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The

Clemson A & M College

Class of 1939

Reunion 2009

June 11, 12 & 13, 2009

on their

70th Anniversary of Graduation
Sketch of the Class of 1939 Caboose

Courtesy of President James F. Barker
Program of Events

REUNION WEEKEND
June 11, 12 & 13, 2009

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
Memorial Service in the Gardens - 4:00 p.m.
Social Hour - Poolside, Ramada Inn - 6:00 p.m.
Dinner - Ramada Inn Dining Room - 7:00 p.m.
Honorary member installation -
Honorary Class of ’39 Induction:
Col. Sandy Edge, Dir. Of CBBS Advising Center
William “Bill” T. Pennington Jr., Prof. Of Chemistry
Fellowship - Room 105 - until midnight.

SATURDAY:
Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Golden Tiger Breakfast - Madren Center - 8 a.m.
Class Business Meeting - Ramada Inn - 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship - by the pool - Ramada Inn - 11:00 a.m.
Lunch at the Ramada Inn - 12:00 p.m.
Presiding - Chip Egan, Leadership Committee
Special Music - Linda Li-Bleuel, piano, John Bleuel, saxophone
Class of ’39 Video - Chip Egan
Remarks - Student scholarship recipient
Announcement - Tom Kuehn, Chair, History Department
Gavel Exchange - Tee Senn and Chip Egan

Thus ends another great reunion for the Great Class. Y’all come in 2010 for our 71st anniversary of graduation, ya hear!
June 12, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

Memorial Service
The Clemson Heritage Gardens in the Botanical Garden

* Presentation of the Colors ............................................ Clemson Corps
* The Star Spangled Banner ... Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
  Bill Dickhoff - Director
Opening Remarks ......................................................... Tee Senn, President
Roll of Remembrance ............................................... Jim Sweeny, Past President
Guardroom Bell Ringer .................................................... Joel Brawley
Meditation of Departure ................................................. Fran Brawley
America the Beautiful .................................................. Choir
Recognition of Family .................................................... Tee Senn
Prayer for Departure ..................................................... Don McKale
Clemson University Alma Mater ....................................... Choir
* Taps ............................................................................. James Cox

Class Picture
Class of ’39 members and their families please remain.

* Those who are able please stand.

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

Where the Blue Ridge yawns its greatness;
Where the Tigers play;
Here the sons of dear Old Clemson
Reign supreme always.

We will dream of great conquests,
For our past is grand;
And her sons have fought and conquered
Every foreign land.

Where the mountains smile in grandeur
O’er the hill and dale;
Here the Tiger’s lair is nestling,
Swept by storm and gale.

We are brothers, strong in manhood,
For we work and strive;
And our Alma Mater reigneth
Forever in our lives.

Chorus
Dear Old Clemson, we will triumph,
And with all our might;
That the Tiger’s roar may echo
O’er the mountain height.
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

Robert F. Anderson  June 18, 2008
James M. Kirk       July 23, 2008
Robert B. Fickling  December 13, 2008
Benjamin F. McLeod  January 20, 2009
A. Hugh Chapman, Jr. February 2, 2009
Philip H. McCorkle  June 8, 2009

Wives of Classmates

Mary Ann S. Ivey     March 23, 2008
Martha M. Dennis    March 24, 2008
Helen S.F. Boyd      July 22, 2008
Helen T. Davis       July 26, 2008
Helen W. Salley      December 3, 2008
Laurett C. Maroney   January 4, 2009
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

whose deaths have become known to us

since our last reunion

in June 2008
Robert Floyd Anderson
Died June 18, 2008

Tuck Anderson was born in Ninety Six, SC on April 6, 1918, a son of William F. and Roberta M. Anderson. He entered Clemson in 1935, and at Clemson participated in the Social Science Forum and the Greenwood-Clemson Club. He was Battalion Adjutant his senior year, and graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Agricultural Economics. In 1954 he received his Masters degree from the University of Kentucky.

He married Martha Miller of Whitmire, SC., and over the years they had two children, Marty and Robert F., Jr.

Following his military service in WWII, he went to work as Assistant Professor at the Georgia Experiment Station in Experiment, GA.. Robert retired as Assistant Economist at the Georgia Experiment Station. He was a very active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Griffin, where he served as Deacon.

Mr. Anderson died on Wednesday, June 18, 2008 at the Spaulding Regional Medical Center. Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Tim Dalstrom, were held on Friday at the First Presbyterian Church in Griffin. Interment followed in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Griffin.

Survivors included his daughter, Marty Lang of Griffin; his son and daughter-in-law, Robert, Jr. and Vicky Anderson of McDonough, GA; two sisters, Frances Mercer of Woodstock, GA and Sally Pulliam of Columbia; and two brothers, William Anderson of Atlanta and Peter Anderson of Charleston.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church Building Fund, 1439 Macon Road, Griffin, GA 30224.
James Matthew Kirk
Died July 23, 2008

Jim Kirk was born in Lancaster on March 10, 1916, a son of R. Samuel and Etta B. Kirk. He graduated from the Heath Springs High School in Lancaster in 1935 and entered Clemson that fall. At Clemson he was active in the 4-H Club, Future Farmers of America Club, and Alpha Tau Alpha, the honorary agricultural education fraternity. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education.

From 1939 to 1942 Jim taught agriculture at Pageland High School. In 1941 he married Ruth Pigg, who was teaching in the Pageland Elementary School. Jim was called into active duty with the army in 1942, and served in the South Pacific Theater, earning a Bronze Star for bravery. He was released from military duty in 1946 as a Captain.

In 1946, fresh out of the army, Jim and Ruth bought a seed and feed business in Lancaster. They operated this business until 1984, when Jim retired as president of Lancaster Feed and Farm Supply, Inc. and Buford Milling Company.

Jim was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lancaster, where he served as a Deacon. A former Lancaster City Council member, he was a member of the Lancaster Soil and Conservation District, the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce, Lancaster Farm Bureau, and Lancaster Civitan Club. He was a great supporter of Clemson and the Class of 1939, regularly attending class reunions until his health no longer permitted. He and Ruth established a scholarship fund for Lancaster County students at Clemson.

James Kirk died on Wednesday, July 23, 2008. Services were held on Friday at the First Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. David Pace. Burial was in Lancaster Memorial Park. Survivors included his two children and one grandson, Robert J. Douglass of Durham. He was preceded in death by his wife, three sisters, and one brother.
Robert Bruce Fickling  
Died December 13, 2008

Bob Fickling was born in Blackville on February 12, 1919, a son of Clarence J. and Maude H. Fickling. After graduation from Blackville High School, he entered Clemson in 1935 where he took a prominent part in campus activities. He was a member of the Freshman, Junior and Senior Platoons; was Brigade Executive in 1938-'39. A member of Blue Key, Scabbard and Blade, Tiger Brotherhood, and Kappa Alpha Sigma, Bob graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Agronomy.

In 1940 Bob married Kitty Plexico of Barnwell, SC. They lived in Anderson until Bob was called into active duty in the Army in 1942. He served in the Army Air Force in France and Germany until released from active duty as a Captain in 1945. Following his release, he and Kitty moved to Blackville where Bob pursued a successful career in farming. He was appointed to the first State Development Board. In Blackville, he served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Blackville Public Schools, was instrumental in starting a Farmer's Market, and was a founding member of the Blackville Country Club.

Bob’s second career was as a realtor. He attended the Realtor’s Institute at USC in Columbia, moved to Barnwell where he formed Raft Realty Co. specializing in sale of large tracts of land. This also was a successful endeavor, and he was able to retire in 1979 and move to Edisto Island, where he enjoyed golf, fishing and the occasional Monday night poker game with friends. Kitty died in 1992, following a lengthy battle with Alzheimer’s. In 1993 he married Weesie Mitchum with whom he enjoyed fourteen happy years until himself succumbing to Alzheimer’s.

Robert Fickling passed away on Saturday, December 13, 2008. Graveside services were held on the 16th at Trinity Episcopal Church on Edisto Island where Bob had previously served on the Vestry. Surviving was his wife Weesie; sons Robert, III of Cathedral City, CA and Jon Barry Fickling of Blackville; a daughter Kay F. (Milton) Buzby of Spartanburg; stepsons Dicky Mitchum of Holman’s Bridge and Scott Mitchum of Blackville; one granddaughter and one grandson; and two step-grandsons.
Benjamin Franklin McLeod, II  
Died January 20, 2009

Ben was born in Clio, SC, a son of Benjamin F. and Mary R. McLeod. After graduating from Clio High School, in 1935 he entered Clemson, where he was a member of the varsity swimming team and was active in the Radio Club and the AIEE, serving as VP of both his senior year. He was elected to Tau Beta Pi, the honorary Engineering fraternity, and graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Electrical Engineering.

Ben began working for Pan-American Airlines, with whom he stayed his entire working career. He began as a Junior Engineer in their New York office, where he met his future wife Carol Vetter. In time he was moved to Miami as Manager of Radio Engineering and Maintenance for the Atlantic Division. After a stint as Director for Electronic Development, in 1970 he was made Vice President for Communications, serving in that capacity until he retired in 1980 when he and Carol moved to Sarasota, FL.

While with PanAm, Ben served for six years as Chairman of the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics, an advisory committee to the Federal Aviation Administration. He was also a Director of Aeronautical Radio, Inc, and Internacional Aeradio de Caribbean.

When Carol died in 1993, Ben provided the funds for the first trellised walkway in the Heritage Gardens as a memorial to a beloved wife. After his retirement he continued to take an active interest in the work of the Class of 1939, and enjoyed golf and tennis in his club in Sarasota, where he was a Director of the Sarasota Surf and Racquet Club. In 1994, Ben met Rita Tippett, who had lost her husband to prostate cancer. Finding a great mutuality of interests, they became engaged, and in the years since found a wonderful companionship with each other, both enjoying golf, tennis, traveling, and close relations with their respective families.

Ben McLeod died at home on Tuesday, January 20, 2009. Memorial services were held in Sarasota, FL on the 21st, and in Clio on the 24th.
Abel Hugh Chapman, Jr.
Died February 2, 2009

Hugh was born in Greenville, SC on September 4, 1917, the only child of A. Hugh and Irene Chapman. He attended the Spartanburg public schools, and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson, he was an honor student, a member of the Minaret (the honorary architectural fraternity), and was awarded the AIA medal for an outstanding student in 1939. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Architecture. His first wife was Jean Jamieson, with whom he had one son.

On December 5, 1942, Hugh enlisted at Fort Jackson in the US Corps of Engineers. He served in the China Burma India theater with the 653rd Engineers, where he was made a staff sergeant.

After being honorably discharged in 1945 from the armed forces, he took postgraduate studies at Princeton from 1947 to 1949, where he was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi. In 1949 entered into a partnership in an architectural firm with classmate William M. Hudson, with whom he practiced for ten years. In about 1959 Hugh became a senior partner in the firm of Chapman, McMillan and Satterfield, and in 1969 became sole proprietor of his own architectural firm. Hugh was well-known for his design of the Spartanburg Day School, and a Student Center and Residential Hall for Wofford College. After his retirement he continued to live in Spartanburg for awhile, and after Jean’s death moved to Madison AL to live with his son and daughter-in-law John and Cynthia Chapman and their two children. In 1999 he married Virginia Asby, the sister of a war-time buddy with whom he had maintained contact over the years, and they moved to Norfolk, VA.

Mr. Chapman was a member of and Elder Emeritus of the First Presbyterian Church in Spartanburg. He was an active participant on several city boards and authorities. He was a member of the SC Chapter of AIA, serving as Secretary-Treasurer, Vice President, and President. In his retirement, he enjoyed traveling.

Hugh Chapman died on Monday, February 2, 2009. A memorial service was held at St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church in Norfolk on Wednesday. His burial was private.
Philip Hunter McCorkle
Died June 8, 2009

Phil McCorkle was born in York on June 29, 1918 to Newton C. and Elizabeth H. McCorkle. After completing the local public schools, he entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson he was VP of the York County Club, played in the band, and was Secretary-Treasurer of Mu Beta Psi, the honorary music fraternity. Phil graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in General Science. He took a job with Southern Bell, and worked there until called into active duty with the army on June 2, 1941. That same year he married Mary Smith from Chesterfield.

Following his military service, he returned to work with the telephone company, but decided to go back into the service as a regular army officer. One of his first assignments was in Tokyo, where he worked in the Telephone Operations Branch of the Far East Command. This was followed by a tour of duty in Korea during the Korean war, by duty in the Signal Corps Headquarters at Fort Monmouth, NJ, and then on to the Pentagon in Washington, DC. He attended the Joint Forces Staff College in Norfolk, VA before being transferred to Paris for an assignment with the European Communications and Electronics Division. His next assignment was as Commanding Officer of the 2nd Signal Group in Fort Bragg, NC, during which he became a Paratrooper. He next completed a course of study at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Fort McNair in Washington, DC before transferring to the Staff of the Joint Chiefs at the Pentagon. While in Washington, he attended George Washington University and in 1965 received a Masters Degree in Business Administration. An assignment as Chief of Defense Communications for Southeast Asia in Saigon during the Tet Offensive preceded his return to the states and service in Arlington, VA with the Defense Communications Agency. He was in this assignment when he retired after thirty years of active duty service on April 30, 1972 as a full Colonel.

In Arlington, Phil was a member of the Trinity Presbyterian Church, which he served as Deacon and Elder. He enjoyed playing golf and jogging. After a time, he and Mary moved to Winston-Salem, NC, where Phil worked with Western Electric. By 1979 he had retired a second time, but continued to live in Winston-Salem until moving to Spartanburg to be near their son Cavert. Phil was getting along okey until he died suddenly on Monday, June 8, 2009. A private family graveside service with full military honors was held at the Rose Hill Cemetery in York.

Colonel McCorkle was survived by his wife and two sons; two grandsons, Philip H. McCorkle, III of Grand Rapids, MI, and Matthew C. McCorkle of Henderson, NV; two great-grandsons, Jack and Michael McCorkle of Grand Rapids; and Charles A. Burns of Spartanburg. He was predeceased by his brother, Craig McCorkle, Jr. and his sister Winslow M. Leake.
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Mary Ann Smith Ivey
Died January 23, 2008

Mary Ann Smith was born in Columbus, NM on March 19, 1922, a daughter of Edward and Marie M. Smith. She married Ellis Ivey in 1946, and thereafter lived in Saginaw, MI until the time of Ellis' retirement.

In Saginaw, Mary Ann was active in the Methodist Church. She taught Sunday School and confirmation classes, and was a leader in the Methodist Youth Fellowship Program. She was also active in Kings Daughters, was a member of MENSA, and served as a volunteer for the Saginaw General Hospital.

In 1983 she and Ellis moved to Salem, NC, where they became members of the Salem United Methodist Church. When Ellis died, Mary Ann moved to Defiance, Ohio.

Mary Ann Ivey died on Tuesday, March 18, at the Defiance Regional Medical Center. A memorial service was held at Kingsbury House in Defiance on Sunday, March 23. Interment was in the Westview Cemetery in Atlanta, GA.

Survivors include their son; three daughters; and four grandchildren, Justin Ivey and his wife Colette of Royal Oak, MI, Matthew Ivey III of Chicago, IL, Adrianne Ivey of Toledo, OH, and Adam Haber Ivey of Edinboro, PA. She was predeceased by her husband, two brothers Edward and Aldo, and a sister Sheila.
Martha Moore Dennis
Died March 24, 2008

Martha Moore was born on March 3, 1922 in Sumter, a daughter of Robert M. and Hattie S. Moore. She attended the Sumter public schools, and graduated from Winthrop College. Following graduation, she taught at Hillcrest High School and Thomas Sumter Academy. She married Vernon Patrick Dennis, and they had four daughters and one son.

Mrs. Dennis was a member of McLeod Chapel

Martha died on Monday, March 24, 2008. Funeral services were held on Thursday at McLeod Chapel with Dr. Eugene McLeod and Rev. Vince Halter officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Dennis was survived by her son Tom Dennis of Myrtle Beach; daughters Renee Dennis Wells of Columbia, Patsy Dennis Canaan of Lexington, Martha Jane Dennis Scott of West Columbia; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a sister, Elizabeth Boykin of Horatio; and a brother, Burrell Moore of Horatio. She was predeceased by brothers Robert M. Moore, Jr. and Isham Moore.

Memorials may be made to the McLeod Chapel Building Fund, P.O. Box 365, Rembert, SC 29128.
Helen Segars was born on December 22, 1923 in Hartsville, a daughter of Sidney L. and Belle M. Segars. She was married first to T. Earl Flowers, and sometime after his death she married J. Stanley Boyd.

Helen was employed for several years as a bookkeeper at Carolina Power & Light Co. She was a member of the Swift Creek Baptist Church and later of the First Baptist Church in Hartsville. She was also a member of the Golden Fellowship, the Jackie Hall Sunday School Class, and was a supporter of home and foreign missions. She served as a past Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star. She was a volunteer for Byerly Hospital and the Red Cross Blood Drive, and was a member of the Home and Garden Club. She was a devoted mother and grandmother and she enjoyed world travel.

Helen Boyd died Monday, July 28, 2008. A graveside service was held on Wednesday in the Swift Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. Surviving were a son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Julie Flowers of Hartsville; a daughter, Carole Flowers of Hartsville; and grandsons, Will Flowers and Daniel Flowers. She was preceded in death by her son, Thomas E. Flowers, Jr.; a brother, Sid Segars, Jr.; and sisters Annie Lou Hafner, Belva Miller, Cele Segars, and Eleanor White.

Memorials may be made to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, 104 East Home Avenue, Hartsville, SC 29550.
Helen Davis died on Saturday, July 26, 2008. She was born in Mt. Sterling, KY on October 31, 1916, a daughter of Gilbert Y. and Marguerite Triplett. She graduated from Mt. Sterling High School in 1934 and entered Bethel Women’s College in Hopkinsville, KY in 1935. While working in the Record Section of the Ft. Knox Military Hospital, she met Cantey Davis, whom she married on August 28, 1942. They honeymooned in San Antonio, TX while Cantey trained at an oxygen school. When Cantey went overseas in January, 1945, Helen went back to Kentucky to live with her parents until Cantey returned home. On his discharge, they moved to Memphis, and in 1947 back to Cantey’s home in Greenville. Helen worked as secretary to the Commanding General at Donaldson AFB until her second son was born in 1949. Thereafter, she became a home maker, and in 1964 she opened a health food store, the Natural Food Center, in Stone Plaza Shopping Center in Greenville, which she operated until she sold it in 1998. Helen was an avid Clemson fan and a faithful member of the Greenville Christian Fellowship Church.

Funeral services were held on Monday at the Greenville Christian Fellowship Church. Interment was in Machpelia Cemetery in Mt. Sterling, KY. She was survived by her two sons; five grandchildren, Elizabeth A. Davis, Jeffrey T. Davis, James C. Davis, Marshall T. Davis, and Michael C. Davis; and two great-grandchildren, Blake and Allie. She was predeceased by her husband Cantey Davis and by a brother, James Gilbert Triplett.

Memorials may be made to the Greenville Christian Fellowship Church, 2220 State Park Road, Greenville, SC 29609.
Helen Wilkerson Salley
Died December 3, 2008

Helen Wilkerson was born in Hickory Grove on April 3, 1918, a daughter of Samuel C. and Lucile R. Wilkerson. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from Erskine College in 1939, and then taught for two years in the Union County school system. She married Harry Salley in 1941, with whom she had one daughter.

Since 1948 she and Harry have lived in Columbia, SC. She was an active member of the Centennial A.R.P. Church and the First Presbyterian Church. She participated in many activities within the church as well as taught bible studies.

Helen Salley died on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at the Carlisle Nursing Center in Due West. A memorial service was held on Saturday in the Due West Retirement Center. She was interred in the Due West A.R.P. Church Cemetery.

Survivors include, besides her husband and daughter; two sisters, Betty Jo Stutts and Bonte W. Anderson, both of Due West; two grandchildren, Gardiner P. McDaniel of Evansville, IN and Gavin Y. McDaniel of Cocoa Beach, FL; a great-grandson Nathan Y. McDaniel; and a sister-in-law Frances S. Schumpert.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Due West Retirement Center, P.O. Box 307, Due West, SC 29639, or to the Due West A.R.P. Church, P.O. Box 397, Due West, 29639, or to the Bonclarken Conference Center, 500 Pine Drive, Flat Rock, NC 28731.
Laurett Coffin Maroney  
Died January 4, 2009

Laurett Coffin was born in Meriden CT on May 9, 1924, a daughter of Gregory and Emily W. Coffin. She grew up in Rye, NY and Marblehead, MA and graduated from the Rye High School, after which she attended James Madison College. She married Josef Maroney in 1944, with whom she had one son, John P. C. Maroney.

Laurett accompanied Josef throughout his many career moves, rearing their son and making a home for the family. After they retired to Marblehead, she busied herself operating a shop in town and teaching the craft of braided-rug making at local Councils on Aging. She was well-known in Marblehead’s Front Street area, where she could often be found in the local restaurants. She was a cat fancier and home gardener. She had a gift for telling stories, and was often out-spoken and at once generous and friendly.

Mrs. Maroney, 84, died peacefully in her sleep at the home of her son in Sumter on Sunday, January 4, 2009 after suffering from Alzheimer’s for several years. A celebration of her life was held in May, 2009 at the Waterside Cemetery in Marblehead, MA.

She was survived by her son and his wife; her grandchildren, John P.C. Maroney II and Holly B. Maroney; her best friend Joan Milsop; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.
Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 307, Due West, SC 29644, or to the Due West A.R.P. Church, P.O. Box 382, Due West, SC 29644, or to the Baptist Men's Conference Center, 500 Pine Drive, Flat Rock, NC 28731.
The Great Class

Of

Nineteen Hundred

and

Thirty Nine
Edward P. Abrams
★ John A. Adden Jr.
Luther R. Ambrose Jr.
Joseph F. Anderson Sr.
Robert F. Anderson
William D. Anderson Jr.
Thomas B. Ardis
Charles M. Aul Sr.
Thomas J. Austin
Henry E. Avent Sr.
Harry C. Avinger
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J. Robert Bailey
Thomas R. Bainbridge
Marion C. L. Baldwin
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Charles D. Ballenger
Carroll F. Ballentine
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Guy E. Blackwell
★ Irvin C. Blake
★ J. Roger Blakely
L. James Blakely Jr.
R. Harper Blakeney
L. Purman G. Bobo
Hoyt U. Bookhart Jr.
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Theodore J. Boselli
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W. Cantey Davis Jr.
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★ James H. Harrison
Charles B. Hastings
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Thomas H. Heatwole
Raymond A. Hemphill Jr.
W. Thomas Henderson Jr.
Bennett L. Hendricks Jr.
★ Carroll E. Hendrix
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HONORARY MEMBERS
of the

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James R. Adkins - 2005
Mark S. Avent - 2001
Larry L. Bauer - ♠ 1998
Alma Bennett - ♠ 2007
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
William T. Pennington, Jr. - ♠ 2008
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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REUNION COMMITTEE

A Standing Committee of the Class of '39

Joel & Fran Brawley
Champ & Brooksie Jones
Elliott & Greta Loyless
Kinly & Cathy Sturkie
Julie O'Neal
David & Molly Senn
Dot Talbot
Tee & Betty Senn (Ex Officio)

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

★ Bobby Avent
Hank Avent '73
★ Bill Carlisle
★ Walter Cox
Don Hutchinson
Elliott Loyless
★ Frank O’Neal
David Senn '75
Jim Sweeney
Chief Shepherd, Rutgers ’67
★ Tommy Thomson
Bud Webb '55
Michele Welch '89
★ Russ Wolfe
Bill Zeigler
Frank Cox ’68 Chairman
Tee Senn (Ex Officio)

Shep Shepherd (Emeritus)
★ George Williams (Honorary)

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

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The Faculty Selection

for the

Class of 1939

Award for Excellence

For the year 2008

See page 23 for prior years.
Award for Excellence - 2008

William T. Pennington, Jr.
Professor of Chemistry
Department of Chemistry Clemson University

B.A. cum laude - honors in music
Hendrix College
Jackson, MS 1977

M.S. (English) -
Radford University
Radford, VA 1974

Ph. D. (Organic Chemistry) -
University of Arkansas
Dallas, TX 1983

Postdoctoral (Solid State Org. Chem.)
University of Illinois
Chicago, IL 1984 - 1985

Director of Analytical Services
Molecular Structure Corp.
College Station, TX 1985 - 1987

Lecturer/Dir. Molecular Structure Ctr.
Clemson University, Clemson, SC 1987 - 1994

Assist. Prof./Dir. Molecular Structure Ctr.
Clemson University, Clemson, SC 1994 - 1997

Assoc. Prof./Dir. Molecular Structure Ctr.
Clemson University, Clemson, SC 1997 - 2001

Professor/Dir. Molecular Structure Ctr.
Clemson University, Clemson, SC 2001 - 2004

Professor, Department of Chemistry
Clemson University, Clemson, SC 2004 - to date

Dr. Pennington, who currently serves as Director of EUREKA!, a summer research program for incoming Clemson Honors College freshmen, has over 250 research publications in the areas of X-ray crystallography, a technique used to probe the structure of matter at the atomic level, and solid state chemistry. He also serves as editor of the Journal of Chemical Crystallography. In 2000, he received the Award of Excellence for Teaching in the Sciences at Clemson University. In 2002 he received the Governor’s Award for Excellence in Science, and in 2007 the Class of 1940 Douglas W. Bradbury Award for his work with the Calhoun Honors College. His deep understanding of his specialty is widely known and respected in his field, and he is frequently called on to serve elsewhere. He is a member of the Communications Committee of the American Crystallographic Association, from 1995 to present has directed several workshops in X-ray Crystallography for undergraduate faculty from the southeast, and was Program Chair for the 59th Southeast Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society held at Greenville, SC in 2007.
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 12, 2009 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at the Bell Tower

Dorie Helms, Provost, congratulates Bill Pennington for Excellence Award.

Jim Barker, Clemson President, gives Bill his Bell Tower watercolor (See p.32)

Tee gives the Bell replica.

Bill Bowerman, Faculty Senate Prexy, presents congratulations and gifts.

Champ gives class history.

Bill Pennington's moment.

Bill Pennington, his wife and mother.

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On May 8, 2008 President Barker called together in his office all of the Class of 1939 Award for Excellence winners, and presented each with a framed replica of his watercolor rendition of the Class of '39 Bell Tower. The above picture was taken immediately afterwards on the steps of Sykes Hall. In January 2009 he presented the newest winner with the picture, as seen on page 31. It appears that a new tradition has begun.
This lovely watercolor rendition of the Class of ’39 Bell Tower was created by President James F. Barker. The framed picture, which he graciously presents to each Award for Excellence winner, is 16" x 18".
Attendees
From left to right

Dr. Alfred P. Wheeler
Dr. D. Kinley Sturkie
Prof. Clifford S.M. Egan
Dr. R. Lawrence LaForge
  Dr. Larry L. Bauer
Dr. Jerry A. Waldvogel
  Dr. William T. Pennington, Jr.
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Class members and Honoraries at the January Bell Tower event
Medal of the

Class of '39 Award for Excellence