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President Jernigan Announces Goals

by Lynne Duren

On January 1, 1978, James Jernigan became president of the Student Government Association (SGA) here at CJC.

Jernigan, vice president of SGA until January 1, is filling the vacated position previously held by Jenny O'Leary. O'Leary, who has transferred to Valdosta State, turned in her resignation at the end of the fall quarter.

Jernigan, who is considered a very optimistic, as well as outspoken person, sees the SGA as it stands now as being "a viable force on campus, increasing in recognition with each quarter."

President Jernigan has also set several goals for the SGA and the school as a whole, that he hopes will not be hard to reach.

The first item Jernigan plans to try to accomplish is to reduce the size of the SGA senate from 18 members to ten

or twelve. According to Jernigan "a large senate can at times be ineffective. Personally I feel a reduction in this size could make the Senate more functional."

Another goal is to change or modify the categories for voting in the election of Senators. Rather than the present system in which students must run in representation of a particular department (Humanities, Social Science, etc.) in which they are majoring, Jernigan has proposed a system in which all candidates will run under the categories of "at large."

Jernigan's reasoning for this change is as follows - "I feel that Senate representation should be "at large" in order to represent the entire student body. Most students don't really work on their major until their junior or senior year, so the largest number of students are unrepresented -- as

it stands, the representation is not equal."

Other things President Jernigan hopes to accomplish while in office include "making the activities more interesting to more students rather than a small group, and making the school more student oriented rather than faculty, administration, and community oriented."

Finally, Jernigan "would like to see the campus begin to look and feel more like a college with a more open and relaxed atmosphere rather than the sterile atmosphere that already exists."

(Reporter's Note: All in all, Jernigan's outlook is optimistic. Yet what is optimism without support? Perhaps during his term he will get the proper support, whether it be from the students or the administration. However to most effectively function both are needed.)



Newly appointed SGA President James Jernigan eagerly awaits serving the CJC student body.

Elections To Be Held Tuesday

by GiGi Helton

Tuesday is the day for all election to be successful voters students to help their Student Government by voting in the election that will fill the ten vacant seats for the position of Senator-at-large, that are now open. The polls will be set up in the lobby of the C building from 9-1:30, 5:30-6:15 and 7:30-8:30.

The ten positions are open due to changes in the work schedules and school schedules of those who once occupied them, thus causing them to resign, stated James Jernigan president of the SGA in an interview recently.

Jernigan stated, "In order for this election or any other

election must turn out. In past elections the turn out has been small. This is unfortunate for all. Without voters the positions cannot be filled and the jobs done adequately."

If all positions are not filled the president has the ability to appoint qualified persons into the seats.

(Editor's Note: Remember if you don't vote you don't count but more importantly the candidates don't get a vote they deserve. Help President Jernigan's prediction of "a tremendous turnout" come true. Stop by and vote.

Laura Jenkins Becomes New SGA Vice-President

On Wednesday, January 11, the SGA senate approved Laura Jenkins to fulfill the vacancy of Vice President.

She will succeed James Jernigan to the office as Jernigan fulfilled the Presidency. That office became vacant upon the resignation of Jenny O'Leary last quarter.

A recent interview with the new Vice President produced responses that would lead one to believe that Ms. Jenkins will have some excellent suggestions toward improving student activities.

"I would like to see the campus provide more activities that would be of more interest to the students both academically and nonacademically." The new Vice President went on to add, "I think that the Wednesday noon activities hour has a lot of unexplored possibilities."

by Art Rogers in, and more dances." Ms. Jenkins went on to state that she would like to see more activities, Ms. Jenkins replied, "More movies if it can be such as the recent water arranged, more concerts that balloon battle between SGA students would be interested and The Bent Tree."

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CJC Update Makes Debut

On Wednesday, January 11, many students were bewildered and somewhat intrigued over a television set in the C building lobby. A young lady, who is a student here, came on the airwaves and announced all of the student activities for that week. And with this presentation came the debut of CJC Update.

CJC Update is a weekly program designed to inform you, the student, about the week's upcoming events. It will be airing every Wednesday at 8:50, 9:50, 10:50, and 11:50 in order to give students ample opportunity to view it.

The program also serves as a learning tool for the Speech Communications class as its students are the talent that are seen on the screen.

By serving as an informing media to the students and a learning tool for the Speech Classes, CJC Update should have nowhere to go but up.

This is the idea behind James Jernigan and Art Rogers, co-founders of the program. "We hope that eventually the program will be included into the student budget so that funds can become available to support it," stated James

Jernigan. He went on to add, "Eventually, we would like to see television monitors in every hall of every building. We also hope that cable can be run so that the telecasts can be broadcast live."

Jernigan and Rogers also had high praises for some of the faculty members that kept their dream alive. "We owe an awful lot of thanks to Robert Harrell in Media who makes the show work technically and to Charles Stone, who agreed to incorporate it into the speech classes in order that we have talent to deliver the news. Mr. Stone also offers much needed advice on ideas, ways of presenting the stories, etc."

Jernigan and Rogers went on to add that a survey will be taken very soon in order to find out what kind of impact the show has had so far. They stated that they hope the students really use the show as a source of information for all student activities. They ask for any suggestions or comments concerning the show by students.

As Jernigan stated, "CJC Update is for the Students. When the students no longer use it, then there will be no reason for it to continue."



photo by Grady Anderson

Dr. Larry Corse and other members of the Student Affairs Committee discuss the dates for the up-coming student activities budget review. The committee will be working on the 1978-79 fiscal year budget soon.

New Library Plans on Display



According to Dr. Jack A. Bennett, Director of Clayton of the new building. A third Junior College Library poster will feature a plot Services, a display featuring location map depicting the site plans of the proposed new of the new building in relation library facility is now on to the other campus facilities. display in the exhibit case Sketches of the artists across from G-132, for the conception of the building consideration of the Clayton interior as well as a color rendering of the outside of the Junior College community.

The exhibit will include a building which will also be total of five posters. Two of spotlighted. which will show the room and

Second Front

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Kehrer To Speak On 'Free Enterprise'

The Southern Area Director of the Civil Rights Department of the AFL-CIO will speak at Clayton Junior College on Tuesday, January 24.

Mr. E. T. Kehrer, who has held his position with the AFL-CIO since 1965, will speak on "Labor Unions and Free Enterprise" during two scheduled lectures. Scheduled in the college's Lecture Hall (Room G-132), both the 12 noon and 8:30 p.m. lectures

will be open to the public free of charge.

A former president of the American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia, Kehrer is a member of the Georgia State Manpower Council, the Atlanta Manpower Council, the Joint Council on Economic Education, and the Southern Regional Council.

Having worked with organized labor since 1936, Kehrer is well-known in his

field. He has been employed by the United Auto Workers, the American Federation of Teachers, and the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union.

Kehrer is appearing in Clayton Junior College's continuing program on "Free Enterprise," a series of presentations by national and local economists and businessmen.

Laura Jenkins

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As far as the new Vice President's past reputation, it seems to be one of competence.

Ms. Jenkins began her role in SGA last Spring Quarter when she won a Senator at Large seat. Before that she used to sit in on SGA meetings in order to become more oriented with the procedures of the SGA.

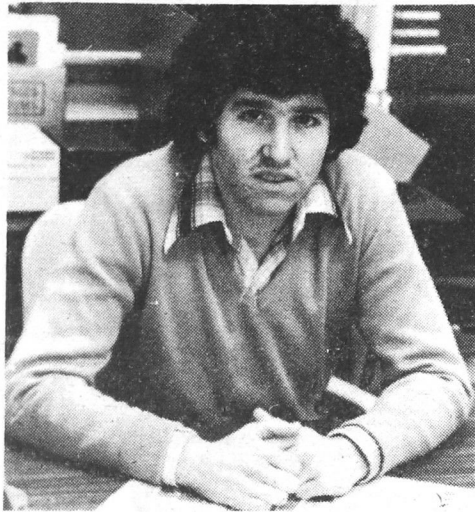
She has also served on two delegations with the Youth Assembly (a branch of YMCA) that meets and holds sessions in the Georgia State Capitol. She served once as a delegate in the house and once as a committee chairman in the

As the new Vice President of SGA, Laura will also be presiding officer over the SGA senate. She vows to work on her parliamentary procedures and "try to be good at it."

Laura Jenkins has stepped into a position of authority with an exciting but firm attitude. One of the major responsibilities facing her presently is the appointment of a new SGA secretary.

With her duties now increased and responsibilities heightened, Laura states that her chief goal will be to "stay busy making this a good quarter for the SGA and the student body."

EDITORIALS



Just

A

Word

FRIDAY'S RERUNS

by Tom Friday

The year 1933 seems to be a long time ago. I was only 22 years old at that time. Now it is 1978; but I'm not going to tell you how old I am. I will say I was just out of school, and now I'm back in school trying to take up where I left off, trying to re-fresh the memories of some and to tell about the past to others.

As you know the 30's were the worst depression years. Jobs were impossible. I guess I tried 25 different newspapers to get a job that would pay me just enough to buy food. They informed me that they had people working for nothing just to get experience.

Today I would like to tell you about the CC Camps, the Civilian Conservation Corps. This was an organization set up by the government, to bring some relief to the un-employed and was affiliated with the army. It was supervised by the army and subject to the rules of the service. The basic duty of the camps was to re-plant the Pine forests. The men were recruited and sent to an army base for three weeks orientation, after which they were sent out to different parts of the country, and divided into companys of two or three

hundred. The pay scale was \$30.00, \$36.00, and top pay of \$45.00 per month. Out of this pay there was \$24.00 deducted that was sent home to the family of the unemployed.

We lived in tents at first but later had barracks, and a mess hall. It fell my lot to be a cook, which put me in a higher pay scale and also kept me in out of the cold. I had about \$12.00 every month that I could use as I pleased, and that was a lot of money then.

There was always something to do for entertainment. The people in the neighboring town had a dance about twice a week and they always gave us an invitation. We had to walk the three miles to town but after several trips most all the boys found girl friends who would give them a ride. It was a lot of fun in those depressing years.

Let me tell you about a couple of characters we had in our outfit. We were stationed on the Atlantic coast on an inlet. The snakes were real bad. It was not unusual to have a snake drop out of a tree on to the top of your mosquito net. This fellow liked to catch snakes and make belts out of them. I don't think he was afraid of any snake. We were standing in formation one

morning and this guy was in front of me, when I looked up and there was a big snake coming down the trunk of a tree right in front of him. He promptly reached out and

grabbed the snake by the head and instead of holding the snake in front of him he put it behind his back which placed the snake right in front of me. I almost died.

We were each given a bed sack to put straw in for our mattress. This one fellow decided that the moss hanging on the trees would make a

much softer mattress, so he proceeded to fill his mattress cover with this. I don't think he did that again because the

next day he was completely covered with Chigger bites. We called them Red Bugs.

All in all it was an interesting experience. It helped solve the unemployment for a lot of people, and brought a lot of

pleasure to many. It wasn't a lot of money but we didn't need much. So all I have left of this experience is memory and that's precious.

by Art Rogers

As most of you are probably unaware, Student Government elections are being held on Tuesday, January 24. The main reason for having this election is to fill senatorial vacancies that have occurred due to resignations and a lack of candidates in the previous election.

Although it is not uncommon not to have any candidates running for senate seats, it is or should be somewhat embarrassing to all of us.

SGA is an organization formed to give students a voice in the affairs of the institution. It seems that that concept is not being utilized at Clayton Junior College because quite a few vacancies still occur.

According to the constitution, if the seats do not get filled in this special election, The President of SGA has the right to appoint anyone

he wishes to fill the vacancy; as long as that person fulfills the qualifications.

This editor feels that we as students are endangering our right and privilege to have an SGA that acts as the "voice of students" by not having enough students who care to run for a senate seat. The alternative could very well be to just abolish the senate. Perhaps by doing so, it would cause the student body to "wake up" to the situation at hand.

Therefore, I urge anyone that may be even remotely interested in Student Government to contact President James Jernigan or any other member of SGA and tell them that you want to serve in this organization. I'm sure that they can find a vacancy for you.

Students, the future of the SGA senate rests in your hands.

FROM THE



RIGHT SIDE

by Stewart Lipham

"I'm mad as hell, and I'm not going to take this anymore." These lines, from the movie Network, can best justify many people's opinions of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA).

MARTA has done a good job of screwing up our once fair city. Has anybody driven downtown lately? Why, they didn't even inform Underground Atlanta that they were closing Central Avenue recently. The merchants received the information from a local radio station at the last minute. This seems, to the author, an act of flagrant irresponsibility, if not intentional.

In 1971, when the MARTA

referendum was held, a promise was made to keep the bus fare at fifteen cents. This promise was probably one of the largest single factors in passing the referendum. However, now they are going to raise the rate in 1979, in effect breaking a promise which probably meant the difference in the passage.

All in all, I feel MARTA was a mistake. Better service could probably be achieved by a good efficient bus line. Besides all that, the South Line (East Point, Hapeville, etc.) is being ignored until the mid 1980's, and the deadline is already years behind schedule. But the residents of Fulton and Dekalb County did approve the measure and now we'll have to live with it.

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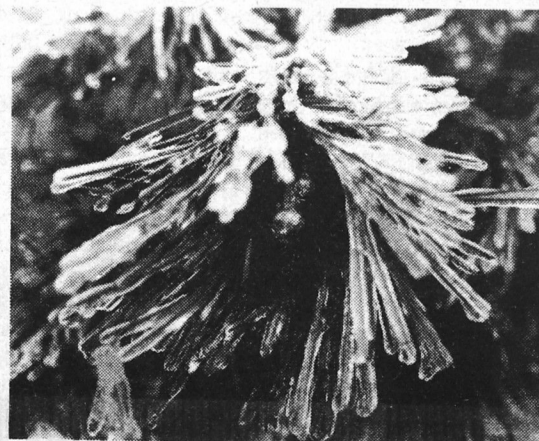
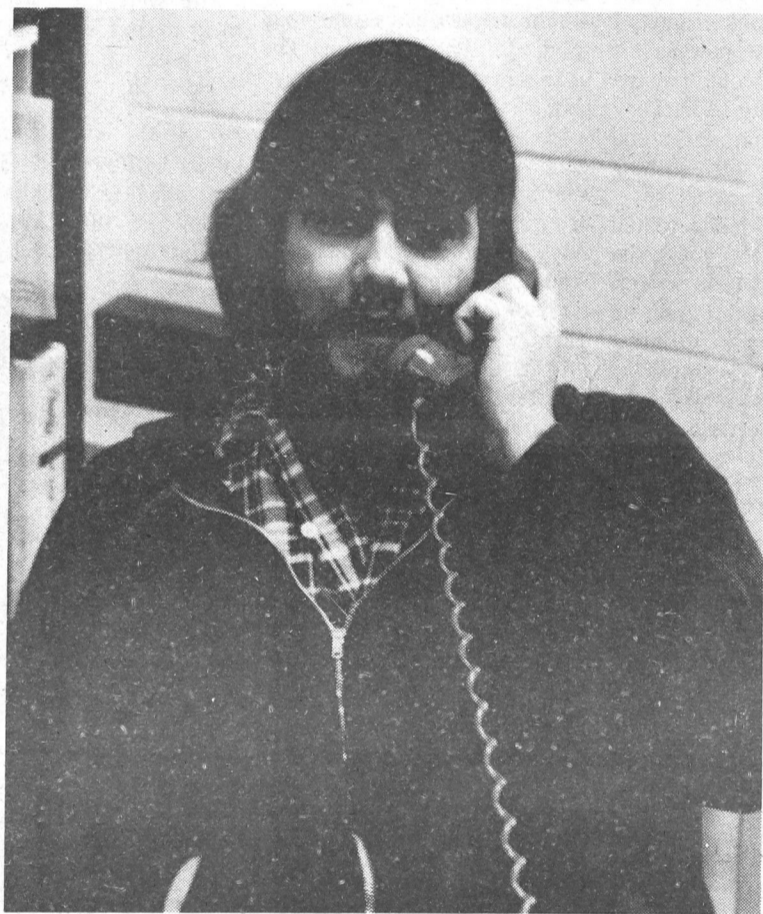
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Opinion Poll

by Stewart Lipham

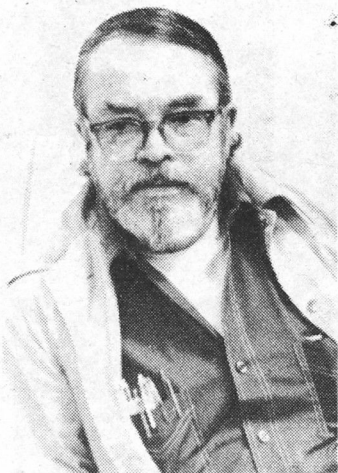
The following question was put before several students of CJC and here are their remarks.

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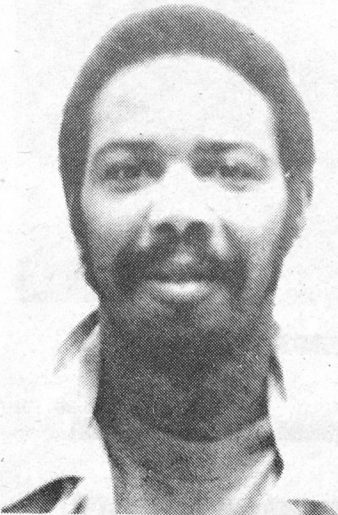
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JEFF BRUNER: All I ever do is play cards in the student lounge because it breaks the monotony. However, I think the bookstore should start selling cards again.



MIKE SHANE: The Lyceum series. I like it not only for the pleasures I receive from it, but also for what the other participating students receive from their exposure.



GREGORY THORNTON: I like the movies. With the high cost of movies today, it really helps to be able to go to a first rate movie free.

Cindy Glozier : *Past Editor Making It Big*

by Denesha Bell

Cindy Glozier, a CJC graduate and former Bent Tree editor is now employed as a staff reporter for the Henry County News Inc. At the same time, she is continuing her studies at the University of Georgia where she is working towards her Bachelor of Arts in Journalism.

Cindy was Bent Tree editor during fall and winter quarter of last year. She found writing for a local newspaper a continuous learning process but not totally unlike her experience with the Bent Tree. The friendly and helpful people have put Cindy at ease.

Cindy's main problem has



photo by James Jernigan

been her unfamiliarity with legislative processes. In Henry County I was assigned to cover the opening of Burt's Place at the Omni International where I met and talked with Burt Reynolds.

When asked what she enjoyed most about her job she said, "Meeting people. My job gives me the opportunity to meet people that I couldn't otherwise. Since Smokey and the Bandit was partially filmed

in Henry County I was assigned to cover the opening of Burt's Place at the Omni International where I met and talked with Burt Reynolds.

In her job with the Henry County Herald and the Stockbridge News Cindy covers hard news stories such as wrecks, crimes, government proceedings and any other newsworthy events.

In addition to her other duties Cindy also assists with news coverage for WSSA radio in Forest Park.

While at CJC she served as SGA senator and received the SGA Award for Exceptional Student Leadership. She graduated CJC with an Associate Arts in Journalism.

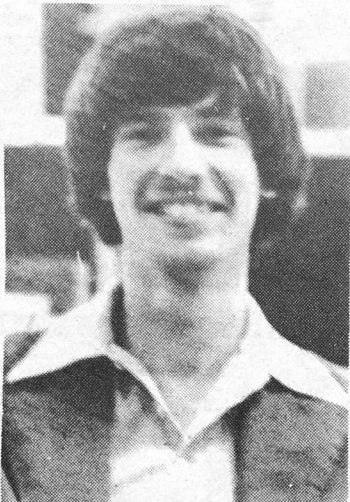
Cindy, in turn, gives praise to CJC, "During a period of indecision while a freshman at CJC I was given the moral support and personal attention I needed. Last year a faculty member personally recommended me for the position I now hold with the Henry County Newspaper Inc."

In discussing her future objectives Cindy stated, "I would like to go into TV writing or announcing or maybe work for a big city daily. Working in the Washington political field would also be great because I enjoy politics."

All of us at CJC congratulate Cindy for her achievements and extend our best wishes for the future.



KEN CALDWELL: I like the movies. They are the entertainment which attracts students back after class. CJC probably needs more activities like this.



RICH ADAMS: I like to play cards in the student lounge because there is nothing better to do during the day.

CJC Math Instructors Write Book



Dr. Peggy Capell

by Patricia Jeanes

During the Spring of 1974, three CJC faculty members couldn't find an appropriate book for our Math 98 class in Special Studies. The Professors solved the problem by writing a book of their own. The book was written by Dr. Peggy Capell, Associate Professor of Mathematics, Mrs. Martha W. Wood, Temporary instructor of Mathematics and Dr. James W. Hall, who was Assistant Professor of Mathematics at the time and currently teaches at Parkland Community College in Champaign, Illinois. The trio wanted a book for

college students that presented a two-fold purpose: first one with a section for students who had not studied algebra, or who needed a review of elementary algebra, and secondly, one with a portion devoted to a basic arithmetic review. It was difficult for our instructors to review both arithmetic and Algebra without using two different books, the way CJC's course was designed. "Developmental Mathematics" a 536 page text published by Prindle, Weber and Schmeidt, Incorporated became the results to the problem. The three math teachers originally set out to

write a text for our Math 98 class only, and the book was used in its preliminary form during the fall quarter of 1974. Then, they decided to publish it and the first of their revised edition copy was released last summer.

Now in its second printing, the book was used in the classroom for the first time during the recent fall quarter, and was used on some other classes at institutions.

All Math 98 classes will use the text this quarter.

"Developmental Mathematics" is available in the College bookstore for \$10.95.

Blumberg To Lecture On Court System

An overview of our court system will be the topic of three lectures scheduled at Clayton Junior College on Wednesday (Jan. 25).

Dr. Abraham S. Blumberg, a professor of sociology and the director of the justice program at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, will deliver his message during programs at 11 a.m., 7 p.m., and 8:30 p.m. Presented as a part of the college's continuing series on "Law and Society," all three programs will be free and open to the public.

The author of several books, Dr. Blumberg has been a consultant with the President's Committee on Juvenile Delinquency, the President's National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders, and the New York City Mayor's Committee on Criminal Courts. Among his books are "Criminal Justice," "Law and Order," and "Current Perspectives on Criminal Behavior."

Dr. Blumberg, who received degrees from Brooklyn College, the Columbia University Law School, and the New School for Social Research, was admitted to the New York Bar in 1947 and has been a member of the United States Supreme Court Bar since 1960. He is a member of the American Society of Criminology and the Society for the Study of Social

Problems, and is a fellow of the American Sociological Association.

With specialities in Criminal Law and Constitutional Law, Dr. Blumberg was in private law practice from 1947 through 1963. He has been on the faculties of Brooklyn College, Queens College, The State University of New York at Stonybrook, and John Jay College of the City University of New York.

Dr. Blumberg's 11 a.m. lecture will be given in Room B-15 of the "round building" while both the 7 and 8:30 p.m. lectures will be given in Room G-132.



Jeanne Morrison performs one of her numbers in her recent piano recital. photo by Grady Anderson

Rich Accepted Into Freshman

Scholar Program

Sherri Lynn Rich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rich of 2675 Heritage Lane in Morrow, has been accepted into the joint-enrollment Freshman Scholar Program at Clayton Junior College and currently is enrolled in Winter Quarter classes at the Morrow institution.

The Freshman Scholar Program is offered by the college in cooperation with

local boards of education. Satisfactorily completion of such courses gives a student a head start in college credit courses while also fulfilling high school requirements.

A student who meets the admission requirements of the program may enroll at the college during the quarter following completion of his/her junior year in high school, or during any subsequent academic quarter.

A senior at Morrow Senior High School, Miss Rich is one of 15 students who currently are enrolled in the Freshman Scholar Program at CJC. All other students in the program were accepted during previous academic quarters.

Area high school students interested in the program should contact their high school counselor or personnel in the Office of Admissions and Records at Clayton Junior College.



photo by Jerry Atkins

ADMIRING CHECKS -- Billy Mitchell (left), President of Trust Company Bank of Clayton County, and Charles S. Conklin, Chairman of the Board for the Jonesboro-based bank, admire checks presented to the Clayton Junior College Foundation recently. Mitchell holds a check from Trust Company Bank for \$650 while Conklin holds a \$500 check given by he and Mrs. Conklin. The contributions will be used by the Foundation to help support its scholarship program. Conklin is a charter member of the Foundation's Board of Trustees and serves as secretary-treasurer for the non-profit organization.

Author To Speak

A recipient of the "National Book Award" in fiction will be featured during an 8:30 p.m. lecture on the Clayton Junior College campus Thursday (Jan. 26) evening.

Author John Barth, currently a professor of English and creative writing at John Hopkins University, will speak in Room G-132, the college's modern lecture hall. Free and open to the public, the program is a part of the college's continuing series on "Literature."

A former teacher at Pennsylvania State University and the State University of New York at Buffalo, Barth is the author of "Giles Goat-Boy," "Chimera," "Lost in the Funhouse," "The Sot-Weed Factor," "The Floating Opera," and "The End of the Road."

How To Pass That Exam

Did you ever feel like you couldn't pass those entrance examinations for college credit courses?

Clayton Junior College is offering a free seminar to help you "ease your mind" about entrance examinations and other questions you might have about going to college.

Scheduled on Tuesday evening, January 24, at 7:30 p.m., this one-night seminar will provide information about the college's selective admissions system. Ms. Judy Nichols, Admissions Counselor in the Office of Admissions and Records, will conduct the class.

Scholastic Aptitude Tests and other entrance requirements of the college will be discussed and explained.

The program will be open to adults who have been out of school for a period of time, or for high school juniors and seniors and their parents who wish for additional information about college requirements.

Complete information about the seminar (plus a second one scheduled on February 21) may be obtained by phoning the Office of Admissions and Records (363-7723).

RECORD REVIEW

Draw the Line

by T. Barry

About four years ago, I had the pleasure of attending my first rock concert. Headlining the show was Mott the Hoople, being backed by the New York Dolls (those infamous kings of what today is labeled "Punk Rock"). Little did I know that a relatively unknown group from Boston named Aerosmith would lead off the show.

Today, some four years and four albums later, Aerosmith has gained the recognition that they truly deserve. Their latest effort, Draw The Line shows that the group has not forgotten how to play real rock and roll.

Maybe even more importantly, Draw The Line spotlights, for the first time, the fine writing and singing of lead guitarist Joe Perry. Perry wrote and sings "Bright Light Fright" on the album, along with co-writing four other songs. Steven Tyler also comes into the spotlight playing piano on "Kings and Queens."

Draw The Line is pretty

much all rockers with no "Dream On" - type cuts. Also, all the songs on the album will be able to be done onstage, that is there aren't any songs that are too high for lead vocalist Steven Tyler to sing. Tyler it is rumored has throat cancer and may be on his last tour.

The real kickers on the album are "Get it up" and "Kings and Queens" with the title track running a close second.

The intensity these guys produce makes one want to grab up his "axe" and join in with every song.

Aerosmith consists of: Steven Tyler (lead vocals), Joe Perry (lead guitar/vocals), Brad Whitford (guitars), Tom Hamilton (Bass) and Joey Kramer (drums/Percussion).

P. S. - In case you haven't heard, Aerosmith's tour was interrupted when they accepted a very honorable offer to appear in a movie.

Movie Review

A Piece Of

The Action

by GiGi Helton

Winter break, a time to catch up on everything you missed during the fall quarter. Movies, concerts, dances and dates fill the 29 days you have as your reward for a quarter well done. My break was no different. I saw many movies of which one was A Piece of the Action starring Bill Cosby, Sidney Poitier and James Earl Jones.

The movie, unlike many made now, had very little violence and no sex in it. There were a few fist fights and one scene with a lady dressed only in a towel but this is hardly even noticeable compared to what is usually on the screen. (Don't let the lack of sex and violence discourage you from going to see the movie, it is very enjoyable.)

The language in A Piece of the Action may offend some. They do use many four letter words but nothing people of

our age and status haven't heard before.

The movie has two stories running parallel. The first is about two con men -- never caught by the law for the crimes they committed -- being conned by an ex-detective who knows they are guilty. Their only punishment is working with underprivileged children. In order to escape further punishment they must get the cooperation of the children and prepare them for the world outside.

The second story or theme is that of teaching children values and skills. In the movie each child has the ability to be someone but each believes the society is stopping them from doing so. But of course, society isn't.

For a little adventure and a touch of To Sir With Love go see A Piece of the Action.

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