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## Annual Business In Review Coming To Clayton State

Business In Review is the annual event that brings together Clayton State students and representatives from over one hundred businesses and agencies. This year's Business In Review is Thursday, April 21 from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the gym. The Office of Job Placement and Cooperative Education has reservations from one hundred twenty-four employers and a waiting list.

Although most employers do not have jobs to offer students at Business In Review, they expect to meet students, answer questions, share information, and clarify future employment prospects. Students can benefit from Business In Review in the following ways:

Learn about careers

Network and make job contacts

Gather information about various employers

Gather information about what majors various employers seek

Ask about specific qualifications a firm is seeking

Ask about co-op, internship, and other experiential learning opportunities

Ask about salary ranges for entry level positions

Ask about geographic areas where jobs are available

Because Business In Review is an excellent opportunity for students to network, they should wear professional attire and have copies of a prepared resume. Students can obtain more information about the companies and agencies that will be attending and learn

### Business In Review Participants As Of March 10

Allan Vigil's Southlake Ford  
Atlanta Dental Resources, Inc.  
Atlanta Felt Co.  
Atlanta Gas Light Co.  
Atlanta Police Dept.  
Atlantic Southeast Airlines  
ATS Staffing  
Averitt Express  
Bank South  
Becker CPA Review  
BellSouth Telecommunications  
Blackwell-Poole & Co.  
Bronner Brothers  
Carl Vinson V.A. Medical Center  
Centers For Disease Control & Prevention  
Central Home Health Care  
Chick-fil-A, Inc.  
Clayton Co. Chamber of Commerce  
Clayton Co. Civil Service Board  
Clayton Co. Computer Center  
Clayton Co. Parks & Recreation  
Clayton Co. Public Schools  
Clayton News/Daily  
Clorox Company  
D.J. Fulton, CPA  
DDS Staffing Resources, Inc.  
DeKalb County Personnel Dept.  
Delta Air Lines  
Dental One Associates  
DFS East  
Directorate of Civilian Personnel  
Duron Paints & Wallcoverings  
Dynamic People  
E. Martinez, CPA  
Eckerd Drug Company  
Edward D. Jones & Co.  
Electrolux Corporation  
Emory University - Div of HR  
Emory University-Info Tech Div  
Emory University-School of Nursing  
Emro Marketing Co.  
Equifax, Inc.

Express Personnel  
Extended Community Home Health  
FAA/ARTC Center  
FootAction USA  
Fruit Of The Loom  
Fulton Co Board of Education  
Georgia Baptist Health Care System  
Georgia Bd. of Pardons & Paroles  
Georgia Department of Human Resources  
Georgia Department of Transportation  
Georgia Occupational Info Coord Com  
Georgia Pacific Corp.  
Georgia State Merit System/Acct.  
Georgia State University College of Law  
Georgia Tech  
Governor's Intern Program  
Grady Memorial Hospital  
Griffin-Spalding County School System  
Grizzard  
Henry County Public Schools  
Henry General Hospital  
Hit or Miss  
Hooters of Underground Atlanta  
Horizons Resources  
Inroads/Atlanta  
Internal Revenue Service  
J.C. Penney Catalog Dist. Center  
Kinnett Dairies, Inc.  
Kinney Shoes  
Lady Footlocker  
Life Of Georgia  
Maristaff Temporary Services  
MARTA  
Mary Kay Cosmetics  
MBNA Marketing Systems, Inc.  
Media Play  
Mercer University  
MET Life  
NEC Technologies, Inc.  
Northwest Airlines  
NPS of Atlanta

Panasonic  
Peace Corps  
Peachtree City Police Dept.  
Primerica Financial Services  
Prudential Insurance Company  
Public Safety Training Institute  
Randstad Staffing Services  
Roadway Package Systems  
Six Flags Over Georgia  
South Fulton Medical Center  
Southern College of Technology  
Southern Regional Medical Center  
SouthTrust Bank of Georgia, N.A.  
Stouffer Concourse Hotel  
Talent Tree Personnel Services  
Tandy Corp./Radio Shack  
TempWorld & TempWorld Accounting  
TransQuick  
TRC Staffing Services  
Trinity Pools  
U.S. Air Force/Health Professions  
U.S. Air Force/Officer Recruitment  
U.S. Army  
U.S. Army Nurse Corps  
U.S. Army/Army Reserves  
U.S. Coast Guard Recruiting  
U.S. Customs Service  
U.S. Dept. of Education  
U.S. Dept. of Labor  
U.S. Federal Highway Administration  
U.S. Marine Corps  
U.S. Naval Officer Programs  
U.S. Naval Reserve  
U.S. Postal Service  
United Parcel Service  
USDA/Farmers Home Administration  
Wachovia Bank  
Waddell & Reed Financial Services  
Waffle House  
Wendy's International  
Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel  
Woodmen of the World

guidelines for getting the most from Business In Review by reading their spring issue of Joblink and coming by the Office of Job Placement and Cooperative Education, D-208.



Students have the opportunity to meet with numerous business representatives during Business In Review.

## Student Government Executive Election April 19-20

Vote for  
**President, Vice President,  
Secretary and Treasurer**

Petitions to run for one of these offices are available in D-217. Deadline for petition submission is April 12. To qualify, you must have a 2.5 cumulative grade point average and be in good social standing.

## VIEWPOINT

## EDITORIAL

## Is This The Time To Grow Up?

by Candi Wyatt  
Staff Writer

Most high school students feel a need to explore life beyond their parent's demand as soon as they graduate. A few others are curious as well but they are a little hesitant about jumping into a new and unknown world. People dream about being a strong individual who knows what he or she wants and goes out there and gets it. Reality strikes when one finds out that things are not that easy. First, you must mentally grow up.

When I came to Clayton State in the fall of 1991, I experienced a whole new but challenging environment. Since I am from Madison, I had to make new friends and get used to a new city. My living arrangements were with strangers on the basketball team and I no longer had my mother to cook my meals each day.

The next most fatal incident occurred when I started receiving cable

and telephone bills. I actually had to keep up with how much money I spent and how much I saved. My roommates at the time never wanted to pay for anything and I would always get stuck with more than my share of responsibilities.

Now that I have spent almost three years going through this routine, I have learned more about meeting new people and making friends. I learned a lot about this county and the surrounding counties as well. Living arrangements with my roommates are 100 percent better and I have gained control over my temper with them. Although I found budgeting to be extremely hard at first, I now understand how to budget for bills and groceries. I prepare my own meals and I even enjoy cooking for others.

I have learned a lot about myself and how to survive as well. We are strong and if we exert our energy in the right directions, we will all grow and prosper from it.

## EDITORIAL

## A Few Opinions On Gay Rights

by Brad Fairchild  
Staff Writer

There are, in some quarters today, those who cringe at the idea of equating the current gay civil rights movement with the civil rights movement of black people in the 1960's. They feel that the comparison is unjust; that the history of black people is such that any indication of a connection to another minority (homosexuals) degrades or insults that history.

To these people, I say: an equating of the two movements may not be fair, may not even be correct, but wrongs inflicted upon any minority should never be dismissed as simply not worthy. The injustices experienced by both blacks and gays are similar in some instances, but significantly different in others. Equating the two movements to each other should not be necessary for a person to realize that every human being is entitled to a degree of respect, regardless of which demographic category they were born into.

And, to those who imply that gays are not in need of equal civil rights because they do not "have it very bad," I say: enlighten yourselves. Take a look at the history that does exist (the little that has not been ignored, altered, or destroyed), and see the truth.

No minority has a franchise on pain. Gays, just as blacks, Jews, women, etc., experience subtle and direct violence in our present society and have, for centuries, been persecuted for something that is as innate and unchangeable as skin color or gender. To this, the critics respond that black people, for instance, cannot hide their true selves from the rest of us and must endure all discrimination that comes their way. Gays, on the other hand, they say, can pretend to be straight when it is convenient for them to do so.

The critics are right on that account. This is precisely why I said that the situations were different. There are advantages to "hiding." But in equal force, there are great disadvantages to the same point. It has to do with support. A black child, when he or she faces discrimination, has a support system to fall back upon. His family, many of his friends, and his church are most likely all black, also. They are able to comfort him and show him his real worth and expose the stupidity of racism.

A child who is gay, however, (and children can be gay - do not deny it if you have not lived it) goes through life feeling alienated and alone. Parents do not tell them it is alright to be gay, friends do not, and the church most certainly does (See GayRights on page 4)

JOB PLACEMENT AND COOPERATIVE EDUCATION  
RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

4/5	United Parcel Service	Cafeteria 8:30 am - 2:30 pm	Loaders/Unloaders \$8.00 hr
4/6	Roadway Package System	Cafeteria 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Package Handlers \$8.00 hr
4/7	Governor's Internship Program	D-208 Sign Up In Advance For Interview	Jr. & Sr. Level 2.5 GPA
4/13	Roadway Package System	Cafeteria 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Package Handlers \$8.00 hr
4/19	United Parcel Service	Cafeteria 8:30 am - 2:30 pm	Loaders/Unloaders \$8.00 hr
4/21	Business In Review 1994 123 Businesses Represented	Gym 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	All Majors

## Letter To The Editors:

## Viewpoint Of One Non-smoker

Dear Editors:

I do not smoke. I have never smoked and probably never will. In fact, I am allergic to smoke.

I do, however, defend the right of smokers to be able to smoke outside of the buildings. The smoke is immediately dispersed into the atmosphere and

does not directly harm the lungs of bystanders. I feel that a total ban on campus smoking would be unreasonable and discriminatory and would serve no useful purpose.

Sincerely,  
Michelle Nicholas

## NEW CSC BOOKSTORE REGULAR OPERATING HOURS

8:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. MONDAY-THURSDAY  
8:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. FRIDAY

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## CAMPUS NEWS

### Cleveland Quartet Simply Immaculate

by G. Alan Murphy, Jr.  
Staff Writer

Immaculate. Nothing more needs to be said, but this piece should be a bit longer so I will elaborate. A mere mortal such as myself does not have much business reviewing such a fine group as the Cleveland Quartet.

They are regarded as *the* premier string quartet in the world and in our time. This group, which consists of William Preucil, Peter Salaff, James Dunham, and Paul Katz, make regular tours in the U.S., Japan, Europe, and Canada. They also perform in a few other places such as London, Rome, Salzburg, Helsinki, South America, the Middle East, Edinburg, Berlin, New York, Paris, Lucern... the list could go on for pages.

They played at Spivey Hall on February 24. If you missed them you should feel rather sore about it. If you do not recognize them by name then you are in the minority.

This season the Quartet is celebrating its 25th anniversary season.

They have made over 50 North American concerts this year and have recently performed in New York at Carnegie Hall and the 92nd Street Y. They tour Europe this month and will make their seventh trip to Japan in May.

Their program on February 24 consisted of Schuberts Quartet in D Minor, D. 810—"Death and the Maiden" and Beethovens Quartet in C-sharp Minor, Op. 131. The audience coaxed the Quartet into some overtime, though.

The Quartet has received seven Grammy Award nominations and "Best of the Year" awards from *Stereo Review* and *Time*.

After performing, at Spivey the Cleveland Quartet went up to New York and celebrated their 25th birthday with a few thousand of their friends—in Carnegie Hall. I listened to them on the radio. The Spivey performance was better.

They were a treat and I hope that they will make a return trip to Spivey Hall; I hope that you will, too.

### Do You Know The STEPS To Success?

by Jenipher R. Klessig  
Co-Editor

Clayton State College offers students a valuable service which will assist them in their post-collegiate years. Statistics show that a college graduate will change jobs an average of five times before they are 30. That is five times that they will have to go through the job search process. They must update, polish, and fine tune their resume, interview with perspective employers, and finally, start over in a position with all of its unwritten codes of conduct and behavior (commonly called corporate culture). It is a stressful situation, but with a bit of guidance, you can decrease your anxiety, and increase your chances of landing "the job".

Clayton State presents a workshop series each winter quarter which offers complete, practical information to help students face situations they will encounter as they enter the job market. The series, «Strategies and Techniques for Employment and Professional Skills» (S.T.E.P.S) gives students practical insight into the ever changing job market. This year's series taught students how to prepare an effective resume, conduct a productive job search, interview with

prospective employers, coordinate a professional image, and also taught them which fork you use first when there are three! Mrs. Joan Leopard, from the Office of Job Placement, says that the S.T.E.P.S. workshops are designed to help graduates from the moment they begin their job search, as they get a job, and beyond.

The finest thing about the workshop series is the fact that all the lectures have been videotaped and are on file in the library. (Ask for the Lyceum Lectures Video Listings 1982-present). They are also, and perhaps more appropriately, on file in the Office of Job Placement. Students can view a particular film, or the entire series, in order to prepare fully for the job search. While they are there, they can also talk to the professionals in the office who are trained to assist them.

Today's society is complex, fast-paced, and ever changing. The competition for jobs is tough, and employers expectations are great. Good grades are not enough to get you a job, you must do your research, and prepare thoroughly to stand out from the flood of applicants who are just as talented as you are. The S.T.E.P.S. workshop video series provides a perfect opportunity for you to polish your resume, your interviewing techniques, and your image.

Tickets for the April 15-16  
Dinner/Theater, *The Mousetrap*,  
are on sale in D-217 now.

### An Open Letter From President Skinner

CLAYTON  
STATE  
COLLEGE

March 10, 1994

Faculty & Staff  
School of Health Sciences  
Clayton State College  
Morrow, GA 30260

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to announce that the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia approved my recommendation that Dr. Linda F. Samson be appointed to the post of Dean of the School of Health Sciences, effective March 9, 1994. This appointment concludes a national search and reflects the recommendation of Dr. McElroy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and my assessment of the needs of the School and the College.

Much is expected and more will be asked of you and Dr. Samson in the years ahead. Reacting and responding to changes will not be sufficient: we must anticipate and prepare for a future in the health professions that is difficult even to envision today. Accordingly, I have asked Dr. McElroy and Dean Samson to undertake an intensive scrutiny of our programs and services in the School during spring quarter and to bring forward specific recommendations as to how we should proceed during the next 3-5 years. You, students, and the larger community will be involved actively and continuously in that analysis, and I urge you to engage in that effort with an eye toward the future.

Finally, I ask that you join me in working with and for Dr. Samson and on behalf of our students to craft a good, nurturing, and professional learning environment, one in which every student has the opportunity to excel. Know with certainty that you and our new Dean have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Richard A. Skinner  
President

cc:College Community

### Clayton Sate Needs Walkers For WalkAmerica

CSC students, faculty and staff have an opportunity to keep one of their New Year's Resolutions. The March of Dimes -South Metro WalkAmerica is set to take place on Saturday, April 23. The walk will begin at the City of Forest Park Pavilion Park at 10:00 a.m. that day.

This year, as in past years, Clayton State will be sponsoring a team. The funds raised from the WalkAmerica effort will benefit the March of Dimes Campaign for Healthier Babies and its programs to prevent birth defects and infant mortality. Georgia has the highest infant mortality rate in the nation, ac-

ording to published reports.

Join together this year to make a significant difference. If you are not able to walk, consider contributing to a team member who can participate in the walk. Everyone in the campus community is invited to participate. Past participants declare that the event is a lot of fun. A picnic is even provided at the finish of the walk.

For more information or to register to be a member of the CSC WalkAmerica team, contact Joan Leopard in the Office of Job Placement (Room D-208) or call her at 961-3518.

### TEACHER EDUCATION INFORMATION SESSIONS

Monday, April 18 Noon-1 PM and 5-6 PM in Room T-112

## CAMPUS NEWS

### Clayton State To Hold Soccer Tryouts

The Clayton State College soccer team needs you!

A tryout for the 1994 men's soccer team will be held on Saturday, April 16, for all interested in playing intercollegiate soccer for the Clayton State Lakers this fall. The tryout starts at 3 p.m. at the CSC soccer field located by the tennis courts.

Clayton State, entering its third season, will be needing to fill several slots on its young team. The Lakers, who compete at the NAIA level, will play a 17-game regular season schedule next fall quarter. The season will open on Sept. 3 at the University of Montevallo in Alabama.

For further information about the tryout, contact Lakers coach Mike Hanic during the evenings at 478-2597.

### RESUME EXPERT AVAILABLE IN BOOKSTORE APRIL 1

In an effort to provide CSC students and alumni with the best possible service and most advanced technology, The Office of Job Placement and Cooperative Education (JPCE) is converting to the RESUME EXPERT System. Through this computerized system, students can create professional style resumes and graduates can register for JPCE referral services.

Beginning April 1, 1994, students can purchase from the CSC Bookstore the Resume Expert Software package for \$24.95. The package includes one Program and Data Diskette and one SpellCheck and Tutorial Diskette. Students can save time and effort by using the package to develop resumes. Because students own the diskettes, they can use them indefinitely to create, up-

date, and edit resumes.

Resume Expert also enables graduating students and alumni to register with the Office of Job Placement and Cooperative Education. When employers request resumes, those that are loaded on the CSC Resume Expert System will be faxed through the system in the most efficient way possible. Resumes in the System can also be included in resume books that are produced for employers.

Until July 1, 1994, registration with the JPCE will be either through the current credentials file OR through Resume Expert. Beginning July 1, graduating students and alumni wishing to register with the Office of Job Placement and Cooperative Education will do so by purchasing and using the Resume Expert software.

### Gay Rights (continued from page 2)

not. The child may or may not know what makes him different. That does not matter. Nothing recognizes his feelings as legitimate. Nothing builds his self-esteem concerning who he is. Many times if a gay male child has some effeminate characteristics, he is taunted and even physically abused by his peers and parents. Later, when the child learns to "hide" (the key word) his identity, it is out of self-defense. And, even then, the anti-gay slurs of those around him, who think him heterosexual, continue to do their damage.

There is not a day I come to this campus that I do not hear at least one homophobic remark from someone. The next time you personally make such a remark, think about who around you it could be hurting. You never know.

Suppose someone has a problem

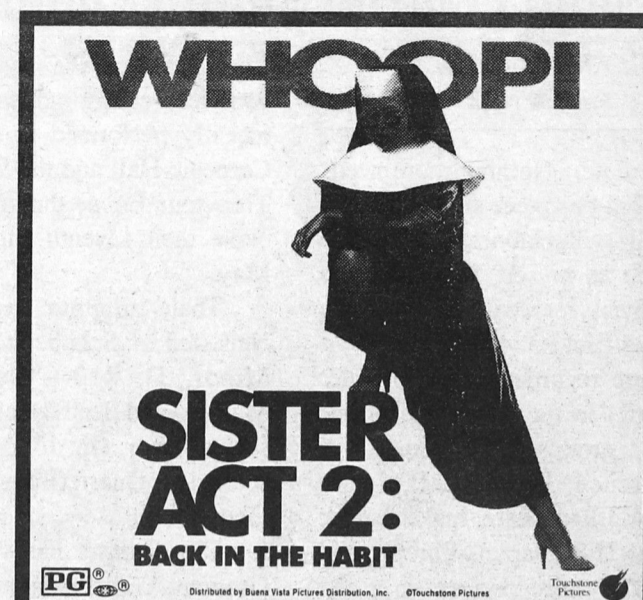
with gays on a moral, religious level. Does that give them the right to disrespect a person? Does God tell them to make that person's life miserable? On the contrary, He tells them to love that person regardless and treat them with dignity.

There is a recent song by a group called Moodswings that contains excerpts from Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have A Dream" speech. I consider that speech to be the most beautiful, powerful, and moving speech ever made. I still get teary when I hear it. The song is played often at gay dance clubs, and the emotion it produces is overwhelming. Dr. King had the right idea. Would it not be great if more people would get the idea, stop worrying about who to hate, and start loving the members of the human race for their similarities as well as for their differences?

### \$\$ Attention: Nursing and Dental Hygiene Students \$\$

If you are currently receiving a Service Cancellable Loan and wish to renew the loan for the next academic year (September 1994 - June 1995), the deadline to apply will be May 1, 1994 or as long as funds are available.

Students not currently receiving the loan and wishing to apply for the loan for the next academic year will be given consideration after May 1, 1994 and as long as funds are available.



April 8 - 1:15, 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. G-132  
7:30 p.m. in the Dining Hall

### Sister Act Is Family Feature For Spring Quarter

*Sister Act II: Back in the Habit*, rated PG, is our family film of the spring quarter. Whoopi Goldberg returns as the "Sassy Sister" in this sequel to the box-office smash of a few years back. The original stars all return for even more fun as Whoopi dons her habit once again to go undercover as an inner-city school's new music teacher.

This unique teacher's lesson plan is one that her undisciplined delinquent students will never forget. She turns these misfits into a "hip-hop choir from heaven." *Sister Act II* will be

screened at 1:15, 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. in room G-132.

The 7:30 p.m. showing will take place in the dining hall following the family night dinner. The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets go on sale on April 4 in Room D-217. You will have a choice of hot dogs or barbecue pork sandwiches. Single platters will be priced at \$2.00 and double platters will cost \$3.00. Each platter will include chips, cookies and a beverage. At this price you can afford to bring the family (and the neighbors, too).

### Atheist Student Wants To Form Student Group

by Zachary A. McCarley  
Staff Writer

Charles Huff has a boat to rock. Mr. Huff is an outspoken CSC student who has some ideas that may be considered controversial. In speaking with this atheist, it became apparent that he thinks Christian beliefs have a negative effect on society in general. He stated that beliefs in "mythological super beings" distract from true science and progress. He also stated that Christianity takes away from an education based on "real" knowledge.

Mr. Huff believes that the atheists of Clayton State need a medium through which they can discuss how atheism affects their day to day life in a predominately Christian society. Mr Huff would like to create a support group, or club, in which members would discuss, in open forums, the philosophies of existence based on scientific fact and evolution as opposed to Biblical beliefs. Mr. Huff plans on creating such a club. The Nietzsche Society is the name that Mr.

Huff and some of his atheist friends have come up with for this proposed club. This name is taken from the famous philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche who believed in the atheistic viewpoint. These students plan on going through all of the normal channels to create a club in order to get The Nietzsche Society started.

Although Mr. Huff already has enough members to get this club started, he is of course looking for as many members as he can find. Mr. Huff says that this organization is designed to give support to all of the atheists in this school. Anybody interested can contact him either around campus, or if one has E-mail access, one can write Mr. Huff at the America Online address Nietzsche. Those who would like to voice opinions about this proposed club can put mail in the *Bent Tree* mail box in D-217.

Additional Hours For Learning  
Support Center  
Saturday 10 AM - 3 PM