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The New Structure – Three Colleges and Three Schools

Academic Reorganization to Take Place in January

With the start of the spring 2007 semester in January, another important step in the development of Clayton State University will take place – the University will undergo an academic reorganization into three colleges and three schools.

The colleges will be; the College of Professional Studies, the College of Arts & Sciences, and the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences. The schools will be the School of Nursing, the School of Business and the School of Graduate Studies. Previously, the University had one college, Information and Mathematical Sciences, and four schools – Arts & Sciences, Business, Health Sciences and Technology.

The most significant change will be the formation of the College of Professional

Studies (CPS), which will be comprised of the Department of Technical Studies and the Department of Aviation Maintenance from the School of Technology, and the Department of Dental Hygiene and the Department of Health Care Management from the School of Health Sciences. Dr. Benita Moore, interim dean of the present School of Technology, will serve as interim dean of the College of Professional Studies.

The Clayton State School of Health Sciences will become the School of Nursing, and Dr. Lisa Eichelberger, current dean of Health Sciences, will continue in that role as dean of Nursing. Another major change will be in Clayton State’s largest academic unit, where the School of Arts & Sciences will now become the College of Arts & Sciences, continuing

under the direction of Dean Dr. Ray Wallace.

Come January, for the first time, Clayton State will have a separate School of Graduate Studies. Dr. Tom Eaves will have two titles, associate provost and dean of the graduate school. Programs already approved by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the School of Graduate Studies include the Masters of Arts in Liberal Studies, the Master of Science in Nursing, and the Master of Health Administration.

Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden will appoint a committee in December 2006 to search for a new Dean of CPS, hopefully to begin serving on July

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Pulitzer Prize Winner Taylor Branch To Keynote 2007 MLK Celebration

by John Shiffert, University Relations



Taylor Branch

Pulitzer Prize winning author Taylor Branch will be the keynote speaker at Clayton State University’s annual Martin Luther King, Jr., Celebration on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2007.

Branch’s keynote address will highlight the University’s seventh annual observance of King’s birthday, which will also include several special events held in conjunction with the National Archives and Records Administration’s (NARA) Southeastern Regional Archives, the annual Freedom Run 10K and 5K, and a

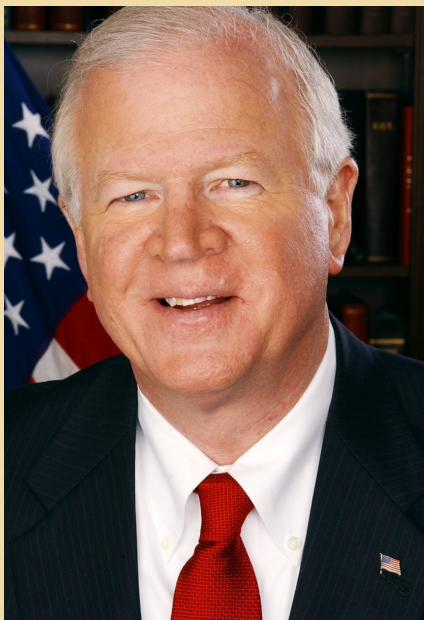
literary contest for local middle school students.

This year’s celebration, themed “More than a Dream...” will center around Branch’s Spivey Hall keynote address at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 18. The keynote event, which is free and open to the public, will also include a performance by Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Choir.

A nationally-recognized authority on the Civil Rights movement, Branch’s America in the King Years trilogy has won international acclaim since the publication of “Parting of the Waters” in 1988, a work that won Branch the Pulitzer Prize

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Saxby Chambliss Visits Clayton State University Campus



U.S. Senator Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga., visited the Clayton State campus Nov. 30.

During his two hours in Morrow, the senator met with Clayton State President Dr. Thomas K. Harden in the James M. Baker Center, engaged in a lively discussion with Dr. Caleb Henry's Political Science class on American Government, toured the University's world-renown Spivey Hall, trying out a grand piano of the Spivey Hall stage, and spoke with reporter Keith Pratt from the University's student newspaper, *The Bent Tree*.

Chambliss was accompanied on his tour with his wife, Julia, and his regional representative, M. Marsay Simpson.

See photos from the senator's visit on p. 6.

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Fulbright Grant to South Africa Awarded to Clayton State University for Fall 2006

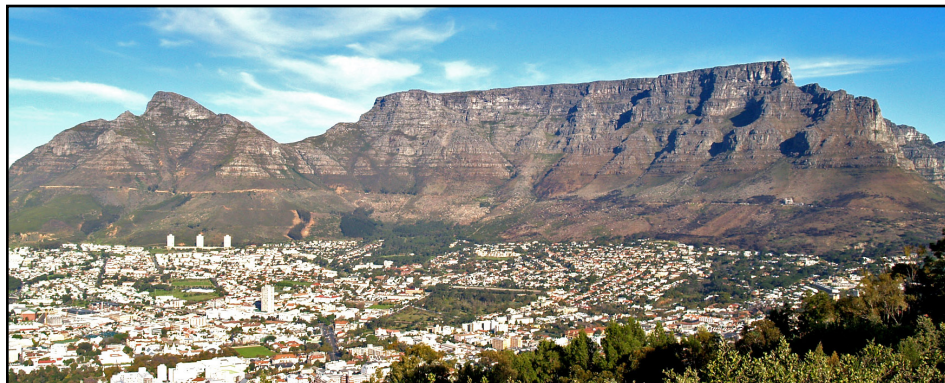
by Sara Wheeler, University Relations

Clayton State University has been awarded a prestigious Fulbright Grant for fall 2006. The \$65,975 competitive grant will allow Clayton State, University System of Georgia faculty and K-12 teachers to travel to South Africa this year. The four week program, Nov. 23 to Dec. 22, allows participants to learn more about South African society and culture based on first hand experience.

Raj Sashti, Clayton State associate professor of Geography and director of the Nine University and College International Studies of Georgia, says the purpose of the program is to learn more about current social, political, economic, and cultural climate in South Africa.

"The ultimate goal is to provide greater coverage to South Africa and to promote mutual understanding between two countries," says Sashti.

Several professors from Clayton State left for South Africa last week. Dr. Michael




Cape Spirit in South Africa

Deis, Shondrika Moss-Bouldin, Dr. Victoria Pasley, Dr. Ray Wallace, dean of the Clayton State School of Arts and Sciences, will bring their experiences back to Clayton State students.

"This program will provide a greater confidence for our professors. We will be able to share our cultural experiences with students. We can say to our students: 'I was there,'" says Sashti.

The Fulbright Grant, initiated by former senator William Fulbright of Arkansas, was created to increase mutual understanding between countries. The program has awarded more than \$250 million dollars to U.S. teachers, professionals, and scholars to study and conduct research in other countries. ■



new!

Study Abroad India

This May, Clayton State students will have the opportunity to study business in India.

For more information on this new study abroad destination, contact Dr. Juliet D'Souza at (678) 466-4531 or Dr. Robert Welborn at (678) 466-4109, or visit <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/oie/>.

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for History. Branch followed "Parting of the Waters" with "Pillar of Fire" and "At Canaan's Edge," a finalist for the 2006 National Book Award for non-fiction. Branch will also be appearing at a special dialogue for Clayton State students on the afternoon of Jan. 18, and a reception in Spivey Hall at 6:45 p.m. on Jan. 18, just prior to his keynote address.

Other local events held in conjunction with King's birthday will run from the Monday, Jan. 15 Freedom Run races, which start and finish on the Clayton State campus, showing of the documentary "At the River I Stand" at Clayton State at noon on Tuesday, Jan. 16, and NARA events featuring their holdings on Federal District Court cases relating to civil liberties, seminars for Clayton State History and Political Science classes and a program for the participants in the recent Teaching American History program. ■

Taylor Branch photo credit: J. Brough Schamp

Make the Holidays Safer With These Tips

The Christmas holiday season is only days away! Make this holiday season a safe, happy and less stressful time with these important tips.

Around the Office

- ▶ Turn off all electrical equipment that will not be needed before leaving the office for the holidays
- ▶ Clean out refrigerators and remove food from offices before you leave. Your co-workers will love you when they return after the holidays.
- ▶ Lock filing cabinets; consider removing keyboards and locking them in a drawer.
- ▶ Lock office doors and windows.
- ▶ Need to return to the office over the holidays? Contact Public Safety when you arrive on campus and let us know you are here.



While Traveling

- ▶ Have your car checked by a mechanic before taking long or short trips. Make sure your spare tire is inflated and you have the necessary tools to change it if necessary.
- ▶ Share travel plans with a friend or family member and check in with them as you travel.
- ▶ Make sure you give yourself plenty of time to arrive at your destination, reducing stress and the temptation to drive too fast. Plan frequent stops for long trips so you can relax and enjoy. You deserve a relaxing trip!

At Home

- ▶ Add these items to your shopping list for yourself! Smoke detectors or replacement batteries for existing smoke detectors; household fire extinguisher; weather alert radio; flashlight and first aid kit. Don't forget the aspirin for those holiday headaches!
- ▶ Test extension cords to see if they are warm when in use. If yes, then unplug some items or try replacing the extension cord. Never run electrical cords under a rug!
- ▶ When decorating, avoid overloading electrical outlets in your home.
- ▶ With all the rushing around for the holidays, plan for some quiet time. Share it with family or friends.

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Across the Campus...

Athletics

Clayton State placed two players on the Daktronics Division II All-Southeast Region soccer team. Midfielder Hailab Habtom was selected first team All-Southeast Region, while defender Andre Rall was a second team selection. As a first team selection, Habtom is now eligible for Daktronics Division II All-American honors, which will be announced at a later date. Both Habtom and Rall played key roles in pacing Clayton State to a 10-9 mark in the 2006 season and a share of the Peach Belt Conference championship.

The Clayton State Laker men's basketball team may be in the early stages of what could be a banner 2006-07 season, however, head coach Gordon Gibbons is also working ahead towards the 2007-08 season as well. Gibbons announced on Tuesday the signing of guard Freddie Williams from Seminole Community College in Ocala, Fla. Williams is the Lakers' lone signee in the NCAA's early November signing period for college basketball. A 6-foot-1, 188-pounder from Jacksonville, Fla., Williams led all freshmen in scoring last season in the Florida Junior College League, averaging 19 points a game for head coach Bobby Washington at Seminole. Williams was selected Freshman of the Year in the Mid-Florida Conference and was second team All-NJCAA Region VIII.

Continuing Education

Clayton State University's Fulton Center for Life Long Learning will be holding a special graduation ceremony for its Event Planning Certificate Program on Monday, Dec. 4 at Centennial High School, 9310 Scott Rd., Roswell. The graduation will be held in the school's Media Center and will run from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Among those in attendance will be Fulton Center Program Director Janet Winkler and Assistant Program Director Chris Harvey. Graduating students will also be donating unwrapped toys for "Toys for Tots."

Health Sciences

Dr. Lydia E. McAllister, former associate dean of Clayton State University's School of Health Sciences, returned to campus on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 27 and Nov. 28 as keynote speaker for the Sigma Theta Tau, Xi Rho Chapter induction ceremony and the School's Fall Lyceum event. McAllister presented "Five Truths to Success in the Health Care Environment" for Lyceum on Tuesday. After serving five years at Clayton State as associate dean of nursing, McAllister moved to Seattle in 2004 to pursue her first love, teaching. She is currently associate professor of Nursing at Seattle University and was invited to speak at Lyceum because of her reputation in her field and because of her popularity at Clayton State.

Library

The Clayton State Library is sponsoring the campus' first Book Fair. The Book Fair will be available Dec. 5 to Dec. 8 in room L-200 in the Library. The hours for the Book Fair are: Dec. 5 to Dec. 7: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 8: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please begin your holiday shopping by visiting the Book Fair. There should be items for all ages...for your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, and even yourself!

Music

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) Regional Director James McSweeney proclaimed NARA's Veterans Open House and Recognition Ceremony on Nov. 10 an unqualified success with approximately 80 individuals attending the event, including 30 veterans with military service ranging from World War II to the current conflict in Iraq. "I am deeply appreciative of the Clayton State University students who performed during the event: Daniel Sims, Brandon Odom, and Emily Sanders. Their talents and energy contributed to the success of the program," he says. "As ever, I extend my thanks to all that Clayton State University does to support the programs and services of the National Archives Southeast Region."

Public Safety

Congratulations to Lolita Lighting, Lisa Eichelberger, Kathy Garrison and Kurt-Alexander Zeller, all winners of a \$25 Visa gift card from The Clean Air Campaign October Commuter Prize drawing.

Random Drawing Winners of Wal-Mart cards for turning in their Clean Air Campaign's Commuter Reports for October are Susan Aberson (\$20), Alisa Kirk (\$15), and Cathy Jeffrey (\$10). You do not have to carpool to be a winner. This program is only open to Clayton State employees. For more info see <http://adminservices.clayton.edu/ps/News%20Programs.htm> or contact Joan Murphy in Public Safety.

Spivey Hall

On Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 9 p.m., the 2005 Spivey Hall Children's Choir holiday concert will be broadcast on 90.1 FM WABE's Spivey Soirée, and Spivey Hall invites you to experience this cherished tradition live. Tickets for this year's holiday concerts on Dec. 8-10 are available by calling the Spivey Hall Box Office at (678) 466-4200. These three festive concerts offer a wealth of traditional Christmas carols and other magnificent holiday music, including boisterous audience sing-alongs with organist-in-residence Richard Morris. Use your generous 50 percent faculty/staff discount to give your family the gift of great music, performed by Georgia's best young singers, in the acoustical splendor of Spivey Hall.

University System

The latest issue of the University System of Georgia "System Supplement" is at http://www.usg.edu/pubs/sys_supp/.

Women's Forum

The 2006 Women's Forum Auction raised \$5541. The Quilt Raffle (won by Beverly Craton) raised an additional \$677.



Arts Page

Clayton Community Big Band Presents “Jazz Porgy & Bess” in Free Concert, December 4

by Lauren Graves, University Relations



The Clayton Community Big Band

Clayton State’s Department of Music presents the Clayton Community Big Band and their free concert “Jazz Porgy & Bess” on Monday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Spivey Hall.

Directed by Stacey Houghton, “Jazz Porgy & Bess” celebrates the music from George Gershwin’s “Porgy & Bess” with jazz big band arrangements by composer Bill Potts and others.

The first half of the Clayton Community Big Band concert will feature several

Gershwin arrangements, along with arrangements by Roger Pemberton and Frank Foster, while the second half will feature other contemporary big band works in an assortment of styles including swing, Latin and rock.

Bringing the best in big band jazz to Spivey Hall are the following talented musicians:

Amanda Chatham, Josh Jackson, Baret Hoover, Jon Demarco on saxophone; Stacey Houghton, Michael Wheeler,

Anthony Bailey, Mark Lewis, Bobby Asher, Eldridge Simms on trumpet; Doug Murray, Mark Gladfelter, Shaun Brooks, Amy Castillo on trombone; Jill McBrayer and Stephanie Butler on piano; Chris Odom and Zach Orr on guitar; Tony Terrell on bass and Courtney Tatum on drums. ■

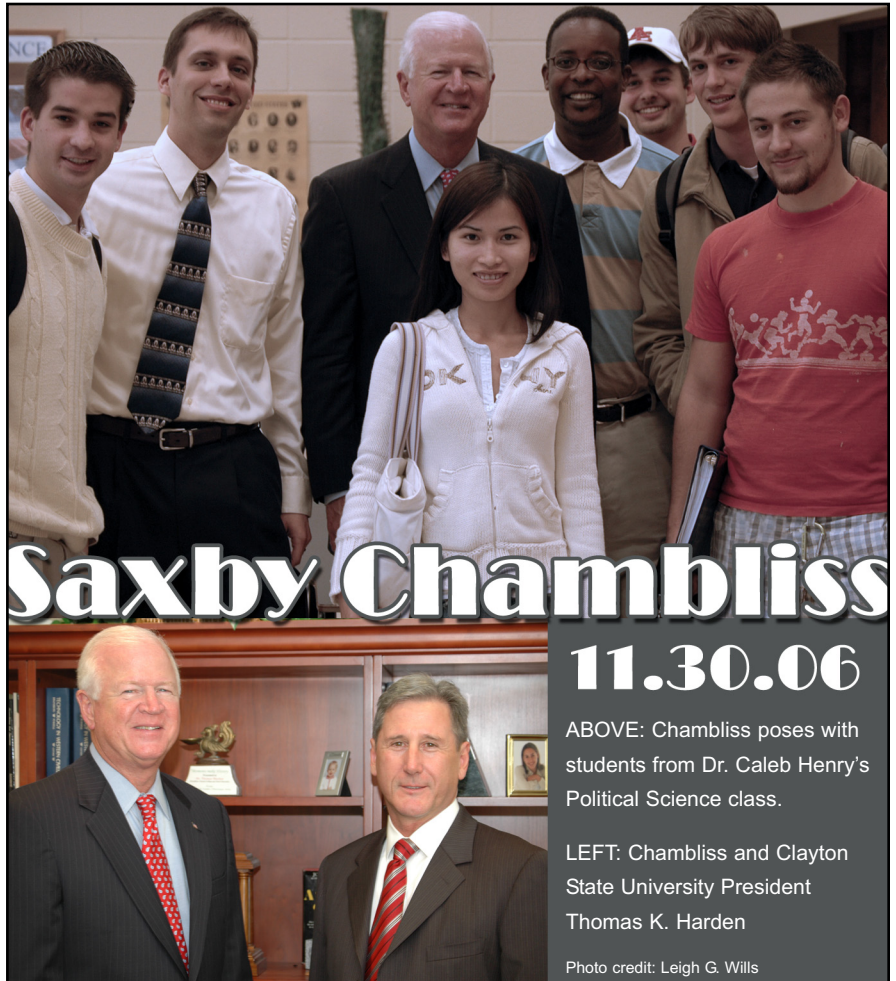


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While Shopping

- ▶ Collect all receipts when making purchases to check against your statements and double-check to see that the cashier returned your credit/debit card after making a purchase.
- ▶ Keep your gifts locked in the trunk or concealed from view inside the car when leaving them unattended.
- ▶ Shopping can be stressful with traffic and crowded stores. Allow yourself plenty of time and make a point to enjoy yourself!
- ▶ Shopping online? Make sure the companies are familiar to you and websites are secure when sharing information. Look for the "lock" on your web browser. Not sure, opt for phone ordering.
- ▶ Be alert to your surroundings while in stores and walking to and from your car. Avoid situations that make you uncomfortable and call for assistance when needed.

The Department of Public Safety wishes you a happy and safe holiday season! ■



ABOVE: Chambliss poses with students from Dr. Caleb Henry's Political Science class.

LEFT: Chambliss and Clayton State University President Thomas K. Harden

Photo credit: Leigh G. Wills

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1, 2007. Prior to that, the faculty of CPS will meet to discuss the qualifications for the Dean of CPS and provide input for the national search. ■



ABOVE: Clayton State student Hina Rehmani shares Pakistan's holiday traditions.



RIGHT: The Lovejoy High School Women's Chamber Chorale, accompanied by pianist Kelly Roberts, performs under the direction of Wes Stoner

Photo credit: Leigh G. Wills



Sawadogo Holds a Coming Out Party

by John Shiffert, University Relations

The Clayton State men's basketball program held a coming out party to open the highly-anticipated 2006/2007 season on Nov. 21, playing a rare weekday matinee game against Southeastern University. And while the Lakers looked to be worthy of their eighth (and soon to be sixth) ranking in NCAA Division II, senior center Aristide Sawadogo managed to steal the show, turning the afternoon into his own coming out party.

Slowed by a learning curve and injuries over his first three years at Clayton State, the 7-1 Burkina Faso native looked like the type of prospect that could start bringing NBA scouts to Morrow before the season is done, leading the Lakers to an easy 83-53 victory with a team-high 14 points eight rebounds and two blocked shots (plus a lot of altered shots) in only 17 minutes. Showing that he is, in the immortal words of the late Bear Bryant; agile, mobile and hostile (at least to opposing shooters); Sawadogo flashed the ability to be a dominant force, to take over the game, especially early in the second half when the Lakers blew open the contest.

Sawadogo scored eight quick points in the first four minutes of the second half as the Lakers opened up a 44-24 lead with just under 16 minutes remaining and then coasted the rest of the way in. To underscore his coming out effort, Sawadogo then recorded a double-double in the Lakers' second game, an 80-74 win at traditional NCAA D II power North Alabama. Playing against the big boys, Sawadogo scored 10 points and added 13 rebounds and two more blocked shots in a game that hinged on rebounding and defense.

The Lakers' matinee domination of Southeastern (3-4), before an appreciative crowd of 700, including large numbers of Clayton State faculty and staff, also featured 13 points from Brandon Kelley, 12 from Jerome Boyd and 10 from Michael Sloan. However, the first real test of what may be Coach Gordon Gibbons' best Clayton State squad came on Nov. 27, when Gibbons picked up his 99th win at Clayton State, and the Lakers made enough of an impression against a high-scoring North Alabama team that the Lakers subsequently moved up to sixth – their highest ranking ever – in NCAA Division II.

Gibbons pointed to the Lakers' defense as the key to the game. North Alabama (2-3) came into the contest averaging 97 points a game. In addition to holding the Lions 23 points under their average with Gibbons' trademark 40 minutes of full-court, man-to-man press, the Lakers also outrebounded their hosts, 43-30.

Leading by nine points at the half, Clayton State maintained a lead of between four and 14 points the rest of the way. Kelley paced five Lakers in double-figures with 18 points, while Rod Venner scored 14 off the bench. Sloan added 12, followed by John Beugnot with 11.

After two games and two wind, the tally is... good balance in scoring, good defense, good rebounding, and a potentially dominant force in the middle. A good prescription for a good season. ■

Trivia Time

Democracy in America

by John Shiffert, University Relations

After some 175 years; historians, sociologists and political scientists still point to Alexis de Tocqueville's "Democracy in America" as being the seminal study of the United States by an impartial observer.

The young French aristocrat, writing of his 1831 visit to the U.S., turned out some 750 pages on democracy in America, but none so memorable as his observations of the equality, or lack thereof, of conditions in the U.S. Although de Tocqueville was optimistic about the future of democracy in the United States, he had his cautions, most memorably by means of the phrase he coined that still rings a bell to this day... the tyranny of the majority.

Trivia master Tom Eddins had the first correct answer to this one, followed by a real, live sociologist, Dr. Bob Caine.

Of less historical import, but a lot funnier, was a moment from the 1960s, wherein Laura Petrie (aka Mary Tyler Moore) was stuck in a hotel bathroom on the Dick Van Dyke Show. The question at hand is... why couldn't she get out of the bathroom?

Send answers to johnshiffert@clayton.edu.



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on the young season, and the Lakers have forced an average of 32 turnovers a contest with their stifling pressure defense.

Clayton State plays its fifth straight road game to start the season on Saturday with a 2 p.m. match-up at Francis Marion. ■

Sports Page

Angela Cobb Earns All-American Honors

by John Shiffert, University Relations

The “A” runner on the “A” team made All-American.

After trailing two-time All-American teammate Allison Kreutzer for most of the 2006 cross country season, Angela Cobb put a strong finishing kick on her season, defeating Kreutzer in the Peach Belt and Regional championship meets to earn a trip to the NCAA Division II National Championships in Pensacola, Fl. And now Cobb’s an All-American as well.

Dubbed the “A Team” by teammate Titisha Cochran, Kreutzer and Cobb led

the Laker women’s cross country team to a successful 2006 campaign, including a 66-27 record in meet competition. And, although Kreutzer finished just ahead of Cobb in the season’s first five meets, the senior from little Abbeville, Ga. (that’s down near Cordele, Ga.) kept her goal – running in the national championship meet – firmly in sight.

A senior transfer from Valdosta State University, Cobb stated before the national meet that she thought she had one good year left in her prior to the 2006 season. A prophetic thought, since Cobb topped off

her one good year (which also included a school-record 17:20 5K) by finishing 20th overall in the 6K national meet with a time of 20:51.6, easily good enough for NCAA Division II All-American honors in an event where the top 30 individual runners earned All-American honors.

The A Team will now move on to indoor track, where Coach Mike Mead feels both have a good chance at running in the national championships this March in Boston. ■

Women Crack USA Today/ESPN Division II Top 25 Coach’s Poll

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

Clayton State Laker women’s basketball team wasn’t ranked in the preseason USA Today/ESPN Division II Top 25 Coach’s Poll. That didn’t last long.

The first in-season USA Today/ESPN Division II Coach’s Poll was released on Tuesday, and the Lakers cracked the Top 25 coming in ranked 23rd in the nation. Clayton State was one of five teams unranked in the preseason poll to make

this week’s Top 25. The Lakers are the only team from the Peach Belt Conference in this week’s poll.

Head coach Dennis Cox’s Laker squad is off to a fast 4-0 start to the 2006-07 season after a convincing 97-64 rout at Elizabeth City State on Saturday. Clayton State is averaging 91 points a game so far

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