Rust College High Jumper Headed to National Competition

Rust College track team member Demeatrick Clayton of Vaughan, Mississippi will compete in the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championship in Delaware, Ohio on Saturday, May 28, 2011.

Clayton, who originally came to Rust College to play basketball, is one of the top high jumpers in Division III. His highest recorded jump in indoor competition was 7’ 1/4 “ at Southeast Missouri State University; and during indoor play, 6’ 11 3/4” at Mississippi State University.

“I’m a little excited, a little nervous,” said Clayton. “I always feel confident though. I’m a sore loser, so I do my best to win,” he said laughing.

Coach Brandon Reeves, who is traveling with Clayton, says this year’s motto for the track team was “Anything is Possible”.

“It’s been years since a Rust track member has gone to national competition. It’s exciting. You never know when you’ll get the chance to coach a qualifier,” said Reeves.

Clayton is a sophomore, majoring in computer science. He says he wants to become a basketball and track coach after graduation.

Rust College Alumnus Earns Graduate Degree

Rust College graduate Kenneth Bailey, ‘08, returned to campus to share his latest achievement—earning his Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration on Justice and Security on May 23, 2011 from the University of Phoenix in Memphis, Tennessee.

Bailey, who received his Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Rust College, was a member of the Pre-Law Club, Ebone’ Fashion Club, the Blue Blazing Marching Band, and the Baptist Student Union choir while at Rust. Bailey is also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Bailey currently works for Youth Villages in Memphis, Tennessee, as a teacher/counselor, looking toward advancement. “You have to be dedicated to helping kids,” Bailey said.
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Rust College Listed Among Scholarship Fund Recipients

Rust College was named among seven colleges and universities on May 25, 2011 to receive funding from the United Negro College Fund (UNCF). A $75,000 grant, issued by Entergy Charitable Foundation, to the UNCF will be divided amongst Rust College, Philander Smith College, Dillard University, Xavier University, Southern University, Tougaloo College, and Prairie View A&M University. The UNCF’s goal is to double the number of graduates from its 39 member colleges from 8,000 currently to 16,000 by the spring of 2020.


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“UNCF’s mission is to build a robust and nationally-recognized pipeline of under-represented students who, because of UNCF support, become highly-qualified college graduates and to ensure that our network of member institutions is a respected model of best practice in moving students to and through college.”

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For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Development at 662-252-8000, ext. 4913.

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