

St. Fort Leads Clayton State to NCAA Southeast Regional Championship and the Elite Eight

For the second time in the last three seasons, the Clayton State Laker women's basketball team has qualified for the NCAA Division II "Elite Eight."

With four players scoring in double-figures, led by Southeast Regional MVP Marie St. Fort, Clayton State won the Division II Southeast Regional Championship Monday night with a strong 89-73 victory over Peach Belt Conference rival Francis Marion University in a game played at Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory, N.C. The Lakers improved to 26-6 overall with the victory, their third straight and sixth in their last seven games.

"We knew we had a good enough team to have a chance this weekend," said Clayton State head coach Dennis Cox. "Francis Marion is a great team with a tremendous collection of talent. But I cannot say enough about how our players stepped up tonight and played their hearts out."

Senior forward Lisa Jackson recorded a double-double with a career-high 22 points and 10 rebounds, while St. Fort, the senior guard from West Palm Beach, Fla., who became Clayton State's fourth leading scorer (1044 points) all-time during the game, wrapped up Southeast Regional Most Valuable Player honors with 16 points and six rebounds. Senior forward Shanrika Hardeman also recorded a double-double with 18 points and 14 rebounds and junior Lesheria Stevens also had 18 points. Stevens and Hardeman joined St. Fort on the All-Tournament team.



Named the Tournament MVP after scoring 17, 19 and 16 points (with 20 rebounds and 11 assists) in the three games, the 5-7 St. Fort completed a memorable week as she reaches the close of a

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Clayton State to Hold Naming Ceremony for Lucy C. Huie Hall

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University will officially name its Jonesboro facility in honor of long-time Jonesboro resident and former Clayton State University Foundation trustee Lucy C. Huie on Thursday, Mar. 26.

The naming ceremony for Lucy C. Huie Hall will take place at Huie Hall at 11 a.m. Formerly the Clayton State University Aviation Training Center, Huie Hall is located on land donated by Huie adjacent to the Clayton County Justice Center, at 9157 Tara Blvd. in Jonesboro. The facility is currently used by Clayton State's Division of Continuing Education.

One of the local pioneers of the Civil Rights movement through her participation in Help Our Public Education (HOPE), an organization formed to counter the threat to close down the public school system rather than allow any black child to attend school with whites, Huie has a history of public service that dates back to the days of Brown v. Board of Education.

"It [HOPE] was needed much more in outside counties than in Atlanta. One of the jobs was to influence public opinion," Huie recalls. Of course, some public opinion was harder to influence than others. Huie and her husband Arthur had three crosses burned on their lawn in the late 50s and early 60s.

Huie originally studied to become a librarian, and at one point in her school-

Clayton State Recycling Newspapers, Magazines

Here's your chance to help the environment, help Clayton State and even help yourself... newspaper and magazine recycling.

SP Recycling Corp., of Forest Park has placed a recycling bin in Parking Lot D, across from Facilities Management Building's loading dock. (NOTE: despite what it says on the bin, magazines as well as newspapers can be recycled in this bin.) The next step in the University's recycling efforts (following the paper recycling program in the Student Center, which is going great thus far), this effort is for just magazine and newspaper recycling. All newspapers and magazines can go to this bin... and you can even bring your eligible recyclables from home.

And, the University gets paid for these efforts -- \$7 a ton, or about \$20 for a full container.

Here's what can and cannot go in the red and green bin...

CAN* Newspapers Magazines Catalogs Office paper Junk mail File folders Index cards Colored copy paper Plain & window envelopes CANNOT

No laminate or wax coated paper No paper with crayon or glue on it No cardboard, poster board, cereal boxes or brown paper bags No construction paper or brown envelopes

Here's what recycling does...

* Recycling has provided more than 25,000 jobs in Georgia.

* SP Recycling's mill in Dublin, Ga., uses your recycled paper to generate their 100 percent recycled fiber used to create newsprint.

* Every time one of the recycling bins is filled it saves a six-by-six space in a landfill, and saves six barrels of oil.

* For every 2000 pounds of paper you recycle, you save enough energy to heat the average home for six months (4100-kilowatt hours).

* Each year the U.S. generates enough trash to bury 26,000 football fields in a layer 10 feet deep. ■

* Staples and paper clips do not have to be removed.

Why It's Important to Recycle

by Maggie Shiffert, University Relations

It's important to recycle for a couple of reasons.

Recycling helps prevent global warming. With the ozone layer growing and heat increasing, our planet is becoming unhealthy and making it harder for people and animals to live. Even if recycling doesn't effect global warming, it's still a good idea to do so.

There is a lot of garbage and pollution on this planet that causes problems. Animals, especially those in the ocean, are getting tangled up in our trash. Sometimes they can't get out and end up dying. Landfills are growing by the minute with nonbiodegradable objects. If there are landfills everywhere, it makes this planet unhealthy. Many things we use today could be recycled in some way or another. We need to change the way we do things so we can live a healthy life.

When you recycle, it helps the environment tremendously. It limits the amount of trash and uses the product to its fullest potential. Many companies, like the World Wildlife Federation (WWF), are coming up with products that are made out of recycled materials that are environmentally friendly. Probably one of the most famous examples is the cloth bags at grocery stores. Using cloth bags reduces the amount of plastics bags because you use the same thing over and over again instead of using one, throw it away, using one, throw it away.

Recycling can make a huge difference in the environ-

ment, so join the millions of people who do it today! ■



School of Business to Offer A GMAT Prep Class During May

Enrollment for the GMAT Prep Course that the Clayton State University School of Business scheduled during March, 2009 was so overwhelming that the School of Business will offer another GMAT Prep Course during May, 2009.

The course, taught by Success Prep, will only cost \$50, plus the cost of two GMAT books (the cost of the two required books is currently \$39.95). The classes will be held on Saturdays during May and will be open to all majors from all disciplines. Classes will meet from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on May 2, May 9, May 16, and May 23 in room UC322 of the James M. Baker University Center.

In addition to offering the GMAT Prep Course, the School of Business will

refund the \$50 fee for individuals completing the course, taking and obtaining a satisfactory score on the GMAT, and then being accepted into the Clayton State MBA program for the fall 2009 cohort. To be eligible for the refund, an individual would need to begin the application process for the Clayton State MBA program to the University's School of Graduate Studies before June 1, 2009.

To register for the GMAT Prep Course, complete the registration form found at http://fayette.clayton.edu/MBA/gmat.htm or http://business.clayton.edu/MBA/gmat.htm. Mail the registration, along with the required \$50 registration fee, to Andrea Johnson, administrative assistant for the MBA Program, School of Business, Clayton State University, 2000 Clayton State Blvd., Morrow, Ga. 30260. Registrations will be processed on a firstcome, first-served basis.

The schedule of what will be covered during the course is also given on the abovereferenced websites.

Dr. Michael Deis, director of the Clayton State MBA Program, has stated that the interest in offering such a course has been fantastic. Sixty-two students registered for the previous course in March 2009.

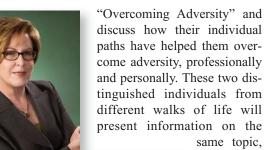
Theragenics Corporation® CEO Partners with Rapper David Banner to Discuss "Overcoming Adversity"

M. Christine Jacobs, chairman, CEO and president of Buford-based Theragenics Corporation® (NYSE: TGX) (www.theragenics.com), is one of the longest reigning female CEOs on the New York Stock Exchange. In this capacity, she has had her share of adversity and has learned a lesson paramount to success is keeping an open mind and

open eyes for possibilities and ideas in unlikely people and places.

Jacobs will partner with friend, musician and rapper David Banner in a unique presentation on Wednesday, Mar. 25 as part of the Clayton State University School of Business' Spring 2009 James Wood Lecture Series. The program will run from noon to 1 p.m. in the Student Activity Center Ballroom and is free and open to the public.

Jacobs and Banner will speak together on



M. Christine Jacobs



discuss how their individual paths have helped them overcome adversity, professionally and personally. These two distinguished individuals from different walks of life will present information on the same topic,

illustrating how unlikepeople ly and places help us succeed when we open our minds and our eyes.

Jacobs and Banner met by chance on an airplane and.

over the last four years of their acquaintance, she has been a sounding board for his ideas and he has provided uncommon inspiration to her through his work.

The School of Business' Spring 2009 Wood Series has previously welcomed Julia Wallace. Atlanta Journal Constitution editor, James E.

Young, president & CEO of Citizens Trust Bank, and Dan T. Cathy, president & COO of Chick-fil-A, Inc.

For further information on the Spring 2009 James Wood Lecture Series, contact Dr. Michael Tidwell in the School of Business at Clayton State at (678) 466-4546.

Alumni Clayton State Alumnus Shane Bell Authors Article on Apollo-Soyuz Program

by John Shiffert, University Relations

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Clayton State alumnus and Graduate student Shane Bell is the author of "The Apollo-Soyuz Test Project: Détente and the Cold War," an article published in the current issue of Quest: The History of Spaceflight Quarterly.

Currently an archives technician at the Archives National and Records Administration (NARA) Southeast Region, and a student in Clayton State's Masters of Arts in Liberal Studies program, Bell earned his B.A. in History from Clayton State in 2007. A 1993 graduate of Mount Zion High School, he now lives in McDonough, Ga. One of the outstanding success stories of the on-going relationship between Clayton State's History Department and both the National and Georgia Archives, his historical interests extend to an eclectic combination of subjects, including colonial America, NASA and the space race, and medieval Europe.

An intern at NARA during his senior year at Clayton State, Bell was awarded the second graduate scholarship of the Clayton State Retirees Association in the fall of 2008.

The Apollo-Soyuz Test Project was a joint program between the Soviet Union and the U.S. aimed at joining technology in space and fostering cooperation between the then-opposing nations. The final mission of the Apollo Project that first put men on the moon, the Apollo-Soyuz mission took place in July 1975. ■



Alumnus Shane Bell

Alumni Soccer Matches, Mar. 21

They're calling it the "Battle of the Ages." A reunion of former Clayton State University soccer players on the field.

> On Saturday, Mar. 21, Clayton State male and female soccer alumni will take on the current Laker varsity

squads in a pair of Alumni Soccer matches, beginning at 4 p.m., to be followed by a cookout at approximately 7 p.m.

The games will take place at Laker Field, the Clayton State soccer complex on the University's main campus. The men will also be playing golf at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday at Rum Creek Golf Club.

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Clayton State Nursing Alumna Wins Moot Court Competition

by Erin Fender, University Relations

Clayton State University alumna Hahnah Williams recently won the 2008-2009 Southern Region Frederick Douglas Moot Court Competition (FDMCC), along with her partner, to move on to compete for the national title in Irvine, Ca. which takes place during the week of Mar. 18 -22, 2009.

"Being named champions and best team is a great feeling. I feel blessed and honored to have been a member of the winning team. My partner and I worked so hard and it is a great feeling to see the fruits of our labor. I am very excited about the opportunity to compete for the national title," says Williams.

The FDMCC is a program initiated by the National Black Law Students Association



Alumna Hahnan Williams

(NBLSA). This is an annual event culminating with the national competition taking place at the annual NBLSA convention.

There is a two part component to this competition; a writing portion and an oral argument. After being selected to compete on behalf of Mercer University,

Williams and her partner mounted a 30 page legal brief complete with legal citations. The two then spent hours practicing for their oral argument with help from their coach and local attorneys and professors.

"Our team had the highest scores at the end of the final oral argument round. Thus,

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Clayton State Theatre Presents "The Laramie Project," April 17, 18 and April 23, 24

by Lauren Graves, University Relations

Clayton State Theatre presents "The Laramie Project" at 8 p.m. on Apr. 17 and 18, and again Apr. 23 and 24, in the Clayton State Theatre. General admission is \$5; Clayton State students are admitted free with LakerCard.

"The Laramie Project" is a docudrama focusing on town of Laramie, Wyoming's reaction to the 1998 murder of gay college student Matthew Shepard. The contemporary theatre work is the brainchild of Moisés Kaufman and the members of the Tectonic Theater Project who pieced the play together from interviews conducted in the town following the hate crime.

"It's really a gripping piece of theatre," says Clayton State Theatre Director Phillip DePoy, who compares the construction of "The Laramie Project" to mainstream television's "Law and Order." "The approach is to come with no agenda and try to find out what actually happened."

The decision to produce "The Laramie Project" as the Clayton State Theatre's spring show resulted from collaboration between theatre majors at Clayton State and Clayton State Assistant Professor of Theatre and Communication Shontelle Thrash, who marks her Clayton State Theatre directing debut with the piece.

"I felt like the students could really relate because Matthew Shepard was a freshman in college looking at a future full of possibilities just like them," says Thrash. "We get to see through this play what hate can do. I think it's [also] important for the audience to see what can happen when a community comes together," she says. Clayton State student Holly D. Shelton-Dixon, president of Clayton State's Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) focuses on building relationships between the gay and straight communities at the University. She explains that tragedies like Shepard's murder give pause to students in the gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, transgender (GLBT) community who may fear becoming hate crime victims.

In an effort to stand against hate crimes, Shelton-Dixon and GSA are encouraging people to see "The Laramie Project." Members of GSA plan to see the production's opening night on Apr. 17 in conjunction with events planned in honor of the National Day of Silence – a day set aside to bring attention to anti-GLBT

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Ludley Poem to be Published in Confluence

by Ciji Fox, University Relations



Dr. David Ludley

Clayton State University professor of Art History and English, recently had his p o e m "Sundowners" chosen, through double-blind peer-

review, to be published in the literary

journal Confluence, a publication of the

Association of Graduate Liberal Studies

Programs, in conjunction with sponsor-

ing universities across the country,

"After I submitted the poem to various

literary journals for double-blind peer review, I was very pleased when the

editor of the respected journal

including Duke, Stanford and others.

Dr. David Ludley,

Confluence informed me it had been selected for publication, Ludley says. "On one level, "Sundowners" is about my mother's journey through the stages of Alzheimer's disease, the loss of shortterm memory, and the symptom of 'Sundowners' Syndrome, which is the tendency to hallucinate and experience paranoia late in the day.

"On other levels, the poem involves trust -- between a father and a son, a wife and a husband, and other levels of trust in what is real. This work evolved through my experiences helping with the care of my mother during various summers and, later, visiting her in the nursing home. It is also grounded in my love and respect for my late mother."

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Clayton State Opera Presents... "Noye's Fludde"

by John Shiffert, University Relations

"This is participatory drama!"

So says Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller, Clayton State University's director of Opera and Vocal Studies. This year's Clayton State Opera performance is "Noye's Fludde," a late 16th century mystery play from the Chester Mystery Cycle that was set to music by Benjamin Britten in 1957.

Taking part in the Biblical story of Noah's Ark, in addition to eight Clayton State undergraduate students, will be 45 students from Jonesboro's J.W. Arnold Elementary School, select students from the choral program at Lovejoy High School (choral director: Dawn Womack)

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Athletics

The opportunity at earning Division II All-American honors for a second straight season came up short for Clayton State's Ahmad Rolle. Competing at the NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field National Championships, Rolle finished 10th overall in the men's triple jump. He just missed advancing to the championship final in the event by one spot. The top nine qualified for finals with the opportunity at winning the individual national championship in the event and earning All-American honors. On his three preliminary jumps, Rolle had a distance of 14.10 meters on the first jump, followed by a foul on the second try. On his third and final chance, Rolle jumped 14.46 meters, or 47-05.25 feet. He missed qualifying for the finals by less than a foot.

After a slow start the first two rounds, the Clayton State Laker men's golf team finished up on a strong note Tuesday at the Southeastern Intercollegiate hosted by Valdosta State University and Kinderlou Forest Golf Club. Following rounds of 300 and 295, 10th-ranked Clayton State finished with a 6-under-par 282 in Tuesday's final round to finish ninth overall in the 17-team field. Individually for Clayton State, junior Wade Binfield finished second overall with his career 54 hole total score of 5-under 211 (71-70-70). Binfield finished only one stroke behind low medalist Brent Witcher from Valdosta State. In addition, two-time All-American Will Wilcox rallied to finish tied for eighth overall with a 2-under 214 (74-71-69). Clayton State's next tournament is the Bobcat Invitational, hosted by Georgia College, on Mar. 23-24 in Eatonton, Ga.

Business & Operations

American Recycling has made the decision to start picking up Clayton State's recycling paper bins in the Student Center on Wednesdays instead of the current early Friday morning route.

Counseling & Psychological Services

Clayton State University's Office of Counseling and Psychological Services is hosting "The Career Exploration Workshop," which includes individualized personality and interest assessments, and is aimed at helping Clayton State students to understand themselves and how to use this information to identify potential careers for themselves, on four days in March and February. Workshops are led by Dr. Jennifer Dean and Keisha Tanner and are from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Mar. 17, Mar. 19, Mar. 24 and Apr. 2. For more information, contact Counseling and Psychological Services at (678) 466- 5406.

DOAS

As responsible stewards of state property and to increase employee safety awareness, the Department of Administrative Services (DOAS) has contracted with Driver's Alert to ensure that all state agencies participate in the "Report My Driving Program." To encourage safe driving practices, Clayton State will participate in a statewide notification program. Clayton State University's non-emergency vehicles will receive yellow decals that display a contact number to report complaints or compliments. All reports will be forwarded to the institution for review and when necessary to the driver's supervisor to determine corrective action if needed. More available details are at www.DriversAlert.com.

Human Resources

The deadline for submitting TAP applications for Summer Semester is Apr. 15, 2009. Completed applications should be forwarded to the HR Department. If you participated in the TAP program during Fall Semester 2008, you must also submit a copy of your grade report. Both official and unofficial (web generated) grade reports are acceptable. TAP participants must receive a grade of "C" or better in each approved course in order to continue participation in the TAP program. Beginning Summer Semester 2009, graduate programs and courses offered by Clayton State University will not be eligible for the TAP program. This new policy however, will not apply to employees who were enrolled in a Clayton State graduate program prior to Summer Semester 2009. Only employees newly enrolled in a Clayton State graduate program or course will be affected. Since TAP participation in certain degree

programs and courses of study may vary at each institution, you may wish to confirm if offered graduate programs and courses are eligible at the school you wish to attend.

Library

The Clayton State Library will have its annual used book sale Tuesday, Apr. 21 through Friday, Apr. 24 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Baker Center, in front of the Library's main entrance and Jazzman's Cafe. Paperback books will be \$1.50 each or five for \$5. Hardback books will be \$5 each or five for \$20. Come early to get the best selection! All great deals while they last. Proceeds go to the library.

Music

Clayton State's Music Department (and Director of Opera and Vocal Studies Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller) recently hosted the Atlanta Early Music Alliance Midwinter Workshop for the sixth time. The Workshop also got a good bit of column space in Rebecca Hutchinson's article "Making Music Soar Above the Bottom Line" in the Spring 2009 (vol. 15, no. 1) issue of Early Music America. Some 70 individuals from as far away as Venezuela attended.

NARA

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is currently exhibiting documents from its collection that relate to music in our socity. "From Sacred Harp to Elvis: Music in the Archives" will run through Thursday, Apr. 30, telling the story of the diversity of music in the south, and giving a small window into the lives of a few notable musicians. The exhibit is free and open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays at the NARA Southeast Regional Archives, 5780 Jonesboro Rd., Morrow. (At the intersection of Jonesboro Road and Clayton State Boulevard.)

Orientation and New Student Programs

The Office of Orientation and New Student Programs has announced the new student orientation dates for the summer 2009 semester. These sessions will be held in the Student Activities Center ball-room on Saturday, Apr. 25 from 9 a.m. to

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12:30 p.m., Friday, May 8 from noon to 3:30 p.m., and Wednesday, May 20 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (this date has not been published). New student orientation is required for all incoming freshman, jointenrolled, transfer, non-traditional, and post-baccalaureate students pursuing another degree. Orientation dates and times are posted on http://adminservices.clayton.edu/orientati on/orientationdates.htm.

Public Safety

The Department of Public Safety monthly "town hall" meetings on campus are designed to address concerns of students. These will be informal, and the agendas will vary from discussions of specific topics upon request to open discussions of topics of general interest. Some areas to be addressed in the next few months include: increasing awareness of the various functions of the department; discussion of security issues that may impact students on a daily basis; hot topic discussions, e.g. internet security, identity theft, etc.; and law enforcement career opportunities. If students have particular question or topics they would like to be addressed at upcoming monthly meetings, they are encouraged to emailed them to Chief Bobby Hamil in advance. The next town hall meetings will be held on Tuesday, Mar. 24, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in room UC 268 of the Baker Center, and on Wednesday, Mar. 25, from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Laker Hall.

On Monday, Mar. 23, between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., members of the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, along with the Public Safety Department, will be distributing information related to vehicle seat belt safety and driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs as vehicles arrive at the stop sign near Clayton Hall. At the same time they will be observing for appropriate use of seat belts by drivers and passengers. Please be courteous to them during this community outreach project focused on highway safety.

Recreation & Wellness

Registration is now underway for indoor rock climbing at Atlanta Rocks! The date of the event is changed to Saturday, Apr. 4th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This event is open to everyone on campus. There are only 12 slots available so don't wait to pay! Register today at the SAC Fitness Center; the deadline is Apr. 1. Cost is \$30 which includes transportation, private instruction, two hours of climbing, and gear rental. For more information, contact Elissa McCarty, assistant director of Recreation & Wellness (Outdoor Adventure) at (678) 466-4972.

The Department of Recreation and Wellness is sponsoring a the following free clinics on "Proper Use of the Cybex Functional Training 360 Machine," and/or, "How to Use the Stability Ball Correctly." Both sessions will run in succession on Wednesday, Apr. 1, starting at 11:45 a.m. These same clinics will be presented again on Thursday, Apr. 2, starting at 5 p.m. The location is the Fitness Center. For more information, please contact kathrynpeppers@clayton.edu.

University Bookstore

The University Bookstore will hold another Grad Fair on Apr. 6 and Apr. 7 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Baker Center Main Street. Announcements, Certificate of Appreciation, Caps, Gowns, Tassels and Class Rings+ Village Photographers, with a free photo sitting and color proofs Located in Studio 150. Get a free photo sitting and up date your resume or portfolio, school groups, or clubs.

University Health Services

Clayton State University's University Health Services, in conjunction with Gamma Beta Mu Leadership Society, Inc, and the University's Office of Counseling and Psychological Services, will host the "Love Your Body" Community Health Fair on Thursday, Mar. 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the James M. Baker University Center. The health fair will be held on the Baker Center's "Main Street" and is open to students, faculty, staff and the community. This year's fair will observe Women's Health Month as well as focus on every aspect of taking care of your body for men and women. Some featured vendors are Life South Blood Mobile, the City of Morrow, Acupuncture and the Health and Fitness Team from the Clayton State Fitness Center. Also included are prizes and giveaways, plus blood pressure checks and cholesterol screening. For more information, contact Latrice Barlow, University Health Services office manager at (678) 466-4940.

University System of Georgia

This week's issue of Legislative Update has been posted and is available for down-loading at http://www.usg.edu/pubs/lu/.

A new issue of the University System of Georgia's The System Supplement is available www.usg.edu/pubs/sys_supp/. Enjoy!

The Clayton State Archives Wants to Know... Do you know this former faculty member?



Here's a fun game that also benefits the Clayton State Archives...who has lots of photos of folks through the years that need to be identified for preserving the history of the University. The Clayton State Archives asks for your help in identifying this faculty member. If you know who she is, the years she taught, etc., please contact RosemaryFlscher@clayton.edu. Look for more "Who Are They?" photographs in future issues of Campus Review. The Clayton State Archives appreciates your help!

Public Safety Makes Minor Revisions in Emergency Reference Guide

The Department of Public Safety has made some minor revisions to the Emergency Quick Reference Guide which can be found within the Public Safety website, by accessing the "Emergency Information" link. If you have a hard copy, you may also want to note the following changes:

Page 20, Lockdown 2(b)---This section states as follows, with revision in bold-

A Lockdown consists of moving all students, faculty, staff, and visitors off the grounds and into the buildings, securing all entrances when possible, and denying access to any unauthorized persons.

Page 29, Emergency Telephones, Emergency Blue Light Network—This section has been revised to provide more accurate details of activation display on the telephones.

You will notice the several white structures with reflective lettering on the sides stating EMERGENCY and topped with a blue light as you make your way around campus. These eyecatching structures are our new campus emergency phones. They will emit a blue light after dark, which turns into a flashing strobe when activated after the large black button on the phone is pressed. ■

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Former Laker soccer player (and University Relations staffer) Tiffany Cavin has organized the women while former men's players have gone through Head Men's Soccer Coach Pete Petersen. Alumni players are also requested to go online at the Clayton State Alumni Association website (http://adminservices.clayton.edu/alumni/ info_update/index.html) to update their address and other contact information.

Cultural Shock Week, March 26 to April 2

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

Clayton State University's Department of Campus Life will host "Cultural Shock Week," a week-long, campus-wide event that will celebrate cultural differences and promote cross-cultural interaction, from Mar. 26 through Apr. 2. Cultural Shock Week was developed by Lakeisa Cantey, assistant director of Campus Life.

The week will begin with a presentation by Jabari Asim, Editor-in-Chief of NAACP Magazine "The Crisis" and author of "The N Word" at 7 p.m. on Mar. 26 in Student Activities Center Ballroom located on the Clayton State University. Asim will speak about his upcoming book, "What Obama Means...For Our Culture, For Our Politics, For Our Future."

Next, "Safe Zone Space Training" will be held on Mar. 31, from 11 a.m. to1:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Ballroom C. Twenty-five seats for Clayton State faculty, staff and students are available. The Safe Space program is a national movement to increase the visible presence of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) student allies and places that are "safe" for LGBT students across college campuses and school environments. An ally is a member, often of the majority group, who works to end oppression by supporting and advocating for the oppressed population. Attending the Safe Space training is one way to serve as an ally and can provide you with a chance to learn about yourself and others and to create a campus climate that is accepting of all people, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, race, ethnicity, nationality, religion or other differences.

Following "Safe Zone Space Training," individuals are invited to come out and be inspired and empowered by a talented group of poets. "Brave New Voices All Stars" will take place Apr. 1, at 7 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Café located on the Clayton State University Campus.

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Costa Rica: Time is Running Out

The Office of International Programs, together with the Language and Literature Department, is pleased to offer a Maymester study abroad program to San Jose, Costa Rica that has both cultural and language components.

The program runs from May 14 to June 6, 2009. The cost per student is 2,650 + air-fare (362.42 on 3/13/09) for a total of six credit hours (which includes 60 hours of Spanish instruction plus additional instruction provided by Clayton State faculty).

The program includes: 1) homestays with breakfast and dinner, 2) airport shuttle transportation (arrival/departure), 3) airport taxes in Costa Rica, 4) two days, one night excursion to Ecolodge Monteverde Cloud Forest http://www.monteverdeinfo.com, 5) Spanish instruction, 6) amenities:

Spanish instruction, 6) amenities: arrival/departure reception, orientation,

health insurance, walking tour in San Jose, in-situ advice about tourist tours, and access to computer facilities.



Applications must be accompanied by a \$1,325

deposit by Mar. 25, which will be credited toward the total program cost of \$2,650.00 (not including airfare or Clayton State tuition). The \$1,325 balance must be paid by close of business, Monday, Apr. 13, 2009. Clayton State tuition is paid separately at course registration (i.e., between Apr. 6 and Apr. 23).

For more details, please contact either DennisMiller@clayton.edu; telephone (678) 466-4735 or/and Dr. Orlando Pacheco, associate director for International Programs (OrlandoPacheco@clayton.edu, telephone (678) 466-4092). ■

Discussing Economic Stimulus... Does it Work?

The next New York Times Talk at Clayton State University features a discussion of economic stimulus efforts, past and present.

Scheduled for Tuesday, Mar. 24 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in room UC 265 of the James M. Baker Center, "Mad Money, Madder Men, Does Stimulus Work?" will be facilitated by Clayton State Assistant Professor of History Dr. Marko Maunula, who will discuss the current stimulus package as compared to previous historical attempts by the government to stimulate the economy.

As an added stimulus, a free lunch of pizza and soda is provided courtesy of the New York Times and the American Democracy Project.

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For more information, contact Dr. Joe Corrado, campus coordinator of the American Democracy Project, at joecorrado@clayton.edu or call (678) 466-4803. All the New York Times Talks are free and open to the public. ■

IBM Executive Ann Cramer to Speak to Clayton State Women's Forum



Ann W. Cramer, director Americas, IBM Corporate Citizenship and Corporate Affairs, will be the guest speaker at the next Clayton State Women's Forum luncheon.

The Women's Forum Luncheon will take place on Monday, Apr. 13 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room 101 of the Harry S. Downs Center on the Clayton State campus. The cost of the luncheon is \$13 per person, payable at the door, and the public is invited, although an RSVP is required. Please RSVP to territaylor-hamrick@clayton.edu by Apr. 8.

Cramer's commitment to and involvement with children and youth has been a lifelong journey. Her current job with IBM allows her to continue her work with the improvement of conditions for families, because of IBM's historic involvement with and investment in local communities. Cramer currently serves as a past chair of the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education (GPEE), Communities in Schools-Georgia, and chairs the Georgia Chamber's Education Committee, Voices for Georgia's Children, and is on the Executive Committee for the US Chamber's Institute for Competitive Workforce, the Conference Board's Business and Education Council. Metro Atlanta Chamber Education Committee and Project GRAD Board. She also serves on several non-profit organization boards including Carter Center Board of Councilors; the Woodruff Arts Center, the Alliance Theatre Company, Georgia Shakespeare Festival, the Georgia Center for NonProfits, Public Broadcasting Atlanta (PBA), the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, and the Georgia Chapter of the International Women's Forum.

Likewise, she chairs the Council on Foundations Corporate Committee and serves on its board, and she represents IBM on the United Way of America's National Corporate Leaders Council, the Center for Corporate Citizenship Advisory Board at Boston College, the US Chamber's Business Civic Leadership Center (BCLC), the Independent Sector's Membership Committee and the Southeastern Council on Foundations Communications Committee.

In support of children, youth and education, Ann most recently chaired the Workforce Development Task Force for the Governor's Commission for a New Georgia. Ann has chaired the Governor's Child Protective Services Task Force, served as Chairman of the Governor's Commission on Children and Youth and co-chaired the Governor's Welfare Reform Task Force, the Governor's Policy Council for Children and Families and the Grady Foundation, the Governor's Action Council for Safe Kids and led a team developing Voices for Georgia's Children.

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Clayton State Participating in Georgia Financial Literacy Week

Clayton State University will be participating in Georgia Financial Literacy Week, Apr. 13 to Apr. 17, 2009.

In conjunction with the National Student Loan Program (NSLP), the Georgia Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and the Georgia Consortium for Personal Financial Liberty, the Clayton State Office of Financial Aid has asked NSLP's accredited financial counselors to deliver a 1-hour financial literacy seminar, "Your Credit Life Story," on Wednesday, Apr. 15, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in room 327 of the James M. Baker Center. This event is also in conjunction with the Financial Aid Office's Money Management Series for 2008/2009.

Georgia Financial Literacy Week is designed to provide college students across the state with vital information and the tools they need to make sound financial decisions, to enhance their money management skills, and to raise public awareness about the importance to young adults of a sound financial education. A variety of topics will be discussed in "Your Credit Life Story," including, budgeting, wise use of cred-

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ing, left the south to attend college in Colorado.

"In Colorado the public restrooms were not segregated by color. They were not [segregated] at the University of Denver, so I had seen another way of life," she points out.

A social worker later in life, Huie also conducted a number or oral history interviews in Clayton County. Now a widow in her eighties, she still exhibits the self confidence and openness to new ideas that made her a leader in the Clayton County HOPE movement.

"Her sense of responsibility to her community still guides her life," says Clayton State Associate Professor of History Dr. Kathryn Kemp, who has interviewed Huie extensively. "Lucy and Arthur Huie and the other HOPE supporters may not be equivalent to the great martyrs and famous heroes of the civil rights movement, but the willingness of people like these to lead their communities a step forward was also essential to the progress of the greatest American social movement of the century."

The public is invited to the naming ceremony for Huie Hall, however, an RSVP is required. Please RSVP to Linda Castleberry at (678) 466-4470 by Monday, Mar. 23. ■

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we won the Southern Region Champion Award and were named the Best Team in the Southern Region," says Williams.

Her mother's passion for nursing influenced Williams to pursue a degree in nursing. She attended Clayton State and graduated with a B.S.N. degree in 2000. Williams then spent seven years as a critical care nurse developing strong advocacy and interpersonal skills.

Now she is pursing a Juris Doctorate degree at Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law. She is interested in various fields of law such as federal law, products liability, torts liability, employment discrimination, civil rights law, criminal law, medical malpractice, and health law.

Williams is a mother of an 11 year old daughter whom she credits as an inspiration to be the best in everything she does.■

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Ludley admits that writing piece was a challenge.

"This poem has been years in the making," he says. "It was challenge writing about someone I love, my late mother, enduring the tragedy of what Alzheimer's does to the mind. At the same time, I had to be true to the facts of the experience and not romanticize or embellish."

Despite the challenges, Ludley says the experience was very rewarding.

"Having told my mother's story late in life and the story of her Alzheimer's published in a well-regarded journal that others may read and learn from has been the most rewarding experience," he says.

Ludley also looks forward to the future.

"The success of this publication encourages me to further pursue my other creative projects--including other poems and a novel I have been working on for some time now," he explains. "The novel is entitled "Buffalo Fandango" and involves my travels out west, which includes a thread of Native-American mythology and its relation to an explorer-ancestor, all brought up to my experiences in the late Sixties in California."

<u>"But That's Not Cheating: Schooling Differences and Similarities Across Culture"</u>

Clayton State Schedules Second Cultural Diversity Conference on April 3

The Clayton State University School of Nursing will sponsor the Second Annual Cultural Diversity Conference on Friday, Apr. 3 in the ballroom of the University's Student Activities Center.

The theme of the conference is, "But That's Not Cheating: Schooling Differences and Similarities Across Culture" and the keynote speaker is Dr. Jeffra Flaitz, author of "Understanding Your Refugee and Students" Immigrant and "Understanding Your International Students." Flaitz will be discussing research based findings and constructs related to teaching in a linguistically and culturally diverse environment. She will also address strategies that make instruction more accessible and comprehensible for English Language Learners.

The conference will run from 8 a.m. to4 p.m. Registration cost is \$60, whichincludes breakfast, lunch and breaks.Registerbygoingto:

http://nursing.clayton.edu/NWD/divers ity_conference.html, or contact the School of Nursing at (678) 466-4985 or tonidixon@clayton.edu for more information.

The Second Annual Cultural Diversity Conference is supported by funds from the School of Nursing's federal Workforce Diversity Grant. ■

Check out the posters around campus for more conference information!



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who will play the small chorus of Mrs. Noye's gossips, Clayton State Music Preparatory student Brad Raymond, who plays Noye (aka Noah), and the audience who will be present in Clayton State's world-famous Spivey Hall on Friday, Mar. 27 and Saturday, Mar. 28. Both performances will start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission (available from the Spivey Hall Box Office). Clayton State students, faculty and staff are admitted free with their Laker ID.

"Warm up before you come — the audience gets to sing along three times," suggests Director Zeller.

In addition to the audience taking part, Zeller is very enthusiastic about the Soaring Eagle Singers from Arnold Elementary, who are conducted by Joanne Maples, and who play the animals in the opera. It's an opportunity that Zeller says will benefit both the younger and older singers.

"Bringing elementary school children here and having them work collaboratively with Clayton State students gives them the idea about going to college. It's a chance for them to say, 'I could be a college student," he says. "Part of our job is opening people's eyes that there's more out there. And that's true for students on all levels, from elementary school to Clayton State students."

In addition to Raymond, the following students will be taking part in "Noye's Fludde..."

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A native of Jacksonville, Fla., who graduated from Salem College in Winston-Salem, N.C. with a degree in Mathematics and serves on its board. Cramer has been honored numerous times by a wide variety of organizations. Most recently, she was named by Atlanta Woman Magazine as the Power Woman of the Year,"25 Atlantans to Watch," inducted into the Business Hall of Fame and awarded Georgia's 1st Visionary Leadership Award, Leadership Atlanta's Legacy of Mrs. Noye: Lianna Wimberly (junior B.M. in Voice Performance major)

Sem: José Caballero (sophomore B.M. in Voice Performance major)

Ham: Afolabi Giwa (junior B.A. in Music major)

Jaffet: Stephen Odom (junior B.A. in Music major)

Mrs. Sem: Lindsey Martin (junior B.M. in Voice Performance major)

Mrs. Ham: Amanda Pillatzki (high-school Department of Music Preparatory Department student)

Mrs. Jaffet: Melissa Reece (sophomore B.M. in Music Education major)

God Clayton Beatty (B.A. in Theater major)

The orchestra for the performance also includes Clayton State adjunct Music professor Daniel Pyle, "shaking the walls with the organ," says Zeller.

Leadership Award, the Lexus Leader of the Arts, the Shining Star recognition from the Atlanta Women's Foundation, the first Narrowing the Digital Divide Award, the Andrew Young Public Policy and Faith award, Leading Ladies and Women Making the Mark distinctions, and the Georgia Council for Economic Education's prestigious VanLandingham Award. ■

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it cards, understanding credit reports, and money management.

This event is a part of Georgia Financial Literacy Month, an annual event held in April and organized by the Georgia Consortium for Personal Financial Literacy, of which NSLP is a member. NSLP is a private, non-profit corporation serving higher education as a student loan guaranty agency.

For more information on NSLP, contact Sharon O'Neal, director of Corporate Communications, at (800) 735-8778, ext. 6848. For more information, contact michellecraig@clayton.edu. ■

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name-calling, bullying and harassment in schools.

"We want to let students know that things like this are happening to the GLBT community, and that Clayton State is doing everything we can to make sure the GLBT community is safe to be who they are without fear of hate crimes," says Shelton-Dixon.

While Clayton State is working to provide an environment supportive of GLBT students and opposed to all forms of anti-gay prejudice, productions like "The Laramie Project" direct audience attention to the presence of homophobia in society.

"As a culture, we think we've solved a lot of problems. But 1998 is too recent in history for this kind of thing to be happening," expresses DePoy.

And while "The Laramie Project" was created in response to tragedy, Thrash chooses to look at some of the more positive outcomes of the work, saying, "One of the characters in the play says it nicely, 'H-O-P-E. Just like the whole world hoped that Matt would survive. The whole thing, you see, the whole thing ropes around hope, H-O-P-E."



Bursar Linda Stanford's retirement party held in the Harry S. Downs Center, room 101 on Wednesday, Mar. 18.

Clayton State Department of Public Safety Receives Active Shooter Training

Officers of the Clayton State Office of Public Safety had their regularly-scheduled "Active Shooter" training session on campus on Wednesday, Mar. 11.

Held by the Clayton County Police Department SWAT team, this exercise for the Public Safety officers is a routine training exercise held every couple of years by the Clayton County Police Department for the benefit of the Clayton State Police Department.

"This is not the first time our officers have received this type training... it will be a refresher for many of them," notes

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Award-Winning Children's Author/Illustrator Ashley Bryan Appearing at Clayton State, March 30

The Clayton State University Department of Teacher Education is hosting a presentation and book signing by author/illustrator Ashley Bryan on Monday, Mar. 30 in room UC272 of the James M. Baker Center from 4:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. His presentation is free and open to the public.

Bryan is the winner of the American Library Association's 2009 Laura Ingalls Wilder Award for lifetime contributions to children's literature. This award is only offered every three years.

The Wilder Award honors an author or illustrator, published in the United States, whose books have made a substantial and lasting contribution to literature for children. Bryan's numerous works include "Dancing Granny," "Beat the Story-Drum, Pum-Pum," and "Beautiful Blackbird."

"For 40 years and nearly as many books, Ashley Bryan has filled children's literature with the beats of story, the echoes of poetry, the transcendence of African-American spirituals, the beauty of art and the satisfaction of a tale well-told. Generations of readers have seen themselves in the pages of Bryan's books. He has inspired today's children's book writers and illustrators to tell, paint, sing and weave their own stories for generations to come," says Wilder Committee Chair Cathryn Mercier.

Born in 1923 in New York City, Bryan has been painting since childhood. His education, interrupted by Army service in World War II, includes a degree from Columbia University. A painter, reteller, illustrator of children's books and Professor Emeritus at Dartmouth College, Bryan lives and works on Little Cranberry Island in Maine.

His award-winning works include "Walk Together Children," an ALA Notable Book in 1974 and "Beautiful Blackbird," Coretta Scott King Book Award Winner in 2004. In addition Bryan has received one other Coretta Scott King Book Award, plus six honors. He has also received the 1990 Arbuthnot Award, the 1993 Lee Bennett Hopkins Poetry Award, the 2006 Hans Christian Andersen United States Nomination for illustration, the Silver Medallion for Contributions to Children's Literature and the Virginia Hamilton Literary Award. ■

Culture Shock, cont'd. from p. 8

The Brave New Voices All Stars is a group of young, diverse, creative and intelligent slam poets from various areas within and beyond the borders of the United States. Between the ages of 18 and 25, each member has gathered attention in the national arena, from showcases on HBO's Def Poetry, to feature articles in Teen People and Newsweek. Brave New Voices All Stars brandishes both Hip Hop sensibility and immaculate writing.

Finally, to end the week long celebration of diversity, "CulturalFest" will take place on Apr. 2, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in University Center Quad.

Individuals are invited to come out and taste different dishes from all over the world and learn about other cultures. The event will also feature a Capoeira performance, which is an Afro-Brazilian dance form that incorporates self-defense maneuvers, at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. In addition, students will be able to create a Birthday Chronicle that features the actual headlines from the day and year they were born.

"I hope students will understand the significance and importance behind this celebration. Hopefully, students will step out of their comfort zones and enjoy learning about and interacting with other cultures," Cantey says. All of the events, except the Safe Zone Space Training are free and open to the public. ■



Author/Illustrator Ashley Bryan during his 2008 visit to Clayton State



Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

SECRETS TO GETTING A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT JOB

Thursday, April 2, 2009 - Afternoon and Evening Workshops Available

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - James M. Baker University Center - Room 262

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. - James M. Baker University Center - Room 409

In this workshop, you can learn:

How to find and apply for jobs in your major About student programs that get you in the door more quickly What is KSA

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Start early...finish ahead)

BUSINESS ETIQUETTE LUNCHEON

Student Activities Center Ballroom Tuesday, April 7, 2009 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Ticket price is \$15 which includes a fourcourse meal and training! Come by Career Services to purchase your ticket today.

GACE COLLEGE TO CAREER FAIR

Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at the Cobb Galleria in Atlanta, Georgia Workshop for Participants | 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Career Fair | 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Student Information about Career Fair: http://www.gace.org/images/InfoforStudentsC 2C.pdf Participating Colleges and Universities Include: http://www.gace.org/careerfair

On-Campus (I)nterviews and (R)ecruiting

Wednesday, Apr. 8th 9am - 4pm (I) Enterprise Rent-A-Car

To schedule an interview time for the Management Trainee position(s): Call the Career Services Office 678-466-5400 Submit resume by 03/25/09 to ryanwhitfield@clayton.edu or Tomekamayo@clayton.edu Re: Enterprise Rent-A-Car

NOTE: See job description on Laker CareerZone before scheduling appointment

ATLANTA AREA CAREER FAIRS (Information purposes only; No affiliation with Clayton State)

GWINNETT COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT JOB FAIR

Saturday, March 21, 2009; 9am – 2pm Police Training Facility – 854 Winder Highway (HWY), Lawrenceville, GA. 30045 www.gwinnettpolicejobs.com

HAWKS CAREER DAY

This is a great opportunity for students to find out what it takes to run one of the largest sports and entertainment venues in the world! The excitement starts Monday, March 23, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. The \$15 registration fee will include a game ticket for the Hawks vs. Timberwolves contest that evening at 7:00 p.m. For more information and how to register contact Kassie Broker at (404) 878-3191 or email Kassie.Broker@atlantaspirit.com.

DIVERSITY EMPLOYMENT DAY CAREER FAIR

Wednesday, March 25, 2009; 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cobb Galleria Centre-Ballroom AB - Two Galleria Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339 www.citycareerfair.com

To see the companies that attended the CAREER EXPO click on this link: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/career/careere xpoparticipants.htm

There are hundreds of jobs available in the Atlanta, GA. area.

Once you have logged on http://adminservices.clayton.edu/career/mainjob search.htm

choose the Jobs and Internships tab to view Laker CareerZone and NACElink Networking jobs.

Absolute Truth Productions Radio Show Producer Atlanta, GA Internship/Co-op

VetSpecs, Inc. Inside Sales Representative Canton, GA Full Time

Financial Asset Management Systems Collector, Data Control Clerk and Systems Administrator Tucker, GA Full Time

SouthSide Roofing Roofing Sales and you NEVER get on a roof South Metro, GA Part Time

MBN Payment Systems

Sales Consultant Atlanta, GA Full Time, Part Time

Georgia Commission on Family Violence Student Internship Atlanta, GA Internship/Co-op

Vivid Marketing Summer Internship 2009 Atlanta, GA Internship/Co-op

Defense Contract Audit Agency Auditor Career Intern Nationwide, US Full Time, Internship/Co-op

Love and Living Association Human Services Liason Rex, GA Internship/Co-op

The CommTech Group NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED McDonough, Stockbridge, Conyers, Griffin, GA Part Time

Georgia OTP Counselor

Warm Springs, GA Full Time

Lanier Parking Systems Event Parking Attendants Alpharetta, GA Part Time

Randstad USA Internship Morrow, Peachtree City and Conyers GA Internship/Co-op

SUMMER PROGRAMS INFORMATION

Harvard Business School's Summer Venture in Management Program

SVMP is a one week management training program for rising college seniors designed to increase diversity and opportunity in business education. To apply, and for more information about this program see website (http://www.hbs.edu/mba/svmp/) The deadline is May 11, 2009.

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memorable career. In the first round of the Southeast Regional, a 68-66 win over Carson-Newman, St. Fort became the fifth player in Clayton State history to score 1000 points for her career, two weeks after she set the Lakers' career mark for three-point goals (currently 145).

The Lakers' second appearance in the Elite Eight is scheduled for Tuesday, Mar. 24 in San Antonio, Tx., against the second-ranked team in NCAA Division II,

the University of Alaska-Anchorage. The 2006/07 Laker team, also directed by Cox, reached the Division II Final Four in Kearney, Neb., defeating Texas A&M Commerce 60-55 in the Elite Eight and then losing 61-57 to undefeated Florida Gulf Coast University in the Final Four. In that game, as a sophomore coming off a medical red shirt year due to a severe ACL injury (she still wears a huge brace on her left knee), St. Fort led the Lakers back from a 22-2 deficit with a team-high 16 points. ■

Clayton State Tennis Makes It Three Straight with 7-2 Victory Over Augusta State

The Clayton State Laker women's tennis team made it three straight victories on Thursday with a 7-2 Peach Belt Conference victory over visiting Augusta State at Laker Courts. 10th-ranked Clayton State improves to 6-3 overall and 4-2 in the Peach Belt Conference.

Clayton State won four of its six matches and singles and swept the three doubles matches. Two of the matches, however, went down to the wire with tie-breakers involved in both.

At No. 2, Clayton State's Selma Hidass and Marie-Laure Cercellenti edged Augusta State's Nathalia Rodrigues and Bianca Machado 9-8 (7-5 in the tiebreak), rallying from a game down late in the match. The Laker team of Veronika Jasenovcova and Evelin Csizi downed the Jaguar duo of Fernanda Chiaparini and Giovanna Fensterseifer by the same score, fending off a late rally after taking an early 6-3 lead in the match.

Viktoriya Semyrodenko (No. 2), Cercellenti (No. 3), Hidass (No. 5) and Csizi (No. 6) each recorded victories in singles for Clayton State.

<u>Trivia Time</u>

Die Fledermaus

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Fledermaus is the German word for bat. Hence, it would only seem logical that the famed opera, "Die Fledermaus" (The Bat) would be a favorite of Clayton State Associate Professor of Biology Dr. Stephen Burnett, the University's resident bat expert, and deliverer of many a "Bat Chat" during his time at the University.

Kathy Garrison had the first correct answer, followed by (not surprisingly) Clayton State's operatic expert, Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller and Carol Braun. Rob Taylor, famous for his sense of humor (as well as his sense of trivia), was the only one who got the joke about a suitable companion piece for "A Night at the Opera." That would be, of course, "A Day at the Races." Aren't there any Marx Brothers fans out there?

Actually, there's only way to find out... All the Marx' were, in reality, very talented musicians. Harpo, naturally, played the harp. Groucho, classical guitar. Chico played the piano, and he was so good that he sometimes played it with what?

First correct answer to johnshiffert@clayton.edu wins a Wolf J. Flywheel autograph.

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Captain Rex Duke of the Clayton State University Office of Public Safety. "The last time the SWAT team was on campus to train Clayton State's police officers was in August, 2007.

"I believe this is a good opportunity for our department to not only receive additional training, but also to have the opportunity to meet and train with some of the actual SWAT team members."

The SWAT team conducted classroom training in the University's Lecture Hall,

followed by practical exercises using SWAT equipment and weapons in the Business and Health Sciences Building. The training was timed to coincide with the University's Spring Break, so as to minimize the disruption to the campus.

<u>Sports</u> Clayton State's Wilcox Makes it Three-for-Three at Samford Invitational

Will Wilcox made it three-for-three this season in individual golf titles as the Clayton State University All-American won the Samford Invitational in a playoff on Tuesday, Mar. 10 at Limestone Springs Golf Club.

Wilcox shot a 71 in the final round to finish tied for the lead with Murray State's Cameron Carrico at 7-under-par 209. The two then squared off in a playoff, both recording par on the first hole. However, Carrico hit his approach shot in the water on the second hole, opening the door for Wilcox to two-putt the hole for par and win individual honors.

Overall, Clayton State as a team finished tied for fifth in the 14-team field. The 19th-ranked (NCAA Division II) Lakers, one of only two non-Division I teams in the field, tied with Southern Illinois with an 892. The Lakers finished nine strokes behind Illinois State and 10 strokes behind Eastern Kentucky. Murray State won the event with an 859.

In addition to Wilcox, junior Neil Thomas finished tied for 11th for the Lakers with 219 (75-71-73), while junior Wade Binfield finished for 32nd with 227 (75-74-78). Rounding out the Clayton State scoring was Kevin Duncan finishing tied for 58th with a 237 (78-75-84) and senior Neil McBride finishing tied for 61st with a 239 (78-75-86).



Will Wilcox

Clayton State to Face Alaska Anchorage in Elite Eight

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Yes, they play basketball in Alaska (along with hockey and dog sledding). In fact, the Clayton State Lakers' opponent in the Elite Eight on Thursday, Mar. 24 in San Antonio is the second-ranked team in NCAA Division II, the University of Alaska Anchorage Seawolves.

Ranked number one in the nation for almost a month earlier this year, the Seawolves currently stand 30-3 after defeating Seattle Pacific 54-43 in the West Regional final. The low-scoring contest was typical of Alaska Anchorage's year – they lead NCAA Division II in scoring defense, allowing just 48 points per game.

The Seawolves use height to dominate games – they have four players 6-2 or taller and average almost 10 rebounds per game more than their opponents while holding them to 31 percent shooting. On

the other hand, it's unlikely the Seawolves have played a team with the quickness and depth of Clayton State, leading the cognoscenti to predict that the Laker/Seawolf match-up will be a classic contrast in styles – Clayton State's quickness and athleticism vs. the Seawolves' size and defense.

Actually, against all odds (since Anchorage is about as far from Morrow as you can get and still stay in the U.S.), the two teams do have a common opponent. The Seawolves opened their season in October in the Disney Classic tourney against good old Columbus State, winning 53-39. Along the way, Alaska Anchorage has also defeated Syracuse and Cal State Northridge in the Great Alaska Shootout – held on the Seawolves' home court. As a point of reference, the Lakers defeated Columbus State three times, winning 7168 at Columbus, 72-62 at Morrow and 55-52 in the Peach Belt Conference tournament. ■

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