King Named Vice President for External Relations

President's Day 2005 marked the start of a new era at Clayton College & State University, as Dr. Deborah King joined the University as Vice President for External Relations.

King comes to Clayton State from DEBLAR & Associates, Inc., where she specialized in fund development, program evaluation, and planning. One of 12 national recipients of the prestigious Woodrow Wilson Foundation-'s Improved Fundraising Capabilities Fellowship, King has more than 15 years of fund development experience in higher education, and her fundraising skills have successfully garnered more than \$60 million from individuals, private and public foundations, and corporations.

Formerly the Director of the Department of Major Gifts, Corporate and Foundation Relations for Spelman College, King's role encompassed securing funds for such strategic initiatives as scholarships, technology, capital improvements, science, leadership development and the museum. As Associate Vice President of the Division of Institutional Advancement at Clark Atlanta University, King was responsible for fulfilling the University's private fundraising objectives with authority for managing departments of development, planned giving, alumni affairs, annual gifts, data management and prospect research. She served on the president's administrative cabinet and helped to create strategies in collaboration with board and administration leadership.

King also has a stellar background in non-profit fundraising as demonstrated in her role as Director of Development for the YWCA of Greater Atlanta. She is highly regarded in the philanthropic community and has formed a positive working relationship with foundations, corporations, non-profits, and philanthropists on local and national levels.

King attributes her successes both personally and professionally to her public education background. She earned a dual B.A. in Sociology and Psychology from the University of Houston. She completed an M.P.A. (Master of Public Administration) at Texas Southern University and was conferred a Ph.D. in Education with a focus on fundraising and evaluation at Kansas State University. Her

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Clayton State Landscaping Getting Extended Service

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Clayton College & State University is getting some expert advice on landscaping from the Clayton County Extension Service's County Extension Agent Winston Eason.

Beginning Feb. 16, Clayton State's Director of Facilities Planning and Physical Plant Operations, Harun Biswas, together with Eason began working on a landscaping plan that will not only protect the current campus vegetation, but augment its aesthetic beauty – a hallmark of the Morrow campus since its inception in 1969.

Eason and Biswas' plan is to document the different shrubs, trees, flowers and grasses around the campus, test the soils for pH balance, and create a seasonal maintenance schedule. This strategy is not typical for most college campuses except perhaps one like UGA, which has a major in horticulture. But Clayton State is not a typical campus.

The university was built on top of a dairy farm in the late 1960s. Its natural, pristine setting is a principal feature that attracts students, faculty, staff, and the surrounding community to the campus.

"The landscape has aged a lot in 35 years," says Biswas. "We have to protect it by maintaining what we have. We have eight men who are working every day to improve and preserve the campus environment."

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Clayton State Music Department Pursues NASM Accreditation

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Thanks to a successful recent site visit by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), Clayton College & State University's Music Department is one step closer to its goal of NASM accreditation.

Clayton State Music Department faculty and staff have worked together since September 2003 to bring the University within reach of this prestigious accreditation, says Clayton State's Music Department Head Dr. Douglas Wheeler. Closer now than ever before, the Music Department enters the final phases of the evaluation process.

"Pursuing NASM accreditation helps give external assessment to the quality of our faculty, curriculum, facilities, and budget, and also testifies to the support of our administration," explains Wheeler. Not only will the accreditation give credence to the Music Department's quality, but it will also ensure that the department meets the standards set by the more than 600 NASM members throughout the country, he continues.

But NASM accreditation will do more than rank Clayton State's Music Department among the United State's music schools of excellence – it will make Clayton State's music education more enriching and valuable; and, according to Wheeler, will make Clayton State's program of greater value to students who pursue graduate studies at other institutions.

And many Clayton State music alumni do pursue graduate studies. Several have continued their education in some of the nation's most elite music schools including the Curtis Institute, the Eastman School of Music, Indiana University and the University of Illinois. NASM standards will continue to ensure that students are well prepared for graduate studies.

NASM is the national accrediting agency for music and music-related disciplines. In addition to its emphasis on public awareness, NASM produces statistical research, provides professional development for leaders of music schools, and engages in policy analysis. NASM cooperates with the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and with six regional associations in the process of accreditation.

Clayton State thanks the following faculty and staff for their contribution and involvement in the NASM accreditation process: Dr. Shaun Amos, Dr. Christopher Arrell, Dr. Sharyn Battersby, Dr. Maya Hoover, Dr. Michiko Otaki, Dr. Douglas Wheeler, and Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller and administrative assistant Delores Toothaker.

Wheeler would also like to thank Director of Library Services Bob Fox, Registrar Becky Gmenier, and the many other Clayton State administrators and staff who have helped in the process to date. The Music Department especially thanks Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden; Provost Dr. Sharon Hoffman; and Dean of Arts & Sciences Dr. Ray Wallace for their support and encouragement.

The NASM's Commission on Accreditation will meet in late summer to consider Clayton State's application for membership. ■

Nominate Someone Today!!!

All <u>staff</u> should have received a nomination form for the Alice Smith Staff Award in campus mail. If you don't have a copy contact Tammy Wilson 770-960-5118 or go to the online version at http://adminservices.clayton.edu/staffcouncil/smithaward.htm. All forms should be returned to Rhonda Boozer, Library Room 205. Deadline for submission is Feb. 28.



Clayton State Extends its "Winning Steak" in DEX Competition

by John Shiffert, University Relations

The longest "winning streak" in Clayton State history is alive and well.

For at least the 10th straight year, Clayton State Delta Epsilon Chi (DEX) students cleaned up in their Georgia state competition, and are going on to the national competition.

Delta Epsilon Chi is the international professional association for college students interested in careers in marketing, management, merchandising and entrepreneurship. Clayton State's DEX Chapter was founded in 1985, and started winning state competitions without a break no later than 1996. In this year's Georgia State Career Development Conference there were 106 students competing in 14 categories, with the top three presentations in each category going on to the national competition, the National State Career Development Conference, May 4 - 8 in Anaheim, Ca. Three hundred schools and 2,000 students are expected to compete.

"I had a good group of kids that practiced with me weekly," says Associate Professor of Technical Studies and DEX advisor Dr. Russell Casey. "In fact, in the last two weeks several of us left campus around one in the morning on several days.

"The students had to compete with fictitious case studies in their discipline with a judge from industry, and some of the students had prepared business presentations that they presented to others in industry."

In all, six Clayton State students brought back first place awards... Shaun Washington, Entrepreneurship; Reginald McCaw, Web Design; Shawona Willis, Human Resource Management; Jerome Hawkins, E-Commerce; Terry Gallagher, Advertising; and Jasmine Walker, Design Presentation. In addition, Niya Brown, took second place in Retail Management, and will also represent Clayton State at the Nationals.

Clayton State Honors Students Host Georgia Collegiate Honors Conference

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

On Feb. 25 and 26, the Honors program at Clayton College & State University will host the annual meeting of the Georgia Collegiate Honors Conference (GCHC), a day-long conference designed to give honors students throughout the state the opportunity to come together and participate in presentations on a variety of issues.

This year's conference theme is, "Civic Engagement and Global Values: An Evolving Community" and George L. Mehaffy, vice president for Academic Leadership and Change at the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), will be the keynote speaker.

"We are very glad to be the host school, particularly since this is our 10th anniversary as an honors program," says Dr. Gene Hatfield, head of Clayton State's Social Science department, professor of History, and Clayton State Honors Program faculty sponsor.

Following Mehaffy's presentation will be a panel discussion on the American Democracy Project (ADP), a multi-campus initiative spear-headed by AASCU and the *New York Times* that seeks to create an intellectual and experiential understanding of civic engagement for undergraduates enrolled in member institutions. The goal is to create graduates that understand and are committed to engaging in meaningful actions as citizens in a democracy.

Faculty members whose universities' sponsor the program will sit on the panel. Dr. Thomas J. Hynes, of the University of West Georgia, along with Dr. Mary Lou Frank of Kennesaw State University and Greg Coffman of Georgia College will be among those serving on the panel. Hatfield will serve as mediator.

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doctoral thesis was An Analysis Of The Patterns Of Corporate Solicitation And Giving Within Public Higher Education Institutions In Massachusetts.

"Dr. King has a demonstrated commitment and sensitivity to work with and for the educational advancement of all groups," says Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden. "We at Clayton State welcome Dr. King to our team and feel that she will greatly contribute to the mission of our university."

King has also served as the Director of Development for The University of Akron's largest academic units: Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Education, where she was responsible for soliciting funds from alumni, friends, foundations, corporations, and government agencies to facilitate the growth of academic excellence. She also developed fundraising plans and established fundraising councils for both schools.

King's proficiency in assessing the impact of program planning and implementation has enhanced the effectiveness of organizations throughout the United States. Her background in fund development is complemented with extensive experience in managing Laura Hurd (Hampton, Ga.), a junior at Clayton State, is the current president of Clayton State's Honors program and has been actively involved in preparing for the conference.

"I first attended the GCHC conference in the spring of 2003," she says. "GCHC is a good experience to meet with other students from around the state of Georgia and learn new information about various topics."

Clayton State senior Becky Daniel (Loganville, Ga.) is student vice president of GCHC, the organization's highest student elected office. She and Hurd met last summer with leaders of GCHC to plan the conference at Clayton State. They devised a strategic plan that consisted of three committees: planning, activities, and IT support.

"I first presented at the GHC Conference my sophomore year (2002). Since then I have attended the Conference in Savannah, Ga. as well as presenting at the Southern Regional Conference in North Carolina," says Daniel. "As a part of the community, I believe that it is important to give back in whatever capacity you can. Involving students in ADP will help introduce them to their civic responsibilities."

"The American Democracy Project is still in the beginning stages here on campus," continues Hurd. "Young people need to become more civic minded because they are the voice of the future. The America of tomorrow, depends on the choices and decisions they make today."

More than 25 students from Clayton State and 80 students from around the state of Georgia will be attending the conference, including the Friday night performance in Spivey Hall of "A Little Night Music" by the Clayton State's Opera. ■

engineering educational programs in Houston — The University of Houston's Program for Minority Engineering Students; in Boston — The Massachusetts Pre-Engineering Program; and in South Bend, Ind. — The University of Notre Dame's National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering, Inc. King also served as Project Director of the NASA Glenn Research Center's LEMRI initiative to promote access and academic achievement of under-represented ethnic groups in mathematics and science education.

The National Science Foundation selected King to serve as an expert review panelist to promote graduate education in mathematics and science. In addition, the U.S. Department of Energy and Sandia National Laboratories commissioned King to serve as an evaluator of their mathematics and science education sponsored programs.

King has also served on the Ohio Board of Regents' Student Achievement in Research and Scholarship Committee; the National Inventor's Hall of Fame's Blue Ribbon Panel to Conceptualize Scientific Creativity Programming; and the University of Akron's College of Engineering Advisory Council. ■

Across the Campus

Admissions Office

Representatives from Clayton State will be visiting Gordon College and Georgia Perimeter College next week... Gordon on Tuesday, Mar. 1 and Georgia Perimeter on Wednesday, Mar. 2. "We want to give students at Gordon and Georgia Perimeter the chance to talk one-on-one with Clayton College & State University representatives," says Susan Aberson, coordinator of Transfer Student Admissions. This will give students the opportunity to speak with admissions officers and the Deans representing the various fields of study, she adds. Students will be able to look through detailed program sheets about the majors Clayton State offers. The Admissions Office will have admissions applications and the application fee will be waived for students who wish to apply that day.

Potential college students who have been out of high school more than five years and current college students who are interested in transferring are welcomed to another in a series of Non-Traditional and Transfer Student Information Forums at Clayton College & State University on Thursday, Mar. 3. Starting at 6 p.m. with registration and refreshments, the Forum's Information Session will run from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. in room 101 of Clayton State's Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education. For more information, call (770) 961-3500 or e-mail carolmontgomery@mail.clayton.edu.

American Medical Student Association

Pam Ashman, Mission Development Manager for the American Cancer Society will be speaking on cancer prevention and awareness March 10 at 7:00 p.m. in UC 272. Medical professionals will be on hand to answer any technical questions. Ashman will discuss the most common types of cancer in men and women and present ways of preventing the spread of cancer through screening and early detection. For more information, call Nate Mansperger, AMSA Event Coordinator at 404-483-5509.

Athletics

The women's tennis team dropped its second match of the season last Saturday, and

its first Peach Belt Conference contest, falling to the University of South Carolina Upstate at the Clayton State Tennis Complex. The Lakers fell in all three doubles matches, winning only the two top seeds in doubles. In earlier action, the Lakers fell to two-time defending NCAA Division III national champion and current No. 1 ranked Emory University 6-3 at the Clayton State Tennis Complex and defeated Peach Belt Conference opponent UNC Pembroke 6-3, followed by downing non-conference foe Barton College 8-1. The Lakers are currently 3-2 on the year.

The Clayton College & State University men's and women's track & field teams competed in their second indoor competition of the season at Clemson University's Tiger Invitational and had another runner hit a provisional mark for the NCAA Division II National Championships. Junior Greg Galloway provisionally qualified for the national meet, finishing with a time of 22.46 in the 200m. He placed ninth in event. Clayton State's top finisher on day, in a meet that featured many NCAA Division I competitors, was senior Carlos Guyton, finishing fifth in the 400m with a time of 49.62. A week later, in the University of South Carolina Gamecock Indoor Invitational, the Lakers had two runners bring home first place finishes. Senior Carlos Guyton had the top performance for the men's team, winning the 400m dash with a time of 51.85 seconds and junior Heather Krehbiel led the women's squad, winning the 3000m with a time of 11:12.44.

Career Services

Currently enrolled students and graduates of Clayton State are invited to attend the Atlanta Hawks Sports and Entertainment Career Fair on Friday, Apr. 1, at Philips Arena. Advance registration is required. The \$25 registration fee includes a ticket to see Atlanta Hawks vs. Boston Celtics game at 7:30 p.m. Additional game tickets may be purchased at a special discount price of \$20. For more information, contact Marques Brown at (404) 827-5097 or e-mail marques.brown@atlantaspirit.com. All orders must be received by Friday, Mar. 25. Any orders received after Mar. 22 will be left at Will Call.

External Relations

The Division of External Relations is pleased to announce the appointment of December 2004 Clayton State Magna Cum Laude Communications and Media Studies grad Lauren Ashley Baker to the full-time position of Communications Specialist in the Office of University Relations. A uniquely-skilled writer, Baker will report to Director of University Relations John Shiffert (a burden she has suffered under since January 2002), and will also be working very closely with Communications Coordinator Dolores Cox in the Office of University Image and Communications as the first graphic artist ever employed in Clayton State's Advancement function.

Language and Literature

Acclaimed novelist Tayari Jones read from and signed copies of her award winning book "Leaving Atlanta" on Thursday, Feb. 17 in the University Center. Jones came to Clayton State in conjunction with the University's Southern Writers Series sponsored by the University's Lyceum and Department of Language & Literature. "Leaving Atlanta," required reading for Clayton State's English 1101 and 1102 courses this semester, received the Hurston/Wright Legacy Award and was named Best Novel of the Year by "Atlanta Magazine" and "Creative Loafing Newspaper." Based on Jones's experiences living in Atlanta during the Atlanta Child Murders, "Leaving Atlanta" began as her Master's thesis at Arizona State University; and, in 2002, was published by Warner Books.

School of Technology

Dr. Russell Casey, assistant professor of Technical Studies, reports that he has a case that might be getting published in the Harvard Business Review... the proverbial A++ journal.

Clayton State's School of Technology will visit DeKalb Technical College to recruit students who are graduating or pursuing an Associate degree of Applied Technology into Clayton's Bachelor of Applied Science degree program. Clayton State School of Technology Dean Dr. Art Rosser and academic advisor Tammy Tebo will be present to field student's questions. Rosser and

Across the Campus, cont'd.

Tebo will visit the Clarkston campus on Wednesday Mar. 2, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. They will also visit the Covington campus on Mar. 3, from 10 a.m. until noon.

Spivey Hall

Greg Gelpi of the Clayton News Daily noted that, "new faces [are] not changing Spivey Hall tune... but the sounds of Spivey Hall will remain the same," in a Feb. 22 feature on The Spivey Hall 5.

Staff Council

The Health and Safety Committee presented an Adult CPR seminar on Wednesday, February 16 and Thursday, February 17 for faculty, staff, and students. Captain Mike Byrd, Morrow Fire Department, began the seminar with an instructive film on CPR, heart attack, stroke and choking.

The Laker Angel Club provides a confidential resource to assist with domestic and financial help for those Clayton State employees in need due to incapacitation, illness or other catastrophic events. The club is open to all Clayton State employees that wish to donate their time or resources. We welcome all volunteers and would like to have at least one representative from each campus department. We also accept monetary donations or nonperishable items (toothpaste, tissue, disposable cooking pans and such) for our pantry. The following members can accept donations: Carolyn Schaer, Tammy Wilson, Delores Toothaker, Joan Bass, Rhonda Boozer and Cheryl Garvin. If you wish to fill out a volunteer form, a request for assistance form or simply to ask a question, go to the Staff Council website at http:/ /adminservices.clayton.edu/staffcouncil/ and click on the Laker Angel Club button.

University Bookstore

The University Bookstore and Jostens's had a drawing Feb. 15. John Attaway won a Jostens's Diploma frame — a \$74.95 value. Congratulations!

The University Bookstore will be closed this Friday (2-25-05) for our physical inventory. We will reopen at 8 a.m. on Monday Feb. 28.

Staff Matters

Farewell to John Kosky

The Staff Council members would like to wish a sad goodbye to John Kosky as he departs Clayton College & State University on Mar. 4. Kosky has served the Staff Council and all employees well during his five years in the Human Resources Department working with Information Systems and Compensation. We wish him luck at his new position as Manager of Compensation at Emory University. We will miss his great ideas, quick speech, and encouraging demeanor.

As our first Staff Council Chair, Kosky created many new committees including the Website Team, Health & Safety, and Special Events as well as leading the Chairs of the standing committees: Elections, Smith Award, and Professional Development.



In his spare time (?) Kosky served on many other committees including Administrative Council, Parking Committee, and the State Charitable Fund Drive as well as developing and delivering two seminars hosted by the Professional Development Committee: Parliamentary Procedures and People Styles at Work. And if that wasn't enough to keep him busy, he is a Charter member and the first President of Southern Crescent Toastmasters.

Unfortunately, Kosky will not be with us to see his ideas manifest at our first Staff Day where we will celebrate the finish of our first year of Staff Council, and vote in new Staff Council delegates for the second year. Nonetheless, he led us from President Harden's vision of a Staff Council to many positive results, taking us all to a better place at Clayton College & State University. Kosky's guidance to the many Committee Chairs will well be missed along with his Atlanta Braves enthusiasm.

Staff Spotlight

Jivaro Apollo Lovett - Plant Operations



Jivaro (Jay) Lovett has been employed at Clayton State for one and a half years. He worked in purchasing for a while and now he is on the grounds and maintenance crew. His primary responsibility is the campus lighting system. "Working with different people and learning different things" is what he likes most about his job.

In the summer semester, he plans to further his education by beginning a degree program. He would like to learn more about his job and be successful for many years at Clayton State.

Lovett would like to say thanks to the following people: Mary Ward, Sandy Haught, Bill Moody, Darren Thomas, Tim McDonald, Chris Hunt, Bob Ward, Mike DeLoach, Dan O, Aaron Cloud, Grounds and Maintenance crew, Cindy Knight, and her staff, and all of the people who have helped him in different ways.

Lovett is a father (a good one) and in his spare time he enjoys weight lifting, bowling, and playing semi-pro football. He describes Clayton State as his "home away from home". ■

Alumni/ Development

Distinguished Alumni Nominations Open

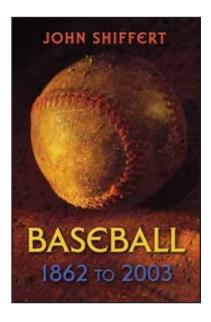
Wednesday, March 2 is the deadline for nominating your choice for Distinguished Alumni 2005.

The Alumni Association is well aware that every school within the University has an abundance of eligible nominees for this honor and is looking forward to reviewing any and all that each school would like to submit. All nominees and their schools will be listed in the program.

Nominations can be submitted online at http://adminservices.clayton.edu/alumni/distinguishedalumni.htm. The Annual Alumni Dinner will be held on Apr. 21 with guest speaker alumna Nadine Thomas, nursing graduate and former Georgia State Senator.

Tickets and information about the dinner will be available in the coming weeks. If you'd like to make an individual or table reservation in advance, contact Linda Castleberry, Office of External Affairs lindacastleberry@mail.clayton.edu, or call her at (770) 961-3580. ■

History Society to Hear About Baseball, March 24



The Clayton State History Society may well be singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" on Thursday, Mar. 24, when Clayton State Director of University Relations John Shiffert will be speaking to the Society's monthly meeting on "The Origins of Baseball."

The meeting, which is free and open to all interested students, faculty, staff and the public, will start at noon in a room to be determined in the University Center.

While Shiffert certainly does not claim the distinguished credentials of History Society advisor and Asa Candler biographer Dr. Kathryn Kemp, it is true that his first book, "Baseball: 1862 to 2003" has just been published by Publish America. Something new in baseball books, "Baseball: 1862 to 2003" combines baseball's past with baseball's present... comparing events and players from as far back as

1862 with the events of the 2003 season.

Written as the 2003 season progressed by Shiffert, a baseball historian and sportswriter in addition to serving as Clayton State's director of University Relations since August 1995, "Baseball: 1862 to 2003" is a history book, a review of the present game and players, and a simple stats book, all rolled into one, and is available form the University Bookstore.

His presentation to the History Society will trace the game back to ancient Egypt and into the 18th Century in both this country and Europe.

"I might have a few surprises for people who think they know how baseball came about," he says.

Professional Development Committee Presents Living Your Life by Design

Coming Thursday, Mar. 3, Clayton State's Professional Development Committee will be sponsoring a seminar entitled, "Living Your Life by Design, Not Default" on the Clayton State campus.

The seminar will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and will feature three presentations by Clayton State faculty and staff in the University Center, room 272.

Dr. Kevin Rome will open the seminar with a session on "Expecting Your Potential." Rome will share the importance of raising your expectations for yourself. Dr. Gary May will follow with a session on "Pursuing Your Heart's Desire," including his own epiphany. Dr. Jacob Chacko will complete the seminar with a session on "Personal Marketing," or presenting your best self in the business world. The panel will also offer a 30-minute question and answer session at the conclusion of the seminar.

The Professional Development Committee has scheduled monthly events for the staff and faculty of Clayton State. These events are free of charge and attendance is encouraged. Light refreshments will be available for the seminar and all faculty and staff are encouraged to attend.

Spring Into Action at SmartBodies

by Cindy Lauer, SmartBodies

The magnolias are in bloom, which means that spring is just around the corner! As an incentive to get sedentary employees moving and to reward those who are currently active members of SmartBodies, Clayton State's on-campus fitness and wellness center, a contest has been created.

If you are contemplating starting an activity program, support Clayton State and give SmartBodies a try – we've got cardio, strength training and a dedicated professional staff. Employees pay only \$17 per month! Furthermore, we've got some great prizes to give away to the top performers in our contest. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of Nancy Knowles and Lydia Vanderford who put this contest together. Please read on for the brief summary! We look forward to seeing you!

WHAT: A contest: "Spring Into Action"

WHEN: Starts March 1st through April 22 (yes, including spring break!)

WHERE: Must exercise in SmartBodies **WHY:** For your health AND prizes!

HOW: Registration is accepted through **March 4**th to participate in this contest. If you are not a member, please call and we will schedule your assessment right away (770-961-3408)!

Below are some answers to questions you may have. Please see the front desk for a complete list of contest rules (not many!). Feel free to contact me if you have any other questions!

Q: How do you sign up to participate in the contest?

A: Sign up at SmartBodies by March 4th. Be certain to indicate whether you are signing up as an individual or as a member of a department.

Q: What do you have to do to win?

A: The individual or department with the most exercise minutes WINS! You can include both cardio and strength training.

Q: Did you say department?

A: Yes, you can get your office buddies on board!

Q: What are some of the prizes?

A: Individual competitors can win: Passes to Stone Mountain Park, Free day at Nu-Dawn Spa, Gift certificates and More!

A: Departments can win: A catered lunch provided by Farmhouse Catering, \$100.00 gift from Staples, and a trophy!

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE BETTER EDUCATED ABOUT A CAREER IN NURSING!

WHAT: Pre-Nursing Information SessionsWHEN: Thursday, March 17, noon to 1 p.m.

WHERE: University Center, Room 322

WHY: To become better educated about the nursing program

and have an opportunity

to ask questions of program advisors, professors and

nursing students.

American Humanics Students and Faculty Attend Management Institute

Clayton College & State University students, faculty and staff traveled to Atlanta recently to attend the 2005 American Humanics Management Institute (AHMI), an intensive, four-day educational symposium in nonprofit management.

Clayton State faculty and students who attended the January 5-8 event include Dr. Gene Hatfield, director of Clayton State's American Humanics program and professor of history, Dr. Sandra Harrison, program coordinator and professor of Psychology & Human Services, and students Leticia Amersi, Monika Keller, Demetria Amos, Karnelia Bennett, Destinee Means Stroud, Velma Wallace, Cornelius George, Tracie Hougabook, Trequita Overton, Crystal Owens, Beatrice Pledger, Keesha Dabney, Shirley Garner and Christopher Thompson. Stroud served on the 2005 Advisory Council that helped plan the Management Institute over the past year and Dabney, Thompson and Bennett served on the Student Host Committee that aided in gathering contributions.

Nearly 800 students, faculty and nonprofit leaders from all over the United States traveled to the Institute and more than 600 students from 70 colleges and universities cut their semester breaks short to



Dr. Gene Hatfield, department head, professor of History, and faculty advisor to Clayton State's American Humanics Club, introduces panel for Student Dialogue at AHMI in January

gain academic credit toward the American Humanics certificate in nonprofit management. Institute activities included workshops led by local and national experts in nonprofit management, a case study simulation, networking with fellow students, faculty, and nonprofit executives, and the second annual National Collegiate Dialogue held in collaboration with The American Assembly of Columbia University. The institute also included the Second Annual Nonprofit Placement Day, where more than 100 students had in excess of 225 interviews with graduate schools and national nonprofit organizations for full time, volunteer, and internship opportunities.

The purpose of the annual Management Institute is to expose junior and senior students to experiences they will encounter as nonprofit professionals. The Institute is considered the capstone educational experience for students enrolled in the American Humanics nonprofit management certification program and is held in a different city annually between the fall and spring semesters.

Keynote speakers at this year's Institute included Roxanne Spillett, president, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Marsha Johnson Evans, President and CEO, American Red Cross, Evern Cooper, president, The UPS Foundation and vice president, UPS Corporate Relations, Ingrid Saunders Jones, president, Coca-Cola Foundation, and Ambassador Andrew Young, chairman, GoodWorks International.

Other conference guests included Dr. Thomas K. Harden, president, Clayton College & State University, Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin, who greeted the students on behalf of the City of Atlanta, and conference co-chairs Betty Siegel, president, Kennesaw State University, and Ann Cramer, director, Community Relations and Public Affairs, IBM Corporation.

Clayton State was one of three host universities along with Kennesaw and Georgia College & State University. Harden and Hatfield served on the Host Committee, while Hatfield chaired the American Assembly National Collegiate Dialogue with Dr. Joseph Trachtenburg, professor of Political Science at Clayton State, and Harrison serving as facilitators.

American Humanics is a national alliance of colleges, universities and nonprofits dedicated to educating, preparing and certifying professionals to strengthen and lead nonprofit organizations. American Humanics is affiliated with more than 70 colleges and universities nationwide and partners with 40 national nonprofit organizations.

The unique educational experience of the 2005 American Humanics Management Institute was made possible by the following corporate and foundation sponsors: Coca-Cola Company, UPS Foundation, IBM, Mutual of America, Bell South, Delta Air Lines, Westin Crown Center, The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta, Atlanta Youth Agency Alliance, OpportunityKnocks.org, United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta, Georgia Power Foundation, Inc., Sprint, Russell Corporation, The American Assembly, Columbia University, Kennesaw State University, Georgia College & State University.

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

Coming soon to Career Services! Internship and career event of the month!

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

On Campus Interviews/Recruitment: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/career/interviews.htm. Complete listing of Counseling Services & Career Services Seminar Schedule: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/career/series.htm

National Non-Profit and Government E-fair

January 10th – March 10th 2005 Sponsored by MonsterTRAK Log into your <u>www.monstertrak.com</u> account – E-fair logo/link appears on the student menu on the right side Periodically check throughout the twomonths of the E-fair for updates to the participating employers

<u>UPS</u>

Monday, February 28 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

University Center Commons

Recruiting for P/T Loaders/Unloaders

\$8.50 – \$9.50 per hour

Resumes & Cover Letters

Presented by Elizabeth Sutton, Enterprise Rent-a-Car

Tuesday, March 1

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Student Center 223

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Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director,

Career Services

Thursday, March 3

Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Student Center 223

Reserve your seat w/

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Making the Most of The Career Expo

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director, Career Services

Tuesday, March 15

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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The Career Expo

Thursday, March 17

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

Athletics & Fitness Center

http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ccs/

careerexpo.htm

Interviewing

Presented by Angelyn Hayes, Director,

Career Services

Tuesday, March 22

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Student Center 223

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Interviewing

Presented by Margie Woodhurst, Nationwide

Thursday, March 24

Noon - 1:00 p.m.

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Walgreens

Thursday, March 31

Interviewing on CCSU Campus

Schedule an appointment and submit a

 $resume \ w/\ \underline{joanmcelroy@mail.clayton.edu}$

Recruiting for:

1) Retail Management Intern – must be a jr. level student for a summer 2005 internship (May-August), 10 week program,

\$12-\$14 per hour

2) Retail Management Trainee – must be graduating spring 2005 or alumni, salary is low 30's w/ opportunity for paid overtime, plus benefits

www.walgreens.com/careers

Atlanta Hawks Sports & Entertainment

Career Fair

Friday, April 1

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Philips Arena

Registration (\$25 or \$30 after March 28th) for the Career Fair includes a ticket to the

Atlanta Hawks vs. Boston Celtics game

at 7:30 p.m.

More information and registration forms

available in Career Services, STC-223

Business Etiquette Dinner/Effective

Networking

Presented by Peggy Newfield, Personal

Best, Inc.

Tuesday, April 5

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing

Education

Advance Ticket Purchase Required

(STC-223)

www.personalbest.net

Women For Hire Career Expo

Thursday, April 14

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cobb Galleria Centre

www.womenforhire.com

College to Career Fair (Statewide Job

Fair)

Tuesday, April 19

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cobb Galleria Centre

Online pre-registration **required** before

April 15th at http://livingoak.org/gace/

Primerica

Tuesday, April 19

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

University Center Commons

Recruiting for: P/T & F/T Representatives,

commission based

www.primerica.com

How Money Works

Presented by Mitch Johnson, Primerica

Tuesday, April 26

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Student Center 223

Reserve your seat w/

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Financial Aid Winners!



DAY TIME WINNERS

Leslie Pitt AmSouth T-shirt

Corinna Carlson AmSouth T-Shirt

Krysta Nelson AmSouth Book bag

Natalie Barnes AmSouth Book bag

Deondus Brown Soft side Briefcase provided by GSFC

Nesikah Fields Regions Bank Portfolio

Rhonda Cooper Bank One Portfolio

Brian Roots Duffel Bag provided by Citibank

Takelia Bester CD Player provided by Bank Of America

Jabari Sales CD Player provided by Wells Fargo

Dipen Patel Umbrella provided by EdAmerica

Tiffany Farrie Stereo Headset provided by Texas Guarantee Anna Hendricks Fleece blanket and pillow set provided by Next Student

Erica Boone Mouse pad provided by Texas Guarantee Kasim Hasan Nordstrom gift card provided by CLC Aisha Harley \$50 Scholarship provided by SunTrust Jeromy Ray WalMart Gift card and Pen set provided by Wachovia

Tamia Ballard Gas card provided by Citizens Bank

Thanks to all of the students that attended our Second Annual Financial Aid Awareness Fair. Because of your participation it was a HUGE success.

We hope that you all received some helpful information from the many lenders in attendance. Many of you entered our door prize drawings and below is a list of day and evening winners. Please stop by the Financial Aid Office in the next few days to claim your prize if you haven't already picked it up.

Please note that the Financial Aid Office will be closed on Friday, Feb. 25 for staff training and preparation for the 2005-2006 academic year. Once again thanks for your attendance and support.

NIGHT TIME WINNERS

Alan Alberto AmSouth Book bag

Larry Jordan AmSouth Book bag

Christina Lu AmSouth T-shirt

Roxane Jett Umbrella provided by EdAmerica

Alycia Allgood Gas card provided by Citizens Bank

James Williams Nordstrom gift card provided by CLC

Melissa Finney \$50 Scholarship provided by SunTrust

Jonathan Sims WalMart gift card and Pen set provided by Wachovia

Nancy Smith Soft sided briefcase provided by GSFC Amber Cody Duffle bag provided by Citibank

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Ahsan Huda \$300 Scholarship sponsored by Nellie Mae Alicia Powell \$200 Scholarship sponsored by Sallie Mae



Linda Case on behalf of Ned Watson, regional director of Nelnet,
presents \$5,000 in support of honors program scholarships to
Melody Hodge, director of Financial Aid, Reda Rowell, director of Development (left),
and Dr. Sharon E. Hoffman, provost and vice president of Academic Affairs (right)

Clayton State's Spring Earth Day Needs Volunteers

by Erin Fender, University Relations

Clayton College & State University will host an Earth Day and Transportation Fair on Apr. 12 from 11a.m. until 3 p.m. in the outdoor space in front of the University Center.

Campus organizations and outside groups who have an interest in helping the environment and educating people about environment preservation are encouraged to attend Clayton State's Earth Day and Transportation Fair. Those participating in nature-related groups and volunteer community service groups are also welcome to participate, and recycling exhibitors are encouraged to exhibit to help promote recycling awareness.

The last Earth Day fair at the University was on Nov. 2, 2004 with approximately 30 exhibitors attending. Alan Vigil Ford brought dual fuel and electric vehicles, while the Electric Vehicle Club exhibited completely electric vehicles. Public Safety's Joan Murphy recalls that the day was fun and successful thanks to those who volunteered and exhibited.

"On the day of the event, we will need help in every area, especially the set up times," says Murphy of the April Earth Day event. Like last year's fair, volunteers will be needed throughout the day to make the event a success.

There are many ways to get involved with the Apr. 12 Earth Day fair. On-campus organizations can help by supporting the event through funding entertainment, supplying food items, etc. People are needed to help set up and break down tents, chairs, etc.; check-in volunteers; issue t-shirts; answer questions; and help exhibitors load and unload their equipment and products.

"I hope that several organizations on campus will consider doing a community project for the Earth Day fair and collect used items such as eyeglasses, cell phones, batteries, clothing, and books for recycling and reuse," Murphy says.

Clayton State's Earth Day fair exists to not only emphasis recycling and the environment, but to also emphasis volunteerism and community needs or service. To volunteer or to sign up to exhibit, contact Joan Murphy at (770) 960-4237 or sign up by logging onto the website at: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/ehsnewprogram.htm.

Clean Air Campaign Announces Two New Programs

Commuter Rewards is an internet-based program which allows employees to track their daily commute to work. Monthly drawings will reward 10 percent of the registered employees who take alternate transportation to and from Clayton State with American Express gift cards worth \$25. The program starts Mar. 1.

If you carpool, walk, bike, take transit, telework, or work a condensed workweek, you will want to participate in this program. Go to: http://208.200.70.7/CCSU for more information. This program is open to all Clayton State employees — full-time, part-time, casual labor and student assistants. For part-time employees, report only the days you are supposed to work at Clayton State.

After you register, logon daily (Monday-Friday) and enter how you got to work that day. The more times you take alternate transportation, the more times you are entered into the drawings. There will also be random "Prize Patrols" from the Clean Air Campaign. This is an on-going program.

The Walk Challenge is another Clayton State employee program being launched for the month of April only. Each interested employee will receive a "Walker Kit" that will include a pedometer and instructions on the usage of the pedometer. Each employee will log the number of steps taken each day. At the end of the week, there will be two IPod Shuffles distributed to the two employees with the most overall steps for all participating companies. At the end of the month, a trip to Aruba will be awarded to the person with the most steps.

To participate, an employee should register at http://208.200.70.7/CCSU and each day beginning on Apr. 2, you will logon to this web site and enter your steps taken for the previous day. Interested employees should register before Mar. 21. The Clean Air Campaign will be at the University Center from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Mar. 22 to distribute "Walker Kits."

Some departments are having internal competitions and if you are interested in creating a "walkers group", please email Joan Murphy at <u>joanmurphy@mail.clayton.edu</u>. We can try to develop some "peer" groups who walk at certain times of the day to help keep you motivated.

For more information about these programs, contact Public Safety, Student Center, D-209, or call (770) 961-3540. ■

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Clayton State to Offer Intensive Stage Combat Workshop

by Lauren Baker, University Relations



Student actors in the Clayton State Theater fall 2004 production "Hamlet the Musical!" engage in stage combat.

Clayton State's Theatre Society and Opera Production class has joined forces to participate in a six-week, intensive stage combat workshop to help add a little more action – and camaraderie – to their craft.

Under the direction of the Atlanta Stage Combat Studio's Marcus Durham, students participating in the Mar. 15 through Apr. 21 workshop will learn the two types of combat skills most frequently employed in classic theatre works – unarmed and single rapier.

Organized by Dr. B. D. Stillion (Marietta), faculty advisor for Clayton State Theatre Society and Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller (Morrow), Clayton State's director of Vocal Activities and Opera, the workshop will teach students the skills necessary to give a completely controlled combat performance while giving the illusion of a dangerous fight.

"One of the most surprising and fascinating concepts to me has always been that, in stage combat, it is always the victim who is control," says Stillion. "Students are amazed at this, because, of course, in real combat it is quite the opposite – the aggressor leads the dance."

While students will get a kick out of wielding rapiers, Stillion and Zeller hope that students will also learn a little theatre history in the workshop. Some may believe Hollywood put the action in drama, but stage combat is not a new concept. For instance, playwright William Shakespeare employed impressive combat scenes in his works in the 16th century.

"Contrary to the usual notion of the 'dusty old poetry reading' myth of Shakespeare, Shakespearean theatre had action. Lots of action," says Stillion who has lead Clayton State's Theatre Society (formerly known as the Drama Club) in the production of Shakespeare's "The Tempest," "Othello," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and "Much Ado About Nothing" in past semesters.

"Because these works are so full of action, it is absolutely essential that Shakespearean actors be trained in safe stage combat," Stillion concludes.

Not only is stage combat training of value to theatre actors, Zeller believes that opera performers also need instruction on how to look dangerous and be safe while on the stage.

"Being a singer is hard since one has to be 100 percent a musician and 100 percent an actor," says Zeller. "This workshop will help opera students develop the multifarious skills that a singing actor must have in order to be successful in the opera world."

Though thespians and opera singers may appear to make strange bedfellows, Stillion and Zeller realize the value of collaborative work between the Theatre Society and Clayton State's Music Department. Both note there has already been a good deal of cross-over. For example, Voice Performance major Ivan Segovia (Jonesboro) performed in the Theatre Society's spring 2004 performance of "The Tempest," while the Clayton College & State University Opera opened auditions for the upcoming Feb. 25 and 26 opera "A Little Night Music" to both music and non-music majors.

And while they may be fighting on stage, Stillion hopes a bond forms between the singing and acting worlds.

"Dr. Zeller and I both share the dream of integrating musical and theatre arts at Clayton State to provide a very unique learning experience for our students," Stillion says. "We look forward to creating truly collaborative performances across modalities."

For more information on the upcoming stage combat workshop, contact Stillion at bstillion@mail.clayton.edu or contact Zeller at kurtzeller@mail.clayton.edu.

Arts Page

Screened at African World Film Festival

"The Jeanes Supervisors: Striving To Educate"

by Erin Fender, University Relations

"The Jeanes Supervisors: Striving to Educate," a film produced by Vernon Clarke, part-time instructor of Speech in the Department of Communicative Arts & Integrative Studies at Clayton State, was screened recently at the Annual African World Film Festival at Fort Valley State University. The film focuses on the 1907 "Fund for Rudimentary Schools for Southern Negroes" which was established by Philadelphia Quaker Anna T. Jeanes... the first philanthropic fund established solely to improve education for African-American children living in the South.

A filmmaker and award-winning producer, Clarke has more than 15 years of experience in both commercial and public television. As an independent producer he produced "The Jeanes Supervisors" which has aired on both PBS and The History Channel. The film, which focuses on a group of African-American educators who worked throughout the South over a 60 year period during the last century, also was showcased at the National Black Arts Festival in 2004 and the African World Film Festival in February 2005.

Clarke is currently working on a follow-up to "The Jeanes Supervisors." This new documentary is about the Rosenwald Fund and has received assistance from Rockefeller University. It will examine the impact of the Rosenwald Fund on the development of public education in America.

Clarke has long had an interest in children's programming and to that end created "The Talking Storybook." This show, which is being developed for PBS, is designed for kids ages K-3 and explores the wonderful world of reading and storytelling. He also served as co-producer for the cutting edge outdoor sports program "Angler's Paradise," which was the first fishing program to highlight the two million African-American anglers nationwide. This show aired weekly on FoxSportsNetSouth, the largest regional sports programming network in the country.

An adjunct lecturer at Clayton State, Clarke received his B.A. from Fordham University, and his M.S. in Television Production from Brooklyn College. ■

Clayton State to Publish 2005 "Cygnet" Literary Arts Journal

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

This April, Clayton College & State University will publish the works of student artists, writers, and poets in Clayton State's second annual literary arts journal, "Cygnet."

"We are all very pleased with the quality of the submissions that will be published in this year's 'Cygnet,'" says Dr. David Ludley, senior editor of "Cygnet" and professor of English and Art at Clayton State. "We ended up with around 150 submissions – a very impressive outpouring of interest."

Of the 150 submissions received by the Jan. 11, 2005 deadline, Ludley and the "Cygnet" project team chose 42 student works that met the publication's standards of excellence. Helping to determine which works would find a place in the compilation were Cygnet project team members Brennan Collins, faculty literary editor and layout/production manager; Dr. Jennifer Griffith, faculty literary editor; Dr. Steve Spence, web editor; and Alan Xie, art editor.

In addition to faculty team members, the 2005 "Cygnet" received student support thanks to English majors Joshua Smith and Dana Staves who presently serve as student poetry editors, and Sibongile Lynch who helps judge and edit the prose pieces.

But the students directly involved with the "Cygnet" production aren't the only Clayton State students who have a vested interest in the journal. With the addition of an English baccalaureate program in fall 2004, many student writers and artists are looking forward to the opportunity to see their work in print.

"Getting one's writing published is very rare," explains Ludley. "Cygnet' is the perfect opportunity to get public recognition and respect for our student's creative abilities."

Not only will students enjoy public recognition, but "Cygnet" also makes a broader statement about Clayton State's commitment to the arts. According to Ludley, "Cygnet" shows that the University is dedicated to producing high quality literature in the Southern Crescent.

"Cygnet's" mission is to encourage creative writing and art by providing a forum for artists and writers to display their works. The opinions and aesthetics expressed in this publication are those of individual writers and artists; they do not necessarily reflect those of Clayton College & State University's administration, faculty, staff, or student body.

Copies of "Cygnet" are free and are made available to Clayton State students and those affiliated with the University community. "Cygnet" is also distributed to local high schools to generate early interest in art and creative writing at the collegiate level.

Special thanks to Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden and Dean of Arts & Sciences Dr. Ray Wallace for realizing the value of and supporting the "Cygnet." Harden and Wallace supplied the initial idea for the literary/arts journal, which was first published in spring 2004.

For more information about "Cygnet," contact Ludley at davidludley@mail.clayton.edu or call (770) 960-3633. ■

Clayton State Raises \$1500 for Tsunami Victims

by Erin Fender, University Relations

Clayton College & State University, along with the University's Volunteer Services Resource Office and the International Awareness Association, recently wrapped up a very successful Tsunami Relief Drive, raising \$1,572.09.

On Feb. 15, during the International Awareness Association meeting, the group presented Jeff Jacobs, Clayton State's director of Student Life and Orientation, with a check to be sent to the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF).

"On behalf of the Office of Student Life and the entire University community, I want to thank the International Awareness Association for their tremendous efforts in raising the majority of Tsunami Relief Drive funds collected on campus," said Jacobs.

Their dedication to the communities around the world is to be commended, Jacobs added, and as these victims will need on-going assistance, "we look forward to future collaborations with the IAA group."

If you would like more information on the tsunami relief drive on the Clayton State campus contact the student coordinator of Volunteer Services, Cynthia Taylor at cynthinataylor@mail.clayton.edu or call (770) 960-2082.

To learn more about the International Awareness Association, please contact Dr. Robert Welborn at Robert Welborn@mail.clayton.edu or call (770) 961-3704. ■

Landscaping, from p. 1

New signage, currently in the process of being placed around campus, will also enhance the topography.

The County Extension service has been a partner with Clayton State since 2002 through their Master Gardeners program. Volunteer members of the program have worked alongside the lawn maintenance crew to plant and maintain shrubs, clean out beds, and trim existing foliage.

As Clayton State moves forward into the 21st Century the aesthetic value of the university's landscaping will remain a priority in the university's planning and expansion process. ■

Clayton State Staff Anniversaries!

Name	<u>Department</u>	Years
Jean Marie Myers	Registrar	17
Michael G. Woodie	Aviation Maintenance	15
Jeffery A. Hill	Media Services	14
Susan F. Hornbuckle	Natural Sciences	13
Sandra M. Harrison	Depart. Of Psychology	12
Deborah Hicks	Health Sciences	12
Rhonda McLain	Dept. of Nursing	12
Lanae C. Kirkland	Public Safety	11
Catherine R. Brooks	Public Safety	9
Darren Thomas	Maintenance	7
Ana B. Gordon	Cleaning Services	7
Wanda Zellars	Public Safety	7
Sandra R. Starr	Budget & Finance	6
Dianne M. Graham	Public Safety	6
Janet S. Hamilton	Physical Education	5
Kerrie D. Ward	Budget & Finance	3
Harun R. Biswas	Plant Operations	3
Rosalyn M. Law	Budget & Finance	2
Jonathan S. Fischer	OITS - Admin Systems	2
Jeffrey M. Hammer	Admissions	2
Angela D. Avery	Student Life	2
Genevieve E. Randall	Financial Aid	1
Elaine E. Green	School of Technology	1

Trivia Time The Return of Jean Myers

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Trivia Time's 2004 defending champion, Jean Myers, claimed she was going to give someone else a chance in 2005. But, "I told myself that I wasn't going to play this year, but I couldn't resist this one," she said after coming up with the first correct answer to a truly difficult question—the first U.S. President to survive an assassination attempt.

For those of you who weren't around then (not that Myers was, either), it was Andrew Jackson, on the steps of the U.S. Capitol, after Richard Lawrence's pistol misfired... twice.

Then, there was Emeritus Director of Student Life Rob Taylor's comment, which earned him an extra point, "The first presidente to have an assassination attempt on him is my very distant (we have not talked in years) uncle on my mother's side, Andrew Jackson. In 1835 "Old Hickory" almost bought it from a handgun shot from only 13 feet away as he left the U.S. Capitol. The would-be assassin was bound over to a mental hospital where he had to watch the Falcons-Eagles game lowlights over and over and over..." And that's just one reason why Taylor is one of the most beloved figures to ever walk the Clayton State campus. Another has to do with slinging bananas, but, we'll leave that story for another time.

Keeping with the presidential theme, we'll turn to another former titlist, Tom Eddins, for this week's question. Which presidents of the United States have appeared in the movies? First correct answer to johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu gets a free video of "Bedtime for Bonzo."

And, this just in, due to an e-mail glitch of some kind, Mike Mead's correct answer (Jim Croce) to the first trivia question of the year never made it to the official Trivia Time in box. Hence, Mike not only gets five points, but an extra one for having the only correct answer.

Sports Page

Women's Basketball Drubs Kennesaw, Wins 20th, Takes Over First in Peach Belt

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

The Clayton College & State University women's basketball team took care of business Wednesday night, defeating Kennesaw State University and, thanks to some help from a fellow Peach Belt Conference team, the Lakers are one win away from their first-ever Peach Belt Conference Championship.

An 85-71 Clayton State win over Kennesaw State coupled with a GC&SU win over Columbus State University vaulted the Lakers back into first place in the Peach Belt Conference with one game remaining. The Lakers, who captured at least a share of the PBC championship on Wednesday, will have a chance to capture it outright on Saturday, hosting GC&SU for senior day in a 5:30 p.m. contest.

The win was a historic one for the Lakers, as the club improves to 20-6 on the season, the first time the program has captured 20 wins in a season. Clayton State improved to 12-3 in the PBC, also a school best. Kennesaw drops to 15-11 overall and 7-8 in the league.

Clayton State jumped out to an early lead, taking control midway through the first half. The Lakers took a double-digit lead of 11 points, 24-13, at the 9:30 mark on a three-pointer by junior Carlie Anderson. The Lakers extended its lead to 15 points in the final minute of the second half on three-pointer by junior Shelcey Harp. After an exchange of free throws, Clayton State went into halftime with a 44-29 lead.

In the second half, the Lakers maintained a double-digit lead for the full 20 minutes. Clayton State led by 19 points, 63-44, with 12:14 remaining on a jumper by junior Jasmine Patterson. Kennesaw State answered with an 18-6 run during a six-minute stretch, cutting the Laker lead to 11 points with 6:26 remaining.

Clayton State came back with a run of its own however over the next two minutes to seal the game. A three-point play by senior Jamika Hindsman capped a 10-4 run, giving the Lakers an 81-64 lead with 4:17 remaining. Clayton State led by at least 12 points for the remainder of the contest.

The Lakers finished with five players in double digits, led by Harp with 19 points and five rebounds. Junior Jasmine Patterson added 18 points and nine boards, followed by seniors Brandi Catia and April Taylor with 16 points apiece. Hindsman chipped in 11 points. ■

Kreutzer places 14th at USA Track & Field Cross Country Championships

Clayton State freshman Allison Kreutzer finished 14th in the women's junior division of the USA Track & Field Winter Cross Country Championships on Feb. 12.

Kreutzer, from Lilburn, Ga., ran 23:08.2 over the 6K course which was turned slick and muddy by early morning rain showers. The Laker freshman was gunning for one of six berths on the U.S. national team that is headed to France next month for the IAAF World Cross Country Championships.

"Allison ran well considering this was a very competitive field made up mostly of Division I athletes," said Laker head coach Mike Mead. "She ran down a few runners like she did at nationals, but she let a large group get too far ahead of her early in the race and she was never able to make up the distance. This was a great opportunity for her to represent Clayton State in this national meet. This was a good learning experience for her."

The race was won by Elizabeth Pasciuto from the University of Colorado in 21:50.1. Pasciuto finished in the Top 15 at the NCAA Division I cross country championships in November. The field of 52 runners consisted of women who were 19 years of age and younger.

Last fall, Kreutzer won five meets and finished no worse than second during the cross country season. She was the Georgia Collegiate champion and won the Peach Belt Conference individual title to earn "Runner of the Year" and "Freshman of the Year" honors. She finished runner-up in the NCAA D II Championship meet and became Clayton State's first cross country runner to earn All-American honors.

Thriller victory, from p. 16

Clayton State came back again though with two more free throws by Chavis, and with a minute left created another KSU turnover, leading to the game-winning basket. Puckett again came up with the crucial hoop, sticking back in a shot off a rebound with 30 seconds remaining, giving the squad a 71-70 lead. CCSU sealed the game with five free throws in the final seconds.

With the win, the Lakers improve to 17-12 on the season and 10-5 in the Peach Belt. Clayton State will return to action on Saturday, hosting GC&SU for senior day in a 7:30 p.m. contest.

Puckett led Clayton State with 18 points and eight rebounds, followed by Holmes with 13 points. Chavis added 10 points, including 6-of-6 from the free throw line. ■

Sports Page

Clayton State Men Win Double Overtime Thriller Over Defending National Champ Kennesaw State, 75-70

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

The Clayton College & State University men's basketball team captured arguably its biggest win in school history Wednesday night, and it came thrilling fashion against a bitter rival.

A raucous crowd watched the Clayton State Lakers defeat the NCAA Division II defending national champion Kennesaw State squad 75-70 at the Athletics & Fitness Center in double overtime. KSU entered the game atop the Peach Belt standings with a 22-3 overall record and 11-3 mark in the league. The Owls, ranked second in the nation, were riding an 11-game winning streak.

The Lakers pulled out the victory thanks to a number a clutch baskets in the closing seconds of regulation and in both overtimes. Clayton State trailed by four points with 42 seconds left in regulation before senior Darien Chavis dribbled the length of the court for a layup, cutting the deficit to two points, 53-51.

Clayton State got the ball back on the ensuing possession as KSU's Rey Luque was whistled for an offensive foul trying to bring the ball up against the Laker pressure. Clayton State senior B.J. Puckett sent the game into overtime at 53 apiece with an inside basket off a pass from senior Carlton Holmes.

In the closing seconds of the first overtime, Kennesaw State led 60-55 with less than 50 seconds remaining only to have the Lakers score five unanswered points. Chavis hit two free throws cutting the Owl lead to 60-57 with 49 seconds remaining. After a KSU miss, the Lakers had one more opportunity tie the score, and Puckett did the honors, draining a three-pointer from the baseline with two seconds remaining, sending the game into a second overtime at 60 apiece.

KSU raced out to quick lead in the second overtime and took a 64-63 advantage at the 3:59 mark on a basket by Suhan Stegall. Chavis came back with two free throws for

the Lakers 30 seconds later, giving Clayton State a one-point lead.

Ronnel Wooten reclaimed the lead for KSU on the next possession, draining a three-pointer from the top of the key, giving the Owls a 67-65 advantage with 2:11 left. A layup by Chavis knotted the score at 67, followed by KSU's Tommy Thompson answering immediately with a driving layup that he converted into a three-point play, pushing the KSU lead to three points, 70-67.

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