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# From the President's Desk...



*"Time flies when you're having fun!"*

Dear Friends and Alumni,

I grew up in a home where clichés were frequently used to capture the meaning of events and activities. When I was in the sixth grade, I went on my first date. My mother was our chauffeur as I took a cute little girl in my class to a movie. I was filled with anxiety before and during the date, and quite relieved when it was over. My mother summarized my afternoon by saying, "Time certainly flies when you're having fun!" Truth is, due to my shyness, I was never so glad that my date was over because it seemed that time stood still for almost three hours!

In July of 1997, I assumed the position of President of Spartanburg Methodist College. In many ways, my first year at SMC was somewhat like my first date --- long and filled with anxiety because the College had many needs. But thankfully, the fun-filled days have far outweighed the difficult days during my presidency. Indeed, "time flies when you're having fun!" was true for me throughout my tenure at the College. I truly have enjoyed my work and "time has flown by far too quickly." It is difficult for me to believe that my tenure as President will soon end.

Spartanburg Methodist College is an institution in transition. Dr. Colleen Keith and her administrative team are prepared to lead the College to even greater accomplishments. I have great confidence in our Board of Trustees, faculty and staff. This confidence reassures me that the best days lie ahead for this great institution!

We've enjoyed many successful projects in the last 12 years: The completion of the outdoor athletic complex, the addition of the beautiful lobby on the Buchheit Administration Building, and the construction of Bridges Residence Hall, Sparrow Residence Hall, the Vassey Information Technology Center, and the Phyllis Buchheit Board Room. We have completed several projects to improve our facilities and beautify our grounds. Our enrollment has grown substantially, and the academic abilities of our students have increased. Our endowment grew from approximately \$8.5 million to over \$19 million (before the current economic downturn), and many generous friends have established endowed scholarships and/or included us in their estate. I stood on the shoulders of the presidential giants who came before me as we completed these projects and grew as an institution. I am grateful for the leadership of the previous presidents and the generosity of our many friends as we brought these visions to fruition.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees recently approved a new capital campaign, the "Committee of 200." The focus of this project is to beautify the grounds in front of Judd Residence Hall. I ask you to join me by supporting this important capital project. We seek 200 persons to each give \$1,000 (or more) to reach the goal (\$200,000) for this project. If you are unable to make a gift of \$1,000 at this time, we ask that you send a smaller gift to indicate your support of the College. It is my personal goal to successfully complete this beautification project before my tenure ends on June 30, 2009.

Daune and I will always be members of the SMC family. We extend our best wishes to the new administration and to our Trustees, colleagues, alumni and many friends. May God be with you as you continue to carry out the mission of Spartanburg Methodist College!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles and Daune Teague". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Charles and Daune Teague  
President and First Lady



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**Back Cover:** Members of the SMC tennis teams take a moment between practice sets to pose for the camera. The teams were both represented in the spring at the NJCAA Nationals.



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# SMC's First Female President Named

**D**r. Colleen Keith has been named SMC's seventh president and will lead the college into its second century. She succeeds President Charles P. Teague who is retiring, effective July 1, 2009, after serving as President for 12 years.

She currently serves as Executive Director of Development at Ohio University in Athens, OH.

Phyllis DeLapp, college trustee and member of the search committee, noted that "Spartanburg Methodist College will reap significant benefits from the leadership skills that Dr. Keith brings to the college."

Dr. Keith, a native of upstate New York, has more than 20 years of experience in higher education, in capacities such as student service roles, program development, teaching, fund raising, and administration.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from State University of New York in Binghamton, a Master of Education from the University of Pittsburgh, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Higher Education Administration and Student Affairs from The Ohio State University.

While serving in her current role at Ohio University, Dr. Keith



also teaches courses in the Master of Business Administration and Master of Communication degree programs at Franklin University.

She previously taught in the freshman program at both The Ohio State University and Rogers State College.

Her academic career includes a decade at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio where her responsibilities as Executive Vice President included oversight for business and finance, operations, buildings and grounds, personnel and benefits offices, budget creation and management.

As Vice President for Development at the Ohio Seminary, she led the staff in planning and implementing a \$30 million campaign that surpassed its goal.

"The [Spartanburg Methodist College] Board of Trustees sought an individual with strong fundraising skills to lead the college to the next level of excellence. Dr. Keith's experience in that area is outstanding," said Bill Painter, board member and chair of the presidential search committee.

Dr. Keith began her career in higher education working as an advising specialist at Rogers State College, formerly a two-year public college, in Oklahoma. She continued in a similar role at The Ohio State University regional campus in Marion, OH, serving as a program manager and academic advisor.

She will be one of only eight female college presidents in South Carolina when she assumes her duties as SMC President on July 1. Only three of those institutions, including SMC, are members of the South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities.

SMC faculty and staff, who had the opportunity to meet Dr. Keith on campus during the first week of April, perceived Dr. Keith as personable and a "wonderful candidate." They praised her spirit, insightfulness, and communication skills.

Upon accepting the Spartanburg Methodist College presidency, Dr. Keith said, "I was attracted to this position because Spartanburg Methodist College has a reputation for providing an outstanding educational experience to young people."

"I am excited to work closely with the faculty and staff as we guide the college into its second century. The college has served the state of South Carolina, the Spartanburg community, and the United Methodist Church with distinction. I look forward to becoming a part of a long-standing tradition of academic excellence in a church-related environment."

Dr. Keith's husband Barry is a private practice clinical psychologist with more than 20 years experience and is also a varsity high school baseball coach. She has a son who attends Miami University of Ohio.

## The Dr. Colleen Keith File

### Education:

- Doctor of Philosophy, Higher Education and Student Affairs - The Ohio State University
- Master of Education, Educational Counseling - University of Pittsburgh
- Bachelor of Arts, Political Science - State University of New York, University Center at Binghamton

### Administrative/Program Experience:

- Ohio University  
Executive Director of Development
- Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation  
Chief Development Officer
- Methodist Theological School in Ohio  
Executive Vice President  
Vice President for Development  
Capital Campaign Director
- The Ohio State University at Marion  
Program Manager  
Acting Prison Program Coordinator  
Academic Advisor and Staff Assistant
- Rogers State College  
Advising Specialist

### Teaching Experience:

- Franklin University
- Methodist Theological School in Ohio
- The Ohio State University and Rogers State College



# *A Story of Leadership and Commitment*

Dr. Charles Teague never kept a diary of his time as President of Spartanburg Methodist College.

"I wish I had. Looking back, I'll bet it would be interesting to go back and read," he laughs.

Well, if he had, he'd find a 12-year story of a man who went from being a college Dean in North Carolina to become the President who would lead SMC into the 21st century - all while addressing a range of challenges that would ultimately lead to a stronger institution, with a stronger sense of community and vision.

## **Interest in SMC**

After having helped as a Dean to lead Brevard College through its transition to a four-year school, Dr. Teague says he was excited to learn that SMC was looking for a new president.

"This was an opportunity go back to an environment that I liked personally and found very satisfying and fulfilling. I saw a lot of good that two-year schools can do and the potential for that at SMC," says Dr. Teague.

Dr. Teague was attracted to SMC because

*Outgoing SMC President Dr. Charles Teague, along with his wife Daune, have been an integral part of the SMC Family for 12 years. Dr. Teague, who retires on July 1, leaves the College a stronger institution positioned for even greater success.*



of its uniqueness, character, and mission. He established a connection with SMC early on.

"When I had gone through the process [of being considered for a college presidency] on other occasions, I never really made contact with the people on a relational level. This time it was different. I had never felt that before. Knowing that the Trustees were solidly behind the institution helped solidify that connection for me," says Dr. Teague.

He says he prayed about it, thought about it carefully, and looked at the opportunity for multiple perspectives. In the end, he was sold.

## Challenges

Dr. Teague realized quickly that there were many challenges to being a college President – but none which he wasn't afraid to take on.

"I did not make any immediate changes. I listened a lot. I tried to find out from different perspectives what was happening in various areas," Dr. Teague recalls.

The two areas that he found needed the most immediate attention were enrollment and fundraising.

"Those two really go hand in hand. Our budget is generally around 80 percent dependent on enrollment and tuition received. It is perennial problem making sure the budget is balanced. Unfortunately, many of the challenges we face tie directly back to money," Dr. Teague says.

In today's economy, this is especially tough.

"Our enrollment has gone up. But we're losing ground still. Raising tuition is always a tough choice to make, but sometimes it has to be done," Dr. Teague states.

One area he says the College has made headway is through increasing faculty salaries, which helps increase creativity in the classroom. The average faculty salary has increased by approximately \$14,000 under Dr. Teague's leadership. Monies have also been made available for faculty and staff development each year.

He notes that parental involvement has become more of a concern in recent years also.

"They're not allowing their students to mature. I'm delighted that parents want to

take part of the responsibility for the education of their students, but a lot of times, with the way they go about it, they hinder their student's development. I hope this is a passing phenomenon - but at the same time, I hope interest and support in their students never ends," he says.

## Building a Community

Dr. Teague says he has found that having the right people in place who are dedication to the mission of the College is a key part of building a successful community.

"One of the things you do as a president is build a community of people. At the time, when you hire people, you're gambling. Until you work with somebody, you never really know how your decision will turn out. But it's not a foolproof process," he says.

With that may also come what Teague says are some of the toughest decisions any employer will have to make - ones which

Addressing all the different constituencies often leads to an issue of time management.

"There are the students. There is the Board. There are faculty and staff. There is the United Methodist Church. There are fundraising needs. It's a juggling act figuring out how much time you devote to each," states Teague.

The relationship with the church is one that is very critical.

"It's one that you devote a lot of time and effort to developing. The church needs to know that we are keeping our mission in the forefront. And we must always honor our commitments," says Teague.

## Serving the Community

Dr. Teague says one thing he saw an opportunity for when he became President of SMC was increased participation in the Spartanburg community.

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*- Dr. Charles Teague*

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may lead to someone's dismissal.

"I have been trained as a minister that you don't want to hurt anyone, but the responsibility in this position demands that you take into consideration how those kinds of decisions impact the mission of college. It's a personal thing to me. It's the most difficult," he comments.

He adds that he is very proud of the faculty and staff in place at SMC and feels confident that he is leaving the institution in good hands.

He also points out during his tenure that the character and outlook of the Board of Trustees has changed in very positive ways and the Board is much more engaged with the College now also.

"The board has come a long way. When I arrived, it was not very active. It took a lot to get to the point where we could do board development activities and we could assess members of the board. That process has built up over time," he says.

gree that it could have been. But that has changed tremendously," he states.

Dr. Teague led SMC to develop its Freshmen Day of Service in 2001, which has been held each year since and provides much needed service work within the Spartanburg community. SMC's freshman class goes out into the community the first Saturday of the academic year each year to work with dozens of local agencies.

"I am so proud of how successful our Day of Service has become. It has literally snowballed," he says.

During Dr. Teague's tenure, SMC has also become involved with the CollegeTown Initiative started by Spartanburg Mayor Bill Barnet. That initiative develops and implements programs that allow the county's six colleges to interact with each other.

"The whole focus has been on developing things students would enjoy and would be enriched by - I hope it continues. This is one very positive outlet where we all come

together to serve the community. We have all enjoyed seeing this come together," Dr. Teague says.

### Good Times and Proud Moments

"I will always look back on my time at SMC with extreme fondness," Dr. Teague says.

His favorite memories center around students, faculty, and staff.

Dr. Teague says watching the faculty and staff grow and develop close bonds between one another has been very rewarding.

And having new facilities constructed - Bridges and Sparrow Residence Halls and the Phyllis Buchheit Board Room and Vassey Information Technology Center - has been enjoyable to watch and celebrate.

"Of course there is the excitement of getting a \$1 million gift - three times - which has allowed us to construct those beautiful facilities. Seeing us find ways to better serve our students are very pleasant memories," he adds.

What is he proudest of?

"... the engagement of the Trustees. They've really come to have ownership in the institution. Helping them develop as a board and jump-starting that process was very rewarding. I get really happy when I see that the Board, faculty, and staff are on the same page - we've done good in a lot of ways around here. That makes me smile," Dr. Teague adds.

### Reflection

Dr. Teague says he was in the right place, at the right time, when he decided he wanted to be President of SMC and accepted the offer to take over in that position.

"I hope that I've brought some characteristics that helped foster some things around here that we're proud of," he states.

He's come to understand himself better, at the same time.

"You can have all kinds of ideas as to what your values are but it's only when you get under pressure that you truly realize what they are," he adds.

### Life After SMC

Dr. Teague looks toward his retirement with optimism, but sadness at the same time.



Hefner Photography

*(l-r) SMC Board of Trustees Chairman Jerry Calvert recognizes Dr. Charles Teague and Daune Teague, for their contributions and dedication to SMC over the past 12 years, during the 2009 Commencement services.*

"We will miss SMC. I will especially miss the people here. It's really become an extended family for myself, Daune, and our daughter, Julie," he comments.

But he looks forward to spending some time on hobbies and with his family. He also hopes to make it back to SMC to watch many athletic events.

And he and Daune are about to be grandparents.

"I can't even begin to tell you how excited we are," he says, smiling.

He already has some lessons in mind that he hopes his granddaughter will learn throughout life.

"I hope that she will learn by example. I hope she will learn compassion and that love is not something you take lightly. Be yourself. Come to know who you are - and give yourself to what you're passionate about," he states.

### Legacy

Dr. Teague says that SMC's next president, Dr. Colleen Keith, will have to establish her own relationships and build her own community. That's part of what being a college president is about.

He adds that some of the challenges he found when he first came to SMC are

challenges that Dr. Keith will face also.

But he will still be around if any advice is wanted.

"I will always be available to the Board and Dr. Keith for counsel or wisdom. At the same time, I'm not going to pick up the phone and say "what did you do?," Dr. Teague comments.

What will Dr. Keith find as SMC's next President?

"She will find the Charlie Teague way of doing things. But she needs to be who she is. She doesn't need to copy what I've done," he states.

What does he think will people say in 50 years about his presidency?

"I hope that people look back and say this was a time when the College pulled within itself, strengthened its identity and mission, and really devoted the time and energy into making that a reality. They'll look back and see we built two residence halls, a board room and IT center, and spiced up the place here and there. I hope that my legacy will be one of developing a community. That community is what has to take the college forward. I hope that people look back and say it was a good time when things really began to come together," he adds.



# A Parade of Accomplishments



At some point during his tenure at SMC, Art Hartzog told someone that he wanted a parade to celebrate his retirement when the day came.

What would transpire though during Hartzog's 10 years at SMC was a parade of accomplishments that have improved all aspects of student affairs at the College. It was just part of a nearly 40-year career in higher education.

Dr. Art Hartzog became Dean of Students at SMC in 1999, after having spent four years out of higher education running the non-profit Darlington Community Action Agency, in Hartsville, SC.

It was at a time when Dr. Hartzog was still going through a life-changing experience. He had previously been Dean of Students at Coker College, but left that position following a cancer diagnosis.

"It absolutely changed my life. I would never say having cancer was a good experience, but it changed my approach to life in general, changed the direction of my career, and deepened my spiritual commitment - my belief in all the things that God can create and guide and my appreciation for friends and family. A life threatening situation will do that," Dr. Hartzog states.

Managing a public agency was good for a while, but he began to

miss higher education and decided to get back into the field. That's when he found out that SMC was looking for a Dean of Students.

"I didn't know much about the college, but I did know a few people here. And after talking to folks, everything about the job appealed to me," he comments.

Although he was delighted at what he found at SMC, Dr. Hartzog realized quickly there were a lot of improvements that could be made.

"There were great people here. The character and environment was charming - but there wasn't an overreaching attitude of student development," Dr. Hartzog notes.

Not one to back down from a challenge, Dr. Hartzog set to the task of strengthening the student development division. But he took his time.

"I spent the first six months studying the way things were and assessed the environment. I walked around to become more aware of everything, establish relationships, and find out what was going on. I went in every residence hall and the rooms to see what they were like. I went to faculty and staff offices and talked," recalls Dr. Hartzog.

What he found was that policies and procedures for the division were nearly non-existent and student discipline was not very effective.



"We've changed that tremendously," Hartzog says.

The first thing Dr. Hartzog did was institute a new points-based discipline system, like one he developed at Coker, which, instead of being punitive, helps students grow and learn.

He instantly found there were some tough discipline cases – but there are some each year. It's a hazard of the job.

"There are many cases in which the student, the parents, the administration, or I, or all of us, have had difficulty dealing with it. We've sent students home, which is never easy," Dr. Hartzog states.

He says that he learned early in his career that student discipline is probably one of the most difficult and trickiest responsibilities found within student affairs.

"When you have to expel a student – when you have to tell them their college career at SMC, at least, is over, it's not easy. But it is just as important to help them adjust their attitudes and outlook. I've been in situations where something looks bleak or bad and found a way to use my life experience to help teach them how to deal with it," Dr. Hartzog says.

He adds that developing confidence over the years has made handling student discipline a challenge that he feels he handles very well.

"I - we - have calmed parents down and helped avoid tougher situations. In most cases, the student and/or parent has left with more appreciation than criticism," Dr. Hartzog comments.

He has also sought to create an open atmosphere between the student development staff and the rest of the College.

Dr. Hartzog, who did his doctoral dissertation on emergency management, also set forth to improve communications and response issues related directly to that.

Under Dr. Hartzog's watch, the campus security department became a state accredited police agency. He has also overseen the development of the campus Emergency Response Plan and Procedures.

Dr. Hartzog praises his former and current staff for their dedication to the mission of the College and to its students.

"Everyone on this staff is a true profes-



sional. Our student development staff here at SMC is now much stronger and is respected as among the best in the state," Dr. Hartzog says.

Each of the programs in his division – residence life, counseling and career services, student activities and leadership development, campus safety, and student health – has seen marked improvements in recent years.

"We're able to do things now, whether through the increased training for our residence life staff or with the latest version of career placement services, that we wouldn't have thought possible when I first started at SMC," Dr. Hartzog says.

One thing he is extremely proud of is how far the annual orientation programs have come.

"The program flows very well – so smooth it's unbelievable. It's the staff that really makes this come together," Dr. Hartzog says.

But one aspect that is never easy is dealing with tragedy, of which he says SMC has had its share.

"There have probably been 15-20 students lost in the time I've been here. That can be very traumatic, but we reach out and provide counseling to deal with those difficult situations," Dr. Hartzog says.

He adds that, along with most other aspects of student development, some situations are made easier by "having an organized approach on how we handle things so

that when something comes up we don't have to create new responses or policies."

But in Dr. Hartzog's eyes what it all comes down to is listening to people.

"Everyone in this division has adopted a policy of listening to students. A solution is always simpler when you involve people in it, so we listen to each other's ideas also. That is critical," he comments.

One thing that he hopes he has instilled in his staff is a sense of enjoyment for their work. That's one thing he says can really make or break a career in student development – and one which he tries to convey as much as possible.

"People should enjoy their work; they should have fun. They appreciate it when I do. I try to create an environment that is conducive to that. I don't want them to feel that work is work," Dr. Hartzog states.

An open door policy is also critical, for all staff who work in student development.

He says that his experiences at SMC have provided a memorable final chapter to his career and he will take away many fond memories of it. But that's not all.

"Above everything else, I will take away a sense of appreciation for the environment here at SMC. It is such an enjoyable place to work. I'm leaving with a full sense of accomplishment and feel like I've earned a great deal of respect from the faculty, staff and students," Dr. Hartzog comments.

He adds that his proudest moment at SMC came this past academic year – when he gave the 2008 convocation speech.

But he leaves on what he says is a good note.

"SMC has a professional student support staff with a unified philosophy of dealing with students," he says.

He adds that he'll miss the daily interaction with people the most. But he says he will try to keep himself busy with tasks around his new house and may get out on the lake.

And that parade that he wanted – well, he got it. Students, staff, and faculty took a clear spring afternoon on April 27 to honor Dr. Hartzog with a parade across campus, complete with banners and cheers proclaiming gratitude for his dedication to the College and its students.



# Leaving An Artistic Footprint

For a one-person art department, Ann Wenz sure accomplished a lot at SMC in the 34 years prior to her retirement at the end of the 2008-2009 academic year.

But she doesn't claim to take a lot of personal credit for it.

"What we do at SMC is done together," Mrs. Wenz says.

What has Mrs. Wenz done at SMC? She has been an instructor, advisor, mentor, colleague, and friend. She has helped mold, encourage, and support young minds.


And even though she is a working artist, "I don't talk about my work a lot. It's nice for the students to understand that their instructor is a working artist. Hopefully that is encouraging to them and shows them that you can turn your passion into a career in some way or another. But I like to focus on them."

Turning her passion into a career is an interesting story according to Mrs. Wenz.

As a child growing up in Michigan, she always had an interest in art — starting with making paper dolls and clothes for them. She became interested in fashion design and ended up in the home economics department at Michigan State University.

After attending art school in Chicago and majoring in fashion and merchandising, she went to Western Michigan and majored in art education, graduating in 1967.

For awhile she taught art at the elementary school level. But when a job called her husband to the Spartanburg area, they moved and Mrs. Wenz would make her way to Spartanburg Methodist College where she became the College's art instructor.



*SMC Professor of Art Ann Wenz stands near a sculpture which was dedicated this spring in her honor and placed outside the Frank Walker Building.*



“Everything just kind of gelled. I never wanted to go back to public schools after moving to South Carolina,” comments Mrs. Wenz.

As a college art instructor, Mrs. Wenz says that one of her main goals was to foster a love of art in her students and for it to be a learning experience for them at the same time.

“I enjoy seeing a students’ reaction to the work they do. Sometimes there are those who you can tell like the process of getting there. I like to see their enthusiasm and the fact they feel good about themselves. But I hope they learn more about themselves and sharing their talents, more so, than just art. If they learn these values and ethics, other than what their art looks like, that is most important,” comments Mrs. Wenz.

One thing she never wants is for a student to get turned off of art.

“I like to hear about students’ success and what they’re doing now. It’s especially rewarding to see that some have gone on to some sort of art-related career,” says Mrs. Wenz.

Some of her students have even gone on to become art instructors – including Briles Lever, who was recently named Mrs. Wenz’s successor at SMC.

Mrs. Wenz says that being a one-person department has been a memorable experience.

“I’ve had a lot of academic freedom, but I enjoy working with my colleagues. We trust each other and treat our students as a tight-knit group because of how we treat each other,” she adds.

Through the years Mrs. Wenz says the curriculum has progressed and new courses have been added. Although all art courses are electives, she has taught four sections each semester and SMC 103 periodically also.

She comments that her role as an advisor is one in which she has always felt the responsibility is “pretty great.”

“I have really enjoyed meeting and getting to know a variety of students. It can be especially interesting sometimes working with students who are not my art students,” she adds.

Throughout her time at SMC, Mrs. Wenz has been a big proponent of increasing the visibility of the College’s arts programs and students. She says that there is now a greater awareness of the arts on campus.

The Fine Arts Night, held each spring, has come about within the last 10 years. This is an opportunity for students to showcase their many artistic talents, from voice to writing to drama and to instrumental performance. SMC arts students also now participate in a juried arts show, in which cash prizes are awarded.

“It is so nice to be able to do these things now. It helps recognize the artistic diversity of our students, as well as helping create a sense of support on campus, from

the faculty, staff and their fellow students, for the arts programs and the students who truly love them,” says Mrs. Wenz.

And in 2007, SMC dedicated its on-campus art gallery, located in the Marie Burgess Library, to Spartanburg artist Mary Ellen Suitt. The gallery has displayed exhibits from students, local and regional artists, and alumni for many years.

“Having an art gallery is an important part of a liberal arts school,” Mrs. Wenz states.

And a sculpture was dedicated to Mrs. Wenz this spring outside



*Mrs. Wenz helps out a student with an art class assignment.*

the front entrance to her on-campus home for those 34 years, the Frank Walker Building.

In another 34 years, students walking past that sculpture may ask about the instructor to whom it is dedicated. They will find out that she left an artistic footprint that hundreds of students will never forget.

As far as her retirement goes, she plans to stay close and become even more involved in the Spartanburg and Upstate art communities.

“I hope to do more in the community – do some volunteer work at the Spartanburg Art Museum, maybe take some classes. But we’ll stay here in Spartanburg. This is the place we love and where our friends are,” Mrs. Wenz says.

# Laffitte Hired As Dean Of Students

SMC recently chose the newest person to lead its student services programs as Dean of Students.

Ron Laffitte will assume the duties of Dean of Students on July 1, 2009, following the retirement of outgoing Dean Dr. Art Hartzog who has served in the position for 10 years.

Laffitte has 27 years of full-time staff management, programming, and student development experience, with 17 years specifically in the student activities/student affairs profession.

He currently serves as Associate Dean of Students at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, a position he has held for four years. He previously served at UT as the Director of Student Activities for six years.

"There is no doubt that Art Hartzog's reputation and influence in the field have shed a positive light on our campus. When Ron Laffitte visited us, every group that met



*(l-r) Kathy Cann, Professor of History, and Jill Johnson, Registrar, talk with Ron Laffitte, SMC's newest Dean of Students, at an on-campus reception*

with him felt his genuine interest in them and his enthusiasm for his work with students," says Dr. Ann Bowles, SMC Vice President for Academic Affairs.

"For 27 years, he has been committed to making a positive difference in the lives of students. We are confident that his personal interest in students, his knowledge and expertise, and his desire to develop the whole student will enhance the SMC community," she adds.

As Dean of Students at SMC, Laffitte will have Student Activities and Leadership Develop-

ment; Counseling; Campus Safety; Campus Post Office; Student Health Services; and Housing and Residence Life under his direction.

Laffitte's experience in higher education also includes roles as Assistant Director of Admissions and Graduate Advisor at the University of South Carolina; Assistant Union Director for Activities and Services at Clemson University; and Assistant University Center Director and Program Advisor at the University of Denver.

From these experiences, Laf-

fitte says that he will be able "to take away things I've learned and observed over the years in terms of staff management. I will bring that with me, along with the belief in the institution."

"Those of us in student affairs are here because we care about life outside the classroom and seeing students develop and grow. Every student is important," he adds.

Laffitte, a South Carolina native, has a Master of Education in Student Personnel Services from the University of South Carolina and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Winthrop College.

He and his wife Polly have two children – Sarah, a graduate of the University of South Carolina, and Ron, a recent graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

"I'm excited to come be coming home to my native state and extremely excited about working at Spartanburg Methodist College," he states.

## Showing Support For Local Schools



SMC hosted the superintendents of Spartanburg County's seven school districts for their February meeting. Pictured (clockwise, starting at lower left) are SMC Vice President of Business Affairs Eric McDonald; Dr. Thomas White, District 7 superintendent; Dr. Charles Teague, President of SMC; Dr. Rallie Linton, District 4 superintendent; and Dr. Jim Ray, District 3 superintendent.

## Making Connections With Legislators

SMC hosted a Legislative Appreciation Luncheon in December, which was co-sponsored by Wofford College, Converse College, and Limestone College. Nine members of the South Carolina General Assembly representing Spartanburg and Cherokee Counties attended the luncheon, along with representatives of all four institutions. Pictured below Mike LeFever, Director of the South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, speaks to those in attendance.





# Answering the Big Questions

In only his second year at SMC, Kris Pratt was named the College's 2009 South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities "Excellence in Teaching Award" recipient



Kris Pratt is one of those instructors who happens to teach a subject that students have a lot of questions about.

And although he has only been at SMC for two years, he was recently named the recipient of SMC's 2009 Excellence in Teaching Award, presented by the South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities.

"I was very honored to be selected, but at the same time I feel honored to work with all the wonderful people here at SMC. The thing I love about SMC is that everyone has a common mission. Yes, I'm here to teach Religion, but I'm also here — we're here — to prepare the students for Clemson or Furman or wherever they're going after SMC," Pratt states.

He says watching students grow during their time at SMC — from semester to semester — is a very rewarding experience.

"The relationship that develops over the course of a semester — over the course of the student's time at SMC — is a key part in shaping their outlook on not only their academic career, but their life as a whole," he says.

An assignment in his Introduction to Religion course that tends to provide a lot of insight into the minds of his students and helps Pratt understand them better is a reflection paper that each writes on their world views.

He does expect his students to ask a lot of questions, especially about why certain things are the way they are. But he adds

that he is often surprised by some things that students will say, ask, or reveal.

"I really do find that they trust me — and that's important. Some reveal things in their papers that they might not tell anyone else that could be painful to them. From that, I have had some encouraging conversations with some students," Pratt says.

His often uses personal anecdotes to help students relate to and understand the course material.

"I try to use personal stories when it's applicable — about myself, my college experiences, my daughter. They like to laugh — and once they figure out when I'm kidding about something, they enjoy that because it helps establish connections," he adds.

Going off-book sometimes will often lead to beneficial discussions also.

"Occasionally something comes up in class that we'll discard the lesson plan for and go on that for a while. That's part of what when we ask these big questions cannot always be planned and cannot be put on an outline or on a Powerpoint," Pratt says.

He finds that the students at SMC are very open-minded, but they have a lot of questions — not only about the course material but also about their own faith, their role in the world, how the world works, and how religion plays into it all. And each comes into his class with their own religious background and views.

"For so long we're taught in school that you parrot back what the teacher tells you. I tell them they don't have to agree with me as long as they give me good reasons for what they're writing or saying. Ultimately I hope that, if they want to, they've learned a little bit more about their faith and some different ways of looking at things that they never thought of before. If I can make them think, I'm happy at the end of the day," Pratt comments.

There are times when a student will come to Pratt outside of class with those questions.

"From time to time I'll have a student come to my office to talk about the big questions, when students come to me with questions about Christianity, salvation, social issues — all the big issues they could deal with. I try not to declare to them this is what you must believe," he says.

One of the most rewarding things about teaching at SMC is seeing students that he has taught receive their diploma.

"The world is just opening up for them. They're at that stage where they can do anything and they're willing to ask questions and they're willing to engage tough issues and think outside the box. They hopefully will all go on to do great things. And that's what we're here for — to help put that into motion," says Pratt.

In Pratt's view, that's what makes SMC stand out.

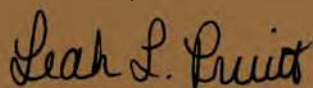
## From the Alumni Director...

Dear Friends and Alumni,

With Spring underway and Summer right around the corner our campus at Spartanburg Methodist College is as beautiful as ever. It has been wonderful to see the positive changes that our students experience here at SMC that help them prepare for their future endeavors.

To elevate their progress, I ask that you consider contributing to the Alumni Loyalty Fund before June 30, 2009. Your Alumni gift will enhance future opportunities for students to expand their academic abilities. Your commitment will help SMC prepare our students to become future leaders.

Best Wishes,



Leah L. Pruitt '98  
Director of Alumni Relations

P.S. Please become a fan of the SMC Alumni page on Facebook - and also join in our online network at LinkedIn.com



## Alumni Weekend 2009

The 2009 Alumni Weekend was a big success, drawing nearly 200 guests. Above, (l-r) SMC President Dr. Charles Teague is pictured with 2009 Service Award recipient Dr. George Fields, as well as 2009 Alumnus of the Year recipient Dwight Drake.

For more photos from Alumni Weekend, visit our website at [www.smcsc.edu/alumniweekend](http://www.smcsc.edu/alumniweekend)





# Drake: SMC Played Key Role In My Life

SMC played a key role in Dwight Drake's life.

Despite having grown up only eight miles away, Drake, a 1965 alumnus, considers himself lucky to have attended then-Spartanburg Junior College.

"My father worked in the mill and had a plumbing business on the side. We had recently taken in my grandparents, so there wasn't enough money for me to go off to college. But because I lived so close by, I was able to come here as a day student and work at the mill also," Drake says.

Drake worked second shift at Lyman Printing and Finishing Company while attending SJC.

After his graduation from SJC, Drake went on to attend and graduate from the University of Georgia with a Bachelor's in Political Science. Since his time graduating from both colleges, Drake has led a service-filled career for which he was honored this year as SMC Alumnus of the Year.

After his graduation from UGA, Drake served in the U.S. Army for 19-months, with a tour in Vietnam, and then attended the University of South Carolina Law School.

While in law school and for a time afterwards, Drake worked on Gov. John West's campaign and then in his office. After his graduation, he served as legal counsel for Gov. West. He went on to serve on congressman William Jennings Bryan Dorn's campaign for governor in 1974. He left private practice in 1978 to work on Governor Dick Riley's campaign and would go on to serve as his executive assistant for five years.

Since joining the firm of Nelson Mullins Riley and Scarborough in 1983, Drake has focused on government relations, litigation and appellate work, having appeared and argued more than thirty times before the South Carolina Supreme Court and the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. Throughout his legal career he has worked with several higher education clients, including Clemson University, the University of South Carolina, and the Medical University of South Carolina.

He has represented BMW in securing passage of legislation that led to their location and expansion in Spartanburg County; and has litigated on behalf of passage of the Economic De-



*Dwight Drake, a 1965 alumnus of Spartanburg Junior College, was named SMC's 2009 Alumnus of the Year.*

velopment Bond Act, which led to the creation of Clemson University's International Center for Automotive Research (ICAR) and similar ventures at USC and MUSC.

He recalls his experiences at SJC fondly, saying that they helped shape his attitudes and career.

"Even if I had been financially prepared to go to a larger school, I probably was not prepared for a school that size. The size of SMC was perfect, with its small classes - and I had some wonderful professors here. It provided a great foundation for me to go on to UGA, and then to the USC Law School," Drake says.

He recalls a worry of his in transferring to UGA was that all of his credits earned at SJC would not be accepted. But they were.

"That speaks well of the institution [SJC]. I felt my instructors here prepared me better than many of my classmates at UGA who went to a four-year school for their first two years," Drake states.

He takes a great deal of pride in the fact his alma mater teaches key values that are important in life.

"This institution is built on the kind of values I grew up with in my family - and teaches that they are as important as the academic side. The values I grew up with were emphasized here in every way. The school helped those values stick with me even better. That was extremely important," he adds.

He says he hopes his daughters Marshall, 12, and Eliza, 9, are able to find those types of values at their college - and he would be thrilled if they choose SMC.

"I hope wherever they go to school, the culture and values are the same that I enjoyed here. I will always highly recommend SMC. Every parent and student has to make the decision that is right for them, but I think for a lot of students, a small campus setting simply works better. They will thrive and do better. I would encourage them in a heartbeat. I would be thrilled if either of my daughters decided to come here," Drake says.

"I, myself, take a great deal of pride in the fact that I went here. I wouldn't be here today if it weren't for SJC. Without it, UGA and law school would not have been a reality... it is the single most important part of my education."

# Fields Continues Service to Community

Dr. George Fields has been a busy man since his retirement as President of Spartanburg Methodist College in 1997.

A lot of that comes from his service work in the Spartanburg Community - so much so that SMC honored this former president of 21 years during its recent Alumni Weekend with the 2009 Service Award.

"I have such high appreciation for the values of SMC - any award from it carries a very special meaning," says Dr. Fields.

Fields is currently serving as director of the Military Heritage Program of the Palmetto Conservation Fund and is also the acting director of the PCF's Upstate office in the Spartanburg County's Glendale community.

"When I retired, I wasn't sure what I wanted to do. I was 66 years old and felt like I had 10 more good years I could contribute to something. I wanted something that took me outside half the time and where I could do research to help keep my mind moving," comments Dr. Fields.

He became involved with a local organization that would ultimately go on to become the PCF and has since gone statewide in its efforts to preserve Revolutionary War battlefields.

"Before we became involved, South Carolina had already lost several, mostly due to development - so there's no way to reclaim them now. But I've been utterly amazed at what we've been able to do and the amount of interest it has generated over the past 11 years," Dr. Fields says.

In his role with the PCF, he works to create proposals for various battlefield sites and sell the state on them. And sometimes getting everyone to come together on heritage tourism isn't the easiest sell.

"You work on projects by building partnerships. I've found you don't get anything done alone. You have to build partnerships between state money, local money, private gifts and foundation work to fund these projects," he comments.

During his time with the PCF, the organization has worked on major projects at 11 battlefields throughout South Carolina.



*Dr. George Fields stands beside Lawson's Fork Creek, near the site of the former Glendale Mill. The Glendale area is just one project on which Fields is working.*

The most challenging, but at the same time most exciting, he says has been the main battlefield in Camden, which has already required \$2 million of investment through three grants.

What does Dr. Fields enjoy the most about it all?

"It's actually learning exactly what happened where on a piece of ground. History books never tell you that. They give you a broad smear of it. At Camden, we knew within 400 to 500 yards where everything took place, but to actually learn the details is very meaningful. Especially when we're able to put a name on a forgotten grave," he says.

And for the past two years he has led the Glendale project - one that has several elements to it which project leaders hope will generate interest in that area of Spartanburg County, specifically around the site of the former Glendale Mill, which burned in 2004, on Lawson's Fork Creek.

The PCF has recently moved its offices into the abandoned Glendale United Methodist Church, where the Glendale

Outdoor Leadership School is now based. Some of the goals are to turn that six-acre site into a leadership facility, develop the Lawson's Fork Paddling Trail - a 12 mile paddling trail from the Glendale Mill site to Pacolet - and establish a 25-acre greenway on the river.

"I think this is a wonderful project which will generate even more interest in the rich history of this community. What we want to do here is establish a preservation effort that people of all ages can enjoy and take part in," says Fields.

And while he enjoys his work on the Glendale project, once the Outdoor Leadership School is underway and stabilized, he plans to return all of his focus to battlefield work.

"I have too many irons in the fire for a man my age. But I'm going to follow through with this one because it is such a worthwhile project. I think if we can do something positive here, it can become a prototype for scores of communities just like this all through the south," Dr. Fields states.



## Notes and Updates

### 1934

Rev. James Ollin Watson, of Columbia, SC, writes, "I. Frances Scott (TII 1935 grad), niece of B. R. Turner (deceased) and I married in 1937 and were married for 53 years until her death on September 11, 1990. We have three sons, 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. I joined the Converse Baptist Church in 1936 and was ordained soon after. I served in WWII as Chaplain of the 100th Infantry ITM. We served 31 years as IMB missionaries in Latin America and the Philippines."

### 1958

**Phillip M. Graham** is Corporate Secretary with Clement Lumber Co., Inc. in Spartanburg.

### 1964

**Roy Everett McAbee** is President of McAbee Contracting, Inc. of Inman, SC.

**Hugh L. Harrelson** is a partner in the law firm Harrelson, Hayes & Guyton, LLC in N. Myrtle Beach, SC

### 1966

**Julian S. Martin, Jr. ("Jay")** celebrated a 25-year anniversary for his business, Carolina Forms & Creative Solutions in Lexington, SC, in October of 2008

### 1968

**Mary "Kay" Wood**, wife of Rev. Paul A. Wood, is a student at the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, SC, pursuing the M.A.R. degree (Master of Arts in Religion degree).

### 1970

**David B. Stout, Jr.**, of Chapin, SC, is the Director of Adult Education for the SC Dept. of Education.

### 1971

**Mike O'Shields**, of Landrum, SC, is retired from education and is now a part-time sales representative.

### 1973

**William "Bubba" Littlejohn** is employed with Wilkins Communications Network, Inc., of Spartanburg.



2008 SMC graduate **Danessa Kilpatrick** (center) was named the 2009 Homecoming Queen at Lander University. She is pictured with members of the Lander University cheer and dance squads.

### 1975

**Virgill O'Neal**, of Hudson, FL, writes, "I lived in Europe for 22 years, in Germany. Also am working with the Tampa Bay Buc's under Coach Tony Dungy. I was manager for NFL Europe from 1992 to 2007."

**Charles "Chuck" Carree** is a sports reporter with the Wilmington Star-News in North Carolina.

### 1977

**Robert L. Rhodes** works with the First Christian Church in Charleston, SC

### 1982

**Stewart Holler** is a teacher assistant with Spartanburg District 1 in Landrum, SC

### 1998

**Wesley Whittle** is employed with DHEC in Travelers Rest, SC.

### 2001

**Eric Tonnsen**, of Greer, SC, is an attorney with Gallivan, White & Boyd, P.A

of Central, SC, died on November 11, 2008.

### 1939

**Oline Dickey Ridgeway**, of Spartanburg, died on February 28, 2009. She was the widow of Samuel Bowman Ridgeway, Sr. and a graduate of Great Falls High School. She was a member of First Baptist Church North Spartanburg and also made clothes for porcelain dolls. She was the mother of five children—Doris, Rebecca, Samuel Jr., Kathryn and Eric.

### 1942

**Lewis W. Hughes** of Greer, SC, died recently.

### 1943

**Dr. Eugene P. Rutledge**, a Spartanburg native, spent the past 32 years (1976 - 2008) as a resident of Alaska. He studied at Converse College, Clemson University and graduated from Wofford with a master's in physical chemistry in 1947. He worked as an energy scientist and manager across the United States, worked on the Manhattan Project to develop the first atomic bomb (as part of his highly classified work); was a nuclear researcher at Oak Ridge, TN, and worked with many other nuclear projects; was the lead engineer on the first nuclear submarine training naval officers on its operations; served as the director of the Idaho Nuclear Energy Commission during the 1970's; and was an energy scientist and consultant while living in Alaska. He led energy seminars at

## In Memoriam

### 1933

**Nelle H. Evans**, widow of Warren W. Evans,

SMC and Wofford College but retired in May of 2008 after 33 years. Ed McCurry, retired SMC science professor, accepted Dr. Rutledge's Hall of Science and Technology award on October 2, 2008, just three days after Dr. Rutledge's death.

## 1945

**Marjorie Carole Snow Brannon**, of Boiling Springs, SC, died on February 28, 2009. She was the wife of Edward Lee Brannon and daughter of Archie Willis and Eunice Evans Snow. She was a devoted Christian and a member of First Baptist of North Spartanburg. She served with Child Evangelism Fellowship at Hendrix Elementary School, AWANA, and The Sugar Ridge Commons Garden Club. She had three sons and one daughter.

## 1956

**James Calvin Johnson, Jr.**, of Concord, NC, died on September 21, 2008. Born in Greensboro, NC., Johnson served as a Cabarrus County attorney and political leader and was a member of Central United Methodist Church. He served in the State Legislature in the 1960-1990s as both a Republican and a Democrat and was the Democratic nominee for the District 36 election in 2008. He was a graduate of Spartanburg High School, SMC (SJC), East Tennessee State University, and the Wake Forest University School of Law. He was also a member of the Cabarrus County and NC State Bar Associations, as well as the NC Academy of Trials Lawyers.

## 1957

**Ila Sue Johnson Reese**, of Concord, NC, died on September 26, 2008. She was a Winthrop University and UNC-Charlotte grad, taught third grade for 45 years, and was also a member of Odell Baptist Church for 45 years. She is survived by her husband, Dallas Ray Reese Sr.; three children: Dallas Jr., of West Virginia; Kathryn Jones, of Concord; and Daryl Russell Reese, of Davidson, NC; four siblings: Edith Roper, of Matthews, NC; John W. Johnson, of Charlotte, NC; Mrs. Jerry Smith, of Matthews; and Mr. Dwight Johnson, of Pageland, SC.

## 1959

**William B. Darwin, Sr.**, of Spartanburg, SC, recently died. He was retired from Hoechst-Celanese Corp.

## 1961

**Mary Linda Huggins Garner**, of Inman, SC died on Nov. 20, 2008. She earned degrees

from Berea College in Kentucky, Converse College in Spartanburg, and Winthrop University in Rock Hill, NC. Linda was married to Gary McKinley Garner Jr. for 34 years, until his death in 2005. She was employed by Spartanburg County District 2 Schools as a math teacher at Boiling Springs High School, where she taught for 36 years. She was a lifelong member of Landrum United Methodist Church, where she was active in the choir and volunteer work. She was also active in both the Polk County Community Chorus, and the South Carolina Tuesday Reading Garden Club, where she had served as a past president. She is survived by her three sons, Gary M. Garner III, Atlee A. Garner, and Joseph F. Garner, and their wives with ten grandchildren and one great grandchild. Her niece, Mary "Sissy" Sheehan and her family; as well as, her sister, Joan Wall and family, her brother, Norrel Huggins, and her nephews, John "Butch" Morgan and Richard Morgan and their respective families.

## 1963

**Homer Eugene "Gene" Davis, Jr.**, husband of Becky Lybrand Davis, of Greer, SC, died on Feb. 14, 2009. He was retired from Mitsubishi Polyester Film and was a member of Liberty Hill United Methodist Church.

## 1968

**Wallace "Ray" Ballard, Sr.**, of Spartanburg, SC died on Nov. 12, 2008. Survivors include his wife Denise Keller Ballard and two sons, Wally R. and Patrick D. Ballard.

## 1983

**Rev. Dr. Mark Reagan Long**, of Greer, SC, a retired minister with the SC Conference of the UM Church recently died. He is survived by his wife Margaret Griffin Long; mother Estelle Kyle Long, of Knoxville, TN; daughter Shanie Vafladis, of Greer; son Eric Tate, of Travelers Rest, SC; sister Etta C. McCall, of Harrisburg, NC; brother Clyde W. Long, of Knoxville TN; and three grandchildren: Joshua Tate, Justin and Morgan Vafladis.

**Margaret Eubanks Robinette**, of Spartanburg, SC, died on Feb. 9, 2009. She was retired from the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department and from Smith Wholesale. She was Youth Minister at Faith Temple Church.

## 1986

**Jacque Vanessa Miller**, of Spartanburg, SC, died on Nov. 8, 2008 just two days after her

brother, Curtis William "Moose" Miller passed away.

## 1987

**Charles Leverett**, of Spartanburg, SC, died on Feb. 13, 2009. He was an electrician and of the Baptist faith.

## 1988

**Eric S. Adams**, a former member of the SMC men's soccer team, died December 8, 2008 of a heart attack.

## 1991

**Paul C. Savitz**, of Greer, SC, died Nov. 10, 2008. He was a graduate of Abbeville High School and was a senior network engineer with Ogletree Deakins law firm in Greenville. He was also a member of the Advent United Methodist Church in Simpsonville. He is survived by wife Kayele; two children, Payton Joseph and Isabell Louise; and two step-children, Preston Roane Martin and Aierel Lee Martin.

## 1995

**Scott Catania** died on April 26, 2008. Scott was a former #33 on the SMC men's basketball team. Scott loved basketball and was playing in a charity game, for a young man killed in the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center, when he died. His mother, Marilyn, wrote, "...Scott was an accomplished commercial photographer and just two months shy of marrying the love of his life, Erica. SMC was an important part of his life. We ask your prayers as we continue to cope with our loss of a life that still had so much to offer...."

## Non-Alumni

**Rev. Eben Taylor** died on October 23, 2008. Taylor was a graduate of Wofford College and Duke University Divinity School; he also received honorary doctorates from Wofford College and Claflin College. He served in the U.S. Army as an infantryman in Europe during World War II. He was admitted to the S.C. Conference of the Methodist Church in 1953 and served congregations in Durham, N.C., and several in South Carolina.. He was elected to the General Conference of the Methodist and United Methodist Church five terms and the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference eight terms. He served two terms on the national General Commission on Religion and Race. Taylor was a founding member of the S.C. Therapeutic Society, which later became the Alston Wilkes Society; member, Board of Trustees of Columbia



College and Claflin College; co-founder, Crisis Ministries in Anderson; and Soup Kitchen/Honorary member of New Beginnings Missionary Baptist Church; and many other service organizations. Taylor was predeceased by his wife of 56 years, Martha; and son, Eben Taylor III. Surviving are children, Mark Taylor (Suzanne) of Lexington, SC; Charles Taylor (Florence) of Greenville, SC; and Stephen Taylor of Greenville, SC. Also surviving are two sisters, Mamie Clara Baker of Charlotte, N.C. and Ann Taylor of Charleston; four grandchildren, Sarah, Ben, Mallary, and Wesley; and 14 nieces and nephews.

## Retirement

### 1949

**Albert B. Martin**, of Spartanburg, SC, is a retired cartographer from the USDA-SCS.

### 1951

**Paul C. McMurray** is retired in Charlotte, NC.

### 1952

**Miriam (Larisey) McElveen** and **Tom McElveen** wrote, "We are enjoying our golden years and family! Would like to share photos and hear from schoolmates of 1951, 1952 and 1953 classes. Thanks!" They have four children: Jane (1963), Will (1964), Dean (1968) and Marie (1971).

### 1953

**William G. Bailey** is married to Kathleen Causey Bailey (Class of 1953). They are enjoying their retirement in Columbia, SC. Bill was a real estate broker and Kathleen was an elementary teacher. Bill graduated from the University of South Carolina and Kathleen from Columbia College. They have no children.

### 1956

**Barbara Thomas Stokes** is retired in Greenville, SC.

### 1970

**W. Bernard Welborn** recently wrote, "Thankful for the education and opportunities

given to me at SMC. Retired to Tucson, Arizona to the finest weather for golf, hiking, biking and enjoying the beauty of the desert. I can never thank SMC enough for what it did for me."

## In Holy Matrimony

### 1977

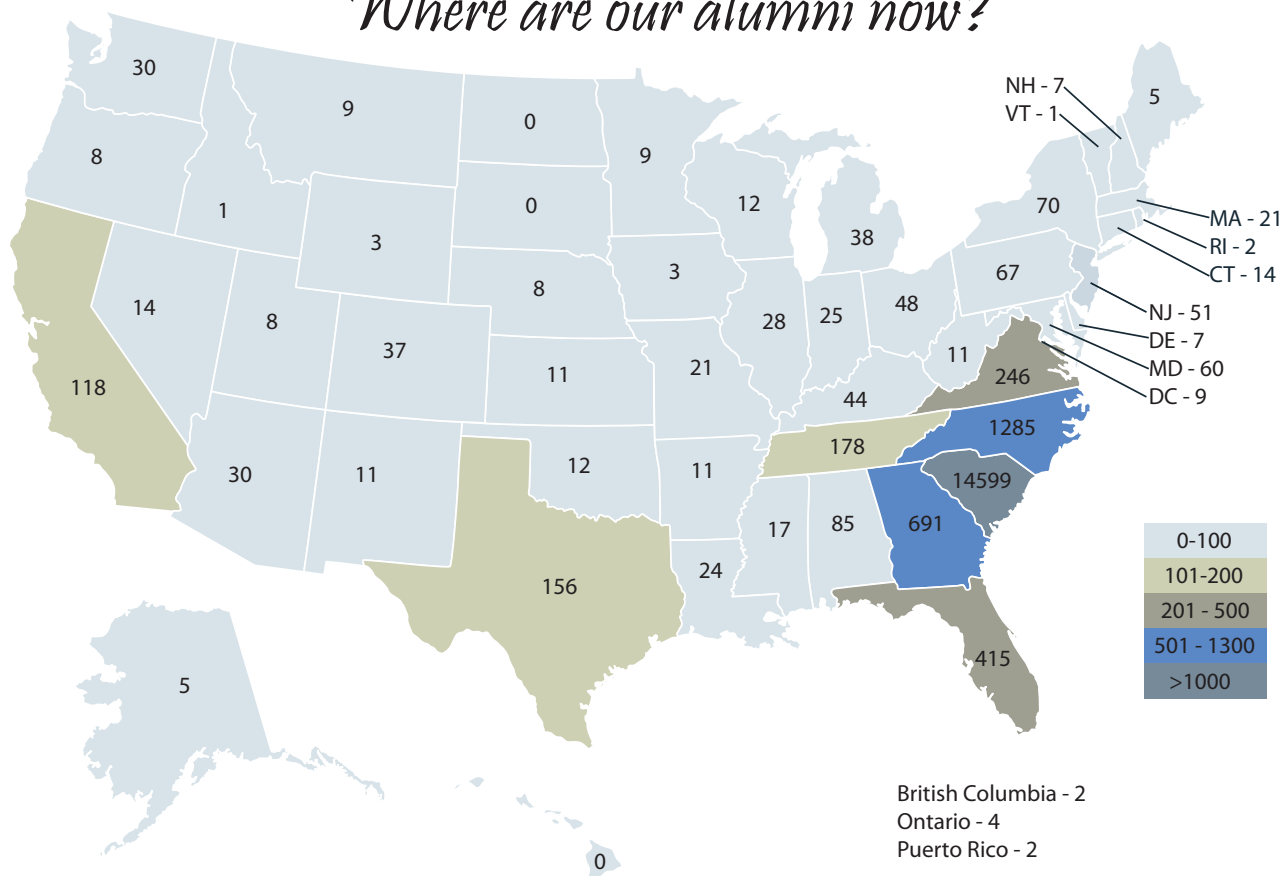
**Madora Bonner Holder**, whose first husband was The Reverend David Holder, now deceased, married retired United Methodist Church minister, The Reverend Clarence Pittman, of Greenville, SC, on Nov. 9, 2008.

## New Arrival

### 1990

**Paul C. White** and his husband, Kevin M. White, of Moncks Corner, SC, announces the birth of a son, Cameron Alexander Mills White, born Dec. 11, 2008. Paul is an attorney with the SC Dept. of Social Services.

## Where are our alumni now?



# Donors Provide Over \$2.3 Million to SMC



## Scenes from the 2009 Donor Appreciation Dinner

(1, l-r) Rev. Hazel Bennett, Rev. and Mrs. Dennis Lee, and Paul Grubb share a conversation. (2, center) Ann Dobson talks with a group of donors (3, l-r) Terry and Raylene Stephenson are greeted by SMC President Dr. Charles Teague. More than 100 attended the event which recognized SMC's generous supporters and donors.

Even though our nation is experiencing some of its most uncertain economic times in many years, SMC is pleased to announce that \$2,375,845 in total commitments were received in 2008.

Beginning January 1, 2008, the SMC Total Funds Campaign had a very good year. The campaign ended on December 31, 2008 with the College's Annual Fund surpassing its goal for the 30th straight year.

"SMC is very fortunate because donors give because they believe in your cause—not because they want to reduce wealth. If you have a worthy plan and stay true to your mission, friends and alumni will respond," said Dr. Charles P. Teague, SMC President. "In recent years, SMC has focused on building value and becoming more visible as we position the institution for the future."

In addition to a strong Annual Fund, the College received over \$400,000 in capital gifts, over \$230,000 for its endowment and over \$224,000 in new planned gifts. Government grants provided over \$250,000 for special services programs for worthy students.

"As I reflect on 2008 with all of its uncertainties, I am encouraged more than ever that our mission is one that is very meaningful in the higher educational community in which we serve," says President Teague.

## 2008 Commitments

(By Source)

Alumni	\$112,264
Friends	\$340,098
Church	\$554,949
Businesses	\$527,464
Foundations	\$326,553
Government	\$234,763
Planned Giving	\$224,000
Pledges Secured	\$55,754
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,375,845</b>

(By Purpose)

Annual Fund	\$1,211,670
Capital Fund	\$420,256
Endowed Scholarships	\$229,402
Student Support Service Grant	\$234,763
Planned Giving	\$224,000
Pledges Secured	\$55,754
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,375,845</b>

## "Committee of 200" Spearheading Project To Beautify Judd Lawn

The SMC Board of Trustees recently approved a project to raise funds for the beautification of the grounds surrounding Judd Residence Hall.

The "Committee of 200" seeks to enlist the support of 200 persons and organizations who will each contribute \$1,000 toward the project - and reach an ultimate goal of \$200,000.

The project includes many "Green" features, including the installation of an irrigation system, new topsoil, sodding, and new shrubbery. It will also include the replacement of the concrete pad at the base of the steps to Judd Hall, a new sidewalk from Judd Hall to the Walker Classroom Building, and the repair/replacement of the curbing and gutters on Kingman Drive.

Several leadership groups have already been asked to help con-



tribute to the project, including current and former Trustees and the Alumni Council.

We ask that you take some time to consider this project and contribute to it if possible, at whatever gift level you could afford. Any gift designated toward the project would be greatly appreciated. Please also consider inviting some friends to join you in support of this important project.

For more information on the project and the "Committee of 200," please contact Don Tate, Director of Development, at (864) 587-4227 or via email at [tated@smcsc.edu](mailto:tated@smcsc.edu)



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Angelus Farm Supply  
Ms. Mary Lynn Anthony  
Mr. Jackie E. Atkins ~ 1964  
Ms. Frances J. Bagwell ~ 1973  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Bagwell, Sr.  
Mrs. Kathleen Causey Bailey ~ 1953  
Mr. William Bailey ~ 1953  
Mrs. Christine Fogle Bair ~ 1954  
Mrs. Betty Horton Barkley ~ 1944  
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Barnette  
Mr. Joe Beaty  
Mrs. Mary W. Beaty  
Mr. and Mrs. James F. Beck  
Mr. Joe Robert Beckholt ~ 1964  
Mrs. Harry C. "Hazel" Belk  
Dr. Susan A. Bennett  
Mrs. Lynne Atkinson Berry ~ 1966  
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Best  
Bethel UMC - Circle # 2  
Mr. James C. Bishop ~ 1990  
Mrs. Judith Casey Bishop ~ 1955  
Mr. and Mrs. James Bivens  
Ms. Betty Gregg Black  
Mr. and Mrs. James R. Bland  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Board  
Mr. and Mrs. Austin S. Bobo  
Mrs. Reba Gregory Bogan ~ 1951  
Ms. Jean Boggs  
Mrs. Virginia Rushing Boiter ~ 1945  
Ms. Jackie M. Bowdoin  
Mrs. Doris Brown Bowen ~ 1952  
Mr. Julian Bowen ~ 1952  
Mrs. Ruth M. Bowles ~ 1968  
Ms. Rene' L.S. Boyd  
Mr. John R. Brabham ~ 1967  
Mr. Charles W. Bradley  
Mr. and Mrs. James H. Brannon  
Mrs. Marjorie S. Brannon ~ 1945  
Mr. Hugh Brantley  
Brasstown Valley  
Ms. Ruby E. Brice  
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bridges  
Mrs. Ruby Ragan Bridges ~ 1944  
Mr. Charles D. Broome ~ 1963  
Mrs. Gay Fowler Broome ~ 1962  
Mrs. Christine D. Brown  
Mr. Haskell R. Brown, Jr. ~ 1966  
Mr. Quince A. Brown  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Brunner  
Mrs. Goldie Sprouse Bryant ~ 1948  
Bubba Gump Shrimp Co.  
Mr. Stephen R. Buchanan  
Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bucher  
Mrs. Lorraine Love Buckwell ~ 1978  
Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burcham  
Ms. Lois B. Burkhalter

Mr. Mark D. Bush ~ 1974  
Mr. Joe Byouk  
By-Pass Golf Shop & Driving Range  
Mr. Charlie Caldwell  
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Callahan  
Mrs. June M. Campbell  
Dr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Cannon  
Mrs. Ruth Kelly Cannon ~ 1954  
Mr. Chris J. Cantrell ~ 1973  
Mr. Charles Edward Carree ~ 1975  
Mr. Louie L. Cartee, Jr. ~ 1979  
Mr. Barry M. Carter ~ 1955  
Mrs. E. Sue Easler Cashwell ~ 1973  
Cayce UMC  
Ms. Edna White Chapman ~ 1957  
Church Women United in Spartanburg  
Mr. David H. Clark ~ 1968  
Mr. James F. Clarkson ~ 1971  
Mr. Robert Scott Clary  
Mrs. Carlene Duke Clemons  
Mr. James D. Cobb  
Ms. Kaye M. Cogdill  
Mrs. Sherry Gray Collins ~ 1982  
Ms. Marilyn R. Coltrane  
Mrs. Marguerite Smith Compton ~ 1944  
Rev. Lois M. Congdon  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Conroy  
Mr. Robert L. Cook ~ 1990  
Mr. Vardell Cook ~ 1948  
Mr. Bill Copses  
Mr. David P. Cordeau  
Mr. Benjamin H. Correll ~ 1974  
Mr. and Mrs. W. Rutledge Corvette  
Mr. Paul D. Cothran  
Mrs. Sandra Smith Cribari ~ 1957  
Rev. Marion B. Crooks, Jr.  
Mr. Thornton W. Crouch  
Mr. Doris Brown Bowen ~ 1952  
Dr. Sidney L. Crumpton  
Mr. and Mrs. William M. Cureton  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Dalton  
Mrs. Daisy Koone Daughtrey ~ 1957  
Mrs. Kathryn Conner Davis ~ 1983  
Mrs. Sallie W. Davis  
Mrs. Carolyn Moss Dawkins ~ 1974  
Mrs. Frances Austin Day ~ 1951  
Rev. Vernon F. Deese Sr. ~ 1956  
Mr. Walter Scott Deskins ~ 1999  
Dick's Sporting Goods  
Mr. E. Michael Dills ~ 1969  
Ms. Miranda DiMarco  
Mr. Gerald Dorn ~ 1949  
Mr. M. Leroy Driggers ~ 1968  
Ms. Judy Duncan  
Mr. G. Cullen Dyches, Sr.  
Rev. A. Eugene Eaddy  
Mrs. Reanza Easler  
Ms. Gayle B. Edwards  
Mr. James W. Edwards ~ 1979  
Mr. Russell Edwards  
Ms. Sibyl H. Edwards  
Ms. Mary R. Eggen  
Mrs. Elaine Cook Elliott ~ 1970

Mr. and Mrs. J. Elliott ~ 1970  
Envirocare, Inc.  
Mr. Edward Epton ~ 1977  
Mrs. Kerie P. Epton  
Mr. David Evans ~ 1978  
Mrs. Jill Simpson Evans ~ 1984  
Mr. and Mrs. Alvis W. Fail, III  
Mr. Guy F. Fain, Jr. ~ 1945  
Mr. James M. Fain Sr. ~ 1964  
Mrs. Naomi Scott Fain ~ 1949  
Ms. Mary Jane Farmer  
Rev. Wesley D. Farr ~ 1953  
Mrs. Barbara W. Fawley  
Mr. and Mrs. C. Michael Ferguson  
Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Fersner  
First Citizens Bank  
Mrs. Leilani Rice Fisher ~ 1970  
Mr. Bill Fitts  
Mrs. Nancy Scoggins Floyd ~ 1953  
Ms. Patsy W. Floyd  
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Forbes  
Rev. and Mrs. Walter Forrester  
Ms. Patricia A. Fortney  
Mr. Jack E. Foster ~ 1946  
Mr. Mark Foster  
Fosters Chapel UMC  
Mrs. Carolyn Finch Fowler ~ 1963  
Mr. Randal R. Fowler ~ 1975  
Ms. Bette R. Fralick  
Ms. Carol Francis  
Rev. and Mrs. John M. Freeman  
Mr. William S. Frey ~ 1960  
Mr. and Mrs. James F. Fridy  
Mrs. W. Carlisle "Ethel" Fridy  
Mrs. Mary Ann Alford Fruit ~ 1960  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Galt  
Mr. Tim Garrett  
Mr. Marvin Hampton Gause ~ 1956  
Rev. and Mrs. J. Roger Geyer  
Dr. Mark Gibbs  
Ms. Roberta J. Gibson  
Mr. Woodrow P. Gilbert ~ 1966  
Ms. Tira Catrina Gilliam  
Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph G. Gordon, Sr.  
Mr. Phillip M. Graham ~ 1958  
Grand Buffet  
Ms. Ann Norris Grantham ~ 1965  
Mrs. Delores Morgan Green ~ 1964  
Mrs. Judy Altman Greene ~ 1966  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Gregg, Jr.  
Mr. Max P. Gregory  
Mrs. Edna Grainger Guthrie ~ 1949  
Mr. Melvin Hall  
Mr. Joseph W. Ham ~ 1959  
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Hamby  
Mr. Earle B. Hamilton ~ 1940  
Mr. Allen W. Hammerbeck  
Mr. William F. Hannon, III ~ 1961  
Ms. Lorna Hanson  
Mr. and Mrs. Mark D. Hanson  
Mr. William L. Hardin ~ 1960  
Mrs. Frances H. Hardy  
Mrs. Edith H. Harmon

Ms. Anne W. Harris  
Mr. John A. Harris  
Ms. Linda P. Harris  
Mr. Brad Harrison  
Ms. Lillian B. Hart  
Mr. and Mrs. Steven V. Harvey  
Mrs. M. Jeannette Hatzenbuehler ~ 1952  
Ms. Margaret M. Hausman  
Mr. and Mrs. W. Thornton Hawkins  
Mr. Adam S. Haymond ~ 1999  
Mr. Joe C. Heavner ~ 1953  
Mrs. Judy Green Hefner ~ 1982  
Ms. Angela P. Helms  
Mr. Ralph Hendricks  
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby D. Henson  
Mrs. Jane B. Hicks  
Mr. J. Harold Hill ~ 1966  
Ms. Lucia S. Hill  
Mr. and Mrs. R. Wayne Hindman  
Mr. Jack W. Hodge ~ 1948  
Mrs. Roberta O'Shields Hodge ~ 1948  
Ms. Julie M. Hoffman  
Mrs. Ella Scott Holden ~ 1940  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Holleman, III  
Dr. and Mrs. Adlai C. Holler, Jr.  
Mr. Kenneth D. Holliday  
Home Depot, Inc.  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Honeycutt  
Mr. Steven G. Hope ~ 1977  
Mr. Bob Horner  
Mr. and Mrs. Justin T. Hornick  
Ms. Ann Payne Howard  
Mr. Billy Howell ~ 1949  
Mrs. Dorothy Garner Howell ~ 1945  
Mrs. Dorothy Durham Huff ~ 1954  
Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. Len Hunt  
Mr. William D. Hunt  
Ms. Nora Janette Hutchins ~ 1955  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Hutchinson  
Mrs. Angela Hall Hutto ~ 1985  
Inman Senior Citizens  
Jack Mabry Jr. DBA Allstate Ins. Co.  
Mr. and Mrs. Benny J. Jackson  
Mrs. Charlotte Pool Jackson ~ 1943  
Ms. Catherine James  
Rev. and Mrs. Robert E. James  
Mr. James F. Jarrett, Jr. ~ 1965  
Mrs. Barbara Fuller Jeffcoat ~ 1975  
Mr. Billy R. Jenkins ~ 1960  
Mr. and Mrs. Barry Jennings  
Mr. Dwight R. Johnson ~ 1964  
Mr. L. J. Johnson  
Ms. Lois H. Johnson  
Rev. and Mrs. Sam Johnson  
Mr. Terry M. Johnson ~ 1984  
Ms. Dorothy S. Jolley  
Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Jones  
Mrs. Margaret Benton Jones ~ 1971  
Mr. and Mrs. Lon O. Joyce  
Ms. Alice Fishburne Joye ~ 1963  
Mr. Oren R. Judy, Jr.  
Mrs. Helen Bishop Kanipe ~ 1941

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Mrs. Bonnie Jamerson Keene ~ 1962	Mr. and Mrs. William H. Miller	Mrs. Betty Angel Ridings ~ 1950	Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Swarthout
Mrs. Terri Rollins Kemmerlin ~ 1984	Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Mizzell	Mr. Ray Ridings ~ 1950	Target
Mr. and Mrs. James B. Kendrick	Mrs. Helen Case Montgomery ~ 1943	Mrs. Alma Jolley Riley ~ 1949	Mr. Ken Taylor
Ms. Vicki Kennedy	Mrs. Cecil Moody	Mr. Michael S. Ritchie ~ 1968	Mrs. Catherine Kelly Teal ~ 1981
Ms. Donna Killinger	Morris Oil Company	Riverbanks Zoo & Garden	Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Thomason
Ms. Ani Kish	Mrs. Edith W. Morris	Mr. Hugh W. Roach, Jr.	Mr. Lafayette H. Thompson ~ 1948
Mr. Chris Knighting	Mutt's BBQ	Mr. Robert F. Roberts ~ 1964	Ms. Rose M. Thompson
Ms. Eunice R. Knouse	Mrs. Angie Cox Myers ~ 1941	Mrs. Juanita Guthrie Rogers ~ 1950	Mr. and Mrs. W. Harlan Thomson
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knox, Jr.	Mr. Jon Nelson	Mr. and Mrs. Shane Rogers	Ms. Mary B. Thrower ~ 1939
Mr. William F. Lanier, III ~ 1968	Col. and Mrs. John S. Nettles, Jr.	Mr. K. Bryant Rose	Mrs. Betty Timmerman
Ms. Judith M. Laseter	Mrs. Virginia R. New	Mr. Foster M. Routh, III ~ 1978	Mr. Thad D. Tinsley, Jr. ~ 1985
Mr. and Mrs. William B. Lever	Mr. Kent Newberry	Mr. Michael N. Safran ~ 1979	Ms. Rita D. Turbyfill
Mr. Paul Lindsay	Ms. Kimberly Newton-Burgess	Sam's Club	Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Turner
Mr. J. Fred Lister ~ 1947	Mrs. Karen J. Nicholls ~ 1964	Mr. Charles C. Sams ~ 1972	Mr. Duane L. Turner ~ 1962
Mr. Jason A. Littlefield	Rev. David E. Nichols	Mr. and Mrs. Dale L. Sanders	Mr. and Mrs. Roger R. Ullery
Major Gilbert W. Littlejohn ~ 1948	Mr. John Nichols	Ms. Dora McNeill Sandhu	Mrs. Kerry B. Van Winkle
Mr. Lanny F. Littlejohn, Sr. ~ 1965	Mr. Melvin C. Norwood ~ 1973	Ms. Susan M. Sartain	Mr. Ralph D. Vaughan ~ 1954
Mrs. Willine Mauldin Littlejohn ~ 1949	Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Novak	Sassy Tan & Style	Mr. and Mrs. William G. "Bill" Veal
Mr. Barry Loftis	Mr. and Mrs. Wayne L. Oak	Mr. Charles Scott	Mr. Paul E. Vernon ~ 1960
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Longshore	O'Charley's, Inc.	Mr. Blair Scurlock	Vic Baily Imports, Inc.
Dr. Clinton J. Lupo, Jr.	Mrs. Beatrice Derrick Olson ~ 1943	Mr. Kim D. Senn ~ 1975	Mrs. Sherry Lawson Waddell ~ 1988
Mr. Mathew Lyden	Mr. Joseph Onger	Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shelley, III	Mrs. Heather McKinney Waldrep ~ 1998
Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Lyles	Ms. Mary Elizabeth O'Sullivan ~ 1944	Mrs. Betty Crocker Shuler ~ 1946	Ms. Allison Walker
Mr. Justin Winston Major	Ms. Cynthia Painter	Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey C. Sigmon, Sr.	Mr. Timothy Wallace
Mr. Fredrick D. Mann ~ 1938	Ms. Denise E. Parker	Sims' BBQ/Sims' Tire & Muffler	Rev. Jack Walters
Mr. Edward J. Manning ~ 1981	Mrs. Jean Carter Parker ~ 1960	Mr. William R. Sinclair	Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Walton
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin J. Marks	Mr. Joe P. Parker	Mr. R. Arnold Sineath ~ 1948	Mr. Barry D. Ward ~ 1979
Mr. David W. Marshall ~ 1968	Mrs. Thelma R. Parker	Mr. and Mrs. John M. Skelly	Mr. William H. Watkins, Jr. ~ 1988
Mr. Albert B. Martin ~ 1949	Mr. Ralph Patin, III	Mr. Donald Skinner ~ 1966	Rev. Joe Cal Watson
Mrs. Ester McKinney Martin ~ 1963	Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth G. Patrick, Jr.	Mrs. Nell Greene Skinner ~ 1973	Mrs. Anna Dean McGee Watts ~ 1950
Mr. Julian S. Martin, Jr. ~ 1966	Rev. and Mrs. James F. Patterson, Sr	Sleep Inn - Mount Pleasant	Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lee Weathers
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Mason ~ 1998	Mrs. Emmie Rose T. Peden ~ 1957	Mr. and Mrs. James Sloan	Mrs. Claire Ulmer Weeks ~ 1951
Mr. Frank M. Mathis ~ 1965	Mr. Richard Peto	Smile Makers	Mr. Croskeys R. Welch, Jr. ~ 1963
Mr. Arthur Maultsby	Piedmont Auto Parts	Mr. Derek Smith	Mr. and Mrs. Marion Leon West
Mr. Kenneth L. McAbee ~ 1957	Pisgah UMC	Mr. Donald E. Smith ~ 1976	Mr. and Mrs. Alton H. Whetsell
Ms. Peggy McCallister	Mrs. Madora H. Pittman ~ 1977	Mrs. Dorothy Spencer Smith ~ 1942	Ms. Elizabeth White
Mrs. Beth Mahon McCarter ~ 1944	Mr. Charles R. Pitts	Mr. and Mrs. James K. Smith	Mrs. Tiffany Harmon Whittle ~ 1998
Mrs. Gaynelle Shook McCloud ~ 1955	Mr. Roland L. Pitts	Ms. Jennifer M. Smith	Mr. Wesley T. Whittle ~ 1997
Mrs. Judith Holdman McClure ~ 1955	Miss Ernestine Player	Mrs. Margaret B. Smith	Mr. Ben T. Wiggins ~ 1940
Mr. Gerald Thomas McCray ~ 1952	Mr. James A. Pogue	Mrs. Margaret Perry Smith ~ 1957	Ms. Margaret E. Wilcox ~ 1985
Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. McCurry	Mrs. Pamela Parker Ponder ~ 1989	Ms. Cheryl Somerset	Mrs. Ann M. Williams
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. McDowell ~ 1949	Mr. George J. Poole ~ 1948	Mr. Willie H. Souther, Jr. ~ 1959	Mr. E. Lewis Williams ~ 1950
Mr. William Tom McElveen, Sr. ~ 1952	Ms. Elaine W. Poovey	Mrs. Emily K. Staggs	Mr. and Mrs. F. Eugene Williams
Mr. Alfred M. McGaha ~ 1962	Mrs. Betty Woodfin Pope ~ 1946	Ms. Edith Burns Stanley ~ 1944	Ms. Wynelle G. Williamson
Mr. and Mrs. George Banks McGinn	Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pope ~ 1945	Mr. James K. Stapleton ~ 1968	Ms. Janet E. Wilson
Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. McGregor	Ms. Sharon D. Porter	Stapleton's Ye Olde Frame Shoppe	Mr. Paul Winters
Rev. and Mrs. Milton L. McGuirt	Mr. Harry Poston	Ms. Mary W. Starnes	Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Witherspoon
Rev. Charles E. McKinney ~ 1951	Prairie State College/CC District No. 515	Mr. Jack W. Steadman ~ 1947	Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Wolfe
Rev. E. Donald McKinney ~ 1959	Mr. Kris Pratt	Mr. William H. Stokes ~ 1970	Mrs. Mary Kay Wood ~ 1968
Mr. and Mrs. Eric A. McManus	Mr. Marion G. Pratt ~ 1938	Mrs. Barbara Thomas Stone ~ 1956	Mr. and Mrs. Stephen L. Wood
Mr. Paul C. McMurray JD ~ 1951	Professional Lock and Key	Ms. Betty B. Stone	Mr. Tyrus R. Wood ~ 1941
Ms. Virginia McNair	Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Putnam	Mr. David B. Stout, Jr. ~ 1970	Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Woodward
Ms. Patricia Meadows	Mr. and Mrs. Geary C. Queen	Mr. and Mrs. John R. Strayer	Workshop Theatre of SC
Mrs. Donna Turner Melton ~ 1965	Mr. and Mrs. W. Douglas Queen	Mrs. Camille Patrick Stribling ~ 1944	Mrs. Paula Henry Worthy RN ~ 1980
Mr. Earl B. Melton ~ 1963	Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Ramsbotham	Mr. Clarence P. Stribling ~ 1948	Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young
Mr. Tim Mervosh	Ms. Genette Redding	Mr. Dennis W. Strickland ~ 1970	Dr. and Mrs. John M. Younginer, Jr.
Mr. James Dale Messer	Mr. Marion W. Reid ~ 1957	Mrs. Jill Bailey Strickland ~ 1985	Mr. and Mrs. Rex J. Youse
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Messer	Mr. and Mrs. Jerry H. Reitzel	Miss Hazel J. Stringfield ~ 1942	LCDR David H. Zoellner JAGC,USN Rt
Mr. Snapper Miller	Mr. Robert L. Rhodes ~ 1977	Rev. and Mrs. Robert G. Strother	

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### 1936 \$5,200.00

Mrs. Mae Young Allen  
Mr. Otho S. Pool, Sr.

### 1938 \$100.00

Mr. Fredrick D. Mann  
Mr. Marion G. Pratt

### 1939 \$198.00

Mr. Oren L. Brady, Jr.  
Ms. Mary B. Thrower

### 1940 \$205.00

Mr. Earle B. Hamilton  
Mrs. Ella Scott Holden

Mrs. Mary Lewis King

Mr. Ben T. Wiggins

### 1941 \$6,169.96

Mr. Cecil D. Bishop  
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Mrs. Helen Bishop Kanipe

Mrs. Evelyn Stanley Long

Mr. Ray P. Lybrand

Mrs. Angie Cox Myers

Mrs. Eyra Kent Nichols

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Rev. H. Robert Reynolds  
Mrs. Mary Gault Smith  
Mr. Fletcher D. Thompson  
Dr. Robert D. Warren  
Mr. Tyrus R. Wood

## 1942 \$3,984.96

Dr. Oliver M. Littlejohn PhD  
Mrs. Edna Stanley Lybrand  
Mr. Howard E. Morrison  
Mrs. Dorothy Spencer Smith  
Miss Hazel J. Stringfield  
Mrs. Ruth DeLoache Thompson

## 1943 \$1,375.00

Mrs. Louise Cox Brockman  
Mrs. Charlotte Pool Jackson  
Mrs. Helen Case Montgomery  
Mrs. Beatrice Derrick Olson  
Dr. Charles H. Peebles, Jr.  
Mrs. Ruth Myers Stewart  
Mrs. Elsie Collins Vaught

## 1944 \$10,880.00

Mrs. Anna Divver Allen  
Mrs. Betty Horton Barkley  
Mr. James E. Brannon  
Mrs. Ruby Ragan Bridges  
Mrs. Marguerite Smith Compton  
Mrs. Lillian Catoe Galloway  
Mrs. Beth Mahon McCarter  
Ms. Mary Elizabeth O'Sullivan  
Mrs. Lois Redford Parrott  
Ms. Edith Burns Stanley  
Mrs. Camille Patrick Stribling

## 1945 \$2,265.00

Mrs. Virginia Rushing Boiter  
Mrs. Marjorie S. Brannon  
Mr. Guy F. Fain, Jr.  
Mr. Joe W. Gallman  
Mrs. Dorothy Garner Howell  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pope  
Mrs. Betty Swann Royster

## 1946 \$805.00

Mrs. Marion Littleton Anderson  
Mr. Jack E. Foster  
Mrs. Mary Ross Garner  
Mrs. Betty Wilburn Huneycutt  
Rev. William R. Kinnett  
Mrs. Betty Woodfin Pope  
Mrs. Betty Crocker Shuler

## 1947 \$1,275.00

Mrs. Jean Casey Brittain  
Mrs. Lois L. Brown  
Mr. Wade T. Buchanan, Jr.  
Mr. J. Fred Lister  
Mr. Jack W. Steadman

## 1948 \$1,795.00

Mrs. Goldie Sprouse Bryant  
Mr. R. B. Buckner  
Mr. R. Lamar Coleman  
Mr. Vardell Cook  
Mr. Hubert C. Dobson  
Ms. Mollie Floyd  
Mr. Vernon D. Gwynne  
Mr. Edward T. Hinson  
Mr. Jack W. Hodge  
Mrs. Roberta O'Shields Hodge  
Dr. Harry A. Jordan  
Major Gilbert W. Littlejohn  
Mr. George J. Poole  
Mr. R. Arnold Sineath  
Mr. Clarence P. Stribling

Mr. Lafayette H. Thompson  
Ms. Mary Wilburn Waddell

## 1949 \$995.00

Mr. Joseph R. Clary  
Mr. Gerald Dorn  
Mrs. Naomi Scott Fain  
Mrs. Edna Grainger Guthrie  
Mr. Billy Howell  
Mrs. Sharon Stockman Jones  
Mrs. Willine Mauldin Littlejohn  
Mr. Albert B. Martin  
Mr. William Joe McCurry  
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. McDowell  
Mrs. Alma Jolley Riley  
Mr. Lewis L. Scott

## 1950 \$820.00

Mrs. Shirley P. Adams  
Mrs. Juanita Pulley Hammett  
Mrs. Betty Angel Ridings  
Mr. Ray Ridings  
Mrs. Juanita Guthrie Rogers  
Mrs. Helen Gregory Sanders  
Mrs. Anna Dean McGee Watts  
Mr. E. Lewis Williams

## 1951 \$1,060.00

Mr. Winfield Allee Allaband  
Mr. Robert Beach  
Mrs. Reba Gregory Bogan  
Mrs. Frances Austin Day  
Mr. Walter Wilcox Howle  
Mr. Thomas E. Kent PE  
Rev. Charles E. McKinney  
Mr. Paul C. McMurray JD  
Ms. Arlene Will Rhodes  
Mrs. Mary Gooding Smith  
Maj. Ray F. Smith  
Mrs. Claire Ulmer Weeks

## 1952 \$1,145.00

Mrs. Doris Brown Bowen  
Mr. Julian Bowen  
Mr. James E. Brantley  
Mr. Joseph H. Frye  
Mrs. M. Jeannette Hatzenbuehler  
Mrs. Nellie Bramlett Jepsen  
Mrs. Edith McConnell Koon  
Mr. Gerald Thomas McCray  
Mr. William Tom McElveen, Sr.  
Mr. William M. O'Dell  
Mrs. Maxine Fogle Owen  
Mr. Frank E. Rhodes

## 1953 \$465.00

Mrs. Kathleen Causey Bailey  
Mr. William Bailey  
Rev. Wesley D. Farr  
Mrs. Nancy Scoggins Floyd  
Mr. Joe C. Heavner  
Mr. Henry P. Kyzer

## 1954 \$970.00

Mrs. Christine Fogle Bair  
Mr. Flynn A. Barbare  
Mrs. Ruth Kelly Cannon  
Mr. Hoyle Edwards  
Mrs. Shirley Gault Harris  
Mrs. Dorothy Durham Huff  
Rev. Allen E. Long  
Mrs. Edith Johnson Roper  
Mrs. Betty McNeill Sells  
Mr. Ralph D. Vaughan

## 1955 \$1,465.00

Mr. Donald J. Barbare

Mrs. Judith Casey Bishop  
Mr. Frank L. Boyd  
Mr. Barry M. Carter  
Ms. Nora Janette Hutchins  
Mr. Wendell J. Lee  
Mrs. Jean Bell Long  
Mrs. Gaynelle Shook McCloud  
Mrs. Judith Holdman McClure  
Mr. Thomas Miller  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Petty  
Mrs. Nellie Richards Smith  
Mrs. Roberta Altman Thompson  
Ms. Mary F. Wells  
Mr. Donald E. White

## 1956 \$14,565.00

Mrs. Carolyn Hayes Culbreath  
Rev. Vernon F. Deese Sr.  
Mrs. Ann Hammond Dobson  
Dr. Edgar H. Ellis Jr.  
Mr. Marvin Hampton Gause  
Dr. Louise M. Parris  
Mr. C. Roland Smith  
Mrs. Barbara Thomas Stone  
Mrs. Catherine Hawkins Thompson

## 1957 \$825.00

Mr. Joseph F. Carter  
Ms. Edna White Chapman  
Mrs. Sandra Smith Cribari  
Mrs. Daisy Koone Daughtrey  
Mrs. Nettie Rothrock Gentry  
Mr. Kenneth L. McAbee  
Mrs. Emmie Rose T. Peden  
Mr. Marion W. Reid  
Mrs. Jackie Fogle Smith  
Mrs. Margaret Perry Smith  
Rev. Harry R. Stullenbarger

## 1958 \$4,881.25

Bill and Mary Frances Lee Cantrell  
Mr. James H. Fletcher  
Mr. Phillip M. Graham  
Mr. Ralph M. Kesler  
Mr. Gary P. Kirkland  
Mrs. Ruth Harmon Reeves  
Mr. Stokes K. Sheehan  
Rev. Roger E. Thompson  
Mr. Herman H. Whitaker, Jr.

## 1959 \$1,522.00

Mr. James L. Geddis  
Mr. Farroll E. Gunter  
Mr. Joseph W. Ham  
Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens Jack  
Mr. Lewis A. Lynch, Sr.  
Rev. E. Donald McKinney  
Mr. Glen R. Melton  
Mrs. Carolyn Bruce Sheehan  
Mr. Willie H. Souther, Jr.  
Mr. Harold D. Thompson

## 1960 \$1,620.00

Mr. William S. Frey  
Mrs. Mary Ann Alford Fruit  
Mr. Philip D. Greer  
Mr. William L. Hardin  
Mr. Billy R. Jenkins  
Mr. L. Troy Nobles  
Mrs. Jean Carter Parker  
Mrs. Carol Layton Spracklen  
Mr. Paul E. Vernon  
Rev. Patricia S. Wood

## 1961 \$2,245.00

Dr. Harold K. Broome

Dr. William R. Christopher  
Mr. E. J. Grasso, Jr.  
Mr. Joseph A. Gunter  
Mr. William F. Hannon, III  
Mrs. Patricia Gallman Jones  
Mr. W. Watkins Martin  
Mr. Joe Dan White

## 1962 \$1,899.00

Mrs. Mildred Stokes Adams  
Rev. Quay Adams  
Mrs. Gay Fowler Broome  
Mr. Edward J. Buddin  
Mrs. Bonnie Jamerson Keene  
Mr. Michael B. Lee III  
Mr. Alfred M. McGaha  
Mr. Duane L. Turner

## 1963 \$2,289.00

Mr. James F. Ashmore  
Mr. Charles D. Broome  
Mr. J. Roy Clark  
Mrs. Carolyn Finch Fowler  
Mrs. Marvis Wiggins Henry  
Ms. Alice Fishburne Joye  
Mr. Wedrell W. Lee  
Mrs. Ester McKinney Martin  
Mr. Earl B. Melton  
Mrs. Dale N. Cox Reily  
Mrs. Judith Hipp Stewart, R.D., L.D.  
Mr. George M. Stoltz  
Mr. Ken Towery  
Mr. Croskeys R. Welch, Jr.

## 1964 \$2,550.00

Mr. Robert E. Ashley, Jr.  
Mr. Jackie E. Atkins  
Mr. Joe Robert Beckholt  
Mr. James M. Fain Sr.  
Mrs. Delores Morgan Green  
Mr. Steve D. Grissom  
Mr. Hugh L. Harrelson Sr.  
Mr. John Patrick Henry  
Mr. Dwight R. Johnson  
Mr. Roy Everett McAbee  
Mrs. Karen J. Nicholls  
Mr. W. Ray Ridgeway  
Mr. Robert F. Roberts  
Mr. Grady W. Stewart

## 1965 \$12,715.00

Mr. Dwight F. Drake  
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Ms. Ann Norris Grantham  
Mr. Allen H. Hipp  
Mr. James F. Jarrett, Jr.  
Mr. Michael E. Lawson  
Mr. Lanny F. Littlejohn, Sr.  
Mr. John W. Lyda  
Mr. Frank M. Mathis  
Mrs. Donna Turner Melton  
\* Mr. William S. Moore  
Mr. Phillip R. Sill  
Mr. Gerald B. Smith  
Mrs. Linda Page Vaughan  
Mr. Michael E. Vaughan

## 1966 \$3,038.96

Mrs. Lynne Atkinson Berry  
Mr. Danny F. Brooks  
Mr. Haskell R. Brown, Jr.  
Dr. C. Sterling Case  
Mr. Woodrow P. Gilbert  
Mrs. Judy Altman Greene  
Mrs. Eleanor Little Harrelson  
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# SMC Increasing Its Electronic Presence

SMC has recently joined the social networking scene in order to communicate further with both prospective and current students, as well as alumni and supporters.

The Office of Admissions, Athletic Department, Alumni Relations Department, and the Pioneer Learning Community all now are on Facebook.

The Facebook pages provide additional online outlets for information about the College and its programs. Features included on the pages are photos, contact information, the SMC Viewbook, the Athletic Magazine, news feeds, and others.

Also recently created is the "SMC Connections" student blog, which includes new postings from students every few weeks telling about what student life is like at SMC.

College officials say one of the major benefits of the Facebook pages and the student blog is the increased ability for students

to interact with each other and SMC faculty and staff, through features like comment postings and discussion boards.

All of the Facebook pages allow Facebook members to join the page as 'fans,' join in on discussions, and post comments on the pages.

"Prospective students will be able to learn firsthand from other students' experiences at SMC and show their support for the College, its programs, and for each other," says SMC Director of Admissions Mike Queen.

SMC is also now on the popular web site Twitter, where you can find updates about campus events, athletics, and other things going on at SMC.

And the Office of Alumni Relations has established a presence on LinkedIn, which is a professional networking site that will allow alumnae to network together online, accelerate their own professional success, and strengthen their connection to SMC.



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## New Faces on Campus



**Kathleen Brown**  
*Director, Learning Community*

Kathy Brown was hired in January as Director of the Learning Community. She will also serve as a biology instructor.

Brown is a graduate of Barry University with a Bachelor's of Science in Chemistry with a minor in Biology in 1986. She received a Master of Education in Natural Science from Converse College in 2005.

Ms. Brown has served as an adjunct biology instructor at Converse College and Limestone College. She previously taught at Polk County High School in Columbus, NC, where she instructed biology and chemistry. Prior to that, she taught at the Paideia School in Atlanta.

She lives in Columbus, NC and enjoys organic beekeeping, reading, yoga, and self-defense exercises.



**Cindy Barnette**  
*Campus Safety Officer*

Cindy Barnette was hired in November as a Campus Safety Officer. Prior to coming to SMC, she was a Deputy and K9 handler with the Greenville County Sheriff's Department.

She also previously was an officer in the Greer Police

Department.

Barnette is a 1997 graduate of SMC with an Associate's in Criminal Justice and a 2005 graduate of Anderson University with a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice.

She is a native of Greer and lives on houseboat on Lake Hartwell. She enjoys spending time on the lake, is learning to golf, and has a dog named Marley.





# An Unforgettable Honor

Leslie can tell you all about each one of the eight horses. She says that she can even recognize them by how they sound sometimes.

That sense of hearing has become very attuned to her four-legged friends at the School for the Deaf and Blind because Leslie is blind.

Project manager Mike Hollifield says that Leslie is one of the success stories of the HALTER (Handicapped Athletes Learning to Enjoy Riding) program at the school.

HALTER was started in Spartanburg County in 1987 and moved to the School for the Deaf and Blind in 2006. It serves as a therapeutic horseback riding program for individuals with a wide range of physical, cognitive, and/or emotional disabilities, not only from the school but from across the Spartanburg community and even from several other Upstate counties.

“When I first started, I was mousy and had strength problems in my hands. But I think this program helped in the long run – it’s given me a passion for horses and for helping people. I love the program and I like working with the kids and seeing them change,” Leslie says. She is now a volunteer with the program.

This past academic year, the Kappa Sigma Alpha service fraternity at SMC partnered

with the HALTER program to serve as volunteers.

That involved going through some training sessions in which they learned how to assist the riders and be there to walk with them and support them as they ride around the riding arena at the school.

Then they were able to actually get that hands-on experience – to be able to help students from the school ride the horses and see the heartwarming reactions from the students.

“I have a cousin who is mentally challenged. Programs like this didn’t exist when she was younger - she never had this type of opportunity. For me, it really hits home to think this program is helping these kids and they’re getting to do something fun by riding a horse – and we get to be just a small part of it,” says KSA president Jessica Mack.

Program director Mike Hollifield says horseback riding is very therapeutic in several aspects and has provided countless benefits to HALTER program participants.

“It’s good for exercises for anybody to ride. When you get on a horse you have to use every muscle in your body. It develops balance and helps develop your core muscles that help you maintain posture and good health,” he says.

The horses that are part of the program are specially screened so that they will fit be able to meet the program’s unique needs.

“What we need them for is different from what most people use them for. The biggest thing is attitude. We have to make sure that they have a good disposition and that they’ll accept what we have to do with them with some of our kids. Some of the disabilities our participants may have are more challenging - possibly behavior-wise or multiple handicapping conditions,” Hollifield says.

Ultimately, it’s a combination of factors that will lead to successful outcomes. But the one immediate reaction is the smiles.

“It’s just the smiles and seeing that this does help the kids that makes this so rewarding. A horse is a magnificent animal. And whenever you can control a 1,000 pound animal, it changes your attitude about a lot of stuff. You don’t have the fear of going out and doing new things or meeting new people. When you build that self-confidence, it helps in all kinds of other ways,” Hollifield comments.

The benefits do vary. It often can depend on the type and extent of a person’s disability. But they are there – and very evident.



"We just see so many benefits. Behaviorally, the kids get so much better. With autistic children, the rhythmic motion settles them down a lot after they're in about 10 or 15 minutes and carries over for two to three hours so they can go into the classroom and focus better. Doing something therapeutically like this without using drugs or anything like that can make them more successful in the classroom," he adds.

Miss Mack says that she will always remember helping out with the HALTER program and is glad that she had the opportunity to do so.

"For KSA to do this is a big honor. We always do projects each year, but we've never been able to do anything like this. We're never going to forget this. We're going to always remember the kids that we helped and the impact that they left on our lives. We could face the same challenges they do - that could happen to us in a heartbeat. If we can come out and help them experience something fun and learn how to overcome challenges, maybe even get better, then that is awesome" she comments.

KSA not only donated time and hands-on assistance to the HALTER program; the group also provided a \$400 donation to the program for the installation of a water fountain for the horses.

"We're so thankful for what SMC and the students in KSA have done for our program this year. The watering fountain is an important part of what we want to do with our facilities for the program," says Hollifield.

Hollifield says that the program's major facilities undertaking is the construction of an indoor riding arena, for which plans are drawn up. Having such a facility would allow the program to continue during inclement weather and provide even additional riding space during good weather.

He adds that consistency in any therapy program is a key component to its success; and by having an indoor facility, the consistency of sessions would increase.

"I think we're making a difference in a lot of people's lives. We want to continue to do that and serve the public out there," Hollifield states.

The HALTER program also offers an opportunity for youth ages 10-14 to volunteer in its Pony Pals. This group learns how to groom, tack, and assist with horses outside the riding arena.

"We hope that some of the kids that participate in Pony Pals will develop a love for horses that will turn into something that they will carry with them into adulthood, possibly even into their career. There is definitely a vocational aspect to that," he adds.

HALTER program riding opportunities are available to individuals in the public who have a disability, are at least four years of age and weigh less than 200 pounds. Hollifield says volunteers are always welcome to help out with the program, but they must undergo a training session before being able to participate fully.



*Above: (left) Esther-Irene Egan assists in leading a SCSD student rider around the arena*

*Previous page: A HALTER instructor guides a student rider, assisted by Kendra Pressley (left) and Justin Hayes (right)*



# 2009 Awards Day

For more photos from Awards Day, please visit [www.smcsc.edu](http://www.smcsc.edu)



Patricia Cloninger (left) receives the Ella Jordan Lynn Award from Chaplain Candice Sloan



Dr. Charles Teague (left) presents the General Excellence Award to Danielle Poynter



English instructor Jane Brackett (left) presents the A.G. Carter Literary Award to Har-ley Porter



Athletic Director Mark Perdue (left) presents the Emily Myers Award to Jennifer Coffey



Rev. Thomas Bailey (left) presents the Thomas Bailey Humanitarian Award to Jessica Mack



Justin Rademacher (left) receives the Samuel J. Poston Award from Chaplain Candice Sloan.



Trustee Liz Patterson (left) presents Lydia Burgess with the Olin D. Johnston Good Citizenship Award



Kendra Burnette (left) presents Zach Register with the J. Lacy McLean Award



2009 Olympian yearbook Editor Paulia Hughes presents the publication's dedications to SMC Dean of Students Art Hartzog (left) and President Charles Teague (right)





## Graduates Leave SMC as “New Persons”



Spartanburg Methodist College conferred degrees on approximately 150 students on Saturday, May 9.

College President Dr. Charles Teague served as the keynote speaker for the ceremonies.

He told the parents present that their graduates are “... not the same person today as they were two years ago. Get to know these students again. They’ve changed. They are new persons today” and challenged the graduates to continue their education.

“The value of education lies far beyond money and material possessions. A liberal arts education teaches you to think. Thinking enables you to acquire information, to analyze it, to reach conclusions based on that analysis, and then communicate results to others.

“Education also enables you to discover your real self, set goals, to serve something greater than yourself, and to build your life on worthy values that exceed personal

gratification. In order to do these things, you must be able to read, write, speak, compute mathematically, listen, learn, observe and study. These are precisely the intellectual activities that are common to a liberal arts education, and these are the substance of your SMC educational experience. You’re now ready to put those skills to work so go to it,” Teague said.

He also challenged graduates to set goals of pursuing excellence; discovering what motivates them, understanding commitments and achieving meaningful relationships in life; becoming a leader with honorable motives; making of difference in the world; choosing values to enable themselves to become per-

sons of integrity; and cultivating joy in their lives and a relationship with God.

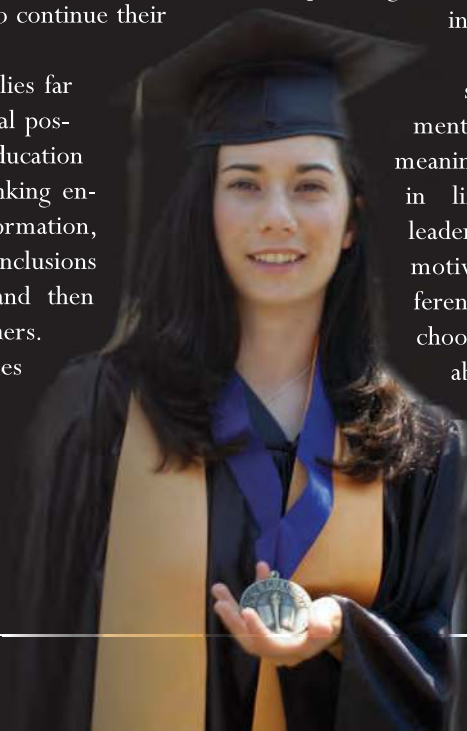
“This life is not a rehearsal. It’s the real thing, and you only get one shot at it. So, go for it! But as you do, be a person of great integrity with honorable values lighting your way. God has given you unique gifts and graces to become the person God created you to be. Don’t waste those gifts & graces. Use them to make a difference in the world! Do these things and you will live well,” he added.

He also expressed his gratitude to the graduating class, saying “Thank you for crossing my life’s path and for allowing me to join your journey at SMC.”

Graduating sophomore Harley Porter, of Columbus, NC, served as the student speaker for the commencement activities.

Serving as marshals for the ceremonies were freshmen Jessica Howles, of Inman, SC; Dana Smith, of Boiling Springs, SC; and Ashley Whitfield, of Spartanburg.

*Jennifer Lamonica, of Toronto, was SMC’s Highest Honor Graduate for the 2008-2009 academic year. In recognition of this honor, she received the first Trustee Medal at the 2009 commencement services. The award also includes a \$500 gift.*





## SMC Touches The Community



SMC students Jen Drozd (front left) and Jessica Mack (front right) help out at the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen as part of the annual CollegeTown Service Initiative, in which all six Spartanburg County institutes of higher education participate.



Students and staff alike keep SMC's mission of service alive and well throughout the year by participating in various projects within the community.

(Clockwise, from above) Members of the women's basketball team along with Coach Ralph Patin work to clean and fix up a home during a service project;

Freshman Tyler Orr puts a coat of paint on the porch of a local home;

Freshman Randy Carpenter and Chaplain Candice Sloan work on a light fixture at a local home;

The PsiBeta Psychology Honor Society, shown here at their 2009 induction, participates in several programs at Jesse Bobo Elementary School including the Reading Is Fundamental and the Adopt-a-Bear programs



## Porter Receives National Honors

2009 SMC graduate Harley Porter, of Columbus, NC, was selected as a 2009 Coca-Cola National Finalist, based on scores earned in the All-State Academic Team Competition. As one of 150 national finalists, Porter will receive a \$1,000 stipend.

The All-State Academic Team is sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation and is administered by Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. The The All-USA/All-State Academic Teams programs annually recognize up to 360 outstanding two-year college students. Selection is based on nominations submitted by community college presidents or campus CEOs, who receive nomination materials in the fall.

Porter, a graduate of Polk County High School, was actively involved in student activities at SMC, as a member of PTK; editor of the Trailblazer student newspaper; president of the Green Hope Environmental Group; and as a member of the SMC Players theater group. She will graduate this spring with an Associate in Arts and plans to transfer to a 4-year institution in the fall to eventually earn a PhD and teach History at the college level.

She is the daughter of Steven and Tina Porter, of Columbus; and Travis Saulman and Emily Porter, of Morganton, NC.



## Pioneers Finish 5th At JUCO

The Pioneers' baseball team made a record run in 2009, finishing 55-9 on the season while on their fourth trip to the NJCAA Division I College World Series in nine years. The Pioneers finished 5th in the nation - going 1-2 in the Series. Freshman right fielder and pitcher Marty Gantt led the team's charge at JUCO, by posting four homeruns throughout three games. The Pioneers lost to San Jacinto in their opener 7-1, then defeated Cowley Community College 10-7 and closed out their appearance with a 15-12 loss to Santa Fe. Gantt was the only Pioneer to be named to the All-Tournament Team and received the Homa Thomas Sportsmanship Award.

Prior to nationals, the Pioneers swept the Eastern District tournament to go into the World Series as the No. 9 seed.

During the Region X tournament, four Pioneers made 1st Team All-Region and another four were named 2nd Team All-Region. Patrick Mincey was named Relief Pitcher of the Year for Region X.

## SMC Golf Posts Strong Season

The SMC women's golf team closed its 2009 season with a No. 1 finish at the Orchard Spring Invitational, hosted by Piedmont College in Clarksville, Ga.

Four members are expected to return in the fall, including freshman Corrine Skelly (Pendleton HS / Pendleton, SC) who took three individual No. 1 finishes during the year.

The men's team ended its season placing 2nd in Region X and 6th in District V at its tournaments at Terri Pines Country Club in Cullman, AL. Freshman Cally Bell (Inman HS / Chapman, SC) placed 4th in the combined tournaments. Bell was SMC's top scorer at each of the team's events this spring. He was also an All-Tournament member at the Tusculum College Spring Invitational in March.



Cally Bell

Corrine Skelly

## Softball Ties For 9th In Country

The SMC Lady Pioneers returned for its first consecutive appearance in the NJCAA Division I Fastpitch National Tournament in May, in which they finished in a tie for 9th place in the country.



Laura Trout  
Region X Player of the Year

The Lady Pioneers finished 2009 with a 36-7, 19-1 record.

Head coach Rick Pauly was named Region X Softball Coach of the Year.

Five members of the team were named to the 1st Team All-Region, and five were named to the All-Tournament Team. Sophomore Brittany Scoggins was named 2nd Team All-Region Pitcher and sophomore Laura Trout was named Region X Player of the Year. Freshman Jackie Slawson was named Region X Tournament MVP.

## Winter Sports Competitive On All Fronts

The Lady Pioneers basketball team finished their season 22-9 and put together their second consecutive 20-win season. The team entered the Region X tournament as the No. 1 seed, but were eliminated in the final round.

Head coach Ralph Patin was named Region X Women's Basketball Coach of the Year.

Freshman Brittany Carson (Spartanburg, SC/Spartanburg HS) and sophomore Chaecie Bullock (Greensboro, NC/Ben L. Smith HS) were named All-Region X team.



The men's basketball team finished the season ranked fourth in the conference with a 19-11, 9-5 record.

The Pioneers were eliminated from the Region X tournament in the first round by Cape Fear CC.

Sophomore Vernon Taylor (Cross, SC/Cross HS) was

named to first team All-Region; Andrew Crawford (Mullins, SC / Mullins HS), the only freshman in league to average a double-double in points and rebounds) was named second team All-Region.



Six Pioneer wrestlers competed in the NJCAA Nationals in Rochester, MN. The Pioneers finished 29th overall at the tournament behind champion Iowa Central with 161.5 points.

Sophomore Michael Slaughter (Dublin, GA/West Laurens HS) finished sixth in the 133-lb weight class and earned All-American honors for the Pioneers.

Facing off against a primarily NCAA Division II and III and NAIA schedule, the Pioneers had a very competitive season.



# A Winning Hand



Marty Gantt is used to life presenting him with challenges.

But for Gantt, a rising sophomore at SMC from North Augusta, SC, those challenges started off pretty early.

While Gantt's mother was pregnant with him, his umbilical cord wrapped around his right hand. Only his thumb formed completely; the other fingers on his hand are only partially formed.

However, he does not consider that a disability and has never let it hold him back from what he wants to do.

Gantt became interested in baseball at an early age, with his father coaching baseball at North Augusta High School.

But when Gantt wanted to join Little League, he was told that he would not be able to because of his hand.

"I thought I was just like everyone else. My mom always told me I was. I just wanted to be like every other little kid and play baseball," he comments.

His family appealed the decision and baseball has been a big part of his life ever since.

He adds that his right hand really doesn't affect his performance and wears a normal glove.

"It was harder when I was younger — when the glove was big and something hit it in the right way or the right spot, it would get knocked off. That still happens sometimes. But when I check swings and try to stop the bat, it just slips out of my hand. As I've gotten older I've learned to cope with it. It doesn't bother me now," he says.

He recalls being teased about his hand on occasion when he was young.

"Sure, it affected me at first. What little kid likes to be teased? But my mom told me not to listen to them. They weren't any better than me. She has never let anyone say anything about it. She's always been real proud of me. Now I realize that people who tease other people are probably just insecure about themselves," Gantt comments.

He shares some of his own words of wisdom that he says his parents instilled in him: "Don't listen to what other people have to say. Do what you know you can do and be the best you can be. Try harder than everyone else. That's what gets you places — your commitment to try hard and do your best."

As a junior, he took his North Augusta High

School squad to the brink of a state championship. Then in 2008, he led them back to the playoffs where they lost their first game.

He was contacted by SMC head coach Tim Wallace during his junior year and was interested from the start. But what sold Gantt on SMC?

"The winning tradition. The stats show that SMC wins. Baseball is fun and winning makes it even better. Who doesn't want to win?" he comments.

So he signed with SMC - and he was up front with Wallace about his intentions.

"I told him I didn't want to be a normal pitcher. I wanted to hit too. And I wanted to win," Gantt states.

Wallace saw Gantt's spark from the get-go.

"Marty is obviously a great player. We've known that from day one. He doesn't let anyone or anything get him down," Wallace states.

Gantt's focus this year was on helping lead the SMC Pioneers to the JUCO World Series. But at the same time, he says he wanted to build up a good average.

"At the beginning of the year I told Mark Rape [a fellow SMC pitcher] I was going to hit .500 this year," Gantt says.

Along the way to JUCO, Gantt put up impressive numbers all around - leading the region in pitching and hitting.

After pitching eight shutout innings to clinch the Pioneers' Eastern District title, Gantt went into SMC's sixth JUCO World Series appearance batting a hefty .426 with 58 RBI.

He led off SMC's Series opening appearance against San Jacinto by homering on the game's first pitch. SMC ended the game with a 7-1 loss.

He did double-duty for the Pioneers in game two against Cowley County, KS, striking out seven batters in five innings on the mound. He went 1-4 at the plate, scoring two runs and helping post SMC's 10-7 win.

In the Pioneers' final game of the Series, Gantt blew it open at the start. He nailed homeruns on three successive at-bats, including a grand-slam, to bring in seven runs. Unfortunately, that wasn't enough to seal the deal for the Pioneers to advance further in the Series.

Gantt, however, had become a hero in Grand Junction and a heartwarming story

for the local and national media.

While at JUCO, Jayden Maes, a rising first grader in Grand Junction, an avid baseball fan and t-ball player, asked to meet Gantt. It turns out they both are missing fingers due to the same circumstances. So they spent some time talking and Gantt gave Jayden an autographed ball and a copy of an article on Gantt which had run in the local newspaper.

"Marty excelled on the big stage. He became a legend in Grand Junction - people love him out there. He was on TV every night," recalls Wallace.



In the end, Gantt helped lead the Pioneers to a fifth place finish in the JUCO World Series - and a school record 55-9 season.

Gantt was also the only Pioneer to be named to the All-Tournament Team and received the Homa Thomas Sportsmanship Award.

He finished the season above the .400 mark - not quite as high as he told Rape early in the season he would do - with a .410 average, the second highest on the Pioneer squad among everyday players.

His other end-of-season stats are equally as impressive, hitting 21 of the team's 77 homeruns for the season (the most of anyone on the squad) in 210 at-bats. He led the team with 92 runs, 86 hits, 70 RBIs,

and a slugging percentage of .795.

On the pitching side, in 58.1 innings, Gantt notched 57 strikeouts against with a 1.85 ERA and finished the year 8-2.

He was also named 1st Team All-Region and 1st Team All-Eastern District, as well NJCAA Honorable Mention All-American.

But Gantt is modest about his abilities and considers himself a normal player.

"I'm not any more special than anyone else on this team. All these guys are great. They're fun to be around and there's never a dull moment," says Gantt.

He credits Wallace for the Pioneers' consistent success.

"The level of intensity that Coach Wallace expects us to play at everyday is really high. He never lets us play down to other teams' levels. It makes our game better," Gantt comments.

Wallace says he's glad Gantt will be coming back next year and hopes that he will help lead next year's team to an equally as impressive, if not better, season.

"It's been a special year coaching him and watching him play. He brings so much to the game - he's so positive, he's a fighter, he likes to laugh, and he is a friend to everyone. If I had a team full of Marty Gantts, I'd never worry about a thing. Then I wouldn't know what to do. He sets an example for others and has the type of leadership we'll need next year," Wallace states.

Gantt's goal is to transfer to a four-year college after he graduates from SMC next year. He knows that off-field performance is key to doing that.

"I'm trying to do good here at SMC because I didn't do great in high school. That held me back from going to places like Carolina. SMC is good for me though. It's where I need to be right now. I don't care where I go after - I just want to play baseball," Gantt states.

Obviously the prospect of going pro is out there also. So who's Gantt's pro team of choice?

"If I can get to the majors, I'll play for anybody. I've always grown up wanting to play major league baseball. My baseball room at home has pictures of Ty Cobb, Willie Mays, people like that. Who wouldn't want to go play in the pros?" he laughs.



# Support SMC Athletics - Join the Pioneer Club

At Spartanburg Methodist College, athletics continue to play an integral part in the college's continuing tradition of excellence. With teams and individuals consistently ranking in division standings and placing or winning regional and national tournaments, SMC is renowned for giving student athletes the opportunity to thrive while receiving their degree. Whether continuing their athletic careers in a collegiate and even professional setting, or entering the

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letes. Pioneer Club members recognize that the value of these athletic programs far exceeds their high cost and they are proud to be a part of the SMC team.

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## Game On

The 2009 season was the first time that both the SMC men's and women's tennis teams were represented at the NJCAA Nationals. The women's team posted a combined 9-7 record for the fall and spring seasons while the men posted a combined 5-8 record. (l-r) Sophomores Anastacia Laing and Christian Rangelov, along with freshman Courtney Nutt, were a big part of the teams' success and went on to post very strong performances at their National tournaments.

