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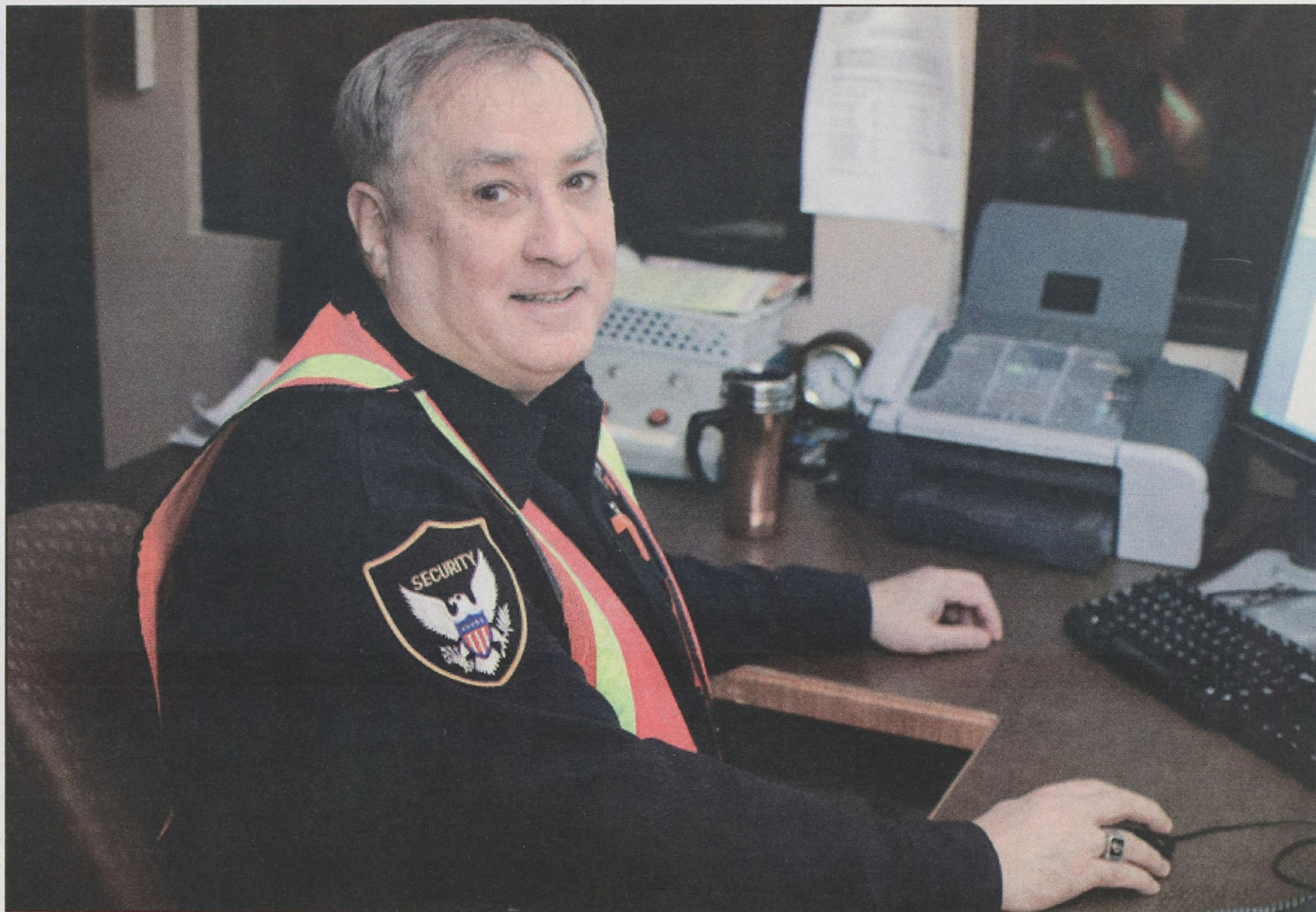
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News



Meet Officer Mike: The Gate Keeper



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Officer Mike Lustri, a night security officer at CSU'S guard house, greets students with a smile as they enter campus late at night.

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Returning from a late night of fun and excitement at the clubs, you have probably been stopped by a kind and welcoming security guard.

After answering one or two questions, the officer lets the student pass, as he waves goodnight. This is Officer Mike Lustri, gate officer of Clayton State University.

"But please, just call me Mike," he says with a grin.

Mike is no ordinary security guard. He has a Degree in Business Management, served as a Marine from 1970 to 1976, and served as an RA for three years at Duquesne University.

Providing the campus security late at night isn't the only job Mike attends too. During the day, Mike Lustri is a computer technician for George R.

Douglas & Associates, LLC.

"Why do I have two jobs? Well the answer is simple; I have six kids!"

Mike works with companies such as Coca Cola, Sherwin Williams, Hewlett Packard, and numerous food manufacturing companies putting codes on products that ensure freshness and quality.

If one is to look on the bottom of a Pringles potatoe chip tube, they will find Mike Lustri's handy work.

Mike also has a third job that he does out of the kindness of his own heart: consoling students with problems and issues they may be dealing with.

"Some students visit to have a cup of coffee and they just need to talk to someone," says Mike offering a cup of coffee although he is the one doing the talking. "Ninety percent of all counseling is just listening."

Some students visit for an hour or more on a weekly basis while others may drop in just to say "hi" every now

and again.

"We live in an impersonal world and try to be the antithesis of that," Mike says chuckling.

He goes on to explain how trying to relate to students and speaking to them on a certain level of respect has made his shift so successful.

This year there has not been one major incident during Officer Mike's 10:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. shift.

"The prevailing mentality is rock them, sock them, and lock them in the slammer. But that's not what we do here. Having a collaborative approach to the situation certainly makes the outcome more positive for everyone involved," Mike states.

Officer Mike will be celebrating two years on the force next month. "It's not a job to me, it's really a cool experience," says Officer Mike as he waves a student through the gate.

Unpaid Tickets + Illegal Parking = "Boot"

By Mandy Sponable
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Clayton State University's Department of Public Safety just joined in with the majority of colleges in Georgia in implementing vehicle immobilizers, commonly known as "the Boot".

The immobilizers are for students, as well as staff, who have three unpaid on-campus parking tickets, or are parked illegally in handicap or other reserved areas. Any student or faculty who become "immobilized," will find a yellow jack-like contraption on the back left tire of the violating vehicle. If the vehicle is driven while the immobilizer

is attached, severe damage can be done to the vehicle.

Vehicles parked obstructing traffic, in emergency lanes or causing other hazards will be towed at the owner's expense as before.

The removal of the vehicle immobilizer will be administered by campus police officers, and only after a fee of 50 dollars plus any outstanding citations are paid in full.

Bobby Hamil, Director of Public Safety, stated that all revenue acquired by the "Boot" fines will go back into the University with funding projects such as road resurfacing, repairing equipment, and the purchase of items such as security cameras.

Hamil says it will also "enhance parking enforcement that is typically disregarded." The Director of Public Safety also reassures that Public Safety Officers will not be seeking people who are "Boot eligible" for citations.

All parking citation fees should be paid in the Parking Services Office in the Student Center.

The only procedure available to properly remove the immobilizer is by contacting the Department of Public Safety at 678-466-4050. As stated by the Public Safety website, vehicles immobilized may be removed from the campus at the owner's expense 24 hours after immobilization.

CSU To Acquire Nearby Apartment Complex



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Clayton Place will soon be the property of Clayton State University.

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Clayton Place has been causing some controversy lately as Clayton State University is in the process of acquiring the apartment complex.

As residents attempted to access their Internet, they were presented with a message that Clayton State University would soon be the owner of Clayton Place, recently renamed Clayton Station.

According to Corlis Cummings,

Vice President for Business and Operations, Clayton State has not yet officially acquired Clayton Station.

"What we're doing is what we call a PPV project, which is a Public Private Venture and when you do those, there's a lot of due diligence that you have to do. The Board of Regents has a whole series of information that we have to provide to them, so we are in the midst of getting our due diligence to the Board of Regents. It is our hope that we will officially acquire the property in May."

Cummings goes on to say that

Clayton State will be acquiring Clayton Station for a little over 20 million dollars. Cummings said that 20 million is a good price, especially when Clayton Station has been valued from 35-38 million dollars. The acquisition is considered a good deal because Laker Hall was valued at 20 million dollars when it was built back in 2008, and it only has half of the amount of beds as Clayton Station.

One of the biggest questions is whether or not Clayton Station's management will change after Clayton State acquires it.

"I definitely think that when the University acquires the property, we obviously want to make sure that we maintain the best possible living standards for the students that are going to be there. So if there are any issues or problems with the management or the facilities for sale, we definitely want to rise up to the level that we have at Laker Hall. We will be making several improvements to Clayton Place such as installing fences, putting in gates, and other security measures," said Cummings.

At the moment Clayton Station is renting out 4 bedroom/4 bathroom apartments in Phase One for \$499 per month; 4 bedroom/4 bathroom in Phase Two for \$539 per month, and 2 bedroom/2 bathroom for \$599 per month.

When asked about the change of rent after the acquisition, Cummings stated, "Right now we are working with an outside group who are basically doing student surveys and are testing the market in terms of what appropriate rent would be for the facilities."

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BRIEFS

- Friday, March 4 is the last day to withdraw from any class and a receive a grade W.

- Spring Break is from March 5 - 12.

- On March 5 at 8:15 p.m., violinist Cecylia Arzewski will be performing at Spivey Hall.

- Applications for the Emerging Student Leadership Conference at Lake Blackshear are due this Friday, March 4.

- Daily Dining Hall menus can now be found online at www.csudining.com.

- State Representative Alisha T. Morgan will serve as the Keynote Speaker for Campus Life's Women's Luncheon.

The Bent Tree Wins Awards

Staff Reports

The Bent Tree placed in three categories in the Georgia Collegiate Press Association's 2010 Better Newspaper Contest.

The paper won third place in the General Photography category, while placing second place in Layout and Design. Also, a photograph by Kevin Liles of Candy McDonald, a Sodexo employee who works in Lakeside Cafe, won third place in Best Feature Photograph.

This is the first time The Bent Tree has won awards in the contest in the paper's 42-year history.

"I'm really proud of these awards, and I believe it's only an indication of things to come," said C.J. Menard, the paper's new editor-in-chief.

The paper's editors traveled to Athens in February for the Press Institute to accept the awards.

Lawmakers Deal With How to Keep HOPE Afloat

By Kevin Liles
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Georgia lawmakers are in the midst of making drastic changes to Georgia's signature scholarship.

Last week, Gov. Nathan Deal (R) announced that cuts are being made to the 18-year-old, lottery-funded HOPE program because lottery sales cannot keep up.

Deal's proposed changes include requiring high school students to have a 3.7 GPA and a 1200 SAT score to be eligible for HOPE. Among other changes, students attending any of Georgia's 28 technical colleges would lose the scholarship completely.

However, on Tuesday, House Republicans agreed to some changes proposed by their Democratic counterparts. House Bill 326 passed with a 152-22 vote.

Rep. Yasmin Neal (D-Jonesboro), whose district includes Clayton State, said she was still not completely happy with the bill, but added that it was better than the original.

"The (House) Democratic Caucus decided to work on the governor's version of the bill to have a voice in altering the bill," she said in a phone interview on Tuesday. "Once we made the agreement to have a voice, we sat down with the governor and House Republicans."

The version of the bill that passed the house requires that, in order for students entering college to receive 100% of the HOPE Scholarship, they must have a 3.7 GPA and 1200 SAT score. These scholarships will be called Zell Miller Scholarships, named after the Georgia governor who implemented the program in 1993.

However, those students only need to keep a 3.3 GPA to keep the scholarship. Students who have and keep a 3.0 GPA will

receive 90% of their current tuition fees.

In addition, technical college students will receive HOPE, though they now have to maintain a 3.0 GPA.

"This is a victory in what we were able to save," Neal said.

She added that she was on the fence on whether to vote against the bill or try to work to make changes, but the CSU's Student Government Association helped get her off the fence.

During SGA's regular meeting on Tuesday, Neal called in to speak with students and hear their concerns.

"After calling in to the meeting, I found that a majority of those students wanted me to see if changes could be made," the representative said. "My decision came from that, so I can truly say that those students affected policy."

SGA held two town-hall style meetings to allow students to voice their concerns. Kamille Rigsby, who is the SGA president and an aid to Neal, said that of all the students who attended the meeting, only one had a 3.5 or higher GPA. Rigsby added that roughly 15% of CSU students receive HOPE.

Creating HOPE galvanized Miller's popularity among Georgians, and tinkering with the program was risky business for politicians. A plaque recognizing Miller and the creation of HOPE greets students as they enter Student Center at CSU.

In the past, making cuts to the nationally-touted program could have disastrous results for legislators. Lawmakers said they were left no choice but to make cuts because of the money shortage.

According to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, more than 100 college and high school students protested the cuts to the program outside the Capitol in Atlanta.

The bill now heads to the Senate, where it will likely be changed. After the

Senate finalizes their version, committees from both chambers will sit down to draft a version they can agree on.

If lottery sales improve, it's possible that HOPE could return to the way it was before the cuts, Neal said. Each year, legislators will reexamine the issue.

The new bill also allocates more than \$10 million of the lottery money for students to borrow to pay for books and other expenses. Students who borrow this money will pay it back at a 1% interest rate.

Changes to the program will take effect this fall, though some colleges are expecting significant tuition hikes. This could leave some students stuck with paying more out of pocket because the amount HOPE pays is based on the previous year's tuition.

House Democrats attempted to make it so that current recipients would not be affected by the changes, but Repub-

licans would not agree.

Other changes to HOPE, according to the law proposed by Deal include:

- Students who lose HOPE will only have one chance to receive the scholarship after losing it. Previously, students were allowed two "second chances."

- Students attending private universities will receive a percentage of a tuition equalization grant based on the previous year's tuition.

- No money will be given for the purchase of books. Previously, \$250 was allocated.

- Pre-K, which is also funded through lottery sales, will reduce its day from 6 to 4.5 hours.

House Democrats have proposed changes to several of the items listed above, but the final bill may look drastically different by the time both chambers finalize it.

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Clayton Place *from page 3*

Clayton Station is not just housing for students of Clayton State University, but also homes for people who do not attend the University. Current students who reside at Clayton Station will be given the opportunity to renew their lease. As for those individuals who are not classified as students, Cummings stated those individuals would have the opportunity to renew their lease as well, if approved by the Georgia Board of Regents.

A definite change that will be made after the acquisition is that the Community Assistants at Clayton Station will be let go when Clayton State officially acquires the property. They will be given the opportunity to reapply as Resident Assistants, but positions are not guaranteed.

Tiffany Wilson, a student residing at Clayton Station, stated she felt optimistic about the University acquir-

ing the apartment complex, "I think it's good because we might have better management, but I think that they [CSU] might try to jack up rent prices."

Also, the recent change to the apartment complex name has been quite confusing. Clayton State University was not responsible for the name change according to Cummings, "No that was a decision that the actual owner of the property made. This was a corporate decision. We're still utilizing the terminology Clayton Place, but they have started sending letters and documents that say Clayton Station."

When asked if Clayton State would change the name of Clayton Station after acquiring it, Cummings replied, "I think that it is a possibility. We haven't had any real serious conversations regarding that, but I think whenever you acquire that much real estate, obviously we want to have it become a part of the University's housing, so that's a definite thing we might consider doing."

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Opinion

Engaging in Government

By Adeshina Lawal
Guest Columnist



We all remember School House Rock; their clever songs that educated us about good government among other things.

We have the privilege to govern ourselves. We delegate that privilege to our elected officials by way of General Assembly. We allow others, with a desire to effectively administer governance, to take our concerns and needs to the state capitol.

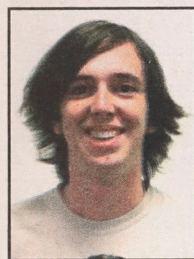
There is a regal sense in the title of Representative or Senator, and the "average" citizen may feel overwhelmed by the interaction. Or maybe you fancy yourself curious about the inner workings of how the rubber meets the road in policy drafting.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia acknowledges that desire in each individual. Every citizen has the right to both know and exercise their right to engage in acquiring information and communicating concerns to their states-person regarding their district in part and Georgia as a whole.

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Legalize Capitalism

By Joseph Brown
Guest Columnist



It happens like clockwork. Every time there is an economic problem, it is blamed on our supposedly free market. And every time, the proposed solution is more government force and less freedom. Of course, it was no different with the bursting of the housing bubble and the ensuing economic downturn.

The "experts" in charge of the economy—who didn't see the downturn coming—prescribed the "stimulus" of more government spending and bailouts.

Now, 2 years since the so-

called stimulus, the economy hasn't grown, but unemployment, government, and debt sure have!

There were those that predicted and warned about the housing bubble years in advance (see www.lewrockwell.com/block/block168.html for a bibliography of those that did). Practically everyone that did belongs to the school of economic thought known as the "Austrian school".

These free-market "Austrian" economists show that the cycle of boom and bust in the economy is caused by government intervention, primarily by the Federal Reserve (AKA the Fed). The Fed is America's central bank—not exactly a free market institution,

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The Perfect First Date Outfit

By Latica Lewis
Guest Columnist



What is the perfect date outfit? Is it a drop dead gorgeous red dress that will guarantee to have his eyes glued to you the whole night? Or should it be the classic white tee and jeans voted by men in Glamour's February

2011 Sex, Love and Guys Issue as their favorite outfit to see women in? Both ideas

are great classic looks to go for when going on a first date, but why stop there?

The first date is crucial for many reasons: will you have a good time, will you share too much, will he be a gentleman or arrogant; the list goes on, but one thing every woman feels that's most important is her outfit. What you wear for the first date is very essential because when you have that perfect look, he will definitely remember what you wore. Even though men can be unfocused at times, you'll

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Dear Sex With a Side of Fries,

I recently started dating this guy and everything was going good. We were together most of the time for the first two months then he started getting secretive. We even started spending little time together. I later found out that he was cheating on me with another girl so I broke up with him. After about two weeks of breaking up with him he came and begged me to take him back because he said his life wasn't the same without me. Should I give him another chance?

-Do Second Chances Exist?

Dear Do Second Chances Exist,

Let me first start off by saying, you were absolutely RIGHT in kicking his butt to the curb in the first place! You will find that many times with any relationship, it stops being "fun" and "new" after the first couple of months. That giddiness goes away, and all you're left with is the hope that the person you chose likes you for more than just the first few months of excitement that come with any new relationship.

In addition, after this new excitement is gone, many men are excited by the thrill of the "chase." Once that chase

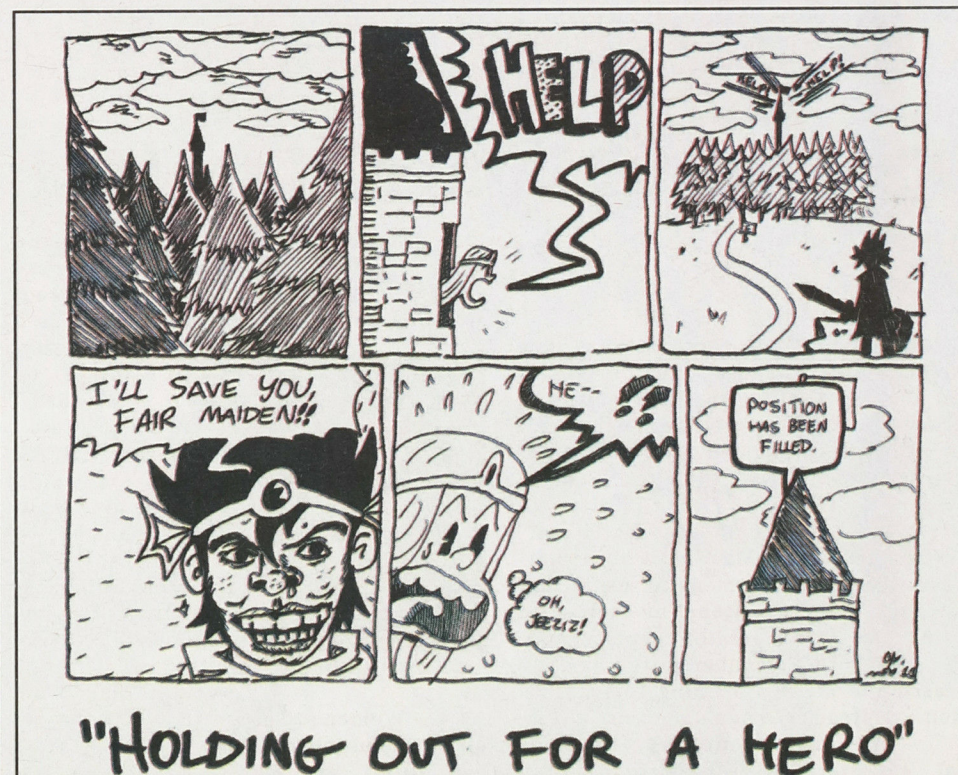
is over, they can become disinterested, and move on to something that peaks their attention. This could be the reason for his cheating, or you could have really been just that crappy of a girlfriend (of which I doubt). Chances are, you were attracted to a d-bag who isn't ready to settle down, and if you are looking to settle down, you need to look elsewhere. I would NOT give him a second chance! He has cheated on you once, and that will always be in the back of your head. It will do you more emotional harm getting back with him, and the constant questioning of his fidelity, than it would to just decide to put the incident past you.

Love, Sex With a Side of Fries

Sex With a Side of Fries is an advice column written by a CSU student who is an expert in the subject of relationships and sex.

Need love or sex advice?

Send an email to sex&fries@benttreeneews.org.



By Ray Negrón

Sports



Women Lakers Are No. 1 in the Nation

Courtesy of Clayton State Athletics

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The No. 1-ranked and undefeated Clayton State Laker women's basketball will take aim at defending its Peach Belt Conference Tournament championship on Wednesday when the Lakers play host to Montevallo in the 2011 Peach Belt Conference Tournament quarterfinals.

Head coach Dennis Cox's Clayton State squad enters the postseason 28-0 overall and 17-0 in the Peach Belt, clinching its fourth PBC regular season title in the last seven seasons. The Lakers became only the second team in the history of Peach Belt women's basketball to go undefeated during a regular season, and are ranked No. 1 in the nation for a third straight week in the USA Today/ESPN Division II Coaches' Poll.

A victory on Wednesday for Clayton State would also tie the single-season record for victories, currently held by the 2006-07 Laker team that advanced to the NCAA Division II "Final Four."

Cox's Lakers come into the contest leading the Peach Belt Conference in six categories - scoring offense (80.1 ppg), scoring margin (+22.8), field goal percentage (.460), blocked shots (4.8

bpg), steals (18.2 spg), turnover margin (+10.4) and offensive rebounding (16.0 rpg). In addition, Clayton State also leads the nation in steals, ranked second turnover margin, third in scoring margin and seventh in scoring offense.

Senior forward Teshymia Tillman leads the Lakers in scoring, averaging 14 points a game, followed closely by junior guard Tanisha Woodard at 13 points a game. In addition, sophomore point guard Drameka Griggs averages 10 points, while junior point guard Brittany Hall averages nine points and shoots 41 percent from 3-point range.

What could have been a recipe for disaster has turned into a "weathering of the storm" season for Montevallo (10-16, 6-11 PBC).

After Brittney Ezell left for the head coaching position at Division I Belmont, Delta State assistant Mechan Vanderpool was hired as the new Falcon head coach. But she resigned six games into this season. Since then, interim head coach Brittany Godsey has kept Montevallo at a competitive pace, going 8-12 in the interim basis.

The Falcons are paced by junior guard Tiffany McClure and senior forward Carrie Parrott, both of whom average nine points a game. In addition, junior center Shavonne Seymore averages seven points and five rebounds a game, while junior guard Taylor Welch is Montevallo's primary 3-point threat at 37 percent.



BRIAN ROBERTS/THE BENT TREE
Tanisha Woodard, 11, and Lotonda Bruce, 5, excited of their victory over the Lady Bearcats of Lander during the Homecoming Game at CSU.

O'Sullivan Named New Head Coach for Women's Soccer

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For the past three seasons, the Clayton State Women's Soccer team has been looking to find their rhythm, and with a new coach in tow, it seems that they are in luck. Gareth O'Sullivan was recently named as the head coach.

When Head Coach Totty O. Totty resigned after 13 seasons in early November 2010, Director of Athletics, Mason Barfield, made it clear that he would leave no stone un-turned in finding an immediate replacement.

In late November 2010, Barfield released the official opening for the position of Head Women's Soccer Coach.

"We had about 105 [resumes] total to start with," Barfield said.

Barfield then narrowed it to a mere 15 candidates, and phone interviewed

them, an amount which he said was the most he had ever encountered. "We are excited that our program was able to attract so many qualified candidates, which is a



O'Sullivan

testament to the success of many of our present coaches." O'Sullivan, a proven NCAA Women's Division II championship coach, signed on to lead the Lady Lakers. O'Sullivan's previous accomplishments include; an overall

105-26-5 record for NCAA Women's Soccer, 2 NCAA Women's Championship appearances (2001 and 2002), and most recently was the Head Coach for the Women's Professional Soccer Team, the Atlanta Beat,

in Kennesaw Georgia. O'Sullivan also served as Head Coach for both the men and women's soccer teams at Christian Brothers University from 1997-2003.

The new addition to the program was a breath of fresh air. Stefania Cola, a Sophomore Goalkeeper, agrees, "I'm excited about a new change in the soccer program and the places it will take us as a team and as individual soccer players."

With the addition of a new coach, there seems to be a light at the end of what seemed to be an endless tunnel. "This team has been stuck in a hole the past 3 years with no way out. We've tried our best to climb out, but nothing has worked for us." Junior Defender, Haley Durham said. Durham also adds, "This new coach's job is to take our individual talents and mold them together into a team, which is what we need."

O'Sullivan is ready for the challenge. "Obviously I haven't seen any

of the current squad play so I'm excited to see what the standard is like. I feel I will adapt quickly to the new environment and can't wait to get started on the pitch," O'Sullivan said.

The right attitude and determination seem to be just the qualities that O'Sullivan already possesses. "I'm a team player so it will be nice to join the quality staff already in the Athletic department. I hope to bring success to the team and use my experience to elevate the program within the region."

Currently residing in Iceland, O'Sullivan will officially start his duties as Head Women's Soccer Coach on March 1, 2011, but will briefly return to Iceland for the birth of his son, around March 22, 2011.

For some, the change is bitter-sweet. Senior Midfielder, and Captain, Caitlin Clark says, "I wish I had another year to see what this coach will bring."



**CLAYTON STATE
LAKERS**

Clockwise from Top:

After their 79-44 victory over North Georgia, the Women's Lakers unite in a huddle.

Senior Timothy Downs (24) goes to the basket during their game against North Georgia in Dahlonega. The Lakers lost 84-79.

Sophomore Drameka Griggs (12) shoots a basket during their 91-59 win over Montevallo at home.

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ACLU

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To accompany this understanding, the ACLU of Georgia offers By the People. This Program is designed to help private citizens connect with their legislators on individual constitutional freedoms. As an intern for the ACLU, I have been fortunate enough to immerse myself in these types of civic engagement of such I would like to share with you.

I began my journey by first equipping myself with the proper tools of effective civic engagement or "lobbying" by coming to the first session of By the People. There, I was told of effective lines of reasoning applicable to getting my point across to my, or any, legislator.

We spoke of the does and don't on being an effective lobbyist.

Our second session produced my first encounter with an actual representative. I felt as if I could see myself on the other side of the rope just as easily.

They are regular people much like you and I. This is not to say that they are not citizens of importance. Our meeting was quick and to the point. As for myself, I was ecstatic. It was something I wanted to do again that moment. I could see myself making a difference in not just one, but multiple lives. Of course, our exchange

was brief... but I was engaged. From that engagement I felt empowered.

You too can become empowered. All you will require is the will for action.

This action can take many forms. You may educate yourself concerning particular issues that affect your area. You may congregate your peers and mobilize on a topical issue. You may bring these concerns to your legislator. These rights have been afforded to us by our forefathers at this nation's conception. This task, like many others, may seem sizable at first glimpse. But, being with a friend to accompany you through your experience makes light work of the situation.

Championing the cause on behalf of your coequals allots considerable influence among peers. As a student of government, I consider many theories on effective governance... we all know book knowledge is not the same as application. One must engage their representative not once, but many times.

By the People, offered by the ACLU of Georgia, offers you an effective platform to voice your opinions in a compelling manner. You too can gain influence; you can be the usher of good tidings to your community. Join us, individual or organization, for a session of By the People, and you will see how effective citizen lobbying can help you influence your community.

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as it is one of the 10 planks of Marx's Communist Manifesto. The Fed has government-granted monopoly power over the supply of money, which it can create out of thin air without limit - this manipulates interest rates.

In the words of Tom Woods, author of the 2009 NY Times best-seller *Meltdown: A Free-Market Look at Why the Stock Market Collapsed, the Economy Tanked, and Government Bailouts Will Make Things Worse*: "F.A. Hayek won the Nobel Prize for showing how central banks like the Federal Reserve, by interfering with interest rates and not allowing them to tell entrepreneurs the truth about economic conditions, divert the economy into unsustainable configurations that inevitably come undone in a crash."

And now the Fed is hard at work trying to inflate another des-

tinued-to-burst bubble. If only Obama were being truthful when he said he would not "return to the failed theories of the last eight years that got us into this fix in the first place"!

To really recover, the US should start by following the Constitution's limits on its power. The unconstitutional warfare state, that is a huge leech on our liberty and prosperity, and it should come to an end—preferably before the whole system collapses under the weight of tens of trillions in debt and, ever more likely, wheelbarrows full of near worthless hyper inflated paper dollars.

A truly free market (and society) means letting individuals make any and all voluntary exchanges that they want to, as long as they do not commit acts of force or fraud.

For some reason, I think our would-be rulers will always care more about their own power than our freedom and prosperity—no matter how good the case for legalizing capitalism and liberty may be.

Fashion

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be surprised what they can recall. They might not be able to tell every detail of the night but eight out of ten times a guy can tell you what you wore on the first date, especially if the date went well!

When choosing an outfit for a first date there are some important ground rules to cover. First, showing skin is always a hit but remember not to show too much; leave something to the imagination.

Second, stilettos are a girl's best friend but when on a date, you want to be as comfortable as possible.

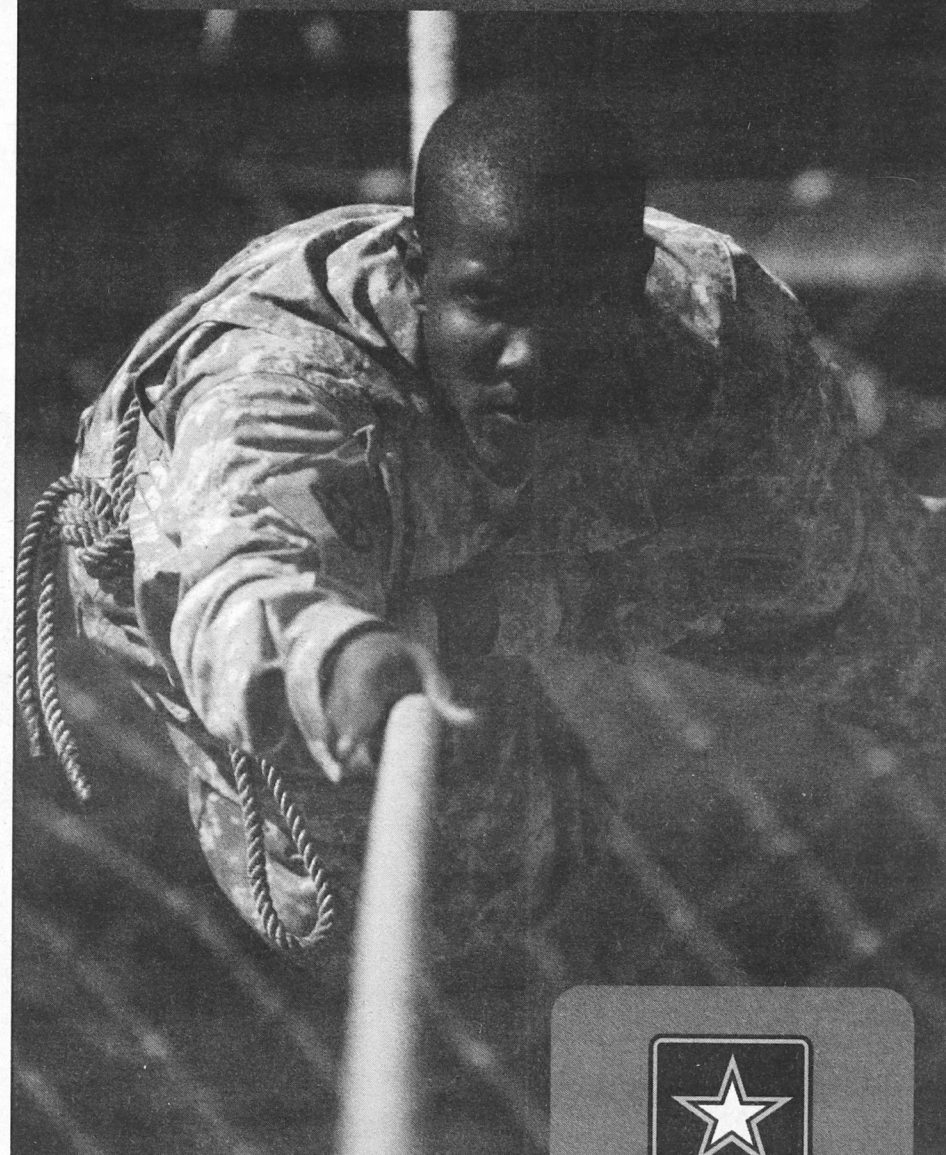
Wear pumps, wedges, silver-wedge sandals and the always-comfortable flats. You want to be ready for anything; you never know if he has anything up his sleeve afterwards so be prepared.

Third, skintight is not always sexy. Wear something free flowing so if you eat too much you don't have to worry about a belly bulge.

Fourth, never look as if you're trying too hard. Every woman should be able to pull off an "I'm-not-trying-too-hard look."

Remember to have fun with fashion and to always be comfortable in whatever you're wearing and own it!

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