



*Dalton State welcomes the*

## **2010 Reconceptualizing Early Childhood Education Conference**

**“Language, Culture, and Power”**

**October 13 – 16**

Dalton State will welcome a number of national and international visitors for the 18th International Reconceptualizing Early Childhood Education (RECE) Conference October 13th through the 16th. This year’s topic will be “Language, Culture, and Power.”

Thanks to the efforts of the **Dalton State School of Education** and the Goizueta Endowed Chair and Professor of Education **Dr. Lourdes Diaz Soto**, this will be the first time that the event will take place in the southeastern United States. Previous international venues have included Israel, Australia, Norway, New Zealand, and England. Other schools who have hosted this event in the past have included the University of Wisconsin at Madison, the University of Hawaii, and Arizona State at Tempe.

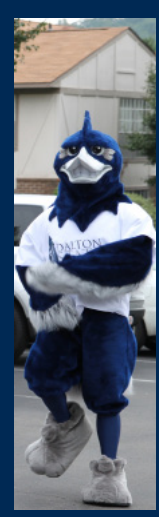
About 75 participants are expected to attend the conference which will be hosted in the James E. Brown Center. In addition to presenting papers, meeting with local teachers and school children, and touring child care centers to provide gifts, attendees will travel to Red Clay, site of the beginning of the Trail of Tears, and tour other local historical sites.

For additional information, contact Dr. Soto at lsoto or extension 2040.

**He’s new! He’s blue!  
And it’s official – he has a name!**

**Meet  
RAGE  
A Roadrunner true!**

*Thanks to everyone who voted!*



## **October Birthdays**

- 1 Chris Bedwell
- 2 Javad Zadeh
- 4 Terry Bailey  
Regina Parmigiani
- 5 Jackie Reed
- 6 Bruce Fair  
Ronnie Jacobs
- 12 Judy Cornett
- 13 Kelley Mahoney
- 15 David Headrick
- 16 Sandra Stone
- 17 Stephanie Brown  
Mary Jo Cagle
- 18 Keith Perry
- 19 Henry Codjoe
- 20 Angela Harris  
Michael John Hilgemann
- 24 Kent Harrelson  
Lori Rich
- 25 Ryan Reece
- 26 David DesRochers  
Karen Hemphill  
Nettie Henderson
- 28 Geoff Poor
- 29 Marsha Mathews  
Lisa Peden  
Lorena Sins
- 30 Jeremy Burton
- 31 Thomas Alan Wilbanks

## **Birthday Spotlight**



**Dr. Sandra Stone**  
**Vice President for Academic Affairs**

### **What are your job responsibilities?**

I am responsible for oversight of the College’s academic programs and related functions such as the Library, the Center for Teaching and Learning, the Center for International Education, the Bandy Heritage Center, and for learning support.

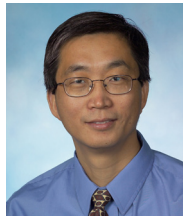
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Mr. Drye

## CAMPUS WATCH

**Mr. Jerry Drye**, Assistant Professor of Communication, presented the keynote address entitled “Schmooze or Lose: The Art of Networking—How to Talk to Everybody Like They are Important, Because They Are” at Dalton State’s annual Art of Etiquette Dinner on April 27. In addition, a reprint of Drye’s article “How to Conduct a Roast,” which was originally published in 2009 in the book *Speaking with Ease: Handy Tips and Highly Practical Examples for Public and Employment-Related Presentations* by Dr. Crystal Cole Coleman was reprinted in a new book *The Presentation Guide Book: From the Classroom to the Boardroom* in June of 2010 along with a new chapter by Dr. Drye entitled “Introduction to Humorous Speaking.” Also, on August 2nd, Dr. Drye presented “Meaningful Mirth in the Workplace: How to Use Humor to Get Through Difficult Situations” as the keynote motivational humorist for the annual meeting of facilities and operations staff at Kennesaw State University. Finally, Mr. Drye has now been accepted to and has enrolled in a program of doctoral study in Adult Education at the University of Georgia. His research will focus on how college instructors and corporate trainers engage adult learners with the use of humor.



Dr. Guo

**Dr. Baogang Guo**, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Center for International Education, recently published another new book on China. The book, *China’s Quest for Political Legitimacy: The Equity-Enhancing Politics*, was published by Roman and Littlefield-Lexington Books and examines new equity-enhancing politics that have emerged in China in recent decades. The book develops new theory of political legitimacy based on Chinese traditional cognitive patterns of political legitimacy and tested its impact and implication for China’s current and future political development through a number of case studies.



Dr. Mason

Assistant Professor of Spanish **Dr. Nancy Mason** has had her short story “House Guest” published in the September issue of *Suspense Magazine*. The magazine is available online at [suspensemagazine.com](http://suspensemagazine.com).



Dr. Price

Professor of Psychology **Dr. Christy Price** presented faculty development workshops on engaging millennial learners at Gainesville State College on September 7th and at the University of West Georgia on the 10th. On September 24, she conducted a faculty development workshop on preventing student incivility at Big Sandy Community College in Prestonburg, Kentucky, and presented the keynote address on engaging millennial learners at the Tri-State Teaching of Psychology Conference at Big Sandy Community College that evening.

## TRANSITIONS

*Farewell to*

**Delores McKee**, OCIS

**Jennifer Veve**, Enrollment Services

**Angela Keener**, Custodial Services

*Welcome to*

**Cameron Coulby**, OCIS

**William Daniel Groves**, Plant Operations

**Dr. Sandra Stone** (continued from page 1)

**How long have you been employed here?**  
Two months.

**What do you like best about your job?**  
I like the variety. I get to be involved with just about everything on campus, including faculty, staff, students, budgets, facilities, student services, and special projects, plus I get to be involved with individuals and groups in the community. It’s always interesting, and I’m always learning something new.

**What do people on campus not know about what you or someone in your position does?**  
People may not be aware that a great deal of time in this position is spent addressing personnel issues.

**What was your favorite subject in graduate school?**  
Social Psychology.

**Where did you grow up and where have you lived?**  
I was born in Chicago, Illinois, but my parents moved back to the family farm in Tennessee when I was six months old. I lived in Whitwell, Tennessee, until age six, then in Chattanooga until age ten, then in and around Atlanta ever since.

**What is your age on this birthday?**  
Fifty-six.

**Whom do you call family?**  
I have a husband, daughter, step-son, mom, sister, and brother-in-law, along with a large extended family.

**What do you do in your spare time?**  
I like to read, walk, do yoga, go to movies, and spend time with friends and family.

**Do you have a favorite author?**  
Margaret Atwood – *The Handmaid’s Tale*.

**What’s your favorite home-cooked meal?**  
I like to make spaghetti with clam sauce.

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The School of Social Work celebrated its 3rd Annual Child Welfare Graduates' Reunion on September 16 with 47 people in attendance, 20 of whom are alumni. The earliest class represented by the group was the first Bachelor of Social Work graduating class of 2004. Among those attending were, from left: Toria Roberts, BSW 2009; Mary Bricker-Jenkins, former adjunct professor and currently Convener of the USA-Canada Alliance of Inhabitants, who was the guest speaker; and Di Shelburne, Administrative Assistant for the School of Social Work. In the second picture are, from left: Kate Travers, BSW 2008, Dr. Spencer Zeiger, Dean of the School of Social Work, and Serena Hitchcox, BSW 2008.

## SEC FOOTBALL FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS Saturday, October 9 • Bell Tower Quad Gates open at 6 pm • Game begins at 7

Open to the Public • Proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis  
Sponsored by the Respiratory Therapy Club  
Food tickets available in advance from the Respiratory Therapy Lab  
Room 14, Technical Education Building

## Fall Family Festival

October 28 • 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Pope Student Center

Activities and treats for kids – Sponsored by the Campus Activities Board  
Student ID card required • For more information, email [jhall](mailto:jhall).

### Work continues on the Dalton State hiking trails!

Construction is underway in the forest behind the campus and volunteers are needed. **Bring** sturdy shoes or boots, gloves, drinking water, and a respect for yellow jackets. **Meet** on George Rice Drive at the service drive just south of the parking deck.

**Questions? Contact John Lughart @ [jlughart@daltonstate.edu](mailto:jlughart@daltonstate.edu)**

**Fridays • 8:30 to Noon**

October 15 and December 3

**Saturdays • 8:30 to Noon**

November 13 and December 11

**Dr. Sandra Stone** (continued from page 2)

**What is your favorite vacation and why?**  
St. Lucia. I love tropical islands.

**If you were stranded on a desert island and could only take one item, what would it be?** A good book.

**That of which you are most proud?**  
Completing my Ph.D.

**What's your most embarrassing moment?**  
When I was a graduate student, I presented a paper at a national conference and during the Q&A got engaged in an argument with a member of the audience, only to find out later that he was the leading expert in the area I had presented on.

**What do you like about the beginning of the school year?**

It always feels like a time to start over. There is a lot of excitement and anticipation of a new year with new experiences.

**What words of wisdom would you give to students?**

Take advantage of the opportunity to learn—take on school as a serious commitment. It is true that you get out of it what you put into it, so go to class, read and prepare assignments, participate, talk to your professors, give it all you've got, and it will pay off in many ways.

**If you were not working here, what would you be doing?**

Probably the same job someplace else.

**When I retire, I will...**

Do a lot of volunteer work with some kind of children's program.

## International Cultural Awareness Month • October 2010

*Highlighting events and speakers that celebrate Dalton State's diverse culture*

Tuesday, October 5, 12:15 pm, Pope Student Center

### **Comedian Andrew Kennedy**

Born in Bogota, Colombia, and having lived in Colombia, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, Hong Kong and the United States, Kennedy is fluent in both Spanish and English.

Sponsored by the Office of Student Activities

Thursday, October 7, 7:30 pm, Goodroe Auditorium:

### **Speaker Zohra Sarwari**

Known by many as “The Most Inspirational Muslim Woman Speaker in America,” she is an author of nine books. Sarwari will share the stereotypes that Muslims face daily.

Sponsored by the Office of Student Activities

Tuesday, October 12, 10 am until 2 pm, Pope Student Center – Lower Level

### **International Food Fest and Study Abroad Exhibit**

Food provided by FYE classes

Thursday, October 14, 7:30 pm, Goodroe Auditorium

### **Movie: DISTRICT 9**

The film depicts a fictional world where extraterrestrials have become refugees in South Africa.

Open to the public and popcorn and drinks will be served.

Sponsored by the Office of Student Activities

Monday, October 18

**Tai Chi and Yoga on the Quad** – Look for announcements regarding times

Wednesday, October 20, 2:15 pm, in Goodroe Auditorium

### **International Awareness Panel**

Thursday, October 21, at 7:00 pm, Pope Student Center

### **Intellectual International Literature Reading – Open Mic and Coffee House**

Wednesday, October 27, 11:30 am until 1 pm, Pope Student Center

### **French and Spanish Samplers along with French Music**

### **ALL MONTH:**

The Library will host an international display, feature international books on their Web page, and give out international awareness bookmarks. Each building on campus will feature bulletin boards decorated by FYE classes and representing different countries. Boards will be judged and the winning FYE class will receive a pizza party from Student Activities.