

Sports with Walter Moore



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Johnson Promoted To Offensive Coordinator

Savannah State head football coach Robby Wells has promoted Eddie Johnson to offensive coordinator. Johnson, who is beginning his second year with the SSU program, served as wide receivers and strength & conditioning coach last season. In addition to being offensive coordinator, Johnson will also be the new quarterback coach. The 40-year old Cincinnati, Ohio native replaces Alan Hall who left the program to become offensive coordinator/quarterback coach at Winston-Salem State. Johnson has also coached at

Newberry, Lenior-Rhyn, Wingate, Wofford, Marietta and Georgetown (Ky.).

Plump Runs In NCAA Regional

Savannah State freshman Eric Plump participated in the NCAA Division I Outdoor Track & Field East Regional held at North Carolina A&T. The Columbus, GA native ran in the men's 200m race. Plump failed to qualify for the NCAA Championships as he posted a time of 21.58 which was good enough for 23rd overall. Plump finished 5th in his heat. Plump will participate in the USATF National Junior Championships in Eugene, OR on June 24-26.

Fitch Is Claflin Assistant AD

Former Savannah State athletics director Jerome Fitch is now working at Claflin in Orangeburg, SC as the Panthers assistant director of compliance. Fitch has been at Claflin since October 2008. He is the founder and CEO of the Fitch Group, a compliance and consulting

firm. Fitch, who has over 30 years experience in athletic administration, serves as the Executive Director of "Athletes United," a non-profit organization dedicated to encouraging former athletes who have not obtained their degrees to return to college and graduate.

SSU Athletics Off Probation

In May 2006, the Savannah State athletics department was placed on three years probation in a case involving major violations in its football program, by the NCAA. SSU's time was up on May 18, 2009. The SSU case included a finding of unethical conduct against a former assistant coach, several recruiting violations, impermissible summer workouts with football prospects before their initial full-time enrollment and several prospects' receipt of impermissible benefits, including free housing. There were also findings against the institution for lack of institutional control and failure to monitor its athletics program.

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Ulysses Davis Folk Art Collection and art artifacts from across the African Diaspora. Several pieces of the Davis Collection were on exhibit recently at the High Museum in Atlanta and are now featured at the American Folk Art Museum in New York City.

The Foundation also operates the King-Tisdell Cottage, which is currently closed but slated to reopen as a museum that presents the story of slav-

ery in Savannah and the coastal region.

The Awards Banquet is the Foundation's primary activity for securing funds for operating and personnel support.

Individual tickets for the banquet are \$75.00.

Tables and sponsorship opportunities are also available.

The banquet is open to the public and will begin Saturday evening, September 26th at 7:30 p.m., with a reception planned at 6:30 p.m.

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