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TAKE A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

By Cheryl L. DuPas-Croft

Salut! (silent "t")
Hola! (ola)
Guten Tag! (gu-ten, tag like Prague)
Ahoj! (ahoy)
Shwmai! (shoe-my)
Ni hao! (knee how)

No matter how you say it, the students at this year's International Festival will be welcoming you. This year's event promises to be even more exciting, entertaining, and informative, as students visit booths placed together to represent where the country is located on our world map. One example: the booth representing Mexico will be having a prize drawing. Come and find out about our global neighbors on Wednesday, November 12th in the Student Center from 10 AM to 1 PM. Did you guess which countries the "Welcomes" above were from?

Salut: France
Hola: Spain
Guten Tag: Germany
Ahoj: Slovakia
Shwmai: Wales
Ni hau: China (Mandrin)

Meet the Student Government Association (SGA) President: Jermaine Mullin



Hi! Welcome to Darton College, an institution of great commitment to excellence, high quality academic programs, and a strong participation in intercollegiate and intramural athletics. My name is Jermaine E. Mullin. I am your 2007-2008 Student Government Association (SGA) president. I am in my sophomore year at Darton College, and my major is computer information systems. The Student Government Association (SGA) is the governing body that addresses the needs of the Darton College student population.
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Death Tax Lobbyists Visit Darton College

By Lydia Morey

On October 23, 2007, I joined several other Darton students by attending an on-campus lecture presented by Dick Patten, the president of the American Family Business Institute. This lecture was to inform those in attendance of the details about the dreaded "death tax." Though this tax has been termed "the death tax" by opponents, its technical name is the estate tax. This tax allows the government to tax the property and personal assets of an individual after his death, however not all Americans are impacted by this tax because of its restrictive boundaries. The IRS will only tax the gross assets of an estate, which exceed one million dollars in value. While the tax tends to only effect the wealthiest of Americans, this is not always true, because assets other than cash are included in the tax. Personal assets such as Cash and Securities, Real Estate, Insurance, Trusts, Annuities, and Business interests have all been deemed taxable by the IRS. Because of the inclusion of assets other than cash, the effect of the death tax is more widespread than just the extremely wealthy. In fact, due to the inclusion of land in this law, the families of farmers are often the ones who suffer the impact of the tax the most, because what they own in property they lack in cash. This creates problems when a member of the family dies and the government expects to be paid 45% of the deceased person's assets which value more than one million dollars. The families of farmers are often forced to sell the land passed onto them to satisfy the government.



Dick Patten, President, American Family Business Institute, spoke on the "Death Tax" at the invitation of the Business and Social Science Division.
Photo by Candace Mines

For the wealthy, the tax seems minor, but for others it can be devastating.

The members of the American Family Business Institute are all lobbyists seeking a common goal: the repeal of the estate tax. While the American Family Business Institute has come close to achieving its goal, it has not succeeded yet. However, under the determined leadership of President Dick Patten and Vice President Dan Carter, the organization has yet to forsake its goal.

**2007 Distinguished Lecture Series:
(Monday, 12pm Nov. 5, 2007)
"The Next Influenza Pandemic, and
the Effect on the Local Economy"
Presented by *Dr. Martin Meltzer*
Senior Health Economist and Consultant
for the Center for Disease Control
and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta**

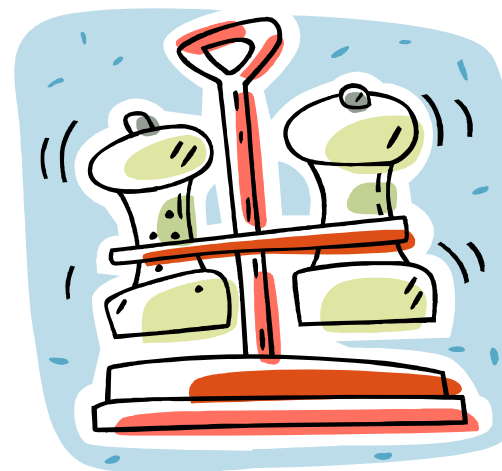
Paula Deen is coming to Albany!

By Colleen Sullivan

We wanted to make you aware of the Nov. 9, 2007 Paula Deen benefit, "Sweet Talk and Sweet Treats - A Slice of Life with Paula Deen" at the Albany Civic Center to benefit Graceway Recovery in Albany, GA.

Graceway is a non-profit, 501c(3) faithbased, long term substance abuse treatment community for women.

You may contact me via email at colleensullivan2@hotmail.com or phone 229-432-9112 if you need more information.



Foodstock ...give peas a chance

By Kimberly Hill

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Food, food and more food: The more we give the more we will receive. The October 2007 Annual Foodstock was a great success and opportunity to give to others who are much more in need of food than ourselves. The support given by Darton students as well as the people of Albany was overwhelming and was well appreciated by one of Darton's greatest Foodstock supporters, Roger Marietta. Also lending their support to make the October 2007 Foodstock such a blast were several bands who played everything from soft to hard rock music. Darton even held its first DC Idol, which encouraged more people to come out and show support for giving. The Spanish Club and Environmental Club were two of Darton's organizations that volunteered their outstanding support. Many students brought everything from perishable canned goods to cereals. Although there weren't people there to begin with, the evening quickly grew with several students who brought their friends, and faculty and staff extended much needed support.

The most amazing thing about Foodstock other than its supporters is that the food donated was given to St. Clare's Soup Kitchen, Neighbors in Need, Salvation Army, three barrels of it went to the Food Bank of Southwest Georgia, a truckload was given to Faith Community Outreach Center, and \$100 of T-shirt and drink sales was awarded to St. Paul's Soup Kitchen. Now that's the greatest part of giving! We should be more than willing to help and give to others what we probably never had to ask for. I truly encourage people to donate whenever and wherever possible. There are people, not only in Africa, who are starving but here in America as well; every little bit helps when we give.



Photos by Candace Means, box paintings by Amber Albritton



"Darton Idol" judges: tough love for all!



Join Student Government Association (SGA)

Meet the SGA President (continued from front page)

We serve as a liaison and provide a forum for communication and recommendation between the students and the administration of Darton College and the Board of Regents. We are the legislative body chosen through popular elections by the students of Darton College. We are the official and legal voice of the students of Darton College. We work under Darton College and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

SGA is composed of the executive council, the senate and the cabinet. The SGA is established to ensure the basic rights of the personal freedom of students and to play a positive role in recommending proposed college policy. The Student Government Association provides the opportunity for responsible student action and leadership, individually and collectively, in promoting the general welfare of the student body.

We have activities planned throughout the academic year for your educational enjoyment. Please pick up a calendar so that you will be aware of the activities and events that are coming up. The calendars

are located in the lobby of the Student Center and in racks around campus. The SGA office is located in the Student Center adjacent to the game room. Our office hours are from noon-1 p.m. & 5-8 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 9-1 a.m. & 5-8 p.m. on Tuesdays and 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. & 5- 8 p.m. on Thursdays. If the office is closed, please leave a note so we may contact you when we return. Our SGA meetings are held the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 2 p.m. in C-117. The requirements for joining are having a G.P.A. of 2.0 and being enrolled for a minimum of 3 semester hours. Applications are located by the SGA Office (C-137), C-112, and J Building.

Join SGA and be a part of the decision-making process on campus!! I wish you all the best of luck.

Jermaine Mullin
SGA President

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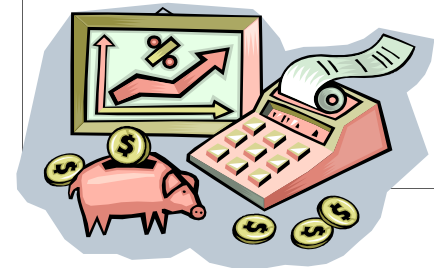
Making It On A
College Budget
Nov 1st J115 5pm

(free pizza to interested students)
Want to know
how to have more
money in your
pocket?

Don't really
understand how
student loans
work?

Come join us
for answers to
these questions.

J115 Thursday 11/1
5:00—6:00 pm



Ward 4 Candidate and Darton College Associate Professor Roger Marietta addresses SGA Senators

Staff reports

When the Darton College Student Government Association was asked to co-sponsor a Candidate Forum at City Hall, the SGA Senators wanted to know what the Mayor and City Commission did and how it affected students and Darton College. The DC SGA invited Associate Professor Roger Marietta to its October 11th meeting to discuss the duties and show the SGA where the District lines

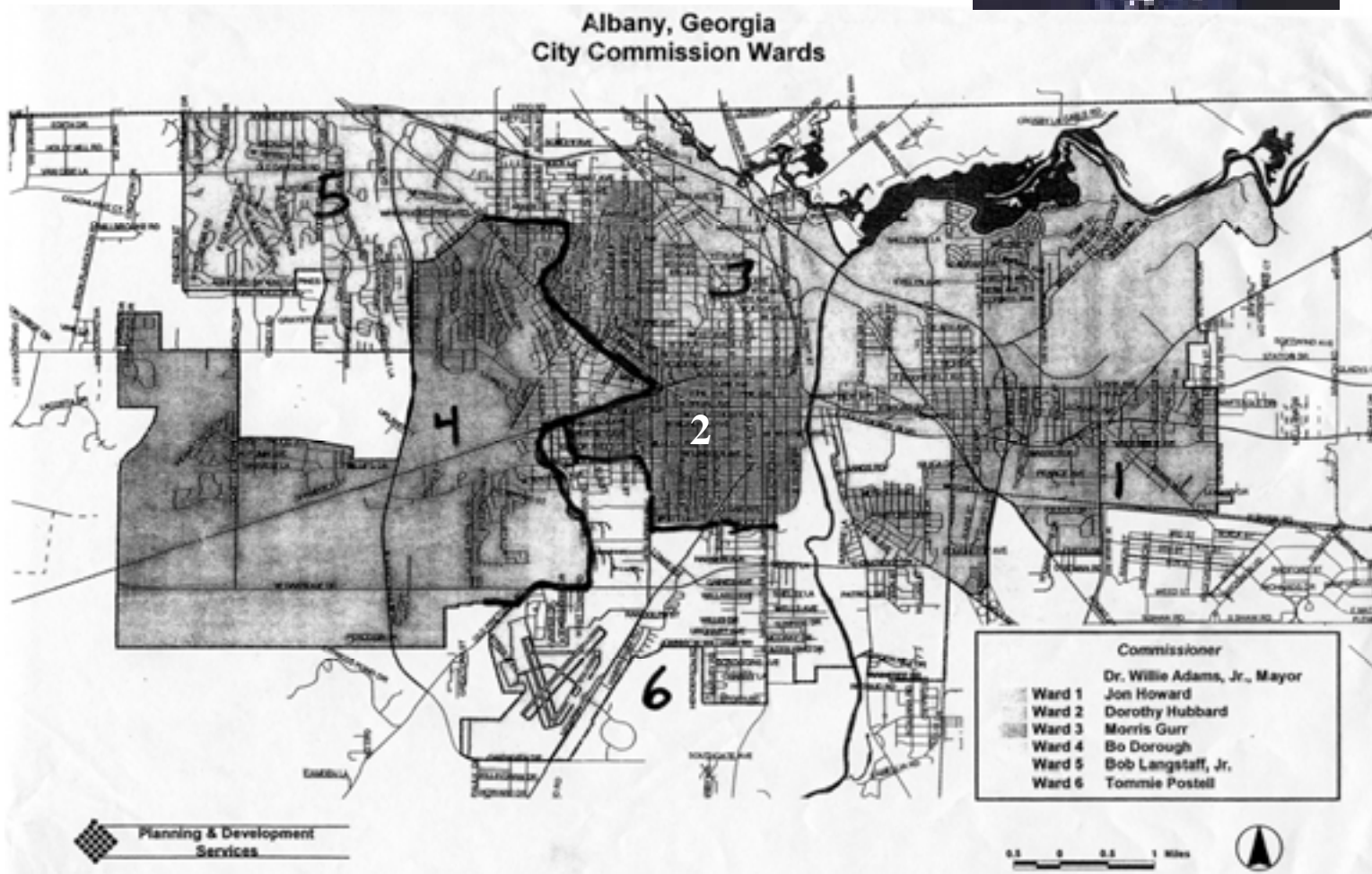
ran for City Commissioners. The below map of the wards is shaded to show each ward boundaries. Of course, everyone in the city limits will have a vote on our next Mayor.

Marietta stated that City Commissioners provide broad policy guidance to the City Manager and play the same part that SGA Senators do for their constituents: representation.

Marietta related that if a student brought an issue to a SGA Senator, then that Senator would bring the issue to the SGA meeting in the hopes that the Darton administration would successfully address it. Similarly, City Commissioners represent the

residents in their Ward to the City Commission and City Manager.

Associate Professor Roger Marietta recently briefed the SGA on the City Commission.





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Darton Golfers Win Again at ABAC Invitational

Chesley Gunn earned medalist honors as he led Darton College to yet another tournament victory at the ABAC Invitational with a two-day total of 142 (71-71). Darton rallied from a seven stroke deficit on Sunday to achieve the victory. Darton's Andy Lewis (73-73-146) and Coleman Calhoun (77-69-146) each finished in the top five as well for Darton finishing tied for third. Gunn was the fourth different winner this fall for Darton. Coleman Calhoun, J.P. Putnam and Jin Chung each have recorded a victory as well this fall.

"I think you can put any five of us on the first team and we can win every tournament," Gunn said. "We just need to get off to a better start." Darton's seven-stroke deficit to the Hurricanes after the first day left coach Dale Dover concerned. Dover elaborated on the Cavaliers' first-round struggles. The Cavaliers, in fact, have only led after the first round in one of this fall's five tournaments thus far.

"I don't know what is happening," Dover said. "I'm so sick of us playing terrible in the first round. We had to play lights out (Sunday) just to catch (Georgia Southwestern Blue)."

This Week in Cavalier Athletics

Darton College Women's Soccer #1 in Nation

The Darton College women's soccer team is the number one ranked team in the country this week following the weekly poll release by the NJCAA and NSCAA/Adidas soccer rankings committees. The Lady Cavaliers take over the top spot from region rival and defending national champion Young Harris College. DC improved their record to 15-0-1 with recent victories over Shelton State, Abraham Baldwin, and Andrew College. Darton is led by the high scoring tandem of Stephanie Daniels (38 goals, 17 assists, 93 points) and Cherrelle Albert (34 goals, 17 assists, and 85 points). Daniels and Albert are the nation's first and second leading scorers respectively. Lindsey Warner and Lauren Wheatley are also amongst the top 50 scorers nationally. Sophomore goalkeeper Liana Miller's 0.73 goals against average rank her as the 17th best goalkeeper in the country.

The Lady Cavaliers defeated Middle Georgia College for their final regular season match. Having already clinched a bye in the first round of the NJCAA Region XVII playoffs, the team defeated Young Harris and won the Region crown. Next comes the District challengers—Shelton State and Polk CCC. If the Lady Cavs win the Division Championship then they will compete for the National title right here at Darton College which is hosting the tournament from November 12th thru the 17th.

Region Championships Next For Cross Country

By Krista Monk

The Darton College Men's and Women's Cross Country teams are quickly preparing for the biggest meet of the season, the NJCAA Region XVII Championships, to be held October 20th at Cleveland, GA. Below are a few comments from Coach David Mann as his team looks forward to its biggest competition to date.

What do you know about the course that the team will be running?

This course is extremely challenging. It consists of very steep, rolling hills in the North Georgia mountains. About a mile of it is a newly cut trail on hillsides, so the ground underfoot is not very compact, making it difficult to grip when ascending and descending. It's the toughest course in the state. David ran our 8K course in 28 minutes a week before we traveled to Truett for our first meet. He ran about a 33 there and won it, if that tells you anything. We can't try for a best time there by any means; the objective is just to beat the other runners.

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What type of team does the course favor?

I feel that Truett McConnell, who is the reigning region champion for both men and women, is going to have some advantage since they get to train on this course. We have been running a steep hill in Lee County for weeks now, which I feel has strengthened our anaerobic systems well enough to push us up these hills and recover going downhill. The training has also helped prepare them mentally. When we first ran this course we went into it blind, I mean we didn't arrive in time to walk over it the night before due to some travel difficulties. When we fought these hills that morning, we were shocked at the course's difficulty. Now we are better prepared and we've ran the course before, so I feel that despite what this race means to us, we will be in a sense more relaxed.

What are your expectations going into this competition?

I haven't been over this completely with the team, but honestly, they have already exceeded my expectations. I planned on putting this program together this season and having one or two runners on each team that were competitive. Now I have six runners in the region's top ten and twelve trophies in our lobby. These runners go to class and study hall and when they train, they work hard. I'm very proud of what they've accomplished already this season. Anything they do this weekend could just be the icing on the cake.

What do you expect from your opponents going into this race?

They'll be looking at the backs of our shirts Saturday. Just kidding. I think that Truett will be a lot tougher than most people expect. They are a team that seems to come around at the end of the season and this is their course. Our girls beat Young Harris by only three points last time we were there, so it's going to be neck and neck with them. And then, on the men's side, Chattahoochee Tech recently brought two Kenyans in, and they are tearing it up.

Individually, who do you expect to stand out this weekend?

David Marley will lead the men's team. Nick Felder is due for a big race and I think he will turn it on Saturday. William West has been doing very well. Devin Simpson got a PB Saturday so he's getting stronger. Terence Boyd is healthy again and Wes Bowen is running well too. So I can't tell who will finish second, third, fourth, fifth or sixth with us and that's a good thing. I expect Michael Cue to surprise some folks as well.

On the women's side, Brittney continues to get faster. She has been number-one in the state for weeks now. Tabitha Payne is on her heels and has been number-two in the state for weeks as well, and I expect good things from both of them. They've had a great season. Then Danielle Sumner and walk-on Catherine Pirro are ranked seventh and eighth, so they'll do well too. Re-kita Landy and Raquel Moon have held rankings, and they want to get back on the charts so I think they'll be really tough on Saturday. Juawana Stringer has improved immensely and should surprise some folks too.

What will it take to win the region?

If this was a fast course, I think I could pick how each team would place. That is not a luxury, oddly, and anything can happen at this vicious race. To win, I think we have to prepare as well as we can this week. That means for the individuals, sleeping well and eating right. My job is to keep everything as smooth as possible as far as travel and other preparations, and to choose the right training to keep them focused and feeling good by Saturday. Once we get to the starting line, they'll know what to do. These athletes are winners and they've already proven that.

** Note: Since this interview, women's Cross Country Team won the Regional and will now go on to the Nationals.*

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DC Baseball Defeats Defending National Champ in Fall Scrimmage

The Darton Cavaliers defeated Wallace-Dothan, Okaloosa-Walton, Chipola, and Southern Union last weekend at Cavalier Field. DC tied Tallahassee Community College and was defeated by CVCC. The scrimmages were filled with many potential top 20 teams, including defending National Champion Chipola.

Head Coach Glenn Eames stated, "To win four games against those types of teams in a three day stretch really shows you the effort our kids played with. We got better this weekend."

The Cavs are back in action Thursday as they travel to Tallahassee before hitting the road again to Milledgeville on Sunday.

Darton College Basketball Host Albany State Saturday

The Darton College Lady Cavalier basketball team traveled to South Ga. Tech for a jamboree last weekend. The Lady Cavaliers were victorious in two of three contests. Shannon Coleman and Charlotte Styles led DC in scoring while Dasha Williams was a force on the boards.

The Lady Cavaliers are back in action this weekend at home in Cavalier Arena at 10:00 am to face cross town rival the Albany State Lady Rams in a scrimmage. Admission is free.

Following the game, the Darton College Basketball and Softball teams are co-hosting a 3 on 3 tournament as a fundraising event. For more information contact Coach Blackwell or Coach Dews.

For up to date schedules, scores, and news in Darton College Athletics visit:

<http://cavs.darton.edu/>

TUNE IN TO CATCH THE LATEST IN DARTON COLLEGE ATHLETICS

ON THURSDAY'S AT 5:00 PM on WSRA 1250 AM.

Cordele Center news and notes

By Caroline Fielding

The anatomy and physiology and pre-nursing students at the Darton College Cordele Center will soon have some new equipment that will make life easier, thanks to a local service organization.

The Cordele Rotary Club wrote a Rotary District 6900 matching grant to purchase a life-size skeleton, muscular arm, and flash cards for the Cordele Center. Each semester, future health care workers are studying human anatomy and physiology, learning every bone, muscle, circulatory system—well you get the idea.

Up to this point the Center has been

using a skeleton borrowed from Wilcox County High School. WCHS discontinues the anatomy and physiology courses and the instructor, Diane Owens brought the skeleton to the Center.

Ms. Owens teaches science full-time at the high school and teaches four nights a week at the Cordele Center. With 52 pre-nursing majors attending classes at the Cordele Center, Anatomy and Physiology I and II are offered every semester. The Center even has transient students from Georgia Southwestern State University driving from Americus to take the courses from Darton!

This donation is just the latest example of the outstanding support that the Crisp County community gives to Darton College's Cordele Center.

