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The

CLEMSON A & M COLLEGE

Class of 1939

REUNION 2007

JUNE 14, 15 and 16, 2007

on their

68th Anniversary of Graduation
Sketch of the Class of 1939 Caboose

Courtesy of President James F. Barker
To
Walter Thomson Cox, Jr.  1919-2006

This brochure and the Class of '39 Reunion 2007 are dedicated to a beloved classmate, known by everyone as Dean Cox.

Walter was quite a guy! He loved the college that was his home for all those years from 1935 to 2006, and in turn was better known to and more loved by Clemson alumni generally than any other Clemsonian. He loved and gave guidance to his own family with a light but sure hand, and they in turn love him and reflect the virtues instilled in them by Walter and Mary. He loved his classmates, and was a vital part of all the activities that have been undertaken by his class. To those activities he gave unstintingly of his time, his treasure, and, whenever sought, his advice and counsel.

It is most significant that the only statue on campus, aside from that of Thomas G. Clemson, is one of Walter T. Cox, put there by alumni who appreciated his complete dedication to the men and women who passed through the college during his years of service. To have touched the lives of so many students is a privilege that few are granted, and who but Walter Cox could have helped shape those lives in so many ways. The love, honor and respect that is accorded Walter by Clemson men and women around the world is a true testament to his enlightened and unselfish years of service.

And so, Walter, your classmates in the Great Class of 1939 dedicate this brochure to your memory, and we dedicate what time we have left to completing the class projects that you helped conceive, initiate, and bring into being. And we have no doubt that a grateful world of Clemson men and women will lend their support to this objective.

We’ll let you know how we’ve done when we meet again with you. So long for now!
Program of Events

REUNION WEEKEND
June 14, 15 & 16, 2007

The Great Class of 1939

THURSDAY:
Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Hospitality - Room 105, Ramada Inn - 4:00 p.m.

FRIDAY:
Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Lunch on your own
Heritage Gardens Committee Meeting - 1 p.m.
Hayden Conference Center - Botanical Garden
Restroom Dedication - 3:00 p.m. - Botanical Garden
Flagpole rededication
Memorial Service in the Gardens - 4:00 p.m.
Social Hour - Class of '39 - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Poolside, Ramada Inn
Dinner - Ramada Inn Dining Room - 7:00 p.m.
Honorary member installation - Mr. A. Neill Cameron
Fellowship - Room 105 - until midnight.

SATURDAY:
Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Breakfast on your own
Grand Tour of Class of '39 Projects - 8:30 a.m.
Beginning at the Bell Tower
Class Picture - Amphitheater - 10:00ish
Fellowship - by the pool - Ramada Inn - 11:30 a.m.
Lunch at the Ramada Inn - 12:30 p.m.
Honorary member installation - Dr. Donald M. McKale

Thus ends another great reunion for the Great Class. Y'all come in 2008 for our 69th Anniversary of Graduation, ya hear!

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2007 Memorial Service

for

Deceased Members of the Class of '39

Opening Remarks Tee Senn
Roll of Remembrance Jim Sweeny
Meditation of Departure Elliott Loyless
Recognition of Family Tee Senn
Prayer for Departure Champ Jones
Taps J.R. Adkins
Guardroom Bell Ringer Joel Brawley

And let today embrace the past with remembrance and the future with longing

The Prophet
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

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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

of

Classmates and Wives

whose deaths have become known to us

since our last reunion

in June 2006
John Wallace Cathcart, II  
Died May 3, 1945

While serving with a field unit of the 1st Battalion, 24th Division, Medical Department, Dr. John Cathcart was killed in action on Mindanao in the Philippines.

The son of the late Samuel C. and Tirzah K. Cathcart, John was born in Winnsboro January 31, 1918. He was graduated from Clemson College in the Class of 1939, and received his M.D. degree from the South Carolina Medical College, where he was a member of the AKK medical fraternity, in 1942. He next served a one-year internship at the Columbia hospital.

On February 21, 1944, John was married to Margaret Caughman, then a supervisor at the Columbia hospital. Three weeks later, on March 10, he reported to Carlisle Barracks, PA, then to Breckenridge, KY for six weeks of intensive training, and in August of 1944 was shipped overseas as a 1st Lieutenant. He was promoted to Captain in January, 1945. John first saw active service on Leyte, from whence he was sent to a combat area on Mindanao only a few weeks prior to his death. He had planned to return to Winnsboro after military service to practice medicine there.

In December 1944 John’s only child, Virginia, whom he never saw, was born in Columbia. Both she and her mother Margaret C. Cathcart now (2006) live in Charleston, SC. Virginia is the wife of Dr. Joseph G. Reves, and Margaret is in a retirement center, The Cloister, located at 3 Bishop Gadsden Way, Charleston.
Arthur Rhett Garner, Jr.
Died June 16, 1967

Arthur Rhett Garner, Jr., 48, of Timmonsville died early Friday morning in a Florence hospital after a short illness.

He attended Clemson College with the Class of 1939, graduating with a BS degree in Electrical Engineering. At Clemson he was an honor student and a member of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary Electrical Engineering fraternity. He was also a member of the Sophomore, Junior and Senior fancy drill platoons.

Serving as a Major in the US Army Air Force during World War II, Arthur was a B-17 pilot in Europe where he earned the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal for his service and bravery.

Arthur owned and operated many businesses in Timmonsville before returning to his love for engineering. He was employed by the South Carolina Highway Department as an engineer. Arthur engineered many of the main highways and bridges in Florence, Horry and Georgetown counties.

He was predeceased by his parents Arthur Rhett and Annie Shuler Garner and a sister Mary Frances Garner. He is survived by his wife, Rosemond Orr Garner, a son, Arthur Rhett Garner, III and a daughter, Frances Anne Garner of the home.

Graveside services were conducted Saturday, June 18 at 6 pm at Byrd Cemetery in Timmonsville. A.R. Biglow and Rev. Kirk Lawton officiated.
William Smith Coleman
Died July 25, 1977

Major General William Coleman, 58, died at Moncrief Army Hospital after a long illness. Gen. Coleman was a native of Iva, SC and was reared in Anderson. As a 1939 graduate of Clemson College, he received a commission as a second lieutenant of Infantry through the ROTC program.

Upon activation of the US. Seventh Army for the Invasion of Southern France in June 1944, he was assigned to the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) as Special Operations and Intelligence Officer with the Seventh Army Headquarters. Following his return to the United States in August of 1945, he served at Camp Gordon, GA as a Company Commander and Adjutant, and was integrated into the regular army in July of 1946. He attended the Infantry Officer Advanced Course at Ft. Benning, GA from 1948-49. He served for two years during the Korean War with the First Calvary Division where he finally commanded the 2nd Battalion. During 1955-57 he was a Senior Army Advisor to the Alaska National Guard. He next served in the Secretarial Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, and then attended the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, PA, with the Class of 1960.

Gen. Coleman served two tours of duty in Vietnam during the period from 1965 to 1973. The Commanding General 1st Infantry Division for that period recently said "of all the great soldiers I know, there was not one I admired more than Bill Coleman. I have many times referred to him as being of pure gold. Nothing could be truer." Bill served as Ft. Jackson commanding general from July 1970 to May 1972, where he saw to the modernization of the fort, including a modern new hospital. He was instrumental in making the Fort one of the prime training installations in the country for basic advanced infantry combat support trainees. In 1972 he transferred to the Military Assistance Command in Vietnam.

General Coleman retired Sept. 1, 1974, after more than 32 years service with the Army as Commanding General of the US Readiness Region VI at Fort Knox, KY. He was a graduate of the Infantry School, the Command and General Staff College, the Army War College, and earned a Master's degree in International Affairs from George Washington University.

General Coleman is survived by his widow, the former Ruth Ducworth of Anderson, and four children, Susan Coleman Fedors, Nancy Coleman Hart, 2nd Lt. William S. Coleman, Jr. and Mary Leon Coleman. The family received friends at Dunbar Funeral Home, Gervais Street Chapel. The family asks that memorials be made to the 1st Infantry Scholarship Fund.
Thaddeus Roland “Tom” Moorer, Jr.
Died September 3, 1986

Tom Moorer, 68, of 4917 Mountclair Road, Stone Mountain, died at the Dekalb County Hospital of a heart attack. A native of Charleston, SC, he was the son of the late Thaddeus R. Moorer Sr. and Louise Edna Robinson Moorer. A 1939 graduate of Clemson University, he played on the Clemson Cotton Bowl football team before coming to Griffin High School to coach football in 1941-42 (In 1942 the Griffin High School football team were state champions). Associated for many years with Morton-Thiokol Company as sales manager, he retired in 1985. Mr. Moorer was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Charleston.

Funeral services for Tom Moorer were held at Haisten's Chapel. The Rev. Warren Jones officiated. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery. The family suggests that donations be made to Griffin High School Touchdown Club in Coach Moorer's memory.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Frances Wilkie Moorer, of 4917 Mountclair Road, Stone Mountain; two daughters and sons-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Michael (Donna) Beshoner of Captain Cook, Hawaii, and Patricia Louis Moorer Kennedy Crider of Snellville, GA; resident with children, Thomas Edwin Kennedy of Atlanta, GA, who married Denise Lynn Kosmetatos and lives in Lilburn, GA and son Thaddeus Moorer Kennedy who lives in Lilburn, GA.
William Bruce Capell
Died August 4, 1989

William Capell, 72, of Route 2, Easley, husband of Fleda Fendley Capell, died Friday, August 4 from injuries received in a farm accident.

Mr. Capell was born in Pickens County, a son of the late John H. and Olive McJunkin Capell, he was a retired city mail carrier in Greenville, and was a member of the Woodmen of the World. He was a member of Cross Roads Baptist Church, where he was a Deacon, and teacher of the Mens Bible Class, served as Music Director, on the Building and Grounds Committee and as a Trustee.

Surviving are his wife, Fleda Fendley Capell of the home; a son, Dr. Don Capell, M.D. of Fresno, CA; a daughter, Linda Carman of Easley; four grandchildren, Bob Capell, Jr. of Easley, Dr. Lisa Ruth Capell of Charleston, George Brian Carman of Easley, and Kelly Elizabeth Carman of Easley; three brothers, Hovey V. Capell of Atlanta, GA, Roy V. Capell of Kissimee, Florida and O. Jay Capell of Easley; a sister Asilee C. Looper of Greenville; his step-mother, Rosa Lee Capell of Marietta; and an aunt, Eula McJunkin McCarson of Marietta.

Funeral services were held Sunday at Cross Roads Baptist Church conducted by the Rev. Richard Spearman, Dr. George F. Case and the Rev. W. L. Freeman, Jr. with burial in the church cemetery.
Thomas William "Bookie" Talbert
Died April 10, 1991

Dr. Thomas Talbert, 73, of 4308 Converse St., Columbia, SC died on Wednesday. Born in Columbia, he was the son of the late Thomas Garrets, Jr. and Gertrude May Talbert. He was a 1939 graduate of Clemson University with military honors and a 1943 graduate of the Charleston School of Medicine. He was a World War II army veteran, serving with the Medical Detachment, 102nd Division, 9th Army in Europe.

Following his military service, he embarked in 1946 on a distinguished and compassionate career in the general practice of medicine. With his uncle, Dr. Stanmor Watson Talbert, he began a medical practice in Columbia that involved seeing 60 office patients daily, assisting in surgery, and delivering up to 240 babies per year. He was a member of the Columbia Medical Society and St. Paul's Lutheran Church. He retired from active practice of medicine in 1983. His medical practice consumed most of his energy and time; only his devotion to family, church and passion for Clemson football provided respite or relaxation.

A resolution be included in the minutes of the Columbia Medical Society, published in The Recorder, characterized Dr. Talbert by a quote from Dr. Francis Peabody during a lecture to his Harvard medical students: "The good physician knows his patients through and through, and his knowledge is bought dearly. Time, sympathy, and understanding must be lavishly dispensed, but the reward is to be found in that personal bond which forms the greatest satisfaction of the practice of medicine. One of the essential qualities of the clinician is interest in humanity, for the secret of the care of the patient is in the caring for the patient."

Dr. Talbert is survived by his wife of 48 years, Dorothy Bramlette Talbert; his son, Dr. Thomas W. Talbert, Jr. (a practicing dentist); and his grandson Thomas W. Talbert, III.
Harold Cleveland Gibson
Died April 15, 1991

Harold Gibson, 72, 110 Lockwood Ave., husband of Analane Chears Gibson, died Monday. Born February 2, 1919 in Greenville County, he was a son of the late Grover Cleveland and Mettie Lou Martin Gibson.

Mr. Gibson was a graduate of Clemson University, Class of 1939 and was a builder and land developer. He was a member of Overbrook Baptist Church and the Hubert Nolan Sunday School Class.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, having served in the South Pacific as a 1st Lieutenant and was the recipient of the Purple Heart.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Thomas Chears Gibson of Houston, TX and Gordon Lee Gibson of Greenville; three brothers, W. Ray Gibson of Simpsonville, Carroll A. Gibson and Joe G. Gibson, both of Greenville; and six grandchildren, Blake C. Gibson, Barrett Gibson, Erin M. Gibson, B. Hunter Gibson, and J. Tyler Gibson. Mr. Gibson was preceeded in death by one brother, Frank M. Gibson and one sister, Hazel Gibson Wilson.

Graveside services were conducted Wednesday, April 17, at 11:00 AM in Woodlawn Memorial Park by Dr. Jim Thomason and Rev. Cooper Patrick.

Memorials be made to Overbrook Baptist Church Building Fund, 1705 E. North St., Greenville, SC 29607 or to the charity of one's choice.
Carl Louis Schroeder
Died February 16, 2002

The widower of Dorothy Todd Schroeder, Carl Schroeder of Charleston, SC died at his residence. Mr. Schroeder was born March 23, 1917 in Charleston, the son of Julius Ernst Schroeder and Lula Melchers Schroeder. He was a member of St. Barnabas Lutheran Church, and was a retired Manager and Chief Engineer with South Carolina Electric and Gas Co. He attended Clemson University with the Class of 1939, graduating with a BS degree in Electrical Engineering.

His funeral service was held on February 19, 2002 at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church. Interment followed in Bethany Cemetery, North Charleston.

Survivors include two daughters, Sue S. Dority of Charleston, and Nancy S. Turner of Perry, FL; four grandsons, Thomas E. Dority, Jr., Dr. Davis S. Dority, Matthew B. Dority, and Matthew I. Turner; two sisters, Charlotte S. Kohn of Columbia, SC and Helen S. Bisanar of Hickory, NC.

Memorials may be made to St. Barnabas Lutheran Church, 45 Moultrie Street, Charleston, SC 29403, or to John Ancrum Society SPCA, 3861 Leeds Avenue, Charleston, SC 29405.
Frank Jackson Bryce
Died March 20, 2004

Jack Bryce, DDS, 86 died at his home in Hemingway. Dr. Bryce was born in Florence, and was a graduate of Clemson in the Class of 1939. At Clemson he was Captain of the basketball team his senior year, and led them to their conference win that later earned him induction into Clemson’s Athletic Hall of Fame. He was also a graduate of the University of Maryland Dental School, where he helped staff a walk-in clinic for the indigent. One walk-in client was Mary LaRue Thomas of Burkittsville, MD, whom Jack wooed and married on March 31, 1943, the day he was called to active duty in the army.

The newly-weds moved from one training camp to another, until Jack was sent overseas in August of 1943 as part of the 745th Tank Battalion. From England he participated in the D-day invasion and later set up his dental service in Belgium. He was with the first troops into Paris, and finally returned to the States in December of 1945.

Following the war, Jack resumed his dental practice, first in Bethesda, MD and later in Silver Spring, MD. He was active in the Maryland Dental Association and eventually became secretary of the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners. In his practice he stayed abreast of new technology, and helped in the development of the high-speed, water-cooled air drill.

Jack and Mary were divorced in 1958. He later married Ruth Pyles, a marriage that lasted only a few years. On retiring from his dental practice, Jack moved back to rural Georgetown County near the Great Pee Dee River. Here he was able to indulge his passion for water bird hunting and fishing. At the age of 70 he married his childhood sweetheart, Leonora Sligh (Rene) Commander of Darlington. This was a happy marriage, but was interrupted when Rene suffered a series of strokes and had to be moved to a nursing home in Florence. Rene died not long after Jack’s passing in 2004.

Surviving are his son, Frank Jackson Bryce, Jr. of Northfield, MN, two daughters, Joan Bryce Crompton of Hemingway and Barbara Ann Bryce of Gilsum, NH; and grandchildren, Adrian Bryce Julius of Gilsum, NH; Jackson William Crompton, Emma Grace Crompton and Ester Elizabeth Crompton all of Hemingway.

A memorial luncheon for family and friends was held on May 22, 2004 in Florence to celebrate his life. Jack’s ashes were scattered over the Great Pee Dee River near his home in Hemingway.
Francis Edwin Peebles
Died May 2, 2005

Francis E. Peebles, 88, of 1515 Shadylaum Drive of Burlington, NC 27215 died at Liberty Common after one year of declining health.

A native of Lee County, SC, he was the husband of Pearl Turner Peebles of the home, and the son of late Charles Henry Peebles and Mignon Breedlove Peebles. He was a 1939 graduate of Clemson University and a US Army Air Corps Veteran. He was a retired Agricultural Extension Agent for Alamance and Guilford Counties in NC. Following his retirement, he work part time in the Agricultural Economics Department at N. C. State University.

Francis was a member of the Front Street United Methodist Church, former Sunday School teacher, member of the official Board of the Church, former Chairman of the Good Shepherd Committee for volunteers from Front Street United Methodist Church, Vice-Chairman of the Good Shepherd Committee. He volunteered at the Good Shepherd Kitchen for over 20 years. A former volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, he was awarded in 2001 the Jim Scott Award for outstanding Volunteer service for Alamance County.

In addition to his wife, survivors include four sons, Mr. Edwin Peebles and wife Janis of North Wilkesboro, NC, Robert E. Peebles and wife Jane of Marshall, Joseph T. Peebles and wife Vivian of Beijing, China, and Charles F. Peebles and wife Carol of Burlington, NC; two sisters, Mrs. Lois P. Pearce of Boykin, SC and Mrs. Dorothy P. Ford of Columbia, SC; two brothers Mr. Cecil B. Peebles of Pamplico, SC and Dr. Charles H. Peebles, Jr. of Columbia, SC; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted at 11 am Thursday, May 5th at Front Street United Methodist Church by Dr. Sidney H. Huggins and Dr. G. Robert McKenzie. Burial followed in Pine Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Allied Churches for the Good Shepherd Community Kitchen, 206 N. Fisher Street, Burlington, NC 27217, Front Street United Methodist Church, 135 S. Fisher Street, Burlington, NC 27215, or a charity of one’s choice.
Walter Thompson Cox, Jr.
Died June 28, 2006

Walter Cox was born in Belton, SC, a son of the late Walter T. and Grace Campbell Cox. After his early schooling in Belton, Walter entered Clemson in 1935, and there he stayed. As a student, Walter majored in General Science, lettered in football, and was a company commander his senior year. He was an All-State guard, and anchored the team that defeated Boston College in the Cotton Bowl in 1940.

After graduation, Walter began his Clemson career as an assistant football coach, this being interrupted by a year of military service as an infantry officer in the Pacific campaign. Returning to Clemson, he worked successively as an athletic coach, alumni and public relations coordinator, the first “Dean of Students,” the first VP of Student Affairs, VP for Institutional Development, and the tenth President of Clemson University. Even after his retirement in April of 1987, Walter remained active as a consultant and goodwill ambassador for the university. His work for the school was honored by the Alumni Association with its Distinguished Service award, and by the university with its highest honor, the Clemson Medallion.

Walter was a Director on the SC Public Service Authority and served on the boards of Blue Cross Blue Shield and the C&S National Bank of South Carolina. He was a 60-year member of both the Clemson First Baptist Church and the Anderson Rotary Club, serving the former as a deacon and the latter as past-president. His service to the public was recognized by the state with its Order of the Palmetto.

Walter was pre-deceased by his first wife, Mary Johnson Cox, and by his second wife, Jenelle Garrett Cox. He is survived by three sons, Walter T. Cox, III of Isle of Palms, SC, Frank J. Cox of Clemson, and J. William Cox of Eden, UT; one daughter, Grace Cox Kerns of Atlanta; one step-daughter, Jennie Cox Waddington of St. Helena Island, SC; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A graveside burial service was held at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 1 at “Cemetery Hill,” followed by a memorial service in the Brooks Center. Honorary pallbearers included Class of ’39 members and former CU presidents Drs. R.C. Edwards, Phil Prince, Max Lennon and Constantine Curris. Memorials may be made to Mary Johnson Scholarship or the Clemson Foundation.
Jacob Ralph Pritcher
Died August 11, 2006

At Arlington, Texas, Jacob Pritcher, 88, relocated to heaven as his wife lovingly held his hand at his bedside. They had celebrated their 67th anniversary two days earlier. Ralph and Iva moved to Arlington, Texas four years ago following his retirement from a lifelong career of helping people find homes in Monroe, LA. They had lived in Monroe for 50 years, where they were Charter Members of Northminster Church. Growing up as one among 14 children on a small farm in South Carolina, Ralph pursued a life centered around his faith in God and devotion to his family. After graduating from Clemson University in 1939, he married Iva. He proudly wore the uniform of the Army Air corps in World War II and then worked for Delta Air Lines for 15 years before building his real estate business, Pritcher Realty. His life was exemplary, grounded in essential Christian values that have left a legacy of leadership, love and loyalty now emulated by his children and his children's children.

Survivors: wife Iva; sister Azalee Blitch of South Carolina; daughter Sylvia Greene, and her husband Richard; son, Jay and his wife Barbara, all of Arlington, Texas; daughter, Iva Lynn Joiner and her husband Keith, of Monroe, LA; grandchildren, Brian Greene and his wife Tammy; Stacey Pfleger and her husband, David; Aaron and Mason Pritcher, all of Arlington, Texas; Amanda Saltzman and her husband Andy of Lake Charles, LA; Amy Greene of Los Angeles, CA; two great-grandchildren. Celebration of life at 11 am, Monday in Arlington Funeral Home Chapel, 1221 E. Division St., followed by interment in D/FW National Cemetery, Dallas, Texas.

The family has requested that memorials be sent to Northminster Church, 2701 Lamy Lane, Monroe, LA.
Virgil Adkins "V.A." Ballard
Died September 3, 2006

Virgil Ballard, 89, of Fort Mill, died on Sunday. A native of Asheville, NC, Mr. Ballard attended the Textile Industrial Institute before graduating in the 1939 Class at Clemson with a degree in Textile Engineering.

He taught Textiles for one year at Parker High in Greenville before joining Springs, where he served in numerous manufacturing leadership capacities in Lancaster, Chester, and Fort Mill. After 42 years with Springs, he retired in 1982 as Vice President of Manufacturing for their Consumer Division. In the late 1950's and early 1960's, he served Gov. Ernest Hollings as a member of the Design Committee for the S.C. Technical Education System. He was active in Boy Scouts and Rotary, and was a deacon at First Baptist Church of Fort Mill. He was the widower of Louise Boone Ballard.

A memorial service was conducted at 11 am Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Fort Mill. The family received friends after the service in the Church Social Hall. Visitation was from 6 to 8 pm at the First Baptist Church of Fort Mill. Wolfe Funeral Home was in charge.

Surviving are his son, John Adkins Ballard of Fort Mill; two daughters, Babs Ballard Crane of Spartanburg and Mary Ellen Bates of Fort Mill; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Clemson University Foundation for the College of Material Sciences, POB Box 345601, Clemson, SC 29634-5601.
Herber Venable Bainbridge "Bo" Traywick
Died October 3, 2006

"Bo" Traywick, 88, was born March 28, 1918, in Cameron, SC, the son of Dr. Asa Paul Traywick and Jamie May Crute. He graduated from Clemson A&M in 1939, with a major in Industrial Engineering, and immediately entered the US Army as a Thompson Act officer. Among his stateside assignments, he was a small arms instructor at Fort Benning, GA, and aide to Gen. Pinby Bell at the Replacement and School Command in Birmingham, AL. During World War II, he spent two and a half years in the ChinaBurma-India Theatre with Gen. Joseph Stilwell. Major Traywick served as the Chief Liaison Officer with the 66th Chinese Infantry Regiment, during which time he learned to speak Chinese. As a veteran of many combat engagements with the Japanese in the jungles of north Burma, he was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He remained active in the Army Reserves following the war and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

In the private life, "Bo" was in marketing. In 1968, he founded Air Pollution Control Products, a waste-to-energy company based in Richmond, VA and operated today by his son, Chris.

Mr. Traywick was a member of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia, the Jamestowne Society, the Commonwealth Club of Richmond, and the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. He was a trustee of the Court Street Methodist Church. He was the former President and Master of Foxhounds of the Bedford County Hunt. He was a former member of the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America and the Lynchburg Rotary Club, of which he was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Besides his wife, Flo Crisman Neher, he is survived by three children, Helen Venable Traywick, Jr., Crisman Neher Traywick and his wife, Joyce Ellis, Robin Traywick Williams and her husband, Charles, all of Richmond; and five grandchildren, Sarah Traywick, Joseph Traywick, Katherine Williams, Riley Traywick, and Crisman Traywick, Jr. His is also survived by a sister, Mary Hope Griffin of Florence, SC; a brother-in-law C. Richard Neher and his wife, Patricia, of Kilmarnock; a sister-in-law, Betty Bollin Neher Luby of Alexandria, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service at the Court Street Methodist Church was held Saturday, October 7th at 11 am. Memorial contributions may be made to Court Street Methodist Church, 62 Court Street, Lynchburg, VA 24504, or to the Society of Cincinnati in the State of Virginia, 207 Prince Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Tharp Funeral Home and Crematory, Lynchburg, assisted the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.tharpfuneralhome.com.
Francis Dewitt Benson
Died October 11, 2006

Francis DeWitt Benson - age 89, a native of Fairforest, S.C. and a resident of Mobile, AL for over 50 years, died Wednesday, October 11, 2006. He was the son of Annie Martin Gordon and Willis Alexander Benson. He was a graduate of Textile Industrial Institute, now Spartanburg Methodist College, and Clemson University with a degree in Textile Engineering.

During World War II, he received a commission in the Air Corps Technical Training Command at Yale University. His service included 25 months in the Pacific Theater (Hawaii, Okinawa and Saipan). He retired from Courtaulds North America after 31 years of service. He was a member of Spring Hill Baptist Church.

He was the last surviving member of a large family. His wife of 62 years, Elizabeth Franklin Hughston, died in 2004. He is survived by a son, Frank Benson of Lanham, MD; a daughter, Susan B. (Mrs. George) Royer of Huntsville, AL; four grandchildren, Scott Benson of Burke, VA, George Royer of Birmingham, AL and John and Katie Royer of Huntsville, AL, and other relatives.

Graveside services and interment were held on Saturday, October 14, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. in the Old Spring Hill Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be made to the Spring Hill Baptist Church Foundation, 25 McGregor Ave., Mobile, AL 36608. The family wishes to express their appreciation to the staff of Gordon Oaks Assisted Living and Odyssey Healthcare of Mobile.

Arrangements by Radney Funeral Home, 3155 Dauphin St., Ext., Mobile, AL 36606.
V. Patrick "Pat" Dennis
Died November 7, 2006

Funeral services for Patrick Dennis were held Friday, November 10, 2006 at 11:00 am at McLeod Chapel, followed with burial in the church cemetery. Reverend Vince Halter officiated.

Born in Lynchburg, Mr. Dennis was the son of the late John Thomas and Marcha Jane Greene Dennis. He was a retired, self-employed farmer. He was a graduate of Charlotte Thompson School and attended Clemson University with the Class of 1939. He was a member of McLeod Chapel United Methodist Church, and was a US Army veteran, having served in Burma and Fiji in World War II. He was also a member of the American Legion, the local Farm Bureau, the Black River Electrical Coop Board of Directors for 27 years, the Sumter County Soil and Water Conservation District, and one of the founders and a member of the Board of Trustees of Thomas Sumter Academy.

Surviving are his wife, Martha Moore Dennis of the home (PO Box 55, Rembert, South Carolina 29128 Phone 843-386-3343; daughters Renee Dennis Wells of Columbia, Patsy Dennis Canaan of Lexington, and Martha Dennis Scott of W. Columbia; a son, Tom Dennis of Rembert; a sister Martha Buddin of Rock Hill; grandchildren, Becky Rogers, James Dennis, Ashley Moore, Teresa Woods, Tiffany Wells, Brittan Clark, Jennifer Canaan, Clay Dennis and Brian Canaan; ten great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by sisters, Thelma McLeod, Lattie McLeod and Frances Moore; brothers Albert Raymond, Hughson, Sidney and Forman Dennis.

Memorials may be made to McLeod Chapel Building Fund, 162 Black Gum Lane, Ridgeway, SC 29130 or to the charity of one's choice.
Richard Hammack “Red” Burton
Died January 11, 2007

Born in Anderson, SC, Mr. Burton was the son of the late Mabel and U.H. Burton. After completing the public schools in Anderson, Richard entered Clemson with the Class of 1939, graduating with a BS degree in Textile Engineering.

During World War II, “Red” Burton served as a Captain in the US Army Air Corps. Returning to civilian life after the war, he went to work for what is now called Uniroyal, and during his forty-year career there, he served as Plant Manager in both Winnsboro and Gastonia, NC.

Mr. Burton was a charter member and past-president of the Jaycees, he was a past-president of the Winnsboro Rotary Club and was named a Paul Harris Fellow. He was a past-president of the Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce, the Winnsboro Cotillion, and the Winnsboro Country Club. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Winnsboro for 66 years, during which he served in various church leadership positions. He was president of the Fairfield County Red Cross Blood Bank and served several years delivering Meals on Wheels.

Mr. Burton was nominated to the SC State Board of Education, and served a term as chairman. He was elected to the Winnsboro Town Council, serving for fourteen years, during which he served as Mayor Pro Tem and as interim town manager. He also served on the board of the Community Federal Savings and Loan for twelve years.

Richard is survived by his wife of 66 years, Corinne “Coty” Branyon Burton; a daughter and her husband, Margaret and Tommy Richardson of Winnsboro; a granddaughter and her husband, Leigh and Jason Powell; two great-granddaughters, Carolyn and Natalie of Blythewood; and a sister and her husband, Eloise and Haskell Burton of Anderson, SC. He was predeceased by his parents; by a sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Bobby Pericola of Charleston; and a brother and sister-in-law, Charles D. and Luxana Burton of Anderson.

A memorial service for Richard was held on January 14 at the First United Methodist Church of Winnsboro, conducted by the Reverends Bud Boatwright and Bundy Bynum. His burial was private. Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund, 109 West College Street, Winnsboro, SC 29180.
Fred Pierce Guerry, Jr.
Died March 7, 2007

Mr. Guerry was born Aug. 24, 1916 in Kingstree, a son of the late Fred P. Guerry, Sr. and Kate Illerton Guerry. He was a graduate of Kingstree High School and Clemson College, class of 1939, where he earned a BS degree in Vocational Education.

Mr. Guerry served in WW II as a Captain in the 82nd and 17th Army Airborne divisions, saw action in Germany in the Battle of the Bulge as an intelligence officer, and was honorably discharged in 1946.

In civilian life he was an agriculture teacher, a farmer and merchant. Mr. Guerry was a life member of Cedar Swamp United Methodist Church, where he was a Sunday School teacher and held many offices of the Church.

He was a golf enthusiast and was President Emeritus of the Pee Dee Senior Golf Association and was a member of the Andrews and Kingstree Golf Clubs.

Surviving are his wife, the former Anna "Dot" Ulmer of Kingstree, formerly of Eloree, SC; niece Monica M. Smith of Charleston; and nephews Joe B. Felton and James E. Felton, both of Augusta, GA.

Funeral services were held on Friday, March 9th in the Cedar Swamp United Methodist Church. Burial followed in the Church Cemetery, directed by Williamsburg Funeral Home.
Willis Cantey Davis, Jr.
Died May 18, 2007

Mr. Cantey Davis, 89, husband of Helen Triplett Davis of Dellwood Drive, Greenville, SC, died at his home. He was the son of the late Willis C. and Christian W. Davis of Eastman, GA.

Cantey was a member of the Clemson Class of 1939, where he majored in Textiles. During World War II, he trained as a US Army Air Force pilot, and served overseas for a year in the Pacific theater. Upon discharge from the military, he was employed as a cotton broker at Poe Mill in Greenville and Regal Mill in Ware Shoals, SC. He attended the Greenville Christian Fellowship Church. He enjoyed fishing, and was an avid Clemson football fan.

Surviving, including his wife, are two sons, Willis Cantey Davis, III and his wife Carol of Marietta, GA, and James G. Davis and his wife Kathy of Colleyville, TX; five grandchildren, Elizabeth Ashley Davis, Michael Cantey Davis, Marshall Taylor Davis, James Christopher Davis, and Jeffrey Tyler Davis. Also surviving is an uncle, Jack Wynne and his wife Ann of Savannah, GA.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 21, 2007 at the Greenville Christian Fellowship Church with the Rev. Kenneth Joner officiating. Interment took place Tuesday, May 22, in the Machpelish Cemetery in Mount Sterling, KY.

Memorials may be made to the Gideons International, P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37214-0800.
Fleda Fendley Capell
Died April 17, 1990

Mrs. Fleda Fendley Capell, 72, of Route 2, SC Highway 135, widow of the late William Bruce Capell, died Tuesday, April 17 at her home after a sudden illness.

Mrs. Capell, a daughter of the late John Thomas and Nora Gertrude Hendricks Fendley, was born in Pickens County and was a graduate of Asheville Normal Teachers College. She was a retired school teacher. She was also a member of Cross Roads Baptist Church where she taught the primary class for 45 years and was a member of the Mother's Class of the Sunday School.

Survivors include: a son, Dr. Don Capell of Fresno, CA; a daughter, Mrs. George W. (Linda) Carman of Easley; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 19 at Cross Roads Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Burial will be at the Cross Roads Baptist Church Cemetery.
Martha Miller Anderson
Died Jan. 23, 2006

Mrs. Martha M. Anderson, 85, of Griffin, died Jan. 23, 2006, at the Sun Bridge Care and Rehab.

Mrs. Anderson was born March 5, 1920, in Whitmire, SC, daughter of the late Henry M. and Myrtle Suber Miller. She graduated from Columbia College in South Carolina in 1941, and taught many years in South Carolina and Georgia. She was the local district manager for World Book Encyclopedia. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta.

Survivors include her husband, Robert F. Anderson of Griffin; daughter, Marty A. Lang of Griffin; son and daughter-in-law, Robert F. Jr. and Vicky Anderson of McDonough; sister, Nancy Bartlett of Burlington, NC; brother, John Miller of Whitmire, SC; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 26, at the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Tim Dalstrom officiating. Interment followed in the new section of Oak Hill Cemetery.

The family suggests that those who wish may make donations to the First Presbyterian Church, Stained Glass Fund, 1349 Macon Road, Griffin, GA 30224, in memory of Mrs. Anderson.

Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, 1155 Everee Inn Road, was in charge of arrangements.
Marcelle Hawkins Kelly
Died April 5, 2007

Mrs. Kelly, 89, widow of James W. Kelly of the Class of 1939, died at the National Health Center of Anderson, SC. A memorial service was held April 14 at 2 pm in the Chapel of Duckett-Robinson Funeral Home in Central, SC conducted by G. Todd Wilson, former pastor of the Clemson First Baptist Church, where she was a member. The family gives special thanks to the staff of the Inn at Seneca and the National Health Center of Anderson for their special care of Mrs. Kelly.

A native of Greer, SC, Marcie was a long-time resident of Clemson and was the daughter of the late William Vernon and Lillian Morrow Hawkins. She attended the Curry School of Dramatic Arts in Boston, MA and was accomplished in speech and drama. She taught dramatic arts in Clemson and Inman, SC and in the 40's was the star of the radio show, Here's Marcelle, originating from Greenville, SC. She was the author of dramatic readings.

She is survived by daughters, Zana K. and her husband Edward C. Coker of Charlotte, NC, and Lauren Kelly of Atlanta, GA; grandchildren Joe Park and his wife Renee of Loganville, GA, Kay Fisher and her husband Brian of Charlotte, NC.; three great-grandchildren and beloved friend, Linda Vaughn of Atlanta, GA.

On-line condolences may be expressed at www.robinsonfuneralhomes.com or in person at Duckett-Robinson Funeral Home, Central-Clemson Commons, who assisted the family.
The Great Class

Of

Nineteen Hundred

and

Thirty Nine
ROSTER OF THE
CLASS OF 1939

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★ Ellerbe P. Johnstone
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★ Wilmer L. Lee
★ N. Ralph Lester
★ John B. Lipscomb
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★ Richard M. Lynes
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★ Carroll D. Shealy
Joseph L. Shealy
★ Vernon M. Shell Jr.
★ Stephen L. Skardon★
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★ J. Gordan Smith
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★ Barham F. Thomson Jr.
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★ John R. Townsend
★ Heber V. Traywick
★ H. Philip Troy Jr.
★ Emory J. Vann III
Claude L. Vaughan Jr.
★ Jorge Vicaria
Victor V. Vickery
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★ Carl T. Warner
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★ J. Drake Watson
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★ Horace B. Williams
★ James C. Williams Sr.
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★ Donovan J. Willis
★ Joseph M. Windham Jr.
★ William R. Wise, Jr.
★ Russell S. Wolfe Jr
★ Charles Woods Jr.
★ Leon C. Wright
★ Yates W. Wyatt
★ Loran M. Yelton
Ernest L. Young Jr.
★ T. Benton Young Jr.
William B. Zeigler
★ Unknown if living or dead
★ Known Deceased
HONORARY MEMBERS
of the

Class of ’39

James R. Adkins - 2005
Mark S. Avent - 2001
Larry L. Bauer - ♥ 1998
Ashby B. Bodine - ♥ 1993
Joel V. Brawley - ♥ 1990
Chalmers M. Butler - ♥ 1997
Frank J. Cox - 2001
Clifton S.M. Egan - ♥ 2000
Mark R. Eisengrein - 1989
Beth C. Farmer - 1994
Dixie G. Goswami - ♥ 1989
Cecil O. Huey - ♥ 1994
John L. Idol - ♥ 1991
Jeannie Kelly - 1997
Adrienne Labranche - 2000
Robert L. LaForge - ♥ 1996
*(1988) John C. Mann - 1975
Francis A. McGuire - ♥ 1995
Donald M. McKale - 2006
Judith M. Melton - ♥ 1999
William N. Miller - 1996
Carolyn Robinson - 2000
David L. Senn - 1996
Virginia G. Senn - 1996
Benjamin L. Sill - ♥ 2005
Elton W. Shepherd Jr. - 1989
Cathy T. Sturkie - 1998
D. Kinly Sturkie - ♥ 2003
Lolly Tai - 1995
Raymond C. Turner - ♥ 1992
Jerry A. Waldvogel - ♥ 2001
Byron K. Webb - 2001
Alfred P. (Hap) Wheeler - ♥ 2002
Arthur P. Young - ♥ 2004

plus
All widows of deceased classmates

Note: ♥ = Faculty Award for Excellence
★ = Deceased

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- J.W. Kelly
- C.M. Jones
The purpose of the Reunion Committee is to plan, organize and conduct class meetings, especially including the annual reunion in June.
The function of the Heritage Gardens Committee is to oversee the design, construction, and long-term maintenance, in coordination with appropriate University administrative operations, of the Clemson University Heritage Gardens.

★ = Deceased
A YEAR TO REMEMBER

The Great Reunion of 2006
Looking back to

The Great Reunion of 2006

Attendees

Front row:

Bill Boyle
Bill Zeigler
Champ Jones
Walter Cox

Back row:

Hugh Chapman
Phil McCorkle
Elliott Loyless
Tee Senn
A Very Special Event

The Faculty Senate invites you and your guest to join in a celebration to honor the Clemson University Great Class of '39 on Monday, January 8, 2007 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Monday, January 8th, at the Madren Center

The Clemson Faculty Senate threw a party, and the honored guests were the Class of '39 and Dr. McKale. The food was plentiful and scrumptious, and the music just fit the occasion. Conviviality was rampant. The guys talked sports, the women decided political matters, and Jim Sweeny chatted up the Arthur Youngs. After dinner talks by Cathy Sturkie, Tee Senn, and Don McKale were entertaining and delightfully short. Many thanks, Faculty Senate, for all you do for this very grateful class!
**A DAY TO REMEMBER**

Tuesday, January 9th, at the Bell Tower

Dr. Kunkle looks on as Provost Helms presents Dr. McKale the Award for Excellence certificates.

Champ presents Don with the Class of '39 history that Tee et al prepared for our Big 50 reunion in 1989.

Jim Sweeny gives Don a replica of the old Tillman Hall bell as a remembrance of this day.

And Don rings the bell!

Our newest '39er, Don McKale
with his family. From left, wife Janna, daughters Emily and Susan, son-in-law Charlie Lloyd and Don himself.

Front row: Champ Jones, Bill Boyle, Jim Sweeny, Tee Senn, and Don Hutchinson. Back rows: twelve Award for Excellence winners.

'39ers all.
THE

LEGACY

OF

THE GREAT CLASS

OF 1939
Jane Morgan Avinger Heritage Gardens Endowment
Mary Johnson Cox Scholarship Fund
Charles A. Dewey, Jr. Endowed Memorial Scholarship
Ellis M. Ivey Family Endowed Economics Scholarship
Mr. And Mrs. James M. Kirk and Kathy Douglass ('72) Endowment
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The Taze Leonard Senn Scholarship
The A. Harvey and Mary E. Snell Scholarships
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Stanfield Charitable Gift Annuity
Mr. Joseph E. Dixon Charitable Remainder Trust
Mr. Benjamin F. McLeod Charitable Remainder Trust
Mr. And Mrs. J. Roy Martin Jr. Charitable Remainder Trust
Dr. Walter T. Cox, Jr. Life Insurance Program
Mr. Ellis M. Ivey Bequest
Mr. And Mrs. J. Roy Martin Bequest

These gifts, quite apart from contributions by these ’39ers to class projects, add up to an impressive value to the university. Just the Joseph E. Dixon Charitable Remainder Trust alone (which is being used to support Clemson’s National Scholarship Mentor Program, helping to prepare the university’s best students to compete for national and international scholarships such as the Rhodes, Fulbright, etc.) approaches the million dollar figure. Those selected for this help are called Dixon Fellows, and there were 85 of them in the program this year. Sixteen Dixon Fellows will graduate this year, all but one of whom will go on to graduate school.
This year one Dixon Fellow received a Goldwater Scholarship, and another a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship. A third will study at Oxford this summer through a Duckenfield Scholarship.
The Class of '39 Scholarships

Funded by the Class of '39 Scholarship Endowment (value as of FY 2003-04 about $281,400), this program is administered by the University Scholarship Committee with no restrictions stipulated by The Class. Recipients of the award to date have been as follows:

1989 - Jill Cabe Brown ’89-'90
1991 - Cheryl Ann Stewart ’91-'92
Virginia Elizabeth Moore ’91-'95
Lisa Ann Vanscoy ’91-'95
1993 - Janet Adele Preston ’93-'98
Elvino Manuel Mendonca, Jr. ’93-'97
1995 - Melissa Ann Finkle ’95-'98
1997 - Holly Leann Bowen ’97-'01
Timothy Scott Finnie ’97-'00
Marian Rebecca Shuler ’97-'01
1998 - Jason Anderson Brown ’98-'02
Derek Brandon Faglier ’98-'01
Lindsay Teal Sims ’98-'03
1999 - Brian Edward Leonard ’99-'04
Julie Michelle Long ’99-'04
2000 - Katherine Ann Freels ’00-'04
Katherine Davis Horton ’00-'04
Kevin Michael O’Hallaron ’00
2001 - Aaron Aiken ’01-'04
Bonnie Howard ’01-'05
Tara A. McQuistion ’01-'05
Carolyn Miller ’01-'04
Bryan Will ’01-'04
2002 - Margaret Alexander Gray ’02-'07
Eric J. Coyle ’02-'06
Evgeny A. Garnovsky ’02-'04
Jason Grygier ’02-'06
Nathan Herold ’02-'05
Kacie M. Lewis ’02-'06
Valerie Mason ’02-'06
Sarah Minner ’02-'06
Melissa Putney ’02-'06
Elizabeth H. Weichel ’02-'06
2003 - Christopher D. Coker ’03-'07
Megan J. Condrasky ’03-'07
Ryan M. Craven ’03-'07
2005 - Benjamin L. Batchelor ’05-
Devin M. Dejonckheere ’05-
George R. Glenn ’05-
Gavin A. Hutto ’05-
Caleb L. Jordan ’05
Meredith L. Kearns ’05-
Lisa B. Killinger ’05-
Danielle M. Lanfear ’05-
2006 - Sarah E. Boehmner ’06-
2007 -

Awards to date total $179,942
Awards for 2006-2007 year total $12,000
Class Gifts and Projects

The Class of '39 Award for Excellence

This award is funded by the Class of '39 Award for Excellence Endowment (present value about $350,000), which was established with the hope and expectation that it would serve to inspire the greatest level of achievement by the faculty of Clemson University.

The award is presented annually to a faculty member whose outstanding contributions for a five-year period have been judged by his peers to represent the highest achievement of service to the Student Body, the University, and the larger community.

The award includes a medal (see rear cover), a check for $5000 (in 1989 dollars), and the name of the recipient engraved in stone at the Class of '39 Bell Tower (see page 42). To date, the Faculty has selected eighteen distinguished academicians from its ranks to receive the award. They are as follows:

1989 - Dixie G. Goswami
1990 - Joel V. Brawley
1991 - John L. Idol
1992 - Raymond C. Turner
1993 - Ashby B. Bodine
1994 - Cecil O. Huey
1995 - Francis A. McGuire
1996 - Robert L. LaForge
1997 - Chalmers M. Butler
1998 - Larry L. Bauer
1999 - Judith M. Melton
2000 - Clifton S.M. Egan
2001 - Jerry A. Waldvogel
2002 - Alfred P. Wheeler
2003 - D. Kinly Sturkie III
2004 - Arthur P. Young
2005 - Benjamin L. Sill
2006 - Donald M. McKale
The
Faculty Selection
for the
Class of 1939
Award for Excellence
For the year 2007
See pages 34 and 46 for prior years.
Award for Excellence - 2006

Donald M. McKale
Class of 1941 Memorial Professor of Humanities - 1988 to date
Department of History, Clemson University

1966 - B.S. (History) - Iowa State University Ames, IA
1967 - M.A. (History) - University of Missouri Columbia, MO
1970 - Ph. D. (Modern European History - Kent State University Kent, OH
Asst. Prof., History, Georgia College, Milledgeville, GA 1970 - 1974
Visiting Assoc. Prof., History, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE 1975 - 1976
Professor of History, Georgia College, Milledgeville, GA 1978 - 1979
Professor Of History, Clemson University, Clemson, SC 1979 - Date

Professor McKale is one of this country's outstanding scholars of the history of modern Germany, the world wars, and the Holocaust. Three of his nine books have won national awards and his most recent, Hitler's Shadow War: The Holocaust and World War II, was a main selection in 2003 of the History Book of the Month Club. Interestingly, two of his books deal with Clemson University— one titled Tradition: A History of the Presidency of Clemson University, and the other, Destined for Duty: The Clemson Class of 1941.

Because he is recognized as an international authority on the world wars, Professor McKale has been invited to serve as an expert consultant to film and television companies in this country and abroad, including the National Geographic Society and Discovery Health Channel, and appears in the televised films as a commentator. Commenting on McKale's stature in his profession and the distinction it has brought to Clemson, Gerhard L. Weinberg, William Rand Kenan, Jr. Professor of History, Emeritus, at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, has written: "... he is generally considered to be one of the outstanding scholars in the field of modern German history in this country."

Despite his research and many activities outside the university, Professor McKale has taken a deep interest, and has involved himself extensively, in the life of the university and its students. He is a demanding teacher who presents history in a fashion that makes the subject come alive, that elicits thought from students, and that instills a desire in them to learn more about history and people who have shaped the world.
Class Gifts and Projects

The Tillman Hall Bell Tower

Our first physical creation was the Bell Tower located just below Tillman Hall. It serves three purposes; first, to permanently display the names of faculty members who have been given the Class of '39 Award for Excellence by their faculty peers; second, to preserve the old Tillman Hall bell that governed the lives of all Clemson students until 1974, and third, to memorialize classmates who died in WWII.

One son of a '39er had this to say about the bell: "...I really appreciate the bell and the memorial structure that the Class of '39 ... built on campus. Although I am probably not supposed to, whenever I am on campus, I try to get over there and ring that bell. It's my way of letting my Dad know that there is an Abrams on campus. The way he felt about Clemson, I'm sure he is proud just to hear that bell ring." Hugh Abrams '75
Class Gifts and Projects

The Clemson Heritage Gardens

Approved by the Class at its 1990 reunion, this ambitious project is being developed under the leadership of the Class of 1939 Heritage Gardens Committee (see page 29). The purpose of the Heritage Gardens is to preserve the memory of those people and events that have been key in the evolution of this great university.

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The next physical creation of the Class was the Caboose Garden, a part of the Heritage Gardens located in the Botanical Garden. Its purpose is to honor the class and provide a permanent display of class memorabilia. It was included in the Heritage Gardens plan because of popular demand by friends of the Botanical Garden that we not remove this one attraction for the many children who visit the gardens each year.

The Caboose Garden is designed around the old Caboose that was gifted to the Class through the good offices of George M. Williams '39, CFO of the Southern Railways company. Tee Senn '39, then Dean of Horticulture, arranged to have it moved from the rail line on the far side of Routes 123/28 to its present location in 1975. The site was gradually embellished by the addition of a structure housing the old Guardroom Bell, donated by Harvey Snell '39, by a water fountain given by the class, a flagpole gifted by Ruth Coleman in honor of her deceased husband Gen. William Coleman '39, and a bench gifted by Erna Stanfield in honor of her husband Dr. Tom Stanfield '39. At the same time, Harvey Snell, then Class President, gave the plaque that displays the Class of '39 Scroll of Honor, which is still used during the class Memorial Services at reunion time.

Funded entirely by the Class of '39, construction of the present Caboose Garden began in 1995 and completed in 1997. A dedication ceremony was held during Reunion 1997, at which the garden was officially given to the university, represented by President Constantine W. Curris. Elton Shepherd '39 unveiled the bronze Class Name Plaque during the ceremony.
The next physical creation by the class was the Grand Entrance to the future Heritage Gardens. Funds left over from construction of the Caboose Garden enabled this work to proceed through the winter of 1996, and into the spring. A plaza area extending into the parking lot leads to a set of stone steps providing access to the Cadet Life Garden, the steps and plaza constituting the Grand Entrance. A dedication ceremony was held on March 18, 1997, coincident with the groundbreaking for the Guardroom Bell Structure.

In the center of the plaza, a stone plaque stand was later constructed to eventually hold a large map plaque for guidance of visitors, and two smaller plaques to recognize the Heritage Gardens Committee and the architects who contributed to the project.
As a first phase in the construction of the Cadet Life Garden, the Class of 1955 funded the erection of the Guardroom Bell Tower. Its purpose is to preserve the bell, that was originally atop the old No. 1 Barracks, which throughout Clemson’s military years was rung to alert the cadets to gather for the military formations that took place each day. In the base of the Bell Tower are plaques depicting and explaining the guardroom and its significance to the cadets.

While the stone steps that constitute the base of the Bell tower were being built, the wooden structure that houses the bell was made in Jim Sweeny's garage, transported to Spartanburg for application of the copper roof sheathing, and then shipped to Clemson where the Botanical Garden staff fixed it in place on the concrete block to which the bronze plaques are affixed.
The Clemson Heritage Gardens
The Heritage Gardens Amphitheater

Begun in 2000 and dedicated in 2006, the Heritage Gardens Amphitheater was funded by a generous gift of Mrs. Dorothy Montgomery, widow of '39er James B. Montgomery. The idea was presented to her at reunion 1999, and accepted by her in 2000. Construction was phased to match receipt of funding installments. The first phase - the stage - was completed in June of 2001, and, on receipt of the second funding installment, Phase 2, the first four tiers of steps, was begun in May of 2002 and completed in the following July, enabling a concert, its first public event, to be staged that month. Work on the final phase, the top five tiers of steps, began in March of 2003 and was completed in 2004. The facility was dedicated on September 16, 2005.

Designed by Dr. Lolly Tai based on the classic Greek style of the amphitheater at Swarthmore College, this jewel of an outdoor meeting place under the trees gives Clemson a much-needed new facility for a wide variety of campus and public events. It has a seating capacity of 350 to 400 persons, complementing nicely the large amphitheater on campus near the Library.
The Clemson Heritage Gardens

The Trellised Walkways

Connecting the Cadet Life Garden with the Caboose Garden on the left and the future Founders Garden on the right, the trellised walkways are an architectural feature that provides visitors with cool shade and a place to rest while on their tour of the Heritage Gardens.

The walkway pictured above, leading to the Caboose Garden, was a gift of Mr. Benjamin McLeod, Class of '39, in memory of his wife Carol, who died in 1993. Construction of the walkway was begun before the Cadet Life Garden was completed, and its dedication was held on June 6, 1998.

An identical walkway, leading to the Founders Garden, was a gift of Mr. Harry Avinger, Class of '39, in memory of his wife Jane who died in 1995. Its construction was begun soon after completion of the Cadet Life Garden, and it was dedicated on June 4, 1999.

A somewhat similar trellised walkway will eventually connect the Picnic Garden with a picnic pavilion overlooking Heritage Pond (see page 60). Its sponsorship is available to any member of the Class of '39 who wishes to memorialize a loved one.
The Clemson Heritage Gardens
The Founders Garden

With its cascading water feature serving as a dramatic backdrop for the statue of Thomas G. Clemson, this garden will be a spectacular addition to the campus and the Heritage Gardens. The sketch below does not come close to conveying the elegance of this structure. The purpose of the Founders Garden is to honor Thomas G., Clemson, founder, and to recount those significant events related to the founding that took place between when Clemson conceived the idea of an agricultural college and when the first student entered in 1893. It will display pertinent parts of Clemson's will, and tell about the first Board of Trustees and how the Clemson board is unique.

In the January 2007 meeting of the Heritage Gardens committee, it was suggested that the sons and daughters of the Class of 1939 might be approached regarding sponsorship of the Founders Garden. The idea was well received, especially among those scions of '39ers on the committee, so the chairman appointed a sub-committee, headed by Frank Cox, son of '39er Walter Cox, to investigate this possibility. Mr. Cox has not yet completed the formation of his committee, but early contacts suggest that their sponsorship is a distinct possibility.
Costwise, this will be the most ambitious element in the Heritage Gardens, and will occupy the largest amount of space. Its purpose is primarily twofold. First, it will honor those men, Clemson’s presidents, who have guided the school through its growth years. A bronze depiction of each president, from Henry Strode (1890-1893) to James Barker (2000-?), will be seen in tastefully designed individual garden niches, which will also present biographical information about each president. Second, it will record all those significant events that marked the development of the school. The bricked pathway linking the niche gardens will constitute a timeline of the history of the University, from the day its doors were opened to students in 1893 to the present. As seen from above, the layout of the Gardens of the Presidents will be somewhat like this (construction drawings have not yet been made). A sponsor is yet to be selected for this important element of the Heritage Gardens.
The Heritage Gardens committee contacted the Class of 1989, which agreed to sponsor the Picnic Gardens. A committee of '89ers was formed in 2002 to oversee the project, and solicitation was begun in 2003. The first table was built in 2006, and it is planned to have the remaining tables and walkways completed this year.
The master plan for the Heritage Gardens includes a picnic pavilion to be constructed in the Picnic Garden at a site overlooking Heritage Pond. The purpose of the pavilion is to provide a facility protected from the weather for those larger groups who wish to picnic or otherwise socialize in the Picnic Garden. It will include built-in seating for twenty or so picnickers, an indoor fireplace for warmth and cooking, and storage for fireplace wood. The entrance to the pavilion will be through a trellised walkway similar to the McLeod and Avinger walkways exiting from the Cadet Life Garden (see page 56). Plans for this much-needed facility were contributed by Louis Batson AIA (Clemson '75), but funding is yet to be realized.
Knowing that if the Heritage Gardens proved to be as attractive as was planned, the additional visitors to the area would severely tax the restroom facilities otherwise available in the Botanical Garden, and so it was decided to include a restroom facility within the Heritage Gardens confines.

Plans for this were donated by Ed Zeigler AIA (Clemson ’77), and funds for the facility were contributed mainly by the Class of ’39, augmented by donations from friends of Clemson, especially including a group wishing to honor long-time Hort professor James H. Crawford, for whom a plaque is displayed. Construction was begun in mid-2006, and the facility was completed (but not yet landscaped) in time for its dedication at reunion this year.
Class Gifts and Projects

The Heritage Gardens Maintenance Endowment

This Endowment was originally created in 1989 by the Class of 1939 as part of its fiftieth anniversary gift to the University. As created, it was intended to provide funding for promotion of the Botanical Garden for a ten-year period, after which the income of the fund would be used for maintenance of the Heritage Gardens.

At our reunion in 1997, the Class agreed to renaming the endowment as shown above, in order to encourage other classes to contribute to the fund. However, the purpose of the fund, to provide for maintenance of the Heritage Gardens, remained unchanged.

As of fiscal year 2005-2006, the fund totaled about $363,000, yielding in 2006 some $12,000 for maintenance purposes. This includes two companion funds which also provide maintenance monies for named parts of the Heritage Gardens; they are the Harry Avinger fund for his Trellised Walkway, and an endowment for maintenance of the Amphitheater.

The intention of the Heritage Gardens committee is to bring the level of these funds up to the point where the University will not need to provide any supplementary funding for maintenance. It is a long way from that objective at mid-year 2007.
RESOLUTION CONFERRING TO

THE GREAT CLASS OF '39

STATUS AS HONORARY FACULTY SENATORS

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Whereas, Members of the Great Class of '39 respect and believe in the importance of Faculty and its impact on students and the future of Clemson University; and

Whereas, The Faculty Senate has in the recent past formally honored and celebrated the Great Class of '39 for its trust and confidence in and recognition of the Faculty of Clemson University; and

Whereas, The Great Class of '39 has continued to value and espouse the philosophy of the Faculty Senate, the representative assembly of the Faculty, and has often shared these views with others;

Resolved, That the 2000-2001 Clemson University Faculty Senate proudly confers the distinction of Honorary Faculty Senator to all members and spouses of the Great Class of '39.

Passed by the Faculty Senate on September 12, 2000
City of Clemson
Proclamation
Clemson University Class of 1939

Whereas, the Clemson University Class of 1939 is celebrating its 65th Anniversary, and

Whereas, the Class of 1939 exemplifies, in every way, the epitome of the Clemson Gentleman, and

Whereas, the Class of 1939 proudly, and with great dignity, claims its role as part of this great nation’s “Greatest Generation”, and

Whereas, the Class of 1939 represents all of the Clemson family honorably, and

Whereas, the Class of 1939 has given freely and generously to Clemson University and its great heritage.

Be it therefore resolved that the City of Clemson, SC, does herewith honor, with affection, the history, the contributions, and the gifts of the Clemson University Class of 1939.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Clemson to be affixed the 1st day of April, 2004.

Larry W. Abernathy, Mayor

Attest:

Dianne J. Bitzer, MMC, City Clerk
Medal of the

Class of '39 Award for Excellence