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## Employees, Students Attend Facilities Master Planning Town Hall Meeting

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Several dozen Clayton State faculty, staff, administrators and students attended the Facilities Master Planning Town Hall Meeting given by Sasaki Associates, Inc., on Wednesday, Apr. 7 in the Commons area of the Baker Center.

Vice President of Business and Operations Corlis Cummings expressed the desire prior to the meeting that individuals would let their voices be heard as Clayton State plans for the future.

“Come and share your thoughts regarding the growth of the campus. Learn what is going on at Clayton State,” she said. Given Cummings’ desire, the meeting was a success, as a wide variety of opinions about Clayton State’s future were indeed



expressed, both verbally and on sheets of butcher paper set up for written comments destined for the University’s facilities master planning consultants.

Sasaki’s presentation consisted of three stations, outlining the facilities master

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## Clayton State Announces Speakers For May 8 Commencement Ceremonies

Clayton State University President Dr. Thomas J. “Tim” Hynes, Jr., has announced the speakers for next month’s dual Commencement ceremonies.

The Spring 2010 Commencement, Hynes’ first as the University’s president, will be held on Saturday, May 8, with ceremonies beginning at 9 a.m. and noon. Approximately 500 Clayton State graduates are expected to take part in the two ceremonies, both of which will be held before capacity (about 1500) crowds in the University’s Athletics & Fitness Center.

D.L. Moody, Jr., founder and owner of C.D. Moody Construction Co., will speak at the 9 a.m. session. Dr. Jamil Zainaldin, president of the Georgia Humanities Council, will speak at the noon ceremony.

Moody, one of the past speakers in the Clayton State School of Business’ Jim Woods Speaker series, has focused his

company on a commitment to service to the community, including the development of a foundation having given more than 80 scholarships to various college level students. A 1978 graduate of Morehouse College with a degree in psychology, he later earned the bachelor’s of architecture, a five-year professional degree, from Howard University. After graduating from Howard in 1981, he worked as an architect in the nuclear power department at Bechtel’s Ann Harbor, Mich., office for two-and-a-half years before returning to Atlanta, where he worked as a project manager for several small companies.

Moody founded C.D. Moody Construction Co. in 1987, initially finding work as a joint venture/general contractor in the City of Atlanta’s minority business

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## Azerbaijani News Team Learns About U.S. Higher Education at Clayton State

by John Shiffert, University Relations

A news team from Khazar-TV in the Eurasian nation of Azerbaijan spent most of Tuesday, Apr. 6, on the Clayton State University campus, shooting footage for a documentary on U.S. education and democracy, and learning about such Clayton State staples as the use of technology in education, and the diversity of the Clayton State student body.

Producer Vamig Nasirov, cameraman Ramin Latifli, and interpreter Aybeniz Ganjaliyeva were accompanied by Kevin P. Krug, media producer for the Office of Broadcast

Services for the U.S. Department of State, John Parkerson, Clayton State's director of International Programs and the honorary consul in the southeast United States for the nation of Hungary, and Parkerson's assistant, Cele Blair, as they interviewed Clayton State administrators and students, and toured the campus. Their visit to Clayton State was initially arranged by Beth Day, vice president of the Atlanta Regional Council for Higher Education (ARCHE).

The Khazar-TV documentary, which will also include footage from the team's visits

to the University of Maryland, Georgia Tech, and Morehouse College, has a focus on the minority student experience in college. The final version is expected to be shown on Khazar-TV sometime in the fall of 2010.

The news team began their day with an interview of Clayton State University President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., followed by a panel discussion with three Clayton State students; Darius Thomas, president of Clayton State's Student Government Association, Camila Morales, a student affiliated with the Hispanic and Vietnamese Student Associations, and Holly Shelton Dixon. During the course of their discussion with the students, Clayton State's status as a "Notebook University," wherein every student has access to a laptop computer, occasioned much comment, with Nasirov eventually doing a stand-up report in front of a table of Clayton State students with their laptops, and then a follow-up report at the University's computer service help desk, The Hub.

Also taking part in the Azerbaijani tour were representatives from Clayton State's student media, The Bent Tree newspaper, CSiR radio and CSTV.

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## Clayton State Go Green Team Tackles Bottle and Can Recycling

Clayton State University's newest student organization, "Go Green," is pitching in to help the University's recycling efforts.

With Assistant Professor of Chemistry Dr. Jonathan Lyon and Assistant Vice President of Auxiliary and Administrative Services Carolina Amero serving as advisors, Go Green was officially recognized as a Clayton State student organization on Friday,

Mar. 26. The purpose of the new group is to assist Clayton State in becoming more environmentally responsible.

As part of that mandate, Go Green's first project is bottle and can recycling on campus. With the help of Coca-Cola and American Recycling, Go Green will kick-off the campaign this week by placing 20 recycled Coca-Cola syrup bins inside buildings in convenient locations around campus. Volunteers from Go Green will

take the bottles and cans in these bins to the already-in-place American Recycling pick up locations (American Recycling already handles Clayton State's paper recycling efforts) for free pickup on Wednesdays.

The president of the Go Green student organization is Rukayat Busari, and the vice president is Brittany Patton, who

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# University Bookstore Cashier Thwarts Attempt to Pass Suspected Phony \$100 Bill Hours After Cash Handling Workshop

In order to protect the Clayton State University campus from counterfeit bills, the Bursar's Office offered Clayton State employees workshops on cash handling on Mar. 29 and Mar. 30, with a United States Service Secret agent demonstrating how to detect counterfeit money.

The training paid off in a hurry.

On Monday morning, Mar. 29, Shawnda Jennings, a cashier in the Clayton State University Bookstore, attended the Cash Handling Workshop. Jennings listened intently as the Secret Service agent explained how to examine the different bills, where to look for the watermark and security strips and what to do if you came across a potentially fraudulent bill. The agent explained to the class that there had to be a balance between the speed of service to the customer and the examination of the bills. Additionally, he cautioned the attendees about confronting a potential forger. He said, if possible, actions should be taken to keep the suspected forger in the store until Public Safety could be notified and not to take any personal risks.

Jennings, who had previously used the special pen for marking bills and the

Bookstore's laser equipment, had no idea the training would be put to use before the day was over.

However, at 4:30 p.m. on that same Monday afternoon, a "customer" came into the Bookstore and asked for change for a hundred dollar bill. Jennings put her "Know Your Money" knowledge into action. She quickly looked for the security strip and watermarks and knew something was not right. She gave the "customer" an excuse for why she couldn't make change and called her manager, Linda Campbell.

"Although I was a little nervous I was able to utilize the training which provided many alternatives for identifying counterfeit money and instructions on what to do in this type of situation," says Jennings.

As soon as she placed the call to Campbell, the customer left the store.

"When Shawnda called me I immediately notified Public Safety and explained we might have a counterfeit \$100 bill in the Bookstore," says Campbell. "By the time I got to the front of the store the customer was gone and a Public Safety officer was coming through the front door."



Coming through the front door of the Bookstore in subsequent days were WGCL-TV, WSB-TV and the Clayton News Daily, all wanting to interview Jennings and Campbell for a story.

The Clayton State Office of Auxiliary Services (which operates the University Bookstore) wants to say a special thank you to Cynthia Jones and the Bursar's Office staff for sponsoring the training, and to Public Safety for their quick response. ■

## Matthew Shelnutt Named Clayton State's Academic Recognition Day Representative

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

Clayton State University biology major, Matthew Shelnutt was recently selected as Clayton State University's Academic Recognition Day representative for the University System of Georgia for 2010.

"To have even been considered as a candidate for the Academic Recognition Day representative is an absolute honor," Shelnutt, says. "I had the chance to go through the process of nomination and selection for this recognition with a good friend from the Honors Program, and I know what she is like as a student, a worker, and a person; I am truly grateful,

therefore, to have been put into a category of my peers who are known for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to helping others."

Shelnutt is also enthusiastic about his experiences at Clayton State.

"Let me start by saying just how much I love Clayton State University! I have been here for all four years of my undergraduate program, and I have enjoyed every single one of them immensely," Shelnutt explains. "It is a home away from home for many of us, and the stu-

dents and faculty are a kind of second family. It is this feeling and atmosphere that first captured my attention when I started here as a freshman in fall 2006.

"The faculty and staff here are available and approachable; they all genuinely care for the success of their students, and many are willing to go to great lengths to help them wherever possible. I fondly remember that during my first semester at Clayton State University, my chemistry professor gave out his home telephone number to the 50 or 60 students in the

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## Arts Page

# Spivey Hall Children's Choir Highlights May Offerings at Spivey Hall

The month of May typically marks the season closing of performances at Clayton State University's Spivey Hall. And just as typically, Spivey Hall closes its season on a high note, with a series of performances by the internationally-acclaimed Spivey Hall Children's Choir.

May 2010 is no exception, as the Children's Choir will participate in three shows over the weekend of May 14, May 15 and May 16, performing music of many styles in these season-ending spring concerts.

On Friday, May 14, the Spivey Hall Young Artists and the Spivey Hall Children's Choir will be featured in a 7 p.m. performance. Craig Hurley and Martha Shaw will conduct, accompanied by Judy Mason and Steven Wooddell on piano. Admission is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children.

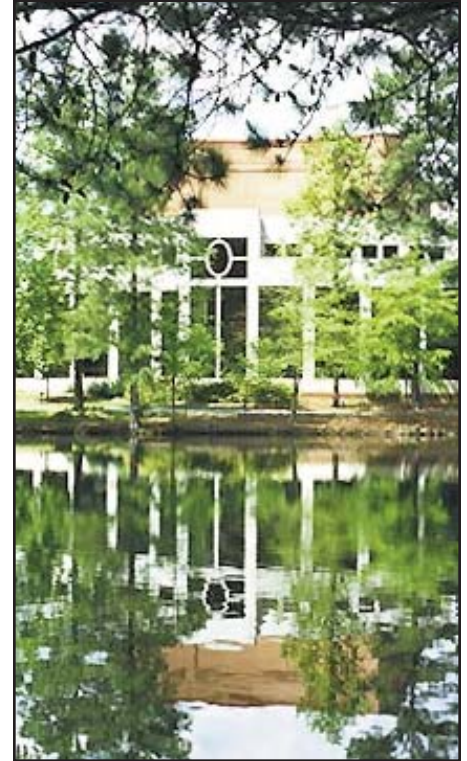
The Spivey Hall Children's Choir and the elite of the elite, the Spivey Hall Tour Choir, will perform in two matinees on Saturday, May 15 and Sunday, May 16. Both of these performances, conducted by Shaw with Mason on piano, will begin at 3 p.m. Admission is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children.

However, the Children's Choir will not be the only performances in May at Spivey Hall. The month begins on Saturday, May 1 with an 8:15 p.m. show by the William Baker Festival Singers; performing *The Passion According to St. John*, by J.S. Bach.

The William Baker Festival Singers, a 40-voice ensemble that includes Clayton State School of Business alumnus Nelson Burke, has produced 17 nationally released recordings in their 25 seasons, and have been featured in numerous radio and television programs, and have toured across the South, including annual performances before capacity audiences at Charleston's Piccolo Spoleto Festival.

For their Spivey Hall performance, the Festival Singers will join with Atlanta organist Sue Goddard, a full orchestra and distinguished soloists to perform one of the epic works of the Baroque period. Composed for the Good Friday Vespers at Leipzig in 1724, the work is the more extravagant and dramatic of the two Bach Passion settings. Admission is \$30.

On Sunday, May 2, the Georgian Chamber Players with guest artist Alexei Kuznetsoff on piano, will give a 3 p.m.



Spivey Hall

performance. Long a beacon of excellence on the Atlanta chamber-music landscape, the Georgian Chamber Players are known for their 25-year series of concerts at Spivey Hall and other local venues. The series has previously welcomed such internationally renowned guest artists as pianists Emanuel Ax and Philippe Entremont, violinists Shlomo Mintz and Joseph Silverstein, and cellist János Starker.

The members of the Georgian Chamber Players are violist Reid Harris and cellist Christopher Rex, both principal players in the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, along with former ASO associate concertmaster Beth Newdome and celebrated Ukrainian-American pianist Valentina Lisitsa. Admission to this concert is \$30.

On Monday, May 3, the Clayton State University Department of Visual and Performing Arts will present the Clayton Community Big Band with Stacey Houghton directing. This free concert will begin in Spivey Hall at 7:30 p.m. ■

## Spivey Hall Children's Choir Holding Auditions May 1

Clayton State University's world-famous Spivey Hall will be holding auditions for its equally-famous Children's Choir program on Saturday, May 1.

The Spivey Hall Children's Choir Program has provided exemplary choral music education to its singers since 1994. Comprised of both male and female students ages 10 through 18, this treble choir program is for soprano and alto singers.

Auditions will be held in two sessions, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Spivey Hall on the Clayton State campus. Singers must be between the ages of 10 and 13 on Sept. 1, 2010 to audition.

For further information on the auditions, or to obtain an audition request form, contact Carol Abarr, general manager, Spivey Hall Children's Choir, at (770) 946-9072 or email [info@shcc-tc.com](mailto:info@shcc-tc.com). ■

## Arts Page

# Spivey Hall Schedules Annual Teacher Appreciation Night, April 17

Clayton State University's world-famous Spivey Hall wants metro Atlanta area teachers to know they're appreciated.

So, to thank teachers in the metro area for their dedication to students, both inside and outside of the classroom, Spivey Hall holds an annual "Teacher Appreciation Night" every year. For 2010, the Saturday, Apr. 17 performance of guitarist Jason Vieaux is the night that the Hall and Clayton State celebrate teachers. For Vieaux's 8:15 p.m. performance only, Spivey Hall is offering one

free ticket to all current and retired teachers and administrators.

To secure free tickets to Teacher Appreciation Night, please call the Spivey Hall box office at (678) 466-4200. Teachers may also purchase additional tickets at the special rate of \$10 each; this offer is subject to availability. Following the concert, attendees can meet Vieaux and enjoy chatting with other teachers and music lovers during a dessert reception in honor of teachers.

A renowned guitarist, Vieaux has been described as "a charismatic interpreter" by the Philadelphia Inquirer. He "is among the elite of today's classical guitarists" (Gramophone). You can read more about Vieaux on his webpage at [www.jason-vieaux.com](http://www.jason-vieaux.com). The evening's program will include works by Bach, Albeniz, Brouwer and some of Vieaux's own arrangements. ■

## Clayton State Business Alumnus Nelson Burke to Sing in Spivey Hall

Clayton State University alumnus Nelson Burke will be singing with the William Baker Festival Singers in a concert to be held in the University's world-famous Spivey Hall on Saturday, May 1.

Burke, a 2004 graduate of the Clayton State School of Business, returned to Clayton State after 20 years of working and raising a family in the Atlanta area. He was in the process of starting his own business when he started classes again in 2002. That business, The Engineer Guy ([www.theengineerguy.com](http://www.theengineerguy.com)) is located in Hapeville and is now in its seventh year. He attributes much of his business success to lessons he learned at the University.

Burke's musical career began at an early age. His mother was a jazz pianist and vibraphone player, and Burke sang in his high school choirs, and learned a little bass guitar, however, he didn't catch the music bug until the late 1990's when a friend introduced him to a project group called the Summer Singers of Atlanta, part of the William Baker Choral Foundation. A couple years later, Nelson successfully auditioned for the select group -- the William Baker

Festival Singers. In 2009, he joined a practically new but amazingly fun choral jazz group called the Northside Festival Singers (directed by WBFS vocal coach Don Brainerd).

Burke and the rest of the William Baker Festival Singers will be presenting, The Passion According to St. John, by J.S. Bach on May 1, at 8:15 p.m. The William Baker Festival Singers, a 40-voice ensemble, has produced 17 nationally released recordings in their 25 seasons, have been featured in numerous radio and television programs, and have toured across the South, including annual performances before capacity audiences at Charleston's Piccolo Spoleto Festival. Baker and his Festival Singers join with Atlanta organist Sue Goddard, full orchestra and distinguished soloists to perform one of the epic works of the Baroque Period. Composed for the Good Friday Vespers at Leipzig in 1724, the work is the more extravagant and dramatic of two Bach Passion settings that still remain. Admission is \$30.

For additional information and tickets, go to the Spivey Hall website; [www.spiveyhall.org](http://www.spiveyhall.org). ■

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The news team is part of a new public channel in Azerbaijan. They are in the U.S. on a two-week government grant. The theme of the trip is, "U.S. Education: Impacts on Democracy, Development and Society." Nasirov is spending the time interviewing American students, administrators, teachers, parents and community leaders about the way public schools and universities are organized and governed. Clayton State is an especially good fit for the team's interest in minority students, since the University's student body has been named the most diverse in the southeastern United States a total of six times by U.S. News & World Report.

"Our trip was highly successful on all counts. We consider the [Clayton State] visit a real highlight," said Krug.

Located in the Caucasus region of Eurasia, Azerbaijan is at the crossroads of Eastern Europe and Western Asia and is bounded by the Caspian Sea to the east, Russia to the north, Georgia to the northwest, Armenia to the west, and Iran to the south. ■

# Alice Smith Award Staff Nominees Announced

by Erin Fender, University Relations



Latrice Barlow



Dr. Mark Daddona



Sonya Holtzclaw



Pat Keane



Gid Rowell

Clayton State University has announced the five finalists for the University's 2009 Alice Smith Staff Award. They are: from University Health Services, Latrice Barlow; from the Center for Academic Success, Dr. Mark Daddona; from the office of Budget and Finance, Sonya Holtzclaw; from Athletics, Pat Keane; and from the Office of Alumni Relations, Gid Rowell.

Barlow, office manager for University Health Services (UHS), has been a member of the staff at Clayton State since 2006. She is originally from Newnan and now resides in McDonough with her two girls, Joni and Mallory.

Barlow notes that working with the University family as a whole is a rewarding environment to be part of, but of course the students make her job worth coming to daily. She is actively involved across campus as part of the UHS department as well as within her community volunteering. She stays active in church and of course, supporting her daughters in all that they do.

"Being nominated is very humbling, I love what I do and I love coming to work each day, to be recognized for something you love is just icing on the cake," she says. "My family in University Health Services has been a true testament to home away from home, we support each other through personal troubles and triumph and for that I am eternally grateful for their support."

The director for the Center for Academic Success (CAS), Daddona is in his fifth year at Clayton State. He likes working with our students in the CAS as well in his classes. He believes Clayton State is a

place where you can make a real difference in the lives of students.

He is originally from Connecticut, but has made Georgia his home the last 13 years and currently resides in Tucker. Beyond his dedication to the CAS, Daddona spends his time volunteering for the American Red Cross. He serves as Disaster Action Team Captain for DeKalb, Rockdale, and Newton counties and was recently promoted to Red Cross Mental Health Supervisor.

"It is truly an honor and a privilege to be nominated for the Alice Smith Award, especially at an institution with so many outstanding employees who are committed to Clayton State and the success of our students," he says.

Holtzclaw has been with Clayton State for two years as a payroll assistant. She was born in Macon but grew up locally in Morrow. Since joining the staff, she has truly come to enjoy everything about working on a college campus.

"The most rewarding aspect of my job is being able to touch so many people's lives. Every month I touch records that affect each employee. I may never meet them, or see them, but I will be there for them," she says.

She is married with a four year old girl. Outside of work, she spends her time taking care of her family.

"Being nominated for the Alice Smith Award is something I never dreamed of. Just coming to work each day has made me feel so blessed. I am just trying to do my job to the best of my ability and always taking the extra time to make sure that everything is taken care of," she says.

**Clayton State's Alice J. Smith Awards, for both faculty and staff, will be presented at Clayton State's Faculty/Staff Awards Ceremony on Apr. 27 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Spivey Hall.**

Keane, who has been with Clayton State for 25 years, currently is an administrative assistant in Athletics. She first worked part time as the switch board operator in 1984. She has worked full time in Continuing Education as well as in the Office of Media & Printing Services.

She looks forward to coming to work each day, to learn new things, and be around great people. The rewarding and challenging aspect to her job is keeping up with the travel needs of Clayton State's athletic teams. This is the third time Keane has been recognized as a finalist for the Alice Smith Award. A native of the Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia, Keane is married with three children, and enjoys spending time with her grandchildren and staying active outdoors.

"There are so many people on campus that are deserving of this award. It's such an honor to be one of the finalists," says Keane.

Rowell, a Georgia native, grew up in Bremen, but currently lives in downtown Atlanta. This self-professed sport nut in past held the Sports Information Director position at Clayton State for six years.

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# Alice Smith Award Faculty Nominees Announced

by Erin Fender, University Relations



Dr. Susan Copeland



Dr. Todd Janke



Dr. Kelli Nipper



Dr. Charlene Romer



Dr. Margaret Thompson

Clayton State University has announced the finalists for the 2010 Alice Smith Faculty Award.

This year's nominees are: from the College of Arts & Sciences, Dr. Susan Copeland and Dr. Todd Janke; from the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences, Dr. Kelli Nipper; from the College of Health, Dr. Charlene Romer; and from the School of Business, Dr. Margaret Thompson.

Copeland, who enjoys the camaraderie among the faculty and staff, is an associate professor of English. She has been teaching full time since 2002 and also serves as an assistant department chair and webmaster. She received her doctorate degree from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., in 2000. She also holds full-time graduate faculty status.

She has two grown sons and lives in McDonough with her canine children, Jack and Dora. She loves to write and

dabble in photography. Copeland is a Governor's Teaching Fellow (since 2006) and a Permanent Member of the Board of Regents' Institute of Higher Education.

"I consider being a finalist for this award a huge honor, especially given the caliber of individuals who have received the award in the past," she says.

Janke, an associate professor of Philosophy since 2004, is originally from Minnesota, but now calls Georgia home. He received his doctorate from Georgetown University in 2004. He is also currently a nominee for the CAS Teacher of the Year Award.

The most rewarding part of his time here is making philosophy come alive for students. He enjoys watching students transform each semester and really learning how to grapple with really dense text. In his free time, he is an avid collector and restorer of antique typewriters.

"It's a great honor, and it feels particularly good to be nominated for an award that emphasizes something that I take very seriously, enjoy immensely, and take great pride in," he says.

Nipper, a 1995 graduate of Clayton State, has, since 2004, served her university as an associate professor of Mathematics. She obtained her doctorate from the University of Georgia. She is from Social Circle and is married with two children. In her free time she enjoys spending as much time as possible with her friends and family.

She feels being good at mathematics is not about knowing answers. Rather, it is

how you behave when you don't know the answer. Good teaching, therefore, allows the opportunity for students to be successful in their own pursuit of the knowledge, skills, and dispositions necessary to be successful in their chosen fields.

"It is quite an honor to be recognized for something I love to do, especially by my colleagues that are very talented teachers," she says.

Romer, of Monroe, Ga., is an associate professor of Nursing and has been at Clayton State since 2006. She received her doctorate in nursing from University of Missouri-Columbia. She has served on many committees at Clayton State, including currently the Undergraduate Council. The School of Nursing also voted Romer its Faculty Member of the Year in 2008.

She just celebrated her 30th wedding anniversary. She and her husband have three children and three grandchildren. In her free time she takes care of her "mini" zoo consisting of horses, donkeys, llamas, goats, dogs, chickens, sugar gliders and Peggy, her pot-bellied pig.

"I am humbled to have been nominated for the Smith Award and am honored to become a member of a group of educators that have been recognized by their peers as being an outstanding educator. I believe that helping students 'connect the dots' is the most challenging and the most rewarding aspect of my job," she says.

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**An annual event since 1995, the Smith Awards are presented to the faculty member and staff member ranked most outstanding as determined by committees of their peers. The two, \$1000 awards were established by local philanthropist Joseph Smith in honor of his wife, Alice. The winners of both categories will be announced at the Apr. 27 ceremony.**

# Across the Campus...

## Academic Affairs

The regular Clayton State University Spring Faculty Meeting is set for Tuesday, May 4, at 3 p.m. in A&S G-132.

## Athletics

Clayton State's Coed Cheerleading and Laker Girl Dance Team will be holding a Pre-Tryout Clinic on Saturday, May 8, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Dance Studio 1 of the Clayton State Student Activities Center. The Clinic is for athletes who are preparing for spring tryouts and want to get an idea of what is expected of participants in the Clayton State program. Admission is \$10 per person, and the Clinic is open to high school juniors and seniors as well as Clayton State students. For more information, go to [www.clayton.edu/athletics/cheerleading](http://www.clayton.edu/athletics/cheerleading) or contact Lyons at [lyonsdarryl@yahoo.com](mailto:lyonsdarryl@yahoo.com) or (678) 357-5444.

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Running only three days after competing at the Emory Classic, the Clayton State Laker men's and women's track teams had a productive performance at the Columbus State Double-Dual Meet. Combined, Clayton State won four events, finished second in eight events and third in six. In the team scoring, the Laker men placed third behind Columbus and Tuskegee with 76 points, and the Clayton State women also placed third with 55 points.

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The final 2010 USA Today/ESPN Division II Top 25 Coaches' Poll for women's basketball was released on Tuesday, Mar. 30, and for the fourth straight season, the Clayton State Lakers finished nationally-ranked. Clayton State wound up ranked 22nd in the final Top 25 Coaches Poll after yet another banner season under head coach Dennis Cox. Previously, the Lakers had finished fourth in 2007, 24th in 2008 and 11th last season. Clayton State went 24-7 during the 2009-10 season, winning its third Peach Belt Conference Tournament championship in the last six years.

## Bursar's Office

The Bursar's Office is offering another opportunity for those who missed the Cash Handling workshops in March. A United States Secret Service agent will be here to conduct these workshops and demonstrate how to detect counterfeit

money. We require that all cashiers on campus attend this informative workshop. This applies to anyone who handles cash, checks, or credit cards. In addition, Terry Bolt, the head cashier, will discuss Clayton State University cash handling policies and procedures. The workshop is on Thursday, Apr. 15, at 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Student Center Conference Room 267. Each session is approximately two hours long. All campus cash handlers (cashiers) are required (including students who handle cash for Clayton State and part-time staff) to attend. If you have any questions please contact Bolt at 4293 or Cynthia Jones at 4294.

## Business Office

We have all the entries posted for March and the month has been closed, so it is now time to begin your 3rd Quarter budget review process. The new deadline for these reports to be submitted to Scott McElroy is Friday, Apr. 16.

## CIMS

The College of Information and Mathematical Sciences (CIMS) at Clayton State University will hold its Fifth Annual Student Awards Ceremony and Dinner on Friday, Apr. 16. The invitation-only event will be held in room 101 of the Harry S. Downs Center on the Clayton State campus, and will run from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

## City of Morrow

Morrow Day in the Park needs volunteers. The day is Saturday, May 8, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Milton Daniel Park, adjacent to Morrow City Hall, 1500 Morrow Rd., Morrow. For more information on volunteering, please contact Lauren Singleton at the Morrow Tourist Center at (770) 968-1623 or [lsingleton@cityofmorrow.com](mailto:lsingleton@cityofmorrow.com).

## Clayton State Theatre

"Flying West," Clayton State Theatre's spring production directed by Shontelle Thrash, will preview on Apr. 14 and 15, open on Apr. 16, and show Apr. 17, 22, and 23 in Arts & Sciences (G132) - the Clayton State Theatre - at 8 p.m. Students admitted free with their LakerCards. General admission \$5.

## Counseling & Psychological Services

Concerned about your or someone else's alcohol use? Counseling and Psychological

Services will be conducting free alcohol screenings on Thursday, Apr. 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Main Street of the Baker Center. We'll have games, giveaways, and information related to responsible alcohol use.

## Graduate Studies

The Clayton State University School of Graduate Studies next open house will be held on Tuesday, Apr. 13. The open house will run from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in room 101 of the University's Harry S. Downs Center on the main campus in Morrow.

## Intramurals

You are invited to participate in a Volleyball Tournament that will begin on Tuesday, Apr. 13 in the SAC Fitness Center. Teams (faculty, staff and students may play) will consist of a maximum of eight people per team. The cost is \$15 per team, \$5 for free agents. Instant scheduling will be done at the captain's meeting. No captain's meeting means no schedule and no refunds. Please inform Hakim Groomes of your interest: [HakimGroomes@clayton.edu](mailto:HakimGroomes@clayton.edu) or (678)466-4973.

## OITS

Please join us as we offer Debye Baird, director of Client Support Services and The HUB, best wishes in her retirement on Thursday, Apr. 29, at 1 p.m. in room UC-101 of the Baker Center (the HUB's service counter location). Bring a toast and a great story to tell! Please feel free to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. For additional info email: [spaul@clayton.edu](mailto:spaul@clayton.edu) or [tkulesa@clayton.edu](mailto:tkulesa@clayton.edu).

## Public Safety

The motorcycle parking space that existed in the C lot was displaced due to the relocation of disability parking spaces from the Faculty and Staff lot to the C lot while the Annex construction is ongoing. This space has been re-designated at the end of one of the rows of disability parking spaces in the C lot.

## SBDC

The Clayton State University Small Business Development Center (SBDC) will be teaching its first Green Business Strategies to Improve Your Bottom Line workshop on Apr. 22, at 6 p.m., at the Henry County Chamber of Commerce, 1709 Highway 20 West, McDonough. The



## Across the Campus...

workshop will teach small business owners techniques to lower energy and materials costs, gain new markets and use green marketing, compete for contracts through green certifications, and locate new sources of funding. By developing a plan for greening their businesses now, small business owners will be prepared for new regulations and poised to take advantage of new opportunities. This two-and-half hour program costs \$69 (\$49 for Henry County Chamber of Commerce members); for more information, contact the SBDC at (678) 466-5100.

### School of Nursing

The Clayton State University School of Nursing will hold two Pre-Nursing Information Sessions for current Clayton State students on Thursday, Apr. 15, in room 101 of the Harry S. Downs Center. The afternoon session will run from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and the evening session will run from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. In addition to providing information about the Clayton State Nursing program, these information sessions also provide current Clayton State students with the opportunity to learn how to get funding for their education at the School of Nursing. Presentations will be made by; Nursing faculty, School of Nursing program advisors and student navigators, the Clayton State Student Nurses' Association, and ROTC.

### Student Affairs

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### Staff Council

Staff Council will hold a Bake Sale Tuesday, Apr. 13 and Wednesday, Apr. 14 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. (both days) on Main Street in the Baker Center. We will also hold a raffle for a homemade pound cake. Tickets will be \$1 and may also be purchased at the bake sale. The drawing will be held at the end of the sale on Wednesday. Funds raised will support Staff Council (and Staff Appreciation Day).

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Staff Appreciation Day is now officially Friday, May 21. Please join us for a backyard BBQ. Email invitations to come.


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Staff Council wishes to invite everyone to the next Campus Connect hosted by every-

one at Facilities Management. It will take place on Friday, Apr. 23 at 2 p.m. in the Maintenance Building. Please come out and "connect" with everyone across campus!

### Women's Forum

The Clayton State Women's Forum's Annual Scholarship Luncheon will be held on Thursday, Apr. 29 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room 101 of the Harry S. Downs Center. Women's Forum award recipients will be recognized at the luncheon and the special guest speaker will be Mary Frances Bowley, R.S.V.P. (required) for the lunch should go to Lou Brackett, [loubrackett@clayton.edu](mailto:loubrackett@clayton.edu) or (678) 466-4195 or by Apr. 23. The cost of the luncheon is \$10.



**Campus Connect**  
**When: April 23 at 2 p.m.**  
**Where: Facilities Management**

**Please come out  
to connect  
with everyone  
across campus!**

The graphic features a photograph of a building with a sign that reads "FACILITIES MANAGEMENT". The text is overlaid on the image in a bold, orange font. A vertical orange line is on the right side of the graphic.

# STAFF

## APPRECIATION DAY

Staff Council invites the staff of Clayton State University to Staff Appreciation Day, a back yard picnic featuring a guest motivational speaker and food catered by Shane's Rib Shack!



**Date:** Friday, May 21

**Time:** Speaker, 10 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.  
Lunch, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Place:** Lawn between Swan Lake & The Library.....

## MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER

Before the picnic, be sure to catch the motivational speaker, also on the lawn between Swan Lake & the Library!



## COME & GET IT!

Great food catered by Shane's Rib Shack!

Email invitation to come Please RSVP!

## Clayton State and the C-Tran Shutdown

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University has been monitoring the on-going debate regarding the future of Clayton County's public transportation system, C-Tran. With C-Tran shut down, the University is concerned for the welfare of its students, and their future ability to get to classes. As part of that concern, the University is strongly urging all faculty members to work with students who are affected by the C-Tran shutdown.

Another part of Clayton State's response to the potential shutdown has been to conduct an online survey of the student body, to ascertain just how many students might be affected by the loss of C-Tran. The final results of the survey, indicated that the C-Tran shut-

down would impact the ability of at least 538 students to continue taking classes this semester at Clayton State.

Even before the results of the survey were tabulated, on Friday, Mar. 26, Dr. Brian Haynes, the University's vice president for Student Affairs, had sent an email to all students, advising them to contact their individual professors regarding class attendance issues. Haynes also urged students to access the carpooling information found on the Clayton State University Department of Public Safety website.

"I am encouraging students who are impacted by the discontinuation of C-Tran bus service to participate in the Atlanta Regional Commission's RideSmart commuter service.

Information regarding this program along with Safety Tips for Carpoolers can be found on the Clayton State University Department of Public Safety website at <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/carpoolinfo.htm>," Haynes wrote.

In conjunction with Haynes' email, Clayton State President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., also emailed all faculty members, urging them to work with students who would be impacted by a C-Tran shutdown.

"Several faculty colleagues also indicated a willingness to work with students insofar as that is possible to assist affected students," he wrote. "In

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## Five High School Students Win Awards at "English Day"



Five local high school students, four from Ola High School in Henry County and one from nearby Forest Park High School, were award-winners at the recent Clayton State University Department of English "English Day" event.

According to Dr. Barbara Goodman, chair of the Department of English, approximately 60 high school juniors and seniors from Clayton and Henry Counties took part in the half-day long event that included attending college English classes and

workshops, and competing in various writing contests.

The winners of the writing contest were as follows... Stefan Clark of Forest Park High School won the Poetry Slam. Ben Appel and Ryan Calhoun of Ola High School won the Expository Writing contests. Alyssa Martin (Ola High School) won the Creative Writing contest while fellow Ola student Naomi Campbell took honorable mention in Creative Writing.■

## Clayton County Cultural Celebration, Apr. 17

State Representative Mike Glanton, in collaboration with Dr. Edmond Heatley and the Clayton County Public Schools, present the Clayton County Cultural Celebration 2010 on Saturday, Apr. 17 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Clayton County Performing Arts Center, 2530 Mt. Zion Pky., Jonesboro.

The theme for this year's program is, "Clayton County; Above Color; Beyond Politics; A Community United."

This diversified family event will be a showcase of the area's cultural performers, featuring groups representing the Korean, Indian, African, African-American, European, Taiwanese, Chinese, Filipino, Hawaiian, Tahitian and Hungarian communities (among others).

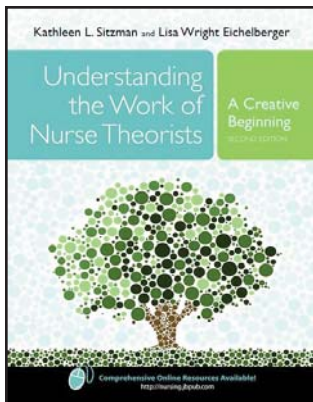
The event will help raise funds for several community organizations, including House of Dawn, Alzheimer Services Support Center, Clayton County Public Schools Scholarship Foundation, Courtney

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# Dr. Lisa Eichelberger Publishes Second Edition of Textbook to Make Nursing Theory Interactive

by Erin Fender, University Relations

Dr. Lisa Eichelberger, dean of Clayton State University's College of Health, recently published the second edition of her textbook entitled "Understanding the Work of Nurse Theorists: A Creative Beginning." Coauthored with Kathy Sitzman of Utah's Weber State University, the textbook uses art to teach nurses the often daunting task of learning nursing theories. Eichelberger, a resident of Fayette County, and Sitzman open a creative side to nursing theory – one that makes learning a little less intimidating and a lot more innovative.



equipped all faculty with notebook computers and required all students were issued one as part of the Information Technology Project. I was teaching nursing theory to RN students at the time and developing a nursing theory compilation site was a class project. I have revised, maintained and expanded the site over the years," says Eichelberger.

Eichelberger's School of Nursing (a part of the College of Health) Nursing Theory web site has had more than a million hits.

Eichelberger receives emails from faculty and students across the world thanking her for the web site.

The School of Nursing's first two master's degree recipients, Dina Swearngin and Nancy Capponi, have their art based on nursing theory featured throughout the second edition of this textbook, along with the art of other nursing students from all over the country. Both were honored to be featured.

"For that assignment, you must take a completed puzzle - the theory - take it apart and reshape it into something that

makes sense to you personally - and something that can be interpreted by others. It simply offers students another way to look at these theorists," says Swearngin, now a School of Nursing part-time clinical instructor.



Dr. Lisa Eichelberger

"The first edition, which we used for one of our MSN courses on nursing theorists, was pertinent to our studies and easy to use. It was a good resource and provided a different perspective to understanding nursing theories. I appreciate the authors allowing me to be a part of the second edition and hope my renderings assist the readers in their understanding of the theories and concepts," says Capponi.

"It was much easier to write a second edition than the first, I was very flattered that the publisher wanted us to write a second edition. It speaks volumes when a textbook makes it to multiple editions," says Eichelberger. ■

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is also the coordinator of the bottle and can recycling program.

"Hopefully, this recycling effort can also prove to be a forum to discuss other sustainability issues on campus," says Amero. "Through being creative we -- American Recycling, the students, and Coke -- have managed to start this program for free.

"It's a good model. With a little bit of help and volunteer effort you can get things done."

Amero also notes that the recycling project got a lot of help from staff members in Auxiliary Services and Operations to get it started.

"Several employees in my organization have put a lot of effort into getting this rolled out and I'd like to collectively give them credit," she says.

Amero singled out Cindy Knight, whose job responsibilities include Environmental Health and Safety, as helping with the overall coordination and

oversight of the new recycling program. The multi-talented Norman Grizzell designed the Go Green logo and some of the printed materials. And Darius Davis and Jackie Bailey (a work study student in the bookstore) helped prepare and distribute all of the Coke recycling bins around campus. ■

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Affairs Awards and Recognition Program on May 13, 2010.

The Division of Student Affairs Awards and Recognition program recognizes the hard work and contributions of Student Affairs personnel and our Clayton State colleagues. ■

### Hungarian Economics Professor Dr. Zoltan Kovacs Concludes Busy Week in Georgia

Dr. Zoltan Kovacs, a member of the faculty of Economics at University of Pannonia (<http://englishweb.uni-pannon.hu/>), flew back to Hungary on Mar. 31, following a busy week in Georgia as a the first Hungarian exchange professor at Clayton State University from the University of Pannonia pursuant to a student and faculty exchange agreement between those two universities executed last summer 2009.

According to Clayton State Director of the Office of International Programs John E. Parkerson, Jr., Indian professor Prashant Kelkar, who heads the Political Science Department at CHM outside of Mumbai, has arrived for a two-week period as part of Clayton State's annual faculty exchange with that institution.

In addition to lecturing at Clayton State University's School of Business from Mar. 23 to Mar. 30, Kovacs also lectured at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) on Mar. 29. A professor in Pannonia's its business school, Kovacs is an expert in many aspects of Hungarian and European business; he specializes in logistics and supply chain, production and service management, and business simulation. He also teaches a regular business simulation course at the University of Technology in Darmstadt, Germany; and he has taught previously in the U.S. as a

Fulbright scholar, as well as in Germany and Austria. Kovacs also consults for numerous multinational companies and for municipalities with regard to economic development.

Kovacs lectured at ABAC on a variety of topics ranging from an overview of Hungary and its economy, how business is conducted in Hungary and the European Union, Hungary's place in the EU, comments about supply chain as it applies to agricultural production in Hungary, and an overview of the University of Pannonia including how higher education is structured in Hungary and the EU. Kovacs wanted visit ABAC for a variety of reasons; but perhaps most significant among them is that the University of Pannonia has the leading agricultural college in Hungary at its campus in Keszthely.

Kovacs was accompanied to ABAC by Parkerson, who recently spent two weeks at the University of Pannonia, where he taught a course in international business management. In addition to serving as the director of International Programs at Clayton State, Parkerson is also an assistant professor of International Business and Global Logistics in Clayton State's MBA program; and serves as Hungary's Honorary Consul for the southeastern U.S. He was raised in Tifton and is an ABAC graduate. ■

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S. Crooms Foundation, and Clayton County Grassroots Leadership Institute.

Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from the organizations listed, or from the Performing Arts Center ([www.co.clayton.k12.ga.us/pac](http://www.co.clayton.k12.ga.us/pac)) on the day of the show. Doors open at 6 p.m. For more information, call the Performing Arts Center at (770-473-2875), or call Dawn Murray (678-508-5254), Marie Barber (678-760-8500) or Janice Coye (770-603-4090).

Sponsors for the event include; Georgia Power, AT&T, Clayton County Public Schools, Clayton News Daily, Country Inn & Suites — Morrow, Oliver Imprints, and State Representative Mike Glanton. ■

### C-Tran, cont'd. from p. 11

some instances, there may be some online options available — in other instances, you may have to work with students to see if other options are available.”

Additional initiatives aimed at keeping students and faculty informed have come from the Office of Academic Affairs and the Office of Student Affairs. Clayton State Interim Provost Dr. Micheal Crafton is encouraging faculty to read a brief statement before classes that mirrors Hynes' email to faculty.

Secondly, the Clayton State Student Government Association is collaborating with Student Affairs to staff an information table on Main Street in the Baker Center.

Finally, the University will be posting follow-up communications to students on the SWAN regarding what a student should do if they are impacted by the discontinuation of C-Tran service. ■

## Retirees Association Raises \$4,415 for Scholarships At Third Annual Gourmet Dinner and Wine Pairing

On Thursday night, Mar. 25, in the Harry S. Downs Center, the Clayton State Retirees Association (CSRA) and friends of the Association were enjoying a “Tour de France via Food” experience.

Sodexo’s Chef Joe and Chef Serge cooked and entertained CSRA; Cucumber & Smoked Salmon Canapés, Raspberry Brie En Croute, Creole Mustard and Herb Crusted Lamb Chops, Fingerling Potatoes & Haricots Verts

and Warm French Apple Tartelette w/ Caramel Sauce and Cheese. To make the evening complete, wonderful wine was provided by New South Package Store.

All the recipes were shared with attendees and a special Clayton State University 40th anniversary commemorative plate was given to each family.

It was Bob Koermer’s lucky night as he won the grand raffle prize – two AirTran

Airways tickets, after which he requested, “show me the money.” Other lucky winners won a round of golf for four at Georgia National Golf Club/Heron Bay/Peachtree City, dinner for two at El Puente Mexican Restaurant, dinner for two at Truett’s Grill, gift card from LaChic Hair Center, and a rolling cooler, golf umbrella, wind breaker, and one dozen Titleist golf balls from Park Avenue Bank.

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planning process, their studies of space utilization at Clayton State, and three proposals as to potential areas of expansion for the campus proper (to the West, East and North), based on a long-term goal of an 11,000-student campus.

The master plan as presented by Sasaki has three focal points:

- 1) Translate academic and student life goals and needs into the physical plant
- 2) Coordinate findings from the master planning process with the strategic planning process
- 3) Accommodate growth of the main campus to 11,000 students

The principles under which the master planning process is proceeding are:

- 1) Promote a distinctive identity for the University
- 2) Create an integrated and cohesive campus
- 3) Create the best academic teaching spaces
- 4) Enhance the beauty of the campus
- 5) Reinforce the University’s relationship with the community
- 6) Promote an inclusive master planning process that results in a living document

Among the tentative proposals put forth by Sasaki representatives were to double

the campus space to accommodate 11,000 students, move the student activity period to later in the afternoon, and create more flexible office space and better space utilization.

On their part, faculty, staff and students put forth a lot of ideas, some of which had to do with buildings, but many of which had to do with getting around on campus, and the use of space, notably green space for activity and recreation areas, biking and walking trails, paths to better link together areas of the campus, and the like. Other suggestions included; a bridge

across Swan Lake to link the east and west campuses, prohibiting Laker Hall residents from driving to classes, a building for the Clayton State Theatre, on-campus shuttle buses, better signage on campus, renaming buildings to better reflect their use, and support for expansion of the campus to the west, or across North Lee Street. Individual topics that occasioned a great deal of debate included traffic flow issues and the subject of the use of office space.

The Sasaki study is on target to be completed in September 2010. ■



Mike Mead from Athletics jots an idea for campus improvement on paper provided during Clayton State’s Facilities Master Planning Town Hall meeting.

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program. Some of the company's notable projects include; Philips Arena, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Turner Field, Big Bethel Baptist Church, Disney World, the Morehouse Suites, and a variety of projects for his alma mater, Morehouse College.

Zainaldin has served as president of the Georgia Humanities Council (GHC) since 1997. Before assuming his present position, he was president of the Washington-based Federation of State Humanities Councils. He has also served as the staff director of a U.S. Congressional Task Force on Social Security and Women, as issue development director of the National Council of Senior Citizens (where he wrote a book-length literature survey of aging and public policy), and as deputy director of the American Historical Association.

Zainaldin attended Warner Robins High School and holds the B.A. in History from the University of Virginia and the Ph.D. in History from the University of Chicago. He has taught at Northwestern University and Case Western Reserve University, and

presently is a visiting professor at Emory University. He is author and coauthor of two books on American history as well as numerous articles. Since 1999 he has spearheaded the development of The New Georgia Encyclopedia, a GHC project in partnership with the Office of the Governor, the University of Georgia Press and the University System of Georgia/GALILEO. The Georgia online encyclopedia is a pioneering effort that has been recognized by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the New York Times, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, and USA Today. It became available on the World Wide Web in February 2004 and was named by the Library Journal as a "Best Reference Source on the Web" for that year. Georgia's online encyclopedia is also the recipient of an award for Excellence in Documenting Georgia's History, the Helen and Martin Schwartz Prize for national programming excellence awarded by the Federation of State Humanities Councils, and the Excellence in Media award of the Georgia Historical Society. ■

### Shelnutt, cont'd. from p. 3

class and said that we should all feel free to call him with any questions we may have while we are at home studying. Other professors have reinforced this notion by coming onto campus over the weekend for study sessions and reviews, extending office hours from early in the morning until late in the evening, and answering e-mails from home so quickly that it almost felt like they were anticipating the message or question."

Shelnutt says that the many outreach programs he has been involved with at the University have been especially rewarding.

"The most rewarding aspect of Clayton State University, for me, is tied to our commitment to community outreach and helping others," he says. "Student organizations with which I have been affiliated have also adopted a policy of community outreach, and it is a really amazing feeling to be able to give back to a community that has given so much to me. Going into the middle schools as part of an outreach project with the National Biological Honor Society and helping the students

with their Science Olympiad preparations is one example. The students we work with really have a love and a passion for science, and they are really very eager to learn everything that we have to teach them. I love being able to say that something that I have been involved with might contribute to the next group of great and innovative scientists.

"Furthermore, working as a tutor in the Center for Academic Success and helping my peers work through the difficulties they are having in some classes is also rewarding. Being a peer tutor complements teacher instruction by allowing someone with whom the student is more comfortable asking questions and speaking with give a different interpretation of the material. It is a really amazing feeling to have someone you worked with over the past year as a tutor come up to you the next semester and tell you how well they did in their class, or that they were accepted into a program as a result of their grades."

Shelnutt was honored by Clayton State as the keynote speaker at the Tuesday, Apr. 6 Academic Honors Convocation. ■

### Part Three of a Four-Part Series

## Why are Textbook Deadlines So Early?

Part of the University Bookstore Advisory Council's communication plan for the spring semester is to increase awareness about what's causing the increases in textbook prices, and what the Bookstore is doing to help control these costs. It's also about collaborative efforts, and working together with students and faculty. And, it's about a lot of things neither the Bookstore nor Auxiliary Services has any no control over... notably, publishers' practices in the textbook market.

The Advisory Council includes faculty, staff, and students, and is chaired by Dr. Donna McCarty. The current communications campaign is about doing as much as is possible with matters the Bookstore can control. In that regard, the Advisory Council has created a booklet with an overview of this information and the new textbook ordering process which helps the faculty make better textbook ordering decisions (the booklet is available from the Bookstore). The Advisory Council also recently met with SGA and is planning a meeting with textbook coordinators to share information with that group and faculty.

As part of the Council's communications plan, Campus Review is featuring a four part series of articles on "The Facts About Textbook Pricing." In this issue, we look at textbook deadlines.

Why are textbook deadlines so early?

Well...

It helps meet return deadlines set by publishers. If the Clayton State Bookstore isn't sure if an unsold book will be used again, it must be returned by the deadline in order to get a full refund.

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## Facilities Management Employee of the Quarter: Ana Gordon

On Mar. 31, 2010, Ana Gordon was named the Employee of the Quarter by Facilities Management at Clayton State University from January 2010 through March 2010.

Gordon is employed with the Building Services Department and serves as a day porter on the noon to 9 p.m. shift, Monday through Friday. She is primarily assigned to the Library and the



Ana Gordon

..... third and fourth floors of the Baker Center. Her daily assignments include, but are not limited to, monitoring restrooms, classrooms, offices, and common areas. She ensures trash receptacles are emptied, dispensers are refilled, and restrooms are pleasing for patrons to utilize.

Once this initial rotation has been completed, she repeats this routine now paying more attention to other areas within her duties. She also takes care of all the custodial type emergencies and other special projects assigned to her by her immediate supervisor.

“Ana is very knowledgeable concerning the aspects of her job and can be considered a subject matter expert when it comes to cleaning,” says Assisatnt Director of Building Services Donald West. “She has demonstrated that she possess the qualities of dedication, attention to detail, and understanding to accomplish assigned tasks. Whenever asked, she is always willing to lend a helping hand.

“We are delighted to have Mrs. Ana Gordon as a part of our team.” ■

## StartSmart Fifth Annual Student Conference Call for Programs

The Fifth Annual StartSmart Student Conference is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 13, 2010 at Clayton State University.

The StartSmart program is a fun and interactive student conference for students that involve various workshops and activities to assist students in becoming more acclimated with the campus while helping to prepare them for their educational career at Clayton State. This year, all students living in Laker Hall will participate in StartSmart as part of the required move-in weekend activities, so we expect attendance to be at an all time high with over 400 students!

In order for this to continue to be a successful event, we need your help! The StartSmart Committee is currently seeking presentation proposals for this year’s program workshops. If you are interested in participating as a presenter, please go to <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/orientation/StartSmart.htm> to learn more about

what is involved in participating and to answer a few short questions about your proposed program/workshop.

Once you click on this link, scroll to the bottom of the page to access the links to submit your program proposal and find the answers to frequently asked questions about the event.

The deadline for program submission is Friday, Apr. 23, 2010 by 5 p.m.



For additional information about the program, please contact Barbre Skwira, committee chair, at [BarbreSkwira@clayton.edu](mailto:BarbreSkwira@clayton.edu), Kathy Garrison at [KathyGarrison@clayton.edu](mailto:KathyGarrison@clayton.edu), or Nick Kilburg at [NicholasKilburg@clayton.edu](mailto:NicholasKilburg@clayton.edu).

The StartSmart committee is already hard at work to make this year’s conference a success. We look forward to receiving your submissions to further contribute to the success of this annual event. ■

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It keeps shipping costs down: return, re-order, and rush orders all increase shipping costs. Freight charges are minimized if all needed books are ordered in fewer shipments.

It maximizes Book Buy Back: the Bookstore can only buy back a book if we know it’s going to be used again. Buy

Back allows students to save money twice: by selling books back for 50 percent of the retail price, and by purchasing used books for less each semester.

And, it allows the Bookstore to get as many used books as possible (there is a limited supply, and we compete for these books with other bookstores). ■

### Retirees, cont'd. from p. 14

The CSRA Scholarship Fund Raising Committee, Joan McElroy and Jim Carmichael, offers their thanks to each of you who attended the dinner or gave a

donation to the Clayton State Retirees Association Graduate Scholarship Until next year... bon appétit! ■



# All Theatre Goers

CLAYTON STATE THEATRE PRESENTS

# FLYING WEST

By Pearl Cleage | Directed by Shontelle Thrash

**On April 14 & 15 (preview nights)**

**On April 16, 17 & April 22, 23**

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**SHOWTIME: 8 P.M.**

**IN THE CLAYTON STATE THEATRE (G-132)**

**ADMISSION:**

**Students FREE with LakerCard | General Admission: \$5**



# Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

## GACE College-to-Career (C2C) Fair

April 13, 2010

Workshop for students 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Career Fair 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Cobb Galleria, Atlanta, GA
  - Participating Colleges and Universities
  - Information for Students
  - List of participating companies (changes daily)
- Professional Dress Required and Bring Plenty of Resumes!

## Graduate School Workshop

Afternoon and Evening Workshops Available  
Thursday, April 15, 2010

11:30am – 12:30pm UC 267 and 5:15pm – 6:15pm A&S 127

Participate in the **2010 NACE Student Survey**, sponsored by the National Association of Colleges and Employers and you are eligible to win \$500 cash.

Just share your views on the job-search process. It's easy: Complete the survey online at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2010NACEstudentsurvey> anytime between now and April 30, 2010, and you are eligible to win. Good luck!

Your individual response will remain absolutely confidential and will not be shared with anyone outside of NACE. Only aggregate data will be presented in any reports or articles based on the responses to this survey. Contact information is requested for the sole purpose of identifying and communicating with the prize winner.

## RESUME CRITIQUED “ON THE SPOT”

Walk-In Resume Review Come to Career Services between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. any Wednesday. Bring a printed copy of your resume. Remember, first come, first served.

## ATLANTA AREA CAREER FAIRS

(Information purposes only; no affiliation with Clayton State)

FedEx SmartPost Job Fair on April 15, 2010 at 5 p.m. at 4644 Southpark Blvd, Ellenwood, GA 30294. Multiple Shifts Part-Time Parcel Assistants. We Offer Tuition Assistance for College, Medical Benefits, Employee Discounts and more! **MUST RESERVE YOUR SPACE**; please contact LaTasha or Amelia (404) 494-2060, between the hours of 9 a.m. to noon from Apr. 1 – Apr. 11.

**ARE YOU PREPARED** to land the job you want? Check out the new CareerSpots Videos on the Career Services webpage.

These three minute videos are recommended by leading career experts for **OUTSTANDING JOB SEARCH PREPARATION**. Watch; Learn; Land the job!

## THIS WEEK'S FEATURED JOBS

### *Envision Business Management Group, Inc.*

Accounting Assistant  
Atlanta, GA  
Internship/Co-op, Temporary/Seasonal

### *Baylis Medical Company*

Entry Level Sales Associate – Cardiology  
Miami, FL  
Full Time

### *SAFETY WOLF*

Referee, Paintball  
Conley, GA  
Part Time, Temporary/Seasonal

### *DigitalPoint USA*

Digital Marketing Internship  
Atlanta, GA  
Internship/Co-op

### *Kelly Services*

Dispatcher  
College Park, GA  
Part Time, Temporary/Seasonal

### *League of Women Voters of Georgia*

Intern  
Atlanta, GA  
Internship/Co-op

## ADDITIONAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES NOT ON LAKER CAREER-ZONE

Office of Planning and Budget / Office of Disability Services Ombudsman  
<https://www.careers.ga.gov/jobsearch/jobdetail.asp?ReqNum=422-11308ac>

## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES NOT ON LAKER CAREERZONE

**Summer 2010 Research Opportunity for Undergrads** The University of Tennessee-Knoxville - **Contact:** Dr. Daniel M. Roberts, Ph.D. ([drobert2@utk.edu](mailto:drobert2@utk.edu)) **Opportunity:** Summer Research Experience for Undergraduates. **Theme:** Sensing and Signaling. **Dates:** June 7 through July 30 **Benefits:** \$3200 stipend, housing, insurance and travel allowance. See link: <http://web.bio.utk.edu/bcmb/reu/index.shtml> for application. **Extended deadline:** Wednesday, Apr. 7, 2010

### *Harvard Business School's Summer Venture in Management Program*

Application Deadline: May 17, 2010  
<http://www.hbs.edu/mba/svmp>

## THE GEORGIA COUNTY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

<http://www.georgiacountyinternships.org>  
Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG)  
Atlanta Regional Council for Higher Education (ARCHE)

### *Seeking an internship?*

Contact Bridgette McDonald, Associate Director of Career Services at (678) 466-5400 or [bridgettemcdonald@clayton.edu](mailto:bridgettemcdonald@clayton.edu).

## Dress for Success Needs Your Help

The Society for Advancement of Management, a professional organization of the School of Business, has agreed to sponsor the Dress for Success campaign with the School of Business. Many teachers, through contact with the Business and Information System Advisory Council of the Clayton County School system, have stated that students do not have the funds to purchase a business suit or other appropriate clothing accessories for job interviews.

The Dress for Success campaign runs during April, and the Society for Advancement of Management is requesting that you bring in the following:

1. Suits for men or women (new or gently worn)
2. Accessories for professional dress such as ties, watches, shoes, shirts, scarves, jewelry, purses, etc (new or slightly worn)

In addition, gift cards from places like Walmart, Target, Kmart, Men's Wearhouse, JC Penneys, Dillards, Macy's, Belk's or other department stores, and cash donations would also be accepted.

Please bring your donations to the receptionist area in the School of Business, or give the School of Business a call at (678) 466-4500 and we will come to pick up any items you might have from your specific office area. All donations are tax deductible. ■

**Staff Smith Award, cont'd. from p. 6**

Currently, he serves the university as director of Alumni Relations. His position connects him to Clayton State alums and he enjoys hearing all the positive comments former students have about their university.

“Hearing alums reminisce about how things were when they went to school here is always interesting, and it most rewarding to hear stories of how Clayton State gave them a start and how a college education has changed their life,” says Rowell.

He is an active member of the Rotary Club of Clayton County. He received the

“Service Above Self” award from the club in 2008. This is also Rowell’s third nomination for the Alice Smith Award.

“Being nominated by your peers is especially rewarding, and I very much appreciate the support that I receive from the University community. Clayton State has and will always be a great place to work because of the people. There has always been a collegial atmosphere on campus, where everyone works together and supports each other,” says Rowell. ■

**Faculty Smith Award, cont'd. from p. 7**

An associate professor of Management, Thompson has been at Clayton State since 2004. She obtained her doctorate in 2000 from Georgia State University. She expresses that students both are equally rewarding and challenging. She believes that Clayton State offers a wonderful, supportive environment.

In January, she was appointed president of the Southern Crescent Chapter of Society of Human Resource Management. She and her husband have two children, Lena

and Martin. She enjoys being involved in her community, reading, and the theater. She and her family live in a 1915 Craftsmen bungalow that keep house projects on going.

“Mostly, it's humbling. To be recognized by your colleagues is the highest honor you can receive. There are many other faculty who deserve recognition,” she says. ■



Congratulations to all of the students recognized at the 2010 Honors Convocation. For additional photos visit: <http://www.clayton.edu/HonorsConvocation2010.htm>

**Trivia Time**

**Dr. Gizmo's  
Kollege of  
Technical  
Knowledge**

by John Shiffert, University Relations

That's what Clayton State's late, lamented School of Technology was called when Dr. Wallace Shakun was running the show.

Also known in some quarters as "Uncle Wally," Shakun's tenure as dean of the School of Technology was preceded by a stint on Atlanta television as "Dr. Gizmo," sort of an earlier version of Bill Nye the Science Guy.

Now alive and well and living in Evansville, In., (and lecturing four times a year in the People's Republic of China... hopefully, he has a good translator), Shakun may be retired from Clayton State, but he's anything but retiring. Indeed, his former colleagues (both part of the School of Technology, and everyone else) not only remember him well, but remember that he was once Dr. Gizmo. In order, they were; Norman Grizzell, Dirk Morrell, Lou Brackett ("the one and only Wally Shakun"), Cindy Knight, Vickie Smith, Mike Mead, Ginny Bass, Tom Eddins, Pam Healan, Rob Taylor, B.D. Stillion, and Teri Kulesa.

Having clearly hit on a fondly-remembered subject among long-time Clayton Staters... let's follow up with our Clayton State 40th Anniversary trivia by asking who remembers how Shakun used to invite graduates of the School of Technology to receive their diplomas at Commencement? Send your answers, not to Dr. Gizmo (he's at [wshakun@yahoo.com](mailto:wshakun@yahoo.com)), but to [johnshiffert@clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@clayton.edu). ■

## Sports

# Clayton State Wraps Up PBC Tennis in 9-0 shutout of Montevallo

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

Playing its first home match in more than two weeks, the Clayton State Laker women's tennis team concluded regular season play in the Peach Belt Conference with an impressive 9-0 shutout victory over visiting Montevallo at Laker Courts.

The victory, the second straight and fifth in the last the last seventh matches for the Lakers, improves 12th-ranked Clayton

State to 13-6 overall and 10-2 in the Peach Belt. Montevallo falls to 7-13 overall and 1-10 in the Peach Belt.

Clayton State showed complete dominance in the match, losing only two games combined in the six singles matches, and only six games combined in the three doubles matches. Viktoriya Semyrodenko (No. 1), Ivana Kommelova (No. 3),

Evelin Csizi (No. 5) and Charlotte Fabricius (No. 6) each won singles matches without losing a game for the Lakers.

In doubles, the team of Marie Cercelletti and Katie White won by shutout at No. 2.

Clayton State closes out the 2010 regular season Wednesday, Apr. 14 at home against Brenau. ■

## Clayton State Eighth in Bearcat Classic

The Clayton State Laker men's golf team saved their best tournament of the regular season for last at the Bearcat Classic.

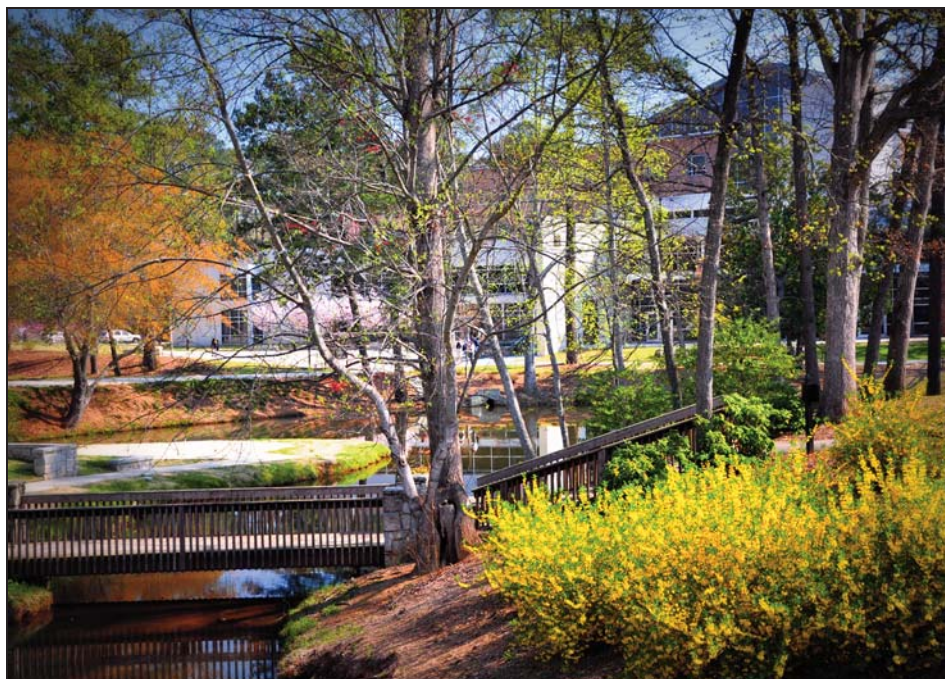
After getting off to a solid start in the first two rounds, Clayton State had its best team round of the season in the final round. The Lakers fired an impressive even-par 288 and finished tied for eighth overall with an 882. Clayton State jumped five spots in the final round and finished tied with West Georgia. Host Lander won the Bearcat Classic with a whopping 31-

under-par 833, seven strokes ahead of Armstrong Atlantic.

Individually for Clayton State, senior Neil Thomas had a stellar tournament, finishing tied for 10th overall with a 5-under 211 (71-70-70). Thomas was a mere four strokes behind individual low medalist Daniel Stanley from Newberry.

In addition to Thomas, senior All-American Wade Binfield finished tied for 22nd overall, shooting even-par 216 (71-

75-70) for Clayton State, while freshman Michael Lee finished tied for 56th with an 11-over 227 (80-75-72). Rounding out the team scoring for the Lakers was junior Adam Novakowski finishing tied for 61st with a 12-over 228 (76-76-76) and sophomore Clark Nelson finished 83rd with a 253 (89-81-83). ■



(Left) Clayton State University's campus in early spring 2010.

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