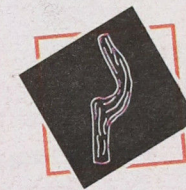


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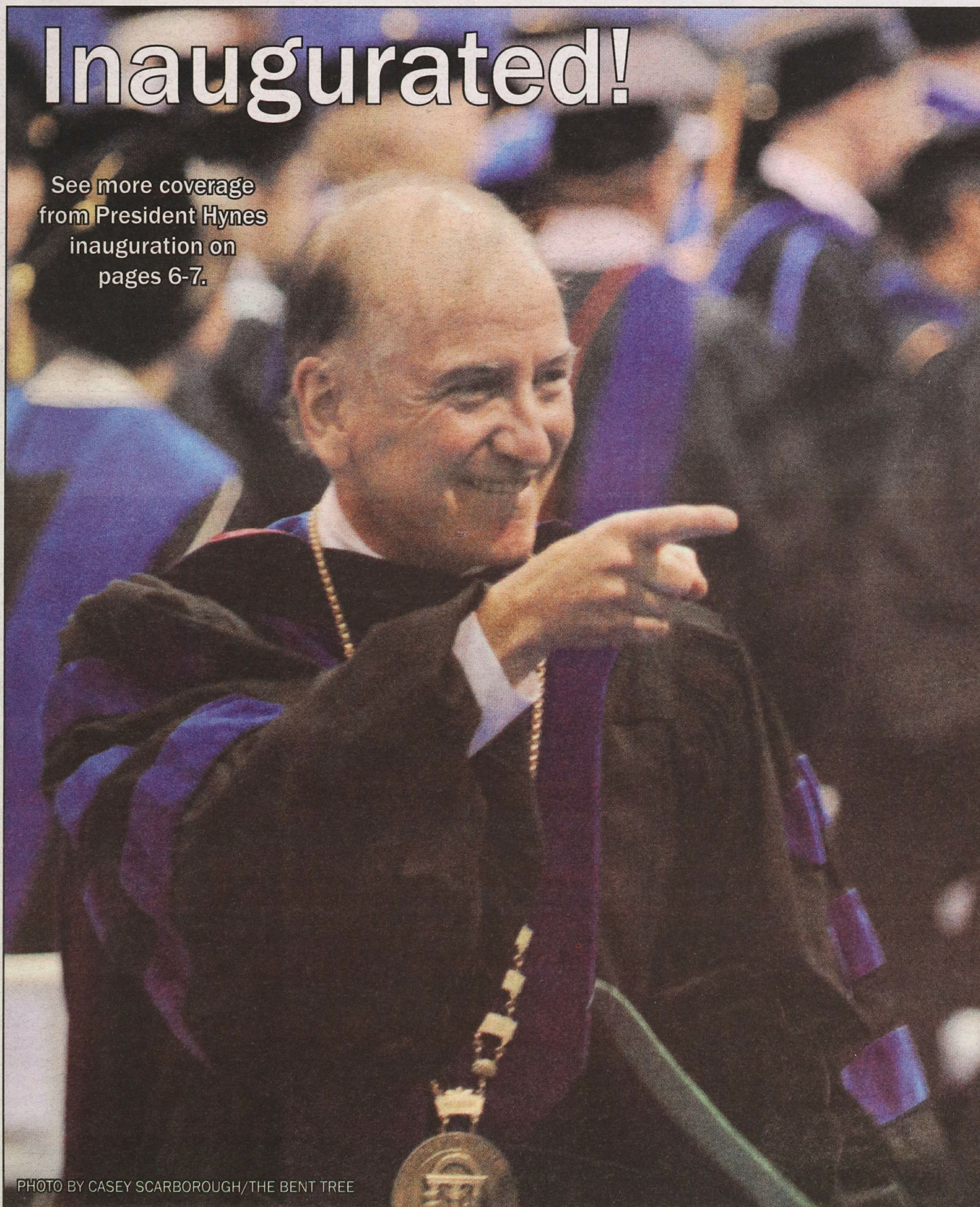


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# Campus

## Safe Space Workshop Dispels Stereotypes

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Fags! Queers! Dykes! Oh my! These are some of the derogatory names that people who consider themselves lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersexual or questioning (LGBTQIQ) may hear on a daily basis. That is why Campus Life hosted "Safe Space Training" on the Sept. 28. Gay-Straight Alliance, D.E.E.P, Campus Life and Counseling and Psychological Services came together to create a workshop and a group of allies to make everyone feel welcome.

The "Safe Space Training" workshop exposed everyone to the derogatory perceptions of different sexual orientations.

A safe place is a welcoming, supportive and safe environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students. An ally is a supporter of sexual diversity and a challenger of homo phobic, biphobic, and transphobic remarks behaviors. Allies also explore and understand the forms of bias within themselves.

"I thought queer meant gay," said Ally Widalys Santiago during the workshop.

"The LGBTQIQ community has reclaimed the word queer," replied Campus Life member Holly Shelton-Dixon. However, she added that, "If you are not a part of the culture, don't use it."

The word queer is now used by the LGBTQIQ community to, among other things, help raise awareness.

When asked where the prejudice against LGBTQIQ came from, students replied parents, teachers, friends, religion and even school.

"In the 10th or 11th, grade everybody started coming out, like it was the new black," said co-director of D.E.E.P. Darius Thomas.

Although coming out can sometimes seem like a fad, Dixon said that coming out is not always easy. "It's not easy to be different," she said. "Coming out is a life long process. It is important for people to come out because it is positive, people gain support and friendships and people are free from the hiding game or the double life."

Not coming out can sometimes lead to depression and/or suicide.

"As an ally, it is important to be a role model and accepting. If someone comes out to you, never assume. Let the person tell you. Ask questions such as how long have you known, how can I help and also have a sense of humor. Don't pressure someone to come out. Just wait," said Dixon.

Allies display the "Safe Space" logo to identify themselves as people who can

provide and support and information while respecting the privacy of the people who contact them.

Being an ally is not only beneficial to members of the LGBTQIQ community, but also for straight individuals. It supports the notion that everyone should express emotions and show affection, wear what they want to wear and do what works for them regardless of their sexual orientation

and gender expression.

If you would like to get involved with "Safe Space" attend one of their training programs. The program is 2 hours long and it is open to anyone. It is interactive and discussion-oriented. You can also contact Jennifer Dean at Clayton States Counseling and Psychological Services or Lakiesa Cantey, Holly Shelton-Dixon or Lance Mealer with Campus Life.



## International Study Abroad Night

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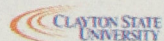
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Do you want to learn more about cultures?

Come and Learn about the Study Abroad Programs  
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Italian Night - Pizza will be served

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## Students Left Behind by C-TRAN Can Catch Rides with Quick Transit

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Clayton County has a new transit system. Twyanna Albro, founder and CEO of Quick Transit, plans to implement measures to provide transportation to all Clayton County residents who were left stranded after C-Tran shut down all services on March 31. Service to Clayton State University will begin in November as part of an initiative to replace former C-Tran routes 501 and 502.

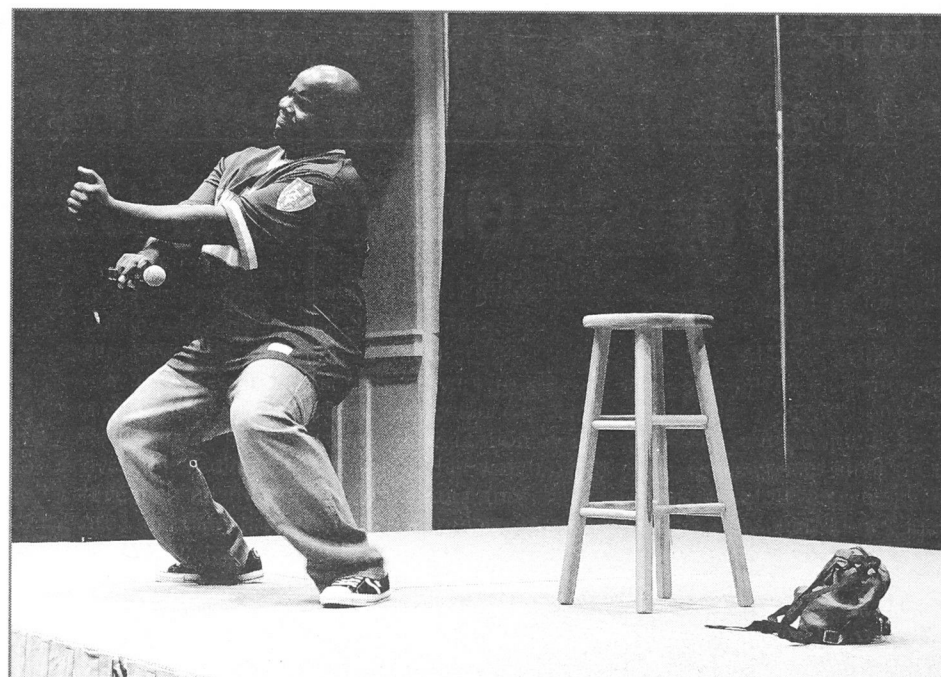
"We'll start by using fifteen passenger vans, but we will make accommodations as we gain more passengers," said Albro, addressing the audience at CSU's Lead the Way series.

Quick Transit's adult one-way fare is

\$3.50, discounted fares for students and persons with disabilities are \$2.50, and a weekly unlimited ticket is \$25.00. Albro predicted a decrease in fares as Quick Transit gains more riders and government support.

Quick Transit now provides transportation services for C-Tran's former 503 and 504 routes. The replacement routes have been re-named routes 53 and 54, and will pick up and drop off passengers at the former C-Tran bus stops. The new buses also have an additional pickup location at the College Park MARTA station.

For more information regarding Quick Transit service and scheduling, please call 1-888-771-BUSS or visit [www.quick-transit.net](http://www.quick-transit.net).



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The CEC Presented the "Laugh Out Loud Comedy Show 2010" on Sept. 23 in the SAC. Host Griffy 2 Trillion, formerly of the Hot 107.9 Morning Show, shows the crowd a few dance moves he picked up from a two year old girl. WAG). It also gave organizations a chance to explain their purpose and recruit new members. Several hundred students turned out for the event.

## STDs Growing at Alarming Rate in United States, CSU

By Mikki Dixon  
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Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs), including HIV, are rebounding in the United States. The age group most affected by the resurgence is 15-26 year olds.

"This is something we are seeing more of at Clayton State. We see a lot more chlamydia, and a lot more herpes," said Dr. D. Ann Travis-Honeycutt, Medical Director of CSU's University Health Services. "We've had several cases of HIV, but this is the first year we've had any cases of syphilis. And we've had several."

Travis-Honeycutt advised the usage of barrier protection, condoms and dental dams, during every sexual encounter. University Health Services was unable to release the number of cases involving CSU students.

The CDC cited 1,210,523 new cases of sexually transmitted chlamydia infections in 2008. The government agency's website said that it was the largest number of cases reported to them for any condition.

A main reason for that is because chlamydia can remain asymptomatic in both men and women. Its asymptomatic nature may facilitate pelvic inflammatory disease (PID) in women, which is a major cause of infertility, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy, and chronic pelvic pain which may persist for a lifetime. Due to the risks associated with infection, the CDC recommends annual chlamydia screenings for all sexually active men and women younger than 26.

"The rate of infection is kind of alarming—some of these diseases are life-long, and I don't think people realize how much

they can affect their lives," said Andrew Cribb, a CSU senior. "They're just more interested in having fun, and don't consider the long-term consequences."

In 2008, of the 37 states with anonymous reporting, 12,943 new cases of HIV infection were reported in patients between the ages of 15-29.

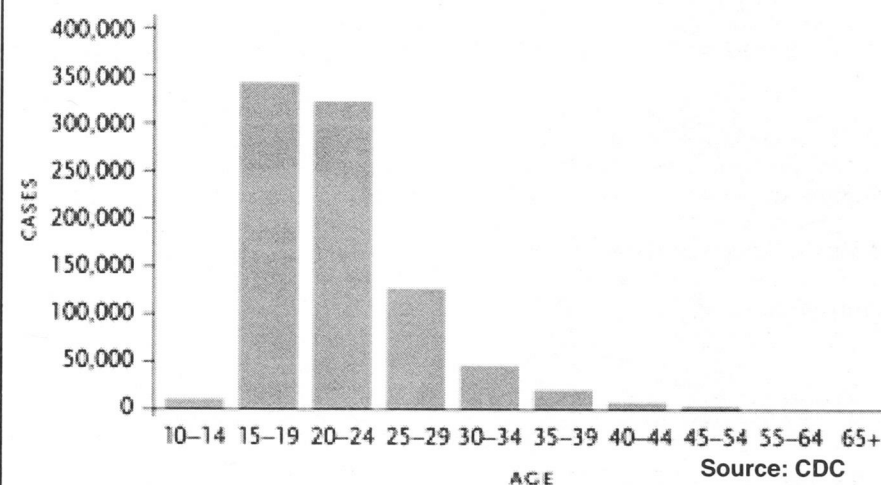
Syphilis was virtually eliminated by 2000 with the rate of primary and secondary (P&S) syphilis recorded in the United States at its lowest rate since reporting began in 1941. Since 2004, the rate of syphilis has increased by 67%.

Data suggests that persistent infection with high-risk human papilloma virus (HPV) will lead to the development of cervical cancer. In response to the number of cases in the United States in 2006, the Food and Drug Administration approved a vaccine against the four most virulent strains of HPV for individuals who are not already infected.

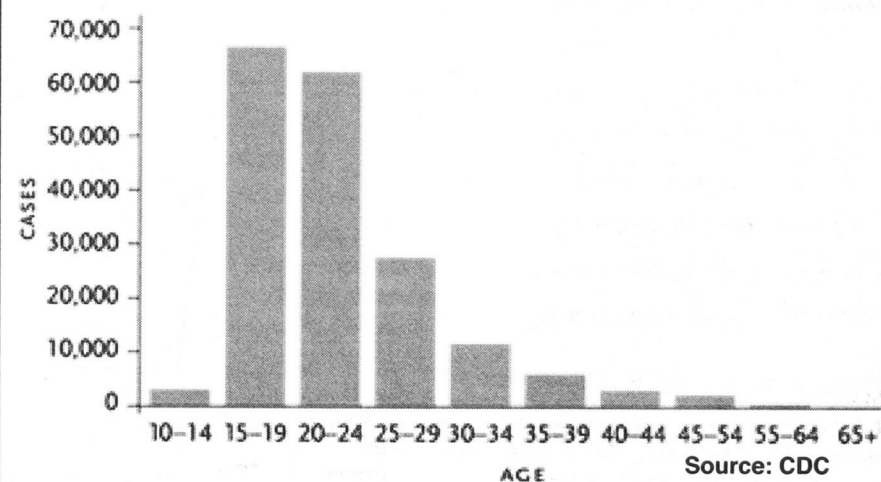
Despite the short and long-term consequences, STDs remain elusive because many Americans are reluctant to address sexual health issues in an open, honest way. However, to have success preventing and treating STDs requires widespread public awareness and participation.

University Health Services is located on the top floor of the Student Center in room 211. They offer comprehensive STD screenings at reduced rates. The women's STD screening is \$85.00, while the men's screening is \$80.00. For students who do not wish to have the comprehensive exam, UHS offers one free HIV screening per semester to all students. They even give patients a "green card" certifying they are HIV negative.

Chlamydia—Reported Cases in Females, 2008, by Age



Gonorrhea—Reported Cases in Females, 2008, by Age



# Current Job Market Very Competitive for Graduates

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After years of hard work and dedication students achieve their bachelor's degree with the expectation they will be able to obtain employment. The problem they encounter is their only qualification is their degree and they lack work experience. Not too many years ago, a college degree was the golden ticket to a career. However, with the national unemployment rate currently at 9.6 percent and peaking at 10.4 percent in the Atlanta metro area that time is gone.

"Of the 26,700 jobs lost between August of 2009 and August 2010 in Atlanta, nearly 16,000 of them involved the selling and manufacturing of goods," cites John Ard, Senior Communications Specialist at the Georgia Department of

Labor. He points to the ill fated housing and credit markets for the current slump in employment, while a press release by Michael Thurmond, State Labor Commissioner, calls Georgia's job market stagnant because companies are unable to cover the costs associated with new employees.

Employers aren't hiring as much as they were, and students at Clayton State seem to know it. There are two sentiments among CSU students, divided between non-traditional and traditional students.

Non-traditional students with previous work experience seemed more aware of the potential hardships they may face re-entering the job market. Danielle Ware (no relation to reporter), who graduated from Georgia State University in 2006 with a degree in public relations, found work relatively quickly after graduating.

But after two years, she was laid off.

Deciding on a career change, she enrolled in the nursing program at CSU. Traditional students without work experience did not seem worried about their ability to find work. When asked at what point the job search should begin, CSU senior John Woods replied, "I probably should start now. But I'll wait until 3 or 4 months from now, closer to graduation." This group also seemed confident majors and career choices were excluded from the employment slump.

"Employers have money and are bringing individuals on," said Bridgette McDonald, assistant director for CSU's Career Services department. "The unemployment rate for college educated persons is much lower than the national and state average, and job outlook for 2011 is good."

But, with limited resources, the current

job market very competitive for recent graduates. One mistake students make is waiting until their senior year to start career development. And when those students graduate all they've got is a degree. Though a degree is necessary, when students enter the job market they will be competing with other students who have a degree as well as experience.

"When a senior uses career services, the more likely he or she will receive a job offer," according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers. Career Services is located in the Student Center, and is free to all students. The staff can help students polish their resume and develop good interviewing and networking skills, which are essential during a job search and preparing for the future.

# Georgia Ranks 10th in Nation in Domestic Violence

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Domestic violence is a national problem, but hits closer to home for many Georgians. The National Domestic Violence Hotline lists Georgia 10th in the United States for receiving the most calls.

"Every 9 seconds a woman is battered," cites the Bureau of Justice. The goal of Domestic Violence Awareness Month is to raise awareness regarding the prevalence, effects, and prevention of domestic violence and how to get help. "Women between the ages of 16 and 24 experience the highest rate of

domestic violence and sexual assault," said Dr. Jennifer Dean, a licensed psychologist and Assistant Director for Outreach and Prevention at Clayton State's Counseling and Psychological Services.

Domestic violence is physically or emotionally abusive behavior used by one person in a relationship to control the other. It can occur between married or unmarried partners of any sexual orientation, who cohabitate or not.

It may include any of the following: name-calling or put downs; keeping a partner from contacting their family or friends; withholding money; stopping a partner from getting or keeping a job; actual or threatened physical harm; sexual assault; stalking; or intimidation.

"CAPS will sponsor a workshop entitled 'Envisioning a World Where We Can Understand Each Other: An Interactive Community Exercise,'" said Dr. Dean. It will be from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, October 6, in ballroom B of the SAC.

The workshop will be conducted by Yolo Akili, educator and lecturer for Men Stopping Violence, activist, and poet. In collaboration with Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Center, CAPS will also co-sponsor a screening of *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* from 7:00-10:00 p.m. on October 13 in the Multipurpose Room on the 1st Floor of Laker Hall.

The movie will be followed by a discussion about violence against women. Individuals who have been a victim of

domestic violence may harbor feelings of shame and isolation. To feel less isolated victims should know their options which may help empower them to make take the most appropriate course of action.

"It's important for students to understand that verbal abuse in relationships can be part of a system of dominance and control in relationships," stated Dr. Dean. "We want CSU students to become empowered to take action toward ending dating violence."

The National Domestic Violence Hotline number is 1-800-799-SAFE. For more information on domestic violence, visit <http://www.thehotline.org>.

# Promise Place Provides Services for Victims of Domestic Violence

By Vanessa Motley  
Executive Director, Promise Place

Domestic violence has reached epidemic levels in our society, and statistics show that at least a third of adult women have experienced being abused by an intimate partner.

This translates into millions of people and means that it is happening in a lot of homes. No home is immune because domestic violence reaches out and touches lives regardless of age, gender, income level or ethnic background.

Promise Place is a non-profit domestic violence agency that provides services to women, children and men who are experiencing or have experienced domestic violence. Promise Place has worked with victims of domestic violence since 1987 and provides services in Fayette, Spalding, Pike, and Upson counties. Services include legal advocacy to assist victims of domestic violence in navi-

gating the judicial system in order to obtain safety from their abusers; a 24-hour crisis hot line; safety planning and danger assessments; crisis counseling; emergency shelter; weekly support groups; and a Teen Dating Violence Prevention program in the high schools. This is an important program designed to educate teenagers about domestic violence.

Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behaviors used by one person to control another person usually within the context of an intimate relationship. The abuse that occurs in these relationships can take many different forms including physical, emotional, economic and sexual abuse. The abuser may use threats, intimidation, isolation and other strategies that involve children and pets to maintain control over the victim.

Victims of domestic violence come to our agency when they have suffered from the hands of the partners they love. Advocates are familiar with all the forms of abuse, but it is usually the physical abuse that gets

our attention because it requires immediate action. Domestic violence can sometimes be fatal. Promise Place's emergency shelter provides a place of immediate safety for victims of domestic violence and their children when they are in danger. Promise Place provides resources and services for the families while in shelter to maintain their safety until it is safe for them to resume life on their own - providing for all emergency needs, utilities, security and maintenance costs as well as keeping the facility staffed 24 hours a day year round.

As a non-profit organization, Promise Place relies on financial support from the community to support the operations of the program in providing a safe haven for victims of domestic violence and their families. Donations of products are also welcomed and a complete listing of shelter needs can be found by visiting the web site at [www.promiseplace.org](http://www.promiseplace.org). Volunteers are also needed to assist in several different areas of the program.

If you or someone you know is in a domestic violence situation please contact us through our confidential contact form on the web site or by calling our 24 hour crisis line directly at 770-460-1604.

Please remember that no one deserves to be abused. If you are being abused, it is not your fault.

You cannot tell who victims or abusers are by their appearance, education or social status. Abusers can be doctors, lawyers, judges, religious leaders, teachers, waitresses, nurses and those involved in law enforcement. Victims can also come from these same categories. They are the people we rub shoulders with at the supermarket, and the people we share first-class airline seats with. They are our neighbors, our friends and our families.

If you have questions about this article or about domestic violence in general, please call Promise Place at 770-461-3839, ext 152.

# Poll

## "What do you consider to be a good solution to domestic violence?"



**Asia Green**

Freshman  
Accounting

*"My solution to domestic violence would be for the couple to seek advisement before it gets out of control."*



**Jamal Scott**

Freshman  
Pre-Communications

*"To be quiet and learn to let to let stuff go, don't escalate the situation."*



**Ayana Madison**

Junior  
Nursing

*"To walk away from the problem don't say anything, avoid confrontation. If you feel a negative vibe or uncomfortable you should leave."*



**Brittany Homer**

Freshman  
Pre-Business

*"First thing people should contact the police, let everyone know about the abuse"*



**Kanyia Griffin**

Freshman  
Marketing

*"It starts when they are adolescents to teach the children to practice nonviolence."*



**Katie Skinner**

Freshman  
Computer science

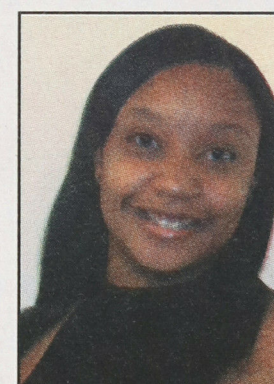
*"Get community support, and notify the authorities."*



**Samantha Holder**

Freshman  
Accounting

*"A good solution to domestic violence is consulting with a counselor to guide you to a healthier life style."*



**Aleshay Teasley**

Freshman  
Accounting

*"I would leave him, and report it to the authorities, and avoid him."*

# Clayton State University's Presidential Inauguration



General view of the Inauguration.

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By Will Mayers

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On Oct. 1, Dr. Thomas J. Hynes Jr. was inaugurated as the fourth president of Clayton State University. Though he has held the position for more than a year, yesterday, he became "the real thing." There was a grand turnout for the event, held in the Fitness & Athletic Center, and the mood of the ceremony was very lively and humorous.

The Clayton State University Wind Ensemble and the AWS Brass Quintet, led by conductor Patrick Carney, performed for the event. As the band played, the inaugural procession entered. This was made up of CSU student representatives, faculty in their traditional robes, and Institutional delegates.

Dr. Michael Crafton was the master of ceremony and began the light-hearted program with the welcome and introductory remarks. There was a posting of colors by the university's ROTC Color Guard and the national anthem was sung by one of Clayton State's own,

Brent Davis, a 1999 graduate. He was accompanied on piano by his brother, Seth Davis, who graduated from CSU in 2007. The atmosphere was one of joy and happiness. The ceremony was energetic and moved swiftly, with standing ovations for Dr. Hynes among others.

Speakers included Katherine Pasch with the Invocation, Willis Potts, chair from the Board of Regents, Starr Helms chair of the CSU Foundation, James "Jamey" Hicks, president of the Alumni Association, and Stephen Burnett chair from the Faculty Senate. Also speaking was Heidi Benford, chair from the staff council, Kamille Rigsby president of The Student Government Association, Michael Crafton, chancellor from the University System of Georgia, did the investiture and presentation of the medallion.

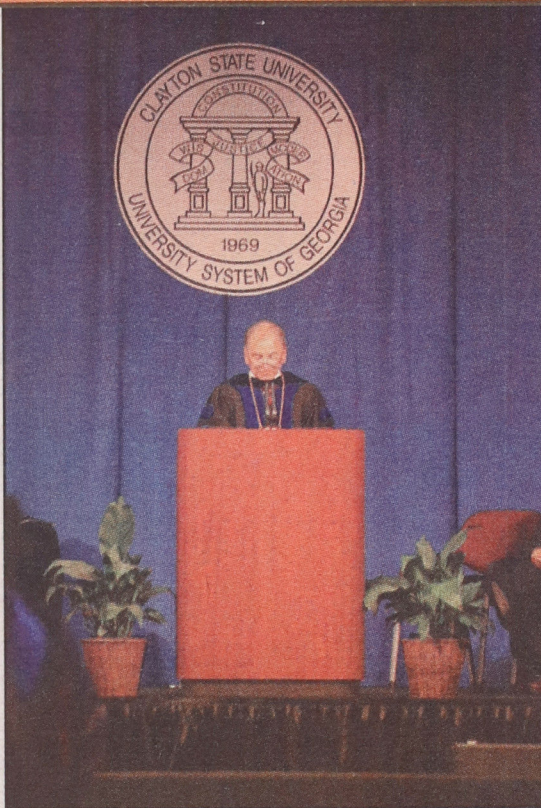
After all of this, Dr. Hynes took the podium and gave his inaugural address. Hynes, a former debate coach, spoke about his life, family, time at CSU, and the future.



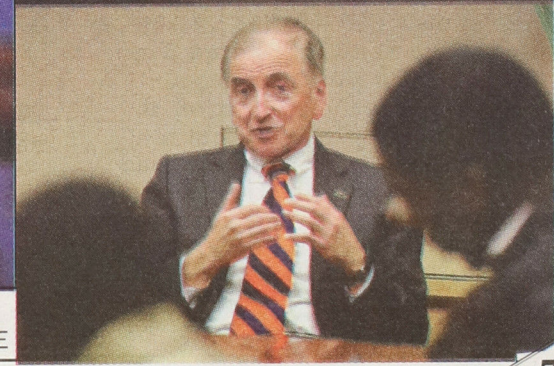
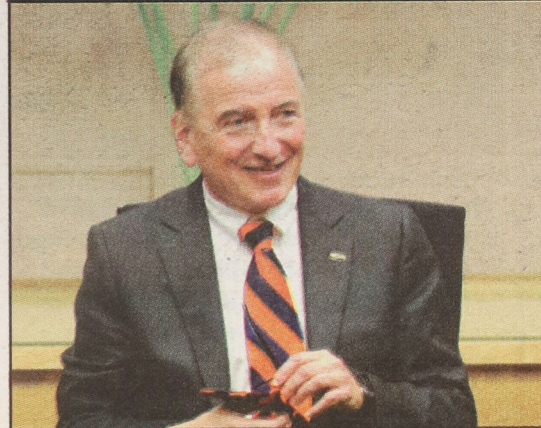
President Hynes leaving the inauguration.

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# Sports



CASEY SCARBOROUGH/THE BENT TREE

Brian Garcia show some of his moves recently during a portrait. Garcia is a two-time "Player of the Week" in the Peachbelt Conference this season.

## CSU Goalkeeper a Main Ingredient for 10-2 Season

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Meet Brian Garcia.

The 5-foot-8, 200-pound Clayton State goalkeeper is setting the standard for defense in the Peach Belt Conference. His statistics are impressive: he has only allowed 5 goals in the 9 games this season. He has started every game this season playing over 800 minutes, racking up 24 saves, 5 shutouts, and an overwhelming .828 save percentage.

By the way, the team is off to one the best starts in school history, sitting at 10-1 and have been ranked as high as 12th in the nation in NCAA Division II. Garcia attributes the team's success to dedicated hard work, believing in each other's abili-

ties, and constantly working hard to continue to get better. When he's not practicing, studying, or helping with his family's business, Garcia puts in countless hours of extra practice.

"The only way for me to be ready and be the best I can be is to constantly work," he said. "I feel like when we play our game, there is no one that can beat us. The main thing is that we maintain to get better and play like we were supposed to."

The only loss of the season came in heartbreaking fashion against Flagler, where Garcia said the team did not play like they were capable.

"It was a very tough, hard fought game but we made too many mistakes that normally we don't make," said Garcia.

Garcia said head coach Pete Peterson is very demanding and tactical because he wants the team to achieve their maximum potential. "He knows the game and he knows what it takes to win. This by far the most talented and well coached team I've ever played on" Garcia said.

This is a testament that in order to be successful in anything you do, you have to be willing to work extremely hard and be prepared. "In this division, you have to be well prepared, and ready to play because any team is capable of beating you. Coach Peterson always has a game plan and makes sure that we are prepared and ready to go" Garcia adds.

The team is filled with leaders such as Sam Brevin, Brett Neilson,

and Igor Lukic who possess great soccer knowledge and the intangible asset of rising to the occasion, performing at an extremely high level.

The team's ultimate goal is win the Peach Belt Conference Tournament and to compete in the Nationals, and as long as Garcia is in between the posts that goal seems achievable. Like his favorite professional player Leo Messi, Garcia is a game changer. He has the killer instinct to do anything for his team to win.

Garcia is a junior at and has aspirations of playing professional soccer when his career is finished at Clayton State. If that doesn't work out he would like to own his own business.



## Men's Soccer Team Ranked 10th in Nation

Courtesy of Clayton State Athletics  
athletics.clayton.edu

The new NSCAA (National Soccer Coaches' Association of America) Men's Soccer Division II Top 25 was released on Tuesday, and the Clayton State Lakers made one of the biggest jumps in the poll out of all the ranked teams.

The Lakers are ranked 10th in the nation this week, a jump of 14 spots from last week when Clayton State was ranked 24th. This marks the fifth straight week that the Lakers have been ranked in the Division II Top 25, and the first time the Lakers have cracked the Top 10 since being ranked fifth in the nation early in the 2007 season.

Clayton State (10-2, 4-1 PBC) is the highest-ranked team from the Peach Belt Conference in this week's Top 25. Montevallo dropped from second to 20th this week, while Flagler dropped out after being ranked 19th last week. The Lakers made the big catapult this week thanks to a convincing 3-0 shutout victory at Montevallo last Wednesday.

Colorado Mines remains the top-ranked team in the nation for a fourth straight week.

## CSU Women's Soccer Falls to Columbus State



BRIAN ROBERTS/THE BENT TREE

CSU defender Jennifer Dreasler (7) keeps the ball away from Leslie Mathews (20) of Columbus State. The women lost 8-1.

Courtesy of Clayton State Athletics  
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The Clayton State Laker women's soccer team knew it would have its hands full with a potent Columbus State squad at home on Wednesday night. Sure enough, the Cougars proved it.

With five different players scoring goals, 12th-ranked Columbus State proved too much in terms of firepower for Clayton State as the Cougars downed the Lakers 8-1 at Laker Field. The defeat, the fifth straight for the Lakers, drops Clayton State to 3-8 overall and 1-6 in the Peach Belt Conference. Columbus State improves to 10-1-1 overall and 5-1 in the Peach Belt.

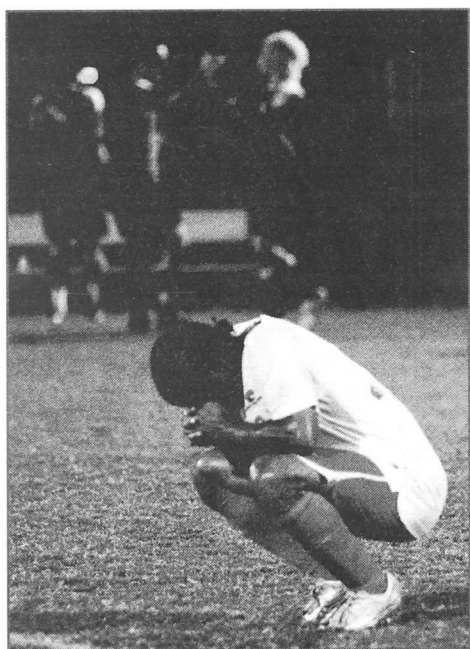
The Cougars scored five of their goals in the first half to lead 5-0 at halftime.

Kate Walton scored the first Columbus State goal in the ninth minute off an assist by Kelsey Bass from the top of the penalty box. The next two Cougar scores came exactly a minute apart - a goal by Kan-

sas Bayly in the 12th minute, and a goal by Melinda in the 13th minute. Stephanie Parrish then accounted for the next two Columbus State goals, scoring in the 20th minute and then again in the 44th minute.

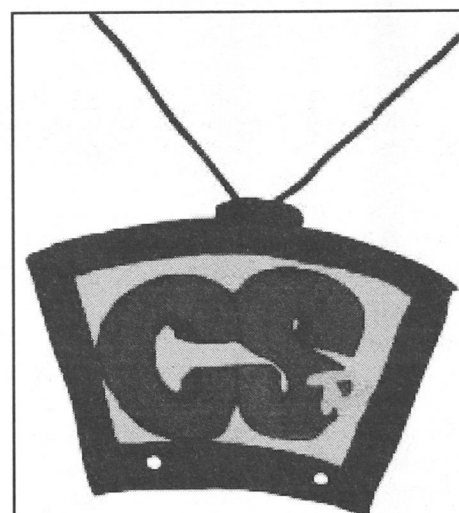
Like Parrish in the first half, Stephanie Lowery scored twice for the Cougars in the second half. Her first was in the 52nd minute off an assist by Bush, followed by her second five minutes later off an assist by Kim Gaughan. Ashton Ziadie scored the final Columbus State goal in the 80th minute off a double-assist by Bayly and Jordan McKenzie.

The lone Clayton State goal came in the 68th minute by sophomore forward Natalia Valentine off a left cross from senior Caitlin Clark. Clayton State goalkeeper Stefania Cola, the Peach Belt Conference leader in saves, recorded 13 saves in the defeat. Columbus State outshot Clayton State for the game 33-10.



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CSU Forward Ryan Pugh (22) kneels after the men were defeated 1-0 by Flagler—their first loss of the season—on Sept. 25. The men's next game is at 5 p.m on Wednesday at home against Georgia Southwestern.



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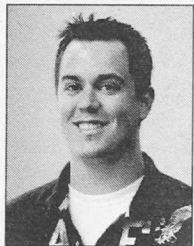
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# Opinion

## Video Game Review: Dead Rising 2 a 10 out of 10

By John Zinko  
Columnist

Die hard fans of the video game company Capcom will be pleased to know that the second installment of



Dead Rising, Dead Rising 2, has been released. The story line is expertly detailed with a whodunit twist that will keep gamers guessing halfway through the game. The second half

is spent trying to stop the culprit from getting away.

The game begins inside Fortune City, a gigantic mall and casino in the middle of Las Vegas, six months after the first outbreak of Dead Rising and follows the story of Chuck Greene, an ex-motocross legend. Chuck is now trying to make ends meet as a "Terror is Reality" contestant putting himself in danger by getting extra friendly with zombies for the rest of the world's entertainment.

In "Terror is Reality" four contestants compete with one another against thousands of zombies. The contestant who destroys the most zombies with their chain saw-wielding motorcycle wins.

This type of lifestyle is not suited for a man like Chuck Greene, especially since he has an eight year old daughter who has been bitten by a zombie. Chuck only competes to buy the miracle medicine Zombrex, proven to prevent "zombification" for 24 hours.

Chuck Greene is on his way to pick up his daughter Katy after his most recent win when all hell breaks loose. Someone has blown up the security gates that keep the endless hoard of zombies at bay and now they are everywhere. Chuck narrowly escapes with Katy to a nearby bunker and posts there.

Chuck is later informed that he is being blamed for this act of terrorism. He then has three days to find survivors, keep his daughter medicated, and find to clear his name. But, it must be done before the army comes to take him away from his daughter.

The main character, Chuck Greene, has a lot of clout as an ex-motocross legend, but he's also a jack of all

trades. Chuck can take household tools and turn them into weapons of massive destruction. The game plays heavily upon Chuck's ability to combine tools and rewards the player's effort for using the weapons.

Chuck's first encounter with weapon making is when he is given the keys to a maintenance room. As he walks in he sees a baseball bat and a box of nails. Placing the two items on the work bench he begins tacking the nails into the bat. He finishes with a Spike Bat that earns 100 points for a normal attack and 250 for a heavy attack.

There are more interesting weapons such as the Paddle Saw, a combination of a kayak oar with a chain saw on each end. And the Boom Stick, which is a pitch fork with a shot gun.

Some features of Dead Rising 2 include: increased ability to change levels compared to the first edition; the mini-bosses known as Psychopaths are stronger, creating a challenge for first time players as well as zombie slaying veterans; and there is a new batch of survivors in Fortune City waiting for Chuck Greene to save them.

The communications system from

Chuck to the security room is a breath of fresh air from the first game. Chuck's walkie-talkie beeps twice and then goes silent with a small icon at the bottom of the screen, allowing players to answer it at their earliest convenience. Rather than having a long conversation over the radio Chuck looks at his watch revealing all the information about the area needing his attention. Another feature of the walkie-talkie is the co-op mode.

A second player can be added to the main story mode to help kill zombies, combine weapons, and defeat Psychopaths. And there is an online multi-player function where up to four players can relive the old "Terror is Reality" days, earning money by completing events that can then be used in the single player story mode.

Dead Rising 2 rates 10 out of 10 for game play value. Since it is impossible to complete every mission on the first attempt, there is plenty of time to explore Fortune City further.

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## Is CSU Really a 'Notebook University?'

By Rachel Daniels  
Columnist

Clayton State University is a technology-based school. As stated on Clayton State's school website, "Clayton State was the third public university to require that each student have access to a notebook computer and has distinguished its learning environment as one of a small number of "Notebook Universities".

So, if you can remember when you first enrolled at Clayton State, you signed an agreement stating that you owned or had immediate access to a personal notebook computer. But if you visit the library, you can see that is not the case.

There are clearly not enough public campus computers to assist the students with their daily computer needs. And on top of that, the computers that are available have

restrictions. However, that's nothing to complain about. We knew when entering this university that we had to maintain our technological independence.



Clayton State tells us that we must have our own personal notebook computers because we are most likely be using them in the classrooms.

However, the question on deck is, when have you ever had a class where you were required to have your personal notebook computer every time you met?

The interesting thing is, I have never used my laptop in the classroom, nor have I attended a class where it was mandatory for me to have it during class period. To my recollection, I have actually attended a few classes in which the instructor clearly stated to their students that

notebook computers were strictly prohibited while class was in session, even to take notes.

Professors are not crazy; they already know what is going on behind our computer screens more than 50% of the time — Facebook!

So, it makes me wonder, what's the point of making it mandatory for all students to own a laptop computer? Why isn't it OK to just have a desktop or just to borrow a friend's when you need a paper written?

I have spoken to some new students who feel as if there are falling behind just because they don't own a personal notebook computer yet. Guys relax, if you have some type of computer access, whether it's your friend's notebook or your family's old desktop, if its good enough to get your work done, then you are good.

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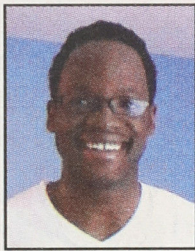
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# Movie Review: 'The Social Network' is a well-told story

By Jarren Ware  
Columnist

I thought about starting this review by writing something like, "For those you who've been on Mars for the past few years, Facebook is ..." But that would be cliché and very lame.

You know what Facebook is. And with more than half a billion users, the social networking website is at the peak of its popularity and for whatever reason has yet to be deemed uncool by whoever's to deem So I surprised heard a movie coming I when I see it, my tions of low. The Social Network however, turned out to be much more than "the Facebook flick."



On its surface The Social Network is nothing special; it follows a formula for a rags to riches biographical story that we've all seen before. Jesse Eisenberg plays Mark Zuckerberg, a Harvard undergrad who creates a social networking website exclusively for Harvard students after being rejected by his girlfriend and college social clubs.

This movie doesn't shine in its story in particular but in how the story is told. The film gives the audience a front row seat during two separate depositions in which Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg is being sued. In doing this, the film keeps the viewer's interest makes it difficult pick sides, as everyone's point of view is equally represented.

Another element that makes it hard or the audience to choose heroes and villains is that almost every character is pretty much a douchebag. Though he is without question the film's protagonist, Zuckerberg is portrayed as a kid who can't seem to decide if he wants to be an eccentric genius or a pretentious jerk. He constantly undermines and insults everyone in the most condescending way possible and yet lacks the good sense to know that Gap hoodies and flip flops aren't proper winter attire in Boston.

Zuckerberg is being sued by his best friend, Eduardo Saverin, in one case and Cameron and Tyler Winklevoss, in another. Saverin, who looks like he stepped straight out of a Banana Re-

public catalogue throughout most of the film, may be the most likable character but that's only because he is often out-douched by Zuckerberg.

Twin brothers Cameron and Tyler Winklevoss, who sue Zuckerberg for allegedly stealing the idea behind Facebook, are the villains if anyone is. The case they present may be a valid one but it's hard to root for them because they're clearly privileged daddy's boys who expect things to go their way because as one brother puts it in the film, "I'm 6'5" I weigh 220 & there's two of me," ... 'nuff said.

Essentially being a film about nerds and their computers, TSN is obviously lacking in the action department but it totally compensates for this with excellent writing. This can be seen from the outset of the film where Zuckerberg and his girlfriend argue only like the Ivy Leaguers can. While most arguments between the couple can be likened to a bare-knuckle boxing match this one is a verbal fencing bout in with the opponents enjoy tea and cucumber sandwiches in between blows. This is a smart movie about smart people.

Along with Eisenberg, the film stars Justin Timberlake (for whatever reason) and newcomers Armie Hammer and Andrew Garfield. A recent late night Stumbleupon session introduced me to the Bechdel Test which basically shows that even in our socially advanced society, literate, fully clothed women are absent in a lot of modern films. Now I can't stop looking for a meaningful female presence in the movies I watch, and The Social Network is good but unfortunately is no exception. The only female cast member worth mentioning is Brenda Song who plays Mark's girlfriend. Despite being the entire reason Zuckerberg starts Facebook, she has very little screen time and all of the other women in the film are clearly, and perhaps purposefully, objectified.

All in all, The Social Network is a solid film; David Fincher delivers despite the fact that the plot is much more conventional than his other films. Aaron Sorkin delivers with quick, witty dialogue that he's known and loved for, and Eisenberg totally shatters theories that he's a Michael Cera-Andy Samberg hybrid robot from outer space. Take a minute between tagging photos, stalking your ex and writing "just read a dope film review" on your status update and see the movie about the guy who made it all possible.

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# Two Antivirus Clients: Too much of a good thing?

By Chris Baldwin  
Columnist

Sometimes too much of a good thing can be a horrible experience. For example, my mom previously worked at Arby's. She would occasionally bring home tasty roast beef scraps that I was supposed to give to the dog, though I often ate them. She once



brought home a chicken sandwich that was actually for me. We were out of normal condiments but we had plenty of grape jelly. I assumed if grape jelly is awesome and chicken breast sandwiches are also awesome, then a chicken jelly sandwich would be awesome squared. I loaded that sandwich with so much jelly it practically turned purple. I've never been as sick in my life as I was after eating that monstrosity. To this day I can't eat breakfast biscuits with jelly.

This reminds me of what happens when people try to use more than one antivirus. The logic that people often have is that if they use two antivirus clients, they will be double protected. This is far from the truth. Most antivirus clients continually monitor the

computer's activities and attempts to look for peculiar behavior. If one antivirus client sees another antivirus client perusing files, it often will consider that risky behavior. If they both come to the conclusion that the other antivirus client is a threat they spend their time fighting each other instead of keeping your system clean. It also slows your computer down because the antivirus clients are using twice the system resources to "double scan".

Most antivirus clients have the ability to scan for preexisting viruses that are already on your computer. This is slightly different from their monitoring feature, which looks for incoming viruses. Multiple antivirus clients can be used effectively only if one is set not to actively monitor the computer. I'd suggest avoiding the headache of using multiple antivirus clients and use one really good one. LANDesk antivirus works really well at discovering old viruses in addition to protecting systems from new ones.

If you are interested in using the LANDesk AV, you can always come to The HUB. If you are interested in saving some time, log into the SWAN, click The HUB's tab then click the link on the right side panel that says LANDesk AV Agent. Be sure to follow the posted instructions. Also if you have a preexisting antivirus client, please remove it or you'll have your own jelly monstrosity.

Join me next time when we debunk the Mac Virus invulnerability and other myths.

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Members of Delta Sigma Theta show off their moves during the "Clash of the Titans" at the Student Activities Center.

## Delta Sigma Theta Wins "Clash of the Titans"

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Students swarmed into the Athletic and Fitness Center last month night, in their best attire, geared up for The Clash of the Titans, a step show battle between the Greeks.

When asked why the step show was called "The Clash of the Titans," Natasha Hutson, assistant director of Campus Life, replied, "Clash of the Titans was kind of a cool name that students would recognize, but also a unifying name because everyone is a titan. The clash was sort of a fun way to show them battling it out."

Hutson went on to explain that it was very important to promote the step show during Greek Week, get the University excited, especially the freshmen and represent Greek life well. It was also important to prepare the Greeks for the show.

"Stepping and strolling are things that most Greek letter organizations are

known for, but we also want to make sure that students recognize that the choice of being Greek is not only about social activities, but also about supporting philanthropy and community service and things like that," said Hutson.

More than 1,000 tickets were sold for the show. The participants had since last spring to come up with their steps. The music, courtesy of Clayton State Internet Radio, bumped as the seats quickly filled. The sororities and fraternities sat front and center, ready to support their sisters and brothers, wearing their Greek paraphernalia and holding up their Greek signs. The students were in the presence of members from Delta Sigma Theta, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Sigma Gamma Rho, Theta Phi Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha, Phi Beta Sigma, Omega Psi Phi, Kappa Alpha Psi, Alpha Kappa Lambda and Zeta Phi Beta.

When each sorority and fraternity was announced, they responded with a call that left the crowd cheering. For example, when the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha were announced they let out a

"Skee-Wee" that would leave your ears ringing.

The crowd sat quietly as the show began. Members of Sigma Gamma Rho, or SGRho, marched down the aisles in their vibrant gold boots. When they hit the stage, they moved the crowd with their fast, fancy foot-work and showed everyone how they could do it with "no hands."

The ladies of Zeta Phi Beta, who were the reigning champs of the step show before Friday night, performed to Young Jeezy's "Lose My Mind." The song was perfect for the ladies who dressed as disturbed children in a mental asylum.

Members of Kappa Alpha Psi left the ladies at the edge of their seats. The rugged men of Alpha Kappa Lambda showed everyone that they were not afraid to be different. No music accompanied their performance, only their roaring voices. They stood with their chests poked out, hands beating their knees and expressed to the crowd, how they were not your cliché fraternity.

The women of Delta Sigma Theta took the crowd on a journey with their performance. The ladies of Delta Sigma Theta won the event. When Ilesha Little, member of Delta Sigma Theta was asked how she felt about winning the step show, she replied, "I feel accomplished. We put a lot of hard work into preparing for the show. We put in hours and hours of practice. Jasmine Chinery (stroll master) and Crystal Bingslea (step master) orchestrated the whole thing. They came up with the steps and transitions while Nikitia Haynie and myself came up with the story line, plot and dialogue of the performance. Every member's ideas worked to create a DIVA-STATING performance."

After the show, the Greeks all got out of their seats and began to stroll around the gym. People made their way to the exits and went on to the Student Activity Center to celebrate at the after-party. More strolling was done throughout the night as people danced, lights flashed, and students of Clayton State partied the night away.