Constitution Week Celebration At Clayton State University Comes to a Close

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

layton State University's Second Annual Constitution Day celebrating the signing of the Constitution of the United States on Monday, Sept. 17, 1787, has been another successful event on the campus. From Monday, Sept. 18 to Thursday, Sept. 21, 2006, the week-long celebration featured key-note-speakers Judge Steven Boswell, Clayton County Superior Court Judge and chair of the Clayton State University Foundation and Daphne Walker, Clayton County Magistrate Judge.

The week-long activities culminated with the reading the entire Constitution on Thursday, when Dr. Gene Hatfield, professor of History and head of the

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Department of Social Sciences welcomed the campus community in the Commons are of the Baker Center and introduced Dr. Thomas K. Harden, president of Clayton State.

The second annual reading of the Constitution ceremony began after the presentation of colors by Girl Scouts Valorie Jones and Laquandra Daniels of Troop No. 3894 of the East Point Sky Ways Service Unit. Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller, director of Opera and Vocal Studies, gave a moving rendition of America the Beautiful, accompanied by Alex Benford and in less than one hour, the Constitution in its entirety was read by participating faculty, staff, students and administrators. The ceremony concluded with Daniel Sims trumpeting the Star Spangled Banner to an attentive, yet somber audience.

Beginning on Monday, Judge Boswell spoke to a nearly packed auditorium, quoting Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, Dr. Carl Sagan and Napoleon Bonaparte about what the constitution meant to them. Bonaparte's quote drew a few chuckles; "A constitution should be short and obscure."

Boswell offered himself to the audience stating, "This is your one free shot at a Superior Court Judge," and allowed about 30 minutes of Q&A after his address. He stated the Constitution has held up over time because it was so well written. He spoke about the Bill of Rights and the Amendments to the Constitution, offering a piece of trivia to the audience.

"Out of over 11,000 proposed amendments, only 33 have made it," he stated, "and one was the repeal of another." For

those who don't remember, it was Prohibition.

"Our constitution in 1787 was an apparition," he continued, "totally different and off the wall – a radical idea for government... It is the most powerful document we have."

Judge Walker spoke to the Clayton State Women's Forum on Wednesday and walked attendees through the Preamble step-by-step. As she read the famous introduction to the Constitution, lips moved in unison with her and if you listened closely, whispers of a time long ago were heard throughout the room.

"The Constitution is the foundation for all our decisions as judges, ...[it] is the oldest living document in the world and is protected by the enforcement of mandates through our courts." said Walker.

As she began with We the people... She pointed out that at the time it was written, that phrase didn't include "people like me," a black female, two demographics not included in the original document. But as she read the third phrase, to establish justice, she said, "This is where it began to include people like me and all who [weren't included,] because it is a living document and laws can be changed."

Walker went on phrase by phrase as the audience posed almost frozen in thought. Though Walker's words were wise and compelling, they also induced a silent conviction that hung in the room. Finally, she challenged the audience when she got to the end, to promote the general Welfare and secure the Blessings of Liberty...

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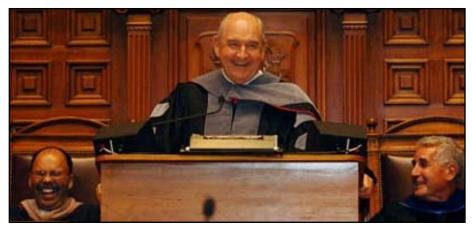
Allan Vigil Presides Over Inauguration Of 11th USG Chancellor, Erroll Davis

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

A llan Vigil, chair of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia (USG) and trustee of the Clayton State University Foundation, presided over the inauguration of the University System of Georgia's 11th Chancellor earlier this week. On the rostrum with Vigil were Georgia Governor Sonny Purdue and the Chancellor, Erroll B. Davis, Jr.

The ceremony took place in the House Chamber of the Georgia State Capitol with all due pomp and circumstance.

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Chancellor Davis (left) and Board Chair Vigil (right) laugh at Gov. Perdue's humor. Photo courtesy of the USG.

Clayton State Students Return from Ghana

by Ashley Spillers, University Relations

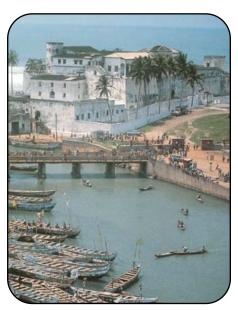
Four Clayton State students decided that this past summer should not be spent studying from books in Morrow, Ga., but should be spent studying history in Africa. Akosoa Adjei, Nesikah Fields, Gia Gillies, and Brandon Phillips all traveled to Ghana with Clayton State Assistant Professor of History Dr. Victoria Pasley as participants in the five week study abroad program sponsored by both Clayton State and Kennesaw State University.

This program is the second successful collaboration with Kennesaw State, the first



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being the study abroad program to Montepulciano, Italy. Kennesaw State has sponsored the Ghana study abroad program for the past five years, but participation had dwindled slightly so Pasley contacted the program director at Kennesaw, met with them to discuss Clayton State's participation and then turned to Dr. Robert Welborn, director of International Education and professor of History at Clayton State, to help make it a reality. Kennesaw welcomed the change, and this year, a total of eight students were Ghana. Four of those students were



The Elmina Slave Castle

recruited from Clayton State by Pasley, who also co-taught the program's course on African Politcs and History.

These students had the opportunity to stay with host Ghanaian families while taking classes at the University of Cape Coast. Adjei, a Paralegal Studies major from East Point, noted that the host families were "like a family to us, treating us as one of their own."

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Student Stars as Kicker in Hollywood Football Film

by Sara Wheeler, University Relations

Clayton State University senior soccer player Todd Denson is part of the cast of "We Are...Marshall," a movie about the 1970 plane crash that killed most of the Marshall University football team.

The film, set to premiere Oct. 29, 2006, in Los Angeles, and nation-wide Dec.22, 2006, stars Matthew McConaughey and is produced by Warner Bros. and Legendary Pictures.

Denson heard of the audition from his agent in Atlanta, and auditioned with casting director Shay Griffith. He was originally cast as an extra for the film. While on the set, Denson talked with several stars of the film, particularly McConaughey.

"He asked me where I was from and if I knew any good fishing places around the area. I regretfully told him that I wasn't much into the fishing game. Not a great first moment, but a little funny," says Denson.

Denson recalls McConaughey as "laid back and down to earth." Initially with only a few lines as an extra, Denson worked his way up to the role as Blake Smith, the place-kicker for the football team (actor Billy Bennett does the actual kicking scenes in the movie).

"I have counted my lines numerous times and it is 11 total. It is not much, but it is a start," says Denson. He recalls the experience as "fun and truly priceless."

Denson actually met several of the coaches and players of the 1970 Marshall University football team.

"Well, I will never forget meeting the real people that actually lived through this time. It was such an honor to meet them and also to be working with great actors and a great director," says Denson.



"We Are Marshall" tells an inspiring true story set in Huntington, West Virginia, a small town steeped in the rich tradition of college football. For decades, players, coaches, fans and families have come together to cheer on Marshall University's "Thundering Herd." For this team and this community, Marshall football is more than just a sport, it's a way of life. But on a fateful night in 1970, while traveling back to Huntington after a game in North Carolina, 75 members of Marshall's football team and coaching staff were killed in a plane crash.

As those left behind struggled to cope with the devastating loss of their loved ones, the grieving families found hope and strength in the leadership of Jack Lengyel (Matthew McConaughey), a young coach who was determined to rebuild Marshall's football program and in the process helped to heal a community.

To learn more about the film scheduled to premiere December 22, visit http://www.marshall.edu/movie/.

Denson, a native of Lilburn, Ga., is a member of the Clayton State soccer team, but is truly an actor at heart. Denson has been acting since middle school and says, "I have always had a passion for entertaining people and making people laugh. I love to be onstage and giving people the chance to go places they didn't think that they could go."

Phillip DePoy, director of the Clayton State Theater, states, "Todd's very serious about being an actor and making money." DePoy assisted Denson in finding an agent and preparing for auditions.

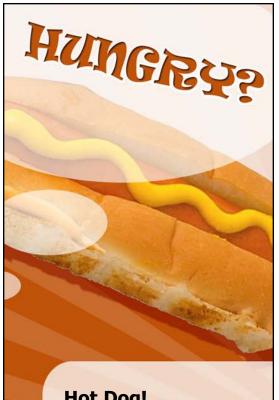
"Phillip has been a major influence to me ever since I stepped foot in the theatre here at Clayton State and watched the rehearsal of 'Hamlet: The Musical' directed by Phillip," says Denson. "He has helped me to get over myself and just let loose. I remember one specific time he helped me one-on-one with an audition piece from 'Forest Gump.' He has just been amazing with the direction and support he has provided."

Denson has been in several theatrical productions for the Clayton State Theater, including "Coffee Girl in the World of Good and Evil" and "Conference of the Birds." He has also been in several other films including "Angel's Secret," "Straight Chaser," and "Sparkles and Smiley Kill the Internet." He played the role of Mike in "Angel's Secret," Calvin in 2004's "Straight Chaser," and Smiley in "Sparkles and Smiley Kill The Internet," completed in the summer this year.

He says his favorite theatrical performance was the role of Alfred in "Coffee Girl." Denson's current role as Blake in "We Are...Marshall" has been his most rewarding film experience.

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Hot Dog! Faculty/Staff Rally Sept. 26

The original date for the hot dog rally conflicted with the Constitution Day activities, so the annual highlight of the Faculty Staff Fund Drive, the Hot Dog Rally, is now set for Tuesday, Sept. 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., or until all the hot dogs are gone.

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

Third Annual Town and Gown Golf Tournament at Lake Spivey

The Third Annual Town and Gown Golf Tournament takes places Oct. 6 at the Lake Spivey Golf Club in Jonesboro. Proceeds from the tournament, hosted by the School of Arts and Sciences at Clayton State University, will help support student and faculty scholarship, bring nationally known speakers to campus, and allow students to travel to their first conferences to present undergraduate and graduate research.

The tournament begins with registration at 9 a.m., with the shot-gun start for the scramble-format beginning at 10 a.m. Lunch and the awards/prize reception will take place at the conclusion of play. Heritage Cadillac/Saab of Morrow has again sponsored the hole-in-one prize, this year donating a new



Saab 9-3. In addition, many other local businesses have donated prizes for the event.

For the past two years, the tournament has attracted a large field of golfers, from past pro players to rank amateurs, but all have come to support the

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A Scholarship for Clayton State's Adrienne Burkett

Fludd Scholarship Golf Challenge Tees Off October 9

The Fourth Annual Virgil Fludd Scholarship Golf Challenge will take place on Monday, Oct. 9, at Canongate I Golf Course in Sharpsburg. Players from all over Georgia are expected to play in the event which serves to raise money for college bound youth in the South Metro area. More than 100 golfers are expected to participate with a range of sponsorships from various metro companies and organizations.

Adrienne Nicole Burkett is coming to Clayton State University this fall, to major in Communications and Media Studies, thanks in part to the District 66 Scholarship Program. Burkett is one of the first two winners of this scholarship, which is funded by proceeds from the Fludd golf tournament.

The Golf Challenge supports the District 66 Community Service Foundation, a non-profit organization created solely for the purpose of providing scholarships to promising high school students in the local area. The District 66 Community Service Foundation is working to build a strong endowment, one that will be able to provide multi-annual scholarships to deserving students.

For more information regarding the Golf Challenge including how to become a sponsor or golfer, and how to contribute to the tournament, please visit the website at www.virgilfludd.com/golf or call (678) 789-9038 for additional details. •

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Visiting Writers Reading Series Welcomes Ken Foster, Sept. 25

by Lauren Graves, University Relations



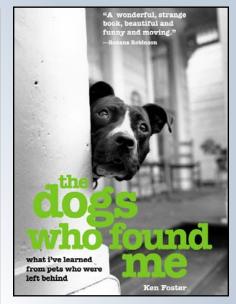
Clayton State University welcomes author Ken Foster to speak in conjunction with the fall 2006 Visiting Writers Reading Series on Monday, Sept. 25 at 12:30 p.m. in room 265 of the

James M. Baker University Center. This event is free and open to the public.

Foster will read from his bestselling memoir, "The Dogs Who Found Me: What I've Learned from Pets That Were Left Behind" (Lyons Press), which details the true stories of a dozen dogs who came to Foster in need of rescue. For saving their lives, the dogs repay Foster, helping him through September 11 while the author lived in Manhattan, a heart condition and the death of two good friends.

But his memoir is more than a humanitarian tale; it is a creative piece that, although anchored in reality, holds a touch of whimsy. According to "Publishers Weekly," the memoir is interspersed with "vignettes on topics such as missing dog posters, shelters, heartworms and understanding dogs' body language" all acting to help Foster "[flesh] out this charming account of a life among dogs while providing hints for would-be dog savers."

Dog lovers can identify with Foster as he discovers the reciprocal nature of rescue, and can learn from his straightforward prose that often reads as a "how to" manual, posing questions such as: "How should you approach an abandoned dog? How do you integrate a temporary animal guest into your house-



Copies of "The Dogs Who Found Me: What I've Learned from Pets That Were Left Behind" are available for purchase in the Clayton State University Bookstore.

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hold? What resources are available in your area? Are some dogs beyond rescue? And why do some dogs fear help?"

In addition to "The Dogs Who Found Me," Foster has authored "The Kind I'm Likely to Get," a collection of stories named a New York Times Notable Book of the Year.

Foster is the editor of two anthologies: "The KGB Bar Reader" and "Dog Culture." His work has appeared in The New York Times, The Bark, The Believer, McSweeney's, Urban Dog, Salon, Fence, Flaunt, and other publications, and he has appeared as a guest on NPR's Fresh Air with Terry Gross, WGBH's "Morning Stories," and on other radio and television shows.

A visiting assistant professor at Tulane University, he lives in New Orleans with his three dogs. ■

"Cygnet" Seeks Submissions

by Sara Wheeler, University Relations

Clayton State University's student journal of art and literature, "Cygnet," is seeking art, poetry, fiction, and creative nonfiction works for its fourth annual issue.

Submission requirements include four copies, single spaced in 12 point Times New Roman font. The deadline for the submissions is Dec. 1, 2006.

Poetry must be three to five pages (five pages maximum). The submitted poetry will be entered into the Poetrypalooza Student Poetry Contest, unless otherwise specified, for a chance to win cash prizes. Select poems will be read at the Poetrypalooza and "Cygnet" Launch in April 2007.

Fiction works should be a total of 3,000 words maximum or one short story. Creative nonfiction includes a literary essay or a work with 3,000 words maximum.

All submissions must be given to Jill Sears (Arts and Sciences Building, G210). For art submissions, contact <u>alanxie@clayton.edu</u>. For more information contact <u>brigittebyrd@clayton.edu</u>.

Attention Interested Students: The "Cygnet" poster detailing submission requirements and deadlines is posted on campus bulletin boards.



Across the Campus...

Admissions

On Thursday, Sept. 21, Clayton State University hosted the annual Clayton County PROBE college fair in the Athletics and Fitness Center. Students from Forest Park, Jonesboro, Lovejoy, Mount Zion, Morrow, Mundy's Mill, North Clayton and Riverdale public high schools attended as did Clayton County private and home schooled seniors. Ninety colleges, universities and technical institutions in the southeastern region of the United States were present.

Arts & Sciences

It is time to plan for another international trip with the fine folks from the School of Arts and Sciences and the University Foundation Office at Clayton State University. This year they are leading a group to Scotland and Ireland. The dates of the trip are May 12-22, 2007, and the price (\$3249 per person) includes roundtrip airfare from Atlanta (after graduation), all land transportation (private luxury coach), tour guides, first-class hotels, most meals, a large ferry between Scotland to Ireland (the Irish Sea, you understand, separates both countries), a cruise on Loch Ness (monster not included), castles, pubs, shopping, singing, dancing, more shopping, etc. No one under 21. Spaces are limited. Call/e-mail Wallace (678)466-4705. raywallace@clayton.edu or Reda Rowell (678)466-4474, redarowell@clayton.edu.

Athletics

Clayton State University's cross country and track & field teams will be conducting their fifth annual car wash fundraiser on Saturday, Sept. 23 at Rocky's Café & Pizza, located at 2262 Lake Harbin Rd. in Morrow. The car wash will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Team members are selling booklets for \$10 each that contain coupons for five car washes on Sept. 23 and special meal deals at Rocky's that are good until Oct. 31, 2006. To support the teams, contact Mike Mead at (678) 466-4679 or mikemead@clayton.edu.

Highlighting the 2006-07 season for the Clayton State women's basketball team

will be two opponents that finished the season ranked in the upper half of the final Division II Top 25 poll, and four NCAA Division II National Tournament teams. Add to it some strong region opponents and the always-challenging Peach Belt Conference and it is as tough a schedule as it comes for the Lakers. At the forefront of that non-conference schedule are the first two home games of the season – Dec. 9 against Delta State and Dec. 15 against Shaw. In addition to Delta State and Shaw, the Lakers will also have road games at in-state rivals West Georgia on Dec. 6 and Valdosta State on Dec. 16, plus a regional road contest at Elizabeth City State on Nov. 25. Clayton State also plays host to the Heritage Bank Holiday Classic on Dec. 29-31 against both West Georgia and Elizabeth City State. The regular season starts on Nov. 17-18 in the Sleep Inn Classic at St. Leo. Clayton State begins Peach Belt Conference play on Jan. 3 at Peach Belt newcomer Georgia Southwestern.

Clayton State's men soccer team defeated Eckerd, 2-0 and then lost two close games, 2-1 in double overtime to SCAD, and 1-0 to Montevallo, in action over the past two weeks. The women's team lost three games, to Catawba (3-1), Columbus State (3-0) and Tusculum (3-1). The men are now 4-5 overall, the women 1-5.

Campus Life

Campus Crusade for Christ holds a Bible study and lunch every Monday in room 12 of the Lecture Hall 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Contact Rachel Lockett, csu15922@mail.claytonstate.net or (678) 520-9489. All are welcome.

Career Services

Clayton State students are invited to participate in a graduate school fair sponsored by Idealist.org and Agnes Scott College. "Graduate Degrees for the Public Good" will be held Tuesday, Sept. 26, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the Agnes Scott campus. Students are asked to preregister (free of charge) at idealist.org. Participating graduate schools include both local and national institutions,

including Duke, Emory, Georgia State, Morehouse, Harvard, and Yale. For more information, contact the Clayton State Office of Career Services.

Counseling Services

Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Brain Haynes has announced that Dr. Thomas Parker is joining Clayton State University as part-time interim director for Counseling Services. Parker retired from Georgia Tech in 2004 after providing 30 years of counseling services in the Georgia Tech Counseling Center including 10 years as Associate Director and five years as Director of the Center. Dr. Parker is a Licensed Professional Counselor with more than 32 years of college counseling experience and more than 17 years of administrative experience in college counseling settings. He is experienced in Critical Incident Stress Management and Debriefing. He also has training in Acute Traumatic Stress Management.

Language & Literature

Clayton State University Assistant Professor of English Dr. Brigitte Byrd read from her collection of prose poems, "Fence Above the Sea" at Emory University on Thursday, Sept. 21. Byrd, who also read some of her newer work, is no stranger to events of this type. In addition to directing Clayton State's Visiting Writer's Reading Series, she spent a busy 2005/2006 academic year reading her own work in a number of venues.

Music

An Ursinus College Heefner Organ Recital will be held on Sunday, Oct 8, at 2 p.m., at Peace Lutheran Church in Perkasie, Pa., featuring Alan Morrison, Ursinus College organist and head of the Organ Department at The Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. An active and versatile performer, Morrison regularly performs in leading venues throughout North America. Appearing with Morrison will be his mother, Professor Emeritus of Music at Clayton State, Dr. Jeannine Morrison, who will perform on piano solo and with her son. An accomplished teacher and performer, she has played

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hundreds of recitals in the United States, released two recordings, and was awarded the Teacher of the Year award by the Georgia Music Teacher's Association in 2003.

Multicultural Programs

"What's On Your Mind????" an open dialogue for students to share and discuss current issues and concerns they have around campus will take place in the University Pod in the Baker Center on Monday, Oct. 16 (4:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.), Wednesday, Oct. 18 (12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.) and Monday, Nov. 13 (12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.) Light refreshments will be served.

Plan to join the members of the Black Cultural Awareness Association for food, fun, and fellowship at the Minority Advisement Program (MAP) Reception on Wednesday, Sept. 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the University Quad. This is an opportunity for all faculty, staff, and students to interact in a social atmosphere of informal games and activities.

Public Safety

The winners for submitting their August Clean Air Campaign Commuter Rewards reports to Public Safety are: first prize Kurt-Alexander Zeller, Music; second prize Tammy Wilson, Academic Affairs; and third prize Janice Hale, OITS. The first prize is a \$20 Target gift card, second is a \$15 Wal-Mart gift card, and third is a \$10 gift card. Each winner also received a goodie bag from University RideShare. This particular program is for Clayton State employees only. visit http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/New %20Programs.htm or contact Joan Murphy in Public Safety.

MARTA's University Pass Program partners with several Atlanta Metro Area colleges, universities and technical/vocational schools to offer discounted MARTA monthly TransCards for its students and faculty/staff. The Department of Pubic Safety works with MARTA to help pro-

mote alternate transportation and carpooling. You must have a current Laker card to purchase a MARTA U-Pass card monthly TransCard, good for unlimited trips on MARTA trains and buses all day, every day of the week for the calendar month. You can pay (\$40 students, \$49.50 faculty and staff) by cash, check or Laker Card with sufficient funds on the card. Limit one card per month per person. Supplies are limited. For your convenience, C-Tran 31 day or 20 trip passes also can be purchased. These are not discounted. For more information, contact Public Safety, (678) 466-4050 or (770) 961-3540.

SHRM

Southern Crescent SHRM Presents "Building a Recognition Culture" on Sept. 26. In this seminar, you will learn: how employee recognition fits with modern business practices; how to design a recognition program to achieve a positive ROI; a step-by-step approach to planning and implementing of an effective recognition program; how to develop a communication plan; evaluating and quantifying the impact of the program. The seminar will run from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Shannon Ballroom, Holiday Inn Atlanta South, 6288 Old Dixie Hwy., Jonesboro. To register, e-mail Vickie Fennell at vickiefennell@clayton.edu.

The Hub

Personal Access/Login to the DUCK will be unavailable beginning Friday morning Sept. 22 for a major upgrade to BANNER. Service will be resumed at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 27. Any information or change that is normally available via the Personal Access will require you to come to the appropriate office on campus for that service or information. During this time frame http://duck.clayton.edu will be available only for the following; Course Descriptions, Schedule, Directory. If you have questions or concerns please contact the HUB.

University Bookstore

The University Bookstore will have a two-day Ring Special, Sept. 25 and Sept. 26 from 11a.m. to 7 p.m. Candidates for

Graduation may also order their caps and gowns and announcements. Faculty members should call Linda Campbell (678) 466-4223 to schedule a time to order regalia for December's Graduation. Orders for regalia usually run about four to eight weeks, depending on the time of year.

Women's Forum

Work out your hammers, saws, knitting needles and paintbrushes as the Women's Forum annual auction is open for your donations. Register your donations at http://adminservices.clayton.edu/wom_fo rum/forms/silent auction.asp then drop off your item(s) to either Cheryl Garvin in L-159 or JoAnn Quattlebaum in CAS up until Oct. 16. New this year, the auction will be held online from Nov. 1 through Nov. 15 for bidding. You can see each item pictured online at the following url: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/wom_fo rum/silent auction donations.aspx come to the viewing on Nov. 15 in the Baker Center Commons area starting at 11 a.m. All proceeds go to the scholarship endowment.

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Denson attended Shiloh High School in Snellville, Ga. His current major is Integrative Studies, but hopes to change to Theater if that major becomes available at Clayton State.

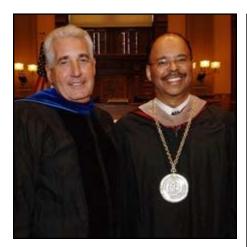
When asked about life after college, Denson says he would like to pursue his acting career in California. ■

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School of Arts and Sciences at Clayton State University and to have a good time out on the links.

Four-person teams cost \$400, with individual players \$100. In addition, those individuals who do not play golf can either sponsor a hole for \$150 or provide a suitable prize.

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Allan Vigil, chair of the Board of Regents, poses with Erroll B. Davis Jr., the 11th chancellor of the University System of Georgia. Photo courtesy of the USG.

Presidents from every college and university within the system along with student leaders of the USG were dressed in full regalia and preceded the platform party down the center isle of the chamber; an impressive sight from the gallery.

Ambience was provided by the Columbus State University Schwob School of Music's "Chancellor's Brass" performing music by Giovanni Gabrielli. The Georgia Tech Glee Club performed the Star Spangled Banner and America the Beautiful, and Kendria Bailey of Albany state University sang Amazing Grace. The Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Jazz Band entertained guests at a reception after the ceremony in the south wing of the second floor of the Capitol.

"Other than spreading the gospel, there is no greater calling than to educate others," said David Ratcliff, chairman, president and CEO of the Southern Company and Valdosta State University alumnus speaking on the afternoon's theme, The Value of Education. "We cannot afford to fail."

Those words seem to set the tone for the occasion as speaker after speaker gave their elucidation on the value of higher education and the promise of the new Chancellor.

The Governor offered his remarks to the Chancellor and the entire Board of Regents saying, "I'm proud of the

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They were required to take History and Politics of Africa, but could take an additional three credit hour course in Elements of Tropical Marine Biology, World Literacy Service Learning, West African Economics, Themes in the African Novel, Fante Proficiency, or Introduction to African Traditional Religion.

Along with the classroom study, the participants were able to visit a few of the sites in Ghana, including the city of Kumasi and the Asante museum, the castles of Elmina and the Cape Coast, a gold mine, and the Akosombo dam, as well as others.

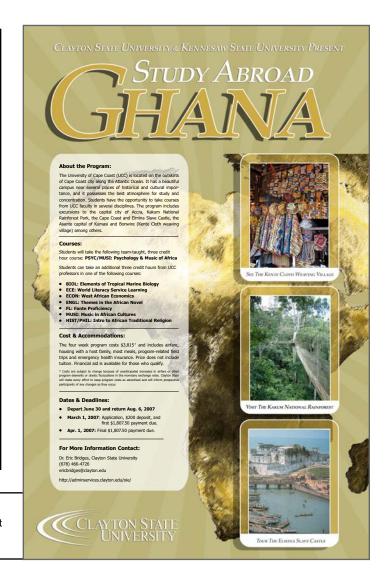
Gillies, a history major at Clayton State and a native of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, took Introduction to African Traditional Religion along with the required History and Politics course. She, along with the other students, was able to visit a few of the historical sites while in Ghana. She considers one of the most memorable sites she visited to be the Last Slave Baths journey and Elmina. She commented that, "these two were the hardest for me to visit without shedding tears."

A graduate of Dunwoody High School, Fields studies Liberal Arts at Clayton State and additionally took the Marine Biology course as well as the required history course. She was able to participate in a few of the field trips, including visiting the estuaries and fisherman villages of Ghana's Atlantic

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Want to be a part of the next Ghana Study Abroad?

Look for new posters on campus in the coming weeks with details about trip costs, dates, deadlines and more!





Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller sings "America the Beautiful."

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"Are you working everyday to be a better citizen? Are you making a commitment to benefit others and improve yourself? Are you contributing to the success of others? You don't always know how [your actions] impact others. What you say to others, they take stock in it, they rely on it."

Constitution Day has been set aside to encourage civil engagement and to give citizens, especially students, all across the U.S. the occasion to reflect on their rights and freedoms protected under the Constitution of the United States. Clayton State University has set aside the entire week to focus on this important document and its meaning.

In addition to the public events, a student debate on "Democracy's Challenge: Reclaiming the Public Square," a voter registration drive, and visits to the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) Southeast Regional Archives highlighted this weeks activities for Clayton State's 6000 students.

Thursday's Reading of the Constitution in the Baker Center began with an introduction by Harden and his reading of the

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CIMS Hosts PTE-M Workshop

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

The College of Information and Mathematical Sciences at Clayton State University was recently selected for funding to host a Pre-service (student) Math Teacher Educator (PTE-M) Technology Workshop for students in middle-grades mathematics and science education programs. The workshop, sponsored by the Teachers Teaching with Technology College Short Course Program at The Ohio State University, was designed for pre-service teachers currently involved in both the content and methods courses and consists of a series of modules designed to help students implement technology enhanced lessons in their classrooms.

The Teachers Teaching with Technology (T3) College Short Course Program (T3CSC) is the college division of the International Teachers Teaching with Technology™ Program. It was founded in 1994 and is partially funded through a grant from Texas Instruments, Inc. Program emphasis is placed on enhancing teaching and learning through using handheld technology. The College T3CSC Program offers free, one-to-three day PTE short courses on campuses all over the United States throughout the year.

The workshop was held on Sept. 15 and Spet. 16 at Clayton State with 22 Middle Level Education students from Clayton State and two students from Kennesaw State University participating. Dr. Nathan Borchelt, assistant professor of Mathematics at Clayton State, organized the workshop and hosted visiting instructor Dr. Judy O'Neal from North Georgia College & State University.

Upon completion of the workshop, each pre-service participant received a free TI-84 Silver Edition graphing calculator with accessories along with a packet containing numerous classroom activities to be used when they begin their teaching careers. When the students are hired for their first teaching position, they will be eligible for additional free products from Texas Instruments including one TI EXPLORATIONSTM Series book and their choice of one of a ViewScreen Panel, CBR, CBL2TM, TI-PresenterTM, or free for one T3 Online registration Professional Development Course.

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Coast. She also notes the visit to the Last Slave Baths as a very memorable experience, saying that the experience was moving because she was, "standing in on the same grounds where my ancestors stood once before... [when] we were not supposed to be able to ever return to the land where we came from after being shipped across the sea, but we were there learning about parts of our history that have been so overlooked here."

History major Phillips (East Point), was one of six Clayton State students who attended the 2005 Southeast Model African Union Conference at Columbus State University, and who researched Ghana as part of that experience.

"Knowledge and awareness of the world makes a person a better citizen because information must be known before issues can be resolved," said Phillips at that time. "It is important for Clayton State to participate in functions like the African Union to increase awareness of international organizations."

The students as a whole viewed their time in Ghana as very positive and enriching experience. Due to the success of the Ghana study abroad program this year, Clayton State and Kennesaw State are already planning to co-sponsor the program again next summer.

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

On-Campus Interviews

Oxford Industries

Thursday, Oct. 12

Interviewing on-campus for: Staff Account Sr. Level Student working toward a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting GPA of 3.0 or higher Salary is Market Comparable Submit as resume and make an appointment with joanmcelroy@clayton.edu.

Walgreens

Thursday, Oct.19 Interviewing on-campus for:

- 1) Retail Management Trainee: Alumni, Graduating Fall 2006 or Spring 2007, low to mid \$30,000's, benefits
- 2) Retail Management Internship: Designed for college students to complete during the summer between their junior and senior years, May through August, 40hour work week, \$12 to \$14 per hour

Submit a resume and make an appointment with joanmcelroy@clayton.edu.

On-Campus Recruiting

SureClose Realty

Wednesday, Sept. 27
Baker University Center
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Realty Opportunities

Hertz

Tuesday, Oct. 17

Baker University Center Main Street

10 a.m. − 1 p.m.

Recruiting for: Management Trainees

Part-Time & Seasonal Job Fair

Thursday, Oct. 5

Baker University Center Main Street

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

A job fair for Clayton State's graduates and currently enrolled students. Bring copies of your resume!

Business Etiquette Dinner

Tuesday, Oct. 10

6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Presented by Peggy Newfield of Personal Best, Inc.

Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education

Advance Ticket Purchase Required (\$15) from Career Services

Volunteer & Internship Fair

Wednesday, Oct. 25
Baker University Center Main Street
11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Career Opportunities 2006

Wednesday, Nov. 8
Cobb Galleria Centre

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

A job fair for member schools of the Georgia Careers Consortium. Clayton State is an active member, thus our graduates and currently enrolled students are invited to attend. Bring copies of your resume and wear business attire. Registration is on-site, bring your LakerCard.

Graduate School Info.

Graduate School Fair

Graduate Degrees for the Public Good Tuesday, September 26 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Agnes Scott College

For information and to register: http://www.idealist.org/if/idealist/en/Home/default

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Regents. Were this an informal setting, I'd say (as Georgians do) 'you done good!' But since this is a formal event, I'll be proper and say, 'you've done exceedingly well.'"

Purdue went on to congratulate Davis. "I believe you show great promise and it's my pleasure to install Georgia's educational future with you today."

At such time, the Governor and Vigil presented Davis with a medallion expressly designed for his formal investiture.

"Thank you [Board of Regents] for taking a risk [in me]," said Davis, the first chancellor in the position who is not an academician, but a business man. "We are here to celebrate the power and the value of education... and to remind ourselves of the responsibility we share."

Davis' priorities for the System's future include the challenges of bringing higher education to all students.

"Excellence without access is a wasteful use of resources," he said. "We must continue to look for and find options for more Georgia students to attend college."

With that he announced the donation of \$100,000 to the University System of Georgia Foundation to establish a financial seed fund in honor of his mother.

"We need to meet a need that is substantial, not just symbolic. We will use the power of leadership to transform lives and reach new levels of excellence. We must awaken and instill a passion for life-long learning," he said.

Davis then addressed the Presidents of the universities present and the Board of Regents saying, "If I do succeed it's because we all succeeded."

Showcase Clayton Expo At Clayton State October 17

The Clayton County Chamber of Commerce will host the Showcase Clayton Business Expo on Tuesday, Oct. 17 in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education on the campus of Clayton State University. Showcase Clayton will run from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and will include a \$10,000 raffle drawing.

This will be the first Business Expo held since 2002 and the second annual \$10,000 raffle. The Chamber anticipates a large volume of participation from area businesses and the public. The expo will be geared toward helping local businesses garner new ways of educating the public and other companies about their products and services.

The raffle will also include a pair of round-trip airline tickets courtesy of AirTran Airlines and two \$500 prizes also to be awarded at the end of the event. Winners must be present to win the airline tickets and \$500 prizes. The \$10,000 raffle prize winner need not be present.

For more information contact Bernadette Smith (678) 610-4024 or bsmith@claytonchamber.org or go to www.claytonchamber.org. ■

Constitution, cont'd. from p. 9

Preamble. Students, faculty, staff and community representatives took part in the reading and copies of the Constitution were distributed.

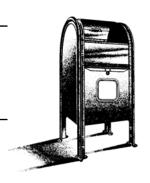
Boswell best summed up the intention of Constitution week when he said, "The Constitution has some ugly warts the size of Texas, but it works. It is about you and I getting involved, we can change the system through this document. It is alive and well, kicking and screaming like a nine pound baby. I give it to you; you give it to your children. You can chew it up and spit it out, I don't care what you do with it; just don't disregard it."



Daniel Sims plays "The National Anthem."

Got News?

Send your campus news to JohnShiffert@clayton.edu



Trivia Time

The Braves Get Burned

by John Shiffert, University Relations

In 2006, the Braves were burned by a bad bullpen and over-inflated expectations left over from 2005. A few years ago, it was pitcher John Smoltz who got burned. Seems as if Smoltz put on a shirt, and then realized he forgot to iron said shirt. Apparently not wishing to waste time, he tried to iron the shirt while he was wearing it. Not a good move.

With a question that really determined the true baseball trivia experts, Dr. George Messer proved he knows more than logistics management with the first correct answer.

And Kathy Garrison was the only other person to even attempt a response. Well done (sort of like Smoltz after the ironing incident) to both Messer and Garrison!

Now, baseball is, of course, the Great American Game. However, it originated in the U.S. (from English origins, it might be noted) in the northeast. By what means did the game spread throughout the nation?

Send your answers to johnshiffert@clayton.edu.



Sports Page

The A Team Takes the South by Storm

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Call them the "A Team."

No, not Mr. T and George Peppard, but Allison Kreutzer and Angela Cobb, the "A" team for Clayton State women's cross country.

Last week, for the third consecutive meet, Kreutzer and Cobb ran one-two, this time in the Wingate Invitational in Wingate, N.C. Once again, Kreutzer, a junior and two-time NCAA Division II All-American, edged out senior Cobb, this time finishing the 6K in 23:15, while Cobb was second in 23:25. However, Cobb certainly made Kreutzer show her All-American credentials, leading the Lakers' all-time record holder through the first 4K of the race.

"Actually, Angela was leading Allison by five seconds at the two-mile split, but caught back up before the three-mile," notes Laker Cross Country Coach Mike Mead of the race between the second and 11th place finisher in the last two NCAA Cross Country Championships and her toughest competition to date.

Overall, the Laker women finished sixth in the 15-team event with 146 points, while the Clayton State men placed seventh in the 13-team field 10K with 215 points.

As was the case in the Peach Belt Pre-Conference Meet and the North Georgia Invitational, Kreutzer and Cobb outpaced the field early and staged a two-runner duel, easily out-distancing Wingate's Amber Hines, Winston-Salem State's Irene Retool and Carson-Newman's Aubrey Morris.

"Angela trained a bunch this summer and the work is paying off," says Mead of the Valdosta State transfer. "She told me when she was at Valdosta State, they only ran distance...no intervals, tempos, fartlek, etc." In addition to Kreutzer and Cobb, Cassandra Bolivar placed 26th for Clayton State in 26:16, while Terrace Hamilton placed 67th in 28:02 and Isabelle Hangout 104th in 35:28. For the Laker men, Nelson Lopez finished in 18th in 36:10.

Clayton State's next meet is the Georgia Collegiate on Sept. 30 in Macon. ■

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