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PACE... Clayton State's QEP

Originally developed as the University's Quality Enhancement Plan, Partnering Academics and Community Engagement (PACE) focuses on student engagement through community projects that enhance learning. This plan is aligned with Clayton State's institutional Mission of cultivating an "...environment of engaged, experienced-based learning, enriched by active community service, that prepares students of diverse ages and backgrounds to succeed in their lives and careers" and Strategic Plan emphasis on providing students with an "engaged, experienced-based learning, enriched by active community service."

In short, PACE will provide students community service experience alongside engaged, experienced-based learning.

However, it's also true that Clayton State has long been involved in improving stu-



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dent learning and engagement through community projects. A case in point of that preparation is Dr. Dan Mills, a professor in the Clayton State English Department who also teaches a section of the University Foundations course that is required of all freshmen. CSU1022, as the course is also known, helps new students

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Exceptional Results From SACS Reaffirmation Visit Says President Hynes

The SACS Commission on Colleges Visiting Committee completed its decennial reaffirmation visit to Clayton State University last week with an exit presentation that typified what Clayton State President Dr. Thomas Hynes characterizes as an "exceptional" result.

Hynes notes that while the final reaffirmation decision on Clayton State's accreditation will officially be made at the December 2014 meeting of the SACSCOC Board, the visiting committee's recommendations are invariably accepted.

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Clayton State Named to AJC's Top 100 Workplaces in Atlanta List For the Third Consecutive Year

For the third consecutive year, Clayton State University has been named one of the "Top 100 Workplaces in Atlanta" by the Atlanta Journal Constitution.

The University was recognized at the Atlanta Journal Constitution's Top 100 Workplaces invitation-only event held on Thursday, Mar. 20. The 2013 Top Workplaces section ran in the AJC on Sunday, Mar. 23.

Also for the third consecutive year, Clayton State was the only University System of Georgia institution to receive this honor. In fact, for the current year, Clayton State was the only institution of higher education to make the Top 100. Clayton State is ranked 10th among the 25 companies in the "large industry catego-

ry" that included such Atlanta landmark names as Woodward Academy and Alston & Bird.

More than 1,200 companies were nominated or asked to participate in the 2014 contest by the AJC and its partner, Workplace Dynamics, after employees across the metro area responded to print and online solicitations beginning in October 2013.

Workplace Dynamics then surveyed a total of 211 metro Atlanta companies – requiring a survey response rate of at least 35 percent among employees based in metro Atlanta. More than 50,000 workers participated in the survey and were asked

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Dr. Elaine Manglitz Named Vice President for Student Affairs



Dr. Elaine Manglitz

Dr. Elaine Manglitz has been named Vice President for Student Affairs at Clayton State University. She had been serving Clayton State as Interim Vice President of Student Affairs since the

start of the fall 2013 semester, when Dr. Brian Haynes left to take a similar position in California.

“I am very excited and grateful to accept this opportunity and look forward to continuing to grow and develop the Division of Student Affairs,” she says.

Manglitz has spent 10 years at Clayton State in the Student Affairs Division, initially as director of Disability Services (2004-2006) and then as associate vice president for Student Affairs (2006-2013).

During that time, she has helped build the Division of Student Affairs during a period when the University’s enrollment has grown by more than 50 percent, and the University has also opened its first on-campus housing (in 2008). In addition to building relationships with the growing Clayton State student body, she has also built strong relationships with her colleagues within the division and the University.

“I truly appreciate all the support you have expressed to me both in words and deeds during the six months of my Interim appointment – and even more importantly, I appreciate the excellent work you do each day to educate and support the students here at Clayton State University!” she said in an email to the Student Affairs Division when the appointment was announced. “We will work together in strategic and intentional ways to continue to align our Division goals with the mission and goals of the University.

“In the coming months, we will have conversations across the Division to obtain feedback on how we can collaborate even more effectively across the Division and the campus as partners in our students’ efforts to attain their personal and educational dreams. Among other areas, we will talk about consistent marketing and telling our story; alignment of resources, staff, and efforts; planning, implementation, and assessment of program initiatives and student learning; and building a professional, engaged, inclusive Division of Student Affairs.”

A resident of Snellville, Ga., Manglitz holds a B.A. in Psychology from the University of West Georgia and an M.Ed. in Middle Grades Education from Georgia State University. She holds two degrees from the University of Georgia, an Ed.S. in Learning Disabilities and a Ph.D. in Adult Education.

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Important Conversations About the Past and the Future:

“Created Equal” Opens at Clayton State University

by John Shiffert

Clayton State University opened its part of the National Endowment for the Humanities’ Bridging Cultures initiative in February with a panel discussion of the four films that make up Created Equal: America’s Civil Rights Struggle. According to the panel members, the evening in the Harry S. Downs Center was a chance for everyone to learn about both the past and the future.

The kickoff for Clayton State’s Created Equal program highlighted all four Created Equal films; “The Abolitionists,” “Slavery by Another Name,” “The Loving Story,” and “Freedom Riders,” documentaries that trace the struggle for civil rights in America, starting with the abolitionist movement and covering pivotal moments like the freedom rides, the end of convict leasing, and the legalization of interracial marriage.

According to student panelist Maria Morales-Beale, who holds a B.S. in Psychology from Clayton State and is currently a graduate student in Applied Developmental Psychology at Clayton State, this experiential learning experience was about the past and the future.

“One thing I like about Created Equal is that these films are not just presented from an historical perspective... we’re writing history right now,” she says. “The issues these films show, they are still around, just in a different form. This shows us how to relate to a world that’s constantly changing and how we as students relate to each other. It’s not just about history, it’s about the future.”

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THE CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY PRESENTS

CREATED EQUAL: AMERICA'S CIVIL RIGHTS STRUGGLE

A COMMUNITY AND CAMPUS
FILM SCREENING AND DISCUSSION OPPORTUNITY

KICK-OFF EVENT

February 19, 2014 | 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Clayton State University Campus
Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education, Room 101

Free and open to the public
This event features film clips followed by facilitated discussion

While this kick-off event offers a preview of four films, the community and campus are invited to screen each film in its entirety over the next several semesters. Discussion forums for each film will also be held to encourage continued dialogue. Dates and times for full length screenings and discussions will be announced on our website.
<http://clayton.libguides.com/createdequal>

Humanities | Bridging Cultures | THE GILDER LEHRMAN INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN HISTORY

Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle is made possible through a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, as part of its Bridging Cultures initiative, in partnership with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

A Partnership with a Passion: Clayton State and ToonBoom

by John Shiffert

They were all gathered at Sandy Creek High School on Mar. 4; the partners in a new venture with the long term goal of creating a state model for animation training.

Clayton State University, the Emmy Award-winning Montreal-based ToonBoom Animation Inc., the Georgia Department of Education and the Fayette County Schools held a special event at Sandy Creek to announce an animation pilot project for Fayette County, and a partnership... a partnership with a passion.

“What we have here today is built on partnerships and relationships,” said Clayton State Executive Director of Continuing Education Janet Winkler. “We are sharing

in a passion, a passion for educating young people.”

Winkler’s statement was echoed by all present, from educators like Fayette County Schools Superintendent Joseph Barrow and Clayton State President Dr. Thomas Hynes to animators like ToonBoom’s Joan Vogelsang, CEO of the international (studios in 122 countries) animation software giant (70 percent of the global animation market), and Atlanta-based animation company Bento Box’ Ashley Kohler (a potential employer for the students educated in ToonBoom software.)

“The relationships of this partnership, including middle schools, high schools, businesses the Department of Education,



L to R: ToonBoom’s Joan Vogelsang, Clayton State’s Janet Winkler, Fayette County Board of Education’s Lisa Collins.

the Fayette Board of Education and Clayton State University help knock this one out of the park,” enthused Barrow in his opening remarks.

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A Passion for Science and Solar Astronomy; Stephen Ramsden, Bram Boroson and Improving the World Through Experiential Learning

Experiential learning is a hallmark of a Clayton State University education. In many programs, such as Nursing, Dental Hygiene, History and Communication and Media Studies, there are clear means by which the faculty can provide experience to the students outside of the classroom; the Nursing Simulation Lab, the Dental Hygiene Clinic, the National Archives at Atlanta and the Georgia Archives, and the T.R.U.S.T. student public relations agency, for example.

However, since Clayton State doesn’t have an observatory on campus, Assistant Professor of Physics Dr. Bram Boroson has another solution for his astronomy classes.

Meet Stephen Ramsden, the head of the Charlie Bates Solar Astronomy Project (<http://www.solarastronomy.org>). Ramsden is a former Clayton State physics student whose current profession

is an air traffic controller at Hartsfield-Jackson Airport. However, his passion is solar astronomy, and it’s a passion he shares with students, from middle school to college, all over the world. Through the Charlie Bates Solar Astronomy Project, Ramsden and his colleagues expect to bring solar astronomy, by means of on-site high-tech telescopes, to 250,000 people in 17 countries during 2014.

“We have to book him at least a semester in advance,” notes Boroson, who also follows Ramsden on social media. “Here’s a guy who really has a passion for science and discovery and uses that passion to inspire others and improve the world. He’s not content just to do his day job and relax, but on the side he runs a world-class solar astronomy education service for free.

“He really believes that everyone can benefit from science education and that he



Clayton State students Joseph and Jared Shiffert help set up the solar telescopes.

has an obligation to share his passion with as many people as he can.”

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Four Individuals, Two Organizations Honored With Clayton State's Initial "Making Things Better" Awards

by John Shiffert

Clayton State University President Dr. Thomas Hynes' new initiative for recognizing "individuals who make differences in the lives of people at Clayton State University and the community," the "Making Things Better" awards, has recognized four individuals and two organizations for indeed, making a difference.

At a ceremony in the James M. Baker University Center, Hynes presented the initial "Making Things Better" awards to: Karen Blackburn, support services coordinator for the Office of Disability Services; Professor of Chemistry Dr. Jim Braun; Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Physics Dr.

John Campbell; and the director of Clayton State – Fayette, Leslie Moore. In addition, two Clayton State organizations, the Department of Campus Life and the Laker Angles Club, were also honored with "Making Things Better" awards.

Hynes neatly summarized the contributions of the six award winners, noting that they were being honored for all that they do, "to make dreams real at this institution."

"All of the nominees this year are definitely making things better at Clayton State University, but our winners really stood out," says John Wallom, assistant

director of Virtual Services and a member of the "Making Things Better" Selection Committee. "One of the things that I think really makes this award special is that it is based on the nominations from co-workers, students and employees, as well as the professional judgment of peers on the committee.

"Be it for an overall commitment to the goals and future of Clayton State, or their reaching out to help a colleague in trouble, the winners this year really made those of us the committee thankful for the awesome employees at Clayton State."

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Cassandra Allen: Winner of Clayton State University's Chancellor's Award

by Samantha Watson

Cassandra Allen, an English Secondary Education major at Clayton State University, was recently selected to win the University's highly competitive Chancellor's Award.

Chair of the Department of English, Dr. Barbara Goodman, nominated Allen on behalf of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Each fall, the University's academic departments nominate outstanding students to be considered to represent their college. The University's four colleges; Arts and Sciences, Information and Mathematical Sciences, Health, and Business then select their individual candidates. Those candidates are then interviewed by Clayton State's four college deans who select one student to represent Clayton State University.

The next step in the process involves the University System of Georgia (USG) selecting one candidate to represent all of the institutions in the system. Allen will be the Clayton State candidate that advances onto the selection process for

the entire USG. She will also serve as Clayton State's Academic Recognition Day representative for 2014 and will be a featured speaker at the University's Academic Honors Convocation on Apr. 22, 2014.

"I am very honored to have been selected out of so many amazing candidates," comments Allen.

Allen plans to graduate with her diploma in spring 2015 along with a certification in Special Education. Along her journey with Clayton State she has joined multiple student and campus organizations. She is president of the Sigma Sigma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Marketing Chair of Campus Events Council, a three-term member of AmeriCorps National Service Organization, and a member of Sigma Tau Delta International Honors English Society.

"Clayton State University has provided me with various opportunities for leadership and service. If I wasn't a student here I would not have the opportunity to join



Cassandra Allen

these great organizations that have made my dreams real," states Allen.

This is not the first time Allen has been acknowledged for her outstanding achievements and work ethic. She has received the Legacy Award at the Student Choice Awards, the Campus Life 2013 Luminary Award, and the award for being the Greek member with the highest GPA for the past two years.

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Dental Hygiene Students Participate in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service Event

“An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity.” Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Each year, in recognition of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday, Clayton State University Dental Hygiene students, staff and faculty provide a “Day of Service” for the community. This year, 27 new patients were provided free oral health screenings, x-rays and patient educational services in the Clayton State Dental Hygiene Clinic, says Dr. W. Gail Barnes, department chair, Dental Hygiene program.

“Unfortunately, many in our community have experienced poor oral hygiene due to a number of reasons such as lack of dental insurance, low income, etc.,” says Barnes.

The Clayton State Dental Hygiene Clinic provides several preventive dental care

services for a nominal fee. These services are performed by students who are devoted to educate and provide oral health services to their patients. Students and patients provide mutually beneficial services and develop a bond that lasts long after the appointment is over.

“Dr. King would certainly be pleased with our dental hygiene students, staff and faculty for their participation in the annual Day of Service, which subsequently coincides with for what he tirelessly worked, ‘the broader concerns of the community,’” adds Barnes.

The department chair isn’t the only dental hygienist at Clayton State who’s enthusiastic about the Day of Service.

“Our Annual MLK Service Learning Day was a great success!” exclaims Clayton State Student American Dental Hygienists’ Association (SADHA) President Jessica McClendon. “The junior

and senior students, a total of 45 students, worked together to help make the day successful.

“Our patients were all smiles after their dental appointments,” she says. “The seniors were extremely thankful that the juniors assisted them with paperwork during the oral health screenings, and developing radiographs.

McClendon especially notes that work by Soumayah Walton-Davis, Ashley McKinnon, Kelsey Lovell, Tara Leatherwood, and Aishah Bari Varachhia in patient education.

“Those students gave ‘how to’ instructions for brushing and flossing in great detail!” she says. “The free large bottles of Listerine were a big hit, too.

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Clayton State Students Celebrate Spring Break by Serving in Tampa

Departing Sunday, Mar. 9 and returning Saturday, Mar. 15, six Clayton State University students participated in the Alternative Spring Break Volunteer Program sponsored by the Department of Campus Life.

Briana Davis (Riverdale), Jasmine Hardy (Lithonia), Taylor Hughes (Lithonia); Nadia King (Decatur), Elyssa Sims (Mableton) and Thadeous Taylor (Lithonia), traveled to Tampa, Fla., to volunteer with the Hillsborough County Habitat for Humanity. The Hillsborough Habitat for Humanity is in the final stage of building a 15-home neighborhood called Providence Pointe located in the East Tampa community.

Sims, a business management major, is a recent transfer student from Savannah who wanted to become more involved on campus.

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Clayton State 's Annual Service Awards April 29

by Erin Fender



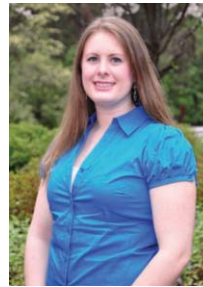
Dr. Richard Singiser



Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller



Richard Pearce-Moses



Joanna Harris-Worelds



Dr. Margaret Thompson



Atawanna Royal



Ana Gordon



Angela Evans



Andrea Clark



Sam Dixon

Clayton State will gather on Apr. 29 in Spivey Hall to honor faculty and staff with the annual Service Awards ceremony. This year will also celebrate the 19th annual announcement of the Alice J. Smith award winners. The event will begin at 2 p.m. followed with a light reception.

The Service Awards Ceremony is a time for Clayton State to celebrate and honor faculty and staff through recognizing years of service, tenure, promotions, and retirement.

The University's 2014 Alice J. Smith Awards will be presented at the ceremony.

An annual honor 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 award was established by local philanthropist Mr. Joseph Smith as a memorial to his wife, to honor her career in teaching and her love for learning.

This year's faculty nominees are: from the College of Arts & Sciences, Dr. Richard Singiser and Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller; from the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences, Richard Pearce-Moses; from the College of Health, Joanna Harris-Worelds; and from the

College of Business, Dr. Margaret Thompson.

This year's staff nominees are: from the Department of Campus Life, Atawanna Royal; from Department of Facilities Management, Ana Gordon; from Public Safety, Angela Evans; from the Registrar's Office, Andrea Clark; and from Spivey Hall, Sam Dixon. ■

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"I had an awesome time," she says. "I was able to make some new friends, learn a new skill and be a blessing to someone all at the same time."

Davis, a psychology major, wants to encourage students to consider alternative spring break because it enhances knowledge and skills you can use for the rest of your life.

"You feel accomplished and motivated when you look back at all the work you accomplished throughout the week."

Participants had the opportunity to work on three different housing in various stages of construction. Work included installing insulation and siding, assisting with roof trusses, learning how to use power tools, laying sod, painting, and installing mini blinds, locks and doorknobs. Participants also had the opportunity to enjoy a traditional spring break experience by enjoying some free time at both Maderia Beach and Clearwater Beach.

LaShanda Hardin, leadership and service learning coordinator for the Department

of Campus Life served as the staff advisor for this Alternative Spring Break Program.

"These service trips allow students to engage in direct "hands-on" projects that address critical needs," Hardin says. "Our goal is to have students come away from the experience with a deeper understanding of community service, social activism; cultural understanding and the desire create change both close to home and across the world." ■

Sue Odom Selected as 2013/14 Governor's Teaching Fellow

by Siera Blasco

Dr. Sue E. Odom, Clayton State University professor in the School of Nursing, was one of the 12 individuals rigorously selected as a 2013/14 Governor's Teaching Fellow.

The Governor's Teaching Fellows Program was established in 1995 by Zell Miller, governor of Georgia from 1991-1999, in an effort to innovate and improve higher education. Governor Miller sought to merge modern technologies and teaching skills, with the Fellows serving as the trail blazers to this futuristic frontier.

Participants were drawn from a diverse pool of both public and private colleges, in all forms of professions, throughout Georgia to collaborate monthly through the Institute of Higher Education at the University of Georgia.

Odom was brought to the Governor's Teaching Fellows Program by her love of teaching, which she now returns to after eight years serving in administration at Clayton State. As the Fellows have been meeting since last September, she describes a new way of teaching that the program is studying, known as the flip classroom. The flip classroom technique involves the students learning their material beforehand, and then the teacher guiding them on how to apply that knowledge. Being in the School of Nursing, Odom already had an understanding of this concept.

"Nursing is very much application," she says. "It is all about applying the information to a patient."

Odom shows excitement not only in utilizing this technique in her own class-

room, but in sharing with her coworkers. She makes an effort to mentor her fellow faculty and wants to share her knowledge throughout the school, finding that her only restraint is time.



Dr. Sue Odom

"There is always room for improvement, for new innovative ways to do things, particularly online," Odom says. She just needs to find the time to do them, and then she can accomplish anything. ■

Todd Smith Elected to NACS Board of Trustees

R. Todd Smith, Clayton State University director of Campus Store Services, was afforded a significant professional responsibility and honor earlier this month, having been installed as the East Region Trustee for the National Association of College Stores (NACS) Board of Trustees.



R. Todd Smith

to do whatever it takes to move an organization forward. In addition, as noted in his nomination for the board position, Smith is a good idea person and a good administrator who is always enthusiastic and ready to serve; also key qualifications for non-profit boards.

Smith's joining the Board was featured in the current issue of the Oberlin, Ohio-based NACS' *The College Store* magazine. ■

Smith, along with the rest of the NACS Board, was installed on Mar. 8, during NACS' Campus Market Expo (CAMEX) Trade Show at the Kay Bailey Hutchinson Convention Center in Houston.

This professional honor comes as no surprise to anyone at Clayton State who has worked with Smith and The Loch Shop, since what makes for a good board member is a can-do attitude and a willingness

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"In our case, the committee left with no recommendations for additional work to demonstrate compliance with the accreditation principles," he says. Hynes, who himself has been part of 16 such visits as an evaluator or as a university under review, adds that this is the first "no recommendation" report he has experienced.

In addition, the Committee also praised the University's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) -- Partnering Academics and Community Engagement, or PACE — and found it was an acceptable plan for Clayton State to move forward.

Dean of Assessment and Instructional Development Dr. Jill Lane and Professor of Psychology Dr. Antoinette Miller have led the University's SACS-related efforts for nearly two years in what Hynes refers to as a "massive undertaking."

"Their leadership directed the work of an exceptional campus community that made this effort such a success," he adds. "I say thanks to each and every member of the campus community for helping us achieve this result." ■

Across the Campus...

Arts & Sciences

Former Clayton State dean of Arts & Sciences Dr. Ray Wallace was recently named chancellor of Indiana University Southeast. Congratulations, Ray.

Athletics

Clayton State men's basketball player Charles Shedrick was named to the 2014 Peach Belt All-Conference team. A senior forward from Douglasville, Ga., Shedrick was Clayton State's leading scorer, averaging 17 points per game. He finished the season with 23 double-digit scoring games and led the team in scoring 13 times. The Clayton State season came to end with a 63-57 loss to Columbus State. The squad finished with a 10-16 record.

For the first time in school history, a Clayton State track & field team has cracked the NCAA Division II Top-25 national rankings. After a seventh place finish Saturday at the Emory Invitational which featured a number of top performances, the Lakers entered the national rankings for the first time at number 24 in the country. Clayton State is the only Peach Belt Conference squad in the Top-25.

Former Clayton State men's soccer standout Janny Rivera has signed a professional soccer contract with the Atlanta Silverbacks FC. A native of Cali, Colombia, Rivera was a NSCAA All-Southeast Region performer for the Lakers in 2011. He started 16 matches for the team and helped lead the Lakers to a 10-8 record that season. Rivera led the squad in assists and was the team's second leading scorer in 2011. The Atlanta Silverbacks compete in the North American Soccer League (NASL) and are currently preparing for their spring season, which opens in April. Founded in 1988, the Silverbacks are in their third year of competing in the NASL after competing in the United Soccer League for 10 seasons.

Clayton State freshman Brianna Heilsnis was recognized earlier this month as the AstroTurf Peach Belt Conference Track and Field Athlete of the Week by the

league office in Augusta, Ga. Earlier this season, Heilsnis set an NCAA provisional mark in her first career collegiate outdoor meet. The freshman launched the hammer 51.78m (169'10") at the Mississippi College Season Opener, winning the event, hitting a provisional distance and setting a new Clayton State and Peach Belt record. She shattered the league's previous hammer throw record of 46.82m by nearly five meters and was seven meters ahead of her nearest competitor. The next day at the Adonica Feguson Relays, she finished third in the discus with a toss of 37.36m. She became the first PBC female track athlete to set an individual NCAA provisional mark this season.

College of Business

Dr. Ali Dadpay had an article on the effect of the Ukrainian crisis on Iran published in the Christian Science Monitor Global Outlook. <http://monitorglobaloutlook.com/news-story/ukraine-crisis-hits-iran-economy-rial-sinks/>.

An article co-authored by Dr. Leon Prieto, entitled "Three Ways Diversity Facilitates Entrepreneurship" was recently published in the Diversity Executive magazine: <http://www.diversity-executive.com/articles/view/three-ways-diversity-facilitates-entrepreneurship/>

The College of Business had two professors, Drs. Diane Fulton and Thomas Garsombke who presented and published at the Institute for Strategic and International Studies (ISIS). The presentation was a paper called "Middle class membership model (MCM): Integrating complimentary measurements lead to sustainable solutions." The paper was also accepted in the Journal of Strategic and International Studies, an "A" journal with a 15 percent acceptance rate.

Continuing Education

Telemundo was on campus last week and videotaped one of our ESL instructors. We are hoping to reach the Hispanic community in their own language. Go to http://www.telemundoatlanta.com/3037_videos/2473763_video-opcion-asequible-

en-nuestra-comunidad-para-aprender-ingles.html.

The latest edition of ARC's magazine featured a story on the Clayton State Division of Continuing Education's digital media programs.

Dental Hygiene

In conjunction with the Georgia Dental Hygienists' Association (GDHA) – Joanna Harris-Worlde, instructor and SADHA (Student American Dental Hygienist Association) advisor for the Clayton State University Department of Dental Hygiene, organized the Second Student Dental Hygiene Research Day at Clayton State on Friday, Feb. 28. Student Dental Hygiene Research Day had students participating from four dental hygiene programs -- Atlanta Tech, West Georgia Tech, Georgia Highlands College and Clayton State – doing more than just asking attendees to, "say ahhhh." The students presented posters and table clinics. In addition, Georgia Perimeter College dental hygiene students attended to garner experience for future presentations. Besides the students, there were also several dental vendors for attendees to ask questions of and to learn about new products. Attending the event were faculty and some licensed dental hygienists.

External Relations

All of his friends and former colleagues in the External Relations Division wish former Director of Alumni Relations Gid Rowell the best as he leaves Clayton State after 14 years to become the director of Communications at the United States Sports Academy. Everyone who has worked with Gid knows why he's a former winner of the Alice Smith Staff Award.

Health & Fitness Management

Dr. Melanie Poudevigne reports that the Health & Fitness Management program at Clayton State University has met the criteria for acceptance into the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) Education Recognition Program (ERP). This recognition is valid for a three-year period expiring Dec. 31, 2016. Among other benefits to ERP members,

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the NSCA offers the opportunity to host an Exam Prep Symposium (EPS), which is designed to provide students a review course containing the most relevant CSCS and NSCA-CPT exam content. This provides students an added opportunity to prepare for the NSCA exams, but this also provides a revenue opportunity to the hosting school.

Library

Our Genealogy Group at Clayton State had 111 people sign up for its Annual All Day Workshop for Beginners on Mar. 8.

Marketing and Communications

The legend of the dream catcher embodies the idea that only good dreams are filtered through the netting allowing the good to pass through the feathers to the people. Clayton State is an entire community that rallies around the individual dreams and aspirations of its people. Clayton State's key attributes are creating an empowering experience, offering a supportive community, as well as offering inclusive diversity and an engaged, experiential preparation. The "Dream Catchers" program allows faculty and staff to nominate a fellow colleague, themselves or even a department that really embodies one or all of the attributes. It's a way to remind all of us what makes our university unique! We will recognize these nominations monthly and encourage all of you to tell us how dreams are made real in your area. You may submit your nomination to: <http://www.clayton.edu/Brand/Dream-Catchers>.

Natural Sciences

In a new paper published in the Journal of College Science Teaching, three profes-

sors at Clayton State University discuss why retractions are good case studies for teaching ethics and examining the scientific process in class. Drs. Stephen Burnett, Richard H. Singiser and Caroline Clower write: In this article, we discuss our experience using articles that have been "abandoned" (where their results are no longer accepted due to new evidence) and/or retracted as methods for teaching students about scientific literature in general and specifically about scientific ethics. Being presented with a more accurate picture of primary literature can help students develop an improved understanding of how science is actually practiced and how scientific ideas change over time. By examining retracted articles in which ethical lapses have been uncovered, students are able to develop a more clear understanding of the types of ethical problems that can occur and improve their ability to recognize them.

Psychology

Psychology Department head Dr. Donna McCarty was recently elected chair of the Clayton County Drug Court Steering Committee.

Dr. Eric Bridges has been invited to serve as a guest editor for a special issue of a journal for Scientific and Academic Publishing, Scientific Academic Publishing Journal, Education.

Spivey Hall

The famous Spivey Hall Children's Choir had another significant milestone in March. The Children's Choir, a community outreach and education program of

Clayton State University's world-famous Spivey Hall, was invited to perform for the Southern Division Convention of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) in Jacksonville, Fla., from Mar. 6 to Mar 9. This was the sixth performance of Spivey Hall Children's Choir at an ACDA event. Typically, choirs are chosen for ACDA conventions by audition, but in rare cases – like this one -- choirs are invited to perform without an audition. The Children Choir's invitation is for a performance for the ecumenical service for the 2,000 conductors that will be in attendance at the convention.

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"My life ambition is to be a positive impact on the lives of others," declares Allen.

After graduation she plans to become an educator in the Atlanta Public School System. When she's not busy doing school work, or participating in extra-curricular activities, Allen finds joy in scrapbooking, jewelry making, and community service. ■

Life's Transitions...

Dean of Libraries Dr. Gordon Baker's mother passed away on Saturday, Mar. 22. She had been in the hospital for a long time. She just had her 91st birthday Feb. 15. Gordon has been associated with Clayton State since the early

1970s. Mrs. Baker is well-known in the community since she was a teacher in Henry County for many years.

Individuals can make donations in Mary N. Baker's name to one of the following:

Henry County Humane Society;
Henry County Public Library;
McDonough First United Methodist Church Building Fund.

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make a successful transition to Clayton State and prepares them to meet the challenges of higher level learning and the demands of their chosen field. University Foundations is also designed to refine academic goals, encourage the students' sense of responsibility, create intentional learners, and provide the information and support that students need to earn a college degree.



This past fall semester, Mills designed a three-part project for his Foundations class that focused on research and writing with a community service component.

Dr. Dan Mills
..... "I wanted to focus on research and writing and the difference between service learning and volunteer work," he explains. "I think I woke them up to some things."

Mills' three-part project for CSU1022 included student teams working and interviewing on-site with local charitable organizations like animal shelters, food banks, homeless shelters, even Zoo Atlanta. The students initially had to compile an annotated bibliography about their assigned organization, then prepare a series of questions to ask of the organization during the interview, and then perform the on-site interview and report back. Mills also required a written reflection after each stage of the program, focusing on their research and writing.

Mills admits that research and writing are, "near and dear to my heart," and adds that he has found this project to be a better way, with less pressure, to introduce students to writing, and to the "real world."

"It was one of the most engaged classes I've ever had," he says. "It was a very lively class. I was pleasantly surprised, because I didn't know how engaged they would be. It seemed to them that they were doing something real, something that makes a difference. A lot of the students seemed to have some light switched on, which is what we want to happen.

"They were seeing themselves as members of a community. This was something aligned with real life, with the real life world. It's not just a hoop you jump through for a class or a grade."

Part of that CSU1022 class included freshmen Luke Pass and Ryan Pruitt, who worked as a team in conjunction with the Clayton County Humane Society. While neither Pass, a home-schooled resident of Fayetteville who plans to major in business, nor Pruitt, a Woodland High School graduate whose plans include a computer science major, had been previously involved with an organization like the Humane Society, and working with animals was not on their future professional agendas, both said they learned something from this aspect of experiential learning.

"I didn't realize there were so many charities, especially those working with animals," says Pass. "It's a whole other world. I enjoyed it, it was a good experience to be involved in the community. This experience would make me more apt to being involved in the community."

"I didn't know what to expect, I never had volunteered before," adds Pruitt. "It taught me the extent that the community was willing to help out a charitable organization."

While both students had their eyes opened to service learning and community engagement, they both also learned something

from an academic perspective, clearly a goal of both their professor and PACE.

Pruitt, the prospective computer science major, noted that the Humane Society's website could use an upgrade, and suggested that he'd be interested in the future in applying his website design skills to help them out. He also commented on the research aspect of Mills' project (as noted, a subject near and dear to the professor's heart.)

"It taught me a lot about research, that we really had to dig, and you always have to get a secondary source," he says.

Pass also noted the importance of the academic tasks in Mills' project to his future, and the overall importance of University Foundations.

"It really helped me with my research skills," says Pass of Mills' project. "As a freshman, I had never done research on that scale before. It was really different. It was good for me to be able to create specific research questions. It also helped my writing ability for whatever field I go into down the road.

"The course helped ingratiate people into the college atmosphere. It helped start me in the right direction in college." ■





(L to R): Clayton State Manager of Employment Relations Nikia Yallah, Clayton State Vice President for Business and Operations Corlis Cummings, Clayton State Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Micheal Crafton, Clayton State Vice President for External Relations Kate Troelstra, Clayton State Manager of Human Relations Management Systems Leon Wheeler, Clayton State Director of Human Resources Tom Gausvik.

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to respond to a set of statements using a seven-point Likert scale.

According to the Atlanta Journal Constitution, a common theme in the articles about the Top 100 companies was that they have earned the loyalty and

affection of their employees and have invested as much in their employees' well-being as they have in tangible perks. "These companies should be considered the best metro Atlanta has to offer," concluded the AJC. ■

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Among her functions as the University's Chief Student Affairs Officer, she serves as a member of the President's Cabinet to provide leadership on major policy issues and decisions affecting students. She is also tasked with promoting an institutional and student culture of excellence, engagement, and success, and providing leadership and direction for the Student Affairs Division.

Over her 10 years at Clayton State, Student Affairs has grown tremendously, to the point where it is now comprised of 75 full and part-time staff, 75 student workers, and 10 departments: Campus Life; Career Services; Counseling and Psychological Services; the Disability Resource Center, Housing, Residence Life, and Community Standards; the International Student Services Office; Recreation and Wellness; the Student Activities Center; University Health Services; and the Veterans Resource Center.

Manglitz' position also includes developing and managing strategic planning for the Division and ensuring congruence with the University Strategic Plan as well as collaborating with Academic Affairs and other units across campus to ensure an environment conducive to student learning and engagement, and to create partnerships with internal and external constituents to meet the needs of a diverse student body, faculty, and staff.

Prior to coming to Clayton State, Manglitz spent six years at the University of Georgia as a clinician, learning disabilities specialist, and Associate Director of the Learning Disabilities Center. She has also been a public school teacher in the Clarke County and Carroll County school districts. ■

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Morales-Beale's thoughts on Created Equal were echoed by her fellow panelists and Clayton State faculty members.

"Assessing these films will certainly benefit students," says Assistant Professor of English and Assistant Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies Dr. Shannon Cochran. "By analyzing the past we can navigate the present and envision the future. Our students will benefit from an examination of the past that will help them understand who we are as Americans.

"The Civil Rights struggle has been an American struggle. African American history is American history. We all should be indebted for the effort and sacrifice of those who came before us. Hopefully, students will be empowered to become activists in their own way."

"It was a whole dialog about what happened and what can happen. It was academic, but also sharing of personal thoughts," recalls Associate Professor of Psychology Dr. Eric Bridges. "It's a continuation of the Civil Rights movement – we're still very much about securing equity. It's a link; it's not just the past, it's the future. That's why these conversations are very important."

Clayton State Assessment & Marketing Librarian, and Created Equal Program Coordinator Erin Nagel, who served as the facilitator and moderator for the kick-off event, notes that experiential learning events like Created Equal support the University's "Dreams Made Real" message by engaging students with the surrounding community, providing opportunities for students to apply skills and knowledge gained in the classroom in a different environment and among different people.

"One of the goals of Created Equal is to empower individuals to make an impact in their communities," she says. "By connecting themes throughout history, attendees witness how the meanings of freedom and equality have changed over the years in our nation and how individuals



Best wishes to Ben Hopkins as he continues his career!



Congratulations to Wanda Neal on her retirement!

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Boroson, who similarly has a passion for science, adds that he first found out about Ramsden and his astronomy outreach program when Clayton State Professor of Physics Dr. Tatiana A. Krivosheev hosted a meeting of the local conference of the American Association of Physics teachers, and brought Ramsden to campus for the conference.

“Now Stephen and I are in regular contact, and I arrange for him to come to campus regularly,” he adds.

Ramsden made his most recent visit at the start of the spring 2014 semester. Although the construction for the new science building meant Ramsden had to relocate his telescopes to the Baker Center parking lot, his visit was, as always, a learning experience.

“Neither of my astronomy classes has studied the Sun yet, although ASTR 1020 students have learned about light and the spectrum,” says Boroson. “The advantage of an event like this is not so much to teach specific material, but to get students excited and interested. Later when I teach them about spectra or about the Sun in detail I’ll be able to connect what I say to what they saw.

“Science is a field that, because of its perceived difficulty, many students turn off, and astronomy is a field that often captures imagination of most. Many students, faculty, administrators, and service employees also stopped by to look at the Sun, so it wasn’t just for my students.”

“I was delighted to find out what the Sun consisted of,” says Nicole Taylor, one of

Boroson’s students. “I never really knew and assumed it was just a big ball of light. I learned that day that the Sun was actually made of calcium, hydrogen and elements of iron. I also saw inside the Sun was red. I enjoyed the experience overall.”

Comments like Taylor’s, and the experiences of everyone who stopped by to look at the sun are music (or maybe solar flares) to Ramsden. As Boroson notes, he has a passion for solar astronomy, and for educating.

Ramsden founded the Bates Project in 2008 as a way to share his success in life, a success, he says, that began at Clayton State. A native of Riverdale, Ga.,



Congratulations to Ginny Bass on her retirement!



The Clayton State Retirees Association gathers for their annual dinner.

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Ramsden graduated from North Clayton High School and then joined the military. After leaving the service in 1987, he attended the local college (i.e., Clayton State) before getting a bachelor's degree in Physics from Georgia State.

"They presented opportunities to me. The fact that people like my teachers took time out of the lives to show me something turned me into someone who has been successful," he says of his Clayton State experience. "Now it's time to give back."

Ramsden notes that his decision to start the Bates Project was based initially on three factors: recognizing that middle school and high school students are important; that he could say to them, "I came from where you're coming from, and I became successful," and; "here's

how you do it – get involved in math and science."

"Young kids are blank slates, they just don't know what to do," he says. "No game can compete with real life. Show them real life; look up, look at the sun. Everywhere around you there are volumes of really cool stuff you can learn. The sun speaks for itself.

"This is a state of the art program. It really gets students interested. These kids really take to it."

Although the Bates Project goes all over the world – Ramsden himself is heading for Australia later this year – there's no doubt that its founder remembers Clayton State, where his dreams were made real, and enjoys taking part in Boroson's astronomy classes.

"Clayton State was an integral step for me. I'm real grateful for Clayton State for helping me go to a successful career, and for helping me become a real world educator," he says. "This program is a good example of what Clayton State is doing."

As it turns out, Ramsden will shortly be retiring from his "day job" in air traffic control after 25 years. However, he'll be off for Australia shortly thereafter because, "my plan is to keep doing what I'm doing." ■

Two-Time Clayton State Graduate Now an Adjunct Professor

by Samantha Watson

“Clayton State University made it possible for me to pursue my passion in the fields of counseling and psychology. Without each of the faculty members and staff in the department of Psychology, I would not be where I am today,” proclaims alumnus C. Bryan Burgess.

Clayton State University made Burgess’ dreams real three times over. Burgess graduated from Clayton State twice, first in 2010 with his Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and Human Services and again in 2013 with his Master of Science degree in Clinical Psychology. He now serves as an adjunct instructor with the Department of Psychology at Clayton State University.

“Bryan has become a valued member of our DRC (Disability Resource Center) family,” comments Louise Bedrossian, the director for the DRC, “I have watched his skills and knowledge expand during his education period, but also delighted in watching the degree to which his confidence and effectiveness as a self-advocate have flourished and grown.”

Burgess is the first of his family to receive a college degree. He is proud and humbled by this accomplishment because, he admits, it was challenging along the way, “not only with being a college student, but also those challenges that come with being a college student with a physical disability.”

Bryan explains that his family and the faculty of the Psychology Department are both largely responsible for his success.

“The members of my family deserve a lot of credit for my success — they were, and still are, the wind beneath my wings,” comments Burgess. He goes on to say that the clinical faculty members of the Psychology Department made an impact on him and provided him with the tools to pursue a career that he “truly has a passion for.”

“I would also like to thank the staff of the DRC for their kindness and support,”

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“OMG, My Toddler Can Read!”

by Sarah Boyd

Teaching a child to read at an early age comes with numerous benefits. They are able to advance to higher grade levels, receive better grades and gain the confidence to conquer any type of book.

Lynn Mallory, a recent Sociology Cum Laude graduate from Clayton State University, knows these benefits rather well. She just released her first self-published book, “OMG, My Toddler Can Read!” in which she provides steps to guide parents on how to teach their children the fundamentals of reading.

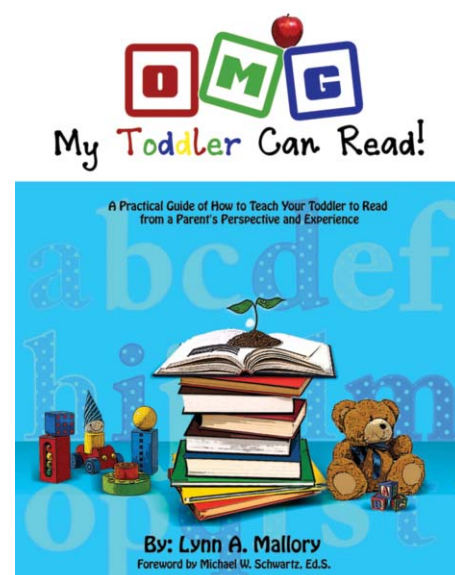
Mallory was born and raised in McDonough, Ga., where she currently resides with her husband of nine years and their two sons Jordan and Jeremiah, ages six and seven. She originally attended Clayton State straight out of high school to obtain certificates in accounting and medical transcription. After she got married and had two sons, she realized her purpose in life was to educate and motivate people, but not necessarily in a classroom setting. As a result, she returned to Clayton State to obtain a bachelor's degree in Psychology.

However, after taking the Intro to Sociology course, she knew immediately that she need to change her major to Sociology and, with the help of a few certain professors -- Dr. Rodger Bates, professor of Sociology, Dr. Rafik Mohamed, chair, Department of Social Sciences and associate professor of Sociology and Criminology, and Dr. Karen Young, associate professor of Sociology -- that decision was confirmed.

“All three of them were and still are instrumental individuals in my academic and career success; they were always there to offer guidance when needed and they all are experts in their field of work,” says Mallory.

Mallory is gifted in many areas of service, but they all stem from one common denominator; education. Currently she is an academic tutor in early childhood reading beginning with toddlers through students in second grade. She began teaching her sons to read during the prenatal stages of pregnancy, and they are avid readers that are two grade levels above in reading.

“I didn't have any ‘My Baby Can Read’ type resources; everything I did came



from within me,” says Mallory. Although she was consumed in her own school work, she dedicated time to her book little by little and eventually completed it in time to be released on Jan. 20, 2014.

This practical step-by-step guide is designed to help parents teach their chil-

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Wallom also notes that the committee focused on several key words in judging the nominations, specifically, institutional commitment, impactful, engaged and involved.

Hynes, in introducing each award winner, enjoyed giving some of the reasons for their awards.

Blackburn was commended for her enthusiastic spirit and for always meeting student needs. Braun, the University's senior faculty member with 36 years of service, is "the soul of the University who is passionate about teaching students."

"It's nearly impossible to capture everything Dr. Campbell has done to make Clayton State better," was Hynes' assessment of Campbell.

Moore, who has directed the instructional site in Peachtree City since 2010, and who also advises all of the University's 300+

dual enrolled students, is, "a model of what this institution can tell others about what this institution does to make things better for a wide range of people."

The two group awards went to an entire department within Student Affairs (Campus Life) and the Laker Angels organization, a group of faculty and staff volunteers that was formed in 2004 with the mission to organize efforts to help lift the burden on Clayton State employees in their times of need. Co-director Julie Coile accepted the award for the 55 members of the Laker Angels.

Accepting Campus Life's award was Director Natasha Hudson, although her entire team was present to receive credit for their student-centered attitude and ensuring the success of the University's student programs.

Vice President for External Relations Kate Troelstra, in opening the program,

noted that the "Making Things Better" awards were made possible by the contributions of many donors to the University's Excellence Fund, and that the awards would be an annual event that would eventually move to a permanent place in the fall later this year.

Also nominated for the initial "Making Things Better" awards were; Dr. Virginia Bonner, Dr. Eric Bridges, Dr. Ruth Caillouet, Dr. Michael Dalmat, Wanda Davis-Bender, Dr. Kevin Demmitt, Dr. Anthony Giovannitti, Dr. Barbara Goodman, Dr. Sipai Klein, Tina Lake, Elise Marshall, Joshua Meddaugh, Dr. Antoinette Miller, Dr. Linda Nash, Dr. Grace Nteff, Aaron Rafter, Dr. Charlotte Swint, Vicky Stewart, Dr. Richard Singiser, Dr. Patrick Taylor, Dr. Shawn Young, the AmeriCorps program, the Clayton State Library staff, and the School of Nursing advisors. ■



2014 Making Things Better Awards



(L to R): senior Dental Hygiene student Alyssa Braswell (wearing purple gloves), junior Dental Hygiene student Akeno Sadler (holding clip board), Joanna Worelds, Dental Hygiene instructor.

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"I saw patients who hadn't seen a dentist in a very long time; it was rewarding to know I was the first step in helping them get back to health."

"It was nice to help patients, also having the juniors there made it easier and less

stressful on the seniors," adds SADHA Historian Monica Canning.

"It was a wonderful opportunity to serve the community and it was wonderful being able to help these patients a little extra that day," says SADHA Vice President Danielle Ashby.

"Preventative measures one tooth at a time keeps everyone's smile in line!" adds Treasurer Walton-Davis.

"It was a rewarding experience and we enjoyed providing services to the community," says senior Kayla Dlugolecki. "Accessing health care is a big issue for a lot of citizens, and it was nice to give back to the community using the resources we had available."

While the senior students appreciated the juniors' help, the latter also appreciated the opportunity to serve.

"Sometimes money troubles can hold patients back from a healthy mouth," says junior Chelsea Parker. "Our MLK Service Learning Day was a great way for the patients to get a full oral health screening for free, while also being educated on the importance of dental health."

"All in all, we were thankful for the hard work it took from all of the dental hygiene staff, instructors, and students that made our MLK Service Learning day such a great day shared with lots of memories!" concludes McClendon. ■



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dren the basics of reading. The book is based upon Mallory's insights and experiences of teaching her own children to read and it seems to have done exceptionally well as her children are now reading fourth and fifth grade level books, although they are currently in first and second grades.

"All you need is dedication and consistency, and before you know it you will be telling your family and friends, "OMG, My Toddler Can Read!" Mallory exclaims.

"OMG, My Toddler Can Read!" includes 74 pages in six how-to chapters along with worksheets, sight words, and a completion certificate for your toddler.

To find out more about Lynn Mallory or her book visit www.lynnmallory.com. ■

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"Partnerships are sustainable when all involved see the benefits daily," said Hynes. "We'll see each of the other partners succeed in helping our students learn."

"I think the most important thing about the pilot project in animation in Fayette is that we are connecting business and education," says Winkler. "We have a major animation company that is used by Pinewood, Disney and Pixar, and an Atlanta animation company working with the school system, the Department of Education, the Atlanta Regional Commission, Clayton State, Sandy Creek High School, Whitewater High School and several of Fayette's middle schools, to create a new pathway and to give kids the opportunity to job shadow and gain internship opportunities."

It's significant that the audience for the event also included a number of Sandy Creek High School teachers and students, some of whom have already been using ToonBoom's Storyboard Pro software... in a physics class. That's a part of the educational aspect of the partnership – that animation is being used in far more fields than entertainment, and that the educational benefits ToonBoom's software provide extend not just worldwide, but throughout a variety of disciplines.

"It's great that this team has put this program together for you," said Bento Box' Kohler, addressing the Sandy Creek students in the audience.

"The biggest challenge in the U.S. today is education," said Vogelsang, who had flown in from Montreal for the day. "We have designed a technology that will in general engage children, and help teachers engage children in the classroom."

VogelsAng noted that while animation tends to be focused on the entertainment industry, their software is used in many fields, including medical training and imaging, flight simulation, business presentations and courtroom transcripts.

The ToonBoom, Fayette County Schools, Department of Education, Clayton State partnership is designed to create a new career pathway in animation that will

serve as a state model. The immediate goal is for students in high school to be able to graduate with the first level of an industry standard certification.

"My vision is to create a bridge program from high school to post secondary where students could advance their knowledge and gain the second tier of certification from ToonBoom - the professional level," adds Winkler, who also announced that Clayton State will hold a ToonBoom Teacher's Institute this summer on the Clayton State main campus. This opportunity will be open to teachers from all over the state and will prepare them to use ToonBoom software and to implement the new animation career pathway once it is approved. In addition, the summer of 2014 will also see Clayton State offering a storyboarding course utilizing ToonBoom software.

The Fayette County Board of Education's Lisa Collins brought the audience up-to-date on the progress of the animation project, which started in August 2013 with a call to Collins from Winkler. As the initiative progressed, Collins mentioned that Carol Burke of the Department of Education was a key figure in helping bring the program to this point with her enthusiastic support. After getting Sandy Creek and Whitewater involved, a schedule for training teachers in the use of ToonBoom software was created, with the writing of said curriculum about to start. The next step will be presenting the curriculum to Burke in October, for the expected acceptance at the state level.

"The opportunities are endless," said Collins.

Toon Boom Animation Inc., (<https://www.toonboom.com/>) a Corus® Entertainment Inc. company based in Montreal, is the worldwide leader in digital content and animation creation software, delivering products and services online to its global community. ■

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have fought to effect these changes. It is our hope that learning about these individuals will inspire students to continue the struggle for equality and civil rights in America."

Nagel's comments were preceded by those of Clayton State Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Micheal Crafton, who helped open the event along with Clayton State President Dr. Thomas Hynes, by stating that Created Equal represents the qualities that Clayton State represents, notably the importance of education and dreaming and understanding the future and emanating these dreams out to the community.

The panel's historian, Dr. Kathryn Kemp, Clayton State professor of history, was also impressed with the educational quality of the Create Equal films.

"The students benefit from the visual approach. In the case of the three films from the era of photography, it allows them to see the actual events, or, in the case of "The Abolitionists," a very accurate depiction of history," she notes. "There's no real substitute for seeing what happened, for seeing how it went."

Indeed, the Created Equal films did present a powerful story, if not necessarily a comfortable one.

"This helps preserve America's stories; they may be difficult to hear, but they merit telling," noted Hynes. "It's important that these stories have a chance to be heard."

The individual Created Equal stories will have a chance to be heard further throughout the current semester, as individual screenings of each film are planned for the coming months. For more information, go to: <http://clayton.libguides.com/createdequal>.

Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle is made possible through a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, as part of its Bridging Cultures initiative, in partnership with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. ■

Student Organization Spotlight: The Student Veterans Association

by Samantha Watson

The Clayton State Chapter of the Student Veterans Association (SVA) was founded in 2008, along with the Student Veterans of America, a national organization established for the educational needs of student veterans.

Kevin Nguyen, the Clayton State SVA President, explains that the organization's busiest time of year is always the month leading up to Veterans Day. In 2014, Veterans day falls on Nov. 11.

"Last year in addition to conducting a roll call for the Georgia fallen, we had a color guard to present the colors and Dr. John Campbell, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, served as our honored guest speaker," comments Nguyen. "We also had a display on Main Street consisting of a partition with the names of fallen soldiers and a table with military memorabilia on loan from our veterans."

SVA is a group of individuals with a shared history and background. The main goal of the organization, as proclaimed by Nguyen, is to be a place where veterans can get together and support each other. The Veterans Resource Center (VRC), located on campus on the first floor of Edgewater Hall, is a great resource for the SVA and a respectful place to have community during the school day.

"One thing I noticed when I started coming to the VRC is a certain type of lingo that military types use that I immediately identified with and was comfortable with," relates Nguyen.

The SVA is an open student organization that welcomes new members. Contact Nguyen for more information: knguyen21@student.clayton.edu. ■



The Department of Campus Life held the Fourth Annual Women's Inspirational Leadership Luncheon (formerly known as Women's Tea Luncheon) on Thursday, Mar. 6. The luncheon focused on empowering women at the University; strengthening mentor relationships between women; and celebrating the history of women and their contributions to society.

The 2014 Women's Inspirational Leadership Luncheon keynote speaker was Dale Smith Thomas, an unapologetic optimist and a woman whose passion for making a difference is stamped on every page of her life. Her direct and powerful message has challenged and inspired hundreds of thousands of people around the world to make winning choices in every area of their life.

Spivey Hall to Welcome Classical Guitarist David Russell

David Russell, a world-renowned classical guitarist known for his superb musicianship and inspired artistry, will be welcomed by Clayton State University's Spivey Hall on Friday, Apr. 4 and Saturday, Apr. 5.

On Apr. 4, at 7:30 p.m., Russell will hold a Guitar Master Class in Spivey Hall. He then can be heard in concert on Apr. 5, at 8:15 p.m. For tickets to his concert, call the Spivey Hall Box Office at (678) 466-4200 or visit www.spiveyhall.org. Tickets for the concert are \$40.

During his visit to Spivey Hall, Russell will also be visiting South Gwinnett High School. His residency at Spivey Hall is funded in part by a grant from South Arts in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts and the Georgia Council for the Arts.

Russell has earned the highest praise from audiences and critics alike, including the 2005 Grammy award in the category of best instrumental soloist in classical music for his CD *Aire Latino*. In recogni-

tion of his talent and his international career, he was named a Fellow of The Royal Academy of Music in London in 1997. During his studies at the Royal Academy, he twice won the Julian Bream Guitar Prize. Later he won numerous international competitions, including the Andrés Segovia Competition, the José Ramírez Competition and Spain's prestigious Francisco Tárrega Competition.

Since 1995 Russell has an exclusive recording contract with Telarc International, with which he has recorded 16 CDs. He currently spends his time touring the world, appearing regularly at prestigious halls in main cities such as New York, London, Tokyo, Los Angeles, Madrid, Toronto or Rome.

The New York Times wrote about his performance: "... Mr. Russell made his mastery evident without ever deviating from an approach that places musical values above mere display. It was apparent to the audience throughout the recital that Mr. Russell possesses a talent of extraordinary dimension." ■

Dental Hygiene Major Jessica McFarlin Featured on the Cover of RDH Magazine

Jessica McFarlin enrolled in Clayton State University's online Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Degree Completion Program in the fall of 2012.

According to Lois Manning-Burke, clinical assistant Professor of Dental Hygiene, she was among the first group of students to navigate the new distance education program. When she first enrolled in the program she lived in Georgia and, after moving to Tennessee, she was still able to continue in the program. McFarlin will graduate this Spring 2014 semester.

In addition to her academic success, McFarlin was recently featured on the cover of the February 2014 RDH national

dental hygiene magazine. She had this to say about the Clayton State University Dental Hygiene Degree Completion Program in the magazine:

"The online dental hygiene bachelor's degree completion program at Clayton State University has allowed me to accomplish my goal of furthering my education while maintaining a full-time working schedule. It has prepared me for leadership roles in administration, education, public health and dental hygiene practice. I am looking forward to the future career opportunities this degree will afford me." ■



University Health Services Open House
UHS is now located in the 1000 building at Clayton Station.



Center for Academic Success Open House
CAS is now located upstairs in Edgewater Hall.

Laoise O'Driscoll Joins with Buckhead Bomber Girls Raising Funds for the Museum of the Eighth Air Force

by Amanda Parham

Laoise O'Driscoll, a recent graduate of Clayton State University, is collaborating with the Buckhead Bomber Girls to help to raise funds for the National Museum of the Mighty 8th Air Force, located in Pooler, Ga., in a unique way.

One of the projects to help raise funds for the museum this year is the creation of an 18-month calendar for 2014/15 by the Buckhead Bomber Girls, a local group of women volunteers who are committed to preserving the stories of our WWII heroes. The calendars are being made to honor the heroes of the "Greatest Generation" and each month will feature the daughter or granddaughter of a World War II, Vietnam, or Korean veteran wearing his bomber jacket and highlighting the jackets' elaborate artwork.

O'Driscoll, originally from Ireland and formerly a star on the Clayton State women's soccer team, graduated in July 2013 with a Masters in Healthcare Administration from Clayton State. She has been appointed project manager for the fundraising event.

"I correspond with all the models who apply as well as processing all the applications," she explains. "I help the project director with seeking out corporate sponsorship and I serve as a point of contact for the photographers and other crew members. I also get the chance to go out on set every now and again to meet the models and families."

The models are required to fill out an application form on the online fundrais-

ing page for the calendar project. Questions asked on the application include the veteran's branch, rank, unit, description of service, years served and awards along with any additional quote or comment from the applicant about the veteran. O'Driscoll says, "applicants have put in little anecdotes about their veteran or comments he has made about the war. Some very powerful stuff has been said."

Each photograph in the calendar will include a vibrant image of the veteran and/or his daughter or granddaughter with a riveting narrative telling a story of heroism and character for that month. The Buckhead Bomber Girls hope that these calendars and the professional, powerful, and meaningful photos displayed within them will evoke emotion and most importantly, honor the respective veterans. The group's plan is to release the calendar on the 70th anniversary of D-Day, which is June 6, 2014.

"Our plan is to recognize gallant true American heroes," says O'Driscoll. All of the proceeds for the calendars go to the National Museum of the Mighty 8th Air Force.

O'Driscoll has really enjoyed working on this project and meeting the veterans and their families.

"Coming from a country where we don't necessarily have many major wartime veterans, it's been a very humbling experience," she says. "I got the opportunity to meet many Vietnam, Korean and World War II veterans and their families. What

they sacrificed willingly to protect this country, their stories and names, are something that should be recognized, preserved and honored. And to see what it means to the families is an amazing feeling."

O'Driscoll never realized how involved she would be in the Buckhead Bomber Girls project. She initially thought that helping with this project would look great on a resume, but didn't know how attached she would become to the project. She said that this calendar project is one of the most humbling and rewarding experiences she has ever been a part of.

"I did not realize initially what I was getting myself into or what this project would mean to the people involved," she explains. "But what these men went through, what they put on the line for their loved ones and for their country, willingly may I add, is nothing short of heroic. Many people just have the memory of their father or grandfather to hold on to and having had the chance to meet the families and speak with them, the way they speak about their veteran is so heart-warming and proud. To see how much it means to them is the only thanks one can ever need."

"Even though I am not from this great land I like to think that I can equally appreciate what these brave men did for their families, for their country and for the world." ■



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states Burgess, "Tameeka Hunter of the DRC has been a wonderful mentor to me. Her unwavering support throughout the last few years has helped me to grow immensely."

Hunter, DRC assistant director, remarks that she got to witness Burgess' growth as an undergraduate and graduate student.

"Bryan has an indomitable spirit, quick wit, and an infectious smile. To know Bryan truly is to love him!" she says. ■

Honors for the Clayton State Theatre

The Clayton State Theatre's fall production, "Pathways: A 10 Minute Play Festival" was selected out of quite a number of productions to be a part of the regional festival of KC/ACTF (Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival).

"This is a huge honor for our program, students and school. This is the first time we've entered the festival. So, we're extremely excited about this invitation

and honor," says Clayton State Director of Theatre Shontelle Thrash. "Unfortunately, we won't be able to take the production to the festival due to some conflicts. The students are disappointed, but they were excited about the invitation."

In addition to the KC/ACTF recognition, three Clayton State Theatre students were nominated for the Irene Ryan Acting Award. They will be competing this month for scholarships and awards. The

winners at the regional festival will be invited to the national KC/ACTF in Washington D.C. Clayton State's nominees are: Scott Hillegas, a fall 2013 graduate; Jenee Brown, a spring 2014 graduate; and Rachel Griffiths, a spring 2014 graduate. ■

Laker Care Closet Food and Clothing Pantry

The members of Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity have been diligently working to establish the Laker Care Closet Food and Clothing Pantry on campus for the past two years.

The purpose of the Laker Care Closet is provide our campus community with a source of temporary relief during times of hardship by providing Clayton State students in need with access to basic living necessities (food and clothes). Alpha Phi Omega saw a need on campus and established the Laker Care Closet as a way for the Clayton State community to serve its

own population. The Laker Care Closet will be student run, managed and organized with oversight from the Department of Campus Life and Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS).

To date, the members of Alpha Phi Omega have initiated several campaigns to collect gently used clothes and nonperishable food items for the closet and are now excited to have the pantry ready for use! If you know of a student in need that would benefit from this service, please email lakercarecloset@clayton.edu to let us know that there is a need.

Also, if you are interested in donating to the Laker Care Closet, please contact Mr. Reggie Banks, President of Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity via email, RBanks4@student.clayton.edu or Jennifer Welch, Alpha Phi Omega Advisor at JenniferWelch@clayton.edu.

Thank you in advance for your support of the Laker Care Closet! ■





Clayton State students, Dr. Ayuk with Ambassador of Tanzania Liberata Mulamula

Clayton State Students Attend SEMAU

by Cele Blair

Clayton State University participated in the 17th Annual Southeast African Union at Columbus State University (SEMAU) in November 2013. The SEMAU is a great opportunity for students, interested in international relations, to become familiar with diplomatic and governmental organizations. Many important dignitaries like the Ambassador of Tanzania, Liberata Mulamula, Ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Faida Mitifu and the Mayor of Columbus, Georgia, Teresa Tomlinson.

Clayton State students Damian Loback, Nayshka Faustin, Brandon Jenkins, Martina Dedaj, Krysten Long and Janet Williams had the opportunity to represent Cameroon at the SEMAU Conference. They were guided by Professor Dr. Augustine Ayuk, who is a native of Cameroon and an expert in African foreign relations. Ayuk was very proud of the student team's achievement during the conference. All six resolutions submitted by the Clayton State delegation to the respective technical committees passed.

Ayuk expressed gratitude for the support given to the students by Dr. Nasser Momayezi, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Rafik Mohamed, chair, Department of Social Sciences and the Office of International Programs.

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“Viewing the World Through My Eyes” -- Clayton State Announces Study Abroad Program 2013 Photo Contest Winner

The Clayton State University Study Abroad Program has announced the winner of the 2013 Study Abroad Photo Contest. Since 2010, the Office of International Programs at Clayton State has sponsored a Study Abroad Photo Competition for its returning students. All photographs in the contest are taken by Clayton State students, currently enrolled at Clayton State and engaged in study, research, and life-changing experiences abroad. The contest was open to all study abroad students.

The theme of the 2013 Photo Contest was “Viewing the World Through My Eyes.” In this competition, students, faculty, and staff voted to determine the top 2013 winners. Creative entries were judged on photographer's ability to communicate a cross-cultural experience.

The first place winner, Julie Coile, MBA student and assistant director Auxiliary Services at Clayton State, received a \$100 cash prize. All entries are displayed at various locations on campus throughout the school year.

To view the complete list of Clayton State's study abroad locations for “2014,” please visit the International Programs website at <http://www.clayton.edu/international-programs>. According to Cele N. Blair, assistant to the Director of International Programs, space is still available on a few of this year's study abroad programs.

Coile's caption for her winning photo is as follows...

Blue Mosque in Istanbul, Turkey. Our guide, Zehra, who is wearing the orange scarf, took the women in our group behind the partition where only women go to pray. She allowed us to watch her pray since we were visiting the mosque during prayer time. Zehra pulled a copy of the Koran off a shelf to show us the illustrations and the Arabic language. ■

Clayton State Hosts National History Day Competition

Established in 1974, National History Day is a year-long academic program for school-aged students across grades six to 12. The contest is designed to promote skills in literacy and historical research and each year nearly half a million students across the country participate in regional, state, and national-level competitions.

For 2014, Clayton State University piloted a Regional National History Day Competition for the Metro Atlanta area. The event represented an important partnership with the National Archives at Atlanta and the Georgia Humanities Council. Clayton State Secondary Education Program Coordinator and Assistant Professor of History Education Dr. Charles Elfer says that the University had 174 middle and high school students pre-register for the Saturday, Mar. 8 event.

“In all, that's quite an accomplishment for the first year and a pilot and it says a lot, I think, about what's to come as other Metro counties join us,” he adds.

A total of 25 area teachers served as National History Day coaches and more than 20 schools participated. In addition,

33 judges from across the metro area participated. Many were Clayton State faculty members from Humanities and Teacher Education, but others came from the Federal Reserve Bank, the Carter Library, Georgia State University, and Emory University. In addition 22 student volunteers from Clayton State's Teacher Education, History, and Honors programs were willing to give up a Saturday of their Spring Break to lend a hand.

A total of 75 students from the region will advance to the state-level competition at Mercer University where Georgia's representatives for the National History Day Finals at the University of Maryland, College Park in June will be determined.

The Regional Competition is expected to be an annual event for Clayton State. This year's theme was Rights and Responsibilities in History and students competed across five categories, including: Historical Paper, Documentary, Exhibit, Performance, and Website. This year's program was put together by Elfer and Joel Walker at the National Archives with the support of the Georgia Humanities Council and LaGrange College's Kevin Shirley. ■

Clayton State Hosts Atlantic Institute's Annual Arts and Essays Contest



Clayton State President Tim Hynes with the first place winner, Eric Wei Yao.

At Clayton State University on Saturday Mar. 15, a number of students, parents, and teachers gathered for the Atlantic Institute's annual Arts and Essays Contest. The yearly contest brings middle and high school students from all over the Georgia to use their writings and their artwork to express the theme provided by the Atlantic Institute.

The Atlantic Institute is an independent, non-profit organization headquartered in Atlanta whose goal is to facilitate dialogue and bridge cultures around the globe. The Atlantic Institute Art & Essay Contest was first organized by Istanbul Center in 2006. Co-sponsored by the Georgia Department of Education and the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations, the Art & Essay Contest challenges middle and high school students in the five states of the Southeast - Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and South Carolina - to submit both art and essay compositions based on a yearly humanistic theme.

The theme for this year was, “Connecting Cultures in the Digital Age: How does social media change the future of our world?” Past themes have included, “The Human Footprint on the Environment: Impacts & Solutions”, “1 Billion Hungry



Sustainability To-Go at the Lakeside Dining Hall

When last we looked in on Clayton State University's sustainability efforts, the subjects were the now-famous Bio-Digester and the new hydration stations.

Not being a group to rest on their green laurels, Auxiliary Services, in conjunction with Sodexo, has a new sustainability initiative going strong, the "to-go" programs in the Lakeside Dining Hall.

Although Carolina Amero, assistant vice president of Auxiliary and Administrative Services and the organization advisor for the Clayton State Go Green student organization, points out that the original to-go program has been in place for a few years, they've added a new twist – a disposable, biodegradable option.

To recap to-go; the original To-Go program allows a customer to purchase a reusable container for a one-time fee of

\$3, and then bring it back and swap it out for a clean one the next time they want to get a to-go meal. Simple and convenient, right? However, in response to focus group feedback, Auxiliary Services and Sodexo have introduced a new program where the customer can choose a disposable to-go package for 30 cents, and all of the items, including the container, utensils, and cup, are biodegradable.

"You wouldn't know it just looking at some of the items," says Amero. "For example, the utensils and cutlery look like normal plastic except they are made out of plant-based, biodegradable materials."

As for the rest of the to-go package, the dinnerware is made with renewable resources and is compostable in a commercial composting facility and is microwave-safe. Meanwhile, the cups lined in Ingeo (that's a plant-based resin)



and the reusable three-compartment eco-friendly food containers, which are also microwavable, and commercial dishwasher-safe, are polypropylene. ■

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in the World: What is Your Role?" and "Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes."

The event displayed the essays and art of the students set up in the Student Activities Center. Speakers included Turan Kilic, CEO and president of the Atlantic Institute, Clayton State President Dr. Thomas Hynes, Honorary Consul of Hungary and Atlantic Institute Advisory Board Member John Parkerson, and Linn Zamora, a teacher at Summerour Middle School and teacher of the winner in the middle school essay category.

All first, second, and third place winners and their teachers received the grand prize, an paid trip to Turkey (minus the airfare). The first place winners also received an iPad.

The submissions for the contest begin in the August of each year and the deadline is in December. It is open for all middle and high school students, who have the freedom to express their art and writing skills. ■

Clayton State Notaries

Clayton State University has several employees who are also commissioned to serve as Notary Publics. In this capacity, they are authorized in the State of Georgia to perform the following services:

1. Witness or attest signatures or executions of deeds and other written instruments.
2. Witness affidavits upon oaths and affirmations.
3. Certify documents that require notarization.
4. Perform such other acts as Notary Publics are authorized to perform under the laws of the State of Georgia.

Each notarial act must include the stamped seal of the office for the authentication of the act. The seal must contain the name of the Notary Public and the words "Notary Public, Clayton (or any other county) County, Georgia."

If the service is being requested for University business related purposes, no

fee is to be charged. However, if the service is requested for personal reasons (limited to Clayton State University students and employees only), the Notary Public may charge a fee of up to \$2 per notarial service, and shall inform the requesting person of the fee prior to providing the service.

All fees collected shall be deposited into an identified account for the department where the Notary Public is employed.

- Rosalind Williams - Edgewater Hall
- Nancy Franco - CIMS (MWF 10-2 only and Tu and Th 2-4 only)
- Wanda Davis-Bender - Faculty Hall
- Vicky Smith - College of Business
- Dana Brown - Clayton State - East
- Sherree Buchanon - Arts and Sciences
- Nikia Yallah - Clayton State - East
- Stephanie Allen - UC 255
- Anita Miller - Downs Center
- Kelly Free - Clayton State - East
- Leslie Moore - Clayton State -- Fayette ■



Career Services hosts its spring career fair in the SAC ballroom

Phishing Detection Safety Advice

by Bobby Hamil

Phishing is the act of attempting to acquire information such as usernames, passwords, and credit card details (and sometimes, indirectly, money) by masquerading as a trustworthy entity in an electronic communication, most commonly an email.

Although Phishing has been around for many years, the techniques are becoming more cunning and sophisticated, with communications often even appearing to be from family or friends. Below are some safety tips to detect and prevent Phishing attempts:

1. When you receive emails claiming to be sent by banking institution asking you to enter your account details, **DO NOT** do so! Your bank already has your details and clearly would not want them again.

2. Check if the email that you receive has your name spelled correctly. Fraudsters often simply try to guess your name by your email address. **DO NOT** open emails that have your name spelled incorrectly.

3. Check the email to see if it is addressed to your name. Fraudsters do

not routinely personalize emails, they will refer you as Dear Customer or Dear Valued Customer because they send emails randomly to a million email addresses and they even do not know that you have an account with the bank.

4. **DO NOT** respond to emails that seem like they are sent from your bank. Some of the claims made in these emails may be the following:

- a. You are to receive a refund,
- b. The bank is trying to protect you from a fraud
- c. The bank needs some security and maintenance update on your account as asks for your account details.

If you receive such email always check back with your bank directly or speak to the customer service representative of the bank.

5. **NEVER** enter your credit card details and password in a website which you suspect is not genuine.

6. **DO NOT** share your account details,

password, or credit card details with anyone who you do not know or trust.

7. **DO NOT** open unsolicited emails.

8. **DO NOT** follow links to a banking website from another website or email. It is a good practice to type in the URL of your bank yourself, or bookmark it if the URL is difficult to remember

9. Verify the website URL carefully before you provide your login details on any web page. Fraudsters create fake websites that have URLs closely resembling the original.

10. Log in to your accounts regularly and look for account transactions that you do not recognize.

11. **DO NOT** send your account details and/or password over an email to anyone.

Please be conscious of these safety tips when receiving or sending electronic communications. ■

Honor Society for First-Year Students Hosts Induction Ceremony

Clayton State University is one of 14 institutions in the state of Georgia to hold a chapter of National Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society for first-year students.

Dr. Glenda Earwood, executive director of National Alpha Lambda Delta, delivered the keynote address, and the Clayton State chapter inducted 27 students on Tuesday, Mar. 18 in the ballroom of the University's Student Activities Center.

Founded in the spring of 1924 at the University of Illinois by Dean Maria Leonard, Alpha Lambda Delta is a national honor society that recognizes and encourages academic excellence among first year students. Today, Alpha Lambda Delta has more than 270 chapters throughout the United States and more than 850,000 students have been initiated into membership since the first chapter was started. Membership in Alpha Lambda Delta is open to full-time freshman students who earn a scholastic average of 3.5 or better at a four-year college or university.

Alpha Lambda Delta emphasizes that educated persons have a responsibility to "have tolerance in your dealings with all persons, generosity in giving to those in need, and insight into the feelings of others" says Earwood. Members are challenged to make a "meaningful contribution to society."

For more information about Clayton State's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society for First Year Students, visit the chapter's website at www.clayton.edu/fyarc/alphalambdadelta or contact the chapter's advisor, Marcia Bouyea-Hamlet.

Clayton State's spring 2014 inductees are listed below:

Andrew Adams	Forest Park, Ga.
Jasmine Bell	College Park, Ga.
Tatiana Bradley	Ellenwood, Ga.
Connie Chanthraboutda	Hampton, Ga.
Jessica Charman	Middlesex, England
Victoria Chee	Atlanta

Amoni Etheridge	Conley, Ga.
Maddison Green	Peachtree City, Ga.
Andria Hall	Lithonia, Ga.
Yahmani Hargrove	McDonough, Ga.
Brianna Heilnis	Apex, N.C.
Keara Howard	Decatur, Ga.
Linda Almodovar Ibarra	Fayetteville, Ga.
Deanna Jackson	Jonesboro, Ga.
Zahir Javaid	Stockbridge, Ga.
Adeynika Joseph	Hampton, Ga.
Tram Mai	Morrow, Ga.
Alex McGaughy	Stockbridge, Ga.
Idowu Oredugba	Ibadan, Nigeria
Ryley Rivera	Hampton, Ga.
Tiffani Samuel	Villa Rica, Ga.
Tyler Samuel	Loganville, Ga.
Rosa Servin	Jonesboro, Ga.
Justin Taylor	Fayetteville, Ga.
Randy Truong	Locust Grove, Ga.
Teresa Turner	Griffin, Ga.
Carmeika Wise	Atlanta



Photo Caption: a picture of the old and newly elected officers of the organization. The names of the students in the picture are:

L to R: Tatiyana Bradley (newly elected Secretary), Andria Hall (newly elected Vice-President), Adeynika Joseph (newly elected Treasurer), Alexander Brown (current president), Sophie Medina (newly elected President), Kaylene Arthur (re-elected Webmaster) and Genesis Merritt (current Treasurer). The newly elected officers will assume their positions in April 2014.

Soumayah Walton-Davis Awarded Emile T. Fisher Scholarship

Soumayah Walton-Davis of Decatur, Ga., was recently awarded the Emile T. Fisher Scholarship available through the Clayton State University Department of Dental Hygiene for senior level students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (BSDH) degree program.

To be eligible for the Fisher Scholarship, a student must:

- Demonstrate financial need;
- Maintain a college cumulative grade point average of 2.50;
- Intend to practice in Georgia (preferably in rural areas);
- Have not previously received a significant scholarship award;
- Be nominated by a faculty member of the BSDH program

"Soumayah Walton-Davis is a focused and determined student who represents Dental Hygiene well," says Dental Hygiene Department Chair Dr. Gail Barnes. "She has met all eligibility requirements and was voted to receive this prestigious award by the Dental Hygiene faculty, with whom she interacts daily."

Walton-Davis is scheduled to graduate from Clayton State in Spring 2014 Commencement on Saturday, May 10. ■



Dental Hygiene Department Chair Dr. Gail Barnes and Soumayah Walton-Davis



Academic Conference



Dental Hygiene Research Day



Clayton State Homecoming 2014. Photo Credits: Brian Roberts and Campus Life

More Honors for Shacamra Jackson

by Gid Rowell

Clayton State women's basketball player Shacamra Jackson has previously been recognized as the Peach Belt Conference's Defensive Player of the Year, and two weeks ago she was recognized with another individual accolade.

Jackson was named to the 2013-14 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Basketball All-Southeast Region Team. Sports information directors from NCAA Division II Southeast Region schools and conferences selected the Daktronics All-Region team.

A senior from Marietta, Jackson becomes the fourth Laker to receive All-Southeast Region honors along with Teshymia Tillman, Tanisha Woodard and Drameka Griggs. Tillman and Woodward received the honor in back-to-back seasons.

Jackson was the leading scorer and rebounder on Clayton State's 22-7 team that advanced to its 10th straight NCAA Division II National Tournament and captured its fourth straight Peach Belt Conference regular season championship this season. She averaged a team-leading 15.4 points per game and 7.6 rebounds per

game, which ranks eighth in the league in scoring and 11th in rebounding.

Clayton State's all-time leader in blocked shots, Jackson ranked fourth in the nation this season and led the Peach Belt Conference with 103 blocks.

Jackson also posted the seventh triple-double in Peach Belt history, and only the fourth in Clayton State history (both men and women) in the team's regular-season finale against Columbus State with 20 points, 10 rebounds and 10 blocks.

Jackson has etched her name in several categories of the Clayton State record book. She ranks first in the 23-year history of women's basketball program in games started with 124 for her career and is second in games played.

Earlier this year, she scored the 1,000th point for her career and currently ranks seventh on the all-time scoring list. Jackson has almost 800 rebounds for her career, which ranks second on the all-time list, and her 275 blocks is first all-time at Clayton State. ■

Lindblom Named PBC AstroTurf Golfer of the Week ... Again

For the second straight week and the third time this season, Clayton State men's golfer Fredrik Lindblom has been recognized by the Peach Belt Conference as the league's AstroTurf Golfer of the Week.

A senior from Varmdo, Sweden, Lindblom won the Bearcat Invitational on Sunday and led the Lakers to a fifth place finish in the event hosted by Lander. He fired rounds of 67-71-73 to finish with a 5-under par score.

Over the last five events, Lindblom has two tournament wins and been the runner-up on two other occasions. He won the Armstrong Pirate Invitational and was the

runner-up at the Bobcat Invitational and the West Georgia Invitational.

He currently leads Clayton State with a 72.1 stroke average and is tied for third in the Peach Belt for the lowest stroke average. He has a 578-86 record against the field this year.

Clayton State will return to action on Apr. 11 for a four-team match hosted by North Georgia in Dahlonega, Ga. The Lakers will then play in the Peach Belt Conference Championships hosted by Columbus State at Callaway Gardens on Apr. 18 and Apr. 19. ■

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Limestone. The tournament berth was the 10th straight appearance in the national tournament for the Laker program.

In his 10 years at Clayton State, Cox has built the Laker women's basketball program into one of the top NCAA programs in the country. Earlier this season, he captured his 250th NCAA Division II victory, and he currently ranks among the winningest coaches at the NCAA Division II level.

In his 10 years at Clayton State, Cox holds a 267-57 record (.824). His teams have won seven Peach Belt Conference Championships (2005, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014), four Peach Belt Conference Tournament Championships (2005, 2007, 2010, 2013), four NCAA Division II Regional Championships (2007, 2009, 2011, 2013) and the 2011 NCAA Division II National Championship.

Along with being named the Georgia College Coach of the Year three times, he has been Peach Belt Conference Coach of the Year four times, NCAA Division II Southeast Region Coach of the Year three times and National Coach of the Year one time.

In addition to his success at Clayton State, he also achieved similar success in his 14 years of coaching at the junior college level in Florida. Earlier this month, he was inducted into the Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA) Hall of Fame for his coaching success at both Daytona Beach and Valencia.

Cox earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Eckerd in St. Petersburg, Fla. He later earned a Master's Degree in Exercise Physiology and Wellness from the University of Central Florida. He and his wife Ruth reside in Decatur, Ga. ■

Rauhof and Kemboi Hit NCAA Provisional Marks at Emory Classic

by Gid Rowell

Behind two break-out performances from Bryce Rauhof and Job Kemboi, the Clayton State men's track and field team placed fourth at the Emory Track & Field Classic held Friday and Saturday .

The Lakers placed fourth for the second week in a row at the meet hosted by Emory. Alabama-Huntsville won the event with 182 points, followed by Emory with 166 and Cumberlands with 101 points. Clayton State finished with 80 points and two points ahead of Columbus State in fifth.

Both Rauhof and Kemboi opened the meet on Friday with a bang as each hit NCAA Division II provisional marks for the national championship meet later this spring.

Rauhof won the hammer throw, blasting his Clayton State school record by nearly eight feet and becoming the first Clayton State thrower to ever hit a NCAA provisional mark. He had a throw of 178-feet, 3-inches. The win for Rauhof in the hammer was the fourth time he has won the event this season.

Less than two hours later, Kemboi smashed the school record in the 10,000m run by nearly two minutes en route to a win and a NCAA provisional mark. He finished with a time of 30:53.9, two sec-

onds ahead of Columbus State's Jacob Dirkman. Kemboi has added his name to four outdoor track and field records this season.

The Clayton State duo of Brianna Heilsnis and Jessica Matthews each won a pair of events to lead the Clayton State women's track & field team to a fourth place finish at the same Emory Track & Field Classic.

The Lakers finished with 76 points in the meet. Host Emory won the meet with 193 points, followed by Alabama-Huntsville in second with 158 points and Columbus State in third with 112 points.

Individually, both Heilsnis and Matthews hit NCAA Division II provisional marks in their specialty events, the hammer throw and the triple jump but neither hit season bests in the meet.

Heilsnis won the hammer throw on Friday with a throw of 165-feet 4-inches and then came back on Saturday to win the discus throw at 135-3. Matthews won the long jump on Friday with a leap of 16-8 ½ and then prevailed in the triple jump at 38-10 ½.

The Lakers will take off next week before returning to action on Saturday, Apr. 12 in the Blue Shoes Invitational at Furman University in Greenville, S.C. ■

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Clayton State University is also proud to announce that it will host the 18th Annual Southeast African Union from Nov. 6 to Nov. 8, 2014. Clayton State values this opportunity to give the students a highly engaging experience in dealing with international issues.

If you are interested in learning more or participating in the SEMAU 2014, contact Dr. Augustine Ayuk at

AugustineAyuk@mail.clayton.edu, (678) 46- 4848 or Office of International Programs at (678) 466-4092. ■

Trivia Time

Invasion of the Body Snatchers?

by John Shiffert

Not quite, but Ohio Congressman John Scott Harrison, who had the unique distinction of being the son of one U.S. president (William Henry Harrison) and the father of another (Benjamin Harrison) did indeed have his body snatched by and/or for medical students in 1878!

Only the elite answered this one correctly, that is, Jill Ellington and Lou Brackett.

Turning to an easier subject; in the end, what happened to the Ruby Slippers? ■

Women's Tennis Defeats UNC Pembroke, 6-3

The Clayton State women's tennis team defeated UNC Pembroke 6-3 in Peach Belt Conference action at Laker Courts.

The Lakers won six of the seven contested matches in the victory.

In doubles, top-seeded Zinnia Leamana and Martina Dedaj won 8-3 over Shelby Bickel and Hannah Herlocker. Second-seeded Raluca Pavel and Kristiin Mets prevailed 9-8 in a tiebreaker over Leigh-Anne McAfee over Gabriela van Oostroom.

In singles, Pavel won 6-3 and 6-1 over McAfee, while second-seeded Leamana won in three sets 1-6, 7-5, 6-1. Mets, at the No. 4 seed, won 6-4 and 6-2, while fifth-seeded Dariana Drozdova defeated Espitia 6-0 and 6-1. ■

Sports

Gareth O'Sullivan Named Interim Athletic Director

by Gid Rowell

Clayton State President Dr. Tim Hynes has named Gareth O'Sullivan as the Lakers interim director of Athletics.

O'Sullivan takes over the role as the athletic director of the 12-sport NCAA Division II program after current director Carl McAloose accepted a position as Director of Athletics at Edison State College in Fort Myers, Fla. McAloose's last day was Feb. 16.

"Athletic programs often develop colleagues who are prepared to rise to greater leadership roles. And we are fortunate that Coach O'Sullivan was willing to accept such a leadership role here," said Hynes. "We are confident that we will build on work he has begun directing our women's soccer program, and explore ways in which that work (together with the work of other athletic program leaders) will continue to move our athletic program forward."

O'Sullivan joined the Clayton State athletics department in 2011 as the head coach of the women's soccer coach. He will remain as head coach of the soccer program before a permanent director is named.

"I am excited to be named the interim AD and very grateful to Dr. Hynes to be given the opportunity to lead our athletic department," said O' Sullivan. "We have a tremendous group of staff and I look forward to working with everyone."

Taking over the women's soccer program three years ago, O'Sullivan has brought Clayton State back to elite status in women's soccer. He was named the 2013 NSCAA Division II Southeast Region Coach of the Year, the first time a Laker women's soccer coach has received the honor. In addition to the region award, O'Sullivan was also named the Peach Belt Conference Coach of the Year this season.

The Lakers won the 2013 Peach Belt Conference regular season championship and also captured the Peach Belt Conference Tournament Championship. Both titles were the first since 2005 and only the second time in the program's 19-year history.

The Lakers also advanced to the 2013 NCAA Division II Women's Soccer National Championships for the first time since 2005 and finished with a 12-4-6 record on the year. The squad entered the

national tournament ranked #11 in the country.

The 2013 season was also special for O'Sullivan, as he captured his 200th NCAA Division II victory. In three years at Clayton State, he is 31-18-10 overall, and through his leadership has led the Lakers to three straight winning seasons. Before taking the reins of the program, Clayton State had experienced three straight losing seasons.

In addition to his success in rebuilding the Laker program, O'Sullivan also experienced success at both Christian Brothers and West Georgia. At Christian Brothers, he led the Lady Bucs to three straight Gulf South Conference championships, an NCAA Division II national runner-up finish in 2001 and the NCAA Division II national championship in 2002. In the program's two-year national runner-up and national championship runs, his teams had a combined 47-2 record. ■

Dennis Cox Named Whack Hyder Women's College Coach of Year for Third Time

For the third time in his impressive career, Clayton State University women's basketball coach Dennis Cox has been named the Whack Hyder Georgia Women's College Coach of the Year.

The prestigious honor is awarded by the Atlanta Tip-off Club. Among the college award winners, Cox will be joined by Mercer's Bob Hoffman, who is the recipient of the Whack Hyder State of Georgia Men's College Coach of the Year. The Georgia Women's College Player of the Year is Ty Marshall from Georgia Tech,

and the Georgia Men's College Player of the Year is RJ Hunter from Georgia State. Cox also won the award in 2010 and in 2011.

The Clayton State women's basketball team won the Peach Belt Conference Championship this season, the fourth straight year that the Lakers have captured the title. The Lakers' season (22-7) came to an end Friday in the NCAA Division II Southeast Regionals, falling to

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