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CSC Welcome Center to Set Sail Soon

by Matthew Robinson

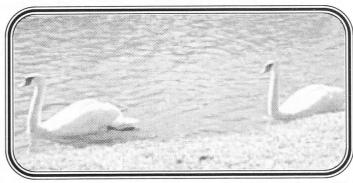
Clayton State College's new Welcome and Information Center will officially begin offering service to the public on February 5. The Center, which is located in the Continuing Education building, will be staffed by CSC students under the guidance of the Offices of Admissions and College Advancement. Student coordinator, Gary Bush, is excited about the opportunities the Welcome Center presents. "The main purpose of the Welcome Center is to bring information to prospective Clayton State students," Bush says. The Center will orient students to the college by providing tours of the campus. Publications about the school's degree programs and extracurricular activities will also be available to those visiting the Center.

Bush also comments that the Welcome Center will not just be for college-specific information. "[It] is also designed to give out information on the community for those who are interested....we not only want to provide [materials] to students about the college, but also information

for visitors. We will be working with various chambers of commerce in the community to provide specific information."

The concept of the Welcome Center.

which Bush states was conceived by CSC President Dr. Richard Skinner, comes at a good time for the school. With the 1996 Summer Olympics fast approaching, and with the Olympic beach volleyball venue located in Clayton County, the College will have a chance to present itself to the world. "The Welcome Center will also play a role in the 1996 Olympics," Bush reiterates. "We have plans of being an official welcome center for the south side [of Atlanta]." The CSC Welcome Center will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. The Center is closed on Sundays, but there are plans to add hours as demand necessitates.



The Welcome Center will provide an opportunity for prospective students to experience the beauty of the CSC campus.

Conflict & Consensus returns: Boortz vs. Tucker

Clayton State College will again host the Conflict & Consensus Program, an opportunity for discussion and debate on contemporary issues. WSB-AM radio's Neal Boortz and Atlanta Constitution Editorial Page Editor Cynthia Tucker will be participating in this forum. The date, time and location of the program have not been announced yet, but more information will be in the next edition of the bent tree. If you would like more details, contact Dr. Greg Hampikian at 961-3621.



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Mobile Learning Lab Arrives At CSC



by College Relations Staff

The Atlanta area's first computerized training—center for business and industry has rolled onto the Clayton State College campus. The mobile learning lab was made possible by a University System of Georgia Board of Regents Technology Grant. Matching funds were provided by the Ford Motor Company and CENTEC, Inc., a Mississippi-based software manufacturer.

The Clayton State mobile lab contains 12 computer learning stations capable of utilizing a powerful network file server. Twelve individuals can train on 12 separate training programs at the same time. The lab is self-contained, using its own internal power sources to run the equipment..

The mobile learning lab can be scheduled for use in any location of the client's choosing. On site setup for training takes just 20 minutes, and programs can be customized to meet the client's needs.

The mobile lab has been a project of the College's Office of Continuing Education since 1993. On January 10, 1996, its arrival at CSC inaugurated a new era for business and industry training program delivery in Atlanta. (please turn to MOBILE LAB, pg. 9)



CSC Students Log On to the Information Superhighway

Nick Loadholtes Staff Writer

The World Wide Web has arrived in the computer labs of CSC. Students can now view all of the information available on the Internet from their e-mail accounts by using the Netscape Internet program.

You might ask, "What is the World Wide Web?" The World Wide Web, commonly referred to as WWW, is a graphical way of viewing information on the Internet. The WWW allows users to experience pictures, text, animations and even sounds without having to be a "computer wizard." Many commercial companies are using the Web as a place to advertise their products and services. The WWW also allows users to search for information on topics of interest.

"How do I get to the Web?" you ask. Getting to the Web is easy. Simply go to one of the computer labs (either in the Technology Building or the basement of the Library) and log into your e-mail account. If you don't have an e-mail account, just ask the lab assistant how to get one. Once you log into your account, choose option 4 on the menu -- Windows/Internet Utilities. (please turn to WWW, pg. 9)



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campus news

TOTO Industries Institutes Training Plan at CSC

by College Relations Staff

The Georgia subsidiary of the third largest ceramics maker in the world, TOTO Industries, Inc., is preparing to open a new plant in Clayton County. Training the 290 phase one workers for TOTO Industries will be a collaborative effort by Clayton State College and the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education's Quick Start program.

The employee training plan for the new plant was signed January 31 at a ceremony in the Continuing Education Atrium. The plan was signed by TOTO (Atlanta) president Seijro Inoue,

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CSC President Dr. Richard Skinner, and Jackie Rohosky, assistant commissioner for Quick Start's economic development programs. TOTO was also represented by the two vice presidents of the company, Sachio Nishi and Itta Yoshimura.

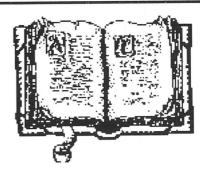
Employee training is expected to begin in the spring of 1996 and will be provided by Quick Start, Georgia's incentive training program for new industries. Clayton State will coordinate Quick Start's training for the company, as well as provide other aids, including facilities for training classes and supplemental educational services.

Sessions Scheduled for Teacher Education Program

Special information sessions for students interested in admission into CSC's middle level teacher education degree program have been scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, at 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. The 12:30 class will be held in Room T-217, and the 5 p.m. class will be held in Room T-205.

Applications are required to meet regular admission regulations of the college as well as the teacher education program. To be certain that all requirements are met, potential students are encouraged to attend one of the meetings.

For compete information concerning these sessions, call (770) 961-3578.



Clayton State Professor Writes the Book on Business Writing

Good writing and communication skills are definitely important today. Since individuals who are condsidering careers in business have to know how to communicate effectively, a Clayton State professor has co-authored a textbook to address this need.

The second edition of "English & Communications for Colleges" has just come off the press. Co-author Dr. Carol Henson, an associate professor of business education in the School of Technology, points out that her book is unique in that it provides a comprehensive, intensive review of grammar before going onto communication. "It's very user friendly," she says, "using the teaching approach of placing emphasis on the editing process as a way to develop better writing skills.

"And, it focuses on those individuals who are going directly to work after college."

New to the 1996 version are an emphasis on international issues and a discussion of legal and ethical issues in business. There is also an appendix on using the Internet.



Ramblings

Gender Double Standards: Idealistic or Realistic?

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Matthew Robinson Copy Editor

This essay was supposed to be about double standards, and I'll get to that in due time. But something has been upsetting me for the longest time—why do people (the church, the government, anybody) profess that they want things a certain way but lament that things won't change in "the real world"? In the three and one-half years I have attended Clayton State College, I have experienced a world of change, both personally and in the world around me. I guess this can be attributed to growing up, but I feel as if I am open to so much more that I wasn't receptive to before. I accept and interact with people from diverse

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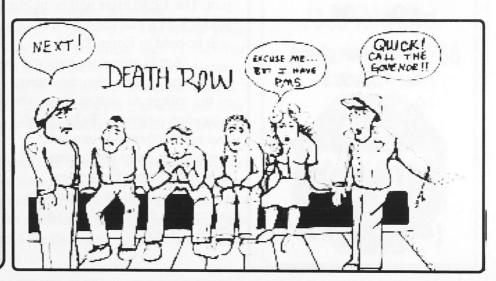


Sidney Thomas Layout Editor

In a world of "political correctness" and "right thinking" the double standard is alive and well. No, I'm not going to bore you with black vs. white; I want to address the oldest double standard known to man--that between men and women. Once again sexism and discrimination has reared its ugly head, this time in our criminal system.

On (I believe it was)
January 16 a woman on death row in the state of Illinois had her sentence commuted by the governor, who cited among other things her 'hard life.' I think this is a great disservice to the image that women have worked hard to foist

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Organizations



(from left) Dr. Charles Hubbard, interim Dean of the School of Business; scholarship recipients Matthew Peace and Donna Pitz; guest speaker S. Truett Cathy, founder, chairman and CEO of Chick-fil-A, Inc,; recipients Karla Justice and Tara Winstead; and Dan Clum, president of the Southside CPA Chapter.

Scholarship Winners Announced

Four CSC accounting students received a total of \$3000 in scholarship awards during the Southside Chapter of the Georgia Society of CPA's annual "educator's night" program on January 16. Annual scholarship contributions are made through the Clayton State College Foundation, and scholars were selected by the School of Business.

Need tax help?

The Accounting Club will again be offering free tax assistance this year. Volunteers will be available on campus during the month of February to help fill out forms, answer questions and provide any forms needed. Listed below are times and locations where volunteers will be on hand to offer help.

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| | Wednesday, 2/28 | 10 a.m 12 p.m. |
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CSC student Rachel Konsky



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Staff Writer

Thirty-eight year old Rachel Konsky definitely performs. A single mother of three young children (an eight year old, a five year old, and a three year old), she appreciates the opportunity to learn medical transcription at Clayton State, and being selected for the fall quarter Dean's List was no minor accomplishment.

Originally from New York City, Rachel resigned from Empire Blue Cross-Blue Shield after 12 years of service to concentrate on

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her growing family. Now comfortably settled in Georgia, it is time for "mom" to do something for herself.

Of her career choice, Rachel says, "As a secretary of insurance billing, I always wanted to learn Medical Transcription. So imagine my joy upon learning that such a course was available to me."

When asked how she manages to care for her children and maintain her 4.0 GPA, Rachel replies, "having a daily routine and sticking to it is a must." Other family members also work with Rachel to keep her rigid schedule.



Rising at 4:30 a.m., Rachel completes her homework before the children awake. After classes, she takes advantage of the computer lab for her remaining assignments. Then it is off to work as a crossing guard for the Clayton County School System. Family responsibilities keep Rachel busy well into the evening.

With work, school and a family, what does Rachel do for herself? She emphatically replies, "Attending Clayton State IS for me. Not only is going to school excellent for my self-esteem; it also provides an opportunity to fulfill my dream. CSC has been a lot of work, but well worth it." Rachel encourages everyone to take full advantage of the resources on campus, especially the Learning Center. Rachel notes that CSC staff members have been instrumental in her success.



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- 2 Lyceum Presents: Radu Lupu, pianist 8:15 p.m. Spivey Hall SGA Presents: Casino Night 8 p.m. - midnight CE-Atrium
- 3 Lakers Men's Basketball vs. Southern Wesleyan University 7:30 p.m. Lakers Women's Basketball at North Georgia College 6 p.m.
- 4 Lyceum Presents: Wayne Marshall, organist 3:15 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 5 Lakers Women's Basketball vs. Talladega College 7:30 p.m.
- 6 LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW WITHOUT ACADEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY
- 7 Lyceum Presents: The Tradition 1001 Black Inventions A drama celebrating Black history 12:30 p.m. G-132
- 8 Career Connections: Choosing A Major 12:20-1 p.m. D-208 Lakers Men's Basketball at Fort Valley State College 7:30 p.m. Lyceum Presents: Orion String Quartet 8:15 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 9 Lyceum Presents: CSC Student Recital 12:45 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 10 Lakers Women's Basketball at Brewton-Parker College 3 p.m.
- 11 Lyceum Presents: Eliot Fisk, guitarist & Paula Robison, flutist 3 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 12 Lyceum Presents: Tina Bishop, Artist-In-Residence (painter) (through 2/13)
- 13 Career Connections: Choosing a Major 6 p.m. D-208 Lyceum Presents: The Tradition - Do Black Women Hate Black Men? 12:30 p.m. G-132 Regents' Test 1:30 & 5:30 p.m. G-132
- 14 Lakers Women's Basketball vs. Shorter College 6 p.m. Lakers Men's Basketball at Thomas College 8 p.m.
- 16 General Entertainment Presents: Copy Cat (Rated R) 12:30, 6:30, 8:40 & 10:50 p.m. G-132 Kiddie Film: 6:30 & 8:40 p.m. G-127
- 17 Lyceum Presents: Derek Lee Ragin & The Moses G. Hogan Chorale 8:15 p.m. Spivey Hall Lakers Women's & Men's Basketball vs. Columbus College 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.
- 18 Lyceum Presents: Thamyris, American Music 3 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 19 Lakers Women's Basketball vs. North Georgia College 6 p.m. Lakers Men's Basketball vs. Georgia Southwestern 8 p.m.
- 20 Lyceum Presents: Polly Sherrill, Artist-In-Residence (Ceramicist) (through 2/22)
- 21 Lyceum Presents: Our Young Men Are Dying And Nobody Seems To Care 12:30 p.m. G-132
- 22 Lakers Men's Basketball at Lee College 7:30 p.m.
- 23 Lyceum Presents: CSC Student Recital 12:45 p.m. Spivey Hall Lyceum Presents: Jay Hoggard Quartet 8:15 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 24 Lyceum Presents: The Michael O'Neal Singers 8:15 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 25 Lyceum Presents: Nokuthula Ngwenyama, violist 3 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 26 Lakers Women's Basketball at Piedmont College 7 p.m. Lyceum Presents: CSC Orchestra and Chamber Music Concert 8:15 p.m. Spivey Hall
- 29 Lyceum Presents: Dr. Karen Pincus, "Accounting Education Change and Career Choice" 12:30 p.m. Location TBA

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cultures and backgrounds—blacks, whites, Latinos, women, men, straight, gay, and everything in between. I don't seem to understand why EVERYONE can't do this! I live in a world where I feel little danger; I have an amazing amount of trust. Call me a foolish idealist, but isn't that the way the world should be?

O.K., I understand that things are not always wine and roses; the sun doesn't shine every day. But I don't go out intentionally hurting people. Yes, I get mad, but I also THINK—use the brain I was given—to understand that this world is not solely mine to dominate.

Getting back to a double standard—if we follow the principles of equality, there would be no such thing as a double standard. Stereotypes are silly ways to simplify people's lives. It is safer for someone to be thrown into a category or given an excuse for their behavior. Why can't the citizens of this planet take personal responsibility for their actions? The battle between what is right and "what just is" will blaze on far after these words have faded away. But if there is a "good" out there, then why don't we have it?



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MOBILE LAB from pg. 2

"Our project goal was to meet the challenge to deliver new, accessible, innovative training programs in order to overcome obstacles to learning," says Dr. Bryan Edwards, Director of Continuing Education. College President Dr. Richard Skinner also commented that "Clayton State College is continually seeking unique, innovative means to serve the education and training requirements of businesses, industry and citizens throughout the Southern Crescent area of metropolitan Atlanta."

The mobile learning laboratory is being road tested while personnel are trained in its use. Once the lab is accepted as operational, additional information about scheduling and costwill be made available.

WWW from pg. 2

(after a few moments) the WWW homepage for Clayton State College appears. Congratulations! You are now on the Web.

"Where do I go from here?" you wonder. Here are a few cool addresses to visit. Be forewarned that it might take a few minutes for the computer to load the full page.

http://www.yahoo.com http://www.sony.com http://www.mtv.com http://www.sierra.com http://www.toyota.com http://www.411.com These addresses are just the tip of the iceberg. Basically, to find addresses on your own, type in http://www. and then type the name of a company, interest group or school. Use initials for schools. For example, the University of Georgia's initials are uga, wga for West Georgia, and so forth. After you type in a name, type in .com (for commercial locations such as Toyota or Sony), or .edu (for colleges and universities.) The address should look like this: http://www.name.com (or .edu)

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Sports Notes...

BASKETBALL

- --Tracy Tankersly scored 14 points and grabbed 11 rebounds in a 68-53 loss to Emmanuel College on January 27. **Lisa Williams** scored 13 points, and three other players contributed seven points each.
- --Both Laker teams earned big wins against West Georgia College on January 24. The men's team won 90-77, while the Lady Lakers outlasted the Lady Braves 84-73. Lisa Williams and Lakers guard **Corey Johnson** both had 21 points in each team's win.
- --Freshman center **Archil Khelashvili** scored a career high 11 points in a 100-77 loss to nationally ranked Clark Atlanta on January 22.
- --The Lakers' record (as of press time) is 6-13. The Lady Lakers are 7-10. Look for more results in future editions of **the bent tree**!

THOMAS from pg.4

upon the unsuspecting males of America.

In the 70's the fledgling National Organization for Women (NOW) convinced our mothers and sisters that they had been wronged by those of us who happen to carry a Y-chromosome. The governor of Illinois has forgotten what it was that NOW was trying to teach us as men--women are just as good as men and should be compensated equally. Why should this woman be robbed of her just due?

Let me make it clear that I am not against gender based double standards. Men and women are different and should be treated differently. While some women can do things a man can do, it is true that not all women can perform the duties traditionally assigned to men. Label me a chauvinst if you will, but chauvinism is based on a philosophy that highlights women and says they should be worshipped and cared for.

Show me a woman who does not want to be worshipped or cared for! Properly applied double standards *do* have value in our society, but when misused to avoid the consequences of one's actions, they become a travesty to human nature.

Men and women are different. Viva la difference!

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