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To: All Fellow Student

Re: Student Center

Dear Colleagues:

The Student Government Association and the Student Services Advisory Committee were recently presented with an opportunity to enhance the campus life of all students. President Skinner presented a proposal for an upper D-building renovation to provide students with a variety of improved services such as a computer lab, gameroom, a "one-stop shop" for all Student Services functions, extended hours (including evenings and weekends), and even the possibility of child care services. Since CSC does not have a real Student Center, the possibility of a renovation that would provide improved services as well as a place for fun, relaxation, and socializing seemed too good to pass up.

Quick action was required for CSC's proposal to be considered for funding, so the members of SGA and the Student Services Advisory Committee immediately investigated the facilities and Student Activities fees at other System institutions. Both groups discussed the pros and cons of the Student Center renovation thoroughly, particularly since a small increase in Student Activities Fees would be required to support the project. Following careful deliberations, both groups voted overwhelmingly in favor of the proposal. Below, you will see a chart which shows the fees charged at other University System institutions; as you can see, CSC's fees are the lowest in the System.

While we are extremely enthusiastic about the plan, and optimistic that it will be implemented, there are still several hurdles to leap before construction can begin. At this point, the Board of Regents has approved the project, but the proposal must now go to the Governor's office for approval. The legislature must then approve the project. Next March, the Board of Regents will vote on whether or not to approve a \$10.00 per quarter Student Activities Fee increase to support the project. If this final approval occurs, the renovation can begin in the Summer and the fee increase would go into effect Summer of 1995.

As representatives of all students on campus, day and evening, we considered carefully whether each and every student on campus would be benefitted by this project. Having considered the array of services offered, we are convinced that every student will benefit. In addition to our obligation to current students, we feel a responsibility to strengthen the institution and improve campus life for future generations of students in our community. It is clear that opportunities to make such a small contribution and receive in return one of the finest facilities available to any student in this state do not come along very often.

Your Student Government representatives will be happy to discuss any comments or concerns you have regarding this project and, if you wish, to forward them to President Skinner. Please feel free to call your SGA President, Suleman Hooda, at 961-3740, or E-mail him at "SGAPRES."

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Letter To The Students Details Fee Increase

by Alan Murphy *Editor*

In a letter to the student body, Deborah Curlette, Chairman of the Student Services Advisory Committee, Suleman Hooda, the Student Government President, and Donna McCarty, the SGA Advisor have detailed the proposed Activity Fee increase.

"We needed to look at the existing space that we had so, we had a group come in and do a fairly extensive facilities usage analysis... one things that came out of it was the possibility of creating a Student Center" said President Richard Skinner, in an interview. "Initially [the rationale] behind [a Student Center] was to create a space where

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Annual Holiday Ball

Friday, December 2 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Georgia International Trade Center (Sullivan Road, College Park)

- ☐ FREE TICKETS are available to all Clayton State College Students, Faculty, and Staff in the Office of Student Activities, D-223.
- A Last day to pick up tickets is Friday, December 2, at 5:00 p.m.
- For additional information, contact the Office of Student Activities at 961-3510.

Picture Time photographers will be present to take pictures of guests. Purchase 2 5x7 inch prints and 8 wallet-sized for only \$12.

A Comparison of Student Fees Among Colleges/Universities University System of Georgia, 1994-95 Other Fees **Quarterly Fees** Transcript Graduation Total **Total** Admission Late Health **Parking** Other **Athletic** Institution Activity Fee Registration \$78 00 \$2.50 \$32.00 \$10.00 \$34.00 0 0 \$67.00 \$21.50 \$45.50 0 Armstrong 23 00 3.00 20.00 2.00 80.00 0 0 10.00 25.00 43.00 0 Augusta 30.00 20.00 Ó 10.00 0 8.00 12.00* 0 89.00 44.00 25.00 Columbus 30.00 67.00 25.00 2.00 82.00 10.00 35.00 5.00 0 **GA State** 42.00 20.00 0 0 0 0 15.00 0 61.00 20.00 23.00 23.00 Kennesaw 25.00 25.00 0 0 99.00 57.00 17.00 15.00 10.00 0 Southern \$40.58 \$79.67 Average 0 0 0 0 \$24.00 0 \$42.00 \$18.00 Clayton

* Charges differential fee by quarter, this figure represents average for regular academic year.

** Students are charged \$2.00 per entrance to parking decks. A student attending classes two days per week during the academic year (excluding summers) would likely pay a total of \$144, or \$48.00 per quarter; i.e., 36 weeks X 2 days per week X \$2.00.

Rape Seminar

by Aimee Ford
Staff Writer

According to the Uniform Crime Report prepared by the FBI, one in four women is the victim of rape, or attempted rape during her lifetime.

Something *more* horrifying is the fact that a rapist usually attacks 20-25 women before he is apprehended. How do attackers get away with it? They go so long without punishment because only one in ten victims go to the authorities.

Scott Doner, the head of CSC's police force, was in the library Tuesday, November 15 to advise students of precautions that can be taken to prevent rape.

This lecture was of extreme importance because one in eight women are raped while in college... usually in their freshman year.

So, what can you do to arm yourself against an attack? Let me relay some of officer Doner's advice:

First, when dating, avoid alcohol. Of the total number of reported date rapes, in 75% of the cases, the man had been drinking. In 50%, the woman had been drinking. And in 79%, both parties were under the influence of alcohol.

Second, avoid areas of bad lighting and constantly look around. Attackers are less likely to pursue someone who seems to have a purpose. They generally look for someone who appears passive.

Prejudice/Race Seminar

by Amy Hayes
Staff Writer/Illustrator

What do you think of when you hear the word prejudice? What about the word race? Discrimination?

For many, these words immediately strike up the issue of black/white relations in America. But is this what these words should mean to us?

According to the exercises practiced in the Ethnic Seminar on Thursday, November 10, society needs to return to the original meanings of these words. The seminar was directed by Deborah Greer, director of multicultural affairs, and was focused on the issues of prejudice, race, and discrimination in today's society.

Ms. Greer began the seminar by arranging the audience into two circles, creating a setting where every person had to face someone else. Next, the members of the audience expressed to each other the feelings they associate with each of these three words.

As the seminar progressed, the audience was separated into smaller groups. Each group was given a large, poster-sized sheet of paper on which to write their own definition of the word prejudice. After agreeing on a definition, each group transcribed their ideas on the paper. The papers were then hung on the walls and discussed by the entire room.

The majority of the groups mentioned that the word prejudice literally indicates a prejudgment that is made about something. It was discussed that

these prejudgments could be either positive or negative. Of course, this word commonly has a negative meaning in today's society. Most people today do not even realize the literal meaning of the word as being a prejudgment, but as being a feeling of contempt one can have against someone or a group. Where did the meaning become so subjective? If prejudgments are a human response shared by all, why is it such an insult to be called a prejudice person?

Many in the audience felt that media might have had something to do with the change of meaning. Everywhere we look, we see issues dealing with race, many of which are black/white related. It is written in magazines and newspapers, it is discussed on talk shows and the evening news. Some items are pushed to the limits to prove a point for either side, making the truth hard to define. Of course, informing the public of injustices is a very important part of media. However, where does the education end and the brainwashing begin? Can our society ever again see the literal meaning of these words without influence from these conflicts?

One member of the audience proposed that people should accept the fact that everyone is prejudiced in some way. If someone is prejudiced, time should be spent trying to learn more about whatever he or she prejudged, instead of wasting time trying to prove freedom of prejudice thoughts. Our society cannot deal with a problem that no one will admit having.

Third, when going outside after dark, look around before leaving and, if possible, go out with a group.

Fourth, have your keys in hand before you go out. Also, glance under your car, check your car door for tampering, and check the back seat before getting in.

Finally, while driving, keep you doors locked. Likewise, keep your windows up if you will be stopping frequently.

Of course, you don't have to be out of your home to be the victim of an attack. So, there are definitely some precautions you should take in your own home. For instance, over your door you should always keep good lighting. Good locks are a necessity, and a door viewer is a good idea.

If a person ever comes to your door claiming that he was sent by his company to inspect something, do not let him in. Instead, ask him to wait and call his company to be sure that he was indeed sent by them. Also, be cautious when responding to sales calls. For instance, it is a new trend for attackers to call and claim that they represent a nonexistent security company. After introducing himself, the attacker will ask you if you have a security system. Never say that you do not, and do not

answer their questions.

Well, you're probably thinking, "OK, you've told me what I can do to protect myself, but what should I do if I'm the victim of an attack?". Make an attempt to run away. Statistics show that 76% of those who made noise, or fled from the assailant, escaped the attack unharmed.

Also, try and convince the attacker not to rape you. Statements, such as, "I'm pregnant", "I have AIDS", may be effective.

Try to notice details about the attacker, such as, appearance, scars, tattoos, etc. This information is extremely helpful in prosecuting the criminal. Likewise, try to scratch the attacker, or pull his hair. Skin samples under your nails and hair samples are very useful.

After an attack, note the direction the attacker goes when leaving the scene. After the attacker is gone, go to the authorities, or seek medical attention immediately! Do not touch, or wash anything that the attacker touched, his fingerprints are there. Do not clean up, change clothes, apply medicine to any injuries, or in any way alter your appearance.

Do not be the one out of four women who are the victim of rape, or attempted rape. Please be smart.

Faculty Focus: Dr. Annita Hunt

by Beverly Burns Staff Writer

We have on campus, among the staff, a lady that will spell bound, speak Russian (a little), teach math, and be so gentle about it all! Who is this wonderful creature that I am speaking of? Dr. Amita Hunt, of course. Dr. Hunt teaches Earth Algebra, has implemented a geometry course for the Education majors, and was invited to participate in the first U.S./Russia Joint Conference on Education in Moscow.

Dr. Hunt was among 200 educators from America and Canada, they all represented different areas of educational expertise. At the conference she gave a presentation on her geometry course, (she received an Eisenhower Higher Education Act Grant for this), that will be used here at Clayton State. A Russian educator that was in her delegation expressed an interest in working with her on this project.

During the course of events at the conference, the American cochair was called away on family business and Dr. Hunt was asked to take her position. She presided over the conference ensuring that all presentations ran on schedule

and gave another speech at the end.

Dr. Hunt was impressed that the Russians are trying to accomplish so many of the same goals in their math curriculum, as they are here at CSC. They want to "emphasize the underlying concepts rather than their algorithmic skills". Dr. Hunt says that they have formulated a course much like that of our Earth Algebra called, "Humanitarian mathematics".

Dr. Annita Hunt attended Furman University, received her Bachelors from , and received both her Masters and Doctorate from U.G.A. She says that she has always known she would be a teacher, but she planned to teach chemistry. Her first quarter at Furman her advisor informed her that she should major in Math. I am so glad that he did.

From a personal perspective, I was instructed by Dr. Hunt in Earth Algebra, and she is a truly remarkable lady. I never enjoyed math, or understood it very well, until I took her class. She is so very helpful and kind to everyone she meets. We are blessed to have her as part of our staff. If you get a chance, go meet her and ask about Russia, or math, she'll be happy to talk with you.

Pot Expert **Polly Sherill**

by Monique Mueller Staff Writer

It has been a long time since I have come across a person who just sticks out in my mind. In fact, it is common in the world of art for many people to take on a style that looks like the norm-basically representing everyone else. Yet, this artist has that offbeat rhythm I could see instantly upon meeting her.

This odd rhythm is one that you feel when she speaks, throws pot after pot on the wheel, and takes her time to teach you more about this skill she has mastered. Polly Sherill is a gifted and talented woman, having studied at Warren Wilson College in North Carolina, Pendland in New York, and the Kansas City Art Institute. Earning degrees in ceramics and becoming a functional potter fits her, as her strong arms mold and manipulate the clay as only she knows how. Yet, this skill is not all that encompasses her.

She loves to teach to people of all ages, especially to ones that love to learn and "don't give up." Polly teaches privately and has been teaching at Callanwolde for the past ten years. Her attitude speaks to you the moment you arrive saying "Look at me as you will", and "Take me as I am." So you do that; you notice her work as strong impressions of herself. She makes all varieties of functional pottery and works in her own studio called "Polly on the Av-

Smile at me from way across the room My spirit lifts just like a big balloon

So good to know you are my friend.

Think about the funwe used to share

Know that for you I will always care

So good to know you are my friend.

Laugh at memories of our crazy days

So good to know you are my friend.

Know that for you I am always here

So good to know you are my friend.

In my thoughts lalways keep you near



Staff Photo /Lance Foster

Artist In Residence Polly Sherill studies one of her functional creations.

enue" located on Dekalb Avenue.

Receiving much inspiration from painters such as Picasso and Miro, this artistalso searches into the ancient times to look at designs from those cultures past. Her closest friend, Thelma, a beautiful black and white dog, adds for most of Polly's ideas and creativity to flow.

What really struck me about Polly is how well she relates to the students. She comes into the art room every morning for two weeks and jams to jazz or 88.5 FM. She starts on the pottery and checks on her students' progress. Polly takes her ideas and teaches anyone willing to learn. Overbearingness and lecturing are not her style. Instead, this artist knows the feeling of good days and bad days and uninhibitedly converses with everyone about life.

The melody she created in the art room was so individual and clear, like the only song you remember after having sat through an entire concert. Her presence will be missed. Polly, as well as being a ceramics diva, is a vast source of knowledge and personality.

Recital Showcases CSC Students

by Beverly Burns Staff Writer

What is this? Do you mean that there are students on campus that can do something other that hang out at the library? As a matter of fact, yes!

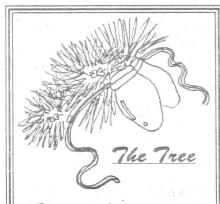
Friday, November 18, the department of music put on their fall quarter student recital. I thought I had left the CSC campus and was transported to Julliard. The music students here are phenomenal, they sing like opera stars, play guitars with skill, tickle the ivories with tenderness, and pump that pipe organ with precision!

Throughout the year they put on several different performances in Spivey Hall, and all are free and open to the public! Everyone needs to attend, I promise the most pleasant surprise. Please look for these events and find a way to attend, they are incredible. I am so happy that I was given the opportunity to go. I would like to do that again

Well, that is possible. Monday, November 21 at 8:15 P.M., the CSC Jazz band will perform, and the following Monday, Nov 28, the CSC Student Chamber Music Concert will be held. So go, expand you horizons a little, sit at Spivey, and ENJOY!!

A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed.

--Henrik Ibsen My True Friend When we were children and we played all day



We stood therethe two of us hanging lights on a christmas tree. Lights that burn thru the nite, like our bodies for the other. The tree that stays evergre and youthful like our love.

My face lights up when I think of you just like the lights on the tree My love for you remains true and unchangeable-just like the evergreen.

7 Will Love You Always

-8. Burns

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Being a woman is a terribly difficult task since it consists principally in dealing with men. -- Joseph Conrad

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we could put the admissions, registration, financial aid, business office all together so that students wouldn't have to keep walking all over the place and stand in line" President Skinner continued to say.

President Skinner went on to say, "This college has never provided any of the space for student services" This became known during the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) convention this year. Clayton State was told during that meeting that the college needed to provide space for student services.

Also, CSC has one of the lowest retention rates (students returning) of any of the senior colleges in the state of Georgia. "That is not all due to the lack of a student center... but, at least one of [the reasons for the low retention rate], I think, is because if what you say to students is 'come here, take your classes, and get the hell out of here' then you don't create any ties to the institution."

Cultural Diversity In Mainstream America

by Zamzam Syed Staff Writer

The Lyceum presented a lecture on race relations in Latin America, delivered by Dr. Morales who is a professor of Anthropology at Georgia State University.

The presentation was more of an informal narration than a lecture. Dr. Morales described the challenges facing Black-Hispanic immigrants in the United States. She discussed her personal struggles being both Black and Hispanic. She discussed her upbringing in the predominantly Hispanic "Barrios," which are ethnically secluded neighborhoods (this particular name applies to areas with Latino residents). She discussed her own socialization leading to isolation from mainstream America. Her struggle is mirrored by many immigrants and children of immigrants.

The basic premise of her lecture centered around the acceptance of certain kinds of immigrants in mainstream society and the impact such and ideal has on immigrants -- who want to be accepted-- yet struggle to keep their own identity. Her most pressing concerns for today's society, were lack of incentive for young minority students to try and get a good education and get ahead in life. Another related topic, she mentioned, was the lack of minority role models in American textbooks. The minorities include Blacks, Hispanics and women.

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Friday, December 2 8:30am--2pm

In essence, the lecture was a very informative event and gave those present a great perspective of history and the present from a Black-Hispanic point of view. Unfortunately, the attendance was noticeably low. The topic of prejudice and racism in America is one that must be dealt with. It would be worth while for students to find out more about it.

Finals Fever!

by Aimee Ford Staff Writer

Well, if you're reading this right now, you've obviously survived Fall Quarter. Can you believe it? The quarter's almost over.

If you're like me, you're thinking that the end of the quarter has come not a moment too soon.

After ten weeks of group projects, unexpected quizzes, and late night studying, it is definitely time for quarter break!

For many of us, quarter break means a chance to visit with friends who have been away at different colleges, free time in the evenings, and more time to work and earn extra money.

With this break also comes the holidays...ooh...the shopping, presents, the family get-togethers.

With all the holiday festivities and excitement, quarter break will probably go by all too quickly, but we all seem to be counting the classes we have left just the same.

Lakers Schedules

1994-95 Lakers Schedule				
DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME	
Nov. 11-12	Birmingham-Southern Tournament	Birmingham, Ala.	TBA	
Nov. 11	CSC vs. Campbellsville,		6 p.m. CST	
Nov. 12	CSC vs. Birmingham-Southern or Edward	Waters	6 or 8 p.m. CST	
NOV. 16	EDWARD WATERS COLLEGE	MORROW	8:00 p.m.	
Nov. 19	Kennesaw State College	Kennesaw, Ga.	4:00 p.m.	
NOV. 22	ALLEN UNIVERSITY	MORROW	7:30 p.m.	
	CSC LAKER CLASSIC	MORROW		
Nov. 25	CSC vs. Francis Marion		7:30 p.m.	
Nov. 26	Francis Marion vs. Birmingham-Southern		2 p.m.	
Nov. 27	CSC vs. Birmingham-Southern		3 p.m.	
Dec. 3	Lee College	Cleveland, Tenn.	7:30 pm.	
DEC. 9	WEST GEORGIA COLLEGE	MORROW	7:30 p.m.	
DEC. 10	CENT. WESLEYAN COLLEGE	MORROW	3:00 p.m.	
Dec. 12	St. Leo College	Saint Leo, Fla.	7:30 p.m.	
Dec. 14	Webber College	Babson Park, Fla.	7:00 p.m.	
DEC. 30	LIFE COLLEGE	MORROW	4:00 p.m.	
JAN. 4	*GA. S. WESTERN COLLEGE	MORROW	7:30 p.m.	
JAN. 9	*NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE	MORROW	8:00 p.m.	
Jan. 11	*Brewton-Parker College	Mount Vernon, Ga.	8:00 p.m.	
JAN. 14	*PIEDMONT COLLEGE	MORROW	4:00 p.m.	
Jan. 16	*Southern Tech	Marietta, Ga.	7:30 p.m.	
JAN. 18	*SHORTER COLLEGE	MORROW	8:00 p.m.	
JAN. 21	*BERRY COLLEGE	MORROW	4:00 p.m.	
Jan. 23	West Georgia College	Carrollton, Ga.	7:30 p.m.	
Jan. 28	Central Wesleyan College	Central, S.C.	4:00 p.m.	
Jan. 30	*Georgia Southwestern College	Americus, Ga.	8:00 p.m.	
FEB. 1	*BREWTON-PARKER	MORROW	8:00 p.m.	
FEB. 4	*LAGRANGE COLLEGE	MORROW	8:00 P.M.	
Feb. 6	*North Georgia College	Dahlonega	7:30 p.m.	
FEB. 9	LEE COLLEGE	MORROW	7:30 p.m.	
Feb. 13	*Berry College	Rome, Ga.	8:00 p.m.	
Feb. 15	*Shorter College	Rome, Ga.	8:00 p.m.	
FEB. 18	*SOUTHERN TECH	MORROW	3:00 p.m.	
Feb. 22	*LaGrange College	LaGrange, Ga.	7:30 p.m.	
Feb. 25	*Piedmont College	Demorest, Ga.	4:00 p.m.	
March 2-6	GAC Tournament	TBA .	TBA	
March 14-20	NAIA National Tournament	Tulsa, Okla.	TBA	

Home Games in all CAPS; *-Georgia Athletic Conference game

1994-95 Lady Lakers Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
NOV. 14	CENTRAL WESLEYAN	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
NOV. 16		MORROW	6:00 P.M.
	Gardner-Webb (Tournament)	Boiling Springs, N.C.	4:00 p.m.
Nov. 20 CSC vs. Lincoln Memorial or Wofford			2 or 4 p.m.
	CSC LADY LAKER CLASSIC	MORROW	TBA
DEC. 9	LEE COLLEGE .	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
DEC. 30	GEORGIA COLLEGE	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
	AUM New Years Classic	Montgomery, Ala.	
Jan. 2 C	SC vs. Lindenwood College (Mo.)		6:00 p.m. CST
Jan. 3 C	SC vs. Dillard University (La.)		2:00 p.m. CST
Jan. 7	Lee College	Cleveland Tenn.	6:00 p.m.
JAN. 9	*NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
Jan. 11	*Brewton-Parker	Mt. Vernon, Ga.	6:00 p.m.
JAN. 14	*PIEDMONT COLLEGE	MORROW	2:00 P.M.
JAN. 18	*SHORTER	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
JAN. 21	*BERRY COLLEGE	MORROW	2:00 P.M.
Jan. 25	Spelman College	Atlanta	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 28	Central Wesleyan	Central S.C.	2:00 p.m.
Jan. 30	*Georgia Southwestern	Americus, Ga.	6:00 p.m.
FEB. 1	*BREWTON-PARKER	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
FEB. 4	EMMANUEL COLLEGE	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
Feb. 6	*North Georgia College	Dahlonega, Ga.	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 11	Emmanuel College	Franklin Springs, Ga.	1:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	*Berry College	Rome, Ga.	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 15	*Shorter College	Rome, Ga.	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 18	Erskine College	Due West S.C.	2:00 p.m.
FEB. 22	*GA. SOUTHWESTERN	MORROW	6:00 P.M.
Feb. 25	*Piedmont College	Demorest, Ga.	2:00 p.m.
March 4-8	GAC Playoffs	TBA	TBA
March 15-2	1 NAIA National Tournament	Jackson, Tenn.	TBA

The Bent Tree Wishes Everyone A Safe and HappyHolidaySeason!!!

Fees Are Due Noon Thursday, December 15th.