



The Bent Tree

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Skinner Inaugurated!!!

by Amy Hayes
Staff Writer/Cartoonist

You've heard of building a better mousetrap, right? What about a better college? Sounds a little too difficult for some. But not for Richard A. Skinner. On Thursday, September 29, Dr. Skinner was inaugurated as the second president of Clayton State College, and took upon himself the task of creating a finer institution of education.

The inauguration of President Skinner was truly a celebration! It all began with a sudden splash of brass as the Atlanta Brassworks trumpeted the introductory fanfare and processional. The piece, *Silver Jubilee*, was written especially for the occasion by Dr. H. Brent Weaver, an assistant professor of music here at CSC.

As the Procession of Scholars began, silver was not the only color presented. Brilliant hues paraded in on the hoods of the gowns worn by the faculty of CSC and on the four banners representing the four groups of the Procession, the burgundy banner was for the faculty and administrators, the green banner honored the delegates from other institutions, and the crested

cream banner represented the presidential platform party and the plain cream banner represented the students. In the midst of this rainbow, the academic mace made an elegant entrance in the hands of Dr. Billy R. Nail, Professor of Mathematics and bearer of the mace as the college's senior faculty member. Professor Nail, who was also the Grand Marshal of the Procession, welcomed the guests and gave the introductory remarks.

It was then time for the introduction of the new president by Dr. Elliott W. McElroy, Vice President of Academic Affairs. Dr. McElroy gave many interesting insights into the four attributes he felt were important for a president to possess. These attributes included long-range strategic planning, emphasis on delegation of responsibilities, outcome-based education plans, and outstanding communication abilities. Dr. McElroy felt that Dr. Skinner had certainly lived up to these standards and was well on his way to making a positive impact on CSC. As the introduction came to a close, the Spivey Hall Children's Choir, under the direction of Martha McCrickard,

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Special Photo/Natalie Hynson

While (L-R) Dr. Billy Nail, Mr. Suleman Hooda, Mr. Art Roger, and Dr. Elliott McElroy look on, Dr. Stephen Portch, Chancellor of the University System, places the medallion of office on CSC President Richard Skinner.

A Celebration Like None Other...

by G. Alan Murphy, Jr.
Editor-Elect

Every week should be like this, I thought to myself as I wandered through the assortment of stalls and activities. After the official beginning of the Southern Crescent Celebration, the inauguration of President Richard Skinner, Ph.D., nothing slowed its pace.

By the end of classes Friday no one could have possibly been disappointed with anything. Dr. Fisher was more than willing to let his Chem 151 class out just a little early so that they could get a chance to dunk VP McElroy. At last report, McElroy is still underwater and Dr. Fisher is nowhere to be found.

But on a more serious note... heck, there were not any serious event going on... no matter what your tastes are, either in food, fun or entertainment, you were no doubt very pleased with the festivities.

When I arrived on Saturday the

Army Dixieland Band was in full swing. Booths were everywhere, entertainers were everywhere, clowns were everywhere. You could roll things around or knock things down (even the President himself).

Business exhibits were set up in the cafeteria, if you either wanted a new paint job from Sherwin Williams or a custom exhibit from Murphy and Orr Exhibits. While you were down in the cafeteria you probably purchased a whole lobster for under \$4.

You could do origami! You could save the whales! You could even slip behind the wheel of a brand new 1995 Ford Mustang from Southlake Ford. You could dance to the Sea Island Singers or to traditional Native American music. You could even have gotten insulted by a robot (which I did).

Everything contributed to the absolutely best time I have ever had on this campus outside of Spivey Hall. I sincerely wish that this would happen every week.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION

OCTOBER 17-18

ALL REPRESENTATIVE POSITIONS TO BE VOTED ON
GET OUT AND VOTE!

The Bent Tree is currently looking to fill the following positions:

Soccer writer, staff writer, poet, photographers, lyricists, audiophiles, videophiles, cinemaphiles, basketball writer, humorists, satirists, and generally anything else you may like to do. It's your paper. Go by the *Bent Tree* office or D-223 during normal business hours to get involved. You may also call 961-3741 (the *Bent Tree* office) or 961-3510 (Student Activities).

Ask for Alan Murphy, Rob Taylor, or *The Bent Tree* itself.--Editor

CAMPUS NEWS & VIEWPOINTS

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performed *Simple Gifts* by Aaron Copeland. The floating voices reminded everyone of the gifts Dr. McElroy said were being received by Clayton State through President Skinner.

Mr. Suleman Hooda, President of the Student Government Association, then took the podium to greet the students. It was an exciting look at the incredible changes and the beautiful gift Dr. Skinner had already brought to the students - his spirit. Mr. Art Rogers, President of the Clayton State Alumni Association, next greeted all alumni and was followed by Dr. Nail who greeted the faculty and foundation. As the finishing touches to the challenges expressed in each greeting, the Children's Choir sang *Think on These Things* which was directed and composed for the occasion by Dr. Robert A. Harris. The piece was commissioned for the inauguration.

The inaugural address was presented by Dr. Larry A. Jackson, President Emeritus of Lander University. President Jackson had known Dr. Skinner for a number of years. Prior to coming to CSC, Dr. Skinner was Vice President of Academic Affairs at Lander. Dr. Jackson made several remarks about Dr. Skinner's ability to create an exciting and community-centered environment at Clayton State. Dr. Jackson said, "I like what Clayton State College is, but I like what it will become even more."

Following Dr. Jackson's words, the long awaited moment was finally at hand! The presidential medallion was presented by Dr. Stephen R. Portch, Chancellor of the University System of Georgia. After having expressed his faith in Dr. Skinner's ability, Chancellor Portch placed the prestigious medal around Dr. Skinner's neck. It was a proud moment for everyone. Dr. Skinner then took the podium to accept his new office. What followed a very emotional expression of gratitude to his wife and children, was a message of hope, purpose, and vision that every student at CSC can benefit from.

President Skinner painted the guests a portrait of words that sang progress. He mentioned the creation of a "new college". He does not mean that there are to be new buildings, of course... the concept of a "new college" runs far deeper than mere physical additions. President Skinner envisions a place of transformation,

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communication, and artistic enlightenment. He expressed that he wanted to "build a better bridge between surrounding high schools, transform teacher/student relationships, and find original ways of doing things."

He spoke of craftsmanship and how his wish for this institution was to create a labor of love-- much like a handmade quilt. Dr. Skinner explained that quilts were pieces of art and reflected the "unique gifts and mistakes of the crafter." He challenged himself, the students, and the faculty to help make CSC a better place... to be the crafters of a beautiful work--such as a quilt--that can only be created by love, time, and many hands. Just as a quilt can warm the body, President Skinner said that he would pledge love and emotion to the students so that their spirits could be warmed.

He went on to explain that the old threads of Clayton State's ties to the community will still be a part of this new quilt. Yet, the new surface will be streaked with many colors, representing a kaleidoscope of cultures. Of course, he admitted that the quilt will eventually "wear out and need to be replaced", but if it was made with care, the main fabric would survive to be passed on to other hands.

As the new president ended his speech, the Clayton State College Concert Choir, conducted by Dr. Eugene Pierce, performed *The Last Words of David* by Randall Thompson. The recession followed with a final whirlwind of brass as the Atlanta Brassworks performed, *Susato La Mourisque* by Samuel Scheidte. The entire ceremony was inspiring and ever important to the future of Clayton State College.

Would it be that Dr. Skinner's plans for a better college will prosper and fill any void which tries to separate what can be from what will be. Yes, may they become one and the same. For the ceremony left many with thoughts as to what has already happened since Richard Skinner has stepped on to the campus. As Florence Weston of the Dean's Team replied, "People can go to other colleges, but Clayton State is going somewhere." Well, Florence, with capable Dr. Skinner in the lead, we can be assured of that.

JOB PLACEMENT AND COOPERATIVE EDUCATION RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER

10-18 Roadway Package System & 10-19	Cafeteria (10/18) C-Lobby (10/19) 9:00 am - 2:30 pm	Package Handlers Tuition Assistance
10-20 Part-Time Job Fair	Cafeteria 9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Various Companies Various Jobs

OPINION: Give Them What They Want

by Zamzam Syed
Staff Writer

An old saying states that "there is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us that it hardly becomes any of us to talk about the rest of us." Yet this is what we love to do. As a people, we love tantalizing details of others' misfortune. The other half's dirty laundry serves the voyeuristic fetishes of the masses. From Amy Fisher to O.J. Simpson, sex and violence seem to be the most sought after characteristics in an explosive news story.

Clearly, we have determined that lust and murder, or better yet lustful murder seem to be the highest rated sellers on the media market. Now, the question of morality and ethics comes in. If we assume that the media is a service industry just like all other industries, it should produce material craved for by the masses. Clearly, the film industry makes motion pictures about topics people want to know about. Television networks produce shows people want to watch. The news papers and news shows ought to publish and broadcast material that the public wants.

There is of course a slight difference between these industries. The media provides a service to the public. Its purpose is to keep the people informed about issues that pertain to their lives. One may contend that its purpose is a little beyond mere entertainment. In a democratic society, people need to be informed of political issues and occurrences so they may make intelligent decisions when and if they vote. Yet this is quiet difficult when the evening news mostly covers sensationalized court cases.

So we return once again to the question of morality. Is it ethically correct for journalists to use their power of the pen to merely flash attention garbing stories instead of imperative issues? This question leads to the basic rule of supply and demand. Until the American public stops

demanding highly sensational, and predominantly entertaining material on the news, that is what the media will churn out. Being an economic institution within a capitalistic society, the media cannot afford to put forth material unasked-for by the public.

The second issue pertaining to the ethics of the media involves the issue of privacy. Given that in an economic system such as ours, the media has a right to publish or broadcast material that sells; does it also have a right to infringe on another's privacy? The issue is a difficult one because it is hard to determine where freedom of the press begins to conflict with the right to privacy. The public's insatiable appetite for the intimate details of other people's lives has given rise to tabloid journalism. The sort of media that involves "anything goes" tactics often threatens privacy and insults the intelligence of readers.

Another issue, and one clearly illustrated by the O. J. Simpson case, is that of trial by the media. It would be quite impossible to find an impartial jury in the entire nation, let alone in the state of California where the trial is taking place and the coverage is absolute. In this sort of situation, the line between what people have a right to know and what needs to be kept under wraps for the trial to be fair becomes very hazy. Inevitably this leads to a jury that comes to the court room with preconceived notions about the case and the possible verdict.

So once again we return to the public's want or need to know certain things, and the media's willingness to provide them. It is fruitless to blame the media for sensationalism and tabloid journalism. Because of the media's willingness to provide a service to the public, it can only produce what is asked for by the majority of its clients. And until the great majority of the American population stops demanding a daily dose of "sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll" from the evening news, that is exactly what they will get.

PEOPLE

HELD HOSTAGE: A CSC Student Tells Her Real Life Story...

by Zamzam Syed
Staff Writer

During the Summer of 1994, I was to visit my family in Pakistan, after an eight year absence. My feelings were of excitement and apprehension. I was going to see people who were part of my family, yet in a place that was virtually alien to me by now. Encompassed in these thoughts, I knew little of what lay ahead. I had no idea this would be one of the most earth-shattering Summers of my life, which would leave me transformed forever.

After a grueling journey I reached my destination. I spent over a month there, discovering things about my family and my heritage I never knew. However, it was toward the end of my stay that I experienced the event that would change my life.

It was August 8, only a few days before I was to return to the United States. My mother had been packing upstairs in my grandfather's two story house. My two sisters and I were downstairs, along with my grandparents. At 1:00 P.M., two armed men entered the house, along with them was our gardener. His arms were tied behind his back and there was a gun pointed at his forehead.

The men made no demands at first. They went on to beat the gardener, paying little attention to us. Finally they blindfolded the gardener and threw him on the floor, assuring us that they would eventually shoot him.

My feelings at this time were beyond words. I watched something unfold in front of my eyes, and all I could think was there are men with guns in my house. This message repeated itself in my with unyielding monotony

until it finally hit me. These men could kill me. With one pull of the trigger, even if it was just a nervous reaction, death was final.

Once they were satisfied with their treatment of the bound man, they turned towards us. First came the demands. They wanted gold, cash, and silence. Now rationality started to creep back, into the whirlwind of confusion that was my brain. All other feelings gave way to silent fear and a will to survive.

Everyone present in the room had witnessed the brutal beating of the gardener. No one would question the authority of the armed men. They had power, the ultimate power, over all of us. After interrogating my grandmother and ridding her of most of her money, one of the armed men came towards me. "How much money do you have, you got cash? Gold?" He asked without pauses or even exclamations. He had no need to demonstrate his authority by force, but he hit me with the back end of the pistol, just to show who was in charge. I knew very well that he was. Without giving me time to answer or react he threw another question. "Do you live here, do you have gold?" I said I had no gold, but I had dollars. He seemed satisfied with that answer and motioned me to lead him to the cash.

My mother was in a room upstairs. The man put the gun in my back as I began to walk towards the stairs. The stairs were empty, stark red and seemed to go on forever. One part of my brain kept telling me that I would come out of this alive. Another kept reminding me that this may be the last time I climbed these stairs.

When we reached the top, and entered the room, my mother was still in the room packing. She had no idea of what was going on downstairs.

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Chess Tournament Scheduled To Start This Month

Clayton State will be having a Fall 1994 Chess Tournament open to CSC students only. Admission will be FREE! The event will be sponsored by General Entertainment. First place will receive a small trophy and second place will receive a smaller trophy. If you are interested, there will be a meeting on Monday October 17, at 12:30 p.m. in Room D-209. Information about the tournament and the formation of a

Chess Club will be presented at this meeting.

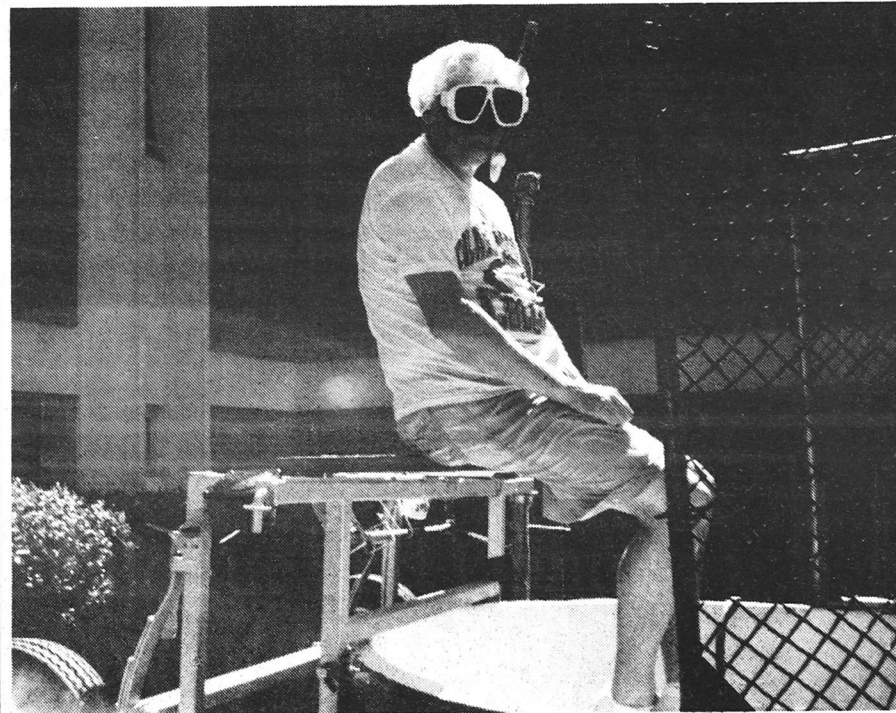
The tournament will be single elimination. Students will have one week to play their opponents and rooms will be available. The first round of the tournament will be the 17th-22nd of October and each additional round will be the successive week.

For further information on the tournament and the Chess Club, contact Ed Burdekin at 471-5437.



Special Photo/Natalie Hynson

One agile CSC student decided to try to "slam it" during the 25th Anniversary party on September 30.



Special Photo/Natalie Hynson

Rob Taylor, awaits another dip in the drink during the dunking booth activity at the 25th Anniversary Party. He was wise enough to fill the tank with warm water earlier that morning.

Peer Study Groups Now Forming

NURSING
PHYSICS
SOCIOLOGY
CHEMISTRY
BIOLOGY
MATH
POLITICAL SCIENCE
ENGLISH
DATA PROCESSING

Contact Deborah Greer in Student Services
Room D-223 or Call 961-3510

SGA PROFILES



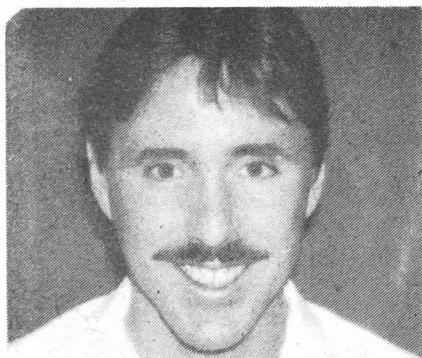
Chris Burns
Candidate for Night Student Representative

Background: 20 years experience in planning, coordinating and facilitating strategic global military operations.

Major: Dental Hygiene

Goals:

1. To take a common sense approach to situations that affect the student body at CSC.
2. To assist CSC in services, program, and activities that enhance the quality of learning and living for students.



Chris Carlson
Candidate for School of Health Sciences Representative

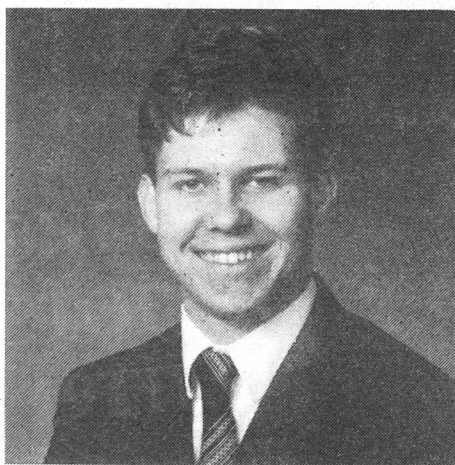
I am running for the position of student representative of the School of

Health Sciences.

In my third year here at CSC, I am continuing my second year as a nursing student in the ADN program, and have gained experience having already served one year as the SGA rep. for Health Sciences.

With the various new changes and growth occurring here at CSC, I find that it is an exciting time to be involved in the activities and continuing development of CSC, and the SGA. I believe that I am able to benefit the students in Health Sciences because of my communication skills and previous leadership experience.

Aside from school, I work part-time as a nurse's aid at the Dogwood Health and Rehab Center, and I look forward to ultimately achieving a career in psychiatric and substance abuse nursing. My favorite hobbies include camping and canoeing, and especially anything to do with eating fiery hot peppers and exploring any related spicy hot cuisine. I hope you will support me at the elections next week.



David C. Gilliland
Candidate for Student Body At Large Representative

I am a third year student here at Clayton State College. I have received my Associate of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice.

I decided to stay at Clayton State and complete my BBA in Accounting in aspiration of going to law school.

I involve myself in many student clubs and organizations including the Baptist Student Union, Campus Crusade, MAGIC orientation team and currently volunteering with Student Government.

My ideas for change will make Clayton State a campus for students and a place of new and exciting things.

There are three goals I hope to accomplish as a member of Clayton State Student Government. First, a student lounge where students can relax and enjoy being together. Second, encourage more students to come out and support our great athletic sports. Last, but not least, recruit more students to select Clayton State College as their choice for furthering their education.

I have found my two years here at Clayton State enjoyable and look forward to the upcoming years. My conviction is to make the voice of the student body heard and with your help make way for the future of Clayton State students to be an exciting and challenging adventure.



Michelle Di Maio
Candidate for School of Arts and Sciences Representative

My name is Michelle Di Maio, I am 21 years old, and I am a sophomore here

at CSC. I have been involved with the SGA ever since I began attending CSC in the Winter of 1993.

Last Fall I was elected Secretary of the SGA and within the year I was appointed President.

I am a Political Science major and I am running for Representative of the School of Arts and Sciences.

I am involved in the SGA because I believe that students need to take an active role in the way that their college or university is run. As students, we invest a lot of time and money into this institution and I feel that the decisions made and the money spent should reflect student wants and needs.

If elected, I would represent the School of Arts and Sciences to the best of my ability.



Melissa Smith
Candidate for School of Technology Representative

As I have wandered down the halls of CSC for the past year, I have encountered many fellow technology students. In doing so, I came to the realization that most of these students need additional guidance in arriving at a final decision of what school they want to transfer to and what credits or courses they will need in order to transfer to that particular school.

My name is Melissa Smith and I am a Chemical Engineering major. I will eventually try to transfer to Georgia Tech to finish up my degree. I am presently an assistant Sunday School teacher for the teenage class at my local church. I am a part of the Mentor program in Coweta County and take part in numerous United Way fundraisers.

Do You Want An ID? ...An Electronic ID?

In a combined effort, the office of Information Systems and Telecommunications is pleased to announce that as of October 10, 1994 students of Clayton State College were able to obtain a Network ID giving them access to Pegasus electronic mail and Telnet.

Students wanting their own personal Network ID can initiate the procedure in computer labs L-124, L-140, T-220, or T-222 using the login

GETID. There is no password assigned to this login. Several instructional sheets are available in the labs and should be referred to before asking the lab assistant for help or reporting any trouble to Cheryl Garvin or Abate Zewide.

The instructional sheets include: **Student IDs For Electronic Mail and Telnet** (explains how to obtain a personal Network Student ID).

Student ID Login Procedure (explains how to login to the network using a personal Network Student ID).

Pegasus Electronic Mail Manual (explains how to use Pegasus e-mail).

Telnet (explains what TelNet is and how to use it).

Telnet IP Addresses (a list of some IP addresses).

Welcome to the information superhighway!

Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the next issue of *The Bent Tree* is Noon on Monday, October 17.

SGA PROFILES



Clayton A. Vaughn
Candidate for School of
Technology Representative

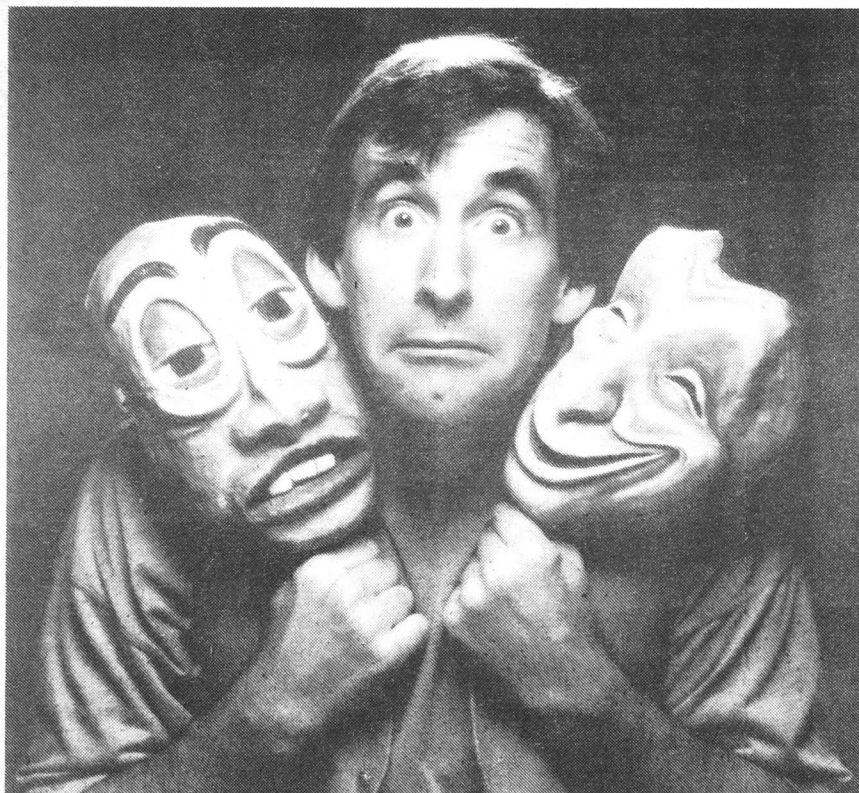
I came to CSC not only for a degree, but to become involved with college as much as possible. Being a Telecommunications major requires that I be involved with my profession as well as with hundreds of people. This is why I want to represent the School of Technology. Not only would I work

with and be a voice of the students, but I would also be developing the skills necessary for my profession.

As far as an individual, I enjoy many recreational and outdoor activities. Basketball, however, is my passion. I always wish I could be on a court. I also enjoy tennis, attempting racquetball, rappelling, rafting, and rock climbing. Hobbies include "learning" the guitar, working with car audio, and collecting computer based music.

Another passion of mine is travel. This is why I chose Telecommunications as a major. I simply married my interest in computers and travelling. My lifetime goal is to travel to new countries doing what I love best--my job.

Here at CSC, I want to become involved with the students as much as possible. My main goal is to assist the ongoing effort to improve student life as well as this college. I hope this includes being a representative of the School of Technology.



Doug Berky, a mime from Furman University will present a program entitled "Foolosophies" on October 17 at 11:30 a.m. in G-132.

What "TLC" Really Means At CSC

The Learning Center has had a name change. However, it's still located on the lower level of the Library building, and it's now offering somewhat expanded services.

If you were here in other quarters, you're probably used to calling us The Learning Support Center. However, since the Department of Learning Support (formerly Developmental Studies) is in the same building, our name was changed to reduce confusion. We like

the new acronym: TLC.

The Center offers alternative learning experiences using audio/video/computer instructional programs. Professionals are available to discuss academic needs and to offer guidance as to which programs may be useful to accomplish your objectives.

You can do something as specific as getting a supplementary presentation on multiplying polynomials or making verbs agree with their subjects, but you could

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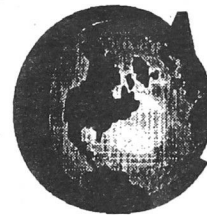
Diahan Ward
Candidate for Student Body At
Large Representative

It is a great time to be a student here at Clayton State College. Not only are we celebrating 25 years of excellence, but we have welcomed a new president. Over the next generation, CSC will grow and accomplish amazing tasks. On October 17 and 18, the SGA will hold its elections for student representatives. My name is Diahan Ward and I would like to represent the student body during this time of change.

The SGA is not new to me. In the

winter quarter of 1994, I was appointed to the position of Night Representative. Since that time, I have gained a lot of insight about the purpose of SGA, which is to serve the student body. Now more than ever this is important because of the many changes occurring on campus. As a Student Body At Large representative, I plan to be a strong voice for the students. In the past, students have been uninformed about important events on campus. I plan to push for better communication, so that students have the chance to participate in all aspects of this college.

On October 17 and 18, I encourage you to vote. Get involved in the changes that are occurring. Vote for Diahan Ward, and have a voice on campus.



CIRCLES

A Multicultural Awareness Program

KICK-OFF

JOIN OUR CELEBRATION

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER
19TH
12:00 - 1:00

PM

Refreshments



DINING HALL

JAZZ SET

ALL FACULTY, STAFF & STUDENTS WELCOME

* Circles information and interest forms will be available *

also learn Spanish or do a complete course in Human Growth and Development or Physics.

Treat yourself with some academic TLC and come by The Learning Center to see what you can do. Professional staff are available during operational

hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

(We are open on Saturdays only during the academic quarters. The Learning Center is closed if the Library is closed).

SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Lakers Boast Better Record Than Last Season...

by G. Alan Murphy, Jr.
Editor-Elect

The Clayton State College Soccer Team, the Lakers, have already accumulated more wins than last year. The crucial fifth win occurred Wednesday at LaGrange with a 3-0 score.

Friday versus a tough Brewton-Parker team, the Lakers fell for only the fourth time this year.

Their record, as of after Friday's game is 5-4-2.

Jeremy Yorgason, the Laker goalkeeper, continues to mystify opponents with his seemingly innate skills being that he is a rookie goalkeeper.

"THE FUNNIEST MOVIE OF THE YEAR!"

- Rod Lurie, LOS ANGELES MAGAZINE

BILLY CRYSTAL

DANIEL STERN

JON LOVITZ

JACK PALANCE

CITY SLICKERS II

"THE LEGEND OF CURLY'S GOLD"

CASTLE ROCK ENTERTAINMENT and COLUMBIA PICTURES present a FACE PRODUCTIONS BILLY CRYSTAL DANIEL STERN JON LOVITZ JACK PALANCE "CITY SLICKERS II: THE LEGEND OF CURLY'S GOLD" PAMELA WITTE MUSIC BY LAWRELL GARY & DANIEL MAMDEL PRODUCTION DESIGNER WILLIAM ANDERSON A.C.E. COSTUME DESIGNER J. LINDENBERG EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS PETER SCHUBERT BILLY CRYSTAL & DANIEL GARY & DANIEL MAMDEL BILLY CRYSTAL PAUL WELAN PRODUCED BY PETER SCHUBERT

Next Friday-Oct. 21

City Slickers II Slides Into G-132 Next Friday

City Slickers II brings Billy Crystal back to the big screen in a reprise of one of his most popular roles. Subtitled "The Legend of Curly's Gold," the story takes Crystal, Daniel Stern (*Home Alone*), and John Lovitz (*SNL*) to the Wild West in search of a lost treasure hidden by deceased trail boss Curly. Crusty western icon Jack Palance returns as Curly's twin brother Duke and even Norman the calf returns (as Norman the cow).

Earlier this year the critics wrote that *City Slickers II* was, "The funniest movie of the year," and "The comedy hit of the year." Come to G-132 at 12:30, 6:30, 8:35 and 10:40 p.m. to see for yourself. A kiddie film will be shown with this "PG-13" film. The kiddie film will be screened in G-127 at 6:30 and 8:35 p.m.

CLAYTON STATE COLLEGE

1994 Men's Soccer Schedule (remaining games)

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Oct. 15	Oglethorpe University	Atlanta, Ga.	2 p.m.
Oct. 22	USC-Aiken	Morrow, Ga.	2 p.m.
Oct. 26	Thomas College	Morrow, Ga.	4 p.m.
Oct. 29	Central Wesleyan College	Central, S.C.	3 p.m.
Nov. 2-5	Georgia Athletic Conference Playoffs	TBA	TBA

Home games in bold

HEAD COACH - Mike Hanie (Berry College)
1993 Record - 4-13

TRAINER - John Zubal

**Ready For
A Workout?
Stop By The Clayton
State Weight Room/
Fitness Center
Monday Through
Friday. Your Vali-
dated CSC Photo ID
Admits You At No
Additional Cost.**

Dialogue and Donuts With The Dean

Stop by the C-Lobby to chat with the Dean of Students, Robert Bolander.

October 17-18

8:45-10:15 a.m.

and 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Bring you comments, concerns, questions, compliments, and complaints to one of these sessions.

FESTIVAL FRIDAYS

Each Friday From October 15

Though November 11

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

In the Dining Hall

BACK BY

POPULAR DEMAND

MUSIC, FUN, FOOD

SOMETHING DIFFERENT EACH WEEK

ENTERTAINMENT

Greenville Symphony Orchestra Ushers In Next Twenty-Five Years

by G. Alan Murphy, Jr.
Editor-Elect

The culmination of the entire Southern Crescent Celebration occurred on Saturday night, October 1, before a black-tie audience at Spivey Hall.

The Greenville Symphony Chamber Orchestra performed a concert consisting

of selections by Pachelbel and Mozart. They were joined by organist Richard Morris for Poulenc's *Concerto in G Minor*.

Sherryl Nelson, the Director of Spivey Hall, welcomed the newly approaching 25 years of CSC and welcomed Dr. Skinner.

Dr. Skinner expressed his gratitude,

and that of his family, toward the faculty, staff, and students of CSC.

When all the greetings and predictions for the future were finished the Greenville Symphony and guest soloist, Richard Morris, the resident organist of Spivey Hall, embarked on a journey to discover exactly how wonderful a chamber ensemble can

sound inside Spivey Hall.

Sounds were produced that night that I can honestly say I have never heard before, especially from the violins.

Everyone looked absolutely noble in their formal attire. It was an extra-special evening for the President, the faculty, staff members, guests, Spivey Hall, and especially the students of CSC.

Spivey Hall Enchanting To New Clayton State Student

Aimee Ford
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Thomas Carlyle once said, "Music is... the speech of angels." How true those words were in Spivey Hall at the performance of organist, Diane Bish, and harpist, Susann McDonald on September 25th.

The Sunday afternoon Lyceum performance was their second and final performance of the weekend and it was truly mesmerizing to a college student who had never before attended a classical music concert.

As a freshman, completely new to campus life and college in general, attending the concert was quite a unique experience for me. Upon walking into

beautiful Spivey Hall, however, I felt much like an anxiously awaited guest rather than a stranger. I was given my tickets with a smile and shown to my seat by a friendly guide.

After a moment of quiet conversation with the friend attending the concert with me, the lights dimmed and the entire atmosphere seemed to transform before my eyes. The audience became silent and Diane Bish began her performance.

Ms. Bish began with "Prelude and Fugue in G minor" and I was immediately fascinated by her graceful command of the famous Albert Schweitzer Memorial organ. I instantly understood why Spivey Hall is known to be one of the world's finest recital halls.

After two more masterpieces played by Ms. Bish, the stage was given to world-famous harpist, Susann McDonald. As McDonald played the first few notes of Gabriel Pierre's "Impromptu-Caprice", I could not help but wonder how I could have missed out on such beautiful music. The harp definitely lives up to its reputation as the "instrument of angels."

Following both artists' performance came my favorite portion of the concert: the two artists performed together. The delicate nature of the harp alongside the powerful strength of the organ was an unbeatable combination. I have never heard anything quite so incredible! The two instruments played together in absolute and perfect harmony.

After a brief intermission, these two talented ladies took the stage once more for another solo performance by each musician as well as for the last two pieces which they played together. The concert closed with two religious works entitled "Ave Maria" and "Ten Thousand Harps and Voices."

As I left Spivey Hall that Sunday afternoon, I realized that I could not possibly write a critique of the concert with so little background as I have in classical music. Instead, the only thing that I can do is to encourage each and every one of you reading this article to go and experience Spivey Hall for yourself. No words from me could ever do it justice.

good as Henderson himself.

Mraz filled Spivey Hall with sounds that I had never before imagined could, or would ever be, produced by a string bass. His expertise was staggering.

Foster played the trap set like a snake swims on water. Fluid. Foster's effortless playing caught the eye of everyone in the Hall.

The performance consisted of a few standards but mostly Henderson played his own selections. His tone is perfect. He can play up and down the entire spectrum of emotions and lull you into a state that may make you forget the brilliant lines underneath.

Spivey Hall was fortunate to have Joe Henderson and his Trio perform and I was very, very fortunate to have heard him do it.

Jazz Giant Played Spivey Hall Last Month

by G. Alan Murphy, Jr.
Editor-Elect

His name is Joe Henderson and if you missed his performance then you missed one hell of a good time. With Henderson on Friday night, September 30, was bassist, George Mraz and drummer, Al Foster.

Henderson is a Jazz legend. He is a wonderful performer and has the awards to prove it. Last year he won his unprecedented second Down Beat 'Triple Crown Award' an honor that encompasses the individual awards of *Jazz Artist of the Year*, *Jazz Album of the Year*, and *#1 Tenor Saxophonist of the Year*.

Henderson's trio partners—George Mraz and Al Foster—were every bit as

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Attention All Veterans!!!

The Georgia Department of Labor had received approval of a \$525,000 grant for our Georgia veterans. We need your assistance to make it successful. Title IV-C is an on-the-job and classroom training program.

We urge you to contact your Local Veterans Representative Monday and Tuesday from 1:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. in D-208 for additional information and assistance.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wellness Fair**Thursday, October 13, 1994****ORGANIZATIONS CONFIRMED AS OF 10/7/94**

(Tables will be set up in the lobby of the C-Building from 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)

Alcoholics Anonymous
 American Cancer Society
 American Lung Association
 American Red Cross
 Anchor Hospital
 Arthritis Foundation
 Association on Battered Women of Clayton County
 Atlanta Women's Medical Center
 Gloria Barron - Personal Trainer and Fitness Counselor
 Clayton County Cooperative Extension Service
 Crescent Pines Hospital
 CSC Counseling and Career Planning Office
 CSC Department of Public Safety
 CSC Nursing Department
 Decatur Hospital
 Elysium House of Clayton County
 Denise Gremillion - Health and Dental Insurance
 Georgia Walkers
 MADD - Mothers Against Drunk Driving
 Mental Health Association of Clayton County
 Naturally Good Nutrition
 P-FLAG Atlanta (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)
 Gayle Sapp - Speed Walker and Aerobics Instructor
 Sickle Cell Foundation
 South Atlanta Support Group (Persons living with AIDS)
 South Fulton Medical Center
 Southern Regional Medical Center
 Southlake Athletic Club
 Walk For AID Atlanta

FREE SCREENINGS

- Blood Pressure (CSC Nursing Department/Red Cross)
- Hearing (CSC Nursing Department/ Red Cross)
- Sickle Cell (Sickle Cell Foundation)
- Vision Titmus (CSC Nursing Department/Red Cross)
- Depression and Stress - Self-screenings (Crescent Pines Hospital)
- Depression, Panic/Anxiety and Substance Abuse - Self Screenings (Anchor Hospital)

This program was developed by the Clayton State College Office of Counseling and Career Planning and funded by the students of CSC through their Lyceum Committee

Win A Big Meal!!!

How many individual students (an unduplicated headcount) do you think The Learning Center has served since it opened in January, 1989?

Is this a contest? You bet!! When you come by the Center during the month of October, pick up a form at the front desk and write down your guess.

We're counting from January, 1989, through August, 1994. Remember, we're not counting total numbers for all quarters. We're counting individuals... regardless of the number of quarters

they have used our services over the years.

The prize for the person guessing the accurate number or nearest to it will be a gift certificate to the Steak and Ale.

How could you pass that up? Enter your guess today. Enter several guesses. Somebody has to win, so why not you?

The contest is open to students, faculty, and staff, exclusive of TLC staff. We'll announce the winner in a November issue of *The Bent Tree*, but we'll also contact you by phone to come and pick up your gift certificate!

Fourth Annual Job Fair to be Held

On October 20, 1994, the Office of Placement and Cooperative Education will host CSC's fourth annual Part-Time Job Fair. This event is offered for students seeking part-time, temporary or seasonal employment opportunities, and is open to all students.

Area employers will be available in the D-building Cafeteria from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. to speak with students about upcoming opportunities in a variety of occupations. Students should

dress appropriately for an interview, and bring several copies of a current resume. Writing pens are also needed, as several company representatives will have their employment and applications on hand for completion by interested students.

Several national companies as well as local employers will be represented this year. Students are invited to come in and investigate this opportunity to gain some part-time work experience.

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I went inside first and told her to be quiet and hand over her cash to the man. She too realized his authority and handed over her purse. The robber released me after this and told me to go downstairs. By this time my mind could do nothing but obey. Trying to run outside from the back door, or calling the police never even occurred to me. I went straight down the stairs and sat down. The second intruder then proceeded to tie my feet together, and my hands to the chair.

Until this time I had been controlled by a strange survival instinct. I felt that if I obeyed their commands I would not get hurt. I mechanically did what I was told to do. Now that I was seated and deprived of any movement the reality of the situation once again started to paralyze me with fear. Sound of gun shots and the splatter of warm blood all over the white washed walls rang in my head like little silver bells.

I watched the armed man bring my mother downstairs and place her in a chair next to me, tying her up as well. By now they had collected cash from all adults present in the house, which included my mother, grandparents and myself. There was nothing left for them to do but leave. The question now was whether they would leave us alive.

Throughout the ordeal, the intruders had made no effort to hide their faces from us. Would they spare our lives, knowing that any one of us could easily describe them to the authorities or pick them out in a line up?

My fears were not realized. They did not shoot the gardener, as they had promised they would. They instructed us not to move until twenty minutes after they had left. They picked up their sack of cash and gold and just left. At first I could not believe they were really gone. I kept thinking, as those twenty minutes ticked away, they would be back. After about half an hour the realization hit me once again. I was alive. As soon as I was able to shed the ropes I was free. That feeling of life and freedom will probably remain unparalleled in my life.

After the ordeal was over, my family notified the police. Nothing was ever recovered and the robbers and never caught. On August 12, we left for the United States. Despite leaving the country the psychological impact of this incident on everyone involved was great. Nightmares were frequent and a full night's sleep became a rare luxury. Things will become better as time goes by, but that fateful day will dwell in my mind forever.

The World's Largest Fitness Class

CSC HAS BEEN INVITED BY TIMEX TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL "TIMEX FITNESS WEEK"
PLEASE COME BY THE CSC GYMNASIUM ON
OCTOBER 20 FROM 12:00-1:00 PM
OCEAN SPRAY JUICES WILL BE SERVED TO ALL AND PARTICIPANTS WILL COMPETE FOR T-SHIRTS AND TIMEX SPORT WATCHES.