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Clayton State Expands Graduate Programs To Include Master of Health Administration

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

The School of Health Sciences adds another feather in Clayton State University's cap with the addition of the Master of Health Administration (MHA) degree. The University System of Georgia's Board of Regents this week approved the program, just three months after the approval of the school's Master of Science in Nursing. This makes the third graduate program approved for the University in nine months.

The addition of a MHA degree will advance the University's mission of "bringing educational opportunities to the citizens and businesses of the Southern Crescent to contribute to the regions' future economic development," and provide "graduate programming... as community needs dictate," in addition to

meeting an acute demand for health care managers in the State of Georgia.

Clayton State officials anticipate the greatest number of students will come from the Southern Crescent of Atlanta and from minority backgrounds. According to the recent (2004) Sullivan Commission study, minorities, especially African Americans, are significantly under-represented in health administration programs throughout the United States and Canada. Clayton State's MHA program will help decrease the under-representation of minorities and improve diversity in the health administration profession.

The primary goal will be to provide graduate level education to citizens interested in advancing their knowledge of and careers in health care administration. The 39 to 45-hour MHA curriculum will include introductory core courses, elective courses, a possible residency of three to six credit hours (depending on previous experience), and a required thesis, something not usually seen in similar degree programs at other institutions. The program will be offered with both seated and on-line instruction, accommodating both full-time and part-time working students.

The focus of the MHA is on a generalist health care administration education. This will allow for a wide variety of residency options and prepare students for advanced management within the health-care industry, building on undergraduate coursework and experiences not only in health care management, nursing or dental hygiene, but other degree disciplines such as business and psychology.

"The competition for this program is going to be fierce," says Dr. Russell



In only a three month span, Dr. Lisa Eichelberger, dean of Clayton State's School of Health Sciences sees a second graduate level program added to her school.

Porter, graduate coordinator for the new MHA program. "We know we are going to be turning people away, just from the sheer numbers who have been anticipating and asking for it and based on the research the faculty members and Dr. Peter Fitzpatrick (professor and department head of Healthcare Management) did on preparing the MHA proposal."

The program hopes to accommodate 20 students the first year, with 30 each year thereafter in two cohorts, for a combined number of 60 MHA students.

Right now, Clayton State's undergraduate program in Health Administration is the largest member of the Association of University Programs in Health

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Dean Wallace to Appear on Southern Crescent Broadcasting's "Perspective" Program



Dr. Ray Wallace, dean of the School of Arts & Sciences

Dr. Ray Wallace, dean of the Clayton State University School of Arts & Sciences, will be appearing on the Southern Crescent Broadcasting program "Perspective" during the week of Monday, Sept. 4, 2006.

The program, broadcast on SCB-TV 15, will air in Butts, Henry and Lamar counties a total of eight times daily; 5:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Wallace will be discussing, among other subjects: what majors are available at Clayton State and students creating their own majors; recent developments at Clayton State, including the School of Business achieving AACSB accreditation and the

new graduate programs; what's forthcoming at Clayton State; what makes the University special; the athletics program and other extra-curricular activities; ITP choice; and Clayton State's involvement with the community, including adult education programs in Henry County and the University's membership in the Henry Council for Quality Growth.

SCB-TV 15 received a Telly Awards this year for Perspective. This national award recognizes outstanding production in non-network film, television and video.

Visit <http://www.scbtv.com/schedule.html> for more information. ■

Husband and Wife Team Invited to Peruvian Bach Festival

by Gina Finocchiaro, University Relations

The husband and wife team of Mezzo-Soprano Dr. Maya Hoover, Clayton State assistant professor of Voice and Barrett Hoover, Spivey Hall production manager, will be traveling to Trujillo, Peru in August to participate in the 13th Trujillo Bach Festival.

At the festival, Maya Hoover will be premiering two songs by Peruvian composer José-Luis Maúrtua which are based on texts from *Los Ríos Profundos* by the Peruvian author and linguistic anthropologist José-María Arguedas. These songs will be part of an all Latin American recital program with Brazilian pianist, Rubia Santos. In addition, Hoover will perform with the Orquesta Sinfónica de Trujillo in world premieres of *¡Yo No Tengo Soledad!*, written for her by U.S. composer Gregory Wanamaker, and *Camino de Trujillo*, written by Maúrtua.

"I am very honored to be giving four world premieres there, and thrilled with the chance to give a recital with Rubia," she says. "Maestros Pereda [festival director] and Maúrtua are top-quality



Barrett Hoover

musicians, and it is a real privilege to work with them."

The Trujillo Bach Festival is held the first two weeks in August every year. It consists of recitals, chamber music and orchestral concerts. In addition, invited



Dr. Maya Hoover

soloists also give master classes in their area of specialty at the Conservatory of Trujillo. Maya Hoover will teach a voice master class and her husband will give a guest lecture on recording techniques. In

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SNA Exceeds Goal of Providing Book Bags for Homeless Children in Metro Atlanta

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

Clayton State University's Student Nurses Association (SNA) surpassed its goal of supplying 50 book bags for their Back-2-School Campaign in July, making sure homeless children in the metro-Atlanta area have school supplies to start off the 2006-2007 school year.

Working with the Children's Restoration Network (CRN), student nurses solicited the Clayton State campus community and were able to collect 60 book bags and enough supplies to fill them and then some. According to Toniese Craft, coordinator of the project and webmaster for SNA's website, the volunteers at the CRN were extremely surprised and grateful for all the donations.

"The SNA would like to say thank you to the wonderful and generous students, faculty and staff who took part in the Back-2-School campaign," said Craft. "We even got a donation



from President Harden and his wife."

Other contributors included Lou Brackett from the School of Technology and Janie Shaw, RN, MSN, assistant professor of Nursing, who donated two book bags. Nursing students Susan Leanne Lobe, Michelle Whitley and Craft donated five book bags each plus supplies and Colin Pearrell donated three book bags plus supplies.

The real story, according to Craft, was trying to pack all the supplies into her mid-sized sedan.

"The trunk was packed and the back seat was overflowing," she said. "If I had to slam on my brakes on the trip to Roswell, I would have had book bags and supplies in my lap!"

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Clayton State Hosts Clayton Chamber Breakfast with Guest Speaker Georgia Labor Commissioner Michael Thurmond

The atrium of the Clayton State Continuing Education building was packed on Thursday, July 27 as the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce met for its monthly meeting and Early Bird Breakfast. Sponsored this month by the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, the breakfast's highlight was Georgia's Commissioner of Labor, Michael L. Thurmond, who gave an inspiring talk about stimulating the economy, the value of work, and bi-partisan patriotism.

This month's Master of Ceremonies was Robert Lee, president of Southside Seafood and Clayton State University Foundation member. Lee led the meeting through the usual formalities and awards presentations then introduced Myrna White, director of

Public Affairs at Hartsfield-Jackson, who filled the audience in on the opening of the new runway and future plans of the airport authority.

Also speaking on behalf of SmartBodies™ Fitness and Wellness Center at Clayton State was Nancy Knowles, program coordinator and fitness instructor. Knowles invited the Chamber members to join SmartBodies™, which has corporate rates for businesses and a rehabilitation unit that gives excellent one-on-one attention and which has been recently been renovated to include new paint, four new TVs with Cardio Vision, curtains, and tinted windows.



Michael Thurmond,
Georgia Labor Commissioner

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Across the Campus...

Alumni

Clayton State University alumna Gail Buckner (Education, '77) won the Democratic Party nomination for Georgia Secretary of State last Tuesday in a run-off election. Formerly a long-time state representative, Buckner was the University's Alumni of the Year in 2002.

Campus Life

The Office of Campus Life, formerly known as the Office of Student Life, recently reviewed and updated the current Student Organization Registration Process. As of Monday, Aug. 21, 2006, several guidelines will change. Contact Eric Simon at ericssimon@clayton.edu for more information.

CE

On Friday, Sept. 15, the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education at Clayton State University is hosting its first Conference for Celebrity and V.I.P. Personal Assistants. Under the direction of the Clayton State Division of Continuing Education and Impresario Lifestyle, the conference will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Downs Center on the Clayton State campus. The cost of the conference is \$259, with late registration \$299. For more information, visit the Clayton State continuing education website at www.conted.clayton.edu.

The Continuing Education Division of Clayton State University is partnering with Cheetah Learning in a series of nine Project Management Professional Development courses, including an exam prep course for the Project Management Professional (PMP) certification. Project Management is an invaluable skill set that often makes the difference between the success and failure of mission-critical projects. In recent years there has been explosive growth in the field and many leading companies have turned to Project Management certification to equip their teams with the ability to lead projects and measure results. The Cheetah classes include eight online courses, plus the exam prep for the PMP which will be held at Clayton State. The exam prep course

will be held weekly in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education at Clayton State. The one-week course runs from Monday to Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., starting on Oct. 16, 2006, with subsequent sessions beginning Oct. 23, Oct. 30, Nov. 6 and Nov. 13. To learn more about Clayton State's online continuing education programs, to view a complete list of courses offered, and to register online for programs please go to: <http://www.conted.clayton.edu/onlineEd.html>.

City of Morrow

The Morrow Tourist Center has a great opportunity for clubs and organizations to participate in a community service project. The 2nd Annual Race Fest & Lobster Derby will take place rain or shine on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 6 p.m. until 12:00 a.m. There will be live musical entertainment, lobster races, auto racing memorabilia, activities, and so much more. This event will be a free and open to the public. A major part of Race Fest has always been the volunteers. Without the volunteers, Race Fest would not run as smoothly as it does. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit or call the Morrow Tourist Center at (770) 968-1623 to sign-up.

Library

The Library faculty and staff cordially invites the Clayton State faculty to an informal afternoon reception on Monday, Aug. 14 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in L-200. Make new friends, renew acquaintances, meet our new director, and start planning for the new year!

Music

Please note that Dr. Maya Hoover's recital time for her Mar. 30, 2007 performance in Spivey Hall should be 8:15 p.m., not 7:30 p.m.

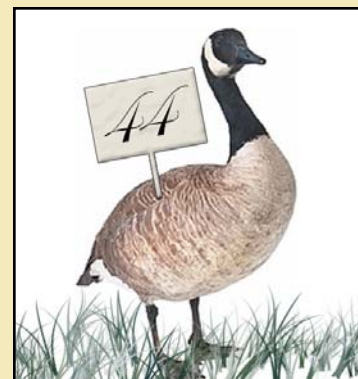
Public Safety

See who won our monthly carpool drawing: <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/winners.htm>. The drawing was held on Aug. 9. Thanks to Latrice Barlow, from the Nurse Managed Clinic, for drawing the lucky winners! To find out how you

can start carpooling or find a carpool partner, contact Joan Murphy in Public Safety (678) 466-4050 or visit <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/urs.htm>.

Wildlife

According to Campus Review reporters, the number of Canada Geese now on campus has returned to 44.



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addition to the guest lecture, Barrett Hoover will also be recording two recitals, the orchestra gala and a chamber music concert for the festival.

As a leading scholar and researcher of Latin American art songs, Maya Hoover's accomplishments in the performance and teaching arenas have earned her invitations to appear around the world. Her specialty in the music of the 20th and 21st centuries has led her to collaborations with some of today's leading composers such as Chris Arrell, Alvin Singleton, Tom Cipullo and Ruth Schonthal.

When not teaching or performing, Maya Hoover is currently working on her book, "A Guide to the Latin American Repertoire." It is a research guide to and an annotated catalog of Latin American art song, which is expected to be published by Indiana University Press in 2007. She also serves on the Advisory Board of the Latin American Art Song Alliance, and is a member of the International Society for the Philosophy of Music Education. ■



The 250 Mile Club is a fitness program designed for faculty and staff. Each individual who registers will get a log sheet and a 250 Mile Club conversion table. The conversion table converts what you do for exercise into mileage. The goal is to work toward 250 miles of exercise for the academic year.

Anyone who reaches the goal of 250 miles and turns in a log sheet will receive a 250 Mile Club T-shirt. The club is run on the honor system. You will be responsible for recording the mileage from your workouts on your log sheet and turning the log sheet in when you reach 250 miles.

Activity	Conversion
Jogging/Walking	1 mile = 1 mile
Swimming	1 mile = 4 miles 1 mile = 33 laps (66 lengths)
Cycling	4 miles = 1 mile
Aerobic Class	45 minutes = 2 miles
Stairmaster or Elliptical Runner	100 calories = 1 mile
Basketball/Tennis, etc.	1 hour continuous = 1 mile
Golf Walking	18 holes = 4 miles

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She and her 16-year old daughter made six trips to and from her car with a standard grocery shopping cart, plus a few hand-carrying trips to empty the car. The book bags were completely emptied and repacked by volunteers at CRN to make sure each child received the supplies they needed.

“The one-hour trip to Roswell and all the work was worth it knowing that we were helping thousands of children living in shelters or group homes begin the school year off right,” said Craft.

Clayton State’s Student Nurses Association volunteers with several charity organizations throughout the year to help families and communities within the metro Atlanta area. According to the Children’s Restoration Network, more than 3,500 children in the metro area (and the number of book bags CRN hopes to collect) will have lived in a shelter or group home sometime during the 2005-2006 school year.

“With the proper tools needed to succeed, [these children] can eventually escape their homeless situation,” says Craft, a graduate of Clayton State with a BS in Information Technology (‘03) who is now enrolled in the nursing program. Craft lives in Fayetteville with her four children. ■

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Administration (AUPHA), a not-for-profit association of university-based educational programs, faculty, practitioners, and provider organizations. The AUPHA works to improve the delivery of health services throughout the world by educating professional managers at both the entry and graduate levels.

Clayton State’s School of Health Sciences is also dedicated to this end and with the addition of the Master of Health Administration, the Southern Crescent community as well as the entire State of Georgia will benefit, both the short and the long-run, by educating and training managers and administrators in the health administration profession. ■



Got News?

Send your campus news to
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SmartBodies Holds Emergency Training

For the seventh straight year SmartBodies Fitness & Wellness Center held its annual emergency training drill on Aug. 9 inside the Athletics and Fitness Center at Clayton State. Public Safety and the Morrow Fire Department arrived on the mock scene, assisting SmartBodies' Director Cindy Lauer and her staff.

The drill, used to prepare SmartBodies employees in the event of an emergency, applied three scenarios: a) Cardiac Arrest with victim Pauline Buchanan; b) Seizure with victim Claude Washington; and c) Open Fracture with victim Nymol Ou.

Participants from Clayton State included Janet Hamilton, assistant professor of Health & Fitness Management; Nancy Knowles, program coordinator and fitness instructor; Aletha Binion, part-time fitness instructor; and Brandon Marshall, Cathy Brooks and Tina Green, front desk receptionists. Lauer and City of Morrow Firefighter and Paramedic Jim Fleming evaluated the staff and provided advice and feedback. On hand to assist in the drill were Clayton State Public Safety Officers Jamal Mustafa and Warren Leon.

City of Morrow participants included: Tom Kuglin, FF (firefighter), paramedic; Jason Lott, FF, paramedic; James Weeks, FF, CT (cardiac technician); Roger Swint,

FF, EMT (emergency medical technician); Lt. Carl Demarco; Bryan Baker, FF, EMT; Jim Fleming, paramedic; Donald Reynolds, paramedic. ■



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White gave a warm and humorous introduction for guest speaker Thurmond, who began his speech to Clayton County's business leaders with the mantra, "there is dignity in work," and continuing with "you have a partner in the Georgia Department of Labor."

Thurmond continued with an inspirational message of optimism and encouragement. Over the past two years, Georgia employers received \$1.2 billion in tax cuts allowing businesses to hire more people and pay higher wages. He re-introduced the Georgia Works initiative, designed to stimulate job growth and hiring, and finally spoke about his belief in the American people and what he believes has transformed the workforce in America; technology and diversity.

"We have the most diverse workforce in the world," he said, stressing the point that he wasn't talking about black and white. He talked about the realization of women and senior citizens as a major part of the workforce and how globalization is allowing corporations to hire more and more foreign workers, sighting the NBA as an example.

"Some day," he said, "we will live in a state named Georgia not separated by black and white or north and south. We will be smart enough and compassionate enough not to be divided. We will build one great Georgia for one great people. This is my vision, my hope, my prayer."

The Clayton County Chamber of Commerce meets monthly at Clayton

State for their Early Bird Breakfast and invites you to join them at their next meeting being held at the National Archives and Records Administration adjacent to the campus on Aug. 24 beginning at 7:15. James M. McSweeney, Regional Administrator of the Archives will be the Chambers guest speaker. For more information contact Shane Short, president and CEO of the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce at (678) 610-4021. ■

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Taylor served this past season as a student assistant at Clayton State under head coach Dennis Cox, helping lead the Lakers to their second straight NCAA Division II National Tournament berth.

“We’re very excited for April and the opportunity she is receiving at Newberry,” said Cox. “She has been an extremely important part of our women’s basketball family and has contributed greatly to our program as both a player and a coach. We wish her the best and look forward to her continued growth as a women’s basketball coach.”

Taylor was a three-year starter at Clayton State. The Memphis native transferred to Clayton State following her freshman season at Georgia State in 2001-02 season. She started all but three games over the next three seasons for the Lakers.

The 6-1 forward averaged seven points and five rebounds as a sophomore and eight points and six rebounds as a junior. During her senior season Taylor stepped up, averaging nine points and seven rebounds a contest as Clayton State finished 25-7 overall and won the Peach Belt Conference regular season and tournament championships. In addition, the Lakers advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division II National Tournament in their first ever appearance.

That season, Taylor led the Lakers in both field goal shooting percentage (.483) and rebounding. She also ranked fourth in the Peach Belt in field goal shooting percentage. ■

Trivia Time

Trickle Down

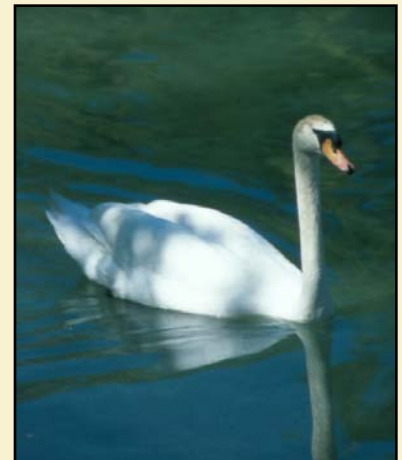
by John Shiffert, University Relations

Some called it “trickle down” economics. Some called it “supply side” economics. Some called it “Reaganomics.” Some called it some things unprintable, and John Kenneth Galbraith rolled over in this grave... and he wasn’t even dead.

But, during the 1980 presidential primaries, George H.W. Bush called Ronald Reagan’s controversial economic plan “Voodoo” economics. Of course, he didn’t call it that after he was selected as Reagan’s vice president.

Winning the race (for the correct answer, not the presidency) was Gina Hearn, followed by Norman Grizzell, Kurt-Alexander Zeller, Todd Birchfield, Rob Taylor, David Ludley, Kristy Cisneros, Robert Caine and Chris Haberland. Both Taylor and Caine earn three Bonus Points apiece by pointing out that political commentator Paul Harvey actually coined the phrase.

Now for some Clayton State trivia... everyone knows the names of the first two swans on campus, right? But, do you know the names of the second pair of swans? First correct answer to johnshiffert@clayton.edu gets to name the current mute ones on Swan Lake. ■



Please Join Us...

Riverdale Liveable Centers Initiative



Saturday, August 19, 2006

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Riverdale City Hall, 6690 Church St.

The City of Riverdale is holding a public workshop for the Riverdale Livable Centers Initiative (LCI), a program encouraging local jurisdictions to improve and develop transportation and land use options. For more information on these meetings and the status of The City of Riverdale Livable Centers Initiative Program, see The City of Riverdale website at www.riverdalega.gov or call (404) 684-7031.

Sports Page

Clayton State Favored to Win Peach Belt Men's Soccer Title

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

For the second straight season, the Clayton State Lakers have been selected as the favorites to win the Peach Belt Conference men's soccer championship, according to the vote of the conference's eight coaches. In the closest voting since 2002, the Lakers received five of the possible seven first-place votes for 47 points, narrowly edging out USC-Upstate, which received 45 points and three first-place votes.

Clayton State is coming off arguably the most successful season in program history

in 2005. Head coach Pete Petersen's Lakers finished 13-4-4 overall and won both the Peach Belt regular season and tournament championships with a 5-0-1 mark in the conference, advancing to the "Sweet 16" of the NCAA Division II National Tournament.

The Lakers return seven starters, headlined by All-Southeast Region standouts Heath Padgett at goalkeeper and Kevin Crooks at forward. Other key returnees for Clayton State include All-Peach Belt midfielder Johnny Lara and Peach Belt

Tournament Most Valuable Player Jarrid Nicholson.

Clayton State opens the 2006 season on Aug. 24 at 7 p.m. at Rollins. ■

April Taylor Hired as Women's Basketball Assistant at Newberry

April Taylor, who was instrumental in leading the Clayton State women's basketball team to both its first Peach Belt Conference championship and NCAA Division II National Tournament berth in the 2004-05 season, has been hired as an assistant at Newberry College of the South Atlantic Conference. Taylor will work alongside Lady Indian head coach Jason Brink, who has paced Newberry to two consecutive NCAA Division II National Tournament berths.

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