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New Year... New Web Site

In January, Clayton College & State University's web site home page will have a new and different look.

Through the efforts of the Image Council, Web Task Force, Web Team, OITS' Todd Birchfield, Center for Instructional Development staff membersMartha Wicker, Christopher White and Barbara Foster, and Information Technology student interns, a new and more user-friendly design has been created that includes navigation features that will allow visitors to reach desired information within two clicks of the home page. All first-level pages will provide an array of choices to offer users easy access.

An important component of the new Web site is "About Clayton State," featuring news releases, announcements, and numerous items of interest such as the University Center, Clayton State his-

The President's Message A Gift for the Holidays



The holiday season is upon us, bringing with it a variety of traditions.

The much-deserved and appreciated break between the fall and spring semesters

Miles of traffic around the malls (traditions don't have to be positive). Holiday parties.

The special music of the season.

A time of reflection.

And, maybe the best known tradition of all, gift giving.

In wishing the entire Clayton State community the good tidings of the season, I would like to say a few words about a special kind of gift, and to recall what Georgia Secretary of State Cathy Cox told our graduates on the evening of Dec. 12. Perhaps you were there...

Ms. Cox spoke on citizenship and giving back to your community. "The best indication of an advanced civilization are signs that we are willing to step aside from our own needs, and help someone else," she said.

What better gift can there be from all of us this holiday season than the gift of service to our communities... to help someone else? Whether you live in Morrow, Stockbridge, Griffin, Peachtree City, Decatur or Newnan, I urge you to take some time this holiday and heed Ms. Cox' call to service. We will all be the better for your caring

Have a safe and happy holiday, and a great New Year! ■

Secretary of State Cathy Cox Confers "Degree of Citizenship" on Clayton State Grads

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton College & State University graduates of the Class of December 2002 received a special "degree" in addition to their usual Bachelor's and Associates on Dec. 12.

 $Commencement\ speaker\ and\ Georgia\ Secretary\ of\ State\ Cathy\ Cox\ unofficially\ conferred\ on\ the\ graduates\ a\ special\ degree\dots\ a\ "degree\ of\ citizenship."$

"If I had the authority I would confer upon you an additional degree... every city and county in Georgia will need your time and talent as true citizens of these communities," she said. "I wish I could confer upon you a degree of citizenship."

Cox was speaking from experience on a subject to which she has devoted most of her professional career — citizenship and giving back to our communities. Born in Bainbridge in southwest Georgia, Cox learned her love of public service from her father, Walter Cox, who was Mayor of Bainbridge and served for 16 years in the Georgia General Assembly.

Speaking at length on the responsibilities of citizenship, including voting, service to the community and keeping connected with families and friends, Cox delivered a powerful message on caring to the graduates.

"We must find ways to reweave the fabrics of our communities. To make our communities thrive, you must

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Gateway Village Wins ARC "Developments of Excellence" Award

Gateway Village, the planned mixed-use development located just west of the campus of Clayton College & State University, received the "Exceptional Merit Award for a Visionary Public-Private Redevelopment Partnership" at the Nov. 21 Annual Developments of Excellence Awards.

The Fourth Annual awards program — created to showcase projects that stand out in the region as models for innovative and sustainable development - took place at the State of the Region Breakfast, hosted by the Atlanta Regional Commission and the Regional Business Coalition. Frank Smith, president of The University Financing Foundation, accepted the award on behalf of the many collaborating entities that initiated the development of Gateway Village, a master planned development located between the Clayton State campus and Reynolds Nature Preserve in Morrow and Lake City.

In 1995, prompted in part by an increase in enrollment, Clayton State officials began exploring how student housing could be developed adjacent to the campus. Because the University lies between Morrow and Lake City, Clayton State solicited the cooperation of these municipalities in the housing development.

Clayton State conceptualized a "community-university planning district," that would stretch beyond student housing to create a community and regional development initiative that sought to change the area into one tied directly to the needs of an economy driven by information technology and the imperatives of continuous, lifelong learning.

During this same time frame, Clayton State officials also solicited the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) to relocate the Southeast Regional Archives building from its current location in East Point to a facility to be built adjacent to the University.

Gateway Village is a joint venture among Clayton State, the Economic Development Authority of Clayton County, the cities of Morrow and Lake City, and The University Financing Foundation, a nonprofit foundation established to finance real estate ventures for the benefit of colleges and universities. Property for Gateway Village is primarily located adjacent to the Clayton State campus on Highway 54, approxi-

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Clayton State's Inspirational Voices of Unity to Sing At University's Martin Luther King Day Commemoration Event

Clayton State's gospel choir, Inspirational Voices of Unity (IVU) will be performing at the University's Third Annual Martin Luther King Commemoration Day, Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003.

One of the giants of the civil rights movement, the Rev. Dr. Joseph E. Lowery, will be the keynote speaker for the 7 p.m. event. Proclaimed the "dean of the civil rights movement" at the 1997 NAACP national convention, Lowery will be speaking on "The Civil Rights Movement: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" in the University's Athletics & Fitness Center. The entire program is free and open to the public.

In addition to his keynote speech, Lowery will also hold a private seminar for Clayton State students at noon on Jan. 9 in room 132 of the University's Arts & Sciences Building. Faculty members who feel their students may benefit from this special seminar are urged to consider making attendance at the seminar a class assignment. For more information, contact Dr. Larnell Flannagan at (770) 961-3578 or larnellflannagan@mail.clayton.edu.

Eleven members of IVU, all from the Southern Crescent, will be performing on the same stage as Lowery. Included in the performers are President Nicole Connell (Peachtree City), Vice President Jenny King (Morrow) and Parliamentarian Celeste Watwood (Morrow). Other members of IVU include Danan Arnold (Riverdale), Adaeze Akukwe (Morrow), Nikki Fisher (Jonesboro), Lakesia Tyson (Atlanta), Dina Terry (Morrow), Valencia Curney (Decatur), Shemika Williams (Decatur), and Lisa Isham (Jonesboro).

The co-founder - along with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King — and President Emeritus of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Lowery has been a leader in the civil rights movement since the early 1950s, when he led the Alabama Civic Affairs Association in Mobile, Al., in a campaign to desegregate that city's buses, public accommodations and police force.

In the almost 50 years since then, Lowery has been a seminal figure in the fight for equal rights throughout **Voices, cont. p. 11**

Fledgling Circle K Club Declares, "Watch Us Soar!"

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

On Dec. 4, 2002, Clayton College & State University's new Circle K organization had its official chartering ceremony at the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education with a dinner and swearing in ceremony.

Clayton State President, Dr. Thomas K. Harden joined keynote speaker, U.S. Representative Mac Collins, who spoke on "Volunteerism," as well as Dave Kelly, district director for Kiwanis International and Michael Bagley, Kiwanis liaison to Clayton State. Vince Volari, president of the Riverdale Chapter Kiwanis, emcee'd.

Also present were Clayton State faculty co-sponsors Dr. James D. Bogert, assistant professor of Management, School of Business, and Dr. Susan C. Henry, assistant professor of English, School of Arts & Sciences, along with 35 student members of the newly formed Circle K Club.

The evening was packed full of special events and awards which included a chartering ceremony in which the members were presented a gavel, bell, and banner for their meetings along with a framed charter plaque, and all members and officers were sworn in.

Kelly presented Emory Awards (named for Emory University, the first school to sponsor a Circle K Charter some 50+ years ago) to Bagley, Bogert and Henry for being influential in starting the organization on Clayton State's campus.

The fledgling Clayton State Circle K Club (founded in September and the largest in Georgia) is a college level, volunteer organization, modeled after and supported by Kiwanis International, the largest volunteer organization in North America, whose mission is to "Help the Children of the World."

"The organization focuses their efforts on needy and young people in communities all over America," says Henry.

Clayton State's chapter, with currently 35 members, has already donated more than 140 hours of community service, including participation in the Aids Walk Atlanta; Open Hands night; Trick-or-Treat for Unicef and meals to five needy families in the area. They are also actively involved in a program to correspond with critically ill children in the Atlanta-metro area.

Lauren Suderman, a Clayton State sophomore from McDonough and president of Circle K, spoke to the audience saying, "You've given us wings and taught us to fly - now watch us soar!"

"This is a vibrant and energetic bunch of students," says Henry. "They are marvelous to be around."

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Meet Your Match Day January 28

The Clean Air Campaign in coordination with 1-87-RIDEFIND and University RideShare will have a "Meet Your Match" Day on Tuesday, Jan. 28. Employee events will be from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Student events will be from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Those who have registered with 1-87-RIDEFIND will be invited to attend one of the sessions to meet potential carpool matches at Clayton State. Each person will have a name tag and include his/her zip code. This will enable one to meet others in their neighborhoods. For those employees or students who have not registered yet, they can register at one of the events.

About one week after the Meet Your Match Day, the Clean Air Campaign will have a "Try It" day. For those employees who Try It — carpool or take alternate transportation on this "Try It" Day, a fresh Krispy Kreme donut will be delivered to you the following day. These employee commuters will be eligible for a surprise drawing too — more details will be released next month.

November Carpool Winners Announced

To find out which student and employee carpoolers won what among those registered at Clayton State in the November drawing, go to: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/RideShare/Carpool_Winners/Carpool_Winners.htm.

Prizes Won:

\$10 Gas Card Amoco/BP

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Dinner for two at SouthSide Seafood http://southsideseafood.com Forest Parkway, Lake City)

Two free dinners at Cracker Barrel http://www.crackerbarrel.com/

Shrimp Party Platter at SouthSide Seafood

Ray J's Barbecue (\$10 certificate) (located next to Cracker Barrel in Morrow)

Free meal, Clayton State Dining Services (Value up to \$5)

2003 Chick-fil-A http://www.chick-fil-a.com/ Calendar from Forest Park Dwarf House

Clean Air Campaign http://www.cleanaircampaign.com/ water bottle

Also, how educated are you about winter air pollution? Take the quiz located on the link above (left column, last entry).

Winners carpooled at least one time a week in November, have registered with 1-87-RIDEFIND, and have completed the Clayton State carpool application form.

To find out how you can become part of the solution instead of part of the problem, go to http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/RideShare/EHS_NewProgram.htm.

Arjomand, Bass, Cisneros Win \$25 Each

85% Respond to Clean Air Campaign Survey

The Office of Public Safety has received the results of Clayton State's participation in this past fall's employee survey conducted by the Center for Transportation and the Environment, The Clean Air Campaign, and Georgia Department of Transportation.

No less than 85% of the Clayton State employees who were surveyed responded. As part of the survey process, three lucky employees had their names drawn at random to receive a \$25 check for their participation - Professor of Business Dr. Lari Arjomand, Assistant Professor of Technical Education Ginny Bass, and Health Sciences Project Administrative Assistant Kristy Cisneros. Although they were a little leery about being summoned to the Office of Public Safety (sort of like being sent to the Principal's Office), all three were glad to get their checks just before Christmas.

The survey included results in five key areas;

<u>Current weekly mode split</u> - percentages of weekly trips made to Clayton State during the survey week by each type of transportation (e.g., bus, carpool, driving alone, etc.)

Key fact: 85% drove alone, 6.5% carpooled, 5.9% teleworked.

<u>Travel distance</u> - percentages of employees who travel various distances (e.g., fewer than five miles, between six and 10 miles, etc.) from their homes to Clayton State.

Key fact: Almost 20% of the respondents live more than 30 miles from campus.

Commute change percentage - percentage of employees who said they made any of several changes in the way they travel to work in the past year.

Key fact: 80% made no changes in their commuting pattern over the past year, while 7.2% started teleworking.

<u>Previous weekly mode split</u> - percentages of weekly trips made to Clayton State one year ago by each type of transportation.

Key fact: 90% drove alone last year.

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

by Joan McElroy, Counseling & Career Services

Rejecting an Offer: Ever think about having to reject an offer? You have that power! It is always good to send an official rejection letter to companies with which you don't wish to work. You never know what might happen down the road-so you don't want to burn any bridges! This letter should be written carefully. Indicate that this was a difficult decision to make and that you have given it serious consideration. Be sure to thank the employer for his/her time, consideration, and the offer. It is not necessary to indicate which offer of employment you decided to take or where you will be working, but you may do so if you wish.

** MonsterTRAK - The official job listing and resume database for Clayton College & State University students and graduates. Full/Part-Time Employment, Internships, and Web Posting of Resumes - www.monstertrak.com (CCSU password: Success)

** Instructions for Student/Graduate Registration on MonsterTRAK -On-Line Resume Posting and Job Search

- 1. Double click your mouse on "Post Your Resume & Register"
- 2. Under "College & University" select Clayton College & State University
- Password: Success
- 4. Carefully fill out the Information Screens info used in employer resume searches
- 5. Select Username & Password create something easy to remember
- 6. Username & Password are required to enter your account for updating your profile, post or revise resumes
- 7. Up to 10 different resumes may be submitted now or later
- 8. Please enter placement information to profile upon receiving employment

For assistance call (770) 961-3518

Attention present and future MonsterTRAK.com account holders!!!

Ensure employers can access your on-line resume - In your MonsterTRAK.com account, under your Student Profile, make sure you select #1 in the Resume Search Status Options: #1. Make my primary resume available for employers to search online in the MonsterTRAK resume database, my career center's database (if available), as well as for my career center to refer directly to employers.

And finally, please remember to keep your resume and registration up-to-date. At the request of employers, a 180-day (6 months) expiration on all resumes has been activated. Your resume will only be available in employer searches if you have updated both your registration and resume in the last 180-days.

"Jobs! Jobs!" is provided to the students of Clayton College & State University by the Office of Counseling & Career Services. It's purpose is to keep the student body informed of upcoming employment news and career opportunities.

Survey Says... Clusters Satisfy

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State's clustering efforts through the CCSU 1000 class appear to be a hit with the participating students.

A survey of students taking part in the CCSU 1000 class during the fall semester shows that; 89% report having met new people or made new friends, 90% report having received useful information for academic success, and 95% would feel comfortable asking their CCSU 1000 instructor for information or help. In addition, three of every four students would definitely recommend Clustering with CCSU 1000 to high school seniors.

A proposal submitted by Drs. Brad Rice and Cathie Aust, along with Bates Canon, has been approved for a presentation during the Annual First-Year Experience Conference, Feb. 21-25, 2003 to be held in Atlanta and sponsored by National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition. The Conference is co-hosted by the Policy Center on the First Year of College and the University System of Georgia. Information on student satisfaction with Clustering with CCSU 1000, along with other retention-related data will be shared with attending conferees, and will also contribute to the work of QEP Task Force One which is looking at ways to enhance freshman year programming.

"We're looking at clustering from a practical perspective," says Canon. "When students register for clusters they pick a group they feel is suitable to their academic path. The classes were determined based on a sensible schedule, however, there is not a lot of linkage - liked shared assignments — between classes.

"We've been shooting for convenience and the social factor - to enhance the social connection by having the same students together in all of their classes."

Canon is most pleased with the social element of clustering... the connection students have made with the instructor and other students.

"Most of the comments by the students in the survey were about people," he adds. "The overwhelmingly positive point is that people are making connections with people. The evidence suggests a strong social connectiveness benefit to clustering."

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HR Corner

Dr. Gary May to Address Southern Crescent SHRM Meeting

The Southern Crescent Chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) has scheduled its December meeting for Tuesday, Dec. 17 in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education on the campus of Clayton College & State University.

The keynote speaker for the meeting will be a seasoned business professional and organizational development expert, Dr. Gary L. May, assistant professor of Management at Clayton State. May will present a program entitled, "Strategy and the Role of Organizational Development" wherein he will provide some simple and practical Organizational Development models to help organizations deal more effectively with change. For information about May, check his bio by going to http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ohr/rsvp/ garymay.htm>.

The meeting will run from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in room 101 of the Downs Center. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Coffee, juice, and other refreshments will be served. Applications and other SHRM membership materials will also be available. The meeting cost is \$10 per person.

SHRM is the leading voice of the human resource profession and provides information on the current and future challenges and issues facing organizations today. Knowledge is the key to success in any profession, but nowhere is it more important than in the professional trends in human resource management. This is accomplished through education, speakers, seminars, and publications. The Southern Crescent Chapter is an opportunity for human resource professionals and those involved with human resource issues to network with others in the profession, providing up-to-date information on issues, concerns, and solutions facing organizations in the 21st Century.

Individuals interested in attending should RSVP to John Kosky, SPHR, vice president Operations for Southern Crescent SHRM at (770) 961-3717 or by e-mail to johnkosky@mail.clayton.edu. ■



2003 Holiday Schedule



DATE

HOLIDAY BEING OBSERVED

JANUARY 1 JANUARY 20 MAY 26 JULY 4 SEPTEMBER 1 **NOVEMBER 27 & 28 DECEMBER 25 - 31**

NEW YEAR'S DAY "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY" MEMORIAL DAY INDEPENDENCE DAY LABOR DAY THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY WINTER BREAK

Note: St. Swithin's Day will not be observed this year

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mately one-and-a-half miles from Interstate 75 exit

Gateway Village will eventually encompass 165 acres of property with the potential to be a \$110 million plus development designed to enclose the Clayton State campus on two sides with 500,000 square feet of Class "A" office space, a new Morrow post office, a 200-room high-tech executive conference center/Hilton hotel, student housing and a multi-modal/ passenger rail station.

Gateway Village already has its first two tenants coming out of the ground - NARA's Southeast regional headquarters and the Georgia State Archives. The two archives facilites, which broke ground on the east side of Jonesboro Road in October 2001 (Georgia) and August 2002 (NARA), represent the first such model in the nation to combine both state and federal facilities, providing "one stop shopping" for archive researchers. The joint facility will be a high tech, state-of-the-art facility with online access to these records.

It is expected that most of the corporations who will converge on Gateway Village will target the technology industry. Clayton State will continue to be an active participant in Gateway Village, lending human resources and expertise courtesy of the University's Information Technology Project wherein all Clayton State students and faculty have access to a notebook computer.

"The various contributionss of all of the partners in the Gateway Village project are the key to the future success of Gateway Village," says Dr. Thomas K. Harden, Clayton State president. "Indeed, Gateway Village is, itself, a great partnership.

"We are confident that Gateway Village will prove to be an oustanding asset with a long lasting positive impact on Clayton State, the City of Morrow, the City of Lake City, Clayton County, and the Southern Crescent."

Roland Downing, chairman of the Clayton County Economic Development Authority, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Clayton College & State University Foundation, is delighted by the presentation of Gateway's award. "This award is well deserved by all the participants of Gateway's development," he says. ■

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Alumni/Development News

Clayton State Faculty/Staff Celebrates Fund Drive Success with Dancing and Chili

by John Shiffert, University Relations

For three consecutive years, the faculty and staff of Clayton College & State University have surpassed the stated goals for the annual Faculty/Staff Fund Drive.

In celebration, President Dr. Thomas K. Harden invited all 400 of the University's faculty and staff to a Dec. 6 party in the University's Athletics & Fitness Center. From noon until 3 p.m., the order of the day was food, music, dancing and celebration, instead the usual notebook computers and e-mail.

The celebration was highlighted by chili, cooked up by Foundation Vice Chair Robert Lee of Forest Park's Southside Seafood, and dancing to the music of Benny Wilson. Impartial observers gave the "Best Dancer" Award to Dr. Bryan Edwards, vice president for External Relations, whose office is responsible for the Faculty/ Staff Fund Drives.

In fiscal year 2000/2001, the annual Clayton State Faculty/Staff Fund Drive raised \$66,000, with 80% of the full-time faculty and staff contributing, a remarkable accomplishment since the campaign goal was \$50,000 and the previous record amount was \$27,000, and since a 50% contribution rate in faculty/staff fund raising events is considered a success in most of higher education.

Given a goal of \$70,000 for 2001, last year's Faculty/Staff Fund Drive raised \$82,000 on an even better contribution rate of 85%.



Clayton State Vice President for External Relations Dr. Bryan Edwards (left) and Communications Coordinator Dolores Cox show off some dance moves

As a result, the 2002 Campaign was handed an \$83,000 goal, and the Clayton State faculty and staff made an historic effort, raising \$88,752 on an astounding contribution rate of 99%. Of Clayton State's 402 full-time employees, fewer than 10 did not contribute to this year's Fund Drive.

Donations to the Clayton College & State University Foundation through the Faculty/Staff Fund Drives are a part of the University's Annual Campaign. Last year's Annual Campaign topped \$1 million for the first time. The 2002/2003 Campaign has a goal of \$1.5 million.

Unrestricted funds donated to the Clayton College & State University Foundation will be used to support student scholarships and the University's seven strategic planning themes. The mission of the Foundation is "to assist Clayton College & State University by attracting financial and other resources to achieve the University's mission and goals to educate students and support faculty and staff and to increase community awareness."

"I would be surprised to learn of any other university in the United States that has a faculty and staff contribution rate of greater than Clayton State," says Harden.

Faculty/Staff Fund Drive Results - 2000, 2001, 2002

<u>Year</u>	<u>Goal</u>	Amount Raised	Contribution Rate
2000	\$50,000	\$66,000	80%
2001	\$70,000	\$82,000	85%
2002	\$83,000	\$88,752	99%

Alumna Tina Harper Named "Teacher of the Year" for Clayton County

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Clayton State congratulates alumna Tina Cavender Harper, recently named 2003 "Teacher of the Year" for Clayton County Public Schools. Harper, technology teacher at Jonesboro's Suder Elementary School, graduated from Clayton State's Teacher Education program in 1998.

After graduation, Harper became a fifth grade teacher at Suder. "Tina Harper was an outstanding fifth grade teacher when I first came to Suder," says Joy Day, principal of Suder Elementary School. "When we were able to move a certified staff member into our computer lab, I immediately wanted Tina for the position. I knew she would make every instructional moment meaningful for our children," continues Day.

Harper now teaches every child at the elementary school through her position as Suder's technology teacher...and loves her job.

"Each day I enter my classroom I become a magician, a comedian, an artist, an actress, a counselor, oh yeah, and a teacher," laughs Harper, who has taught at Suder for five years, "Clayton State's Teacher Education program certainly helped prepare me for the real world of teaching," she adds.

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Changes Coming In Long Distance Calls

The Georgia Technology Authority (GTA) is pleased to announce a simplified rate structure for long distance calling.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2003, GTA will charge a flat rate of seven cents per minute for long distance calls made within your local calling zones. A call within Georgia from one local calling zone to another will cost 10 cents per minute, and interstate calls-those originating in Georgia and crossing state lines-will cost eight-and-a-half cents per minute.

GTA believes these new rates will result in lower charges for most calls and make it easier for state agencies to manage their telephone long distance charges. These rates will first appear on the bill that agencies receive in February 2003 for January 2003 usage.

If you currently dial 8 + a 10-digit telephone number when placing a long distance call, a new dialing procedure is also being implemented. Agencies should begin dialing 9 + 1 + a 10-digit telephone number in accordance with the schedule below.

Augusta calling zone: Dec. 20, 2002 Atlanta calling zone: Jan. 9, 2003

Albany, Macon, and Savannah calling zones: Jan. 16, 2003

After the above dates, the Georgia Interactive Statewide Telephone (GIST) system will no longer be available, and callers may receive a recorded message if they use the GIST procedure of dialing 8 + a 10-digit telephone number when placing a long distance call.

Please remember to reprogram speed dialers, fax machines, modems, and any other equipment that uses 8 + 10-digit dialing. \blacksquare

The Clayton State Grounds Crew... They Keep Mowing, and Mowing

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Often the unsung heroes of campus life are the Clayton State "Grounds Crew," Manager Russell Camp and his six-member grounds staff: Al Hunt (grounds foremen), William "Mr. Cool" Bedingfield, Harvey Bond, Aaron Cloud, Rey Pascual, and Rick Pascual.

Although the University looks more like a nature preserve than a center for higher learning, maintaining the Clayton State campus is no walk in the park. Camp puts the grounds crew work in perspective saying, "Clayton State has 163 acres for these men to cover each week. To illustrate the workload on these men, imagine having to maintain over 27 acres at home each week."

We are all familiar with the typical functions of a grounds crew. We see them mowing lawns, blowing leaves off walkways, pulling weeds, emptying trashcans, and picking up litter. But there is more to a day in the life of a Clayton State groundskeeper than you might expect.

The Clayton State grounds crew has many projects either on the table or in the works. Presently the crew is landscaping a hill at the south end of the campus's Athletics parking lot. "The previous landscape was tired-looking," says Camp. "As well as a bit dangerous, because the trees blocked the walk lights."

The crew also has big plans for landscaping the lawn outside of the Business & Health Sciences building, as well as landscaping the land surrounding the new University Center, scheduled to open in 2003.

Interestingly, Camp and crew, in conjunction with the Clayton State Science Association and with the help of the Atlanta Botanical Gardens, are involved in a project to build a bog garden on campus.

"This will be something that will benefit our students studying biology, as well as an area that may potentially serve visitors from all types of schools who wish to learn about this unique, endangered habitat," explains Camp. "We have a long way to go to create this bog, but I am optimistic about the outcome," he continues.

Another project that Camp plans to oversee is a cooperative program with the Clayton County Master Gardeners. "Citizens involved in the Master Gardener program are required to work a certain number of hours for the Extension Service," confides Camp. "Part of those hours can now be worked here as a volunteer gardener."

Master Gardeners help grow seedling trees. A small part of the re-potting process is done at Work Tec, a facility in Clayton County for mentally challenged adults.

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care," she said. "We must care enough to work on community projects.

"The best indication of an advanced civilization are signs that we were willing to step aside from our own needs, and help someone else."

Cox has personally received numerous honors for her own public service. Mercer School of Law awarded her the 1999 Distinguished Alumna Award and ABAC designated her its Outstanding Alumnus. The Georgia Commission on Women named her the 2000 Woman of the Year. For the past four years Georgia Trend magazine has chosen her as one of the 100 Most Influential Georgians.

As Secretary of State, Cox has pushed for changes that enhance customer service and protect Georgia consumers. She undertook the largest decentralization in Georgia government history, moving her largest operating division from Atlanta to Macon. Her Corporations Division has become a leader in governmental e-commerce, offering a broad array of services through the Internet and e-mail... a high tech resume that is certainly congruent with Clayton State's image and that has been recently augmented by Georgia's groundbreaking and highly successful implementation of an all-computerized voting system.

Clean Air, cont. from p.3

<u>Service awareness percentages</u> - percentages of employees who said they believed Clayton State offered various commute assistance services (this reflects only their awareness of the services, not the actual availability of the services).

Key fact: About three-quarters of the respondents said they knew about prizes/contests for employees who don't drive alone. A similar percentage knew about carpool information. Two-thirds knew about the RideShare's ridematching service and half about bicycle racks and the availability of transit information.

For complete survey results, go to the Office of Public Safety to see a hard copy, or go to the web at: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/Smog/CAC_Main_Page.htm> and

click on the left column, "2002 Employee Survey Results".

The Clean Air Campaign hopes these results will be useful in developing or refining worksite commute assistance programs. When the results have been completed for the remaining participating employers, a combined summary will be produced and sent to the Office of Public Safety.

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Across The Campus

Academic Affairs

The next chance to register for Spring 2003 will be Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 6-7. The DUCK will be available from 8 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 6, until 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7. On-campus assistance will be available from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. both days. (LINX office to 8 p.m. for payment only.) Late registration and drop-add for Spring 2003 will be Wednesday through Friday, Jan. 8-10. The DUCK will be available from 8 a.m. on Jan. 8 until 5 p.m. on Jan. 10. On-campus assistance will be available from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Jan. 8 and 9 and from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Jan. 10. All registration and schedule changes end at 4 p.m. on Jan. 10. The final payment deadline is Friday, Jan. 17 at 5 p.m. There will be a special registration for second half courses only on Feb. 26-28. For full details see the printed schedule or the online version at http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ newvpaa/schedule/Spring2003.htm\>.

For photos of "Study with Your Professors Night," go to http://a-s.clayton.edu/hampikian/CCM/studywithprofs02.htm. Among the faculty members taking part were; Hugh Arnold - Social and Political Sciences, Kathy Garrison - Math, Greg Hampikian-Biology, Jim Braun - Chemistry, Jon Preston - Information Technology, Jan Towslee -Information Technology, Sandy Harrison - Psychology and Human Services, Nikki Finlay - Economics, Joyce Swofford - English and Communications, Charlcie Neal - Math, Martha Wood - Math.

Academic Affairs' Linda Barden has retired after more than 30 years in the University System... including the past seven and a half years at Clayton State. "No comment," said husband Ron. A reception was held for Linda on Nov. 26 in the Administration Building.

Athletics

The Southlake Kiwanis will be putting on a 5K road race on MLK Jr. Day., Monday, Jan. 20, which will start and finish here on the Clayton State campus. Race flyers for the Freedom 5K will be available soon. See Mike Mead for more details.

Head Track and Cross Country Coach Mike Mead was on the Atlanta Track Cclub's Men's Masters team for the Hood-to-Coast relay this past Summer in Oregon. They won the Masters Division and placed 11th overall... averaging 5:57 mile for the 198 mile course. Not bad for a bunch of old guys!

Arts & Sciences

Dr. Stu Martin, associate professor of English, retired at the end of the fall semester. In addition, Dr. Raymond Osei, Clayton State's first visiting Fulbright Scholar, is off to Kennesaw State for the spring term. A retirement/farewell reception was held in the Atrium of the Music Building on Dec. 3 in their honor.

Auxillary Services

The Winners in the Auxiliary Services Thanksgiving Feast Drawing were: 1st Place - Tom Turkey — Alisa Kirk; 2nd Place - Tom Turkey — Bobby Marcus. The winners in the Bookstore Give Away were: 1st Place - Clayton State Plaque —Catherine Melos; 2nd Place - Clayton State Black Cap — Latisha Nunley; 3rd Place - Clayton State Tag & Frame — Mike Mead; 4th Place - Clayton State Plush Dragon - Dr. Judy Brown; 5th Place - Clayton State White Coffee Cup — Gerald Heavens; 6th Place - Clayton State Water Bottle — Linda Stanford.

Campus Life

While it's not standard procedure to annouce a nonevent, it is worth noting that Scholarship/Work-Study Coordinator Sherry Barwick will NOT be leaving Clayton State for the University System of Georgia office. Maybe all those work study students begging her to stay had something to do with the decision. In any case, many, many offices, staff and students at Clayton State are glad she's staying.

Counseling and Career Services

Kim Saunders, counselor in the Office of Counseling & Career Services, and her husband Stu, are immeasurably proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Audrey Grace Saunders. She was born on Nov. 19 at 2:03 p.m. and weighed 7lbs./12oz. Kim will be returning to Clayton State in February, if she can take her eyes off Audrey!

Library

Gwendolyn Bell, head of Public Services for the Clayton State Library and 2003 State Charitable Contributions Campaign Coordinator reports that contributions to the 2003 State Charitable Contributions Program totalled \$13,344.00. "Because of your generous contribution, we are able to help our neighbors and local communities improve their quality of life. I certainly appreciate all that you did to help make this program a success," she says.

Student Life

If you work in one of the offices on campus and you do not want to worry about your lunch on Monday, Jan. 6, 2003, let the Science Association deliver it to you! Lunch is only six dollars and includes a subtype sandwich, chips, a fruit, a goodie, and a drink. If you would like the menu of your choices, please email us. We need all orders before Jan. 1, 2003. Contact Margaret Mills at scienceassociation@yahoo.com or (770) 389-0462.

OITS

Due to network upgrades in two communication closets, network services to the following two buildings will be affected... Technology Building, Dec. 17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Dec. 18 — possible mid morning only. Lower Library area; Dec. 19 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 20 — possible mid morning only. During this time, all servers and services (E-mail, Banner) should be available to the rest of the campus

Public Safety

Officers Kim Phelps and Tanya Weissinger from Clayton State's Office of Public Safety participated in the Morrow Wal-Mart's "Shop with a Cop" outreach on Saturday, Dec. 7. "Shop with a Cop" is a nationwide program sponsored by Wal-Mart to make the holiday season special for local underprivileged children. "Shop with a Cop' is a positive way for Clayton State officers to interact with the community," says Bruce Holmes, Clayton State director of Public Safety. "The children get the opportunity to spend time with an officer, and the officers get the reward of brightening a child's holiday." Wal-Mart selects underprivileged kids from the community and partners them with one or two local law enforcement officers. Wal-Mart then gives the kids \$100 to \$150 to spend on buying Christmas gifts for themselves and their families. The officers assist the children in their shopping.

The Clayton State Office of Public Safety participated in this year's "Click It or Ticket" campaign, a nationwide effort to increase seatbelt use among teens and young adults. The initiative tool place between Nov. 25 and Dec. 1 and featured stepped-up enforcement of seat belt and child passenger safety laws. Particular importance was placed on teens and young adults -- these groups are the least likely to use seat belts and are at a high risk for auto accidents.

University Relations

The Office of University Relations is proud to announce that both UR staff members, Lauren Baker and Leigh Duncan, made the Dean's List for the fall 2002 semester, conclusively proving that the staff is smarter than the director - (who happens to be our editor!)

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Arts Page

Clayton State's Rob Stevenson Appears on Billboard Awards Ceremony

Clayton State junior Robert J. "Rob" Stevenson, Jr. recently took a short break before fall semester exams. He went to Las Vegas to sing on the Billboard Music Awards.

A former student teacher at Hendricks Drive Elementary in Forest Park through the University's Work Study Program, Stevenson, 30, is also a professional singer who currently serves as a background vocalist for pop star Justin Timberlake. However, on Dec. 9. instead of the classroom, he was in the ballroom (actually, the Garden Arena) of the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas. The 13th Annual Billboard Music Awards were shown live on the Fox Network.

"Everyone who deals with entertainment is here," he said in a brief interview from the MGM Grand.

Stevenson wasn't kidding. In addition to Timberlake, the Billboard Awards featured live performances by Avril Lavigne, Creed, Nelly, Faith Hill and Puddle of Muddle. Even more impressive were the special awards and tributes, highlighting Aerosmith's Steven Tyler and Joe Perry, Cher, Annie Lennox and Run-D.M.C.

Stevenson has been a professional singer since he graduated from Orlando's Evans High School in 1991. However, he also knows that the music business can be fickle, so he has something else to fall back on... he's planning to major in Teacher Education at Clayton State. Of course, he's also found the time to work his "other" career into his activities at the University... he's participated in two of Dr. B.D. Stillion's Murder Mystery Dinner Theaters and has also sung with the University's Clayton State Chorale and Gospel Choir.

Amanda Wucher - HOBY Leadership Representative

Amanda Wucher, daughter of Spivey Hall Education Committee member Jay Wucher, and a member of the Spivey Hall Children's Choir, was selected as the Hugh O'Brien Youth (HOBY) Leadership representative from her high school (one is chosen from each high school in the nation).

She will attend a weekend seminar with all expenses paid and has a chance to be selected as one of four from the state of Georgia to go to the national. Her application essay for the HOBY award was on what experience of hers had the greatest effect on her becoming a leader. She chose her membership in the Children's Choir.

"Being a member of the world-renowned Spivey Hall Children's Choir has been both challenging and rewarding, and I feel fortunate to have had this experience.

"I have learned three important strategies for being a leader that also apply to life in general: knowing when to be in front, when to be in back, and when to get out of the way.

"In choir, knowing when to get in front means getting your voice out there and being heard. Being in the back means musically staying behind the scenes in order to let others be heard. Knowing when to get out of the way is giving others a chance to shine.

"These three components are crucial to being a good leader. I believe the most challenging aspect is knowing which strategy to use at what time, and the most rewarding part is how beautiful the music is when each individual singer is his own leader."

Clayton State Students' Art Exhibition Opens

Clayton College & State University is proud to announce the first formal exhibition of Clayton State art students' compositions.

This event, presented by the Humanities Department and sponsored by Lyceum, will feature a variety of mediums, created throughout the current semester, from watercolor to oils and plaster to clay.

A reception in honor of the exhibition was held on Friday evening, Dec. 6, in the Atrium of the Music Education Building to kick off the exhibition.

With some 40 students participating, this exhibition promises to be an extensive, imaginative and aesthetic display of talent that will run through Feb. 15, 2003. ■

NAACP Education Forum "Very Timely"

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

The Clayton County Chapter of the NAACP recently hosted a panel discussion entitled "NAACP Call for Action in Education" at the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education at Clayton College & State University.

The purpose of the education forum was to bring community educators, civic leaders, pastors, parents and students together to discuss the issues and challenges facing Clayton County and minority children within the school system.

"I was very pleased with the whole atmosphere that Clayton State provided,' says Rev. Joseph Wheeler, four time president of the Clayton County NAACP chapter, and moderator of the evening's events. "We were able to identify some areas where we could begin to work on immediately in terms of improving the quality of education in Clayton County; one of which is to work on mentorship - to organize the community around that issue."

Panel members included: Dan Colwell, superintendent, Clayton County Public Schools, Dr. Larnell Flannagan, coordinator for Middle Level Education; Clayton College & State University; Erika Davis, vice chairwoman, Clayton County Board of Education; Sid Chapman, president, Clayton County Education Association; Arkansas Snell, parent and businesswoman; Rick Maddox, Clayton County Retired Educators; Judge Stephen Tasked, Clayton County Juvenile Justice; Rev. Otis N. White, pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church; and Tiara Thomas, former Clayton County public school student and current student at Clayton State.

The evening's agenda included an invocation by the Rev. Isaiah Waddy, pastor, Greater St. Peter AME, a welcome from Dr. Thomas E. Harden, president of Clayton College & State University, and an explanation of the purpose of the forum by Dexter Matthews, Education Committee chairperson for the NAACP.

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tory, campus mythology, and links to <u>Campus Review</u> and <u>The Bent Tree</u>. *The Image Book*, Clayton State's Official Communications Guide and Stylebook, will also be easily available on the Web site.

During the spring semester, Communications Coordinator Dolores Cox will oversee continued development of the Web site and will consult with departments across campus that need guidance or support in adapting their pages to the new look.

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Counseling & Career Services Surveys Grads on Employment and Education Futures

During Summer and Fall Semesters of 2002, the Office of Counseling & Career Services initiated an online Graduation Survey. The purpose of the brief survey is to gather current employment data and determine the percentage of students who plan to continue their education.

Six months after the student's graduation another online survey will be sent for updated information. In the future the survey will be sent to each graduating class.

Since no one really wants to fill out a survey, the Counseling & Career Services team offers an incentive: a drawing with a \$100 prize just for filling out the survey. This year's two prize winners, Azuka Nwaedozie (Applied Biology) and Judy Morgan (Information Technology), had this to say about themselves, their education and future goals.

Summer 2002 Winner:

"My name is Azuka Nwaedozie. I started at CCSU in 1998 as a Premed student and graduated with Bachelors degree in Applied Biological Sciences with emphasis in Biomedical Sciences this summer 2002. I will be starting my MD/DPM program in New York come this September 2002. Unfortunately, I did not have much of extracurricular activities unless you consider having at least two full time jobs and raising four kids as extracurricular. During the period of four years of study at CCSU I believed in my self and trusted God to see me through knowing that without Him I will not achieve what I have achieved. Therefore believe in God and believe also in yourself because dreams do come true."

"My name is Judy Morgan. I attended Clayton College and State University in 1998. I transferred from Gordon College. I changed majors several times before I finally decided on Information Technology. After five years at Clayton I am finally graduating with a Bachelors degree in Information Technology with an emphasis in E-commerce. As far as goals, I want to work for Delta Technology, and I have the connection to get my foot into the door, but the way that the economy is right now I am not sure that will happen right now. I am still looking for other opportunities, and I am leaving my options open to see what comes my way. Also, I would like to thank my mom. She always encouraged me to reach my goals and never give up. I respect my mom very much. She has given me the strength and courage to move forward and never look back, and to go for the impossible, because you never know if you will get it unless you try and try hard. She is a single mom with three children, and all of us are in College. She is a brave woman and I could not have done this without her by my side."

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Day agrees. "I think that Clayton State has played an integral part in Tina's development as a teacher. At Clayton State she was able to gain the basic knowledge in terms of a quality education. Tina has returned to Clayton State periodically to assist with seminars for students in Teacher Education. In that respect, Clayton State has also provided Tina the opportunity to share her knowledge and skills beyond the classroom."

In addition to Clayton State's contribution to Tina's education, Day adds, "Tina is a team player! She is an upbeat, creative individual who shares so much of her personality as she teaches. ... If I had to pinpoint Tina's greatest skill, I believe it is her continual quest for more efficient, more interesting, and more exciting ways to impart knowledge to students... She truly cares about her students and they sense it."

And the students care about Harper too. When asked her most memorable teaching moment, Harper recalls, "When the Clayton County Public Schools Teacher of the Year Committee, along with an entourage of school system officials, camera men, and reporters surprised my class and me with balloons for my recognition... Among all the cameras and flashes, I heard a young second grade girl say to her friend, 'I bet this is just another one of Mrs. Harper's shows. If so, I can't wait to see what we are learning today!"

Harper, a resident of Peachtree City, enjoys running, Tae Kwon Do, rock climbing, reading, and drawing. Her husband Lonny, whom Harper bestows the title "Husband of the Year," is a 2001 graduate of Clayton State's Teacher Education program.

"We both knew that Clayton State would provide the best preparation that he could receive for classroom teaching," says Harper.

Harper also recognizes mentor Brenda Hill, with whom Harper worked during her senior internship at Clayton State, and Dawn Owens, the Teacher Education Department's senior supervisor. "My hat goes off to each professor from whom I had the pleasure of learning," concludes Harper.

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To contact Circle K, e-mail Suderman at csu16831@mail.claytonstate.net, or to join Clayton State's Circle K chapter, students can simply pick up a membership form on the door of room 210N in the Arts and Sciences Building, or contact Johnson at csu16997@mail.claytonstate.net. The membership fee is \$33, which can be paid in three monthly installments of \$11. ■

Christmas Carols for the Psychiatrically Challenged

Schizophrenia — Do You Hear What I Hear?

Multiple Personality Disorder — We Three Queens Disoriented Are

Dementia — I Think I'll be Home for Christmas

Narcissistic — Hark the Herald Angles Sing About Me

Manic — Deck the Halls and Walls and House and Lawn and Streets and Stores and Office and Town and Cars and Busses and Trucks and Trees and Fire Hydrants and.....

Paranoid — Santa Claus is Coming to Get Me

Borderline Personality Disorder — Thoughts of Roasting on an Open Fire....

Personality Disorder — You Better Watch Out, I'm Gonna Cry, I'm Gonna Pout, Maybe I'll Tell You Why!

Obsessive Compulsive Disorder — Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells...

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Bubba Claus is a Comin' to Town!

To: Whom It May Concern

From: Santa Claus

I regret to inform you that, effective immediately, I will no longer serve the States of Georgia, Florida, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas, and Arkansas on Christmas Eve.

Due to the overwhelming current population of the earth, my contract was renegotiated by North American Fairies and Elves Local 209. As part of the new and better contract I also get longer breaks for milk and cookies so keep that in mind.

However, I'm certain that your children will be in good hands with your local replacement, who happens to be my third cousin, Bubba Claus. His side of the family is from the South Pole. He shares my goal of delivering toys to all the good boys and girls; however, there are a few differences between us.

Differences such as:

- 1. There is no danger of the Grinch stealing your presents from Bubba Claus. He has a gun rack on his sleigh and a bumper sticker that reads: "These toys are insured by Smith and Wesson."
- 2. Instead of milk and cookies, Bubba Claus prefers that children leave an RC cola and pork rinds [or a moon pie] on the fireplace. And Bubba doesn't smoke a pipe. He dips a little snuff though, so please have an empty spit can handy.
- 3. Bubba Claus' sleigh is pulled by floppy-eared, flyin' coon dogs instead of reindeer. I made the mistake of loaning him a couple of my reindeer one time, and Blitzen's head now overlooks Bubba's fireplace.
- 4. You won't hear "On Comet, on Cupid, on Donner and Blitzen..." when Bubba Claus arrives. Instead, you'll hear, "On Earnhardt, on Andretti, on Elliott and Petty."
- 5. "Ho, Ho, Ho!" has been replaced by "Yee Haw!" And you also are likely to hear Bubba's elves respond, "I her'd dat!"
- 6. As required by Southern highway laws, Bubba Claus' sleigh does have a Yosemite Sam safety triangle on the back with the words "Back Off."
- 7. The usual Christmas movie classics such as "Miracle on 34th Street" and "It's a Wonderful Life" will not be shown in your negotiated viewing area. Instead, you'll see "Boss Hogg Saves Christmas" and "Smokey and the Bandit IV" featuring Burt Reynolds as Bubba Claus and dozens of state patrol cars crashing into each other.

Sincerely Yours, Santa Claus Member of North American Fairies and Elves, Union 1225

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Camp is a resident of Henry County, and occasionally teaches Landscape and Design Maintenance classes in Clayton State's Continuing Education facility. Aside from his job at Clayton State, Camp does landscape design for million-dollar homes in Eagles Landing and Lake Spivey, and has done landscape design for a water treatment plant. Although Camp has dedicated his occupation to plants, he laughs, "My home landscape reminds me of the adage 'the cobbler's kids have no shoes.'... I plan to remedy that soon."

Camp recently celebrated his 20th wedding anniversary with his wife Becky. They have two sons, Taylor (14) and Garrett (9). Camp is active in Liberty Hill Baptist Church where he teaches Bible study for young married couples, serves as a deacon, and…you guessed it, serves as chairman of the Buildings and Grounds committee. ■

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the nation, serving as president and CEO of SCLC for 21 years, leading the 1965 Selma-Montgomery march to the doorstep of then-Alabama Governor George Wallace, getting arrested in Atlanta in 1968 while fighting for the rights of the city's garbage workers, serving as co-founder and chairman of the Black Leadership Forum, and meeting with national and international leaders from Nelson Mandela to Yasir Arafat.

For more information on Clayton State's MLK Commemoration Day, please call the University's Office of Diversity and Disability Services at (770) 961-3719 or visit the University's MLK Commemoration Day website at http://a-s.clayton.edu/mlking/events.htm.

Basketball Lakers Open Combined 9-2

The Clayton College & State University men's basketball team posted its fourth win of the season last Saturday, downing Peach Belt Conference opponent Armstrong Atlantic State University 65-60 in Savannah.

With the win, the Lakers improve to 4-1 overall and 2-1 in the Peach Belt Conference.

The Clayton College & State University women's basketball team dropped its first game of the season Saturday, falling to Armstrong Atlantic 72-53.

With the loss, the Lakers fall to 5-1 and 2-1 in the league, while AASU improves to 4-0 and 1-0 in the conference. The Lakers will return to action after Christmas in the Arrowhead Clinic Tournament at Clayton State, hosting Spelman College in a 4 p.m. game on Saturday, Dec. 28.

Senior Jonathan Reed led the Lakers in the win over AASU, scoring a season-high 18 points, which included a trio of three-pointers. Junior Jason Byrd added a season high 16 points and eight rebounds, followed by senior Jamal Johnson with 13 points.

In the women's AASU game, the Lakers were led by sophomore Apryl Brown with 15 points and five rebounds, followed by senior Catreia Shaw with 13 points and 15 boards.

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The panel was presented 13 sections for discussion, from Increasing Resource Equity to Providing Language Assistance and Bilingual Education.

Those presenting the sections included Helen Trouth, Clayton Center, Child and Adolescent Services, Vivian Baldwin, retired teacher, and Janice Wilson, political consultant.

"We will have a follow up town hall meeting the first week in February" says Wheeler. "We want to increase participation in these meetings by those persons who will be the most vulnerable - low income, single parents - to find a way to have more involvement with parents and to install a certain level of ownership in the schools by the surrounding communities.

"We are beginning to educate the community about the need to maybe even raise property taxes. We want to hear from the community...parents, civic leaders, pastors and people who have been elsewherein the country. We (feel) this is the right thing to do. (This is a) very timely subject, a very timely forum. We want to continue to hold these types of forums around the county."

Eventually, the NAACP will present the Clayton County School Board a report on these forums in hopes of working collaboratively with them on these issues.

For more information about the Clayton County NAACP, contact their office at (770) 621-4670. ■

Sports Page

Soccer Players Receive Peach Belt Honors

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

After its highest finish ever of third place in the Peach Belt Conference (PBC) and a runner-up finish in the Peach Belt Conference Tournament, the Clayton College & State University women's soccer team recently had several players recognized with postseason PBC honors.

Clayton State junior forward/midfielder Nkiru Okosieme (Ontisha, Nigeria) was named to the 2002 All-Peach Belt Conference team for the second straight season, while freshman goalkeeper Judith Chime (Enugu, Nigeria) was named to the squad for the first time. Okosieme was also named to the PBC All-Tournament team along with senior forward Leah Pharr (Macon, GA) and junior defender Jessica Grenier.

For the third year in a row, the Clayton College & State University men's soccer program had a trio players named to the Peach Belt All-Conference Team.

In 2002, senior keeper Warren van der Westhuizen (Johannesburg, South Africa) was named to the squad for the third straight season along with senior Zuca Palladino (Sao Paulo, Brazil) and sophomore David Dowling (Benoni, South Africa) each recognized for the first time. Clayton State senior Stephen Hughes (Hampton, GA) was also recently named to the PBC All-Tournament team.

Okosieme, who has represented her native land of Nigeria in three World Cups, finished the season with a team-leading 14 goals and eight assists. Chime, Clayton State's first-ever freshman to be named to the All-Conference squad, shattered the school singleseason goals against average with a .64 GAA this season, breaking the previous best of 1.92 set last year. She ranks 19th in the nation in goals against average. Pharr was a four-year starter for the Lakers. She was the team's third-leading scorer in 2002, finishing with nine goals. She received the team's most valuable offensive player award and led the team in scoring her sophomore season, while she received the team's most valuable defensive award as a freshman. Grenier, a three-year starter at sweeper, was named to the All-Peach Belt Conference team for the second time.

Clayton State's season recently came to an end in the Peach Belt Conference Tournament finals, falling 1-0 to PBC champ and seventh-ranked Kennesaw State. The Lakers' third place finish in the regular season and second place in the tournament also included upset victories over two-nationally ranked teams in North Florida and Francis Marion.

Westhuizen recently closed out a stellar career in goal for the Lakers and was one of the team's leaders in elevating the Clayton State soccer program to national prominence over the last three seasons and shatteringd both school and Peach Belt Conference

records in goals against average, minutes played and shutouts for a single season and for a career. A four-year starter and a two-time All-Southeast Region selection, his career .71 goals against average ranks 11th all-time in NCAA history and his .47 goals against average in 2000 ranks among the top 25 single-season best in NCAA history. His 37 career shutouts rank among the top 10 in NCAA history, while his 14 shutouts in 2000 rank third for a single season in NCAA history.

A 5-10, 154 lb. midfielder, Palladino was named to the All-PBC team in his first season at Clayton State after playing at Notre Dame College. Palladino led the PBC and finished the regular season with 17 assists, which ranked among the top five nationally. Dowling was the team's leading scorer with 12 goals on the season to go along with four assists. Dowling scored five goals and had one assist in the team's 9-1 win over St. Andrews, breaking a school record for goals in a match. The performance also tied the Peach Belt Conference record for goals and tied for the most goals scored in a NCAA Division II match this season. His 11 points (five goals, one assist) also broke school and PBC records and ranks as the top scoring performance in Division II this year. Defender Hughes is a four-year letterwinner at Clayton State who played in 67 matches for the Lakers and was a member of last year's Peach Belt Conference Championship team, the 2000 PBC Tournament championship team and participated in two NCAA Tournaments.

Clayton State ended its season with a 12-4-2 record.

Okosieme, Westhuizen Named To NCAA All-S.E. Region Teams

For the second year in a row, Clayton State junior Nkiru Okosieme (Onitsha, Nigeria) was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/Adidas All-Southeast Region team along with senior Warren van der Westhuizen (Johannesburg, South Africa) from the men's squad, who was named All-Southeast Region for the third straight year, the mostever by a Clayton State player.

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Trivia Time

Not a Trivial Matter...

by John Shiffert, University Relations

While Webster's may define "trivia" as "unimportant matters," those who take this field seriously know otherwise.

The past year has seen spirited competition among a number of trivia experts in the race for the 2002 Clayton State Trivia Title. With two months to go, the November question was designed to separate out the dilettantes from the real SUIs (that's Source of Useless Information). Anyone who knows the name of Charles Emerson Winchester's sister on the TV version of MASH is either a trivia expert, or needs to get a life. (And, when you remember what her affliction was... well, that goes beyond mere descriptive phrases.) Similarly, how many people know The Beaver had two different teachers?

Well, the answer is... Todd Birchfield, Dr. Tom Eddins, Lou Brackett and Terry Penn. In case you have a life, it should be noted that Honoria Winchester stuttered (thank you, Lou and Terry) and that The Beav's teachers were Miss Landers (Sue Randall) and Miss Canfield (Diane Brewster).

(What you don't know is that Sue Randall was in a serious auto accident shortly after leaving the show. She gave up acting, returned to her native Philadelphia, and spent a dozen years as an association executive and administrative assistant for John Shiffert, Sr., with Multiservice Management Company, dying of cancer in 1984. A good person, a good worker, and a "regular" person - except she was the only person in our office who used to correspond regularly with Jerry Mathers.)

Having indeed separated out the wheat from the chaff, we find the Trivia Point Standings to be a five-way race going into the final month. In first place, former Alumni Association President Terry Penn (22). Second, web whiz Todd Birchfield (19). Third, fellow web whiz Luca Yearsovich (18). Tied for fourth are Technology's Lou Brackett and Dr. Tom Eddins (16). (Notice how there are two webmasters, two professors in the School of Technology and a graduate who works in IT? Makes you wonder, doesn't it?)

To make for a fair contest, our five finalists have all been simultaneously given five killer questions (from TV, sports, music, movies and history). They'll be scored 5-3-1 for first-second-third correct responses, and those points will be added to their previous totals. May the best "triviot" win. The winner, it might be added, will have a feature story (written by ace reporter Lauren Baker) in the January Campus Review.

Just to show the nature of the challenge facing our experts... what did Dick Van Dyke do in the opening credits of the Dick Van Dyke Show? Answers to johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu. ■