

University Center Set to Open

By Lauren Baker, University Relations

The University Center (UC), Clayton State's signature building, will open in stages over the next three weeks in preparation for fall semester. To make this transition as smooth as possible and to make the best use of our new space, keep the following information in mind as we begin to explore the UC.

Campus tours

Are you itching to enter the UC? Do you want to see first-hand the futuristic style of the new hub for campus life? Campus tours will begin Monday, Aug. 16, for faculty and staff members. Tours will commence at 2:30 p.m. and will continue in 30-minute intervals throughout the afternoon.

Moving in

A moving orientation was held Tuesday, Aug. 3, to prepare the campus for the move. Faculty and staff who have offices in the UC will begin moving into the space on Monday, Aug. 9. The building comes fully furnished with new desks, chairs, tables, etc. that compliment the modern architecture of the UC. It is anticipated that the move will be completed Friday, Aug. 13. The HUB will assist with disconnecting and reconnecting faculty and staff computers throughout the move.

While Student Life and Orientation will relocate to the UC, this move will occur on Monday, Aug. 30, to avoid interrupting student orientation and registration.

Who's moving?

The following offices will now be located in the UC. (Note: Many of these offices will be closed Aug. 9-13 to facilitate the move.)

First Floor

- The Office of the President
- Center for Instructional Development (CID)
- The HUB
- Dining Services (opening later in the semester)
- University Bookstore
- Auxiliary Services
- Laker Card Center
- Vice President of External Relations
- Executive Director of Finance and Budget

Second Floor

- Office of the Provost
- Office of Diversity
- Student Government
- Volunteer Service
- Campus Life
- Student Life and Orientation/SLAC
- The Bent Tree, student newspaper
- Intramurals

Third Floor

- IT department and offices

Fourth Floor

- Dean of CIMS
- Mathematics department and offices
- Offices for the WebBSIT Administrator Coordinator and Executive Director

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**The First Official Event in the University Center
 Monday, August 16**

President Thomas Harden cordially invites all faculty and staff members to a private tour of the University Center, to be held exclusively for employees of Clayton State, on Monday, Aug. 16. Tours will commence at 2:30 p.m. and will continue every 30 minutes throughout the afternoon.

A personal invitation with more details will be sent to each faculty and staff member soon. Mark your calendar now for this special introduction to our University Center.

Clayton State Ready for Phase Two of Partnership To Ease State Shortage of Healthcare Workers

Georgia's effort to meet a growing shortage of healthcare workers received a "booster shot" with the announcement today by University System of Georgia (USG) officials of the distribution of \$3.8 million, \$2.05 million in state funding and \$1.75 million in private funding, to continue increasing the production of allied-health professionals statewide. As was the case with the first phase, Clayton College & State University and several healthcare providers in Clayton, Henry, Fayette and Fulton counties will be an integral part of the initiative.

It is projected that the new funding for Phase Two will add more than 700 nurses and other highly trained specialists to the state's healthcare industry, joining the 600-plus already graduated from or currently enrolled in, the two-year-old program. A total of 60 Georgians will complete Clayton State's Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing in Fiscal Year 2005 and Fiscal Year 2006 through this program. These 60 graduates will be placed through hiring commitments by partners Fayette Community Hospital, Grady Health System, Henry Medical, Piedmont Medical Center, Southern Regional Medical Center and Tenet Healthcare Corp. Kaiser Permanente is also a partner with Clayton State in this initiative.

The program is administered through the Board of Regents' Intellectual Capital Partnership Program®, or ICAPP®. Named the ICAPP® Health Professionals Initiative (HPI), it matches private sector healthcare providers with USG colleges and universities to create programs that are producing fast-track graduates in the fields of nursing, medical technology and pharmacy. The initiative uses ICAPP's® proven model that meets the "just-in-time-needs" of the state's business community.

Georgia Governor Sonny Perdue praises the success of the state-funded ICAPP HPI program. "It is important that we continue to invest in the recruitment and education of Georgia health-care professionals," Perdue stated. "I applaud all of the public and private partners who have combined their resources and joined forces to tackle what is truly a national problem. The ICAPP® Health Professionals Initiative once again puts Georgia in a leadership role for finding innovative solutions to the needs of business and industry in our state."

Phase One of the Initiative resulted in 632 additional new licensed healthcare professionals being produced through customized University System "fast-track programs" – far exceeding the original goal of 500 new graduates. Phase Two of the Health Professionals Initiative will use the same structure as Phase One, leveraging the \$3.8 million state commitment with \$3.2 million in cash and in-kind support from 26 private employer partners charged with guaranteeing the program graduates jobs. Twelve University System institutions, including Clayton State, will be the partners in Phase Two and will graduate an additional 721 healthcare professionals over the two-year effort.

The Georgia Hospital Association, the Georgia Student Finance Commission and the Georgia Department of Community Health also have joined with the USG and participating employers in support of the Initiative.

"The ICAPP® Health Professionals Initiative is proof positive of what can be achieved when we mobilize strong public-private partnerships to tackle a problem," said University System Chancellor Dr. Thomas C. Meredith. "We responded efficiently and quickly and the result will mean better healthcare for Georgians."

Phase One of the Initiative was a \$6.75 million public/private partnership between Georgia healthcare providers and the University System. Thirteen University System institutions worked with medical providers in 19 Georgia communities. Many of the colleges and universities and private sector employers involved in Phase One will continue similar programs in Phase Two.

A total of 40 Clayton State Nursing graduates are projected to be placed by Phase One by the time that part of the project concludes at the end of the spring 2005 semester. One of those students, Adonness Amon, was present at today's USG announcement.

Dr. Lisa Eichelberger, professor of Nursing, is Clayton State's contact for the ICAPP® Health Professionals Initiative. She can be reached at (770) 961-3431. The contacts for Clayton State's partners are as follows:

Fayette Community Hospital, Ryan Duffy, director of Community Relations, 770-719-7076
Grady Health System, Kirk Wilks, VP of Public Affairs, 404-616-4360
Henry Medical, Donna Braddy, director of Marketing and Public Relations, 770-506-1578
Piedmont Medical Center, Nina Montanro, VP of Public Relations and Marketing, 404-605-3372
Southern Regional Medical Center, Rick Smith, director of Public Relations, 770-991-8395
Tenet Healthcare Corp., Gary Hopkins, senior director of Corporate Communications, 805-563-6885
Kaiser Permanente, Earnestine Perry, public relations manager, 404-364-4754

Other USG institutions participating in Phase Two include; Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Albany State University, Armstrong Atlantic State University, Columbus State University, East Georgia College, Floyd College, Georgia College & State University, Georgia Perimeter College, Georgia State University, Kennesaw State University, Middle Georgia College, and the University of Georgia.

This and other news releases detailing the ICAPP® Health Professionals Initiative may be found on the ICAPPR website at: www.icapp.org/employees/hpi.phtml. n

What's New In Continuing Education

New Cross Cultural Business Training scheduled for fall quarter.

- Get the Skills You Need to Go Global - Working Effectively Across Cultures
- A Higher Level of Diplomacy - Effective Presentation Skills & Cross Cultural Competency

Visit www.conted.clayton.edu for details or call 770-961-3550 & press 2.

New Human Resource Training: Supervising Generation X. Learn how to effectively supervise and motivate Generation X employees. Sept. 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For details contact Terri Brennan at terribrennan@mail.clayton.edu or 770-960-4207.

New - Weapons of Mass Destruction Training. The Risks, Response and Results. A course for all emergency managers, government officials, healthcare workers and first responders. Contact Terri Brennan at terribrennan@mail.clayton.edu or 770-960-4207 for information.

New Online Human Resource Management Certification for Healthcare Workers. For information, contact Janet Winkler at janetwinkler@mail.clayton.edu.

Toastmasters to Sponsor Humorous Speech Competition

Vickie Fennell, John Kosky, Leigh Duncan, Thomas George and Tom Eddins of the Southern Crescent Toastmasters attended the International Toastmaster Leadership Institute on July 24, in Norcross. The purpose of this institute is to assist new and seasoned officers in the performance of their duties and to learn better ways to promote their club goals, both within the club and within the community.

Speaking of promotions... on Aug. 19, 2004, the club will be sponsoring its first Humorous Speech Competition. Club members will compete, and the winner will represent Southern Crescent Toastmasters at the Area

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Phones and Keys

Offices moving into the UC will keep their current phone numbers and phones. Eventually, all digital phones will be exchanged for analog phones, but this change will occur later in the semester. For faculty and staff who currently share a phone number, individual numbers will be assigned.

Regarding keys, no master keys will be cut for the UC. Keys to office spaces will be issued by individual departments. Classrooms will remain unlocked during classes and locked when the building closes. To keep the building safe, please report any suspicious or unauthorized persons attempting to access office spaces in the UC.

I'm lost. Help!

"People should expect to be very impressed by the dramatic spaces, but they need to give themselves time get oriented and find their way around," advises CIMS Dean Cathie Aust, who chaired the University Center Coordinating Committee.

Signage is clearly posted throughout the building, and floor-plan brochures will be available at the welcome desk located on the first floor. Restrooms are located on all four floors, but are located in different places on each floor. Take time to locate restrooms in advance.

The new building has several entrances for your convenience, including entrances off of existing campus buildings. The upper and lower levels of the Library are connected to the UC, and faculty and staff can use the Administration building entrance to access the UC. Students should not use the Administration entrance.

Faculty and staff with offices in the UC should make sure that the name appearing on their office sign is correct. Any incorrect signs should be reported to Director of Physical Plant Operations Harun Biswas at harunbiswas@mail.clayton.edu.

Caring for the space...Dos and Don'ts

The UC is magnificent! To help keep the building looking new, please report any spills that may occur. Approximately 50,000 ft. of the floor space is comprised of durable, black brick pavers individually inlaid in the floor. These pavers can be severely damaged by spills and are costly to replace.

"The pavers give the food court and second floor corridor an outside, courtyard feel," says Aust. "They help blur the line of distinction between outside spaces and inside spaces. We must take good care of them."

Want to hang pictures in your office? Not so fast. A list of "dos and don'ts" will be published in the near future outlining the rules of the UC. Many of the building's walls are firewalls; and, if damaged, could place the UC in violation of fire code. Plus, the building has a strict warranty that could be made invalid if building policies are not adhered. Contact Plant Ops if you want to make any aesthetic changes to your office space.

Some of the don'ts on the list – no personal space heaters will be allowed in UC offices or classrooms and furniture must not be moved. The complete list of dos and don'ts will be available in the Human Resources Office.

Regarding bulletin boards – there aren't any places in the UC to post campus information at this time. Please do not mistake acoustic panels for bulletin boards. Bulletin boards will be added later in the semester, and posting must follow the guidelines that pertain to other campus bulletin boards as indicated in the University's Image Book. To avoid posting signs with push pins or tape, professors should slide classroom announcements in a sign located adjacent to the classroom door. A kiosk for posting flyers will soon be constructed outside the building.

To limit the amount of paper postings, a plasma screen will be located at the information desk. The screen will continuously display events and campus information.

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Across the Campus

Athletics

Two of Sports Information Director Gid Rowell's athletic publications from this past season recently earned national recognition from CoSIDA. (That's the College Sports Information Directors Association.) Rowell took first and second in the Multi-Sport Media Guide (Division B) category of the 2003-2004 CoSIDA Publications Contest. His Men's & Women's Soccer guide earned first place while his Men's & Women's Basketball guide placed second out of 19 entries. This is a first for Clayton State Sports information. Here's a link to the results (page 10): <http://www.cosida.com/formpdfs/0304PubContestWinners.pdf>.

Campus Store

The Fall Buy Back Times for the Campus Store are as follows: Dec. 13, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Dec. 14, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Dec. 15, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Dec. 16, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; and Dec. 17, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Center for

Academic Affairs

Sonja Bagby, director of the Center for Academic Assistance, would appreciate your help in selecting students to apply for a peer tutoring position in the Center for Academic Assistance and/or enrollment in the course *CCSU 2500: Essentials of Peer Tutoring* for the fall or spring semesters. Employment as a peer tutor and enrollment in *CCSU 2250* are contingent on recommendation of faculty member and approval of referring department. Students must have at least a B average in the subject they wish to tutor. For more information, contact Bagby by email at SonjaBagby@mail.clayton.edu.

Continuing Education

Please join the Division of Continuing Education on Friday, Aug. 13 as we honor Jerri Hager for 30+ years of dedicated service to Clayton College & State University. Her retirement reception will be held in the Downs Center Atrium at 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

On Aug. 5 and Aug. 6, the Criminal Justice Coordination Council of Georgia (CJCC) met on campus in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education for the final two days

of a three day training session on using the Justice Information Exchange Model, or JIEM, a SEARCH 2004 Technical Assistance Program. The training is offered through SEARCH, the National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics and is funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the U.S. Department of Justice and the Georgia Institute of Technology. It is designed to facilitate the development of integrated justice information systems planning and implementation throughout the nation.

Counseling & Career Services

The final candidate for the Licensed Professional Counselor position within Counseling & Career Services, Lisa Cottrell, will be on campus for a presentation/interview session on Wednesday, Aug. 11 at 2 p.m. in room 221 of the Student Center. Cottrell will be making a 10 minute mini-presentation on a topic of her choice (resume-writing, time management, stress management, etc.), to be followed by a Q & A with those in attendance for the remainder of the designated hour. The person selected will take the place of Damafing Thomas, who will continue to work with Clayton State part-time while enrolled in a doctoral program at Georgia State University in Counseling Psychology.

External Relations

Leanne Scott has joined External Relations as the Web Support Specialist in the Office of University Image and Communications. Her office will be in the University Relations suite, room 214 of the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education. Her permanent phone number is TBA, however, she can be reached temporarily starting this week at (770)961-3535.

Financial Aid

Genevieve Randall has joined the Financial Aid Office staff as a financial aid counselor. She comes to Clayton State with 13 years of financial aid experience.

The HUB

The walk up counter for service of the HUB will be closed for service the week of the move to the University Center. Pre-scheduled appointments by faculty to pick up laptop computers **WILL BE HONORED**.

There will be staff at the service counter for the appointment times only. **All service needs for the campus should come via email or phone.** As we assist with the move, we will continue to serve campus needs EVERY DAY between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The HUB will continue to service Clayton State students through our Student Software Support Services location in the lower library. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Debye Baird at 770-960-2908.

SmartBodies

There is no better time than now to join SmartBodies! The students are gone, our appointment book is wide open, and our instructors are eager to get you started on an exercise program. Make your health a top priority and go into the fall semester feeling energized! Call 770-961-3408 today to schedule your appointment. Please visit our website for more information <http://healthsci.clayton.edu/smartbodies>.

Spivey Hall

Jazz Legend Diane Schuur will be performing at Spivey Hall at 8:15 p.m. on Saturday night, Aug. 8. Seats are available by calling (770) 961-3683. Clayton State faculty and staff receive a 20 percent discount.

Spivey Hall announces open positions replacing General Manager Lisa Maxey (newlywed), Production Coordinator Matt Vier (new baby), Education Manager Gene Pinion (to Savannah), and Marketing Manager Meghan Dougherty (law school). If you know of qualified candidates who may have interest in full-time jobs at Spivey Hall, please direct them to the Clayton State HR website for online applications. Go to <http://admins-services.clayton.edu/ohr/JobOpport/jobOpport.htm>.

The Bent Tree

The Bent Tree needs your help! As a student publication on campus, we strive to be an reliable and up-to-date information source for the students and staff on campus. This is a difficult task for our growing staff. We would like to ask for the assistance of the campus, students and faculty, to become a better source of information. If you could help with anything, please let us know! Contact Editor-in-Chief Ashley Spillers at Btree@mail.clayton.edu.

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“Be an ambassador and make sure we grow a culture of respect for the building,” says Biswas. The furniture, walls, flooring, and technology are very expensive. Please report any damage.

I see a problem

“No new building is perfect, so we are soliciting the help of the entire campus to identify problems” says Vice President of Operations P.J. O’Hare. “If you see anything that is not right such as leaks, tears in furniture, etc. report the problem to Plant Ops, anytime and every time.”

There have been great efforts made to have the UC ready for operation for fall semester courses. Please be aware that construction workers will periodically be in the building completing tasks.

Do not attempt to repair things that are not working properly. Contact Plant Ops, and Plant Ops will fill out the necessary GSFIC forms to facilitate the repairs.

You can’t park here

The parking lot in front of the UC will be reserved for handicap and prearranged visitor parking only. Faculty, staff, and students may not park in this lot.

Classes in the UC, Aug. 23

The UC boasts one large lecture hall, similar to Arts & Sciences G-132; five smaller lecture halls similar to Lecture Hall classrooms, and eight small classrooms similar to the Ethernet connected rooms in the Technology Building.

All IT classes are scheduled in the UC this fall, as well as most of the math classes. A variety of other courses will be held in the building, making it a gathering place for all majors. There are a plethora of outlets and Ethernet ports to accommodate notebook computers. The UC also has spaces that support wireless Internet connections.

Art in the UC

From wood panels in the walls to exposed bolts in arches, the UC offers a variety of interesting textures and materials. Modern art will be added as the semester progresses thanks to Clayton State art students under the direction of art professor Alan Xie. Xie also intends to bring the work of visiting artists into the UC to give constant variety to the building’s art. Art chosen to hang in the UC must meet the Image Book standards and be correctly mounted on the walls. Again, Plant Ops must be contacted regarding wall fixtures.

New maintenance personnel

Since the UC comprises approximately 1/3 of the campus floor space (the UC is 137,000 sq. ft. of the total 500,000 sq. ft. on campus), new maintenance personnel will be hired. Darren Thomas of Plant Ops will be in charge of maintenance for the UC.

Accepting the Building

In the coming week, Dr. Harden will sign the papers to officially accept the building. This is a very exciting time for Clayton State both in terms of campus life and institutional growth. Regard the UC as your building and treat it with respect.

“It will be our icon to recruit students, faculty, and staff to the University,” says Biswas. “We should feel proud to claim the University Center as part of Clayton State.”

A special thanks goes to the following members of the University Center Coordinating Committee: Greg Adams, Dr. Cathie Aust, Ron Barden, Larry Booth, Bob Holmes, Jeff Jacobs, Valerie Lancaster, Leslie Moore, and Martha Wicker. n

Clayton State “Clusters” Ease Freshmen Into College Experience by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Beginning with the coming fall semester, Clayton State freshmen can choose to participate in “clusters” when registering for classes. Students register for a block of basic courses with convenient scheduling hours and get the added bonus of forming strong and possibly life-long bonds with other students in the cluster.

Also known as learning communities or freshmen interest groups, clusters were first made popular by the University of Washington in the late 1980s. A decade and a half later, clusters remain popular among colleges and universities across the nation who believe the communities improve student performance in the classroom and increase freshmen retention.

“There is almost no doubt that we will see improvement in student retention as a direct result of implementing clusters,” says Dr. James Mackin, associate provost. “As we expand the cluster concept into true learning communities involving advanced students, campus life, faculty, and staff, we will see more significant improvements in freshmen retention.”

Not only should clusters improve retention, but they may also, as Mackin has alluded, improve campus life at the University. Since Clayton State is predominately a commuter institution (approximately 6 percent of the student body lives in Clayton Place, the apartments located adjacent to the campus), clusters may keep students on campus longer as students build friendships with other students in the learning community.

“Because of enhanced peer interactions, cluster students are much more likely to get involved in campus activities than students who are not in clusters,” says Mackin.

And being in the same classes with the same students should not frustrate the student’s ability to meet students outside of the cluster. According to Mackin, students involved in clusters will form friendships with others in the cluster and be introduced to the friends and acquaintances of those students.

Alumni/Development

Clayton State Homecoming Scheduled For October 17 - 23

Clayton College & State University is formulating plans for the big 2004 Homecoming celebration, with weeklong activities that will culminate on Saturday, Oct. 23.

The highlights of Homecoming will be the Alumni Association Pancake Breakfast and the Homecoming Parade. Also featured will be the Fall Frolics Talent Show, Friday night, Oct. 22, and the Homecoming McElroy 5K road race, sponsored by the Clayton State Track Club, beginning at 8 a.m. prior to the parade on Saturday.

The culmination of Homecoming will come at 2 p.m. on Saturday, when the Lakers' men's soccer team takes on Shorter College.

Go to www.clayton.edu for more information regarding Clayton State's homecoming events, or call (770) 961-3580. n

SmartBodies Offers Alumni a Deal

"For those who may not be aware, we offer a special incentive to Clayton State Alumni," says SmartBodies Fitness and Wellness Center Director Cindy Lauer.

The special SmartBodies Alumni Plan is as follows... to qualify for significant savings, Clayton State Alumni may choose to make a minimum \$100 tax-deductible donation, designated for SmartBodies, to the Clayton College & State University Foundation. Alumni can thereby qualify for the special employee rate (a one year membership required, and payment must be made in full) of \$115 for one year.

Proof of the donation (copy of check, receipt from Foundation, etc.) is necessary before new Alumni rate will be applied. For more information, contact SmartBodies at (770) 961-3408. n

Fall Frolics!!! Faculty/ Staff/Alumni Talent Show ***October 22, 7:30 p.m.***

This year, there will be **SIX** — yes **SIX** — categories with two winners for each category, **PLUS** an overall winner will walk away with the (soon to become) infamous

"Roving Trophy"

awarded last year to the Creeky(*not ready for prime time*)Dancers
(from the School of Arts & Sciences)

Plus, the school or department with the **most** participation
will be awarded a **Special Prize!!**

Put on your dancing shoes, suck a lemon, polish your brass, project, project,
project!!... the sky's the limit!!

(well, almost - FCC regulations must be strictly adhered to)

Look for entry information forthcoming on the Homecoming Website!!!

Vocal
Dance
Drama
Comedy
Instrumental
Variety

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Alumnus Perry Slaughter Running New Business in Macon

by John Shiffert, University Relations

What do you get when you put a Business degree from Clayton College & State University together with the University's former record holder at 10,000 meters?

That's easy... a new running store in Macon... Run Fit Sports.

The man behind all three is 2000 Clayton State graduate Perry Slaughter. One of the top road runners in Middle Georgia since his May 2000 graduation from Clayton State, Slaughter recently opened his running store in the Forsyth Landing Shopping Center, 4524 Forsyth Rd., in Macon. In fact, seldom will you find an individual better qualified to give advice to customers on running shoes. In addition to being a USA Track & Field Certified Coach and a Certified Personal Trainer, Slaughter has run a 2:44 marathon at Chicago and has finished in the top 12 percent of the Boston Marathon. He was also the Macon Track Club's Male Runner of the Year for 1999.

A 35-year-old native of Forsyth, Ga., Slaughter is a 1986 graduate of Mary Persons High School who worked for Delta Air Lines as a technical analyst in the Repair Process Engineering department while attending Clayton State. Since graduating the University as a cross country and track letterman with the school record at 10,000 meters, Slaughter has continued to dominate the roads in Middle Georgia, winning the Forsythia 5K, the Cherry Blossom 5K and the Aviation Museum Marathon. When he's not running himself, he coaches his high school's cross country team, directs the Forsythia Festival 5K and coaches an annual "In Training for the Labor Day Road Race" group.

Of course, Slaughter is used to being busy. He managed to work full time at Hartsfield airport, maintain his status as a Dean's List student at Clayton State, run cross country and track, and live in Forsyth all at the same time... thanks partly to Clayton State's Information Technology Project, whereby all students have access to a notebook computer.

"The notebook provided a way for me to readily access school information, register, and communicate with my professors and fellow students," he says. "In addition, it added a tremendous amount of flexibility to obtaining an education."

Recently, after 18 months of research he "put my business degree to good use" and opened Run Fit Sports earlier this summer. "The name Run Fit Sports was chosen because I wanted to incorporate running and fitness together, since most people run for fitness and not necessarily for competition," he adds. "I also hope to help runners find the right shoe for their unique style and needs, and to help educate them on proper foot-strike and running bio-mechanics."

Slaughter also plans to make Run Fit Sports a running resource in Macon, with information on upcoming events, race results and news, in keeping with his store motto, "Join us on the road to fitness." n

Men's Soccer Adds Transfers, and Freshmen for 2004

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

The Clayton State men's soccer team is preparing to open its 12th season of play and will have several new faces battling for playing time in the 2004 season. First-year head coach Pete Petersen has signed four college transfers for the upcoming year to go along with 13 returnees from last year. The program will have seven players entering as first-year freshman.

"I feel like we have a good mix of guys," said Petersen. "The 2003 squad was very young, and we will have a talented group of players returning. We complemented that group with several experienced transfers, who have played at a high level and a solid group of promising incoming freshman."

Senior Richard Morton, Edinburg, Scotland; junior Juan Trujillo, Atlanta; junior Josh Stewart, Cunupia, Trinidad; and junior Matt Sutton, Conyers, GA; will all transfer into the Laker program for the upcoming season.

Morton, a 6-foot, 185 lb., creative midfielder, played at NCAA Division I University of Kentucky last season and helped lead the Wildcats to the Mid-American Conference Championship with a 12-7-2 record. Morton played in 10 matches and had one assist. Also playing two seasons at Iowa Central Community College alongside current Laker Anthony Wright, Morton was ICCA's Most Valuable Player in 2002, leading the team to a fifth place finish in the National Junior College Athletic Association National Tournament. He earned NJCAA All-America honors in 2002 and All-Region honors in 2001.

A 6-0, 165 lb., forward, Trujillo has played the last two seasons at Limestone College in Gaffney, S.C. He led the team in scoring both seasons with 28 goals, including 20 goals in the 2003, which ranked third in NCAA Division II. He also added six assists that season, and ranked sixth in the nation in points per game. Trujillo was the Carolina-Virginia Athletic Conference Freshman of the Year in

SBDC Provides Services In Clayton, Henry, Fayette, Spalding Counties

by Leigh Duncan, University Relations

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), located in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education at Clayton State, is part of a partnership between the U.S. Small Business Administration and colleges and universities around the state that provides three basic services; free consulting; information services, and educational programs.

Clayton State Area Director Cecil McDaniel and Consultant Donna Kelsick have been busy serving 250 new and existing businesses within Clayton, Henry, Fayette and Spalding counties, providing one-on-one counseling on a wide range of issues including developing and updating business plans, identifying sources of capital, financial records analysis, specialized research geared to specific business owners, accounting, marketing strategies, and government regulation compliance, as well as confidential services to companies seeking operational and strategic planning advice.

For example, in 2003, SBDC assisted nurses in fulfilling a lifelong dream of opening their own hospice in Henry County, helped a Peachtree City resident obtain and open a Subway Sandwich franchise, and assisted a Riverdale resident in opening a commercial cleaning business.

In 2004, they have helped Tyra Johnson open her own coffee shop in March, and Elizabeth Ford turn her creative talents of wreath making from a hobby into a lucrative business. Both obtained consulting through SBDC on how to choose and set up a business entity (LLC), obtain a business license, and develop a business plan. Both feel the assistance received from the SBDC prepared them to launch their business and both plan to utilize the SBDC as their businesses grow.

In Clayton County, small business owner Adegunwa, a manufacturer of African foods, was assisted by McDaniel in developing a business plan and financial projections, which led to his receiving an SBA loan in the amount of \$10,000 to purchase processing equipment.

SBDC also meets with and addresses area chambers of commerce, civic organizations, local area high schools and colleges. They work with local leaders and Clayton State to bring programs and seminars throughout the four county areas.

In the first quarter of 2004, the Clayton State center served 96 client cases for 379 consulting hours (or 3.94 hours per case) and presented 23 Continuing Education programs to 301 attendees. n

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11 Humorous Speech Contest on Sept. 16. The Area 11 winner will receive a trophy and move on to the Division "A" Contest in late September, and the Division "A" winners will compete at the Fall District 14 Conference.

Please feel free to stop by and cheer on the participants of the Southern Crescent Toastmasters Humorous Speech Competition and to enjoy some funny speeches.

The Southern Crescent Toastmasters meet on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of each month, in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education from noon to 1 p.m. The Club is open to anyone who has the desire to improve their public speaking and leadership skills, or to those who just want to have some fun.

For more information about the Humorous Speech Competition or meeting times, contact Tom Eddins, vice president of Public Relations at 770-961-3573, or Leigh Duncan, vice president of Membership at 770-961-2108. n

Carpoolers Get Special Awards

Three employees, Pat Barton, Sherry Barwick and Michelle Craig, carpoled together in June and not only saved two parking spaces on campus, but saved more than 700 miles by not driving alone.



(L-R) Sherry Barwick, Pat Barton and Michelle Craig, all from Financial Aid, receive the July "Transportation Champion on the Month" Award for carpooling with the most people more often in July than other carpoolers.

All three winners work in Financial Aid and have enjoyed carpooling together. It gives them time to "chat" about non-work topics and they save money too.

The Clean Air Campaign estimates that for one person to drive 25 miles one way, the cost to drive alone would be \$352 a month. If this person carpoled with two others and shared the driving, the cost per month only would be \$117 — a savings of \$235 per month.

In addition to their trophies, Michael Clark, Integrated Wellness at SmartBodies, volunteered to bring his "specially designed chair" and give Chair Massages to each of the winners just outside of their office.

See more photos of all winners and information at: http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/Transp_Champion.htm.

For all employees, July is the last month for "Take the Clean Air Challenge." If you carpoled, walked, biked, teleworked, took transit, or participated in the condensed work week — even just one day during July — you could win \$25! For more information see: <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/default.htm> n

August 2004 Winners For July Carpoolers

Thanks to Cora Johnson, Student Life, for drawing the lucky winners!

1. Pat Jackson, Dining Services - \$10 Gas Card Amoco/BP
2. Oscar Smith, Student - \$10 Gas Card Amoco/BP
3. James Mackin, Academic Affairs - Two free dinners at Cracker Barrel
4. Michelle Craig, Financial Aid - Chick-fil-A Two free dinners from Forest Park Dwarf House, Jonesboro Rd., Forest Park.
5. Tenesea Grant, Bookstore - Free Meal @ Piccadilly Cafeteria, 1265 Mt. Zion Road, Morrow.
6. Gerald Heavens, Student Life - SmartBodies Massage Therapy by Integrated Wellness—1/2 hour therapeutic massage by Michael Clark, Certified Massage Therapist - located in the A&F Center (678-984-2943).
7. Albina Zolotova, Student - \$8 gift certificate Lake Harbin Gourmet, 2423 Lake Harbin Road, Morrow, 678-422-8911. Bring your LINX Card and receive a 10% discount on orders of \$5 or more.
8. Laura Hackworth, Student - One dozen cookies from CookieGrams of Georgia, Forest Park
9. Theresa Mackin, Registrar - Free Seafood Dinner at SouthSide Seafood (Forest Parkway, Lake City)
10. Al Davis, The HUB - Atlanta Bread Company gift certificate for \$5
11. Bernadette Pascual, Plant Ops - Arby's Combo Meal, 1189 Southlake Circle (around Southlake Mall)
12. Ricardo Pascual, Plant Ops - Arby's Combo Meal, 1189 Southlake Circle (around Southlake Mall)
13. Sam Kunkel, Student - Leather bound notebook from Pinnacle Advertising Specialties, Inc.
14. Shaneeka Grant, LINX Card Office - Post-It Leather Holder from RBC Centura
15. Pacito Bausin, Plant Ops - Travel Mug from the Clean Air Campaign



Sherry Barwick, one of the three July Transportation Champions of the Month, takes a much needed break from her Financial Aid duties to receive a relaxing chair massage from Michael Clark, Integrated Wellness at SmartBodies.

Note: Winners must present picture ID to claim prizes.

To learn how YOU can be eligible or to find a potential carpool match, call Joan Murphy at 770-961-3540 or stop by Public Safety, Student Center, Room D-209—Public Safety is open 24 hours a day.

For more information about getting started carpooling or about the employee Guaranteed Ride Home, call Murphy at 770-961-3540, email RideShare@mail.clayton.edu or visit <http://adminserves.clayton.edu/ps/>.

Clusters, from p. 5

There are currently 254 students enrolled in clusters, with an anticipated final enrollment of 500 students by the end of registration in mid-August. In addition to easing students into college life through clusters, the University offers an optional course titled College Skills and Orientation. Students learn the skills necessary for academic success and receive guidance in choosing a major. The course also familiarizes the student with notebook computers, sending e-mail, and many other technology skills needed to succeed in a Notebook University.

Men's Soccer, from p. 7

2002 and named to the all-conference squad last season. He also led Riverwood High School in Atlanta to a 19-3-1 record and a state championship in 2001. He scored 34 goals on the season and was named the High School Player of the Year en route to the state championship.

Stewart, a 6-0, 200 lb., defensive midfielder joins the Lakers after two seasons at Young Harris College. He scored two goals and had two assists last season, leading the squad to a 7-7-1 record. Stewart played on the Trinidad/Tobago U-20 National Team.

A 6-3, 205 lb., goalkeeper, Sutton also joins the Lakers from Limestone College. He played 225 minutes in goal for the Saints last season and had 24 saves.

The Lakers have seven incoming freshman in Chris Cantrell, a 6-1, 185 lb., goalkeeper from Savannah, Ga; Jay Minnich, a 6-0, 155 lb., midfielder from Douglasville, Ga; Dwayne Mills, a 6-0, 175 lb., forward from Portmore, Jamaica; Raith Plant, a 6-1, 185 lb., forward from Tredegar, Wales; B.J. Livingston, a 5-9, 160 lb., forward from Decatur, Ga; Drew Smith, a 6-2, 200 lb., defender from Snellville, Ga; and Sasha Tsyra, a 5-5, 140 lb., forward from Powder Springs, Ga.

Clayton State will kick off the fall season, hosting the Laker Soccer Shootout on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 28-29 at Laker Field. Along with Clayton State, Peach Belt Conference foe the University of North Florida, Queens College and Belmont Abbey College will play in the event.

The Clayton State soccer team finished the 2003 season with an 11-6-1 record, its fourth straight winning season. The squad returns eight starters from last year's team, including PBC Freshman of the Year and All-Southeast Region sophomore Andre Rall (Johannesburg, South Africa), two-time All-Conference senior David Dowling (Johannesburg, South Africa), and the school's third all-time leading scorer and team captain in senior Shaun Baddock (Randhurst, South Africa).

Arts Page

Mystery Novelist and Playwright To Direct Clayton State Theater

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Sleuthing is his specialty, as you can tell from his Flap Tucker series of mystery novels slated to become an HBO television production. But Phillip DePoy is also a player in the national theatre scene and will become the artistic director of Clayton State Theater this month.

Most recently a visiting theatre instructor at Georgia State University, DePoy has 40 years of experience in theatre and has been involved in nearly 100 productions in the capacities of playwright, performer, director, musical director, and composer. He has also seen the production of 32 of his own works including the 2003 Edgar Award winner "Easy," a stage version of his first Flap Tucker mystery by the same name.

As artistic director of Clayton State Theater, DePoy will work to bring a minor and eventually a major in theatre to the University. He will teach three theatre courses in the fall, and hopes to offer five more theatre classes in the near future. But first on his director's docket – direct a play, of course.

"Directing is like writing," says DePoy, "I enjoy the process of it as much as or maybe more than the finished product. Theatre creates a new reality that never existed before; and, when the show is over, will never exist again. It's almost like metaphysics."

DePoy's talent has been recognized by local theatres such as Alliance Theatre, Horizon Theatre, Marietta's Theatre in the Square, and the Atlanta Opera Company to name a few, and by several other theatres in the Southeast. His play "Urban Fairytale," which premiered in 2002 at Atlanta's Horizon Theatre, was cowritten with his wife, Lee Nowell.

In addition to his works of theatre, DePoy's writing career boasts seven mystery novels including his most recent novel "The Witch's Grave," currently available at Barnes & Noble. He is presently working on his second series of mysteries, the Fever Devilin series, published by St. Martin's Press and expects to release another novel, "A Minster's Ghost," next year.

DePoy holds a bachelor's in English and creative writing with a minor in folklore from Georgia State, and a masters in live performance and writing arts also from Georgia State. He is a member of several professional organizations including the Mystery Writer's of America, the Metropolitan Theatre Alliance, and the Georgia Council for the Arts, to name a few. And if directing, composing, playwriting, and performing were not enough, he has also tried his hand at poetry and participated in Teachers and Writers Collaborative.

When he isn't writing his next mystery or preparing for his new position with Clayton State, DePoy enjoys gardening and cooking. But mystery will always hold a special place in his heart.

"People spend their lives trying to figure themselves out and what they're doing in life," says DePoy, "There is something satisfying in solving a smaller mystery, because it may open doors to solutions to larger mysteries in life." n

CanYou Sing? Clayton State Opera Seeks Student Performers

Are you interested in musical performance? Do you have what it takes to perform on the Spivey Hall stage? The Clayton State Opera is seeking new student talent to perform in the award-winning Stephen Sondheim musical "A Little Night Music." The production is scheduled for February 2005.

Auditions for non-music majors and new music majors will be held Friday, Aug. 20, from 2:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. by appointment in room 157 of the Music Building. Call (770) 961-3609 to make an appointment.

Casting auditions for returning music majors will be held Thursday, Sept. 2, from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. in room 157. Returning music majors do not need an appointment to audition, but must be registered in Clayton State's Opera Production course, MUSC 3530.

If you are interested in auditioning for a singing role in the musical, you must be able to read music, since you'll be asked to do cold readings from the script. You must also prepare an audition in advance for either a Liebeslieder Singer role or another role in the musical. All roles except the role of Désirée Armfelt are open – music professor Holly McCarren will fill this part.

Non-music majors will be advised at the time of audition if they may be cast in the production. Prospective cast members will then be encouraged to enroll in MUSC 3530. All students who appear in the musical – non-music majors and music majors alike – must enroll in MUSC 3530 for both the fall 2004 and spring 2005 semesters. This is a one credit course.

Interested? Go to the music office in the Music Building to look over audition excerpts. For additional information about auditions, contact Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller at KurtZeller@mail.clayton.edu. n

Clayton State Opera to Produce "A Little Night Music," Feb. 25-26, 2005

by Lauren Baker, University Relations

Mark your calendars in advance for the Clayton State Opera production of Stephen Sondheim's award-winning musical, "A Little Night Music." The musical will be performed in Clayton State's Spivey Hall on Friday, Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m. with a matinee performance on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 2 p.m.

Produced by such famous opera houses as the New York City Opera, Houston Grand Opera, and Los Angeles Opera, "A Little Night Music" first premiered on Broadway in 1973 and won both the Tony Award and the Drama Critics Circle Award for Best Musical. Set in the early 1900s, the musical is a satirical comedy about confusing social and romantic complications that climax in a series of lover's triangles at a lavish Swedish estate.

Clayton State's Dr. Kurt-Alexander Zeller will direct the production, and fellow faculty member Dr. Shaun Amos will conduct a professional orchestra. For more information on the Clayton State Opera production of "A Little Night Music" contact Zeller at KurtZeller@mail.clayton.edu. More information on student performers and ticket prices will be made available at a later date. ⁿ

Dr. Jannie Adams Contributes To Medical Assisting Textbook

by Gina Finocchiaro, University Relations

Clayton State Assistant Professor of Medical Assisting Dr. Jannie Adams was one of the first to receive a copy of Barbara Ramutkowski's et al "Medical Assisting: Administrative and Clinical Procedures."

Adams received the free copy of the textbook as a thank you from McGraw/Hill Higher Education for reviewing and contributing to the textbook. She is also mentioned in the contents portion of the textbook as a reviewer and a contributor.

According to Adams, the textbook is now available for purchase. She plans to begin using the textbook in her classes in 2005.

The director of Clayton State's Medical Assisting Program, Adams has taught at Clayton State since 1996 and is a registered nurse. She lives in Hampton, Ga. ⁿ

Clayton State Track Club Sponsors McElroy 5K Road Race, Oct. 23

In conjunction with the University's Homecoming festivities, the Clayton State Track Club will sponsor the McElroy 5K road race on the Clayton State campus at 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23. Participants are invited to attend the Annual Alumni Association Pancake Breakfast immediately following the race.

An upgrade from last year's McElroy Mile, the McElroy 5K (3.1 miles) will be run entirely on the Clayton State campus and will finish in front of the new University Center building. The race is named in honor of Elliott McElroy, retired Clayton State vice president of Academic Affairs, who has been an avid runner for many years.

To learn more about the McElroy 5K, contact Mike Mead at mikemead@mail.clayton.edu or John Shiffert at johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu. ⁿ

Trivia Time

The Comic Classics

by John Shiffert, University Relations

The heydays of the movie comedy came in the 1930s and 1940s, when the five Marx Brothers (pick up extra Trivia Points if you can name all five), W.C. Fields, Stan and Ollie, the Three Stooges and Bud and Lou held forth and there was always a chance you might die laughing in a movie theater.

The irrepressible Groucho Marx, in addition to his other varied talents (he was also a classical guitarist, as were all five brothers classically-trained musicians), came up with some of the most off-the-wall names ever seen on the Silver Screen... Rufus T. Firefly from "Duck Soup," Otis P. Driftwood from "A Night at the Opera" (that's the character that Chico admonished during a legal discussion with "there ain't no sanity clause") and Wolf J. Flywheel from "The Big Store." However, it was W.C. Fields' most famous role as the pride of Lompoc, Ca., in "The Bank Dick" that gave us Egbert Souse ("accent grave over the `e'" as Fields explained many times during the move... making the name SOO/say and not SOUSE).

In a tight finish, Jean Myers took first place in this one, just nipping the original John Shiffert (who gets one extra point for identifying Lompoc) and alumnus Kevin Dixon, who gets two extra points for also IDing all three Marx Brothers movies. Although Rob Taylor was fourth, he gets a point for noting some of Fields' other nom de cinema... Charles Bogle, Otis Cribblecoblis and Mahatma Kane Jeeves (love that one!)

In keeping with the spirit of comedy, Oliver Hardy, long before he teamed up with Stan Laurel, played what famous character in a much-earlier version of a world-famous movie from the late 1930s? If the Marx Brothers and Laurel and Hardy aren't your style, how about Abbott and Costello? What comedian of the same era is Lou Costello said to have copied many of his screen mannerisms from?

Send your answers to johnshiffert@mail.clayton.edu and you too can "walk this way," as Marty Feldman told Gene Wilder in "Young Frankenstein." ⁿ

Sports Page

Women's Soccer Set to Open 10th Season

by Gid Rowell, Sports Information

The Clayton State women's soccer team is set to kick off its 10th season, and the 2004 season will feature several new opponents, including four in-state schools that will become instant rivals for the Lakers.

Clayton State has 18 matches on tap for the 2004 season, which includes nine home games and an eight-game slate of Peach Belt Conference contests, followed by the Peach Belt tournament.

The 2004 Lakers will open their season on the road, traveling to face the University of Montevallo on Saturday, Aug. 28 in a 3 p.m. match. The team will kick off its home slate of games on Sunday, Sept. 5 at 2 p.m. against Presbyterian College.

The squad will open its Peach Belt schedule of games on Saturday, Sept. 25, traveling to face the University of North Carolina Pembroke, followed by playing at the University of South Carolina Upstate on Saturday, Oct. 2. The Lakers' first home PBC match will be Saturday, October 9th against the University of South Carolina Aiken.

Four new in-state opponents on the Laker schedule this year will be the State University of West Georgia, Columbus State University, Georgia College & State University and North Georgia College & State University. Columbus State and GC&SU will both be Peach Belt Conference games, giving the league nine schools in the league for the 2004 season.

The outlook for the 2004 season is bright, as the Lakers return a wealth of talent, including All-America candidate Nkiru Okosieme. A two-time All-Region and All-Peach Belt player, Okosieme returns for her senior season after sitting out last year to play in the fourth FIFA World Cup for her native Nigeria. Okosieme is the all-time leading scorer in the Peach Belt with 47 goals in only two years of play. n

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