



Greetings Clemson Family!

Fall is here and many activities are taking place across campus! It has been wonderful seeing familiar faces, and I look forward to seeing many others at the special events we have planned in the upcoming weeks.

Home is a place of familiarity, a place where your family resides, and nothing beats coming home to Clemson and being reunited with your Clemson Family! [Homecoming Weekend 2015](#), a weekend filled with traditions, football, spirit and fellowship takes place this weekend. Please enjoy [this video](#) recapping many of the Clemson traditions you may remember from your time on campus.



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Clemson celebrated the Week of Gratitude October 5 – 9. Students were educated on the importance of giving back to one’s alma mater as well as being thankful for generous donors who make a Clemson education possible. The week ended with a [Thank-a-Thon](#) where students gathered at the amphitheater outside the Cooper Library to sign a large “Thank You” note to show gratitude and appreciation for donors like you. [See the recap video.](#)

President Emeritus Phil Prince ‘49 has been named the recipient of the [Clemson Distinguished Athletes Award](#). Prince, a four-year letterman, graduated in 1949 and developed a distinguished record of service as a Clemson alumnus. Margaret Bond, and her late husband, former Clemson golfer Steve Bond, established this perpetual award to honor Clemson athletes who have shown great character and become outstanding citizens in their life after Clemson. Prince will receive the Clemson Distinguished Athletes Award at the Clemson vs. Boston College game today.

Shay ‘75 and Lil Stoney’s son, Charles, was truly their pride and joy. Shortly after he passed away in 2007, the Stoney’s established the [Charles P. Stoney Scholarship Endowment](#) to preserve his memory. A few years later, two of the Stoney’s dearest friends, David and Ann Westerlund, made a substantial contribution to the scholarship, which has ultimately changed the lives of many students. We are very thankful for both couple’s generosity!

Our Board of Trustees endorsed an academic reorganization to support the goals of a new strategic plan, creating seven new colleges. “This is a plan to move Clemson forward, to solidify our place among the nation’s great public, land-grant universities and to prepare for the next 50 years,” President Jim Clements said. Clements also stated that the college reorganization is a “key enabler” that will help academic units achieve national prominence. [Read more](#) about the reorganization and strategic plan.

We continue to keep fellow South Carolinians in our thoughts and prayers as they deal with the aftermath of severe flooding. I am proud each and every effort the Clemson community took to assist those who were impacted. Donations of sealed drinking water were collected throughout the week, a text-to-donate initiative was organized and the Clemson Collegiate 4-H Club partnered with the American Red Cross of South Carolina to collect items for use by those in shelters in the Upstate area. [Learn more](#) about additional campus initiatives to help those affected.

Please let us know if we can be of any assistance to you and your family. For more information, please visit our [website](#), call 864-656-0663 or email [giving@clemson.edu](mailto:giving@clemson.edu). We also encourage you to download our free [Wills Guide](#), which has been designed to assist you throughout the planning process.

We look forward to seeing you on campus soon. GO TIGERS!

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