SACS Committee Visits This Week

The entire Clayton College & State University campus has been engaged in the SACS reaffirmation process for the past several years. As part of that process, a SACS off-site committee submitted the University’s Compliance Report for review in August of 2003. The University’s Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) was completed and sent to the SACS on-site committee in February 2004.

The on-site committee visit will take place this week, Apr. 12-14. Following a 1 p.m. off-campus organizational meeting on Monday, Apr. 12, it is expected that the committee will be on campus that afternoon. Tuesday, Apr. 13 will see the committee holding interviews and meetings on-campus all day. The schedule on Wednesday, Apr. 14 includes on-campus interviews and meetings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., followed by exit interviews.

Details of the entire reaffirmation process and the Quality Enhancement Plan can be found on the Provost’s web site at <<http://adminservices.clayton.edu/provost/S.A.C.S/default.htm>>. However, everyone on campus needs to know, at the very least, what Q.E.P. stands for.

Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Themes and Goals

Theme 1: Student Success and Faculty Development

Goal 1: To establish ongoing faculty development programs related to student success.
Goal 2: To implement instructional strategies that promote student success.

Clayton State Students Place First in Society for Advancement of Management Case Competition

A team of students representing the School of Business at Clayton College & State University recently won the first place award in the Joseph Bush Undergraduate Division of the case competition at the 2004 Society for Advancement of Management (SAM) International Conference in Baltimore.

This year’s team was Merrie LaFrenier and Shawn Nelson, both seniors in the School of Business. LaFrenier graduated from Decatur High School and currently lives in Stockbridge. After working at Six Flags Over Georgia for six years in the Admissions Department, she developed an appreciation for business and changed her major from Dental Hygiene to Business Management. In addition to playing one year of soccer for Clayton State, she has also been an active member of SAM for two years and is a member of the Sigma Beta Delta International Honor Society for Business. She is currently majoring in management and will graduate in December, 2004.

Nelson graduated from Fayette County High School and currently resides in Fayetteville with her husband, Paul, and her daughter, Alexis. She has been a HOPE recipient for her entire college career, is an active member of SAM, and is also a member of the Sigma Beta Delta International Honor Society for Business. She is currently majoring in marketing and will graduate in May, 2004.

The case for the 2004 SAM Conference involved GlaxoSmithKline, one of the nation’s...
President’s Gala Names 2004
Southern Crescent Vision Award Winners

Six winners of the Second Annual Southern Crescent Vision Awards were honored as the highlight of the Clayton College & State University Foundation 2004 President’s Gala, “Foundations for the Future… Shades of Tomorrow,” at the Georgia International Convention Center.

Total attendance at the Gala was a record 240, and gross contributions equaled approximately $57,000. All proceeds from the Gala benefit the Clayton College & State University Foundation and will be used primarily to support student initiatives, specifically; scholarships for students in the Honors Program, Academic Excellence Awards, and scholarships for students in the Study Abroad Program.

Clayton State Director of Development Reda Rowell, chair of the 2004 Gala Committee, notes how much the University appreciates the committee’s hard work and commitment to the success of the gala. This year’s committee, in addition to Rowell and co-chair Terri Taylor-Hamrick, included; Clayton State Vice President for External Relations Dr. Bryan Edwards, Cathy Harden, James Jernigan, Sheryl Messer, Jo-Ann Parkerson, Sherri Smith, Linda Summerlin, Dolores Cox and Valerie Sowers.

The 2004 Southern Crescent Vision Award winners are:

Artistic Achievement: William “Bill” Anderson, chair, Art Department, Morehouse College.
Economic Enhancement: C. Crandle Bray, chair, Clayton County Commission; chairman, Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC).
Career Success: Gail M. Buckner, State Representative; Clayton State Alumna.
Economic Enhancement: Roland O. Downing, director, Clayton County Development/Redevelopment Authority.
Career Success: James E. “Gene” Sutherland, president, Sutherland’s Foodservice.

Andrew Young Returns to Clayton State April 20

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Andrew Young, the keynote speaker at Clayton State’s fourth annual Martin Luther King Day Commemoration Event in January 2004, will be returning to the University’s Morrow campus on Tuesday, Apr. 20 for a dialogue with Clayton State students.

The student dialogue, “The Civil Rights Act: An Historical Perspective,” was originally scheduled for the evening of Jan. 15, 2004, just prior to Young’s keynote address as part of the MLK event. However, circumstances at that time (namely, a last-second request to meet with President George Bush) forced Young to postpone the dialogue until April.

At his request, Young will be speaking with Clayton State students outdoors, beside the University’s Library, and next to the Menisci statue with Swan Lake as the backdrop. The dialogue will start at 12:15 p.m.

One of the nation’s most distinguished public servants… a pastor, civil and human rights leader, a former member of Congress and a former mayor of Atlanta, in addition to his service in the U.N… Young began his career of public service in the 1960s as a close associate of King. He served as the Southern Christian Leadership Conference’s (SCLC) executive director and executive vice president during King’s tenure as SCLC president and also organized many of King’s famous marches.

His career in politics began in 1972, when he was elected as Georgia’s first African-American in the U.S. Congress in 101 years. After two terms in the House of Representatives, he was appointed ambassador to the United Nations in January 1977, serving in that role, as well as a member of President Jimmy Carter’s Cabinet and the National Security Council, until September 1979.

In 1982, Young became mayor of Atlanta, beginning an eight-year tenure in that office and leading the city’s unprecedented economic boom that continued long after he left office in January 1990.

During his 40 years of public service, Young has received innumerable awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom - the nation’s highest civilian award - and the French Legion of Honor.
Fifteen Clayton State Students Selected for Who’s Who

Fifteen Clayton State students have been selected for the Who’s Who Among Students In American Universities and Colleges program.

The Who’s Who Award recognizes outstanding scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extra-curricular activities, service to the University and the larger community, and potential for future achievement. Nominations for qualified candidates were solicited from Clayton State students, faculty, and staff, and the candidates were reviewed by a sub-committee of the University’s Advisory Committee for Campus Life.

The 2003-2004 Clayton State Who’s Who students are:
Management major Jeff Brock (Fairburn);
Dental Hygiene major Robin Brosnan (Atlanta);
Nursing major Cheryl Chapman (Fayetteville);
Biology major Rebecca Daniel (Conyers);
Integrative Studies major Leigh G. Duncan (Newnan);
Information Technology major Billy Evans (Morrow);
Database Administration major Thomas Hoke (Stockbridge);
Nursing major Jerita James (Jonesboro);
Integrative Studies major Cora Johnson (Stockbridge);
Music major Nathan Prisk (Griffin);
Nursing major Robert Ware (Atlanta);
Dental Hygiene major Jennifer Westmoreland (Dacula);
Nursing major Scottie Young (Conyers);
Software Development major Peter B. Zolja, a native of Brasov, Romania residing in Newnan;
Music Performance major Brandon Tucker (Morrow).

The Office of University Relations is also proud to point out that 13.3 percent of the Who’s Who list consists of University Relations’ student staff, namely Media Specialist Duncan and Computer Consultant Zolja.

Your Campus ID (LINX Card) is Changing....

Auxiliary Services is in the process of renaming and redesigning the official Clayton State ID Card to better represent the University, its students, faculty and staff. The convenience the ID Card provides will remain the same.

In the wake of many excellent suggestions from across campus, five “finalists” have been named for the new ID card. Voting for these five card names concluded on Friday, Apr. 9. The five suggested card names are as follows;

Laker Card
Laker Pass
Loch & Key
Laker ID
ConnectCard

Director of Auxiliary Services Robert Holmes would like to thank everyone who submitted a name, or who voted on these five names, for their participation. An announcement on the new ID Card will be forthcoming soon from Auxiliary Services.

Dr. Kevin Rome Accepts Position of VP Campus Life

Pending approval by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, Dr. Kevin D. Rome, currently assistant vice chancellor for Student Life and Diversity at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), has accepted the position of Vice President for Campus Life at Clayton State.

“I am excited about joining a thriving, vibrant campus and I look forward to participating in the Clayton State community,” he says.

Rome earned his B.A. in English from Morehouse College and his M.Ed. In College Student Personnel (emphasis in Counseling) from the University of Georgia. He then went on to earn his Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration, with a minor in Social Work from the University of Texas.

Prior to joining IUPUI in July 2001, Rome served the University of Texas in two positions — as Assistant Dean of Students for New Student Services from August 1996 to August 1999, and as Assistant Dean of Students for Campus and Community Involvement from August 1999 to July 2001. He also spent five years in the Office of Housing and Residence Life at California State Polytechnic University San Luis Obispo and spent two years at UGA in the Office of Housing and Residence Life, the Office of Greek Life and the Office of Financial Aid.

He is a member of numerous professional associations, including the Association of College Personnel Administrators, the National Orientation Directors Association, the American Association of Higher Education, the Association of College Unions International, the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and even the California Basketball Officials Association.
2004 Smith Award Faculty Nominees Named

Dr. Peter G. Fitzpatrick, chair of the Clayton College & State University Alice Smith Faculty Award Committee, has announced the five finalists for the University’s 2004 Alice Smith Faculty Award. They are: from the School of Technology, Lou Brackett; from the School of Arts & Sciences, Dr. Michelle Furlong; from the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences, Dr. Annita Hunt; from the School of Business, Dr. Gary May; and from the School of Health Sciences, Sue Odom.

The University’s 2004 Alice Smith Awards, for both faculty and staff, will be presented at Clayton State’s Thursday, Apr. 29 Faculty/Staff Awards Ceremony at 2 p.m. in Spivey Hall. An annual event since 1995, the Smith Awards are presented to the faculty member and staff member ranked most outstanding as determined by committees of their peers. In honor of his wife, Alice, local philanthropist Joseph Smith established the two $1000 awards. The winners of both categories will be announced at the Apr. 29 ceremonies.

An instructor of Office Administration in the School of Technology, Brackett is a Clayton State graduate, holding an A.A.S. from the then-Clayton Junior College. She earned her B.S. from the then-North Georgia College. This past summer, Brackett received a Masters degree from Georgia College & State University in Instructional Technology. In other endeavors, she was the 2002 Clayton State Trivia co-champion. Brackett and her husband Robert, a fire captain with the City of Forest Park, have lived in East Point for more than 20 years. Lou Brackett’s parents, George and Lois Lacy, reside in Fairburn. The Brackett’s have daughter attending Woodward Academy and a son attending The Bedford School.

Assistant Professor of Microbiology Furlong lives in the historic Kirkwood district in Atlanta with her husband, Joey Charles, an archaeologist with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. In addition to teaching Microbiology and Bioinformatics (Biocomputing), she also sponsors student independent research projects and is the faculty advisor to the Clayton State Science Association. Her primary field of research is applied aquatic microbiology and soil microbial ecology. A graduate of Georgia State University (B.A.) and the University of Georgia (Ph.D.), Furlong enjoys hiking and antique shopping.

Hunt lives in Madison, Ga., with her husband, Candler. They have a son, Chip, who lives in Charleston, S.C. and a daughter and son-in-law, Frannie and Al Kimsey, and four “wonderful” (that’s the grandmother speaking) grandchildren: Anna Candler (8), Russ (4), Sadie (4), and Kayce (3) Kimsey, who also live in Madison. An associate professor of Mathematics at Clayton State, Hunt is a graduate of Coker College (B.A.), and earned three advanced degrees from the University of Georgia… an M.Ed., an Ed.S. and a Ed.D.

May and his wife Regina are residents of Newnan. An assistant professor of Management at Clayton State since 2000, May was previously senior vice president and chief learning officer for Millbrook Distribution Services in Leicester, Ma. Prior to that, he was director of Training & Management Development at McKesson Service Merchandising in Harrison, Ark. However, May started his career in Morrow, in the family food store distribution business, May & Company, Inc., in 1968. A consultant on communication competencies and leadership development, May holds a B.A. in Business Administration from Duke University, and an M.S. and Ph.D. in Human Resource Development from Georgia State University.

An associate professor of Nursing at Clayton State, Odom and husband William M. Odom, a captain for Delta Airlines, live in Fayetteville and have two children. Billy Odom is a United States Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton in California and Kelly Odom is a junior at Auburn University. Sue Odom holds a B.S.N. and an M.S.N. from the University of South Alabama, and a D.S.N. from the University of Alabama Birmingham.

Talking Bones At Clayton State
by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Them bones, them bones, them talking bones? Clayton State invites you to hear bones talk on Tuesday, Apr. 20, from 4:30 p.m. until 5:20 p.m. in room 10 of the University’s Lecture Hall. Guest lecturer Dr. Mark Guilbeau, a forensic anthropologist, will discuss the science of solving crimes through analyzing bones. This lecture, part of the annual Frontiers of Biology Seminar Series, is free and open to the public.

In addition to his Apr. 20 lecture, Guilbeau will lead an evening workshop on forensic anthropology on Monday, May 3, in Clayton State’s Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education - part of a five-day Forensic Science for Medicolegal Profession conference. The May 3-7 conference is offered at cost and is geared toward law enforcement personnel, coroners and medical examiners, attorneys, physicians, nurses, emergency response personnel, funeral directors, and interested college students and faculty. For information on registration on the conference, visit www.conted.clayton.edu and click on the Forensic Science for Medicolegal Profession link.

Guilbeau works with the Fulton County Medical Examiner Center as the Senior Investigator/Forensic Anthropologist, and helps the bones of the dead reveal their secrets to the living. And bones do have a lot to say.

Forensic anthropology involves the examination of skeletal remains to determine the sex, approximate age, physical stature, and probable race of the deceased. In cases where the body lies undiscovered and decomposition has occurred, bones can tell the approximate time of death, potential cause of death, and reveal wounds that could leave traces in the bone structure. Bones can be key in providing the information needed to identify the body.
Alumni/Development

Clayton State Celebrates Outstanding Alumni at Annual Dinner
by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

On April 22, 2004, beginning at 6:30 p.m., Clayton College & State University’s Alumni Association will celebrate its 12th annual Alumni Meeting and Dinner with honored guest, Georgia Secretary of State Cathy Cox, speaking in the Atrium of the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education.

Each year the Alumni Association gets together for the annual dinner to reminisce about the school, it’s past, present, and future and to discuss the Associations past year’s accomplishments, plan the coming year’s events, install new officers and recognize distinguished alumni.

Faculty from the various schools submits names for outstanding alumni. One award will be given to the outstanding alumnus of each nominating school, plus an outstanding alumni award will be given overall to one individual for their outstanding accomplishments.

Three specific characteristic criteria were used to nominate the alumni: Individual has made a significant contribution to their career area; Leadership or achievement in their field; Community involvement that makes a difference. Nominations are evaluated and the members of the Alumni Meeting & Dinner Committee make the final decisions. This year’s six finalists are:

James M. (Jim) Baker (Atlanta) is owner of Chaseland Corporation, with offices in Clayton and Fulton counties, is a local land developer. Baker was nominated by the school of Arts & Sciences and graduated in the mid-1970’s with an Associates Degree in Art. Baker has served on the School of Technology Advisory Board and has supported Clayton State in numerous capacities.

Ronald W. Burdekin (Fayetteville) graduated with a BBA in Accounting in 1995 and is currently an employee of Merrill Lynch and President of the Southside Chapter of the Georgia Society of CPA’s where he has been instrumental in touching the career paths of many Clayton State graduates.

Leviticus Jelks II (Riverdale) is a 1996 graduate of Clayton State’s nursing program and was recently ordained as deacon in the Atlanta Catholic Archdiocese. While attending Clayton State, the nursing faculty remembers Jelks as a hard worker, well liked and personable with great people skills.

Senator Nadine Thomas (Ellenwood) is a recent graduate (2003) of Clayton State, coming back to complete her RN to BSN in 1998. Working as a RN at Grady Memorial Hospital and as a legislator now in her 5th term, Thomas has served on 13 committees in her 13 years as a state legislator.

Dwayne Hobbs (Forest Park) is a faithful public servant and head of the Forest Park Police Department. He graduated from Clayton State’s School of Arts & Sciences in 1977 with an Associates degree. He is indirectly responsible for several prestigious accreditations and certifications for FPPD that many forces want but very few have achieved.

Greg Mitchell (Newnan) has two degrees from the School of Technology. He graduated with an AAS in Industrial Services and Supervision, and then completed his BAS in Technology Management and Master’s degree from Embry-Riddle in Technology Management. Mitchell has been an active member of the Southern Crescent Education Initiative, a consortium among Clayton County Schools, Henry County Schools, Clayton State and business leaders.

For more information about the Alumni dinner or to attend, contact Reda Rowell, Director of Alumni/Development at (770)961-3580.

The College of Arts & Sciences announces

CYGNET
A Journal of Arts and Literature

Unveiling
Wednesday, April 14, 2004
Clayton State Theatre
G132
7:00 p.m.
reception immediately following
Faculty/Staff Poetrapalooza

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Academic Affairs
On Thursday, Apr. 8, Clayton State held its 29th Annual Academic Honors Convocation celebrating outstanding student achievement in Spivey Hall. The Honors Convocation announced special discipline awards, acknowledged contest winners, and presented certificates to students with a GPA of 3.80 or higher. In addition, the Clayton College & State University Foundation gave cash awards to the students who have earned a 4.00 GPA. More information on the awards will be included in the next issue of Campus Review.

Admissions
The Admissions Office is proud to announce that Assistant Director Aaron Bailey, was recently inducted into the Business National Honor Society, Beta Gamma Sigma. Membership in this society denotes an outstanding scholastic record in graduate business subjects. Bailey was selected by being in the top 20 percent of master’s students at Georgia Southern’s business school. In the fall of 2003, he was also inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society, for his outstanding scholarship. Bailey will graduate on May 1, 2004 with his Master’s of Business Administration.

Arts & Sciences
On Mar. 23, Clayton State welcomed distinguished journalist and author Bonnie Anderson, who discussed her new book “News Flash.” Anderson is an experienced combat journalist and network news anchor, correspondent, and executive. She has also having received seven Emmy Awards and a Pulitzer Prize nomination for feature writing. “News Flash” is a carefully researched indictment of the current news “infotainment” industry, urging the industry to get back to its more honorable roots of public service and watchdogging.

Robert Karmon, the author of “Caliban and Miranda,” will give a lecture at Clayton College & State University on Wednesday, Apr. 21 at noon in the University’s Arts and Sciences Theatre, room 132 of the Arts & Sciences Building. “Caliban and Miranda” is the play which recently won the first Clayton State Theater International Playwriting Competition and is a sequel to Shakespeare’s “The Tempest.” Professor Karmon, a resident of Syosset, N.Y., will speak about “The Tempest” and how his play was developed from it. His lecture is free and open to the public. Advance tickets for “Caliban and Miranda” will be on sale outside the theater from Apr. 13 to Apr. 15 from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Athletics
The Clayton College & State University men’s golf team shot rounds of 309 and 308 to place 10th in the Carolina Sands Intercollegiate Saturday and Sunday, Apr. 3 and 4, at Carolina Sands Golf Club in White Lake, N.C. Freshman Matt Beall and sophomore Jimmy Beebe were the top finishers for the Lakers, tying for 20th in the event. Beall had rounds of 75 and 76, while Beebe finished with rounds of 78 and 73. The Lakers will return to action on Apr. 19-20 in the Peach Belt Conference Tournament. Clayton State will host the conference event at the Lake Spivey Golf Club in Jonesboro.

The Clayton College & State University men’s track & field team won four events and had two athletes provisionally qualify for nationals, en route to a third place finish out of 15 teams Saturday at the Emory Classic on Mar. 27. Sophomore Rother Heard and freshman Brian Etelman provisionally qualified for nationals in the triple jump and in the 200m events, respectively, with record-setting performances. As a team, the Lakers finished with 61.5 points, trailing winner Calvin University and Emory University, two of the top NCAA Division III track & field programs in the country. Slowed by injuries, the women’s squad also had several top performances. In addition to Etelman and Heard’s performances, the Lakers also got record-setting and top efforts from senior Tony Juarez and freshman Eric Simmons. On the women’s side, senior Penny Tinker had the top finishes for the Lakers, placing fourth in the 800m race with a time of 2:20.94 and fifth in the 1500m with a time of 4:56.86. Sophomore Heather Krehbiel broke the school record in the 5000m, placing fifth with a time of 19:04.19.

The eighth-ranked Clayton College & State University women’s tennis team slammed metro-Atlanta rival and Peach Belt Conference foe Kennesaw State University 8-1 on Wednesday, Mar. 24 at the Clayton State Tennis Complex. The Lakers won two of the three doubles matches and then went on to sweep all six singles matches en route to the 8-1 victory over the 20th-ranked Owls.

Biology
Clayton College & State University hosted 22 teachers from all over America for the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) short course on Forensic Science and Biotechnology in the Classroom, on Friday, Apr. 2 as part of the NSTA Atlanta Convention.

Clayton State Theatre
The Ten Minute Play Festival, a collection of plays by different authors, was held in the Clayton State Theater from Mar. 25-27. Scenarios for the 10-minute plays included: a person with multiple personalities who teeters on the edge of insanity, a man torn between a former lover and dedication to his wife, two friends who discover a romance brewing between them, and two men in search for rent money to pay their very attractive landlord.

Continuing Education
Hill Academy will be offering high school classes in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education starting in the first week of August.
Across the Campus

2004. Principal Bobby Waldrep would like to offer the opportunity to Clayton State faculty and staff to enroll their high school-age students at Hill. Contact Waldrep, or Director of Admissions Regina Fitzgerald, at (770) 472-7990 for further information. Hill Academy has plans to add K-5 classes at a site off the Clayton State campus. Waldrep would like to hear from faculty and staff who might be interested in sending children to these classes.

Development

The bench dedication in memory of Gloria Scott McElhanon is scheduled for Tuesday, Apr. 20, at 10 a.m. at the bench between the Library and the Student Center. The McElhanon family choose the date because it was Gloria’s birthday. A campus-wide invitation has been extended since she worked in a couple of departments and had contact with many faculty and staff.

Health Sciences

The School of Health Sciences held information sessions for all individuals interested in a career in nursing and in obtaining a baccalaureate degree in Nursing on Mar. 30 and Apr. 8. The Pre-Nursing Information Sessions were designed to help individuals to learn more information about the University’s Nursing program and to give them an opportunity to ask questions of Nursing professors and current Clayton State Nursing students.

Honors Program

The Honor Student Association will be holding another Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, Apr. 14 in the Lobby of the Business and Health Sciences Building. The Blood Drive will start at 9:30 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m.

Human Resources

To be eligible for the University System of Georgia’s Tuition Remission & Reimbursement (TRR) program, you need to be in a benefits-eligible position and have worked at Clayton State for six months (in order to qualify). Employees who previously worked at another University System of Georgia (USG) school prior to joining the Clayton State family are also eligible for TRR. You will also have to be formally admitted into the USG school of your choice before your TRR application will be processed by the coordinators in those Universities/Colleges. Also, many of these institutions are very strict about their deadlines; please adhere to them. If you have questions about TRR, please contact Thoams George at ext. 3770 or thomasgeorge@mail.clayton.edu.

In Celebration of Administrative Professionals Day... Apr. 21, 2004... Southern Crescent SHRM’s April program will be “AMBASSA-DORS OF EXCELLENCE — OUR GREATEST RESOURCE.” Raytheon M. Rawls, vice president at Resolution Resources Corporation (RRC), an alternative dispute resolution company, will be the speaker. You can register for the luncheon via: http://www.southerncrecentshrm.org. $20 for non-members, $14 for members, $8 for guests of members, $25 for walk-ins and $6 for student members. Monies collected for this meeting will support the launching of a Clayton State Student Chapter of the International Association for Administrative Professionals.

Mathematics

Clayton State sent a team to Gainesville College on Saturday, Apr. 3 to compete in the Tenth Annual Gainesville College Mathematics Competition. This was the first year that Clayton State competed in the contest and Math majors Ashley Askew and George Roth took home the third place team trophy.

Music

On Sunday, Apr. 4, the Clayton State Collegiate Chorale presented its annual “Chorale at the Cathedral” program at the Cathedral of St. Philip in Buckhead, 2744 Peachtree Rd. in Atlanta. The Chorale’s program featured works by Holst, Vienn, Poulenc, Elgar and Rutter, and was accompanied by harp, piano, and the Cathedral’s mighty Aeolian-Skinner organ.

Music

The Music Department at Clayton College & State University held its Spring Semester Honors Recital on Mar. 30 at the University’s world-renowned Spivey Hall. This semester’s performers, selected by the faculty of the Music Department through auditions, were Seth Davis, Yun Ju Chyu, Lacy Griffin and Lindsey Huether on the piano and violinist Andres Silva. Davis and Chun (a December 2003 Clayton State graduate with a degree in Music Performance who is taking additional studies from Dr. Michiko Otaki) have been playing together since August 2003. They performed Mi-ao from Gabriel Faure’s “Dolly.” Davis was featured as piano soloist as well, performing George Gershwin’s Prelude No. 1. Griffin and Huether have also been playing together as a team since last August and performed Slavonic Dance in E minor by Antonin Dvorak. Silva played another piece by Dvorak, “Roman- tic Piece No. 1,” to mark the 100th anniversary of the composer’s death. Clayton State music department staff accompanist, Craig Kier, accompanied Silva.

OITS

The next scheduled power outage to connect the University Center to the Library is planned for Friday, Apr. 16, beginning at 6 p.m., and lasting until 7 a.m. on Saturday, Apr. 17. If the material for the job has not arrived to meet the Friday schedule, the power outage is scheduled for Saturday, Apr. 17, beginning at 5 p.m., and lasting until 11 a.m. Sunday, Apr. 18. All network services and servers (including BANNER, registration, email, dial-ups, PeopleSoft, and PeachNet) will be off line during this time.

Plant Ops

It is with a great deal of regret and good wishes that Plant Operations announces that Grounds Manager Russell Camp has left the University to work for a nursery in Fayetteville. A reception was held for Camp on Friday, Apr. 2 at the Maintenance Building.

President’s Office

On Mar. 25, Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden was elected by the Board of Trustees of the Atlanta Regional Consortium for Higher Education (ARCHE), of which he is a member, to the ARCHE Government Relations Committee.

Public Safety

Who are the lucky Carpool Winners this month? Go to http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/winners.htm to find out. To find out more about becoming a winner or a potential carpooler, go to the Public Safety web page: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/default.htm and click on University RideShare. Smog Season begins May 1 and state employees are to requested to reduce single occupancy vehicle traffic by 20 percent each day through September. Would you be willing to carpool just one day a week or every other week to help obtain this goal? If so, call Joan Murphy in Public Safety (770) 961-3540, and find out how to find a carpool partner.

Registrar

Registration for Summer and Fall 2004 has begun! You may check your registration status on the DUCK at www.clayton.edu. The earliest date you can register is by Time Ticket... 90 or more credit hours completed - Apr. 5; 60-89 credit hours completed - Apr. 7; 30-59 credit hours completed - Apr. 12; Open Registration begins Apr. 14. The Summer 2004 Fee Payment Deadline is May 24 and Summer 2004 Classes begin on May 17. Detailed registration information can be found at the following web address: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/registrar/registrationinfo.htm.

SmartBodies

SmartBodies, Clayton State’s on-campus fitness and wellness center, will be holding a lecture on
Clayton State Accepted as Core Member in AAHE/Carnegie Cluster Program

Clayton College & State University was recently accepted as a Core Member in the Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning (CASTL) Cluster Program. The AAHE/Carnegie Cluster Program began in January 2003 and signifies the third or distributed phase of the CASTL Campus Program, which originated in 1998 to expand scholarly work on teaching and learning in higher education.

The Cluster Program is comprised of 12 clusters of three or more campuses across the United States and Canada committed to working collaboratively on issues related to the scholarship of teaching and learning. Campuses are selected for participation in the CASTL Cluster Program through a competitive proposal process.

The Clayton State Office of the Provost and the Center for Instructional Development submitted the application for participation in the CASTL Cluster Program in December 2003. The application highlighted Clayton State’s comprehensive, five-year faculty development plan formulated by the Student Success and Faculty Development Subcommittee of the SACS Quality Enhancement Plan. The CASTL Cluster topics and Core Leaders include:

1. Advancing the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning as a Networked Community Practice - leader: Georgetown University
2. Collaboration for Learning Achievement, Success and Sustainability in the First Year - leaders: Portland State University & The University of Akron
3. Communities of Practice: Pooling Educational Resources to Foster Scholarship of Teaching and Learning - leader: Middlesex Community College
4. Creating a Multi-Institutional Framework to Advance the Practice of Teaching Through Scholarly Inquiry into Student Learning - leader: University of Wisconsin System
5. Mentoring Newer Scholars of Teaching and Learning - leader: Rockhurst University
6. Organizing to Foster the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning - leader: Middlesex Community College
7. The Research University Consortium for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning - leader: Indiana University, Bloomington
8. Scholarly Inquiry about Active Pedagogies - leader: Texas Tech University
9. Scholarship of Multicultural Teaching and Learning - leader: University of Michigan
10. Scholarship of Supporting the Cognitive-Affective Relationship in Teaching and Learning - leader: Oxford College of Emory University
11. Supporting Scholarly Work at Learning-centered Universities - leaders: University of Portland & Malaspina University-College
12. Sustaining the Student Voice in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning - leader: Western Washington University

Clayton State was selected as a Core Member of the Scholarly Inquiry about Active Pedagogies Cluster along with Indiana State University, The Citadel, Florida Atlantic University, and the University of Massachusetts, Lowell. Texas Tech University is the Cluster Leader.

Martha Wicker, Director of the Center for Instructional Development and co-chair of the SACS QEP Subcommittee on Student Success and Faculty Development, represented Clayton State at the 5th Colloquium on the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in San Diego from Mar. 31 to Apr. 1.

Representatives from each campus in the Cluster Program will attend the AAHE Summer Academy on July 11-15 in Stowe, Vt. For more information about the CASTL Cluster Program, consult http://www.aahe.org/projects/campus_program.

CID Awards Grants to Clayton State Faculty

Clayton College & State University’s Center for Instructional Development has awarded six Student Success Faculty Development Grants to active faculty members in all five of the University’s schools.

Theme 1 of the University’s SACS Reaffirmation Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), which is being implemented by all departments on campus, focuses on student success and faculty development, but more specifically, “to establish ongoing faculty development programs related to student success.”

Two of the goals under Theme 1 entail offering regular, on-campus faculty development training on student success issues and awarding internal faculty development grants for classroom research projects related to improving student success. The purpose of the grants is to allow faculty members to conduct discipline-specific classroom research projects related to the impact of active learning strategies on student learning.

Grant recipients include: Richard Clendenning, assistant professor of Computer Networking (Technology), Debra Durden, assistant professor of English (Arts & Sciences), Dr. Erica Gannon, assistant professor of Psychology (Arts & Sciences), Dr. Louis Jourdan, assistant professor of Management (Business), Jon Preston, assistant professor of Information Technology (Information & Mathematical Sciences), and Susan Sanner, assistant professor of Nursing (Health Sciences).

Grant recipients have created an inventory of practical active learning strategies, available online in a searchable database at http://ctl.clayton.edu/cid/active_learning/search.asp.

During Faculty Development Day, scheduled for Sept. 7, grant recipients will share their project findings. At that time, Clayton State faculty will have the opportunity to join school-wide focus groups led by the grant recipients and will select two active learning strategies to implement in their classes.

For a brief description of the classroom research projects, go on-line to http://ctl.clayton.edu/cid/student_success/grant_descriptions.htm.
Nursing Student Robert Ware Receives Chancellor’s Award

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

Robert Calhoun Ware, senior and nursing student at Clayton College & State University, has been chosen as the recipient of the University System of Georgia’s high honor of Chancellor’s Academic Recognition Award.

The award, part of Academic Recognition Day begun in 1987, is a celebration of individual academic achievement and recognition of those students throughout the University System of Georgia’s institutions who have attained the distinction of earning the highest grade point average in their school, and who represent excellence in academic achievement and personal development. Only one student is named per institution, 34 total.

While at Clayton State, Ware has maintained an overall GPA of 3.95 and a nursing GPA of 4.0 and has been named to the Dean’s List each semester during his tenure both at Clayton State and for several semesters at the University of Georgia. He has been listed in the Who’s Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities for 2002-2003 and the 2003-2004 school years and was recently inducted into the Xi Rho Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

Ware, a native of Soperton, Ga., will be receiving a copy of a Resolution from the Georgia State Senate and the House of Representatives, commending him for his outstanding academic achievement as the Clayton College & State University Outstanding Scholar for 2004.

Dr. Sharon E. Hoffman, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs at Clayton State, notified Ware of his high honor.

“To maintain an institutional GPA of 3.95 at Clayton College & State University demands a great supply of discipline, diligence, and intelligence,” says Hoffman. “(Ware has) provided a fine example of the high quality student that we want to attract to our Nursing program.”

A graduate of Treutlen County High School in Soperton (class of 1987), Ware matriculated at Clayton State in the summer of 2002, after completing the core and the nursing prerequisites courses at the University of Georgia in Athens.

Ware was recognized and spoke to the faculty, staff, and honored guests at the 2004 Clayton College & State University Honors Convocation on April 8 at Spivey Hall.

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largest suppliers of prescription drugs. Teams received the case approximately two months prior to the competition and then developed a 15-minute presentation to be presented to a panel of three judges hearing the case at the conference. Judging decisions were based on such variables as presentation skills, creativity of the team’s ideas, and responses to questions asked by the judges.

“Shawn and Merrie worked very hard on the presentation and faced difficult competition,” notes Dr. Michael Deis, the faculty advisor to the Clayton State SAM Chapter.

Clayton State students and faculty also gained additional regional and national recognition at the conference. Each of the students received a Regional Outstanding Student Award

Fulbright-Hays Grant Comes To Clayton State

Thanks to the collaborative efforts of Professor Raj Sashti, director of the Nine University and College International Studies Consortium of Georgia, along with the other University System of Georgia institutions belonging to the group, Clayton College & State University has been awarded its first Fulbright-Hays grant, a $63,000 cost-sharing award that allows 15-area faculty members, academic administrators and K-12 teachers to participate in a four week (June 9 - July 7, 2004) summer professional development program in Argentina and Chile, South America.

The seminar on “Historical and Contemporary Aspects of Argentina and Chile” will focus on the interrelationship between tradition and change in the context of the two countries. The recipients will be chosen by the U.S. Department of Education’s Center for International Education.

“Academic and cultural learning will be intertwined with meetings, conferences, travel, and guided tours,” says Sashti. “Members of the visiting team will gain insights into the contributions of the people of these two countries in the areas of art, architecture, music, dance and drama.”

“This program will enhance intercultural understanding between our country and Latin America, while at the same time producing opportunities for international exchange with universities and cultural exchange organizations in Argentina and Chile,” says Dr. Thomas K. Harden, president of Clayton State. “There are various means for institutions of higher learning to gain recognition, but none more prestigious than a Fulbright grant. Clayton State has been recognized in this impressive way as one of the leading colleges in our country, and we are very pleased to participate in a Fulbright venture.”

Applications for six Clayton State faculty members are now being solicited through the deans of each school and will be announced at a future date.
Finalists Named for 2004 Alice Smith Staff Member of the Year Award

The five finalists for the 2004 Alice Smith Staff Member of the Year Award at Clayton College & State University have been named by the Smith Staff Awards Subcommittee.

The five nominees for the 2004 Award are Debye Baird, Dolores Cox, Thomas George, Melody Hodge and Gid Rowell.

The University’s 2003 Alice Smith Awards, for both faculty and staff, will be presented at Clayton State’s Thursday, Apr. 29 Faculty/Staff Awards Ceremony at 2 p.m. in Spivey Hall. An annual event since 1995, the Smith Awards are presented to the faculty member and staff member ranked most outstanding as determined by committees of their peers. The two, $1000 awards were established by local philanthropist Joseph Smith in honor of his wife, Alice. The winners of both categories will be announced at the Apr. 29 ceremonies.

Baird is director of Client Support Services for the University, providing client level technical support for all student, faculty and staff computers. She has been employed by Clayton State since July, 1997. Baird and her husband Tony have two children, Samantha and Drexel, a son-in-law, Clay, and a grandchild, Elizabeth, born Feb. 8, 2004. Baird lists her hobbies as babysitting and talking about Elizabeth.

Cox has been communications coordinator in Office of University Image & Communications at Clayton State since September 2002. She also serves as chair of the University’s Image Council and Logistics chair for the University’s Women’s Forum. Cox joined the Clayton State staff in December 2000 in the Office of Admissions as an assistant director of Admissions after working for Mercer University’s Southern School of Pharmacy for 16 years as associate director for Student Affairs & Admissions. Married to husband Tim, she has been a resident of Stockbridge since 1997 and is a native of Brevard, N.C., and a graduate of Brevard College and the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

George is currently employed as the assistant director of Human Resources, and has worked at Clayton State since 1999, including time as an Instructor in the Division of Continuing Education. He received an Associate of Arts in Business Administration (1989), a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management (1990), and a Certificate in Information Technology (1999) from Clayton State. He earned his Master of Business Administration from Kennesaw State University in December, 2003.

George has also served on the Clayton College & State University Alumni Association Board of Directors since 1994, including serving as President from 2001 to 2003. He was also a member of the Clayton College & State University Foundation Board of Trustees during his term as Alumni President. Born in Tawau, on the island of Borneo, in Malaysia, he is married to the former Bissy Abraham and the couple have two children — Michael, four-and-half years old and Sarah Ann, two months old.

Hodge is the University’s director of Financial Aid, joining the Clayton State community on Nov. 11, 2002. Her previous financial aid experiences include being a counselor at Emory University and assistant director at DeKalb Technical College. Hodge says she enjoys assisting in the facilitation of students’ success by providing them choices on financing their college education. She is married, with two daughters.

Rowell is Clayton State’s Sports Information Director in the Athletics Department, and has worked at Clayton State for four years, after previously serving as the public relations director at Gordon College. He graduated from West Georgia College in 1994 and is currently pursuing a masters from West Georgia in public administration, expecting to complete that degree in 2005. He is originally from Bremen, Ga.
Clayton State to Send Five Professors to Europe with Study Abroad
by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Clayton State assistant professor Dr. Steve Spence is teaching “Italy in American Literature” this semester at the Morrow-based University. But this summer, Spence will teach the class on Italy in Italy, as part of the Study Abroad program. Five Clayton State faculty members will teach abroad this summer.

Spence, program coordinator of Clayton State’s Communication & Media Studies program, will teach five weeks in the European Council program in Montepulciano, Italy. Following Spence’s five weeks, Professor of History Dr. Robert Welborn will teach a second five-week course in Montepulciano. Welborn, treasurer for the Georgia Consortium of International Studies, is also the director of International Studies at the University.

Dr. Ron Jackson, an assistant professor of Philosophy in the Department of Humanities, will spend three weeks teaching in Hungary. Jackson will make contacts with various Hungarian universities and tour some of the most historic areas of the country. He has received the coveted Chancellor’s Award of $1,000 to help defray the cost of the program.

Dr. Juliet D’Souza, an assistant professor of Finance in Clayton State’s School of Business, will spend four weeks in the Baltic Republics and Russia. D’Souza has been selected as a participant in the Fulbright-Hayes program sponsored by Andrews College, a Methodist college in Cuthbert, Ga. Like the Chancellor’s Award, the Fulbright-Hayes program is quite competitive. Only 15 faculty and administrators were selected for this program.

Dr. Gary May, assistant professor of Management in Clayton State’s School of Business, will teach five weeks in London, England. Like Spence and Welborn, May teaches as part if the European Council program.

Not only are professors allowed to teach abroad for the summer, Clayton State students are welcome to earn course credit in the programs sponsored by the European Council.

“We have 14 Clayton State students signed up to spend the summer in Europe, nine in Italy and five in England” shares Welborn. “This is a new record for Clayton State.”

In addition to sending professors and students abroad, Clayton State is currently hosting a foreign exchange student. Jonathon Coulson, from the University of Northumbria in England, began classes at Clayton State this semester. He will return to his home university this summer.

Life’s Transitions...
The School of Technology’s Pam Healan became a grandmother (again) on Friday, Apr. 2. Chris and Ashley Healan became the proud parents of son #2 — Nathaniel Glenn Healan. He weighed seven lbs., 13 oz., and was 20 3/4 inches long. Nathan joins big brother Sterling.

Our deepest sympathies to School of Technology Administrative Assistant Florence Cunningham, whose son, Stanley Harding Cunningham, passed away on Friday, Apr. 2. The funeral was Monday, Apr. 5.

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and Nelson was one of only 11 students to receive a National Outstanding Student Award. Deis, a resident of Newman who is also Clayton State’s 2003 Alice Smith Award Winner as the University’s outstanding faculty member, was one of only five faculty advisors to receive an Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award at the Baltimore conference.

In addition to having the largest SAM chapter in the county, Clayton State’s chapter continues to be one of the most active, receiving the first place SAM Campus Chapter Performance Program (CCPP) award for large chapters at the recent conference… and award the Clayton State Chapter also won in 2002. The CCPP Award recognizes chapters for practicing good management skills and was awarded based on the success of the Clayton State Chapter.

Spivey Hall
The world’s greatest living fiddler, Mark O’Connor, will be recording and performing live with his Appalachia Waltz Trio at Spivey Hall on May 22 and 23. Be part of the audience for this Live from Spivey Hall recording... tickets are on sale at the Spivey Hall box office for $20, and discounts are available for Clayton State students, faculty, and staff.

Student Life
Gerald Heavens was elected president of the Student Government Association for 2004-05, defeating Destinee Means, 226-81. Natalie Atkinson was elected vice president by a 146-134 margin over Michelle Palan. Student on-line voting for SGA senators will begin Apr. 12 at http://adminservices.clayton.edu/studentlife/.

The Clayton State Intramural Softball Tournament will be held Saturday, Apr. 17 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Independence Park. The deadline for applications is Monday, Apr. 12, at 5 p.m. Trophies will be awarded to the top two teams. All equipment is provided and free refreshments will be available. Sign up individually or with a team click at http://studentorg.clayton.edu/intramurals/.
Clayton State Theatre
Premieres “Caliban and Miranda”

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Prospero’s island is taking shape on the Clayton State stage in anticipation of Robert Karmon’s “Caliban and Miranda,” a sequel to Shakespeare’s “The Tempest.” Winner of Clayton State Theater’s nationally publicized First Annual International Playwriting Competition, “Caliban and Miranda” runs Apr. 20-24 at 8 p.m. and features a cast of professional Atlanta actors, and Clayton State student Kellie-Rae Gainer.

Tickets may be purchased at the door or reserved by visiting www.claytonstatetheater.org or by calling (770) 961-3623. General admission is $8. Students and seniors are admitted for $4. Driving directions are available on the theater website.

So what’s it all about? “‘Caliban and Miranda’ is Shakespeare turned on his head with his minor characters made major and the high born Miranda transformed into a lowly outcast,” says Karmon (Syosset, Long Island). Audiences will also notice that Karmon has disenchanted Prospero’s island. This realism is reflected in the characters Caliban, played by Nick Rhoton (Atlanta); Miranda, played by Brenda Norbeck (Vinings); and Ariel, played by Clayton State Communication & Media Studies major Gainer (Jonesboro).

“In ‘The Tempest’ Caliban is the token, deformed bad guy, but there’s not a lot said about what makes him who he is, and why Caliban does the things he does,” says Rhoton. “Karmon adds depth to the characters that the original doesn’t show.” Rhoton, impressed by the intense physicality of Karmon’s Caliban, found out about the play from Clayton State Theater Director Ed Hohlbein (Athens).

Norbeck, who learned of the play from the Atlanta Coalition of Performing Arts, also notes a change in Miranda’s character from the original work. “Miranda is a lot meeker in ‘The Tempest.’ She doesn’t really have her own voice. In ‘Caliban and Miranda,’ she is so opinionated and is a force to be reckoned with,” she says.

“It is always an interesting idea when people ‘update’ Shakespeare, and the fact that playwrights continue to emulate him shows just how fantastic Shakespeare was,” says Rhoton. Norbeck agrees. “If you like Shakespeare, the discrepancies between the two plays can lead to interesting conversations,” she explains.

The Apr. 20-24 showings mark the culmination of Clayton State Theater’s First Annual International Playwriting Competition that began soliciting plays in July 2003. By the Nov. 15, 2003 deadline for submissions, the competition attracted 151 plays from 138 playwrights representing 23 states, two Canadian provinces, and three other countries: Germany, Georgia, and Saudi Arabia. Karmon received a $1,000 prize for his win. Clayton State Theater will begin accepting submissions for the Second Annual International Playwriting Competition in June.
Spring Open House Sees Record Turnout

“Can’t wait to be here”... “You have a beautiful campus”... “The people who showed us around were very informative”... “The Browse Fair was most helpful”... “Enjoyed Open House and look forward to being a student there”... “I love Clayton State!”... “Good job!”

These are just a few of the superlative remarks lifted from evaluations left by the record number of potential students and their parents who attended the Spring Open House on Saturday, Mar. 13.

With campus-wide assistance, Open House or “Laker Day” is coordinated each Fall and Spring by the staff of the Office of Admissions to give high school seniors an up close and personal view of Clayton State and its facilities. Spring Open House 2004 had the best participation ever with almost 300 students and parents in attendance. The day’s activities included a detailed opening session; separate panel discussions for parents and students; campus tours led by Clayton State student volunteers; and finally, a browse fair featuring display tables in the gym allowing guests to glean additional information and speak one-on-one with program and department representatives.

Open House has evolved into a highly effective recruitment tool according to Director of Admissions Jeff Hammer.

“The campus visit is the single most important factor in a student’s college selection process. We are so pleased with the outstanding efforts of our students, faculty and staff. It was their participation and support that made this event so successful,” he says.

Indeed, the day’s success can be summed up by this student’s comment: “Even though Clayton State was not my first choice, it is now. Everything was wonderful and I love the school.”

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In addition to Introduction to Film, Bonner teaches two other courses: Women and the Arts and Media and Culture.

Prior to her assistant professor position at Clayton State, Bonner was an instructor in the Women’s Studies Program at Agnes Scott College (Spring 2003) and the Film Studies Program at Emory (1998-2002). She was also a graduate assistant in the Art History Department at the University of Florida (1991-1993). Bonner is married to Dr. Steven Spence, who is also an assistant professor at Clayton State, and teaches Communication & Media Studies courses.
“The recipients of this year’s Vision Awards were all nominated for their contributions to enhance our region in various ways,” notes Edwards.

Anderson has held many teaching positions in art, and his works have been recognized and exhibited all around the world. His photography is part of the permanent collections, most notably the State of Georgia Department of Archives and History, the J. Paul Getty Photography Gallery in Los Angeles, the National Gallery of Art in Washington and the High Museum of Art in Atlanta.

His works are included in the private collections of actor Bill Cosby and the late Dr. Benjamin Mays of Atlanta, as well as many others. His pioneering efforts in African-American Heritage photography, done in black and white without flash photography have garnered him many grants and awards.

Bray has served as a visionary leader of the Clayton County Commission for three terms. Among his accomplishments are a state of the art tennis facility, a modern Justice Center, a new police complex, and new recreation and senior centers. His perseverance has also helped bring Gateway Village to reality.

As chairman of the Atlanta Regional Commission, Bray is credited for leading in the development and approval of a vast array of new transportation improvements and incentives for better development practices.

Representative Buckner, who has a degree in early education from Clayton State, is at present completing her seventh term in the legislature. Her current committee service includes: chairman of the Administrative Services Committee, and member of the Appropriations, Economic Development & Tourism, and Higher Education Committees.

Much of the legislation sponsored by Buckner has been designed to aid in the education and protection of children. In 2003, she served as president of the 1,600-member National Order of Women Legislators.

In his role with the Clayton County Development/Redevelopment Authority, Downing has worked tirelessly to advance economic development opportunities in Clayton County… most notably Gateway Village, which is well under way as a direct result of his determination and years of perseverance. In Gateway Village, the Georgia Archives opened in 2003, and the Southeastern Regional Archives of the National Archives and Records Administration is under construction. The Hilton Garden Inn and Clayton Conference Center is in the planning stages, with construction set to begin by year’s end.

As a trustee of the Clayton College & State University Foundation, Downing keeps Clayton State in the forefront and creatively develops projects to fund the efforts of the Foundation to enhance the mission of Clayton State.

In addition to his professional commitments, Smith serves as treasurer for the Fayette County Development Authority and the Sams School. He is also president of the Fayetteville Rotary Club and an active member of the DayBreak Rotary Club in Tyrone, receiving the President’s award for Rotarian of the Year for 2002-2003.

A former chairman of the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce, Smith volunteers his time with his sons’ Boy Scout Troop and also teaches disciple class at Providence United Methodist Church, where he also serves on the stewardship campaign committee.

Sutherland’s Foodservice, located in the Atlanta State Farmers Market, has been recognized in The Atlanta 100 (Atlanta’s 100 top privately owned companies) every year since the inception of this prestigious award. Under his leadership, Sutherland’s has advanced from focusing on one product to more than 5000 items. Sutherland’s is now the last independent broadline foodservice distributor in the Atlanta area.

Sutherland is past president (several times) and a current board member of The Atlanta Produce Dealers Association, an organization that concentrates on issues relating to the Southern Crescent, and that is highly involved in the political issues that affect the area where the market is located as well as the economic impact that the market makes. Sutherland has also contributed his time and efforts on a statewide level, including serving on the Board of Industry and Trade and the Agricultural Exposition Authority, where he currently serves as Chairman.
Lakers Place Second
At Mt. Laurel Relays
by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

The Clayton College & State University men’s track & field team won five events and had another runner provisionally qualify for the NCAA nationals on Saturday, Apr. 2, placing second as a team at the Mt. Laurel Relays at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tn.

Freshman Eric Simmons had the top performance for the Lakers, winning the 400m race with a school record time of 47.97, provisionally qualifying him for the NCAA Division II National Championships in the event. Simmons bettered his own school record by almost three-tenths of second last week at the Emory Classic. In addition to Simmons’ first place, senior Tony Juarez also brought home a first place finish in the 1500m race with a time of 3:58.19 to go along with three Laker victories in relay events.

The 4x100m relay team of senior Elijah Ajayi, freshman Brian Etelman, junior Carlos Guyton and Simmons won with a school record time of 42.11. The 4x400m relay team of Guyton, Etelman, Juarez and Simmons won with a time of 3:17.41. The 4x800m relay team of Guyton, Simmons, junior Adil Berkhedle and Juarez won with a time of 7:56.86.

On the women’s side, senior Penny Tinker had the top finish for the women, placing second in the 1500m race with a time of 4:56.40. Tinker was also a member of the 4x800m and the 4x400m relay teams that placed third and fourth, respectively.

Eighth Ranked Clayton State
Edges 12th Ranked Barry

The eighth-ranked Clayton College & State University women’s tennis team picked up a big victory on Friday, Apr. 2 by the slimmest of margins, downing 12th-ranked Barry University 5-4 in a match played at Armstrong Atlantic State University.

Freshman Michell Zulu, playing at No. 6 singles, captured the match-deciding point, winning 7-6 in a three set affair over Barry’s Mary Rosas. Zulu won 6-1 in the first set before falling 6-3 in the second.

The Lakers were able to pull out the win, despite not having second seed Nathalia Collantes, who is out with an injury, by winning four singles matches and one doubles match.

A Short Retirement...
Brad Rice Returns to Oklahoma

Dr. Brad Rice, recently retired Clayton State Associate Vice President and Professor of History, is now Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Oklahoma State College. Eastern is a comprehensive two-year institution with its main campus in Wilburton and a branch in McAlester. The college changed presidents early this year, and the new President needed an experienced and available administrator to take charge of academic affairs.

“Mostly, I was available and willing to double-dip,” joked Rice.

A native Oklahoman, Rice will serve for approximately one year until Eastern hires a permanent VPAA. His wife, Vivian, will divide her time between Oklahoma and Georgia.

The Rices did get in a trip to South America and a driving tour to the Grand Canyon and Las Vegas on their retirement before he got the call to Eastern. In fact, they were on vacation in the west when Eastern tracked him down. Retirement travel will resume after the Oklahoma assignment is complete. Rice says that the Clayton State oral history project that he planned will have to go on the back burner, but he plans to get it going upon his return to Georgia.

You can reach Rice at brice@eosc.edu or at bradleyrice@earthlink.net. Call (918) 465-2361 x-209.

Trivia Time
Wrongway
by John Shifert, University Relations

There are apparently a lot of opinions as to the world’s worst ship captain. However, if you’re a Rocky and Bullwinkle fan, there’s only one correct answer. That’s Captain Peter “Wrongway” Peachfuzz, who was so bad that his crew had to rig up a dummy steering wheel on the bridge, so that the captain would think he was actually steering the ship. Otherwise, they would have gone around in circles (or worse) for weeks on end.

In an unprecendented double, Media & Printing Services’ Gina Hearn became the first person to earn 10 Trivia Points on one question. Not only was she the only person to actually get the correct answer, but she picked up five Bonus Points for suggesting the answer could be Captain Joe Hazelwood. Who’s that? He was captain of the Exxon Valdez.

In honor of Russ Camp, a Trivia Time regular and a favorite among all the staff in University Relations, herewith is a genuine Russ Camp Tirvia Question...

When the Bent Tree was cut down in the summer of 2001, Camp was the one that determined the tree’s age. How old was the Bent Tree at the point of its demise? Send your answers to johnshifert@mail.clayton.edu. And, good luck, Russ!
‘Pete’ Petersen Named New Head Men’s Soccer Coach

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

Clayton College & State University athletic director Mason Barfield has named Harry Frederick “Pete” Petersen the Lakers’ fifth head men’s soccer coach. Petersen takes the helm of the NCAA Division II soccer program after former coach John Rootes resigned earlier this year.

Petersen most recently served as the Director of Coaching for the Norcross Soccer Association, overseeing approximately 1,400 players. Before his three years at Norcross, he served for seven years in the professional ranks, working as a general manager, head coach and president of four professional soccer teams. He had a record of 46-44-1 in the United Soccer Leagues.

His collegiate background includes seven years of coaching experience, of which, six came as a head coach at Spartanburg Methodist College. His top season came in 1994, leading the SMC squad to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) National Championship. He was also named the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Coach of the Year that same season.

Petersen was president of the A-League Atlanta Silverbacks from 2000-01 and helped lead the franchise to the playoffs, its first appearance in six years. The franchise also received the 2001 Most Improved Club Peer-Rating award and excelled in developing community programs such as a Hispanic Outreach, Super Y Youth teams and local professional camps.

At Spartanburg Methodist, Peterson compiled a 79-28-6 record, coached 10 All-Americans and had 19 All-South players. In addition to his college experience at Spartanburg Methodist, he also served as an assistant coach at NCAA Division II Presbyterian College from in 1999, as well as, serving as an assistant at NCAA Division I Davidson University from 1988 to 1989.

He received his bachelor’s degree in history from Presbyterian College in 1985 and a master’s degree in sports science from the United States Sports Academy in 1989. Petersen was a First Lieutenant in the 82nd Airborne Division of the U.S. Army from 1985-1988. Born in Taiwan and the son of missionary parents, Petersen lived in West Africa for 14 years and has traveled Europe extensively. He and his wife, Mona, have one daughter Priscilla, and currently reside in Kennesaw.