

Greetings from Campus!

One of the highlights of working at Clemson is having the privilege to meet some amazing Clemson families who care deeply about our University. A few weeks ago Captain Wilbur N. Ginn Jr. (US Navy, retired) and his wife, Dotty, along with their son, Wilbur "Will" N. Ginn III, and his wife Alice, gave \$1 million to Clemson University to establish the [Wilbur N. Ginn Family Endowment](#) in honor of their father and grandfather. Their gift will be distributed in equal portions of unrestricted endowment support to four areas: mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, humanities, and the Clemson Libraries. We are extremely grateful for families like the Ginns, who make giving back to Clemson a multi-generational priority. [Read more](#) about this wonderful family, and see [photos](#) and [video](#) from the gift celebration.



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Another exceptional member of the Clemson family is cardiologist Waenard L. Miller and his wife, Sheila, of Frisco, Texas, who gave \$2 million to the University to establish the Dr. Waenard L. Miller Jr. '69 and Sheila M. Miller Endowed Chair in Medical Physics. Miller earned his physics degree from Clemson in 1969, and the couple grew up in Greenville. [Read more](#) about the Miller's generosity. View [video](#) and see [photos](#) from the luncheon announcement.

When we think about generous donors, it's important to remember the impact their gifts will have on our students. Matt Doyle '16, is one of those beneficiaries. Matt has developed a special friendship with Chuck '82 and Sue Fish, who established the Chuck '82 and Sue Fish Annual Engineering Scholarship four years ago for out-of-state engineering students. [Read](#) about the Fish gift and how they are creating meaningful college experiences for students like Matt.

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, and that is certainly true of these [photos](#) from our 2016 spring graduation ceremony held May 7 in Greenville, S.C. So many smiling faces filled with hope and promise! [Video](#) from the graduation confirms that it was a joyful day for the graduates and their proud families. Congratulations to all!

Clemson President James P. Clements and Harvard University President Drew Gilpin Faust were featured commencement speakers at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) graduation ceremony on May 18. President Clements is a three-time alumnus of UMBC with a bachelor degree in computer science, a Master of Science and a Ph.D. of operations analysis. President Clements received an honorary doctor of education degree during the ceremony. "I'm so pleased and honored to return to my alma mater to address the graduate students of the university that has significant personal meaning in my life," Clements said. [Read more](#) about President Clements' honor [here](#).

If you haven't made plans for Memorial Day weekend, please consider joining us on campus as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The public is invited to a ceremony on Sunday, May 29 at 4 pm, at the University's Scroll of Honor memorial. The service will feature patriotic songs, a 21-gun salute and remarks by Chaplain Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Eric Turner, a 1982 Clemson graduate who served tours of duty in Germany, Iraq and Afghanistan. The Scroll of Honor Memorial is one of my favorite places on campus. It is located on Williamson Road directly across from Memorial Stadium.

Wherever you are on Memorial Day, I hope you will pause to remember those men and women, along with their families, who have served to protect and defend our great country. Our hearts are full of gratitude for their service and sacrifice. Please let us know if we can ever be of assistance to you and your family. You may visit our [website](#), call us at [864-656-0663](tel:864-656-0663) or email us at giving@clemson.edu. You can learn more about IRA rollover benefits [here](#). We also encourage you to download our free [Wills Guide](#), which has been designed to assist you throughout the planning process.

Happy Memorial Day! We hope to see you back on campus soon. GO TIGERS!

Gratefully yours,

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