Welcome Coeds
A Celebration of 50 Years of Clemson Women
WISE students, photo by Dave Lewis

Through its WISE program (Women in Science and Engineering), Clemson reaches out to future female engineers and scientists as early as elementary and middle school.
Clemson Women: Partners in Progress

Fifty years ago this spring, Clemson took a single step that arguably can be seen as the beginning of the success the University enjoys today. In late January of 1955, the first full-time degree-seeking female undergraduate students enrolled for classes, and the Clemson of today was born.

It’s a pointless exercise, in the 21st century, to contemplate Clemson without women, who make up approximately half of today’s student body; who represent the University as faculty, administrators, coaches and advisers; and who, as alumni, spread the good name of Clemson throughout the world with their contributions in every aspect of society.

But it’s not pointless to honor the role of their presence and to reflect on the significance of the decision to admit women. Thus, this issue of Clemson World is dedicated to the history of women at Clemson, and special programs on campus in late February and March will celebrate their contributions.

Since women students were already in attendance when I arrived as a freshman, I can’t comment from the student’s point of view about the decision to admit women. However, as president, that decision represents for me a vivid example of the weight of our administrative decisions and how they impact the future.

It’s sometimes difficult to discern the right course of action and, occasionally, even harder to remain on course when decisions are less than popular. But the long-term health and vigor of this great University is always the most important goal, and history has proven to us that Clemson trustees and administrators have honored the institution with their thoughtful deliberation. We strive to continue that tradition today.

In 1954, the trustees of Clemson A&M College found the school at a crossroads, suffering what psychologists today might call an “identity crisis.” Established as an all-male military school with an emphasis on the agricultural and mechanical arts, Clemson had seen its enrollment dwindle after World War II, and the trustees wanted to ensure that Clemson would survive and thrive.

The GI Bill had made education possible for numerous veterans following the war, and the admission of these civilian men to Clemson had brought about some changes. But their presence alone would not provide the necessary revenue for future growth. The trustees commissioned an institutional study, and while there were other recommendations implemented, the single most significant one was to open the school to women on a permanent, full-time basis.

From our vantage point today, this may seem a reasonable and almost mundane act, but for the all-male military school steeped in tradition, it represented a major paradigm shift. In addition to changing the social aspect of the school, the admission of women would bring growth in academic areas other than those traditionally favored. The “band
of brothers’ community the cadet corps had fostered would inevitably be impacted, and there were other unforeseen changes that would shape a new Clemson.

The decision was not universally popular, but it was necessary to the institution’s survival, and it was the right thing to do. Half a century later we are reaping the benefits of the vision of those trustees and administrators.

The admission of women into the Clemson family is one of this University’s great success stories. Without all that our women faculty, staff, students and graduates have accomplished and contributed, we can only speculate what Clemson would be today. Certainly every major transition has made Clemson a better, stronger institution, moving it from an all-male military school to a civilian, coeducational, desegregated research university that we can proudly say is among the nation’s most outstanding public universities.

We recognize the difficulty of viewing history with an unbiased eye. To consider the events of half a century ago in today’s climate of social equality is a difficult task indeed.

Jerome Reel, senior vice provost and University historian, has done an admirable job in providing the historian’s perspective. In the pages of this magazine, you’ll find some of that history along with highlights of our fine women’s athletic program, a sampling of current research by female faculty and profiles of a few of our many outstanding female graduates. I invite and encourage you to join us in the celebration of 50 years of Clemson coeducation.

James F. Barker, FAIA
President

Architect Ellen Pratt Harris ’81 presents President Barker with an Honor Award from the N.C. Chapter of the American Institute of Architects that her firm received last fall for work on Fort Hill. Helping restore the historical home of the University’s founder was a labor of love for Harris, both as a preservation architect and a Clemson graduate.
Sponsored research for better life

Clemson netted nearly $115 million in competitive research grants in fiscal year 2003-04. Much of the research will directly benefit South Carolinians, from cancer outreach programs and genetic engineering to automotive R&D and high-tech initiatives that will help attract high-paying jobs.

The record-breaking total of $114.9 million is in spite of a sluggish economy and a growing federal deficit. The previous year’s figure was $104.8 million.

Sponsored research money doesn’t include state or federal appropriations but counts only competitively awarded grants. Clemson’s ability to win grants has risen dramatically as the University has strengthened its research infrastructure. Clemson surpassed the $100 million mark in 2003, beating by seven years a goal set by Clemson President Jim Barker in 1999.

Finding new power

Clemson physicists will use a $3 million grant to investigate the electrical and thermal properties of new materials that could reduce the world’s reliance on fossil fuels.

These funds will be used to support students and post-doctoral research associates and to acquire state-of-the-art equipment and facilities making Clemson’s capabilities in this area unparalleled.

The grant, funded by the U.S. Department of Energy and the S.C. EPSCoR/IDeA Program, will establish the Center of Excellence in Thermoelectric Materials Research. The center will focus on the next generation of thermoelectric materials for power conversion and refrigeration, according to Terry M. Tritt, the physics professor who will guide the project.

Tritt heads Clemson’s Complex and Advanced Materials Laboratory, considered one of the leading laboratories for thermoelectric materials in the world. He serves as a consultant to both international and national companies who have an interest in thermoelectric materials development.

Clemson in Chinese

In the last Clemson World (fall 2004) we featured the photos and observations of Sam Wang, Alumni Professor of Art, on his visit to China earlier in the year. As part of the art element (apart from professor Wang’s art), we included a rendering of “Clemson University” in Chinese. Unfortunately, during the design process, the element was flipped, a fact we didn’t learn until after the issue was printed and mailed. A number of our Chinese-savvy readers quickly let us know. We regret the error and probably won’t attempt the translation again.

Honored service

State Sen. Hugh K. Leatherman Sr. received a Clemson honorary doctor of laws degree during winter graduation. He charged graduates to find time for public service.

Leatherman, pictured left with President Barker, is chairman of the S.C. Senate Finance Committee and has been on the College of Engineering and Science advisory board at Clemson for 15 years. He supports efforts to enable South Carolina’s three research universities to have more access to funding and more freedom to partner with private companies.
Belgium study abroad

Clemson has entered into a study-abroad program with ICHEC School of Business in Brussels, Belgium, one of Europe’s finest business schools. The program brings with it additional access for student exchange and internship opportunities, joint-degree programs, undergraduate and graduate research programs, executive training and teacher training.

Belgium, the seventh largest recipient of South Carolina exports, has a long trade relationship with the state. Clemson founder Thomas Green Clemson was a senior diplomat to Belgium and negotiated the first treaty of navigation and commerce between the United States and Belgium.

“This collaboration between Clemson and ICHEC Business School makes sense on many levels,” says James Cross, Clemson vice provost for international programs and services. “Both schools have taken leadership roles in economic development and in the education needed for such endeavors.”

FAR reach of service-learning

Clemson’s cutting-edge technology often gets the headlines, but the University is deeply rooted in service. Last fall Clemson hosted the International Conference on Service-Learning Research, attracting specialists from around the world.

Pictured with Brenda Thames, associate dean of the College of Health, Education and Human Development (left), and President Barker is graduate student and conference organizer Lorilei Swanson from Clemson’s International Center for Service-Learning in Teacher Education.

The center’s mission is to integrate service-learning and teacher education with an international perspective. It works closely with the National Dropout Prevention Center at Clemson.

TestEdge for students

Clemson has joined forces with a California-based research institute to improve S.C. education. Clemson’s Youth Learning Institute and the Institute of HeartMath* signed an agreement giving Clemson the exclusive rights to market in state TestEdge™, an interactive program that helps students improve learning and performance, especially on high-stakes tests, and a program to help teachers and administrators reduce stress and enhance classroom performance.

Based on heart-brain research, TestEdge teaches students strategies for overcoming test anxiety while enhancing problem-solving ability. The Youth Learning Institute will introduce TestEdge through workshops for educators and their students and through a summer camp called The Edge. It will also launch a series for educators and youth development professionals called THINKSHOPS.

For more information on Clemson’s Youth Learning Institute, visit the Web at www.clemson.edu/yli. For more information on HeartMath, go to www.HeartMath.org.
Student research forum and expo

STUDENT RESEARCH ON EVERYTHING FROM BIOENGINEERING TO AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY WILL BE FEATURED IN CLEMSON’S 10TH ANNUAL FOCUS ON RESEARCH MONTH IN APRIL, A CELEBRATION OF RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY CLEMSON STUDENTS AND FACULTY.

Most workshops, lectures and exhibitions will be free and open to the public. Topics vary from reproductive endocrinology to diversity in children’s literature to translating science into a language for a lay audience.

One highlight is a forum where more than 350 graduate and undergraduate students will showcase the fruits of their scholarship. Another is an expo with displays by emphasis areas, departments and individual faculty members. These two events will be on April 6, 1:30-4 p.m., at Littlejohn Coliseum concourse. For more information, contact Frankie Felder at (864) 656-1845 or frankie@clemson.edu or visit the Web at www.grad.clemson.edu.

National young scientist finalist

CLEMSON STUDENT DONNY OSWALT, A PH.D. STUDENT AND GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN THE ENTOMOLOGY, SOILS AND PLANT SCIENCES DEPARTMENT, WAS ONE OF THREE FINALISTS FOR THE BAYER YOUNG SCIENTIST OF THE YEAR AWARD.

He received a $1,500 scholarship for his research on the black carpenter ant. Bayer also donated $1,000 to Clemson’s scholarship fund. A year earlier, Oswalt was one of 40 winners in the nation chosen as leaders of the pest management industry under the age of 40 by Pest Control Technology Magazine.

CAFLS alumni to hold spring meetings

Clemson’s College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences alumni board will host spring meetings for CAFLS alumni around the state in March and April. The events will feature food, fun, music and an update on the college.

Locations and dates are Florence on March 15, Columbia on March 22, Charleston on April 5 and Clemson on April 16 (along with a Tiger baseball game).

For times and details contact Kirby Player at (800) 823-0508 or kplayer@clemson.edu or Sennah Honea at (864) 656-8998 or schonea@clemson.edu.

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Remembering

THESE VETERANS GATHERED IN CLEMSON MEMORIAL STADIUM LAST FALL AS CLEMSON CORPS MEMBERS LED EFFORTS TO REMEMBER ALL VETERANS DURING CLEMSON’S ANNUAL MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY.

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This year’s camp is from June 26 to July 2, 2005. Program cost is $435 per child with a discount given to additional children from the same family. For more information and an application, contact Leslie Conrad at (864) 646-7502 or conrad@clemson.edu, or visit the Web at www.clemson.edu/outdoorlab/ody.htm.

Get ready to race!

JOIN PRESIDENT BARKER ON SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2005, IN A RACE TO BENEFIT THE CLEMSON LIBRARIES. RUN OR WALK THE 5K COURSE ON THE CLEMSON CAMPUS IN THE ANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY RACE. THE PALMETTO GRAND PRIX EVENT IS USAFT-CERTIFIED WITH THE FINISH LINE BY RMS SPORTS. REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 7:15 A.M. WITH RACE TIME AT 8:30 A.M.

The race starts behind Cooper Library and ends with racers running down “The Hill” into Memorial Stadium. For more information or to register, go online to www.clemson.edu/pres/race.

If you can’t make it to Clemson for the race, run by yourself or organize running partners in your town. Take a picture of yourself (and other participants) wearing your race shirt and send it to us by mail or email. For more information, call (864) 656-0377 or email tdaele@clemson.edu.

Get ready to race!
Clemson-ICAR update

Master planners

Clemson has named the architects and planners who will shape a 250-acre tract of Greenville land into the Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research.

SmithGroup of Washington, D.C., leads the design effort, along with Neal Prince & Partners of Greenville and Andropogon Associates of Philadelphia. They will develop a research campus powered by some of the best resources of the University and its corporate partners including BMW Manufacturing, Microsoft, Michelin and IBM.

“The final product should be more like a college campus than an industrial park because what sets this campus apart is its academic core,” says Clemson-ICAR director Bob Geolas. “Our tenants will have unprecedented access to University talent and facilities.”

The firms — a unique assembly of architects, engineers, and planning and design professionals — are working with University officials, community representatives, public officials and corporate partners to develop a master plan for the site.

The first phase began in late 2004 with planners conducting a site survey and assessment. A 2005 report will detail goals and planning parameters for the overall project.

Prior to physical work on the site, Clemson and BMW consulted experts from the S.C. Department of Natural Resources and renowned naturalist Rudy Mancke for advice on plantings to preserve wildlife habitat, protect against erosion and help create an environmentally friendly setting.

The first building at the Clemson-ICAR site is under construction now, the 80,000-square-foot Information Technology Research Center to be completed this year. Construction also begins early this year on the Carroll A. Campbell Jr. Graduate Engineering Center that will serve as the cornerstone of the campus.

Director of innovation and public policy

David L. Bodde has been named director of innovation and public policy for Clemson-ICAR and senior fellow of the Spiro Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership. He has extensive experience in energy policy and innovation, especially in creating new ventures with technology.

Bodde’s current work focuses on the role of entrepreneurs in the innovation and commercialization of energy technologies. He has led numerous studies involving nuclear energy, coal, synthetic fuels, electric utilities, renewable energy technologies and commercialization. He recently served as chairman of the Environmental Management Board, advising the Department of Energy on the cleanup of the U.S. nuclear weapons complex. He’s also a member of the National Research Council Board on Energy and Environmental Systems.

Economic development leader

Upstate economic development leader Sam Konduros has joined Clemson-ICAR as a consultant. He’s the former head of the Upstate Alliance, an economic development organization that markets 10 Upstate counties.

Konduros will help develop integrated marketing, economic development and corporate growth strategies for the startup phase of the Clemson-ICAR project. His experience leading the Upstate Alliance and in the launch of two high-tech automotive manufacturing corporations complements his expertise from five years at the S.C. Department of Commerce in international business. He’s also a licensed attorney and is active in community service.

Real estate director

Alumnus John V. Boyette Jr. ’65 joined Clemson-ICAR as real estate director last fall. Boyette has 36 years of management experience in the design and construction industry and is a well-respected local business executive with extensive national experience.

Boyette will be responsible for the planning, development and management of all Clemson-ICAR property. He will oversee ground leases, space leases and property exchanges; maintain maps and property; and lease databases for property transactions and land-planning purposes. Boyette, formerly of Design Strategies, has been involved in large projects for Furman, Greenville-Spartanburg Airport, Greenville Hospital System, Shriners Hospital and Clemson.
Former Tiger and NFL football standout Levon Kirkland has returned to Clemson to help recruit students for the classroom. He’s coordinating minority recruitment initiatives at Clemson, providing one-on-one assistance to qualified minority applicants. He helps them enroll at the University and apply for financial aid when needed.

“I am tremendously honored to be able to give something back to Clemson,” says Kirkland. “This is a great opportunity.”

Kirkland, who earned a sociology degree from the University, was an outside linebacker for the Tigers football team from 1988 to 1991. He was named an All-American in 1991, selected Most Valuable Player in the 1989 Mazda Gator Bowl and was the only underclassman to be a finalist for the 1990 Butkus Award. Kirkland began his NFL career with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1992 and finished with the Philadelphia Eagles in 2002.
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ervice. Character. Loyalty. Love. Of such ideals was built
the spirit of one of Clemson's most dear and endearing
daughters. Her written Tales of Tigertown are well-known
and beloved, but her own tale is one that should be told
with as much fond recollection and celebration.

Mary Katherine “Sooky” Littlejohn was born to James
Corcoran and Mary Poats Littlejohn on March 9, 1921. Her fa-
ther was a true Clemson gentleman who left an incredible legacy
of his own that is still celebrated today by the Littlejohn Colise-
um that bears his name.

His passion for serving Clemson became a family tradition and
a defining characteristic of Mary Katherine. Fittingly, most of her
life was spent living in Clemson at 114 Daniel Drive, which her family built in 1937. Mary
Katherine opened her doors to many students, and she took pride in their academic success.
After her death in 2001, the Littlejohn House became the home for the University's Depart-
ment of Publications and Promotion, an appropriate setting for
Clemson World magazine.

Although her life's path seemed always to point toward Clemson, Mary Katherine served
in places far beyond Clemson's gates. After taking summer sessions on Clemson's all-male
military campus, Mary Katherine graduated with a degree in commerce
from Winthrop College in 1942. Soon she began working in the Clemson
College Registrar's Office.

When World War II erupted, she helped prepare the campus for mili-
tary units deployed to South Carolina, and she arranged recreation and
activities for the soldiers. She volunteered for the Army Special Services
and was selected to a team of 13 American ladies to serve in Europe
under the directive of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. Their mission was to
host the Allied Expeditionary Force Clubs. Mary Katherine found her
post in Paris at the Grand Hotel where she and her colleagues opened the
doors to thousands of Allied troops retreating from the battlefront for a
few blessed days of rest and recuperation.

Her station at the Grand Hotel was often at the information desk.
Legend has it that Mary Katherine kept files of all Clemson soldiers and
their assignments, and most importantly, she kept copies of The Tiger and other campus news
nearby so she could hand it to all Clemson folk who crossed her path in Paris. Mary Katherine's
co-workers often teased her with the line, “The Army didn't send you to Paris, Clemson did!”

Upon her return to the United States, Mary Katherine went to New York to pursue a mas-
ter's degree at Columbia University. In New York she worked for Columbia University and the
Finch International Study Program and was on the faculty of New York City University. She
later returned to Clemson and served as director of adult education at Tri-County Technical
College until her retirement in 1983.

She was often asked to speak to groups about the early Clemson she knew as a child and
the tales on which she was reared, told by her father, often including characters such as his
friend Bill Greenlee and the legend himself, Thomas Green Clemson. Recognizing the power
of those stories and hoping to preserve the heritage and spirit of Clemson, she penned
Tales of Tigertown, which was published in 1979.

Following the legacy of her parents, she established a scholarship in honor of J.C. and Mary
Poats Littlejohn with the proceeds from the book. Her tales proved to be so popular that she
later published a second volume, Twice Told Tales of Tigertown. Those proceeds went to nursing
scholarships. Later, she and Joe Young, Clemson professor emeritus of architecture, established
the Marcia and Jim Barker Endowed Scholarship in Architecture at Clemson.

Mary Katherine Littlejohn's heart of service and loyalty echoes today in the witty tales she
wrote and the generous life she lived. A legend in her own right, she is forever honored along-
side others responsible for crafting the Clemson tradition, atop the sacred rise of Cemetery Hill.
Faces of Philanthropy

True beauty

Carolyn Willis Creel ’61

Alumna Carolyn Creel scored a number of “firsts” as a Clemson coed. She was Clemson’s first feature twirler, and already a champion — Majorette Queen of America in 1955 and Miss Majorette of America in 1956 — the first coed to receive an athletic scholarship (football at that), and as a graduate, she was the first female to receive the Clemson Distinguished Service Award (1996).

These honors, however, only hint at the hard work and service Carolyn Creel has taken on throughout her life.

Her father, James C. Willis ’30, became seriously ill when she was a child. Carolyn soon realized she would need scholarship money to go to college, a scarcity in general and especially for women. She honed her twirling skills and her studies, both of which earned her scholarship offers but not to her college of choice.

Even though Clemson couldn’t give her a scholarship for academics or twirling, football coach Frank Howard had the foresight to offer her an athletic scholarship. He knew what her presence and performance would add to the whole football game experience for fans and students alike.

At Clemson, Creel, an education major, went on to meet and marry her lifelong partner, James P. Creel ’60. She started her own business, then developed a business with Jim in the Myrtle Beach area, and raised two children, Jim Jr. ’86 and Alicia C. Bame ’90. She also devoted a tremendous amount of energy to “giving back.”

She’s currently serving with the National Women’s Leadership Conference and the National Breast Cancer Coalition. She’s worked for a variety of educational and social concerns, including AIDS Care Teams.

At Clemson, she’s served on the Foundation Board, Commission on the Future and Board of Visitors. She’s currently on the College of Heath, Education and Human Development advisory board. She’s also on the WestZone campaign committee.

The Creels were first to offer a challenge gift for the Loyalty Fund, matching new gifts from other alumni. They’ve created an IPTAY endowment to return the scholarship that Carolyn had received and to benefit other students. They’ve also created a named endowment to provide funding for tourism initiatives and a named endowment to provide grants-in-aid for majorettes at Clemson. They’ve supported the needs of the University in many other ways, too.

The Creels are members of the John C. Calhoun Society, Heritage Partners, Richard W. Simpson Society and Benefactors of 1889.

“For information on establishing a named endowment or on planned giving, contact JoVanna King, director of gift and estate planning, Clemson University, PO Box 1889, Clemson, SC 29633-1889; call (864) 656-0663 or 1-800-699-9153; or email jovanna@clemson.edu.”

“Throughout my life, I have been helped by others to achieve the success that has come my way,” says Carolyn. “Teachers, coaches, family members, friends and institutions, like the church and Clemson, played a special role in my youth. Those are the same ones that influence my life today. The faces have changed but not their roles. It is my hope that I will be able to help others as they challenge the future and succeed.”
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he very existence of Clemson University in the 21st century and the foundation of Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina in 1889 depended on outstanding men and women. But because the school began as a male-only student body and continued as such for its first 66 years, the role of women in the early years has been largely ignored. The following is from a longer history that sheds light on the female influence during those early years, written by Jerome “Jerry” Reel — historian, professor and a true Clemson treasure.
The good land

We often think of Fort Hill, the land that would become home to Clemson University, as starting with John C. Calhoun. But the female influence on Clemson began with his wife, Floride, who owned the land herself.

Actually, it began with her mother. Floride’s family had come into much Upcountry land in 1802. Nearby Fort Hill, then known as Clergy Hall, was built in 1803 as the manse for Old Stone Church just a few miles away. When Fort Hill came up for sale, Floride’s mother purchased the property.

Floride inherited the title to Fort Hill upon her mother’s death in 1836. (She and husband, John C., were already living there.) When John C. died in 1850, Floride Calhoun became the sole owner of Fort Hill House and 1,341 acres of land. When she died in 1866, portions of the property then went to their daughter and sole surviving child, Anna Maria, who had married Thomas Green Clemson. The Clemsons’ daughter Floride Elizabeth also inherited a portion.

Anna Maria Calhoun Clemson willed her share of Fort Hill to her husband, Thomas Clemson, and he inherited it when she died in 1875. Thus it was through a succession of the Calhoun-Clemson women that Fort Hill came into Thomas Clemson’s possession. (This is the abridged version of how the land passed through a series of hands to get to Clemson.)

The Clemsons had long wanted the state of South Carolina to create a scientific institution designed to teach agriculture and engineering. The state was in dire need after the Civil War, and the Clemsons saw education as a way to help. In 1886, Clemson signed his will deeding Fort Hill to South Carolina if the state would build the hoped-for school. His will — which did not speak to nor limit gender, race or place of origin — was finally accepted by the state in 1889.

The college was to be governed by 13 persons, seven of whom were trustees for life and six legislative trustees. These trustees, not the will, determined that the school would be for males only. The trustees, however, knew women were needed at the college.

Women on the hall

When Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina opened in 1893, two women were on staff — Mrs. John F. Calhoun, “matron of the barracks,” and Mrs. J.A. Fitzgerald, “matron of the infirmary.” The first “professionally trained” female staff member to begin work at Clemson was librarian Katherine Trescot, in 1905, whom students called the “goddess of wisdom.”

The first female faculty member was Mary Hart Evans, assistant professor of botany, appointed in 1918. Female faculty members were few and far between for several more decades. Most were wives of male faculty members.

When the first official coeds — degree-seeking female students — started classes in the mid-1950s, there were only three female faculty members to 313 male faculty. But by the mid-1970s, 150 women taught at Clemson, forming about 12 percent of the faculty.

Another milestone was the 1983 designation of the first female faculty member — education professor Elizabeth Galloway — as an Alumni Distinguished Professor. Three years later, Carol Bleser, a highly regarded Southern historian, was brought to Clemson as the Katherine and Calhoun Lemon Professor of History, the first female titled professor.

By the 1990s, there were 303 female faculty representing 22 percent of the total. Today, Clemson has 346 permanent female faculty members, 124 temporary female faculty, and eight female named professors.

Slow, winding commute

Although we often think of women bursting onto the Clemson scene in 1955, the gradual emergence of women into most aspects of Clemson life was a long, slow process. So, too, was the arrival of female students.

The first women to attend Clemson as regular-semester undergraduates came much earlier — the fall of 1932. They were not degree seekers. In fact, all were students at other schools. Their fathers were either local merchants or on the faculty at Clemson. Financially strapped from the Great Depression, they requested that their daughters be enrolled temporarily at Clemson. In all, 14 women were in the group. President Sikes liked the experiment and wished to continue it. But the Board of Trustees didn’t approve its becoming permanent.

World War II brought about a variety of changes for Clemson. Postwar veterans, who were returning to or beginning their collegiate lives under the G.I. Bill, had already served their country and didn’t want to go back to a mandatory military environment. In addition, many were married men and fathers.

Clemson accommodated the veterans with family housing, including the “temporary prefabs,” and the trustees exempted veterans from membership in the corps. The presence of large numbers of noncorps members and the addition of their wives and children changed the landscape and environment. Some of
of 1955, 11 females registered as undergraduates among an undergraduate student body of 2,800. All were transfer students with varying amounts of credit to apply toward a Clemson degree. When the women arrived, they found a sign waiting for them on Bowman Field — male students had cut out big letters that read “WELCOME COEDS.” More women arrived to join the growing student body in the summer and fall of 1955. Most coeds were local because of the nonexistent housing. Their memories of acceptance varied. Some recalled more hostility from some of the faculty than their fellow students.

Margaret Marie Snider Coker, who transferred from Anderson College after receiving a two-year degree, commuted by hitchhiking daily with her brother to Clemson from her home in Anderson. She recalled that when she entered class, the boys all stood up and clapped. She went on to earn a degree in chemistry in 1957 and at that moment became Clemson’s first female graduate. The following year, Virginia Cole Skelton became the first female graduate who had taken all her course work at Clemson. (She would also become the first female president of Clemson’s Alumni National Council in 1993.)

**Places of their own**

Among the earliest nonacademic areas to accept women was the cheerleading squad. In the autumn of 1955, Rachel Cole, Teresa Kelly and Charlotte Beckley cheered the Tigers on in their newly designed uniforms from the sidelines at the Clemson football games.

Shirley Hase ventured into male-dominated journalism on campus to write for *The Tiger*, and Camellia S. Greene became the first TAPS female junior staff member.

In 1956, Carolyn Willis Creel and Phyllis O’Dell became majorettes for Tiger Band, which, by the way, did not allow women instrumentalists until much later. Willis, who held several national twirling titles, came to Clemson mainly because Coach Frank Howard recruited her like a football player and offered her a scholarship. She, like other students whose homes were too far to commute, lived at Mrs. Ellie Newman’s boarding house. (The house is

the wives who already had bachelor’s degrees asked to be admitted to the graduate program. By 1952, Clemson graduate school was open to women.

Clemson also began to accommodate female summer-school students. In 1950, the Board of Trustees approved Clemson President R.F. Poole’s recommendation that a separate barracks and mess hall be reserved for women attending summer school.

Three years later, President Poole recommended that women undergraduates, specifically those who were teachers, be permitted to take courses during the regular term. This helped meet the state’s need to upgrade the educational level of public school teachers. Still, there was no move either to allow undergraduates to become degree seekers or to house women on campus, other than in the summer.

**Welcome coeds!**

By 1954, Korean War veterans were taking the places formerly occupied by World War II veterans, and various groups of females on campus were exempt from ROTC programs. The trustees realized that Clemson was changing quickly.

They hired a management firm to study the school and help plan for the future. Based on the firm’s suggestions and President Poole’s recommendation, the trustees determined that “effective at the beginning of the second semester,” spring 1955, the college was authorized to admit women students residing at their homes — in other words, day students.

As the spring semester opened in January
now a downtown restaurant on Hwy. 93 across from the tennis courts.)

Most early Clemson coeds weren’t comfortable going to the canteen in the Student Union, so they congregated in the nearby ladies lounge. Becky Epting, a student from 1959 to 1962, noticed the overcrowding in the lounge. She went upstairs to the office of Walter Cox, dean of students, and brought him down to the lounge. He immediately designated the much more spacious visitors lounge on the Loggia for women.

Clemson women made a major stride toward full acceptance when the first women’s residence, Mauldin Hall, was built and opened in the fall of 1963. Clemson coeds finally had a place of their own to study, to play bridge, to talk, to live. They also had their own dean. Susan Delony became Clemson’s dean of women and chief advocate in 1963. At that time, Clemson enrolled approximately 4,700 men and 114 women.

The 1960s continued to bring change for the better. One semester after Harvey Gantt became Clemson’s first African American student in January 1963, Lucinda Brawley, his future wife, enrolled and became Clemson’s first African American coed. Next were Dorothy Ashford, Delores Kimes Barton and LaVerne Williams White, who enrolled in 1965 and graduated in 1969, becoming Clemson’s first female African American graduates.

Linda Thomas became the first coed announcer for the student radio station WSBF in 1964, and TAPS, Clemson’s yearbook, saw its first female editor-in-chief — Nancy Miller — in 1967. (The Tiger was slower getting its first female editor-in-chief — Nancy Jacobs in 1973.)

Some men’s organizations opened their doors to women officers, though often as secretaries. Women did get their own sororities along with men in the early 1960s — Chi Chi Chi, which would change to Delta Theta Chi; Omicron Zeta Tau; and Sigma Beta Chi. (These three would go national in 1970; in the same order, they would become Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Chi Omega.)

The first females were tapped for membership in Phi Kappa Phi, the ultimate academic society for juniors and seniors, in 1957-58. Dean Delony, however, led a movement to add Alpha Lambda Delta, a scholastic society for women, and Mortar Board, a leadership society for women.

A coed won one of the most esteemed Clemson awards early on. In 1959, Carol C. Faulkenberry won the Trustees’ Medal. But a coed didn’t receive the Norris Medal, an award for the most outstanding senior, until Nancy Jacobs received it in 1975.

Student government opened immediately to women. In 1956, Nancy Bonnette was elected secretary of the freshman class. In 1964, women were elected as first-year senators in the student government; a year later, women were elected as first-year sophomore senators, and so on each year. However, no female student was elected for top leadership for a long time.

During the 1970s and 1980s, women ran for student body president, but none won. Patricia Warren Daugherty, however, was elected president of the student senate in 1976. In the early 1980s, Beth English was chosen to serve as student government vice president. The first woman to serve as president of the student body was Tracy Malcolm in 1990; she assumed the office when the elected male president resigned.

Not until the new millennium (2000-2001) did Clemson see its first elected female student body president, Rita Bolt Barker, who went on to earn a law degree at Harvard.

As for the military, coeds made a place
for themselves in Clemson’s vaunted tradition early on. Angel Flight became the female counterpart to the Arnold Air Society beginning in 1963. The Light Brigade served likewise for the Army ROTC in 1964, and Capers was the response to Pershing Rifles begun in 1968.

In a few more years, Clemson women began emerging as military leaders. The ROTC began accepting women in 1971. In 1974, Kathy Morris Hagar became the first Clemson female to be commissioned as a second lieutenant by the Air Force ROTC.

In the game!

The 1970s saw the ending of the Vietnam War. Society began to focus on other issues, one being women’s rights. A milestone was passage of the Equal Rights Amendment in 1972.

In the early 1970s, along with the ERA, came “Title IX.” As part of 1972 congressional reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, women’s collegiate sports became a required part of the overall sports programs for educational institutions receiving federal funds.

Before then, Clemson had sports clubs for women but no intercollegiate teams. In 1975, the University began to catch up. Varsity athletics for Clemson women began with swimming, basketball, and tennis. They’ve accumulated an impressive list of All-America honors, championships, national honors and even Olympic medals.

Leading the University

An integral part of Clemson’s current leadership comes from its coeds. The University’s first female vice president, Almeda Rogers Jacks, who holds a Clemson degree in secondary education (1974) and a master’s in personnel services (1975), is the vice president for student affairs.

Another Clemson student of the 1970s, Joy Shuler Smith — bachelor’s degree in administrative management (1975) and a master’s in personnel services (1977) — is

Lady Tiger Olympians

These Clemson women athletes have left their imprint worldwide.

- Swimmer Michelle Richardson won silver in the 800m freestyle in the 1984 Summer Olympics.
- Swimmer Mitzi Kremer won bronze in the 1988 Summer Olympics 100m freestyle relay.
- Tennis star Gigi Fernandez won gold medals in doubles competition in both the 1992 and 1996 Summer Olympics.
- Sprinter Kim Graham ’93 won gold in the 1996 Summer Olympics 4x400m relay.
- Michelle Burgher ’01 competed for Jamaica in both the 2000 and 2004 Summer Olympics. She won silver in 2000 and bronze in 2004 as part of the 4x400m relay teams.
- Cydonie Mothersill competed for the Cayman Islands in both the 2000 and 2004 Summer Olympics and advanced to the semifinals in 2004 in the 200m dash.
- Itoro Umoh Coleman ’00 was captain of the Nigerian women’s basketball team in the 2004 Summer Olympics.

‘Baywatch’ beauty

Clemson has had many beauties, but none more famous in the 1980s than Clemson education major Shawn Weatherly. In 1980, she became Miss USA and then Miss Universe. She was the first South Carolinian to win Miss USA since 1954 and the first Miss USA to win Miss Universe since 1967. Weatherly went on to become an original cast member in the TV series “Baywatch.” For the past two decades, she’s appeared in a variety of films and shows from “Happy Days” to “Murder She Wrote” to “Chicago Hope.” More recently she appeared in the documentary “Miss America.”
Engineering PhDivas

Clemson is fourth in the nation in the highest percentage of doctoral degrees in engineering awarded to women, according to PRISM engineering education magazine (October 2004 issue reporting on 2003 figures).

Through its WISE program (Women in Science and Engineering), Clemson reaches future female engineers and scientists much sooner. Clemson begins with elementary-age female students in its annual Girl Scout Day when students come to campus, meet female researchers and get hands-on science. Clemson’s Project WISE Camp shows middle-grade girls that math, science and engineering really are “a girl thing.” Through WISE Choice, high school girls experience college-level learning. And once women get to Clemson as engineering and science majors, they benefit from the WISE program’s support and commitment to their academic success.

Clemson’s dean of students.

Cathy Campbell M ’76 Turner’s impact as an assistant dean, beginning in the early 1970s, was so enduring that a leadership endowment was established in her name.

Clemson’s first female alumni director, Debbie Brockman DuBose, earned a bachelor's degree at Clemson in 1975. She became executive director of the alumni association in 1988 and served through 2003, helping lead the University through two capital campaigns and shape the multifaceted alumni association of today.

The first female member of the Clemson University Foundation Board, Angie Spearman Howard, is a 1969 Clemson graduate. She’s currently an executive vice president for the Nuclear Energy Institute in D.C.

Other important firsts in Clemson’s female leadership include Dori Helms, provost and vice president of academic affairs, who is helping to revolutionize the University’s undergraduate experience, and Clemson Board of Trustees member Patricia McAbee, who was initially appointed to fill a vacancy left by a deceased trustee, and then who was elected in her own right.

Community of Clemson women

Along with the early participation of women, first in the staff and faculty and then as students, the women of the surrounding community have played an ongoing role in the life of Clemson University. Many local residents have opened their homes to students over the years. Also, in the early years, town women would accommodate the cadets’ dates on big dance weekends, with suitable curfews, of course.

Clemson women such as Mrs. Ellie Newman not only provided room and board, but aimed to give their guests a proper educational experience. Mary Katherine Littlejohn, a member of the famed Littlejohn family and author of Twice Told Tales of Tiger-town, hosted Clemson student residents much of her lifetime.

Many local women played support roles through their churches, a practice that’s multiplied many times over today. In addition to social activities, some women’s groups offer scholarship support. The Clemson Women’s Club, a local organization of wives of faculty and staff, alumnae, or wives and daughters of alumni, has focused much of its support on endowing a scholarship for undergraduates.

And when Clemson has had emergencies, the local women have done their part to help, be it the influenza epidemic of 1918-1919 or the fire last winter at an off-campus apartment complex.

It’s impossible to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Clemson coeducation without recognizing a whole community of women, from the Calhoun-Clemson women who first owned the land, to the ladies who helped make the college possible, to those early coeds who broke the gender and race barriers, to the leaders of today. Without the early women of Clemson, there would be no University as we know it today. ❋

Pulitzer Prize winner

Former Washington Post editor Marilyn Walser Thompson ’74 got her start in journalism as a member of The Tiger staff. After Clemson she joined the Columbia Record as an investigative and governmental affairs reporter. She later worked in Philadelphia and New York before joining The Washington Post in 1990. There, her team twice won the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service, one for work uncovering D.C. police abuse and another investigating D.C. services for the retarded. Her latest work, The Killer Strain: Anthrax and a Government Exposed, is a behind-the-scenes account of the nation’s first real-life struggle with a long-feared weapon of mass destruction.

International broadcaster

Jane Robelot De Carvalho ’82, Clemson’s first graduate to become a national newscaster, is creating airwaves even farther now. In the 1990s, the CBS anchor went from local to regional to national news, hosting “CBS This Morning” in New York. She was awarded two Emmys for broadcast excellence. Now in Atlanta, she’s broadcast co-host and media relations director for Leading the Way, an international broadcast ministry. The ministry’s dual-language radio program can be heard in 191 countries.
Although Clemson women became full-time degree-seeking students in the 1950s, they didn’t play varsity sports until the 1970s.

In the early 1970s, along with the Equal Rights Amendment, came “Title IX.” As part of 1972 congressional re-authorization of the Higher Education Act, women’s collegiate sports became a required part of the overall sports programs for educational institutions receiving federal funds.

But once they had the opportunity, they embraced the challenge of becoming “Lady Tigers” and quickly made up for lost time.

Varsity athletics for Clemson women began in 1975, starting with swimming. And basketball. And tennis. In other words, 1975 was a huge year for Clemson women athletes.

Clemson women swimmers competed in their first official meet in 1975, and the Lady Tigers basketball team played its first official game coached by education graduate Mary C. Kennerty ’73, M ’77. Annie Tribble took over as head basketball coach the next year.

The Lady Tigers took up their rackets in their first tennis match in 1976 and quickly began making their mark. Administrative management major Susan Hill Whitson ’81, who joined the team the next year, earned Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Player of the Year four times in a row — a feat that still stands in ACC women’s tennis. The three-time All-American was later inducted into Clemson’s Athletic Hall of Fame.

Next came volleyball in 1977, and women’s track and field in 1978.
By the 1980s, Clemson women were competing in basketball, swimming, tennis, track and field, and volleyball; and their skills began attracting national attention.

**Basketball**

In 1981, the Lady Tigers basketball team won the regular ACC season championship and scored its first top-20 ranking in the final Associated Press (AP) poll. In 1982, Clemson played in the first women's National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) basketball tournament, and Clemson's Barbara Kennedy-Dixon '85, M '92 filled up the record book. Kennedy-Dixon led the nation in scoring that season (1981-82) and was named a first-team All-American by Kodak, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and Basketball Weekly. She's still the ACC's career-scoring and rebounding leader.

In 1988, the women's basketball team, coached by Jim Davis, finished 20th in the final USA Today poll, and in 1989, Lady Tigers finished 13th in the same poll.

**Swimming**

Clemson scored its first top-20 NCAA finish in the 1982 women's swimming meet. Administrative management major Catherine “Cappy” Craig Waters '82 became the first Clemson female to be named an NCAA All-American.

Clemson swimmer Michelle Richardson won silver in the 1984 Summer Olympics 800-meter freestyle. In 1987, the Lady Tigers swim team won the ACC championship and finished in the top five at the NCAA meet. Clemson's Mitzi Kremer won the individual national championship in the 500- and the 200-yard freestyle.

Kremer won bronze the next year in the 1988 Summer Olympics 100 free relay. She was again NCAA champion in the 200 and 500 freestyle events in 1989. A 16-time All-American, Kremer was the first female swimmer to be inducted into the Clemson Hall of Fame. She's now an aquatics director and coordinator at the New Tampa YMCA in Tampa Springs, Fla.

The Lady Tigers again won the ACC championship in 1989 and finished fifth in the NCAA.

**Tennis**

In the 1982 inaugural NCAA women's tennis tournament, Clemson's Jane Forman was named an All-American. She repeated the feat the next year, and the Lady Tigers tennis team reached the quarterfinals of the 1983 NCAA tournament. Clemson's Gigi Fernandez was a finalist in the women's singles tournament. Fernandez went on to win gold medals in doubles competition in both the 1992 and 1996 Summer Olympics.

**Track and Field**

Clemson women's track and field also had an outstanding decade. In 1981, English major Cindy Duarte Brakman '84 became Clemson's first women's track All-American.

In 1983, Tina Krebs '88, M '90, a design major, made University history as Clemson's first female national champion. She won the title in the 1,000-yard run at the NCAA women's indoor track championship. The women's cross-country team also had a stellar year, finishing in the top five in 1984.

In 1985, Krebs won the 1500m run in the NCAA indoor meet and the team finished 12th. In 1986, Krebs won the national championship in the mile indoor.

**Volleyball**

In 1986, Linda Edwards White M '88 became Clemson's first full-time volleyball coach and, later, the first female in athletic administration. Today, she's senior women's administrator for Clemson Athletics.

Volleyball players Denise Murphy Stadelmeir '87, a zoology major, and Chris Sherman Mullens '88, an industrial engineering major, made history as Clemson's first two Academic All-Americans on the same team.
Mighty ’90s

In the 1990s, Clemson women continued to excel in their established sports and added two new ones — soccer and rowing. The Lady Tigers completed the decade at the top of their game with seven ACC championships.

Basketball

Clemson women’s basketball scored its first win over a No. 1-ranked team in 1991, and the Lady Tigers were ranked eighth in the final USA Today poll. Early in the next season, elementary education major Shandy Bryan ’94, M ’95 was named National Player of the Week by Sports Illustrated.

The Lady Tigers won their first ACC basketball championship in 1996; and in 1999, they won their second ACC title. Sociology major Amy Geren ’99 not only won the national women’s three-point shooting contest, she also beat out the men’s three-point champion in the ESPN “Battle of the Sexes.”

Speech and communication studies major Itoro Umoh-Coleman ’00 played in the Pan-Am games in 1999. She went on to compete in the 2004 Summer Olympics as captain of the Nigerian team. She’s currently an assistant coach with the Lady Tigers.

Soccer

Clemson established women’s soccer in 1994 with one goal in mind — the winning goal. Coached by Tracey Leone, a former U.S. National player, the team quickly reached national standings. By 1996, they were 11th in the nation. Marketing major Sara Burkett became Clemson’s first women’s soccer All-American.

Clemson women’s soccer finished the decade as sixth in the nation, and goalkeeper Katie Carson ’02, a special education major, was No. 1 in the nation for most solo shutouts in 1999.

Swimming

Women’s swimming was ranked around the top 20 at the beginning and end of the 1990s. In 1999, microbiology major Jennifer Mihalik set new records in the 100m and 200m backstroke events at the ACC championships. She and financial management major Ginny Kirouac ’02 were named Academic All-Americans.

Tennis

The women’s tennis team ranked in the top 25 during the early 1990s and moved up to 12th in the 1993 final ITA poll. The team had five All-Americans with majors ranging from language and international trade to microbiology.

Track and Field

Clemson began the decade by finishing third at the 1990 NCAA women’s cross-country meet. The 1991 Clemson women’s track team won its first ACC outdoor championship, and seven Lady Tigers finished with All-America honors, including sociology major Kim Graham ’93. Graham would go on to win gold medals in the 4x400m relay in the World Championship and 1996 Summer Olympics 4x400m relay.

Rowing

In 1998, Clemson added rowing as another women’s varsity sport and went after the best coach available — West Coast Conference Coach of the Year — Susie Lueck. The team began competing during the 1998-99 season.

After Krebs ended her spectacular athletic career at Clemson and earned a bachelor’s degree, she went on to complete a master’s degree in architecture and taught in Clemson’s School of Architecture. She became the first track student athlete to be inducted into Clemson’s Ring of Honor. She now lives in Hyllinge, Denmark.

Tina Krebs

Cindy Stern Demartino

Sara Burkett
After graduation, Kim Graham continued competing as a world-class athlete. She became a 1996 Summer Olympics gold medalist, a 1995 World Outdoor Championships gold medalist, a 1998 U.S. Outdoor champion, 1999 U.S. Indoor runner-up and a 1997 World Outdoor silver medalist. She was inducted into the Clemson Hall of Fame in 1998.

In 1992 the Lady Tigers also won their first ACC indoor track championship. In 1999, the women's track and field team again won the ACC outdoor championship.

**Volleyball**

In 1993, Clemson named Jolene Jordan Hoover M ’97 head volleyball coach. Clemson volleyball won its first ACC tournament championship in 1997. The Tigers won the ACC regular season championship in 1999. Their 91 percent winning record was the top winning percentage for any Clemson sport in the decade of the 1990s. And the team held a perfect 12-0 record on the opponents’ home floor.

Speech and communication studies major Cindy Stern Demartino ’00 became the ACC’s first AVAC All-American in 1999. After graduation she competed in the U.S. Professional Volleyball League.

**Winning momentum**

By the year 2000, Clemson women didn’t stop to marvel at how far they’d come — they just kept on going. And studying. Clemson women athletes gathered honors in the classroom and on the playing field.
Basketball

In the early 2000s, basketball Lady Tigers continued to attract national attention. Psychology major Erin Barth ’01 was drafted by the Women’s National Basketball Association (WNBA) in 2001.

Marketing major Chrissy Floyd ’03, who played from 2000 through 2003, was named All-American three seasons and 2003 Female Co-Amateur Athlete of the Year by the S.C. Athletic Hall of Fame. She, too, was drafted by the WNBA.

Last season, PRTM major Lakeia Stokes was named to the Region 2 Women’s Basketball Coaches Association and Eastman Kodak Co. All-America team. She was the only player in the ACC to be ranked in the top 10 in scoring, rebounding, assists, blocked shots and steals.

Rowing

Clemson rowing hit the water with a vengeance in the new millennium. In 2001, psychology major Lucy Doolittle earned a stack of honors including being Clemson’s first rowing All-American. Katherine Sloan and graphic communications major Lauren Henne became Clemson’s first women to receive Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association National Scholar-Athlete awards.

The next year, the rowing team claimed the 2002 South Region. During 2003 and 2004, seven Clemson rowers were named National Scholar Athletes.

Soccer

The Clemson women’s soccer team won the 2000 ACC regular season championship and finished fifth in the nation. They reached the NCAA Tournament’s “final eight,” and Lindsay Browne ’02, a health science major, was named Soccer America’s 2000 Women’s Freshman Player of the Year.

Biological sciences major Julie Augustyniak ’02 and health science major Nancy Augustyniak ’03, twin teammates, were both named All-Americans in 2000. They were drafted by the Women’s United Soccer Association (WUSA) along with Clemson women Amy Gray, Beth Keller and Lindsay Massengale.

The next year (2001), Clemson made its fifth straight NCAA “sweet 16” appearance.

In 2002, Deliah Arrington was named a National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-American, the first Clemson women’s player to receive this award. She and Heather Beem were drafted by the WUSA.

Swimming

Clemson swimmer Ginny Kirouac ’02, a business administration major with a 4.0 GPA, was named a 2000 GTE Academic All-American. She also earned All-America status. Psychology major Jenna Burtch ’03 was named a Verizon Academic All-American, also maintaining a 4.0 GPA during her student career. Clemson women’s swimming and diving team was named a 2003 Academic All-America team by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America.
**Tennis**

Women's tennis, coached by Nancy Harris, began the new millennium with three players winning the 2000 ACC Flight championships. Psychology major Cynthia Clausen was named a 2000 National Scholar Athlete All-American.

In 2002 and 2003, Clemson women's tennis team was back in the top 20 nationally and an ITA All-Academic team with six individual Scholar Athletes. In 2004, mathematical sciences major Julie Coin was named ACC Women's Tennis Player of the Year and All-American.

The 2004 Lady Tigers tennis team won the ACC championship, both the regular season and the tournament. They reached the NCAA’s “final four” and made Clemson history by becoming the first of any Clemson women's athletic team to do so.

**Track and Field**

Women's track began 2000 with two students, both All-Americans, representing Clemson and their individual countries in the Summer Olympics — psychology major Michelle Burgher '01 of Jamaica and Cydonie Mothersill of the Cayman Islands. Burgher won silver. Mothersill became the 200-meter indoor national champion in 2001.

In 2001, Lady Tigers finished third at the NCAA indoor championships, under head coach and former Lady Tiger Marcia Fletcher Noad '90, M '92, a computer information systems graduate with a master's in industrial management. Clemson women also won the national title in the 4x400m relay at the 2001 NCAA outdoor championships.

The next year (2002), sociology major Jamine Moton '02, a six-time All-American, won the 2002 NCAA championship in the hammer throw. She became Clemson's first individual outdoor national champion in women's track and field and the ACC's first national champion in a throwing event.

Management major Gisele Oliveira was named to the U.S. Track and Field Coaches Association 2002 All-Academic team. The next year Oliveira became the first jumper in Lady Tigers history to earn All-America accolades in the long jump and triple jump in the same year.

**Volleyball**

Clemson's volleyball team continues to develop winning student athletes. In 2001, elementary education major Jodi Steffes '02 became the first Tiger volleyball player to earn all-region honors four times. She's now an assistant volleyball coach at Clemson.

Marketing major Marija Zoric was named to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-District III team. She also received Clemson's 2003 Outstanding Woman Award in the undergraduate student category and the Susan Delony Student Academic Achievement Award.

We can only wonder what the next 30 years will bring and what new female student athletes will become a part of the proud Lady Tigers legacy. These are merely highlights of the past 30 years' accomplishments. For more on Clemson women's athletics, visit the Web at clemsonTigers.com.

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Big Improvements

Clemson had no female faculty members when coeducation officially began in 1955. Today, Clemson has 470. Along with teaching, women faculty are equally engaged in research and outreach – improving the quality of life in South Carolina and across the country. Here’s a sampling of what’s going on in their laboratories, offices, classrooms and far beyond.
Improving S.C. health care

Nursing professor Barbara Logan is principal investigator and director of a $5.26 million project to reduce health disparities in rural South Carolina. Logan and colleagues are helping develop a long-term program that will tackle obesity and related illness among the state’s rural minorities.

Logan was also principal investigator for a $700,000 project for academic collaboration for underrepresented minority enrollment in nursing called ACUMEN.

Enhanced military clothing and logistics

Materials science and engineering professor Christine Jarvis is co-founder and director of Clemson Apparel Research (CAR). The Center performs approximately $2 million annually in research and implementation.

CAR is currently working on improved suspension and retention systems for the Army’s new combat helmet in addition to managing the supply chain logistics for the Army’s new combat uniform. A recent apparel research project is the development of spacesuit technology for NASA to permit astronauts to work in space with greater ease and safety.

Primary care for the underserved

Health sciences professor Rachel Mayo has studied the health problems of breast and cervical cancer, diabetes and injury of Latino, African American and Appalachian communities in South Carolina for the past seven years. She’s generated more than $1 million in research funding at Clemson.

Her research includes a project to recruit and train individuals in Latina breast cancer screening promotion. Another project with colleague Linda Crew seeks to provide primary care services to the medically underserved in the Upstate. A third project is an in-depth look at S.C. cancer survivorship for a nationwide study.

More public school teachers

Nancy Cassity Dunlap, associate director of the Eugene T. Moore School of Education, is the principal investigator for the S.C. Transition to Teaching Coalition, a distance-learning teacher-certification program.
Regenerative tissue

Clemson alumna and bioengineering professor Karen Burg has established a nationally recognized and innovative research program in breast tissue engineering for cancer patients. She was recently named to the Department of Defense Era of Hope Scholar’s program, receiving a $2.3 million grant for breast cancer research.

Her work holds the promise of being able to implant a cellular material, developed using the patient’s own healthy cells, to replace tissue removed during breast cancer surgery. Her research has the potential for widespread medical uses in areas such as liver repair or cartilage replacement.

Keeping the power on

Elham Makram is the S.C. Electric and Gas Co. Distinguished Professor of Power Engineering. She was the first woman to graduate with a Ph.D. in Iowa State University’s electrical engineering department and the first woman in power engineering to be named an IEEE/Fellow. She holds a host of research, faculty and engineering awards.

Makram’s research includes computer simulation of power systems, power system harmonics, and optimal operation and design of power systems. She received several funded projects from Utilities, ABB, BPA, Department of Energy, National Science Foundation (NSF) and California Energy Commission.

Successful entrepreneurs

Management professor Caron St. John directs Clemson’s Spiro Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership. Under her direction of the center, Clemson was named one of the Top 100 U.S. Colleges and Universities for Entrepreneurs in 2003 and 2004. St. John’s research focuses on the competitive, technological and operational strategies of firms and their implications for innovation and performance.

She is co-principal investigator on two $600,000 NSF Partnerships for...
Innovation grants. She has also received funding in support of regional economic development initiatives and university technology transfer activities through the Department of Commerce and has led technology commercialization projects funded by industry partners.

Understanding global carbon cycle

Elena Mikhailova is a research assistant professor and NSF ADVANCE Fellow in the forestry and natural resources department. She’s a principal investigator on a $234,500 research project dealing with mechanisms of carbon sequestration in soils.

Her other current research is in soil information systems, soil carbon dynamics, and forest and urban soils. She’s working to develop a soil-specific plant-species selection tool for South Carolina for nutraceutical purposes.

Saving our wetlands

Forestry and natural resources department chair Pat Layton has made the University an integral part of the Lowcountry Forest Conservation Partnership, a group of seven conservation and educational organizations intent on protecting and restoring the area’s forested wetlands.

Layton and partners have secured a $4 million gift from the Doris Duke Charitable Fund for their efforts. Research will be conducted by faculty at Clemson’s Baruch Institute for Coastal Ecology and Forest Science in Georgetown and by faculty on campus.

Great genes

Genetics and biochemistry professor Dorrie Main is director of bioinformatics at Clemson’s Genomics Institute, a research and training facility focusing on the discovery and analysis of important genes from plants, pests, animals and microbes using the specialized tools of genomics.

Main’s research involves the development and application of computational tools and databases to help address fundamental questions in molecular biology. Four of her current projects total over $2 million in funding. They include a genome database for the peach family, global analysis of functional units in plant chromosomes, computational resources for pine genomics and development of a cotton microsatellite database.

Stop bullying

Professor and developmental psychologist Susan Limber is director of the Center for Youth Participation and Human Rights and associate director of Clemson’s Institute on Family and Neighborhood Life. She’s a consultant to the National Bullying Prevention Campaign (“StopBullyingNow!”) funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Her research and writing have focused on legal and psychological issues related to youth violence, child protection and children’s rights. She has headed U.S. efforts to disseminate the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program, an exemplary school-based violence prevention program.

Family care

Research associate and professor Janet Marsh, also of the Institute on Family and Neighborhood Life, focuses her research on the role of government public-assistance programs in contributing to the well-being of families with low incomes. This work is funded by a Hatch Grant and others.

Currently she manages a grant from the S.C. Department of Social Services to build a system of quality child care and early education that is affordable to families. Included in this system is the development of Management Information Systems for providers and children that will serve as a basis for future research related to school readiness.

Dramatic learning

Performing arts professor Carol Collins directs Writing and Performing Across Communities, a program that works with K-12 students and teachers using creative drama and improvisation to strengthen learning skills. The program has attracted more than $800,000 in funding from Write to Change, the Bingham Trust, the S.C. Arts Commission and the Spencer Foundation.

Collins’ and her colleagues’ research in South Carolina and elsewhere highlights how creative drama helps students succeed. The team has produced packets of learning strategies with creative drama and improvisation for classroom use.
YA leader

The message below is from current Clemson Young Alumni Council president Aric G. Smarra ’89 of Alexandria, Va., systems analyst for the U.S. Census Bureau in Washington, D.C. He holds a Clemson bachelor’s degree in financial management and a master’s in management information systems from the University of Virginia.

Our goal is to have more young alumni reconnect with Clemson. As an alumnus, you’re an ambassador for the University in our goal to become a “top 20” public university. It can be little things like hanging your Clemson diploma on your wall or displaying a Clemson sticker on your car, volunteering in your community or local alumni club, or giving back to the University through the Clemson Fund. I encourage all alumni to become more active in local alumni activities, as well as to visit Clemson whenever you get a chance.

Another way to reconnect is with a gift of as little as $10 to the Clemson Fund. Alumnus Tycho Howle ’71 has made a generous offer to match certain contributions to help increase young alumni giving and enhance your gift to the Clemson Fund. For more information visit the Web at alumni.clemson.edu/clubs/youngalumni/tycho.htm.

To find out about Young Alumni activities in your area, email me at aric@alumni.clemson.edu or call (703) 855-4604.

Volunteer of the Year

Psychology graduate Lynn West ’84 is one of Clemson’s top “go to” leaders in Charleston. Employed by the Medical University of South Carolina Family Services Research Center, she still finds time to volunteer for Clemson.

She has served on the boards of Clemson in the Lowcountry Club, Charleston County Clemson Club (four terms as president) and Women’s Alumni Council (president). She’s also a founder of Charleston’s Big Thursday Golf Tournament.

In addition, she volunteers much time and energy to community organizations. Named the Alumni Association’s 2004 Volunteer of the Year, she’s pictured with Brian O’Rourke ’83, M ’85, director of development and alumni affairs.

YA winner

When Heather Wills Byrd ’99 of North Charleston was a health science student at Clemson, she worked in the Clemson House and the Madren Center. Now a project manager for McKesson Automation, she still “works” for Clemson.

She’s a Clemson Fund donor, member of Clemson in the Lowcountry Club and active in local Young Alumni events. She also serves on the Charleston County Clemson Club board and the Women’s Alumni Council executive board.

Named the 2004 Young Alumnus of Merit, she’s pictured with Aric Smarra, Young Alumni Council president.

Bring your daughter

If you have a daughter — niece, cousin or other young female friend — ages 6-17, plan to bring her to Clemson for a weekend of fun and college experience. The Women’s Alumni Council is planning its seventh annual “Bring Your Daughter to Clemson” weekend, scheduled for May 21-22, 2005. For more information, contact Tracey O’Kelley at (864) 656-7697 or visit the Web at alumni.clemson.edu/women.

Free TAPS


With a minimum gift of $10 to the Clemson Fund, you can receive one of these yearbooks at no additional charge. In other words, the TAPS is free; your gift will go toward shipping and handling.

Use the envelope in this issue and enclose a note indicating the year of the TAPS you want, or call (864) 656-5896 to make a gift with your VISA or MasterCard.
N.Y. Tigers at Shea
The New York Area Clemson Club had field and tunnel passes in Shea Stadium for a special alumni event last fall. Pictured on the field during batting practice are, from left, Sarah Martin ’97, Carrie Rachel Dean ’96, Jessica Schappell ’04 and Bryn Smith ’02. Visiting Shea and watching former Tiger pitching ace Kris Benson is just one of the events the club hosts. Members also enjoy happy hour get-togethers, hiking trips, dinner cruises on the Hudson and other fun events. For more information about Clemson in New York, contact Carrie Dean at carriendean@aol.com or Bryn Smith at tigerhonour@yahoo.com.

25 years already?
The Class of 1979 celebrated its 25th anniversary last fall with a tailgate at the Clemson vs. N.C. State game. Approximately 65 alumni, family and friends gathered before the game to catch up on classmates and campus news. To learn when your class is reuniting, contact Jamie Young at jamiey@clemson.edu or call the Alumni Center at (864) 656-2345.

CBAC tailgate
Alumni, family and friends gathered to cheer on the Tigers and to catch up with each other during the Clemson Black Alumni Council’s annual Homecoming tailgate. Pictured from left are Ebony, Fran and Torrey ’94 Johnson, with Kevin on his shoulder, and David Fashion III ’97.

For more information about CBAC, contact president Jessie R. Hood at jessierichardson@alumni.clemson.edu or visit the Alumni Association on the Web at alumni.clemson.edu.

Holiday in Bavaria
The Alumni Association’s PASSPORT Travel program hosted a “Holiday Markets of Bavaria” cruise on the Danube River in December. These Clemson travelers are pictured in Salzburg at Mozart’s birthplace. Adventures scheduled for 2005 are an Alaskan cruise and tours of Italy’s Lake District and Scotland.

For more information, call the Alumni Office at (864) 656-2345 or visit the Web at alumni.clemson.edu and click on “programs.”
Communication studies major and theater student Mike Trehy spent fall semester in the Big Apple serving as an intern on the “The Late Show with David Letterman.” He worked with Paul Shaffer, the show’s band leader, the CBS Orchestra and visiting bands that appeared on the nightly talk show.

In addition to acting in numerous Clemson Players productions, he’s appeared at the Warehouse Theatre and interned with WGN-Radio in Chicago.

These Clemson students made the rounds at Oxford, Cambridge and a series of other British universities as a part of their own studies.

The counselor education program in Clemson’s Eugene T. Moore School of Education offers a study abroad program to England designed for graduate students and professionals in student affairs. Students gain experience with the British culture and educational system compared to those in the United States.

For information about the upcoming program, contact Pam Havice at havice@clemson.edu or (864) 656-5121.

Turfgrass major Jeremy Bouknight (center) spent the summer completing an internship at Fenway Park in Boston. Fenway is just one of many places — including parks, athletic fields and golf courses — for internships in Clemson’s turfgrass program. For more information, visit the Web at www.clemson.edu/turfornamental/.

Education majors can study abroad in Carpi, Italy, a town near Bologna. Maymester in Italy, now in its fifth year, offers students the opportunity to become a part of an Italian host family.

Each student is placed in a classroom to work mornings with teachers and children in an Italian preschool or elementary school. Some placements in middle and secondary schools are also available. The program provides a cross-cultural experience that exposes participants to Italian culture and to an education system well known for innovative approaches to education.

The program is directed by David Reinking, the Eugene T. Moore Professor of Teacher Education at Clemson. Pictured here are students from last Maymester.
In appreciation

Clemson’s Army and Air Force ROTC personnel, along with the Clemson Corps, the Clemson Athletic Department and Tiger Band, paid tribute to those who have served in America’s military on Military Appreciation Day in October. The halftime show of the Clemson vs. Maryland football game saluted all veterans and included a 21-gun salute by the Pershing Rifles.

To honor those Clemson alumni who made the ultimate sacrifice, the Clemson Corps maintains the Scroll of Honor, alumni who gave their lives in service to their country. The Scroll of Honor is on display at the Visitors Center and on the Web at www.clemson.edu/military/scrollofhonor.htm.

Big Thursday

Excitement for the Clemson vs. South Carolina rivalry football game got a head start on Thursday before the big Saturday game. The Student Alumni Association and Tiger Platoon hosted a Big Thursday pep rally and mock funeral for Cocky (pictured here) with appropriate chicken sandwiches and other treats.

Big Thursday, which attracted more than 2,500 Clemson supporters, also gave students and fans a chance to help with Operation Palmetto, a statewide effort in conjunction with the Blue Star Mothers and Blue Star Families of South Carolina to send care packages to military service members from the state.

And the winner is …

Each year the Alumni Association contributes $10,000 to Central Spirit to help support the tradition of Homecoming displays on Bowman Field.

Winners in the “still display” category were Lambda Chi Alpha, first place; Fellowship of Christian Athletes, second; and Tau Kappa Epsilon, third. In the “moving display” category were Alpha Gamma Rho, first place; Sigma Nu, second; and Delta Chi, third.

Pictured are Central Spirit students and 2004 Homecoming display judges, front row from left, Jennifer Osborn, Adriane Bell and Blair Wright; back row, Les Heaton, Beth Langstaff, Paul Anderson, Eddie Robinson and Witt Langstaff.

NASA award

Industrial engineering major Kerry McGuire received NASA’s Co-op Special Achievement Award during her second tour at NASA’s Johnson Space Center last summer.

Her main project was to investigate the operation of two emergency medical packs used on the International Space Station. Her work will be used as a prototype for redesign of the packs.

She’ll return to NASA’s Johnson Space Center in the spring for her last tour as an undergraduate student. She’ll work as a flight controller in the Environmental Crew Life Support System for the International Space Station.

Dining for success

Dining etiquette is more than fine manners. It’s good business sense, too. To develop both, the Alumni Association sponsors a business etiquette dinner each fall for the Student Alumni Association (SAA).

Students enjoy a full-course meal at the Alumni Center while learning how to handle themselves professionally in a dining situation. They also meet and network with Clemson alumni at the event.

The Student Alumni Association creates awareness of Clemson Alumni Association services and enriches the student experience. Members are involved in Clemson traditions like Big Thursday, the Ring Ceremony and Senior Gift. They also take part in community service projects, social activities and professional development workshops. Membership dues are $20 per school year with $5 going to the Clemson Fund and giving the student donor status. For more information, visit the Web at alumni.clemson.edu/saa.
Classmates

Clemson woman for all seasons

Virginia Cole Skelton ’58

Ginny Skelton was a young wife and new mom when she enrolled in Clemson as an education major in August 1955. Yet she still managed to graduate in three years. Her husband, Tom ’53, M ’56, was in graduate school at the same time. She recalls, “We studied a lot.”

After graduation, she taught freshman chemistry at Clemson and then went into business with Skelton Home and Auto stores. In the late 1960s, the couple enrolled in the University of Georgia, where Ginny earned a master’s degree and Tom, a Ph.D.

Ginny began teaching in high school and later entered the real estate industry as co-owner of Skelton Properties. Over the years, she has been Realtor of the Year, Chamber of Commerce ambassador, American Heart Association chair, Foothills YMCA board member and much more.

For Clemson, she was the first Alumni National Council female president. She was Tiger Brotherhood Mother of the Year and later inducted into full membership, the first person to be honored with both designations. She’s played a variety of leadership roles from the Foundation to IPTAY and much in between. A recipient of the Alumni Association’s Distinguished Service Award several years ago, Ginny Skelton will always be one of Clemson’s most beloved coeds.

1941
Raymond V. Hunter (ECON) of Mount Pleasant has retired from the U.S. Post Office and from the U.S. Army Reserve as a lieutenant colonel.

1954
Jerry E. Dempsey (ME) of Greenville was recently honored by Georgia State University’s J. Mack Robinson College of Business. An MBA alumnus, he received the Robinson Alumni Leadership Award for lifetime achievement.

1966
James W. “Bill” Price Jr. (CHE, M ’68) of North Augusta is president of DSM Fiber Intermediates.

1967
Oscar N. Vick III (INDE, M ’70) of Charleston has written the cookbooks Gullah Cooking and Seafood Cookbook — Shrimp and Crab Edition.

1968
Gordon “Don” L. Bailes (MATH, M ’69, PhD ’72) of Johnson City, Tenn., is a professor of computing and information systems at East Tennessee State University. He’s president of the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board and serves on Microsoft’s faculty advisory board.

William E. Yoke Jr. (PREARCH), chairman of the Middle Atlantic Region of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. He’s also on the advisory committee for the Architectural Engineering Technology Program at Fairmont State University.

1969
Tom L. Murrell Jr. (RPA) of Bristol, Tenn., is head cross-country and track coach at King College.

1971
Wade H. “Hamp” McManus Jr. (SCTCH) of Chesterfield, Va., has retired from the U.S. Army after 33 years of service. He’s employed by Northrop Grumman Corp.

Michael L. Tillirson (INED) of Williamson is executive vice president and chief medical officer for AnMed.

1973
Tim E. Gause (INDMGT) of Lancaster is chairman of the Lancaster County Economic Development board of directors.

1974
Jack A. Palmer (ZOOL) of Monroe, La., has published the book Evolutionary Psychology: The Ultimate Origins of Human Behavior. He’s a psychology professor at the University of Louisiana.

ChevronTexaco GM

Georgia A. Callahan ’73, M ’77

New Jersey native Georgia Callahan came to Clemson in 1969 before there were many scholarships for women. So she worked her way through school. She stayed on after she earned her bachelor’s degree to receive a master’s degree in city and regional planning. This time she worked her way through as the community development director for the city of Clemson.

Callahan has since worked her way through an outstanding career to her current position as ChevronTexaco general manager for global policy and strategy for environment. She provides leadership and direction on the analysis and development of ChevronTexaco positions on strategic global environment, health and safety issues. In fact, she’s recognized as company and industry spokesperson and representative on such issues.

Her present ChevronTexaco position is at the corporate office in San Ramon, Calif. Before joining Texaco, Callahan spent more than a decade with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C.
1975
Gerald J. Berry (M EDUC) of Sutherland, Va., has published the book When Eagles Are Silent.

A. Kirk Hunter (POSC) of Fayetteville, Ga., is a captain with Delta Air Lines, Atlanta. He's been a pilot with Delta for 16 years.

Rennie M. Singletary III (ME, M '77) of Mount Pleasant is senior vice president of corporate services for Santee Cooper.

1977
Daniel H. Foster (FINMGT) of Spartanburg is chairman of the board of trustees for Spartanburg Methodist College.

Gaye Winn Holmes (ELED, M '78 ED) of Johnston was named the S.C. Middle Level Assistant Principal of the Year by the S.C. Association of Administrators. She's assistant principal at JET Middle School.

David L. Walton (INED, M '82 PERS) of Greenwood was named a 2003-04 Outstanding Technology Education Teacher by Technology Education. He teaches at Greenwood County Career Center.

1978
Joel E. Bonds Jr. (AGECON) of Dawsonville, Ga., is chairman of the board for the National Association of Credit Management, Southeast unit. He's regional credit manager for Phoenix Metals, Norcross.

Gregg F. Morton (ADMMGT) of Columbia, is vice president of legislation and chief of staff of the BellSouth Governmental Affairs office in Washington, D.C. He’s also responsible for external affairs activities, including the BellSouth Foundation and other community outreach initiatives.

L. Phil Pierce (ME) of Summerville is vice president of fossil and hydro generation with Santee Cooper.

1979
Rodney Dale Cannon (RPA) of Andrews is co-founder of the S.C. Barbeque Association.

J. Rick Cauthen Jr. (CE, M '92 BUSADM) of Greenville is a commercial associate with Coldwell Banker Commercial Caine.

Bennie L. Cunningham Jr. (ED, M '94 HRD) of Clemson is included in BellSouth’s African American Calendar for 2005. The calendar recounts the stories of people of African descent from South Carolina.

Top-10 diet plan
Ann Gregorie Kulze ’83

Clemson alumna Ann Kulze of Charleston knows nutrition. The Clemson food science and nutrition graduate, who also earned a medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina, has a private practice and a corporate wellness consulting firm, Just Wellness LLC. In addition, she's the national spokesperson for Ruby Tuesday’s highly acclaimed Smart Eating Initiative, for which she made the pages of TIME magazine.

Her latest accomplishment is Dr. Ann’s 10-Step Diet, released in October. Her book delivers a sensible plan for attaining and maintaining weight loss while preventing or minimizing chronic diseases including breast cancer, colon cancer, heart disease and type II diabetes.

The doctor lives in Charleston with her husband, John Kulze, a physician and 1981 Clemson microbiology graduate, and their children. For more about her book, visit the Web at www.DrAnns10Steps.com, email Anne Pope at apeaflfrog@aol.com or call (843) 853-5803.

Setting the standard
Leslie Wallace Skinner ’84

Double-degree education alumna Leslie Skinner of Columbia is the S.C. State Department of Education’s social studies specialist for assessment.

Her office has assisted with the development of the new Social Studies Standards. These standards are the basis for her primary responsibility, development of PACT Social Studies tests for grades 3-8 and of the end-of-course U.S. History test for high school.

At Clemson, Skinner earned degrees in secondary education/social studies teaching and English teaching. In the 1990s, she earned master’s and Ph.D. degrees at the University of South Carolina and became National Board Certified in 2001.

Throughout her career, which includes nearly 20 years of teaching, she’s received a slew of awards, honors and invitations to participate in national conferences. She was the National Council for the Social Studies Secondary Social Studies Teacher of the Year in 2003 and was recently nominated to the Board of National Council for the Social Studies.

She’s pictured here with her former student Monique Surles at high school graduation. Monique finished Clemson last year.
Education firsts
Debra Phillips Cox '84, M '87, PhD '97

Debbie Cox of Seneca understands the importance of a Clemson education. She also knows the work involved. In the 1980s, she earned a bachelor’s degree in elementary education and a master’s in administrative supervision. In 1997, she added a Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction.

Cox set some firsts along the way. She was the first student to initiate and complete Clemson’s Junior Honors Program in Education. As a graduate student, she was first to initiate and complete the Senior Honors Program in Education. And as a Ph.D. candidate, she was the first graduate with an elementary education background to finish with a 4.0.

While Cox earned advanced degrees at Clemson, she’s deepened her experience as a teacher, adjunct professor and curriculum coordinator. She’s also co-authored the college textbook *Eyewitness History* and contributed articles to several professional journals.

Throughout her career, Cox has received a host of honors including Children with Attention Deficit Disorder Teacher of the Year, the S.C. Council for Social Studies Teacher of the Year and the S.C. Distinguished Assistant Principal of the Year. She’s the curriculum coordinator at Northside Elementary in Oconee County.

1980
Robert J. Conrad Jr. (HIST) of Charlotte, N.C., is a partner in the law firm Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw LLP. He formerly served as a federal prosecutor and U.S. attorney. His practice concentrates in the area of white-collar criminal defense, corporate compliance programs, internal investigations and general litigation.

George B. Ellenberg (SED, M ’88 HIST) of Pensacola, Fla., is associate dean of arts and sciences at the University of West Florida. He is on the history faculty and is adjunct for the Naval War College at the Naval Air Station.

Sharon Howell Thompson (HORT) of Conway received the 2003 Dannon Award for Excellence in Community Nutrition and the 2004 HTC Distinguished Teacher-Scholar award at Coastal Carolina University where she’s professor of health promotion. She was also named The Sun News 2003 Volunteer of the Year for her work with the Waccamaw Youth Center.

1981
Mary Michelle Burnette (PSYCH) of Columbia is a partner in Resource Associates Inc.

1982
J. Clark Templeton (DESIGN, M ’84 ARCH) of Woodstock, Ga., has started his own architecture practice, Clark Templeton-Architect LLC.

Kevin N. Wigington (INDMGT) of Charlotte, N.C., is national sales manager of Murata Machine Tools USA Inc.

1983
Dana Beard Shkor (CHE) of Clemson is a Realtor with RE/MAX Foothills Real Estate.

1984
Malinda Breland Brown (ECHED) of Hampton teaches four-year-old kindergarten at Ben Hazel Primary School.

Larry J. Caldwell (CRE, M ’87 IE) of Medford, N.J., is lead engineer with Lockheed Martin in Moorrestown. He has published the book *Biblical Quality*.

John J. Carvelli (INED, EDD ’93 V&TED) of Port St. Lucie, Fla., is serving on the University of Florida, College of Education Alumni Council board of directors.

Alison Ashley Darby (SED-ENGL) of Anderson has published the book *Images of America: Belton*. She’s the owner of Memory Lane, a publishing company dedicated to preserving the stories of ordinary people, and on the board of the Belton Area Museum.

Autar Krishen Kaw (M EM, PhD ’87) of Tampa, Fla., a professor of mechanical engineering at the University of South Florida, has been named Florida Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education and The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement for Teaching.

Krista Smith Meinersmann (M NURS) of Dunwoody, Ga., is associate director of undergraduate studies at the Brydine F. Lewis School of Nursing at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

1985
Mary Helen Condon Moore (RPA) of Charleston is vice president, senior financial adviser at Merrill Lynch.

Nancy Tringali Piho (ENGL) of Washington, D.C., is president of NTA Inc., a marketing communications firm specializing in the food industry.

Brian A. Shealy (DESIGN) of Vallejo, Calif., is academic dean and professor of biblical languages at the Cornerstone Seminary.

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Jan Smith Verbeck (ADMMGT) of Anderson is a certified director

Designing woman
Christine Gagnon Piper ’86, M ’88

Chris Piper came to Clemson from Massachusetts in the early 1980s to study architecture. While a design student, she took courses in construction science and management, which gave her an appreciation for materials and methods as well as designing with budgetary limitations.

When she finished her degree in design, she went on to earn a master’s degree in building science and management. In fact, she was the first female to do so.

Being female in a male-dominated field didn’t slow her down. She joined Fluor Daniel as a project controls engineer, with projects including chemical plants/process lines, industrial plants, a pharmaceutical plant and a prison.

Piper began teaching at Clemson as visiting lecturer in 1992 while on loan from Fluor Daniel. She later returned to teaching full time. She’s also working on her Ph.D. at the University of South Australia.

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of volunteer services with AnMed Health. She’s president of the S.C. Association for Volunteer Administration and of the S.C. Society for Hospital Directors of Volunteer Services. She was named 2003 Volunteer Administrator of the Year.

1986
Jim R. McVey Jr. (CPENGR) of Duncan has received his professional engineer license and works for REAJ Corp. Consulting Engineers.

Leslie Diggs Miller (ENGL) of Gulph Mills, Pa., is a cardiovascular specialty representative with Pfizer Pharmaceuticals.

Claude R. Workman (SCT) of Winston-Salem, N.C., has retired from the U.S. Army after 14 years of service. He’s a vascular surgeon in private practice.

1987
F. Brian Smith (HORT) of Hanahan co-authored the book Some Like It Hot: Plants That Survive in Hot and Humid Weather.

Bert A. (CHE) and Susan Snipes (’89 FINMGT) Templeton are married and living in Charlotte, N.C. He’s the asset manager for BASF.

1988
Angelique “Angel” Clemson (MICRO) of Bellefonte, Pa., is the physician at the Mountaintop Area Medical Center in Snow Shoe.

Chris O. Darling (ME) of Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, is a major in the U.S. Air Force. He’s deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, with the Army’s 1st Cavalry Division.

Mamye Alexander Gardner (SPAN, ’89 SED-SP) is married and living in Spartanburg, S.C. She’s a Spanish teacher at Arcadia Elementary School.

Kelly Vucich Giddings (NURS) is married and living in Noblesville, Ind.

Ampon Kittiampon (PhD AP-PLEC) of Bangkok, Thailand, is secretary general of the National Economic and Social Development Board. He has played a role in international agricultural trade talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and in the handling of crises such as the bird flu.

Mir Lindsey Runey (ENGL) of Charleston is president of Johnson & Wales University.

Andrew A. (MGT) and Macon Easterling (PRTM) Warren are married and living on Pawleys Island. He’s a health care account manager with Lanier World Wide Inc. She teaches English at Carvers Bay High School and completed a secondary education degree in education leadership.

Tom S. Winkopp II (ECON) of Greenville along with Trehel Corp. developed and completed an office and condominium complex in Clemson called Tiger Walk.

1989
Robert Derrick (AQFI&WB) and Elizabeth Sherer (’90 ME) Durham are married and living in Clemson.

Mark E. Dye (ME) is married and living in Irmo. He’s a mechanical design manager at the Westinghouse Commercial Nuclear Fuel Division in Columbia.

1990
Kelly Goff Lloyd (ECHED) is married and living in Marietta, Ga.

Saleh A. Mubarak (PhD CE) of Tampa, Fla., has published the book Construction Project Scheduling and Control.

1992
Holly Anne Trnasky Banke (FINMGT) is married and living in Spartanburg. She received a master’s degree in elementary education from Converse College.

Terri Sencabaugh Cordle (PSYCH) of Rome, Ga., is
**Fox Sports World**  
**Amanda Miller ’97**

Alumna Amanda Miller loves sports. Originally from New York, she came to Clemson for three reasons — warmer weather, an academic scholarship and ACC sports.

Miller is now in an even warmer climate, Tampa, Fla., where she’s associate director of public relations for United Soccer Leagues. She’s one of the primary contacts for the organization’s two professional leagues, two amateur leagues and one youth league. She also coordinates a 20-game television package on Fox Sports World.

As the sideline reporter for Fox Sports World broadcasts, Miller handles pregame, halftime and postgame coach-and-player interviews and helps create a halftime package. She’s also the play-by-play broadcaster for University of South Florida women’s basketball.

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**From Nassau to Clemson**  
**Alrena Lightbourn M '98**

For the past 12 years, the United States has been home to Clemson alumna Alrena Lightbourn. She left behind a thriving commercial banking career in Nassau, Bahamas, to follow her dream of becoming a doctor.

Lightbourn was recruited by Benedict College, where she pursued a B.S. in biological sciences with minors in chemistry and business administration. Her academic honors and research interests earned her a scholarship to Clemson. Her research in birth defects at Benedict spurred her curiosity into the association between certain chemicals and the incidence of birth defects. At Clemson, she completed a master’s degree in environmental toxicology.

Lightbourn now works as the environmental toxicologist for the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health. She was recently nominated for West Virginia’s Women’s Awards in Math and Science. She’s also saving money for medical school. She hopes to study surgical prosthetics.

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**Patsy Wood Smith (ELEM) of Pickens has written the book Artificial Turf.**

**Your class counts**

The number of alumni who make a gift every year is a key factor in Clemson’s becoming a top public university. To see how your class is doing, visit the Web at alumni.clemson.edu/projects/sipdate.htm for the latest numbers.
North to Alaska
Katherine E. Bagley ’98

Alumna Kathy Bagley is far from home and close to nature. The PRTM graduate is putting her Clemson education to use in Alaska to teach others about the environment. She was recently recognized by the Alaska Forest Service with the Robert Hakala Excellence in Interpretation and Conservation Education Award for her work with children.

In the summer, Bagley co-manages the Begich, Boggs Visitor Center at Portage Glacier, Anchorage, supervising staff and volunteers. In addition to handling day-to-day operations, she trains staff and manages the center’s partnerships with state and private organizations.

During the winter, Bagley is a key environmental educator, working with nearby schools in Anchorage, Girdwood and Whittier to deliver environmental education lessons about the National Forest. Each year, she and her co-educators have direct contact with around 5,000 students.

Melissa Alewine Stephens (M ELED) of Anderson was named the Anderson County Soil & Water Conservation District’s Conservation Teacher of the Year. She’s the science specialist at Vareness Elementary School.

Rick J. Taylor (M AGED) of Piedmont was named 2004 S.C. Boys Track Coach of the Year by the S.C. Athletic Coaches Association. He was also named the AAA Boys Track Coach of the Year by the S.C. Track and Cross Country Coaches Association and The High School Sports Report. He coaches at Wren High School.

Corey S. (MKTG) and Tara Bean (SOC) Hannahoe are living in Reading, Pa. He’s a sales representative/territory manager of the South and Midwest for Valley Forge Flag Co., and she’s an inpatient psychiatric social worker for the Reading Hospital and Medical Center.

Joy Godshall (SPECED) and William S. III (ENGL) Ivester are living in Greenville. She’s a secondary transitional specialist with the University of South Carolina/S.C. Department of Education, and he’s a regional sales manager with Lists Industries.

Elizabeth Ashley Kyber (LSAH, M ’97 HORT) of Rock Hill is a professor at Iowa State University. She has exhibited in several national site-specific sculpture competitions and has a sculpture in the S.C. Botanical Garden called “Tree Spirits.”

Christy Melton (CRD, M ’98 PRTM) and Ryan R. (’96 CSMGT) McKibben are married and living in Anderson.

Scott R. (MGT, M ’99 GCOMM) and Lori Gill (’98 AQFI&WB) Schoenwiesner are living in Mechanicsville, Va. He’s a real estate agent with Hometown Realty Services.

Carol Rae Sundstrom (DESIGN) is married and living in Seattle, Wash. She’s president and CEO of röm architecture studio.
International vision
Bernell L. King ’00

Bernell King of Greenville is an alumnus of firsts. She’s the first female to earn a Clemson degree in language and international trade with a concentration in Japanese. She’s also the first Clemson student to receive the American Institute for Foreign Studies Minority Scholarship.

Now King makes it her business — Visions International — to help others achieve their goals in life and business. She offers services through seminars, workshops, conferences, print mediums and one-on-one coaching sessions.

She also offers professional development training to local and global business leaders in English and Japanese instruction and business and social culture. In addition, King is a licensed minister at Water of Life Christian Church in Greenville.

Calista Nodine Wright (PSYCH) of Landrum owns a children’s specialty boutique called Over the Moon.

1996
Erica L. Elias (ANSC) of Plano, Texas, has received a grant from the Texas Coordinating Board for Higher Education to teach science in the state for five years.

Matt S. Opatrny (BIOLSC) is married and living in New York, N.Y.

Amanda Dingus Kindall (ENGL) is married and living in Marietta, Ga. She works for the Center for Strategic Information at KeyBank NA.

Nicole Parris (MKTG) and R. Nelson (’98 CSMGT) Wills are married and living in Charlotte, N.C.

1997
David A. Bargatze (SPS/COMM) of Yigo, Guam, is chief of military justice, 36th Air Expeditionary Wing, Andersen Air Force Base.

Charles B. Barwick (HIST) of Clemson received the Billy Wilkins Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement. He’s a detective with the Pickens County Sheriff’s Office.

Matthew T. Carmody (CE) of Irvington, N.Y., passed the professional engineering exam and works for the traffic and transportation engineering consultant Eng-Wong, Taub & Associates in New York.

Erin Mechan Reindl (L&IT, M ’99 BUSADM) is married and living in Vienna, Austria.

John A. Jr. (PRTM) and Michelle Paris (’99 AGRON) Thorp are married and living in Wall, N.J. He’s a YMCA sports and program director, and she’s the owner/operator of an inn and restaurant.

Damian J. (M ENVTOX) and Jeanne Summers (M ENVTOX) Walter are living in Anchorage, Alaska. He’s an industrial hygienist with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and she’s a habitat biologist for Alaska’s Department of Fish and Game.

1999
Nicola Gooden (ANSC) and P. Ben (’01 PKGSC) Abernathy are married and living in West Orange, N.J. She’s a biologist with The Hartz Mountain Corp., and he’s a packaging engineer with Cadbury Adams.

Kimberlee Banks Blaylock (MEDT) is married and living in Charlotte, N.C. She graduated from Wake Forest School of Medicine and is a physician assistant for CaroMont Medical Group.

Mark E. D’Arcy (M MATH) of Hornell, N.Y., is an assistant professor of mathematics at Alfred State College.

Jason B. Hart (AQFI&WB) of Baltimore, Md., is national sales manager for hunting and fishing dealers for Under Armour Performance Apparel.

Brooke Battaglia Kest (MKTG) is married and living in Tallahassee, Fla. She’s pursuing an MBA at Florida State University.

Rebecca Bridges Watts (M ENGL) of Orange City, Fla., received a Ph.D. in speech communications from Texas A&M University. She’s a lecturer in communications and English at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

2000
Amanda Specht Springfield (HLTHSC) of Kinston, N.C., is a pilot in the U.S. Air Force deployed in Iraq.

Irshad Raihan (COMPSC) is married and living in Pittsburgh, Pa. He’s a software engineer with IBM and is pursuing an MBA at Carnegie Mellon University.

Whitney S. Williams (HLTHSC) of Conway is wellness coordinator at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center.

2002
Mark A. Biesecker (MGT) of Lexington, N.C., is pursuing an MBA at East Carolina University.

Cheryl B. Cantrell (PSYCH) of Williamston works for the S.C. Department of Mental Health.

Cindy S. Goldman (M CNL-GUID) of West Bloomfield, Mich., is a grief support services manager for the Oakland Team of Hospice of Michigan.

In D.C.
Emily A. Lawrimore ’02

Speech and communications graduate Emily Lawrimore is communications director for S.C. Congressman Joe Wilson (with whom she’s pictured) in Washington, D.C.

Before joining Wilson’s team, Lawrimore worked at the White House, where she served as an executive assistant in the office of Karl Rove, senior adviser to President George W. Bush.

She also worked for Vice President Dick Cheney as a special assistant to his communications director, Cathie Martin. Additionally, Lawrimore served as a legislative correspondent for Congressman Charlie Norwood.
The Clemson Family

Dustin M. Kerns (SED-HI) of Spartanburg received a master’s degree in sports management from the University of Tennessee. He’s assistant men’s basketball coach at Wofford College.

Tassos John Sfondouris (BIOL) is married and living in Baltimore, Md. He’s attending Baltimore College of Dental Surgery.

2003

Katharine R. Collins (SP&COMM) of Atlanta, Ga., is specialized advertising coordinator at The Weather Channel.

Shaunda L. Gossett (HLTHSC) of Easley is pursuing a Ph.D. in physical therapy at Elon University.

Janet P. Pope (COMPSC) of Durham, N.C., is attending graduate school at Duke University.

Adam G. (BIOL) and Allison Whitney (BIOL) Przybyla are married and living in Columbia. Both are medical students at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine.

2004

Morgan K. Bales (GRCOMM) is married and living in Mililani, Hawaii.

Michael D. Herring (L&IT) of Philadelphia, Pa., is a financial specialist with Wachovia Bank.

Caroline Clarkson (AQFI&WB) and Travis M. (M AQFI&WB) Hinkelman are living in Lubbock, Texas. She’s employed by the city of Lubbock, and he’s pursuing a Ph.D. in biology from Texas Tech University.

Sarah A. Miller (SPCH&CS) of Bridgeport, Conn., is assistant media buyer for LCI in Atlanta, Ga.

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Stephanie Brake House ’80, twins, Avery Noel and Justin Ross, Dec. 10, 2002.


Brian C. McMaster ’82, a son, Elliott Ramsey, June 17, 2004.

Tonia Rucker Gustafson ’83, a son, David Anton, June 8, 2003.


Lynn Marie Everman Gee ’85, a daughter, Tatum Virginia, July 17, 2003.


Penelope Huber Speed ’87, a daughter, Grace Renee, July 19, 2004.

Bert Andrew ’87 and Susan Snipes ’89 Templeton, a son, Matthew Glenn, June 30, 2004.

Steven E. Craig ’88, a son, Michael Holmes, July 26, 2004.

Bruce A. Crawford ’88, a son, Seth Alan, July 31, 2004.


Karenmary Penn Comeau ’89, a daughter, Chloe, Aug. 5, 2004.


Russell B. III ’89 and Christy Christensen ’92 Hebert, a daughter, Kathryn Christensen, Feb. 9, 2004.


Peter A. McKellar IV ’89, a daughter, Julia Landrum, Nov. 11, 2003.

Steve H. Meeker ’89, a daughter, Peri Elizabeth, July 1, 2004.

Carmen Lennartz ’89 and Bill E. ’91, M ’93 Purkerson, a son, John Joseph, April 9, 2004.

Carrie Counihan ’89, M ’91 and Jay T. ’90, M ’96 Ratliff, a son, Cade Brendon, Aug. 12, 2004.

Natalie Conradi Schimick ’89, a daughter, Margaux Alexandrea, July 5, 2003.

Laura Weesner Staton ’89, a daughter, Emma Jane, Aug. 5, 2004.


Kelly Goff Lloyd ’90, a son, Owen Allan Edword, Dec. 8, 2003.


Ellen Buckley Franz ’91, a daughter, Emily Quinlan, July 1, 2004.


Dolores Derham ’91 and John W. “Beau” ’93 Long, a daughter, Margaret McNair, Aug. 15, 2004.


Holly Anne Trnavskey Banke ’92, a daughter, Anna Elizabeth, July 5, 2003.

Jean Cantey-Kiser ’92, a daughter, Molly Elizabeth, June 8, 2004.

Tina Drawdy Cloer ’92, a daughter, Zoe Elizabeth, Aug. 9, 2004.

Terri Sencabau Cordle ’92, a son, Jeffrey Cade, May 8, 2003.


Heather Brinton Parker ’92, M ’93, a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth, July 14, 2004.

James E. Porter M ’92, a daughter, Ashley Anne, July 30, 2004.


Neil E. and Stephanie King Devaney ’93, a daughter, Lauren Amanda, Feb. 19, 2004.

Tracy Hamilton ’93, M ’95 and Jeremy K. M ’95, PhD ’98 Greene, a daughter, Lindsey Michelle, June 1, 2004.

Danielle Leach ’93, M ’95 and Marty A. ’95 Gunter, twins, Riley Sawyer and Lucy Claire, June 16, 2004.


Pamela Talley ’93 and Jeffrey B. M ’98 McMole, a daughter, Megan Nicole, June 12, 2004.


Sheri Haden Moore ’93, M ’01, a daughter, Madison Lillian, April 22, 2004.


Cesarine Hudson and Phillip A. Smith ’93, a son, Hudson Nicholas, April 23, 2004.

Brian G. Tolbert ’93, M ’95, a son, Gavin Walker, July 16, 2004.


WINTER 2005

What’s new? We like to hear from you.

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Births continued

Tom '98 and Teppi Waldron '99
Owen, a daughter, Josephine

Heather Wiley Privette '98, a son,

Erin Meehan Reindl '99, M '99
twins, Sarah Elizabeth

Holly Miller and James E. Simmons
M '98, a son, James Edward IV,
April 8, 2004.

John A. Jr. '98 and Michelle Paris
'99 Thorp, two daughters,
Mary Kathleen, Jan. 3, 2003, and

Jeanne Summers Walter '98, a son,

Benjamin S. Whitten '98,
a daughter, Noelle Sophia,

Amy Moore Yakola '98,
a daughter, Allender Elizabeth,

Aimee Sullivan '98 and Chad H.
'99 Yarber, a daughter,

Chris S. and Melissa Cordero
Yonce '98, a daughter,

Kristy McDermott and R. Glen
Adair '99, a son,
Ryan Curtis Fadden, April 19, 2004.

Heather Brady Champagne '99,
a daughter, Brynn Tara,

Kimberly Landree Owens '99,
two daughters, Ashley Faith,
May 17, 2002, and Jenna Hope,

Robert M. Covington '00, a son,

Tillman Edwards Cuttino III '00,
a son, Caleb Tillman, July 12, 2004.

Jennifer Herlong Sanders '00,
a daughter, Graycen Kate,

Laura Allen '01 and Stephen E.
'02 Oliver, a daughter,

Passings

Clemson World gives hometowns of deceased alumni — where they were from when they were Clemson students — to help former classmates identify them.

Henry Graham Hill Sr. '32,
Sumter
William F. Folsom '33, Hartsville
Joseph Turner '33, Jacksonville, Ala.
Eakin M. Glymph '36, Pomaria
D. Austin Shelley '36, Marion
Howard C. Dean '38, Anderson
William A. Rouse Sr. '39, Luray
Kester J. Brodie '41, Ward
James E. Cox '41, Charlotte, N.C.
Nicholas J. Gianpalo '41, Derby, Conn.
A. Lee Reeves Jr. '41, Bishopville
Marshall E. Walker Sr. '41, Rock Hill
Robert B. Adams '42, Macon, Ga.
John E. Bouware '42, Newberry
Henry L. Crouch '42, Saluda
Charles Davant Jr. '42, Columbia
Moffat K. Brown '43, Columbia
James M. Gibert '43, St. Matthews
Charles A. Copeland '44, Gaffney
Benjamin E. Thrailkill Jr. '44, Laurens
William D. Brackett '47, Florence
William E. Broadwell '47, Sumter
Thomas M. Greer '47, Greer
Robert E. Pickens '47, Greenwood
Frank E. Beatty Jr. '49, Charleston
William E. Darby '49, Fort Motte
E. Mikell Seabrook Jr. '49, Mount Pleasant
Andrew P. Calhoun '50, Savannah, Ga.
Davis O. Heniford Jr. '50, Loris
Hugh Merritt Tobin '50, Charleston
David H. Campbell '51, Edgefield
Harvey E. Morgan Jr. '51, M '56, Salisbury, N.C., professor emeritus of industrial education
Maurice D. Rice '51, Kershaw
Roy Earle Smith '51, Clemson
Vernon B. Benjaminson '52, Duluth, Minn.
James D. Beam '53, Cherryville, N.C.
Walter K. Wood '53, Florence
Joseph C. King Sr. '54, Greenville
Barrett S. Lawrimore Sr. '55, Conway
Jack R. Tatham '55, Greenville
William P. Heath Jr. '56, Esmont, Va.
Harold B. Howard Sr. '56, Taylors
Everett K. Wingate Jr. '57, Charleston
James M. Blackwell Sr. '58, Inman
Charles A. Black '59, Gaffney
James K. Mathewes '59, Charleston
James E. Riddle '59, Greenville
Ray A. Hall '65, Calhoun Falls
Paul E. Lehotsky '67, Clemson
Helen Freize Mulkey '67, Greenville
Charles E. Bardsey III '70, Pendleton
John T. Jeffers '70, Florence
Michael L. Walker '70, Spartanburg
William R. Poole III '72, Gaffney

Ronald E. Rice Jr. '73,
Anderson
Susan Mattox Jefords '76,
Sumter
George M. Saunders IV '77,
Joanna
T. Rhett Spencer Jr. '78,
Sumter
Paula Hendricks Reinovsky '81,
Easley
Patrick M. O'Brien '86,
Anderson
Gary R. Fullerton '90,
Spartanburg
Diane C. Langseth '93,
Arlington, Va.

Mark N. Stubenhofer '96 of
Fort Riley, Kan., a U.S. Army
captain, died in
Iraq in December.
An education fund has been
established for the three children of
Mark and Patricia Slingerland
'96 Stubenhofer: Acct: 1109375,
Fort Riley National Bank, PO
Box 2446, Fort Riley, KS 66422-
0446.

Sean Andrew Galton '97,
Aiken
Gregory Griffin '06, Taylors
Raymond "Don" Rice, of
Easley, director of Clemson's
Brooks Institute for Sports Science

R. Roy Pearce '41, HD
'86, of Columbia, president of the Class of 1941 and
namesake of Clemson's nationally recognized communication center,
passed away in November.
The Pearces endowed the
Roy and Marnie Pearce
Center for Professional Communication as a Class of 1941 initiative and sup-
ported Clemson in many other ways. Throughout his service to the University,
Roy Pearce received the
Clemson Medallion, Distingui-
ished Service Award and an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.
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‘Self-cleaning’ clothes?

Clemson researchers are developing a coating made of silver nanoparticles that are highly water and dirt resistant. The environmentally friendly coating may be integrated into fabrics such as cotton, polyester, silk and other materials and may greatly reduce their tendency to becoming soiled.

After the researchers described their work at the Southeast regional meeting of the American Chemistry Society last fall, national media — including MSNBC, CNN, Houston Chronicle and the Miami Herald — reported the research.

The product could be applied to hospital garments, military uniforms, awnings and other material used outdoors.

‘Skin printing’ in CIO

The Dec. 1, 2004, issue of CIO Magazine (CIO.com) highlights the “tissue-printing” research of Clemson bioengineer Thomas Boland and other scientists in its medical research in “Trendlines” section.

Scientists at Clemson and the Medical University of South Carolina are using desktop printers to produce three-dimensional living tissue. The research is a step toward printing complex tissues or even entire organs. Their work has appeared in Trends in Biotechnology and other national publications.

‘The Shy Writer’

For a shy writer, Cynthia Hope Beales Clark ’78 is getting a lot of press in national publications. Her byline — C. Hope Clark — has recently appeared in Writer’s Digest (October 2004), The Writer (December 2004), ByLine Magazine (May 2004) and Home Business Journal (May 2004). She has an article coming out this spring in NextStep Magazine.

Clark, an expert in finding funds for writers, authors newsletters, a Web site and ebooks. In addition, she’s written The Shy Writer, An Introvert’s Guide to Writing Success. For more information, visit the Web at www.fundsforwriters.com.

On ‘MarketWatch’

Former Clemson football player and marketing graduate Dean Harman ’91 is now a certified financial planner in Houston, Texas. Last fall he was featured on “CBS MarketWatch,” covering post-election positioning of investment assets, international investing and Exchange Traded Funds.

He has completed another feature for “CBS MarketWatch” on the unique financial planning needs of military reserves called up to active duty.

Harman has authored The Tools and the Team: Planning Your Way to Financial Victory, which will be out this spring. He's pictured left with client Brad Mills of the Boston Red Sox.

At Shea with Kris

Major league pitcher and former Tiger star Kris Benson of the N.Y. Mets took time to greet some Clemson fans outside the N.Y. Mets clubhouse in the tunnel at Shea Stadium at the Mets vs. Expos game. Pictured from left are Don, Patty and Wes Herndon of Greenville, Benson, Carrie Rachel Dean ‘96 and Sarah Martin ‘97 of New York.
Clemson star

Nancy Humphries O’Dell ’90 is as busy as she is gorgeous. As philanthropic as she is successful. And regardless where her work takes her, she never forgets her Clemson roots.

Named as one of Electronic Media’s 10 Most Bankable Stars in Syndication and also ranked as one of the 20 Hottest Stars Right Now by Shape Magazine, the S.C. native co-hosts “Access Hollywood,” an entertainment news show she helped launch in 1996.

That’s her “regular” job. She also contributes to NBC’s “Today Show” and “Dateline.” She’s hosted and served as consulting producer of “Nashville Star” for USA Network, a nationwide search for the next great country music artist.

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An award-winning journalist, O’Dell has been honored with three Associated Press Awards, two Society of Professional Journalists Awards, and is a five-time Emmy Award nominee. In addition, she’s been nominated twice for the prestigious Publicist Guild of America’s Press Award.

Her philanthropic work is just as impressive as her career, including major volunteer roles with the American Red Cross, the March of Dimes, Best Buddies and Childhelp USA.

After earning a marketing degree at Clemson with summa cum laude honors, O’Dell began her broadcast career as a reporter and anchor in Myrtle Beach. She later worked as a morning news anchor and crime reporter in Charleston. Before joining “Access Hollywood,” she served as co-anchor and investigative reporter for NBC’s Miami, Fla., station.

O’Dell was inducted into the S.C. Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame in 1998 as the youngest member ever in recognition of her journalistic success. She’s also a member of the national Academy of Country Music.

‘Chasing the Swamp Fox’ on ETV

Clemson alumni David Sanford Adams ’94 and James Palmer ’93 have created a documentary on Francis Marion, the American Revolution hero from South Carolina, nicknamed the “Swamp Fox” for his elusiveness.

Adams produced and edited the film while Palmer directed and illustrated it. It includes interviews from notable S.C. historians, as well as footage from all over the Lowcountry, with shots from places where Francis Marion visited, camped or fought.

SCETV began airing “Chasing the Swamp Fox” in January. Visit the Web at scetv.org to learn more about the documentary. Pictured from left are archaeologist Steve Smith, Palmer and Adams at Snow’s Island where Francis Marion camped.

In Southern Living

Clemson alumnus and Board of Trustees member Louis B. Lynn ’70, M ’72 was featured in Southern Living (October 2004) for his contributions to his community and state.

Lynn, who earned his undergraduate and graduate horticulture degrees at Clemson and a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland, is a well-known entrepreneur in Columbia. The results of his landscape business — ENVIRO AgScience Inc. — appear on streets leading to and through the University of South Carolina, around the USC basketball arena and elsewhere on campus. The same is true for Benedict College, nearly two dozen Richland County schools, HOPE VI project’s Saxon Homes to replace substandard housing and other locations throughout Columbia and beyond.
I trust that I do not exaggerate the importance of such an institution for developing the material resources of the State by affording to its youth the advantages of scientific culture.

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Thomas Green Clemson envisioned a better quality of life in South Carolina. But time is running out on Clemson’s single greatest opportunity to fulfill his vision.

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Artist Jeanet Dreskin M ’73 is Clemson’s first female master of fine arts graduate. Her work pictured above consists of gouache, water color, ink and collage. Dreskin’s art has been collected by major museums including the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., the Zimmerli Art Museum in New Jersey and the Laguna Museum in Texas.

SereMini VIII is part of the Clemson University Department of Art Alumnae Exhibition in Lee Gallery, now on display through March 18. For more information, contact Denise Woodward-Detrich at (864) 656-3883 or woodwaw@clemson.edu. Or visit the Web at www.clemson.edu/caah/leegallery.