Verda Simpson, her Clayton Place team, and Clayton State staff.

Clayton State's recent fall registration and orientation, brought with it opportunities for Clayton State and Clayton Place cooperation. Clayton State's Chef and Manager of Dining Services Thomas Pritchett left the Laker Grille to cook free barbeque outside the Clayton Place clubhouse. Clayton Place Community Advisors encouraged incoming students who attended Laker Days to go to the barbeque and perhaps consider Clayton Place as their home away from home.

For those students who did decide to call Clayton Place home, Clayton State and Clayton Place worked together to provide a smooth resident move in for fall semester. Clayton State Director of Student Life Jeff Jacobs helped with the move in.

"Residents were happy with the move in process, and we got a lot of positive feedback on that," shares Simpson.

Simpson plans to increase Clayton Place resident activities such as the recent Bingo Night and the upcoming Thanksgiving Dinner that foster resident fun and socialization. Clayton State staff members have also played a part in resident life, with Public Safety's Angela Evans's Personal Awareness program and SmartBodies' Cindy Lauer's Health and Nutrition program. ■

## Arnco Sargent Second Graders Visit Spivey Hall

All four second grade classes from Coweta County's Arnco Sargent Elementary School visited world-famous Spivey Hall Nov. 13 to hear an educational and entertaining program of world music, performed by "Sapien."

Led by Frank Chambless, Sapien presented an hour-long world music program featuring diverse sounds and sights from New Zealand, Australia, Europe, Mexico, and South Africa played on traditional instruments such as frame-drums, clay-pots, Native American flutes, congas, bongos, the Mayan tun kul, and the strange, haunting Australian didjeridu.

Among the teachers, parents and students getting a chance to play on-stage at Spivey Hall, and taking part in the program, were teacher Dana Miller, who showed her technique on the didjeridu, and second grader Maggie Shiffert, who played the castanets on the Mexican tune, "Little Turtle."

Sapien's debut CD, "Gathering" was a first round GRAMMY nominee and a finalist in the NAV music awards for "Best Contemporary Native American" music of the year. Sapien's latest CD, "Magic Garden" has just been released. ■



Sapien, left to right - Mike Sanderson, Keith LaBenne, Frank Chambless, Bill Pound.

## Clayton State to Host Middle Level Education Information Session on Nov. 20

by Velkys Layne, University Relations

Clayton State will host a Middle Level Education Information Session on Thursday Nov. 20 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in room 11 of the University's Lecture Hall.

Anyone interested in seeking information about Clayton State's baccalaureate degree program in Middle Level Education is invited to attend the session. The Clayton State faculty will host a one-hour dialogue on the nature of the program, admission criteria, course scheduling, and other items of interest to prospective students.

The Clayton State faculty invites the public, students, parents and individuals considering going back to college to come and discover what it takes to earn a degree in middle grades (four through eight) education. For additional information contact Marygrace Surma, program coordinator, Office of Teacher Education at (770) 961-3578. ■

## Southern Crescent Toastmasters Chartering Ceremony Set for Dec. 18

# October's RideShare Winners

Morrow, Ga., 11/14/2003 – The Southern Crescent Toastmasters Club will celebrate its formal chartering ceremony beginning at noon on Thursday, Dec. 18, at the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education at Clayton State.

It promises to be a very special event, spearheaded by Vickie Fennell, manager of Clayton State's Grant and Contract Programs Office and the current Sergeant at Arms officer for the club.

"The chartering ceremony is an opportunity to formally introduce this organization to Clayton State and the community, install the club officers, meet with our district governor to celebrate the club's initial successes," says Fennell.

In addition, John Kosky, Southern Crescent's current president, and Human Resources Information Systems/Compensation Specialist adds, "We are excited and enthusiastic about chartering the Southern Crescent Toastmasters. The sky is truly the limit and we will see how high we can climb in the days ahead."

John Lewallen, District 14 Governor for Toastmasters International, will be the special guest at the chartering. He sent the original announcement out to district team members on Oct. 20.

"We have another new club chartered," says Lewallen. "The date on the letter from Toastmasters International is Oct. 15. Congratulations to all who were involved in chartering this Club."

One of those principally involved with the club's chartering is Mike Hayworth, DTM (Distinguished Toastmaster), and Southern Crescent's vice president of Membership, who has mentored the Southern Crescent Club along with Robert Hess, both co-members with the Clayton County Toastmasters Club.

Toastmasters' International President, Gavin Blakely, DTM, recently acknowledged Hayworth with a Special Award of Presidential Citation, for his dedication, commitment, and tireless efforts to District 14 Toastmasters. Amid his many endeavors, Hayworth has been hard at work educating and encouraging the members of the newly chartered Southern Crescent club.

Likewise, along with Hayworth, Hess attends each chapter meeting as well as each executive board meeting. A devoted educator and leader, he attentively reminds the fledgling club of proper meeting protocol by offering ideas and suggestions for improvement, while rendering advice with regards to general club rules. But club individuality and uniqueness, a hallmark of Toastmasters, International, is continually encouraged.

Dr. Jo Kinnard, assistant professor of Information Technology at Clayton State and the club's vice president of Education, says, "I'm delighted that the Club has gotten off to such a great start. We will be able to take part in all Toastmaster events in our area, district, region, and even the world. I see a fun and exciting period ahead as we challenge ourselves to reach greater heights in leadership and self-development."

Southern Crescent Toastmasters meets every other Thursday on the Clayton State campus at the Downs Center. For information about the organization, or to join Southern Crescent Toastmasters, contact Mike Hayworth, vice-president of membership at [mkhayworth@comcast.com](mailto:mkhayworth@comcast.com), or call John Kosky at 770-961-3717. ■

For information about getting started carpooling or about the employee Guaranteed Ride Home, call Joan Murphy at 770-961-3540, email [RideShare@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:RideShare@mail.clayton.edu) or visit <http://admins-services.clayton.edu/ps/>.

October's RideShare winners were:  
Erlinda McCain, Dining Services  
\$10 Gas Card Amoco/BP

Crystal Wade, Student  
\$10 Gas Card Amoco/BP

Lesley Kilchriss, Student  
SmartBodies Massage Therapy by Integrated Wellness-1/2 hour therapeutic massage by Michael Clark, Certified Massage Therapist-located in the A&F Center (678-984-2943).

Carol Leavell, School of Business  
Chick-fil-A <http://www.chick-fil-a.com/>  
Dinner for Two at Forest Park Dwarf House, Jonesboro Rd., Forest Park.

Kathleen Coleman, Plant Operations  
Two free passes to Zoo Atlanta <http://www.zooatlanta.org/homepage.html>

Justin Swann, Student  
Free Dinner at SouthSide Seafood <http://southsideseafood.com> (Forest Parkway, Lake City)

Autumn Shealy, Student  
Free meal, CCSU Dining Services <http://auxiliaries.clayton.edu/diningservices/WeeklySpecialsandCafeMenu.html> (Value up to \$5)

Mariel Jiminez, The Bookstore  
Leather pocket note pad and pen (Carla Cook, Tasco) <http://www.tascopromotions.com/reliable>

James Strobel, Student  
Travel Mug from the Clean Air Campaign <http://www.cleanaircampaign.com>

Rebecca Snyder, Student  
CD Visor Organizer from Georgia Power, A Southern Company

Dolores Cox, University Image & Communications  
Lake City Subway (Free Reg. 6" Sandwich) <http://www.local.subway.com/usa/ga/lakecity>

Linda Campbell, The Bookstore  
Tote Bag from University RideShare, 1-87-RIDEFIND <http://www.187ridefind.com/>

# Sigma Theta Tau Participates in Research Fair

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Clayton State's Xi Rho chapter of International Nursing Honor Society Sigma Theta Tau recently cosponsored and participated in the DeKalb Medical Center Research Fair. This marks the seventh year of Clayton State involvement in this fair.

Xi Rho's participation in this research fair benefits the local community, comments Associate Professor of Healthcare Management Dr. Amelia Broussard, because it "increases the knowledge of individuals who attend the fair and review the research activities conducted by the staff of DeKalb Medical Center and presenters like our chapter."

Xi Rho participates in the Research Fair at several levels including presenting research developed at Clayton State, sponsoring two awards for both best overall research project and most innovative project, and sending a representative from Xi Rho to serve on the planning committee for the research fair each year.

Clayton State nursing students who are members of Xi Rho benefit from the fair and the networking opportunities afforded by Sigma Theta Tau membership.

"Not only are the faculty in Clayton State's nursing program members of Xi Rho, but other nurses in the community are also members," shares Broussard. "(The chapter) with its national as well as international reputation... provides an opportunity for individuals to learn leadership skills, (connect) with others who have the same research interests, and learn new techniques."

To be a member of Clayton State's Xi Rho chapter, senior nursing students must have a 3.0 GPA and meet the leadership qualifications determined by Clayton State nursing faculty and existing Xi Rho members. If you are a Clayton State nursing student or current registered nurse, visit <http://healthsci.clayton.edu/xirho/> to find out more about Xi Rho membership. ■

## Clayton State to Celebrate Start of "Sanctuary" Campaign November 16

The Clayton College & State University Foundation and the family of the late L. Jerry Eskew will be celebrating the announcement of the highlight of the 2004 Clayton State Annual Campaign on Sunday, Nov. 16 with a special reception in Spivey Hall.

The invitation-only reception will be held backstage at Spivey Hall and will run from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and will mark the start of the campaign to build "Sanctuary," a 500-seat, open-air performance amphitheater for the University and the community. Sanctuary will be built between Spivey Hall and the currently under-construction University Center through a special fund-raising effort, spearheaded by Cheryl Hunt-Eskew and the Eskew family, to raise \$500,000 by June 30, 2004 in memory of Jerry Eskew.

Also included in Sunday's program will be a "Behind the Scenes" tour of Spivey Hall by the Hall's Executive Director, Sherryl Nelson, and a 3 p.m. recital by Welsh harpist Catrin Finch, the official harpist to the Prince of Wales.

The former director of transportation and logistics for the Coca-Cola Co., Jerry Eskew passed away in June 2002. A resident of Peachtree City, Ga., Eskew had been a regular patron of Spivey Hall since it opened in 1991. His wife, Cheryl Hunt-Eskew, envisions the amphitheatre as a "sanctuary" at the heart of the Clayton State campus.

Cheryl Hunt-Eskew, and Jerry Eskew's sons Jeff and Mark (both executives with Coca-Cola of North America) will be in attendance along with several other notable VIPs, including Clayton County Superior Court Judge Steven Boswell, Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden, Foundation President John Parkerson, Jr., Clayton State Vice President for External Relations Dr. Bryan P. Edwards, and Clayton State Deans Dr. Ray Wallace, Dr. Art Rosser and Dr. Cathie Aust.

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Tech's Economic Development Institute (EDI), in preparing the report. "It is one of the huge, but hidden, drivers of Georgia's rapid economic growth, which is the envy of most other states in the country.

"Georgia benefits from the University System in many ways, including the production of an educated labor force, the generation of new knowledge through research, the creation and expansion of businesses, and - perhaps most important in a democracy - the development of educated and responsible citizens," Drummond said. "But this study has shown that one factor alone - the direct economic impact of University System graduates - more than justifies Georgia's investment in higher education."

In addition to measuring the value of a college education, Drummond and Youtie also looked at the educational specialties that offer the greatest financial rewards, the demand for specific college disciplines, occupations in which shortages are anticipated and migration patterns related to occupational needs.

Projections from the Georgia Department of Labor (DOL) indicate that occupations requiring a higher-education degree will make up 25 percent of all the state's jobs by 2010, a figure that has increased from 23 percent in 2000. The DOL forecasts that the top three occupations requiring higher education, based on numeric employment increases, will be registered nurses, computer support specialists and accountants and auditors - all programs Clayton State offers on the bachelor's degree level.

The study also found that significant shortages of labor exist in just 12 specialties, among them elementary and kindergarten teachers, registered nurses, medical records and health information technicians, and medical and clinical laboratory technicians... again, all programs offered at Clayton State.

# Men's X-Country Places Sixth, Women Eighth In NCAA South Regional

The Clayton State men's and women's cross country teams finished sixth and eighth, respectively, in the 2003 NCAA Division II South Regionals at the Panthersville course on the grounds of Georgia Regional Hospital.

Entering the race ranked seventh in the NCAA South Regional poll, the Lakers picked up one spot on the field, despite having its top runner, senior Tony Juarez suffer an injury midway through the race. In fact, the Lakers were only three points from fifth place and 17 points out of fourth.

Sophomore Njoroge Ngaruiya had the top finish for the Lakers in the 10K event, placing 28th with a collegiate best time of 33:46. The time was the fifth best in Clayton State history. Suffering a calf injury and in obvious pain for more than half the race, Juarez was still able to gut out the second best finish for the Lakers, placing 29th with a time of 33:52, which ranked seventh all-time.

Junior Adil Berkhedle placed 32nd in the race with a time of 34:00, the ninth fastest all-time, followed by junior Oscar Campos in the 39th spot with a personal best time of 34:25, the 13th fastest in Clayton State history. Senior Stephen Hughes rounded out the scoring for Clayton State in 52nd with a personal best time of 35:03.

Even with Juarez not up to full speed, the Lakers still were able to post the fastest overall 10K team time in school history. The top five times on the squad averaged 34:13, besting last year's team average in the South Region of 34:26 by 13 seconds per runner.

On the women's side, sophomore Heather Krehbiel led the way, placing 21st with a personal best time of 23:02 in the 6K event, the fourth fastest 6K in school history. Her time also broke the sophomore record set by Joni Guffey in 1999. Junior Kim Daniel placed 33rd with a time of 23:37, the eighth fastest all-time.

Sophomore Melissa Shaw finished 54th with a personal best time of 24:20, the 18th fastest time all-time, followed by Penny Tinker in 59th with a time of 24:50, the 21st fastest time in school history.

Freshman Tanika Smith rounded out the scoring for Clayton State, placing 62nd with a personal best time of 24:55, the 25th fastest in school history.

The Lakers placed eighth for the second straight season in the region meet, but Saturday's overall team time was the fastest in school history. The top five Lakers averaged a time of 24:08, besting the 2001 team time at the NCAA Regionals of 24:26 by 16 seconds per runner.

## Clayton State Intramural Bowling Classic November 20

This is a single day event to be held Thursday, Nov. 20 beginning at 7 p.m. at the AMF Embassy Lanes in Forest Park.

Participants will be paired to bowl for one of the top three prizes. If you don't want to compete, just come out and bowl for fun!!! There is only a \$2 charge, per person that will cover the games and shoes.

Check out the link for more information - <http://adminsServices.clayton.edu/sStudentlife/IntramuralSports.html>

**1st Place Prize:** Two \$25 Gift Certificates to WalMart

**2nd Place Prize:** Two \$10 Gift Certificates to CCSU Bookstore

**3rd Place Prize:** Two Free meal passes to Chick-Fil-A

### Trivia Time

#### By the Mark, Twain

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Samuel L. Clemens, one of the great American novelists, grew up around the riverboats on the Mississippi River... a body of water notorious for its shifting sandbars and moving channels.

Hence, when a padd Wheeler was negotiating a tricky stretch of the Big Muddy, they would have a man out on the bow, "throwing the lead." This was literally a lead weight, tied to a long line that had knots tied in it every fathom (for you landlubbers, a fathom is six feet). He would pitch this weight out ahead of the boat, and read the water's depth from what know it was closest to. And, if they had about 12 feet of water, he'd cry out, "by the mark, twain." Now you know.

So did Dr. Tom Eddins, Jean Myers, Russell Camp, Lou Brackett, Dr. Ray Wallace (who points out that Clemens used another pen name — Josh — as a cartoonist... hmmm... wonder if Clemens was Irish as well) and Dina Swearngin.

Now, exactly who was "so vain?" Send your answers to [johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu).

## Sports Page

# Clayton State Soccer Players Named To Peach Belt All-Conference Teams

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

Two Clayton College & State University men's soccer players and two women's players were recently named to the 2003 Peach Belt All-Conference teams.

Junior forward David Dowling and freshman sweeper Andre Rall were both named to the team on the men's side, while sophomore goalkeeper Judith Chime and freshman defender Cassandra Rapaich were named to the squad for the women's squad.

In addition to being named to the All-Conference squad, Rall was also named the 2003 Peach Belt Conference Freshman of the Year, the first time a Clayton State soccer player has received the honor.

Clayton State's men's and women's soccer seasons recently came to an end in the Peach Belt Conference Tournament. The women's squad lost 4-0 to USC Spartanburg in the first round, ending its season with a 4-14-1 record.

After defeating North Florida in the first round of the PBC tournament, the men's squad lost in the semifinals to conference champion, tournament champion and third-ranked USC Spartanburg 4-2, dropping its record to 11-6-1. The eleven victories for Clayton State is the fourth straight season with 10 or more wins. ■

### Ushers Needed for Graduation

- On behalf of the Commencement Committee, Director of Student Life Jeff Jacobs would like to invite student organizations to serve as ushers for the Fall Commencement Ceremony on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 7:30 p.m.
- Volunteer ushers are needed from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. to assist with seating guests, distributing programs, crowd control, etc. Organizations supplying three or more volunteers will be recognized in the ceremony program.
- If your organization is interested in this opportunity, please e-mail Jacobs by Monday, Dec. 1, and include the names and email addresses of your volunteers. Additional information will then be provided to each volunteer.

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