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## Clayton State Starts Its 38th Year

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Clayton State University, the one-time Clayton Junior College, Clayton State College, and Clayton College & State University, has started its 38th year as a unit of the University System of Georgia. Since Clayton State first opened its doors to 942 students as Clayton Junior College on Sept. 30, 1969, the passing years have seen a millennium's worth of changes, not the least of which is the first-time presence on campus of graduate students as part of the Masters of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS) program approved by the Board of Regents of the University System in November 2005.

From less than a thousand students the University has grown to approximately 6000 students for the current fall 2006 semester, including the dozen or so

enrolled as the first graduate cohort. Since the November 2005 approval of the School of Arts & Sciences' MALS program, the University's Office of Graduate Studies, under the direction of Associate Provost Dr. Thomas Eaves, has increased in creased its programs by two, both in the School of Health Sciences. The Master of Science in Nursing, under the direction of Dr. Sue Odom, was approved by the Board of Regents in June 2006. The Master of Health Administration, under the direction of Dr. Russell Porter, was approved by the Board of Regents earlier this month. Both programs will officially begin in January 2007 with the start of the spring 2007 semester.

The addition of graduate programs is just the latest step in the evolution of the University. In 1981, a dozen years after its

founding under President Dr. Harry S. Downs, Clayton State added a technical division (The School of Technology) offering applied associate degrees and certificates in cooperation with the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education. Five years later Clayton State began its baccalaureate mission with programs in Business Administration and Nursing. At the same time, one of the state's largest and best continuing education programs was being developed.

Five years after initiating its baccalaureate programs in 1986, Clayton State opened the doors to the finest small performance facility in the southeastern United States, Spivey Hall. Now starting its 16th year, Spivey Hall retains its local, national and

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### Lisa Borders to Give Keynote Address

## New Student Convocation Set for August 27

Clayton State University's first New Student Convocation and Picnic will be held on Sunday, Aug. 27, starting at 3 p.m., in the University's Athletics & Fitness Center.

The Convocation, with a theme of "The Importance of Civic Engagement, Traditions and Pursuit of Academic Excellence" will be for all new students for the 2006 term along with Clayton State faculty and staff. Lisa Borders, president of the Atlanta City Council, will be the keynote speaker.

The Convocation will be a formal ceremony intended to inspire, motivate and officially welcome new students to Clayton State University. Faculty and staff who plan to participate in the event have been asked to wear their full academic regalia, also known as academic

robes, in honor of the formality of the event.

Immediately following the formal ceremony on Aug. 27, an interactive campus spirit activity and picnic are scheduled to provide an opportunity for new students to meet and connect with the faculty, staff and fellow classmates.

Media representatives wishing to cover the New Student Convocation and Picnic should contact Leigh G. Wills at (678) 466-4462 in the Clayton State Office of University Relations.

Borders was elected City Council president on Aug. 10, 2004 in her first run for political office. She also serves as a senior vice president with Cousins Properties

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# Clayton State Gears Up for Faculty/Staff Fund Drive

by John Shiffert, University Relations



Learn more about how you can give. Request a Faculty/Staff Fund Drive Brochure.

Clayton State University is gearing up for its annual Faculty/Staff Fund Drive. And no one is gearing up more than faculty and staff campaign chairs Dr. Lari Arjomand and Bob "The Painter" Ward.

Arjomand and Ward, along with the Development Office's Terri Taylor-Hamrick, hosted the first event of "Pathways to Excellence," the 2007 Faculty/Staff Fund Drive, on Tuesday, Aug. 22, with the orientation meeting for the various fund drive coordinators from across the campus. The distinguished group included such VIPs

as Dr. Charles Ford, Dr. Jacob Chacko, Dr. Susan Duley, Dr. Tom Barnett, Dr. Donna McCarthy, Valerie Lancaster, Pat Keane, Joann Quattlebaum, Amy Poole, Anita Mercer, Linda Castleberry... we could go on and on, but you get the picture... just about everyone who is anyone on campus was there.



The meeting served to provide basic information on this year's Fund Drive to the coordinators, including the key dates for this year's drive, lists of full-time employees by office, and the goals for this year. Once again, the participation goal is 100 percent, a lofty figure that Clayton State has

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## New Postage Codes In Effect August 26

Effective 0730 hours or 7:30 a.m., whichever is more convenient, on Aug. 26, the following changes for outgoing mail will be implemented:

Please review the mail codes Dirk Morrell sent all campus via email on Aug. 23, because some have changed. Mail codes must be on the envelopes, or if there is a stack of envelopes the top one must be marked. In the event the envelopes are not marked the mail cost will be charged to the department on the return address. If a generic envelope or label is used we have to open the mail to get the department.

Stacks of envelopes are no longer to be fanned. Just stack them with the flap down.

If you have any questions e-mail Morrell or call extension 4251.

## Laker Pride Goes Worldwide - Clayton State Homecoming, Oct. 14

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

Clayton State University is preparing for another special Homecoming this fall – "Laker Pride Goes World Wide" -- on Saturday, Oct. 14. The Homecoming Committee chose the theme as part of Clayton State's on-going initiative to promote international studies, by both students and faculty.

All week long the campus community can look forward to Intramural Flag Football Championships, Club Olympics Competition, and a Pep Rally plus this year's new attraction, Clayton State Night Live, highlighting Clayton State's faculty and staff doing their own rendition of Saturday Night Live, the longstanding comedy variety show.

An exclusive kids-only 3K (1.86 miles) road race, the "McElroy Kids Run," will kick off the Saturday festivities at 9 a.m. The elementary and middle school with the most finishers will receive a plaque while the fastest boy and girl will serve as Junior Grand Marshal of this year's parade. Back by popular demand, the "Dog Jog" will take place just prior to the parade, "marking" the parade route.

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## Even Math Majors Like to Have Fun

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

How do you define fun? If your passion is actuarial science with a focus on financial mathematics and risk analysis, or perhaps computational media and computer graphics design, or researching problems utilizing differential equations, then boy are you in for a romping good time as a math major. Sounds like loads of fun, doesn't it?

All kidding aside, Clayton State University math majors Can Nguyen, a junior from Morrow and Deniece Davis, president of the Clayton State Math Club and a junior from Decatur, have been living and breathing their love for mathematics this summer, together with their professor, Dr. Aprillya Lanz, thanks to a grant from the Mathematical Association of America (MAA), funded by the National Security Agency, the National Science Foundation and The Moody's Foundation.

The grant encourages faculty members to do undergraduate research with minority students to help prepare students for graduate school research. Nguyen and Davis must present their findings within one year at a conference somewhere other than Clayton State. The students, who spend some 40 hours per week in the lab plus homework, are awarded a \$3000 stipend upon completion of the project. They must work with a faculty member for about six weeks and share their results

in a 20 – 30 minute presentation, plus write a journal-type paper on their math problem. One math problem... 20-30 minutes... each.

The first two to three weeks of the project are spent getting instruction, like what "differential equations" are and learning the mechanics of research. For the most part, neither Nguyen nor Davis had a clue, but after just a few weeks, Lanz had them both up to speed and researching problems to prove, not solve, but prove, theories.

"It's important when working with undergraduate research that students learn 'how to' do research. This is not the time for them to create a theory, but to test one," says Lanz. "Research is not easy, everything is abstract. It involves a lot of calculus and there are a lot of road blocks that the students have to figure out how to get around."

Davis and Nguyen both have had Calculus I, II and III. (Isn't calculus something the dentist removes?)

Every year the MAA gives out undergraduate research grants. Lanz has applied for these grants previously, although this is the first year Clayton State has been awarded. With a fairly new math program and the math department still growing, the

Spring 2007 Graduation Application

# DEADLINE

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15, 2006



Submit your completed application along with your \$35 fee before the deadline.

Applications are available in the department of your major.

The Office of the Registrar will close at 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 15.

Please submit your application early. Do not wait until the last minute.

Applications may be submitted during the below days and times...

**Monday and Tuesday**  
8 a.m. – 7 p.m.

**Wednesday and Thursday**  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**Friday**  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

University does not as yet have an abundance of math majors. As a result, getting the grant this year was very exciting for Lanz since Clayton State just saw its first math major graduate this spring.

"The proposal had to be in by January and had to name each of the participants," says Lanz. "We found out in April that we had been awarded. It was very exciting and we're hoping we can do this again next year."

"I was very interested in learning about the type of research mathematicians do," says Davis. "I will be taking the course in

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# Arts Page

## Fall Visiting Writers Reading Series Begins Sept. 5

by Lauren Graves, University Relations

Clayton State University announces its fall 2006 Visiting Writers Reading Series, which will begin Tuesday, Sept. 5 with a reading by Robert Olen Butler who won the Pulitzer Prize for his collection of stories "A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain."

All readings begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in room 265 of the James M. Baker University Center unless otherwise noted. The Visiting Writers Reading Series is free and open to the public. For directions to the campus, visit [www.clayton.edu](http://www.clayton.edu).

Clayton State welcomes the following authors to read from their works in conjunction with this series:

The Visiting Writers Reading Series is sponsored by Lyceum and the Language and Literature Department. ■



**Robert Olen Butler**  
Tuesday, Sept. 5

Butler will read from his forthcoming fiction work "Severance." Four modern dance ballets based upon four of the stories in "Severance" were performed in Lyon, France, in the spring of 2005. Butler is the author of 10 novels and three collections of stories. A recipient of a Pulitzer Prize for fiction, a Guggenheim Fellowship in fiction, and a National Endowment for the Arts grant, he also won the Richard and Hinda Rosenthal Foundation Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters and was a finalist for the PEN/Faulkner Award. He has twice won a National Magazine Award in Fiction. His stories have appeared widely in such publications as "The New Yorker," "Esquire," "Harper's," "The Atlantic Monthly," and many others. He is the Francis Eppes Distinguished Professor holding the Michael Shaara Chair in Creative Writing at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida.



**Ken Foster (12:30 p.m.)**  
Monday, Sept. 25

Foster is the author of the bestselling nonfiction memoir, "The Dogs Who Found Me," and a collection of stories, "The Kind I'm Likely to Get," which was a New York Times Notable Book of the Year. He is also the editor of two anthologies: "The KGB Bar Reader" and "Dog Culture." His work has appeared in "The New York Times," "The Bark," "The Believer," "McSweeney's," "Urban Dog," "Salon," and others. Currently a visiting assistant professor of creative writing at Tulane University, he lives in New Orleans with his dogs Brando, Zephyr, and Sula.



**Tony Morris**  
Tuesday, Oct. 17

Morris is a poet, essayist, editor, and reviewer. His first collection of poems, "Fugue's End" won the 2004 Mary Belle Campbell Poetry Book Award, published by Birch Brook Press in September 2004. His most recent collection of poems, "Back to Cain," was published by The Olive Press in October 2005. Morris's work has been published in over 50 national journals, including: "Spoon River Review," "Hawaii Review," "Southern Poetry Review," "River Styx" and others. He currently teaches creative nonfiction and journalism at Armstrong-Atlantic State University and works as the managing editor of "Southern Poetry Review."



**Ralph Berry (UC 265)**  
Thursday, Nov. 9

Berry is a fiction writer and his most recent novel, "Frank," is an "unwriting" of Mary Shelley's "Frankenstein." His first collection of stories, "Plane Geometry and Other Affairs of the Heart," was chosen by Robert Coover as the 1985 Fiction Collective prize winner. His novel "Leonardo's Horse" was selected by the "New York Times Book Review" as one of 1998's notable books. He has also authored a collection of short stories titled "Dictionary of Modern Anguish" (2000). Berry's literary criticism has appeared in numerous books and journals. He is currently Professor of English at Florida State University where he has taught since 1986.



**Paul Shepherd**  
Tuesday, Nov. 28

Shepherd is a fiction writer and the author of "More Like Not Running Away." His work has appeared in "Crazyhorse," "Fiction," "Omni," "Prairie Schooner," "William and Mary Review," and others. He has served as Senior Editor of "International Quarterly," and as faculty advisor to award-winning college newspapers and literary magazines. Shepherd is currently a Writer in Residence at Florida State University.

### Pulitzer Prize Winner Robert Olen Butler To Begin Visiting Writers Reading Series

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## Arts Page



### Phillip DePoy's "Turned Funny" On Main Stage Through Sept. 24 At Marietta's Theatre in the Square

Phillip DePoy's latest work "Turned Funny," a play based on AJC columnist Celestine Sibley's memoir by the same name, is now in production at Marietta's Theatre in the Square through Sept. 24.

"Turned Funny" shows on the Main Stage Tuesday through Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. There is no 7 p.m. showing on the last Sunday of the run (Sept. 24). Tickets are \$22-\$33. To purchase tickets or to find out when week-day matinees are scheduled, please call the box office at (770) 422-8369. Tickets may also be purchased online at [www.theatreinthesquare.com](http://www.theatreinthesquare.com).

After a successful world premiere on Aug. 6, "Turned Funny" received praise from local theatre critics (The AJC's Wendell Brock gave it an "A") and impressed perhaps the play's most vested audience, Sibley's family and friends. In a second AJC review, Sibley's daughter Susan Bazemore was quoted saying, "We loved it... it captured the essence of mother."

Although theatre is fashioned for entertainment, DePoy wanted this production to be both entertaining and genuine. As a folklorist, DePoy saw importance in maintaining the integrity of Sibley's character and life, and spent long hours carefully transferring her memoir from the private medium of the written word to the public medium of the stage.

"This play is written as much by Celestine Sibley as by me," shares DePoy, who

wanted to preserve Sibley's candor and voice when he turned "Turned Funny" from memoir to script at the bequest of Theatre in the Square who commissioned him to write the play. "It has lots of her dialogue; lots of her words. It's as if Celestine Sibley is walking around on the stage."

Bazemore felt her mother's presence in the theatre while watching actress Linda Stephens take on the role of the beloved columnist. "Simple things like the way she put her sweater on and the way she moved. We sat and cried and cried," she said in Marcia Langhenry's AJC review.

In addition to his ability to bring words to life, audiences see another side of DePoy – his musical talent. According to Brock, DePoy's folk and blues tunes, some original and some traditional, help build transitions and allow for moments of reflection.

"I talked to Celestine's family to see what kind of music she liked," says DePoy, who wanted to make sure that the play connected with Sibley on a musical level. "Some of her favorites included pre-bluegrass, traditional, sacred harp, and parlor songs, which were very popular in the pre- to early radio days."

For those who knew Sibley, "Turned Funny" sets the stage for a reunion with an old friend. And to those who have never met her, DePoy's work creates an atmosphere where Sibley's Southern humor and her talent for spinning a yarn

### Will Melton Wins SCADemy Award

Clayton State University music major Will Melton recently received the 2006 SCADemy Best Original Score Award from the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) for music he composed for the short film, "An Abstraction on the Chronology of Will."

A pupil of Dr. Chris Arrell, director of Theory and Composition for the Clayton State Department of Music, Melton is a resident of Fayetteville and a graduate of Sandy Creek High School who is starting his third year at Clayton State this fall semester.

"An Abstraction on the Chronology of Will" was produced by SCAD students Ben Collins (a high school classmate of Melton's) and Kevin Phillips and also won the 2006 SCADemy Best Picture Award.

live on – brought to life each performance through the magic of theatre.

"Turned Funny" is directed by Fred Chappell, former artistic director of the Alliance Theatre. In addition to Stephens, the cast features Jill Jane Clements and Ric Reitz. Special thanks to Musical Director Kevin Sanders. "Turned Funny" holds the honor of opening Theatre in the Square's 25th season.

DePoy, a resident of Atlanta, is artistic director of Clayton State Theater and teaches theatre courses at Clayton State University. His Flap Tucker series of mystery novels has been slated to become an HBO television production and has been nominated for the prestigious Shamus Award. His play "Easy" won the 2004 Edgar Award, the equivalent to the Oscar in playwriting. His play "Lamb on Fire" was produced in New York, and his play "Appalachian Christmas Homecoming" has been produced around the United States since 1991. DePoy's latest novel, "The Widow's Curse," is the fourth novel in his Fever Devilin series and is currently in production through St. Martin's Press. ■

# Across the Campus

## Athletics

Clayton State men's head basketball coach Gordon Gibbons wasted little time filling the void in his coaching staff left when Cory Baldwin left for the head coaching position at Truett-McConnell College. Gibbons has announced the hiring of Andy Harre as assistant men's basketball coach at Clayton State. Harre joins the Laker fold after spending last season as men's assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Seminole Community College in Florida.

## Career Services

Students are seeking on-campus employment! If you have a need for a student worker in your area, please fill out the online Job Order Form found at <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/career/administration.htm>. Let Career Services



## COMING SOON IN LAKERLINES...

*From the Office of  
University Image and Communications*

## Image Book & Web Tips

Receive a new tip each LakerLines to help keep you current on the Image Book policies that must be followed when promoting Clayton State University to internal and external audiences.

assist you in making a connection with qualified students.

## Clayton State Theater

Audition for the Clayton State Theatre... Auditions for one act plays to be presented by the Clayton State Theatre in November 2006 will be held in room 132 of the Arts & Sciences Building on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 30 and Aug. 31 from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cold readings, no audition piece required. Questions? Contact Phillip DePoy at [phillipdepoy@clayton.edu](mailto:phillipdepoy@clayton.edu).

## Financial Aid

After 21 years of faithful service to Clayton State, Sherry Barwick is retiring. In honor of her dedication to the University, the Office of Financial Aid will be hosting a retirement reception on Thursday Aug. 31, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in suite 148 on the lower level of the Student Center.

## Public Safety

On Aug. 14, three Clayton State employees won the random drawings from their Clean Air Campaign's Commute Logs submitted to University RideShare. The winners were Pat Jackson, Dining Services (\$20 Wal-Mart gift card); Gordon Baker, Library (\$15 Wal-Mart gift card); and JoAnn Quattlebaum, CAC (\$10 Wal-Mart gift card). This program is open to all Clayton State employees, no carpooling or alternate transportation required. Contact Joan Murphy for more information: (678) 466-4050/4262.

## SBDC

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Clayton State will be offering a franchising seminar on Thursday, Sept. 14. "This seminar is full of information on making the transition from employee to franchise owner," says SBDC Area Director Cecil McDaniel. "You can receive guidance on researching a franchise, avoiding costly pitfalls, and selecting a franchise that is right for you." The seminar will be held in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 14. To register on-line visit [www.clayton.edu](http://www.clayton.edu) or call (678) 466-5050 using your credit

card. For more information call the SBDC at (678) 466-5100.

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Clayton State University's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is now offering its Entrepreneurial Success Series... and interested individuals should not wait to sign up, since space is limited. This five course module program has been designed to prepare enrollees to start a business or successfully manage their current business. The cost for the entire series is \$199 or courses may be taken separately at \$54 each. Classes will be held by SBDC at Clayton State's Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education on Tuesdays from Sept. 12 through Oct. 10 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. To register on-line visit [www.clayton.edu](http://www.clayton.edu) or call (678) 466-5050 using a credit card. For more information, call the SBDC at (678) 466-5100.

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If you own a small business or plan to start one, Clayton State's small Business Development Center (SBDC) has an event for you. A free open house will be held by SBDC at Clayton State's Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education on Wednesday, Sept. 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Attendees to this small business orientation can meet the Clayton State Small Business Development Center staff, see how SBDC can make a difference in business, learn about SBDC services and even let the SBDC staff recommend a specific training program. To register on-line, visit [www.clayton.edu](http://www.clayton.edu) or call (678) 466-5050 and use a credit card. For more information, call the Small Business Development Center at (678) 466-5100.

## Spivey Hall

Candidates for the position of Executive and Artistic Director of Spivey Hall will be interviewed on campus during the last week of August. Gail Berman, an arts presenter from New York City, Janet Jarriel, director of an artists' agency based in Macon, and Sam Dixon, acting executive and artistic director of Spivey Hall, will make presentations from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in room 267 of the Baker Center on Tuesday, Aug. 29, Wednesday, Aug. 30,



## Across the Campus

and Thursday, Aug. 31, respectively. All are invited to attend.

### Student Affairs

Bates Canon, director of Counseling Services, has announced his resignation to take a position with Warren Wilson College in Western North Carolina. His last day on campus will be Sept. 15. Canon has been a part of the Clayton State University family for 10 years, serving initially as director of Counseling, Advising, and Retention; then director of Counseling and Career Services; and finally director of Counseling. It is expected that in the next month the Division of Student Affairs will launch a national search for a new director of Counseling Services.

### The Hub

Due to a defect in certain Dell laptop batteries, Dell Computers is voluntarily recalling those batteries that may over-heat. Technical Support encourages all faculty and staff to go online to <https://www.dellbatteryprogram.com/Default.aspx> and check to see if your battery may be affected. If your battery comes up

as eligible for the recall please contact the HUB. The HUB will process the replacement of the battery. If your battery has been recalled you should only operate your notebook computer with the AC adapter until your battery has been replaced.

### University Relations

The Office of University Relations is updating the Clayton State Experts' List. This list will be posted on-line later this semester for the benefit of the news media. The list will be in alpha order by topic, so that a reporter who wants to speak to an expert on say, the Cola Wars, will find Dr. Randy Clark so-listed. Similarly, if WSB is doing a story on bats or blacksmithing, they can find Dr. Stephen Burnett for the former and Dr. Tom Eddins for the latter. If you have expertise that you would be willing to share with the media, in either your professional field, or another field of personal interest, please contact Director of University Relations John Shiffert at [johnshiffert@clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@clayton.edu). This program is open to all Clayton State faculty and staff (including retirees).

### Life's Transitions...

*Cathy Brooks' (SmartBodies) father, Prentice Rowe of Chattanooga, Tn., passed away on the morning of Friday, Aug. 11.*

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*Public Services Librarian Joan Taylor's mother, Helen McRae of Hampton, Ga., passed away Aug. 22 at the Westbury Nursing Home in Jackson, Ga. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations in her memory to the First Baptist Church of Forest Park, RBC Ministries, The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association or The Salvation Army. Funeral services were held on Friday, Aug. at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of the First Baptist Church of Forest Park with the Rev. Doyle Oliver officiating.*

## Career Services Welcomes Employers at Open House

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

Clayton State University's Office of Career Services opened the doors to their new office space on Aug. 15 at an Open House celebration in honor of the many employers who support the University and its students. Of the 38 attendees, several were long-time supporters, including FedEx Ground, ProLogistix, Fastenal and The Home Depot.

Also in attendance were university administrators Dr. Brian Haynes, vice president, and Dr. Elaine Manglitz, assistant vice president of Student Affairs, Ernest "Bud" Miller, dean of the School of Business, Dorothy Herzberg from the Career Resource Center in Jonesboro, Reda Rowell, director of Development, and Diane Burns, director of the Degree Completion Program.

Career Services Director Angelyn Hayes and Employer Relations Coordinator,



Left to right, Kathryn Dunn, Vice-President, and Cicely Thomas Office Manager, Human Resources & Administration, Lanier Parking Systems enjoy the festivities at Tuesday's Open House with Angelyn Hayes, Director of Career Services.

Joan McElroy, along with Adriane Willis, career specialist and Phyllis Porter, student assistant, hosted the event, which included a grand tour of the new offices, a sandwich and salad bar (complete with

lemonade and homemade cookies) and a door prize drawing at the end of the evening.

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## Pulitzer Prize Winner Begins Visiting Writers Reading Series

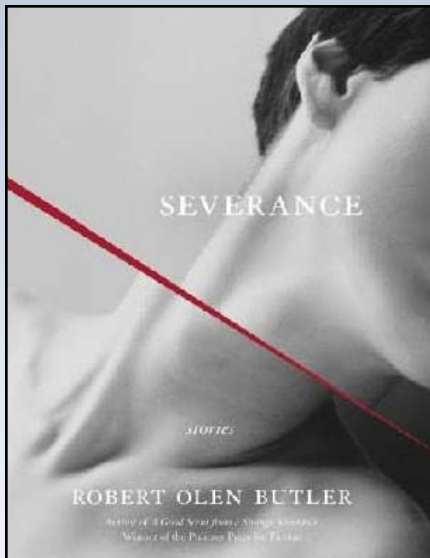
by Lauren Graves, University Relations

Clayton State welcomes Pulitzer Prize winning fiction novelist Robert Olen Butler to campus on Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in room 265 of the James M. Baker University Center.

Butler will read from his latest work, "Severance" (Chronicle Books, forthcoming September 2006) as the first program in the University's Fall 2006 Visiting Writer's Reading Series. "Severance" is a witty collection of 62 short stories that takes the historically macabre topic of decapitation and invokes scientific theory, historical characters and poetic license to imagine what thoughts and feelings go through a person's mind after their heads have been severed.

Butler creatively builds on the notion that human head retains consciousness for one and a half minutes after decapitation and has the capacity to continue speech at the rate of 160 words per minute. His talking heads include real and imagined characters such as Medusa (beheaded by Perseus, 2000 BC), Anne Boleyn (beheaded at the behest of Henry VIII, 1536), a chicken (beheaded for Sunday dinner, Alabama, 1958), and the author (decapitated, on the job, 2008).

"This is one of Butler's first public readings from this work," says Clayton State Assistant Professor of English Dr. Brigitte Byrd who invited Butler to read as part of the Visiting Writer's Reading Series. "We read his work last academic year, and it is part



of the reading this year. Students really love his stories, so his visit to our campus is a fantastic opportunity for them to finally meet him in person."

Butler is the author of 10 novels and three collections of stories. A recipient of a Pulitzer Prize for fiction, a Guggenheim

Fellowship in fiction, and a National Endowment for the Arts grant, he also won the Richard and Hinda Rosenthal Foundation Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters and was a finalist for the PEN/Faulkner Award. He has twice won a National Magazine Award in Fiction.

His stories have appeared in "The New Yorker," "Esquire," "The Paris Review," "The Sewanee Review," "Best American Short Stories," "New Stories from the South," and many other journals. He holds a distinguished Frances Eppes Professorship at Florida State University.

Butler's visit marks the first of five public readings in Clayton State's Fall 2006 Visiting Writers Reading Series and is free and open to the public. For directions to campus, visit [www.clayton.edu](http://www.clayton.edu).

For additional information on Butler's visit, or to learn more about the fall 2006 Visiting Writers Reading Series, please contact [BrigitteByrd@clayton.edu](mailto:BrigitteByrd@clayton.edu) or call (678) 466-4556 ■

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Inc., an Atlanta-based real estate investment trust where her duties include external affairs, marketing, communications and community reinvestment. Previously, Borders worked in the health care field for more than 15 years, serving as the chief administrator for Atlanta Women's Specialists and as VP-Operations for Healthcap Atlanta.

Her community work has primarily focused on women and children's issues in the areas of education, healthcare and housing. She serves as a trustee at the Westminster Schools, a board member at Clark Atlanta University, and as a director of Saint Joseph's Healthcare System.

Borders holds a Bachelor's Degree from Duke University and a Masters of Science in Health Administration from the University of Colorado. ■

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differential equations this fall and feel better prepared for it after this project."

"Anything new is a good experience," says Nguyen. "This has been very interesting."

According to Lanz this has been a good life experience, not just a math experience. Every Friday, the research crew takes a break and does something fun together, a social activity; whether it's go to the movies or white water rafting... their last adventure of the summer.

Says Nguyen of Lanz, "as a teacher, you really have to understand this stuff to teach it; you can't fake it."

"I've worked them very hard," responds Lanz, swallowing a lump in her throat. "But as a teacher, seeing your students clicking, it's, it's..."

It's just all fun. ■



# Alumni/Development

## The Changing Face of the Clayton State Alumni Association

by John Shiffert, University Relations



### New Pages Added to Clayton State Alumni Website

The Clayton State University Alumni Association and Department of Alumni Relations have added two new sections of pages to their recently unveiled web-site.

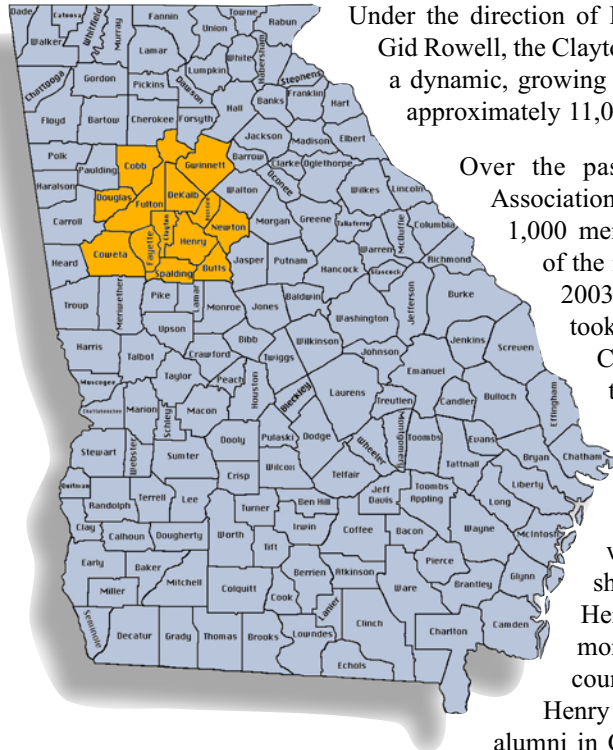
The two new additions to the site, which was initially launched earlier this summer, are a “Lost Alumni” section and a page allowing Alumni to submit “Class Notes” online.

“We’ve had a lot of positive response about our improved site, and we will continue to build on it,” said Gid Rowell, director of Alumni Relations. “I think we have a good foundation, and hope we can add some more interactive features in the near future.”

The “Lost Alumni” pages will help the Association reconnect with Alumni it has lost contact with over the years, while the new “Class Notes” page will allow alumni to submit their career and personal updates with the click of a button.

To access the new pages, please visit the Clayton State Alumni site at [www.clayton.edu/alumni2.htm](http://www.clayton.edu/alumni2.htm). For more information or questions, please contact Rowell at (678) 466-4477.

Other counties with significant numbers of Clayton State alumni include Pike, Cherokee, Hall, Paulding, Forsyth, Walton, Lamar and Carroll. ■



Under the direction of Director of Alumni Relations Gid Rowell, the Clayton State Alumni Association is a dynamic, growing organization, now numbering approximately 11,000 individuals.

Over the past three years, the Alumni Association has not only added close to 1,000 members, but the demographics of the membership have changed. In 2003, the last time Clayton State took stock of its alumni, Clayton County, as had been the case throughout the University’s history, had more former Lakers than any other county in the State of Georgia. Imagine then the surprise when Rowell’s latest tally showed that, for the first time, Henry County was the home of more Clayton State alums. The count was close, 2420 alumni in Henry County as opposed to 2416 alumni in Clayton County, but there are

now more members of the Alumni Association in Henry County than in any other political division.

That’s not the only change in the county ranking since 2003. Fulton and Cobb counties also showed growth among the alumni, with Fulton moving from fifth to fourth place and Cobb from ninth to eighth place. In fact, Fulton picked up more Clayton State alumni in total (384... a 40 percent increase) in the past three years than any other county in the state, save Henry. Significant percentage gains were also made in Spalding and Newton counties, both of which have 66 more alumni than in 2003, representing a 46 percent increase for Newton and a 34 percent increase for Spalding.

Counties With 100 Or More Alumni (2006)	
Henry	2420 (425)
Clayton	2416 (206)
Fayette	1223 (146)
Fulton	956 (384)
DeKalb	700 (112)
Coweta	634 (69)
Gwinnett	355 (61)
Cobb	293 (49)
Rockdale	281 (22)
Spalding	258 (66)
Newton	214 (66)
Douglas	125 (9)
Butts	103 (4)

Counties With 100 Or More Alumni (2003)	
Clayton	2210
Henry	1995
Fayette	1077
DeKalb	588
Fulton	572
Coweta	565
Gwinnett	294
Rockdale	259
Cobb	244
Spalding	192
Newton	148
Douglas	116
Butts	99

In all, 13 counties among the 97 in Georgia represented by Clayton State alumni now have 100 or more alumni. The 2003 list of the top 13 counties is listed in the box to the right.

In 2006, Clayton, Henry, Fayette, DeKalb, Fulton and Coweta counties continue to represent the “big six” as far as total alumni population. The 2006 list of the top 13 (increase from 2003 in parentheses) can be found in the box to the left.

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The Homecoming Parade and Carnival festivities begin at noon, preceded by long-time community favorite, the Alumni Pancake Breakfast at 9:30 a.m., held this year in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education. Beginning at 3:30 p.m., the Clayton State Lakers women's and men's soccer teams will pair up on the soccer fields against Lincoln Memorial University and Francis Marion University respectively.

The Clayton State University Alumni Association welcomes Clayton, Henry, Fulton, Fayette and all surrounding communities as well as all Clayton State alumni – from 1969 to 2006 -- to join in the fun this October as Laker Pride Goes World Wide for Homecoming 2006. ■



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**Homecoming 2006**

*Laker Pride Goes Worldwide*

Join the festivities  
October 9th - October 14th  
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Saturday, October 14th:  
McElroy 5K - 9 a.m.  
Alumni Pancake Breakfast - 9:30 a.m. *Public Invited!*  
Homecoming Parade & Carnival - Noon  
Laker Soccer Matches - 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.  
For general Homecoming questions,  
please call (678) 466-4462  
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international reputation by presenting the best in jazz and classical music and an education outreach program that serves thousands of school children from throughout metro Atlanta annually.

When Downs retired at the end of 1994 after 25 years as president, Dr. Richard A. Skinner was named Clayton State's second president and proceeded to take the college to the next level, university status, in November 1996. Skinner's tenure at Clayton State was highlighted by the January 1998 implementation of the Information Technology Project (ITP), whereby Clayton State became just the third public university in the country to supply all of its students with notebook computers. ITP continues to this day, except that all students are now required to have access to a notebook computer, instead of the University supplying same. The University's emphasis on technology was also typified by the start of a new school, now known as the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences, also in 1998.

In June 1999, Skinner left Clayton State to head the University System of Georgia's

new distance learning initiative – Georgia GLOBE. Michael F. Vollmer, Clayton State's acting vice president for Fiscal Affairs, and now Commissioner of the Department of Technical and Adult Education, served as interim president for one year until current President Dr. Thomas K. Harden took office in June 2000.

The James M. Baker University Center, Clayton State's signature building, was completed in August 2004 and named in honor of Clayton State alumnus James M. "Jim" Baker in November 2005, providing the University with a true "Center" for student life. The building contains a food service area, bookstore, state-of-the-art visual technology classrooms, offices and enhanced learning facilities including wireless capabilities and more than 2,000 data drops.

The past three years at Clayton State have also been highlighted by the establishment of the first joint state and federal archives facilities adjacent to campus, the institution of a comprehensive strategic planning process, the reaffirmation of the University's accreditation by the

Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the May 18, 2005 announcement by the Board of Regents that the University's name had been changed to Clayton State University.

As Clayton State prepared to enter its 38th year, the University had already seen yet another major step forward. On Apr. 10, 2006 the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International notified the School of Business that it had been awarded the Association's coveted accreditation... "the gold standard of management education," according to School of Business Dean Ernest Miller. ■





D. Rolando Cornejo Cuervo, rector of San Agustin National University in Arequipa, welcomes Jeffrey Chastine to the University.

### Fund Drive, cont'd. from p. 2

reached twice in the past four years while compiling an overall average participation rate for those four years of 99 percent. (Taylor-Hamrick notes that a typical participation rate at a typical college is around 50 percent.) The fund-raising goal for 2006 is \$88,000... just a little higher than the total amount raised last year.

"I want to encourage everyone to participate," says Ward. "I encourage everybody to take pride in their school like I do."

"I am proud of the faculty and staff of this University for their contributions in past years," adds Arjomand. "I am proud that among our sister institutions we are number one in regard to internal fund-raising.

"I'm sure we can do it again this year."

The schedule for the 2007 Clayton State Faculty/Staff Fund Drive, "Pathways to Excellence" is as follows...

#### Week of Sept. 5 Faculty/Staff Fund Drive Kickoff

**Sept. 21**  
Mid-Fund Drive Hot Dog Rally, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the Quad

**Oct. 6**  
Final Day of Fund Drive and last day for 100 percent participation pizza parties

**Nov. 7-10 and 14-17**  
Pizza parties for 100 percent participation groups

Inquiries regarding the Fund Drive should be directed to Taylor-Hamrick at extension 4475, or the Development Office at extension 4470. ■

## Jeff Chastine Teaches Computer Science in Peru

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

Clayton State University Assistant Professor of Information Technology Jeffrey Chastine visited Peru this summer as part of an on-going intellectual exchange initiative by Clayton State University's Office of International Education. The month-long "Maymester" is not unique to the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences (CIMS) professor, but what is unique is he taught his lessons in Spanish.

Last fall Clayton State welcomed Peruvian Information Technology Instructor Dr. Elizabeth Vidal from San Agustin National University (UNSA) in Arequipa, who taught two classes for CIMS. The relationship with Clayton State and San Agustin began in 2003 when CIMS faculty members Larry and Vickie Booth visited Peru on a trip sponsored by the University System of Georgia's Board of Regents Americas Council.

San Agustin had expressed an interest in establishing a continuing faculty exchange with Clayton State. Requiring a written agreement between presidents

of both universities, Dr. Charles Ford, dean of CIMS, Dr. Robert Welborn, director of the Office of International Education, Larry Booth and Chastine, coordinated a tentative faculty exchange agreement and Chastine was selected as the first Clayton State professor to go to San Agustin University this past May.

Chastine and his family spent one month as guests of Vidal and her husband Alberto in Arequipa, who helped Chastine translate his instructional slides into Spanish.

"It made a huge difference," said Chastine. "My slides are usually terse allowing me to tell a related concept or story. [At San Agustin the slides] acted more like a translator.

"At first it was a little awkward getting [the students] to relax and respond to my questions," continues Chastine. "Describing things as 'muy bacan,' something only younger folks say, meaning 'very cool,' helped a great deal. They also helped me with my Spanish

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# Angelyn Hayes Attends GeorgiaHIRE Press Conference Given by Gov. Sonny Purdue

by Leigh G. Wills, University Relations

Director of Career Services at Clayton State University, Angelyn Hayes, attended a press conference on Monday given by Gov. Sonny Purdue to announce that the state's 34 technical colleges have joined Georgia's public and private post-secondary institutions in utilizing GeorgiaHIRE, an online database of Georgia college students and graduates.

The addition of the state's technical colleges to the database will give Georgia employers an even broader pool from which to draw potential employees. The innovative employment search engine was created by the University Systems of Georgia's Intellectual Capital Partnership Program (ICAPP) in 1999 to help meet the needs of employers by providing access to talent from the state's public colleges and universities.

Joining Purdue for the announcement were University of Georgia Chancellor Erroll B. Davis and former interim President of Clayton State University and current Commissioner of the Department of Technical and Adult Education (DTAE), Mike Vollmer.

"On behalf of the state's technical colleges, we are delighted to be part of the successful GeorgiaHIRE program," said Vollmer in a press release from the Governors office Monday.

Employers can search the website 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and it allows any Georgia company, regardless of size to access talent from around the state. There is no cost to students at participating institutions to post a resume on the site or for companies to search the resumes.

"The state's public higher education systems – the University System and DTAE – have a major role and responsibility in driving Georgia's economic growth," said Davis. "A key part is producing the graduates that Georgia businesses need, and just as importantly, providing employers efficient and effective access to those graduates."

Hayes was invited to attend the press conference by Kristie Couch, director of GeorgiaHIRE. Hayes notes that Clayton State University has participated in the

program since its inception in 1999. The program originally began as the vision of Career Services directors in Georgia and has since expanded to include more than 90 colleges and universities statewide. Clayton State's School of Technology is also a part of DTAE, one of only two instances in the state where a four-year unit of the University System of Georgia also houses a technical college.

A side note at the press conference was Hayes' exchange with Rep. Bill Hembree, chair of the Higher Education Committee of the House of Representatives who noted, "I have a picture of your campus in my office."

The picture hangs in Hembree's office as a result of influence from former Clayton State student, Ryan Breniman, who served as part of the Georgia Legislative Internship Program in Hembree's office in spring 2005. When Breniman saw photos of Georgia Tech and the University of Georgia hanging in Hembree's office, he determined that Hembree should have a photo of Clayton State. And so he does. ■

## *Assistant to the Stars* WORKSHOP



## Clayton State to Host Celebrity And V.I.P. Personal Assistant Conference

Every celebrity worth his or her salt has "my people." If you ever wanted to be one of those people, here's your chance.

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.

The conference will include track sessions for both celebrity personal assistants and

executive assistants, as well as separate sessions on building a mobile office, organizing yourself, starting your own concierge service, event planning and VIP travel and security. Joint afternoon sessions will discuss ethics, resumes and interviews and conclude with a special VIP assistant panel.

The keynote speaker will be Nan DeMars, an internationally-recognized Office Ethics seminar leader, keynote speaker, author, columnist, media talk-show guest and trainer of more than 100,000 office professionals. She is author of the book, "You Want Me To Do WHAT? When,

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## Tokyo's Mitsuwa Company Sending Employees to Fulton County Culinary Arts Program

The Mitsuwa Company of Tokyo is partnering with Clayton State University to send Mitsuwa employees to attend the Culinary Arts Certificate program held at Riverwood High School in north Fulton County under the aegis of the University's Division of Continuing Education.

Mitsuwa is a large food manufacturer in Japan, selling rice and noodles as well as owning noodle restaurants. The company is preparing to open a soba noodle restaurant in metro Atlanta some time next year as a test market prototype prior to expanding their operation into the United States. Clayton State, in addition to providing access to the Culinary Arts program, will be acting as a business consultant with Mitsuwa in addition to helping the



Japanese firm with arrangements for their employees.

"Our chefs will help Mitsuwa to perfect the recipes to suit American tastes; one of my marketing/business consultants will provide assistance to

them as they do feasibility studies and a marketing plan," notes Clayton State's Janet Winkler, who will also be working with Mitsuwa President Jun Ogawa to provide assistance in arranging host families and English classes for the Mitsuwa employees.

As part of the requirements for the Culinary Certificate program, the Mitsuwa employees will also do an internship at the East Lake Country Club and the Atlanta Athletic Club. ■

## Continuing Education Expands Spanish Instruction

Clayton State University's Division of Continuing Education has expanded its Spanish Language program by introducing a new Conversational Spanish I course.

This conversation-centered class will allow students with higher level Spanish abilities to continue developing their skills. It is also beneficial for students who have completed Spanish Levels five and six. Listening and speaking will be emphasized as individuals explore grammatical structures, targeted vocabulary and idiomatic expressions. Students will have opportunities to practice and apply Spanish skills through role-play, group discussions and conversation.

Taught by Sylvia Iacobucci, Conversational Spanish I will meet

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and we kept a running list of words on the board for reference."

Chastine taught three weeks of network programming, one week-end of a master-level course on virtual and augmented reality, gave several lectures to both faculty and students and was interviewed on television during his month in Arequipa. Despite his rigorous schedule, he and his family found time to site-see during his time off.

"Arequipa is a large city (more than 1 million people), so there were all kinds of new foods to try and sites to see," he says. "We went out and saw something almost every day, such as museums, cathedrals and the country side – all while being surrounded by the Andes mountains."

The Chastines were particularly interested in the day-to-day lives of the Peruvians,

visiting open-air markets and "the bull-fights" where the bulls fought each other. They visited Vidal's parents in Ilo, a vacation city for Bolivians on the Pacific coast not commonly visited by tourists.

"My two blonde-headed sons drew a lot of attention," he said. "People were constantly taking pictures of or even with them to the point that cars slowed down or stopped to take pictures. As a joke I started telling people it would cost them one sol, or about .33 cents."

Naturally, one cannot visit Peru without seeing Machu Picchu, "of which words can't describe," said Chastine. But oddly enough, he goes on, the family's favorite pastime was eating, especially the large pieces of cake every night after dinner.

"Somehow, when I returned home, I weighed 13 pounds less than when I left!

I'm still trying to figure that one out," he says.

Chastine's airfare was financed by Clayton State's Office of International Education. He also received a small stipend from UNSA and continued to receive his regular salary from Clayton State.

"Without trying to sound cliché, this was an experience of a lifetime." He said. "It is easy to get in a rut and doing something like this certainly breaks the cycle. Every day we experienced something new and we have a thousand stories to tell.

"Hey, did I ever tell you about the time I was on Peruvian TV being interviewed in Spanish? Well, on my second day in Arequipa..." ■

## Quick Tips on Grants

One of the most important skills every grant seeker should have is a basic understanding of the jargon commonly used in the grants field. This funding dictionary, reprinted from the Aug. 14, 2006 issue of Local/State Funding Report by Thompson Publishing, provides definitions for some of the critical terms individuals come across while seeking funding.

### Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

A database maintained by the federal government's General Services Administration that lists the majority of grant and aid programs offered by a variety of federal agencies. The CFDA provides information about a program's authorization, fiscal details, accomplishments, regulations, guidelines, eligibility requirements and contract information, and outlines the process for applying for funds. Although it is updated on a regular basis, not all federal grant and aid programs are listed in the CFDA.

### Cooperative agreement

A type of federal assistance that brings an agency's involvement along with its grant dollars. Funds are awarded under a cooperative agreement when the funding agency will fund a project and anticipates having substantial involvement in designing and operating it during the funding period.

### Discretionary grant

The most common federal financial award. Assistance through a discretionary grant may be in the form of money, or property in lieu of money. Most discretionary grants are made based on a competitive review process.

### Funding priorities

A means of focusing a competition on the areas in which the grant making agency is particularly interested in receiving applications. Grant seekers must pay particular attention to funding priorities, which include:

- Absolute priorities, which the application must address in order to be considered for funding;
- Competitive priorities, which the applicant has the option of addressing and for which they

will receive additional consideration points; and

- Invitational priorities, which the applicant is encouraged but not required to address.

Applications addressing invitational priorities receive no competitive or absolute preference over applications that do not meet the priority.

### Grant agreement

A formal arrangement entered into by a grantee and a grantor that commits the grantee to carry out certain activities, within a stipulated time frame, for a specific amount of money. The grant agreement often refers to or incorporates regulations that govern the use of grant funds.

### In-kind contribution

A non-cash donation of labor, facilities or equipment to carry out a project.

### Matching funds

Many funding agencies will pay only part of a project's cost. The grantee is required to pay the difference with money or non-cash donations from other sources. The funds are known as "matching funds" or the "match".

### Pre-application

A condensed version of an application. A pre-application is sometimes submitted before a full application is prepared and is used by grant makers to determine which applicants will be invited to submit a full application.

### Request for Proposals (RFP)

A solicitation by a grantor seeking applications from potential grantees; it also is used by grantees to hire professional services.

Please visit the following site <http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/grants/> for information on Clayton State's grant submittal process, F&A cost rates, and other grant writing resources. Don't hesitate to call 678-466-4283 for assistance as you begin your grant writing activities. ■

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Employers got the opportunity to network with each other and the Clayton State staff for about an hour and a half and many lingered well after to reminisce and talk shop. Employer representatives included Clayton State alumni who swapped stories about professors, classmates and the changing Clayton State University landscape.

The Office of Career Services hosts and sponsors several job fairs throughout the school year and provides a variety of services to students and employers. Career Services invites students, employers and alumni to stop by their new offices on the second floor of the Student Center or contact them by phone at (678) 466-5400.

Be sure to visit their website <http://adminsivices.clayton.edu/career/> to see a list of their sponsors, employer services and calendar of seminars and job fairs. ■

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Where And How To Draw The Line At Work" (1998, Simon & Schuster).

The president of Executary Services, a Minneapolis-based consulting firm providing office ethics seminars, consulting and placement services for the administrative professional, she is also the office ethics columnist for OfficePro Magazine, the Bureau of Business Practice and Dartnell's Nine to Five publications, as well as CBS affiliate WCCO Radio's "Ethicist" expert.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota with a B.A. degree in Business Administration, DeMars has earned her Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) rating. She was executive assistant to the chairman of a Minnesota corporation for more than 20 years and served as the firm's Corporate Secretary. She has also served as International President of the International Association of Administrative Professionals. ■



## Alumni Association Holds Third Annual Women's Alumni Soccer Game

by Gid Rowell Alumni Relations

It was just like old times on Saturday, Aug. 19 for a number of Clayton State Alumni soccer players... only on Sunday morning many of them probably woke up with a bit more soreness than they remember in their younger days as the Clayton State Alumni Association sponsored its third annual Alumni Women's Soccer match with 18 former Lakers facing off against the 2006 Clayton State women's team.

On hand for Saturday's game were two alumni from Clayton State's first team in 1995. Along with Gina Papa and Stacey Gaines, off that first team, Zulynette Olivo, Debby Okosieme, Tiffany Bales,

Nkiru Okosieme, Michelle Smith, Kiera Morris, Julie (Washo) Mangarelli, Jill Kowalczyk, Jennifer Balsamo, Leah (Pharr) McClure, Caryn Carpenter, Sara Kulina, Jocelyn Okoro, Florence Okpala, Judith Chime and Tiffany Cavin played in the contest.

The Alums haven't lost a step over the years, tying the nationally-ranked Lakers 1-1. McClure evened the score with a goal late in the match off a pass from Nkiru Okosieme.

Afterwards, both teams enjoyed pizza in the Athletics & Fitness Center. ■



### Trivia Time

## These Swans Don't Sing

by John Shiffert, University Relations

They're mute swans.

Besides, they're not ready for their Clayton State swan song... they've been on campus since 1993, starting with the first pair (donated to the college), Rhett and Scarlett.

Next came the answer to our last question, Ashley and Melanie. The current pair are Belle and an as-yet unnamed male. (This is an oversight that needs to be corrected... any suggestions?)

First with the correct answer to the names of the second set of Clayton State's "Gone With The Wind" swans was Todd Birchfield, followed by Norman Grizzell, Fatimah Taherbahi, Bob Caine, B.D. Stillion, Cathy Jeffrey and Barbara King.

While pondering the issue of a good name for the latest male swan (the offspring of Ashley and Belle), let's stay outside on campus and ask who has been Clayton State's most dedicated lunchtime walker around campus over the past decade or so. Send your answers, and swan suggestions, to [johnshiffert@clayton.edu](mailto:johnshiffert@clayton.edu).

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Saturdays from Sept. 9 to Oct. 28, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Harry S. Downs Center for Continuing Education. The course costs \$159 for the eight weeks.

For more information on Conversational Spanish I, or any of Clayton State Continuing Education's exciting new career courses, or to view the fall 2006 course catalog online, go to [www.conted.clayton.edu](http://www.conted.clayton.edu) or call (678) 466-5050. ■



## Sports Page

# Soccer Teams Ranked Eight, 19th in Preseason Polls

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

With the 2006 men's soccer season on the horizon, the Clayton State Laker men's soccer team is already reaping the rewards for the ultra success of the past couple of the season. The NSCAA (National Soccer Coaches Association of America) released its 2006 Division II national Top 25 poll on Monday, and the Lakers are ranked eighth.

On Tuesday, the NSCAA released its women's 2006 Division II national Top 25 poll, and the Lakers are ranked tied for 19th.

Head coach Pete Petersen's men's squad finished 13-4-4 last season, winning both the Peach Belt Conference regular season and tournament championships and advanced to the "Sweet 16" of the NCAA Division II National Tournament for a second straight season. The Lakers are the second-highest ranked team from the Southeast Region. Carson-Newman is ranked sixth, while Lander is ranked 14th,

Catawba is ranked 15th and UNC-Pembroke and Tusculum are tied for 23rd. Three of those five teams (Lander, UNC-Pembroke and Tusculum) are on the Clayton State schedule this season.

Clayton State is tied with Cal State-Dominguez Hills for 19th in the women's poll, and the Lakers are the only team from the Peach Belt Conference that's ranked in the preseason women's Top 25 poll.

Head coach Totty O. Totty's team finished 15-3-2 last season for the best season in the history of Clayton State women's soccer. In addition, the Lakers also won both the Peach Belt Conference regular season and tournament championships and advanced to the NCAA Division II National Tournament for a second straight season.

The Lakers are the third-highest ranked team from the Southeast Region. Carson-Newman is ranked fourth, while Catawba

and Tusculum is ranked 23rd. All three of those teams are on the Clayton State schedule for the 2006 season.

The Lakers men's team returns six starters from last season's squad, headlined by All-Region forward Kevin Crooks and All-Region goalkeeper Heath Padgett.

The Clayton State women return 10 starters from last season's squad, headlined by two-time All-American forward and 2005 Peach Belt Conference Player of the Year Olaitan Yusuf. ■

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