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The Great Class of 1939

Clemson A & M College

78th Anniversary of Graduation

Reunion 2017

June 9, 2017

Seventy-Eight Years of Support and Accomplishments
Sketch of the Class of 1939 Caboose

Courtesy of President James F. Barker
Welcome
to the Classmates, Honorary Members,
Family and Friends of
The Great Class of ’39
on this
78th Anniversary Reunion 2017
at
Clemson University

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Program of Events

SEVENTY-EIGHTH YEAR REUNION

Friday, June 9, 2017

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

The Great Class of 1939

Class of 1939 Caboose - Open for viewing - 3:00 p.m.
South Carolina Botanical Garden at Clemson University

Memorial Service - South Carolina Botanical Garden - 4:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception - Kresge Hall, CU Outdoor Lab - 5:30 p.m.
Special Music - Lillian "Mickey" Harder

Dinner - 7:00 p.m.
Invocation - Vince Brawley

Program - Presiding: Clifton Egan, Class of '39 Leadership Comm.
Introduction of Special Guests - Chalmers Butler
Class Induction and Passing of the Corkscrew - Clifton Egan
2016 Faculty Award for Excellence - Antonis Katsiyannis,
Alumni Distinguished Professor of Special Education
Favors - 1939 Clemson Map - Joel Brawley and Jerry Reel
Speaker - John Bodiford, Honorary '39er
"Projects at the South Carolina Botanical Garden"
Special Thanks - Clifton Egan
Special Music - Joel Brawley and Brad Russell

Thus ends another great reunion for the Great Class of '39. Make plans now to come again in June 2018 for our 79th anniversary of graduation!
Memorial Service
June 9, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.
The Clemson Heritage Gardens in the SC Botanical Garden

* Presentation of the Colors .......................... Boy Scouts of Troop 235
* Pledge of Allegiance ................................ Boy Scouts of Troop 235
* Star Spangled Banner .... Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
Welcome ..................................................... Chip Egan, Leadership Committee
Roll of Remembrance ................................... Hap Wheeler and David Senn
Guardroom Bell Ringer ................................... Joel Brawley
Meditation of Departure .................................. Art Young
God of Our Fathers ......................................... Choir
Recognition of Family Members ....................... Chalmers Butler
Prayer for the Departed .................................. Dana Anderson
* Clemson University Alma Mater ........................ Choir
* Taps ..................................................... Bryan Muir, BSA Troop 235

* Those who are able, please stand.

Class Picture .............................................. Anna Brawley
Class of '39 members and their families please remain.

Clemson University Alma Mater
Lyrics by A.C. Corcoran, '19 Music by Dr. Hugh McGarity, '66

Where the Blue Ridge yawns its greatness;
Where the mountains smile in grandeur
Where the Tigers play;
O'er the hill and dale;
Here the sons of dear Old Clemson
Here the Tiger's lair is nestling,
Reign supreme always.
Swept by storm and gale.

We will dream of great conquests,
We are brothers, strong in manhood,
For our past is grand;
For we work and strive;
And her sons have fought and conquered
And our Alma Mater reigneth
Every foreign land.
Forever in our lives.

Chorus
Dear Old Clemson, we will triumph,
O'er the mountain height.

And with all our might;
That the Tiger's roar may echo

Roll of Remembrance

I'll want to know each step you take
that I may walk the same
for some day down that lonely road
you'll hear me call your name.

From a resting bench
Turkey Creek Cemetery, Lee County, SC

Classmates
Ernest Otto Botts, Jr.         September 21, 2016
James Frank Copeland, Jr.     January 17, 2017
John Nixon Talbert            September 20, 2016

Wives of Classmates
Mary Rogers Harper Adden       June 8, 2016
(spouse - John A. Adden, Jr.)

Betty Connor Senn             June 4, 2016
(spouse - Taze L. Senn)
The Meditation of Departure

From Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar"

Sunset and evening star,
    And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
    When I put out to sea.

Twilight and evening bell,
    And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
    When I embark.

A Prayer for the Departed

By William Penn  (1644 - 1718)

We give back to You, O God, those whom You gave to us.
    You did not lose them when You gave them to us,
    and we do not lose them by returning them to You.
Your dear Son has taught us that life is eternal
    and love cannot die. So death is only a horizon,
    and a horizon is only the limit of our sight.

Open our eyes to see more clearly,
    and draw us closer to You that we may know
that we are nearer to our loved ones, who are with You.
You have told us that You are preparing a place for us;
    prepare us also for that happy place,
    that where You are, we may always be,
    O dear Lord of life and death.
Obituaries

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whose deaths have become known to us

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in June, 2016
Ernest Otto Botts, Jr. was born on August 5, 1918, in Abbeville, SC, a son of Ernest O. and Cora Lee McQuerns Botts. After completing public school in Abbeville, he entered Clemson College in 1935. At Clemson "Beetle" Botts was a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Abbeville County Club, serving as its president his senior year. He was also a member of the Junior and Senior Platoons. Ernie graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in electrical engineering and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the US infantry reserves.

Ernie's first job was with the Piedmont & Northern Railway Company, first in Anderson and later in Charlotte. On July 25, 1940, he began a lifetime job with General Electric, beginning with test assignments in Philadelphia. A year later on June 29, 1941, he was called to active duty with the Army at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. There he helped test fire new guns and ammunition but, after two and one-half years, he transferred to the Frankfurt Arsenal in Philadelphia, where he was involved in training troops in the field in the use of electronic computer fire control equipment. Ernie was honorably discharged from active duty as a Captain in February of 1946, deaf from his service at
Aberdeen, but he continued in the active reserve with the US Army Ordinance until 1963 when he retired as a Lt. Colonel.

At Frankfort Ernie met Helen Jane Bready and they were married on December 19, 1945. Three months later he returned to civilian life and to a job as a switchboard engineer in Philadelphia. When an opening occurred in the small switchboard section of the Atlanta Service Shop, Ernie transferred to Atlanta where he remained until the entire business was moved to Chamblee, GA, to larger facilities. In November, 1961, Ernie became Manager of Switchboard Engineering, received awards for his managerial excellence, and again moved with the business in 1976 to Burlington, Iowa. Two years later in 1978, with thirty-eight years' experience in switchgear engineering, Ernie did decide to retire but remained with General Electric for two years as a consultant. Finally, in 1980, he and Janie left Iowa for good, returning to their home in Atlanta, and embarking upon a very active retired life.

Ernie and Jane had one son and three daughters: Ernest, III, Coralynn, Jacqueline, and Mary. Ernie has acted as a surrogate parent in the DeKalb school system and, for several years, spent two-to-three days a week helping special needs children with math and spelling. He was a member of the Briarcliff United Methodist Church, which he served in numerous ways. He twice traveled with church youth groups to repair homes of the poor in Appalachia, receiving a special mission recognition award. Ernie helped with church maintenance, and, when a new sanctuary was built in 1986-87, he was made Building & Grounds Chairman, reporting to the Board of Trustees. When in the late 1990s his health deteriorated limiting his activities, Ernie was made a consultant to the Board of Trustees and an Honorary Trustee.

At age ninety-eight, Ernie passed away on Wednesday, September 21, 2016. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers, James and Fred, and by his daughter Jacqueline Ann Botts Arved. He is survived by his wife of seventy years, Helen Jane Botts; daughters, Coralynn Jane King Thomas, Tucker, GA; Mary Margaret Shackleford, Atlanta, GA; son, Ernest O. Botts, III, (Cathy), Johnson City, TN; grandsons, Ernest O. Botts, IV, and William Botts, Tucker, GA; son-in-law, Niels Arved, Tucker, GA; and numerous nieces and nephews.
James Frank Copeland, Jr., was born on July 3, 1918, in Darlington County, a son of James F. and Anna J. Copeland. He grew up in and around Timmonsville, SC, and attended Timmonsville High School prior to entering Clemson College in 1935. At Clemson he was active in the YMCA and the Glee Club and was a reporter for The Tiger. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in general science and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the US Army Infantry Reserve.

Returning to Timmonsville, Jim became the Principal of nearby Lamar High School, where he also taught mathematics until he volunteered for active duty on February 10, 1941. Initially, Jim was assigned to an armored unit but, prompted by his interest in aviation, he was selected for pilot training and his commission was transferred to the US Army Corps in which he served as a pilot instructor and in various administrative positions. In the early part of Jim’s military service, he and Jeannette Pace of Lamar were married on June 6, 1942, one week after she graduated from Coker College. They became the proud parents of daughter Barbara. At the end of the war, Captain Copeland elected to leave the military in November of 1945 but remained in the Reserves ultimately retiring as a Lt. Colonel.
In November, 1945, Jim began working for the Veterans Administration. He was in charge of training programs for seriously disabled veterans, which involved working in teams to evaluate and develop the capabilities of disabled veterans with the goal of enabling them to find employment in the workforce. Along the way he had assignments at Bellevue Hospital in New York and at the American Foundation for the Blind. After fifteen or twenty years in this very rewarding work, he was promoted and transferred to a rating board as an Occupational Rating Specialist. This was followed by further promotions, first to Chief of the Rating Section and then to Assistant Adjudication Officer, a job he held until retiring in June 1981. During these forty years, Jim received a number of performance awards and was known throughout South Carolina for his service to veterans.

Jim was very active in the Golden K Kiwanis Club in Columbia, serving as Treasurer, Vice President, President, and Lieutenant Governor for the district. He was Chairman of the Sponsored Youth Committee, providing leadership in developing Key Clubs at three area schools. The club honored him with the Hixson Award in January, 1997, and for the year 1999-2000 he was recognized as Kiwanian of the Year.

In 1946 Jeannette and Jim joined the Shandon United Methodist Church in Columbia and became very involved in all church activities. Jim served as teacher and Sunday school class President, Chairman of the Administrative Board, and served on several committees.

Church and work activities left little time for much else but Jim did find the energy to collect and restore antiques and to write about his life for the benefit of his grandchildren and great grandchildren. At age ninety-seven Jim began writing Tales of a Country Boy, an account of his life from growing up on a farm to his thoughts of the hereafter, with a section relating his special experiences at a place called Clemson College. A published copy was delivered to him just prior to Christmas, 2016, only a few days before his death on January 17, 2017.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Jeannette; and his brother Neil. Surviving Jim are his daughter Barbara C. Suddeth, Columbia; grandchildren James H. Suddeth, III (Jessica), Charleston, and Meghan Suddeth Hasley (Josh), Atlanta; and great grandchildren, Jeddie, Cokey, Adelaide, Ripley, and Steen Suddeth, Charleston, plus Emory and Hannon Hasley, Columbia.
John Nixon Talbert was born in Troy, SC, on December 24, 1916, a son of John N. and Margaret R. Talbert. He lost his parents early in life and was reared by an aunt and uncle on a farm near McCormick, SC. After completing public school education in McCormick, Mr. Talbert entered Clemson College in 1935 where he was active on the YMCA Council, was a member of the Baptist Student Union Council, and was a member of the Sophomore Platoon. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in textile engineering and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army Reserve.

John Talbert married Elizabeth (Lib) Brown of McCormick on July 9, 1940, who a month earlier had graduated from Winthrop College with a BA degree. They were married for sixty-six years and had two daughters and two sons. In January, 1941, John was called to active duty with the Army in which he served for over six years until his retirement as
a major on July 8, 1947. During WWII, he was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge for which he received the Purple Heart, among several other medals. John returned to McCormick after being discharged from the Army and began a long productive thirty-four-year career with Milliken and Company from which he retired as a company executive in 1981. In retirement, John and Lib enjoyed traveling throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe.

John was a lifelong member of the McCormick First Baptist Church where he taught Sunday school for 19 years and became a Deacon Emeritus. He enjoyed gardening and caring for his plants in his greenhouse. He took pleasure in caring for his fellow man too, including members of his family: he visited the local jail weekly, worked with senior adults in McCormick, often paid bills for those in need, including surgery fees, etc., all done anonymously. For Clemson and for undergraduate engineering students, John established (funded) The John Nixon Talbert Annual Memorial Scholarship open to full-time undergraduate engineering students of exemplary academic achievement.

In February, 2004, Lib and John moved to Anderson to be near their son, and she later moved into the Anderson Place Nursing Home. There Lib died on June 27, 2007. They were married for sixty-six years.

At age ninety-nine, John Nixon Talbert died on September 20, 2016, at National Health Care in Anderson. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, his daughter Julia Ann Talbert, and his son Johnny Talbert. Survivors include his son Edgar (Ed) and wife Emma Talbert of Anderson; his daughter, Libby (Beth) Cosimano of Charleston; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.
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in June, 2016
Mary Rogers Harper Adden  
Died June 8, 2016

Though Mary Rogers Harper’s parents lived in Marion, SC, she was born on October 3, 1922, in McLeod Infirmary, Florence, SC, the closest full-service hospital in the area, to parents Varina Dell Rogers Harper and Rufus Alexander Harper. She lived in Marion until she finished first grade after which her family moved to Charleston and later to Orangeburg. Mary finished high school in 1939 at Motrrear Junior College, Montreat, NC, and then attended Furman University in Greenville from which she graduated in 1943, majoring in English and social work. During WWII, she worked in communications for the Sixth Naval District Headquarters. After the war, Mary returned to Orangeburg and became a caseworker for three years for the Department of Social Services. This experience involved long hours but, due to the nature of the work, it was a true pleasure for Mary.

Mary and Jack Adden were married on October 12, 1946. They had four children, Linda, John, Mary, and David. Mrs. Adden later taught high school English in the Orangeburg District Five City Schools for twenty-two years. She was a member of the Orangeburg Lutheran Church, the local Camelia Garden Club, and PEO Sisterhood. Mary and Jack were married for seventy years and continued to live in their home in Orangeburg until Mary’s death.

Mary passed away on Wednesday, June 8, 2016. She is survived by her husband, Jack; two daughters, Lynda Dell Adden Marchant (Dan), Charleston, and Mary Dalton Adden, Lexington, SC; two sons, John Augustus Adden, III, New York City, and David Thomas Adden (Rubianne), St. Matthews, SC; four grandchildren, Daniel H. (Marc) Marchant, III, (Elizabeth), Charleston, Anna Dell Marchant Eller (Matt), St. Simons Island, GA, Mary Elizabeth (Bess) Jones (Michael), Lake Murray, SC, and David Thomas Adden, Jr., New York City; and four great-grandchildren, Currie, Haze, Fuller, and Addelyn. Mary was predeceased by her parents and a half-brother, John Harper.
Betty Jean Conner was born in Olanta, SC, on March 16, 1936, a daughter of Judson L. and Janie L. Conner. She was reared near Hartsville, SC, and she graduated from Hartsville High School in 1953, where she was a member of the Marching and Concert Bands, the Foreign Correspondence Club, and the Retrospect (yearbook) staff. She enrolled in Mars Hill College in 1954 as a freshman, took courses at the Citadel, and transferred in 1955 to Coker College, where she graduated in January, 1958. Two months later, Betty married Ted C. Yarborough, with whom she had one daughter.

In May of 1958 Betty began working in the Horticulture Department at Clemson. She left this job in June of 1963 to accept a position as Director of Human Resources with the Georgia Tech Research Institute in Atlanta. Her marriage to Ted ended amicably in divorce in 1979, and she continued working at Georgia Tech until her retirement in January, 1993. While in Atlanta, Betty was a member of the American Business Women’s Association and served on many work-related committees for GTRI, including, inter alia, the Self-Study
Steering Committee, Professional Staff Development Committee, Personnel Policy Planning Committee, and the Georgia Tech Public Relations Committee.

On May 3, 1997, in a ceremony in the Botanical Garden at Clemson, she married Taze L. Senn, and lived thereafter in Clemson. After moving to Clemson, she was an active partner in the Senn family business which manufactures and distributes NOG, an organic plant growth stimulant. She also played an enthusiastic part in the diverse activities of the Class of 1939.

Betty was a member of the Clemson United Methodist Church and the Fort Hill Garden Club. Her many other interests included dancing, decorating, volunteering, crafts and gardening. It was her considerable computer skills that enabled Tee to produce his History of the Class of 1939.

Betty suffered a long and courageous battle with pancreatic cancer and after Tee’s death she moved to Atlanta to be near her daughter Pam. Shortly after she moved, Betty passed away at age eighty on Saturday, June 4, 2016. She was interred at Live Oak Cemetery in Charleston, SC, on Wednesday, June 8, 2016. She was predeceased by her parents; her husband, Taze L. Senn; her brother, Arlie J. Connor; and her sisters, Leo Merrithew and Joyce Renau. Betty is survived by her daughter, Pamela Yarborough Polhemus and son-in-law, Frederick C. Polhemus III; her grandchildren, Stephanie L. Polhemus and Jason C. Polhemus; her sisters, Merlee Knight and Jackie Moore; and numerous nieces and nephews.
The Class of '39 Founders Garden
Honoring Thomas Green Clemson

Donor Levels and Naming Opportunities

$50,000 - Thomas Green Clemson Statue
$35,000 - Reflecting Pool
$25,000 - Wall Niche
$15,000 - Board of Trustees Plaque
$8,000 - Inscribed Stone Wedge
$3,000 - Stone Bench in Garden Corners
$1,000 - Small Bronze Plaque Honoring Class of '39 Class Member
The Great Class

of

Nineteen Hundred

and

Thirty Nine
Roster of the

Edward P. Abrams
John A. Adden Jr.
Luther R. Ambrose Jr.
Joseph P. Anderson Jr.
Robert P. Anderson
William D. Anderson Jr.
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Charles M. Aull Sr.
Thomas J. Austin
Harry E. Avant Sr.
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L. Charles Balees
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Pawano Carlson
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Willis S. Cason
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T. Max Chamption
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A. Hugh Chapman Jr.
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Frederick Hughes
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Floyd D. Johnson

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Class of 1939

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Edwin M. Jones
Hektor H. Jones
James S. Jones Sr.
L. Frank Jones
Malcolm H. Jones
D. Thomas Joyce
J. Martin Kee
B. Hazard Keitt
James W. Kelly
Elwood H. Killian, Jr.
William J. King
Frances M. King
Alfred H. Kirchner
James M. Kirk
John J. Kirklin
Forrest T. Knox
W. Lucas Lafayette
Jack M. Lapham
Paul S. Lawlor
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Fletcher L. Moore
Thaddeus R. Moorer, Jr.
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Burrell F. Newman
George M. Newman
William C. Newman
M. Max Nichols Jr.
Paul W. Nichols
James D. Nickles
W. Bryan Northrup
Frank W. O'Neal
J. Walker Owens

George O. Page
Norwood R. Page
Joe B. Palmer
Horace C. Parker
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Francis E. Pfeffer
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Morion Robinowicz
Joel H. Radcliffe
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McElvyn E. Simms
Francis H. Scarbrough
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George M. Williams
Horace B. Williams
James C. Williams Sr.
Loyal A. Williamson Jr.
Donovan J. Willis
Joseph M. Windham Jr.
William R. Wingle Jr.
Russell S. Wolfe Jr.
Charles Woods Jr.
Leon C. Wright
Yale W. Wyatt
Loren M. Yelton
Ernest L. Young Jr.
T. Benton Young Jr.
William B. Zeigler

*Still Living*
### CLASS OF 1939 OFFICERS

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### HONORARY ‘39er OFFICERS

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Honorary Members

Class of '39

Award For Excellence Members

Dixie G. Goswami – 1989
Joel V. Brawley – 1990
John L. Idol – 1991
Raymond C. Turner – 1992
Cecil O. Huey – 1994
Francis A. McGuire – 1995
Robert L. LaForge – 1996
Chalmers M. Butler – 1997
Larry L. Bauer – 1998
Judith M. Melton – 1999
Clifton S. M. Egan – 2000
★Jerry A. Waldvogel – 2001 (2009)
Alfred P. Wheeler – 2002
D. Kinly Sturkie – 2003
Arthur P. Young – 2004
Benjamin L. Sill – 2005
Donald M. McKale – 2006
★Alma Bennett – 2007 (2012)
William T. Pennington Jr. – 2008
Webb M. Smathers – 2009
Malcolm M. Cooper – 2010
Richard S. Figliola – 2011
Windsor W. Sherrill – 2012
John M. Ballato – 2013
Catherine Mobley - 2014
June J. Pilcher - 2015
Antonis Katsiyannis - 2016

Supporting Members

Mark R. Eisengrein – 1989
Elton W. Shepherd Jr. – 1989
Beth C. Farmer – 1994
Lolly Tai – 1995
William (Whirl) N. Miller – 1996
David L. Senn – 1996
Virginia G. Senn – 1996
Jeannie Kelly – 1997
Cathy T. Sturkie – 1998
Carolyn Robinson – 2000
Adrienne L. Tucker – 2000
Mark S. Avent – 2001
Frank J. Cox – 2001
Byron K. Webb – 2001
Anne M. Grant – 2003
James R. Adkins – 2005
A. Neil Cameron Jr. – 2007
Carol Talbert – 2007
Jerome V. Reel Jr. – 2008
Sandy Edge – 2009
Todd A. Steadman – 2009
James O. Sweeney Jr. – 2010
Robert M. Sweeney – 2010
R. Trent Allen – 2012
Betty (Bett) W. Long – 2012
Liz P. Newall – 2012
Charles Bradley Russell – 2013
A. Vincent Brawley - 2014
Richie Senn - 2014
Dana Anderson - 2016
John Bodiford - 2016
Anna Brawley - 2016
Patrick McMillan - 2016

Plus wives of all deceased classmates

★Deceased

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Leadership Committee

A Standing Committee
of the Class of ’39

Clifton (Chip) Egan, Honorary ‘39er - Chairman
Cathy Sturkie, Honorary ‘39cr
David Senn, Honorary ‘39er
Ray Turner, Honorary ‘39cr
Faculty Senate President (Ex Officio)
★ Tee Senn, President ‘39

★ Deceased

The Leadership Committee was established January 8, 2007 to
effect a smooth transition of leadership of the Class of ’39
original members of the class to the Honorary Members of the
class. The purpose of the committee is to perpetuate the
memory, ideals, and goals of the original Members of the Great
Class of ’39.
Reunion Committee

A Standing Committee
of the Class of '39

Chip Egan, Chairman
Joel Brawley
Frank Cox
Sandy Edge
Anne McMahan Grant
Whirl Miller
Kinly & Cathy Sturkie
David Senn
★Betty Senn
Jim Sweeny
Ray Turner
Hap Wheeler
Chalmers Butler, Necrologist
Bill Pennington, Treasurer
Ray Turner, Reunion Brochure
★Tee Senn, President

★Deceased

The purpose of the Reunion Committee is to plan, organize and conduct class meetings, especially including the annual reunion in June.
Heritage Garden Committee

A Standing Committee of the Class of '39

Frank Cox¹ '68, Chairman
J. C. Cook²
David Senn '75
Chief Shepherd, Rutgers '69
Bud Webb '55
Mary Welch³
Michele Welch '89

¹ Son of Walter Cox '39
² Son of Clinton Cook '39
³ Daughter of Joel Radcliffe '39

★ Ben Anderson '70
★ Bobby Avent
★ Bill Carlisle
★ Walter Cox
★ Frank O'Neal
★ Tee Senn '39 (Ex Officio)
★ Shep Shepherd (Emeritus)
★ Jim Sweeney
★ Tommy Thomson
★ George Williams (Honorary)
★ Russ Wolfe
★ Bill Zeigler

★ = Deceased

The function of the Heritage Garden Committee is to oversee the design, construction, and long-time maintenance in coordination with appropriate University administrative operations.
The Great Class of 1939

Class Activities 2016-2017

Pg 33. Class of '39 Award for Excellence.....Dec 8, 2016
Pg 36. Bell Tower Ceremony & Reception..Feb 14, 2017
Presentation of the Colors by BSA Troop 235. The Audience says the Pledge of Allegiance.

Family of Dot and Bill Wise

Family of Irv Blake

Family of Tee Senn

Spouse of Jerry Griggs

Family of Roger Blakely

Families of Berk Hammond & Budd Bodine are not shown.

Family of Claude Vaughan

Family of Rick Rivenbark
Members of the Class of '39, family, and friends gather under the tent in the Clemson University Botanical Garden to honor the memory of deceased members of the Class.

Chip Egan
Opening remarks

Hap Wheeler
Roll of Remembrance

David Scott
Scroll of Honor

Joel Brawley
Guardroom Bell

Anne Grant
"Meditation"

Ben Still
"Prayer"

Chalmers Butler
Recognizes Families

Clay Mohr, BSA
"Taps"

Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir

Class of '39 Memorial Service  June, 2016
Class of ‘39 Induction & Presentations  June, 2016
Induction of the 2015 Award for Excellence recipient
June J. Pilcher

Presentation of the Award Certificate to June Pilcher by Chip Egan and David Senn

June addresses the audience. Chip discusses the cork screw and passes it on to June.

Class Induction of Newest Supporting Members

Cathy Sturky presents Dana Anderson

Chalmers Butler presents John Bodiford

Joel Brawley presents Anna Brawley

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Clemson '39ers and Guests    June, 2016
Socializing, Dining, and Being Entertained
At Kresge Hall at the Clemson University Outdoor Lab

Joel Brawley and Brad Russell play and sing new and old songs.

Linda Li-Blesel and John Bleuel play music during the Social Hour.

Photos courtesy of Anna Brawley
Medal of the

Class of '39 Award for Excellence
The
Faculty Selection
for the
Class of 1939
Award for Excellence
For the year 2016

See page 39 for prior years.
Dr. Antonis Katsiyannis
Award for Excellence - 2016
Antonis Katsiyannis
Alumni Distinguished Professor of Special Education

EdD: Educational Administration/Special Education
(William and Mary, 1989)
M.Ed: Educational Administration
(Virginia Commonwealth University, 1986)

Antonis Katsiyannis, EdD, an alumni distinguished professor in special education, is teaching courses in assessment and legal and policy issues. He has published 180 articles in legal and policy issues and delinquency in professional journals, such as Behavioral Disorders, Exceptional Children, Remedial and Special Education, Fordham Urban Law Review, and the Journal of Special Education. He serves as an associated editor for Remedial and Special Education and Intervention in School and Clinic and just completed a five year term as the co-editor of the Journal of Disability Policy Studies.

He has mentored numerous graduate and undergraduate students in publishing in professional journals and serves as a co-investigator of a federally funded grant –Project EXPERTISE ($1,097,670). He also is actively involved in the field of special education by serving in national/international boards, including as the president of the Council for Exceptional Children.

At Clemson, he is actively involved in a variety of department, college, and university committees, including Senate president as well as community-based activities for children with developmental disabilities such as TOPSoccer and Challenger League (baseball).
Please join the Faculty Senate for a reception in honor of

The Great Class of '39

and the 2016 recipient of the
Class of '39 Award for Excellence

Antonis Katsiyannis

on February 14, 2017 at 4:30 pm

Meet in the Carillon Gardens for the '39 Bell Tower ceremony, immediately followed by the reception in the Madren Center's Grand Hallway.

Please RSVP by January 3, 2017 to Faculty Senate at senate@clemson.edu

As the result of the National Championship Football Game, the ceremony and reception were moved from January 14th.
Faculty Senate President Mary Beth Kurz presents the Certificate of Award for Excellence to Antonis Katsiyannis, and Provost Robert Jones congratulates him.

Richie and David Senn, Honorary Members of the Class of '39 (and grandson and son of deceased Class President Tee Seen) present Class memorabilia to Antonis, newest honorary member of the Class.

Students, friends, and colleagues celebrate with Antonis on his award.
Class of '39

Attendees

2017 Bell Tower Ceremony

From left to right

1st Row:
Alfred P. Wheeler
John M. Ballato
Catherine Mobley
Antonis Katsiyannis
Jane J. Pilcher
Joel V. Brawley
Raymond C. Turner

2nd Row:
William T. Pennington Jr.
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Robert L. LaForge
Arthur P. Young
Faculty Senate Reception  February 14, 2017
Madren Center Grand Hallway

Antonis Katsiyannis, Class of ’39 Award for Excellence

A great crowd of Honorary ’39ers, Faculty Senators, and Guests

Lots of Good Food, Drink and Fellowship
Donations in support of the Class of ‘39 projects may be made to:

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