

Greetings from Clemson!

The Clemson spirit is alive and well, not only on football weekends, but throughout the year. We feel it in the energy of our amazing students, in the talents of our dedicated faculty and staff, and most of all, through the generosity of alumni and friends and who give back so generously to make our University great.

David and Lynette Snow of Darien, Connecticut, are a great example of that. Neither of them attended Clemson, but because their daughter Ashley '15 had such a wonderful student experience, they decided to commit their time and their resources to enrich our student experience outside of the classroom. The Snows have challenged the Clemson Family and will match up to \$1 million in gifts to complete the intramural field complex on Hartwell Lake. This pledge is in addition to the \$2.4 million the Snows gave to this project in 2014. They are the largest Clemson parent-benefactors who are not alumni in University history. [Read more](#) about the Snow family, and see [photos](#) and [video](#) from the event in honor of their gift to Clemson.

Earlier this month we recognized Bob and Kaye Stanzione of Atlanta, Georgia for their tremendous gift to the ClemsonLIFE program. The Stanziones have established the Sue Stanzione Distinguished Professorship of ClemsonLIFE in honor of his mother. The first recipient of the Professorship is Dr. Joe Ryan, founder and executive director of ClemsonLIFE. The gift will make a difference in the lives of future ClemsonLIFE scholars for generations to come. Learn more about this nationally recognized program, and see [video](#) and [photos](#) from the gift announcement celebration.

A passion for engineering and performing arts may seem like opposite interests, but for donors Dale and Jackie Reynolds of Pendleton, SC, it creates a perfect balance. Add to that a passion for Clemson University, and we all benefit! In 1997, Dale Reynolds began funding the D.W. Reynolds Distinguished Professorship for Mechanical Engineering Department Chair. Then in 2012, Dale established the Dale Reynolds '67 Emerging Faculty Scholar Endowment. Jackie began funding the Jacqueline Morrow Reynolds Endowment for Music in 1991 in order to strengthen and grow Clemson's music and performing arts department. "Music expands your mind, it helps you learn, and I thought it would be helpful to do that. I think my endowment was the first one in the performing arts department, and the unrestricted fund allowed them to use it however they wished. I think they have done a fantastic job with it. I'm very happy." Read more about the Reynolds and their love of Clemson [here](#).

Last month I was able to share the story of the Younts family from Fountain Inn, SC, and their extraordinary gift to Clemson Athletics. The Younts were honored at a luncheon recently for the formal announcement of their \$2.5 million Cornerstone Partnership gift to name the Melvin and Dollie Younts South Club. [See video](#) of the event here, and [read more](#) about Dollie and Melvin Younts and their outstanding contribution to our University.

The Snows, the Stanziones, the Reynolds and the Younts families are all tremendous examples of the generous Clemson Spirit that make our University great. Without them, we would not be the top 25 national public university that we are today. On behalf of everyone who loves Clemson, we are grateful for their devotion and their investments in the lives of our students, faculty, and staff.

We are also grateful for everything that you have done to help us compete at the highest level. For every large investment, we know there are thousands of consistent and caring alumni and friends who make annual gifts to ensure that the Clemson experience remains second to none. We are extremely blessed to have so many loyal and dedicate alumni and friends who are proud of Clemson University and you continue to give your very best each and every day to exemplify the legacy and pride of this great institution. THANK YOU for ALL that you have done to help Clemson be the very best!

Please let us know if we can ever be of assistance to you and your family. We encourage you to visit our [website](#), call us at 864-656-0663 or write to us at giving@clemson.edu. We also invite you to learn more about IRA rollover benefits [here](#).

You may be interested in downloading our free [wills guide](#), which has been designed to assist you throughout the financial and estate planning process.

We hope to see you on campus next month for our annual Legacy Day and Fort Hill Legacy Society Dedication Ceremony at Fort Hill on Friday, November 4. This year we are honored to recognize William "Bill" Brooks Thayer of Raleigh, NC. He will be inducted into the Fort Hill Legacy Society, a posthumous honor for donors who have left a legacy gift of \$1 million or more to the university. Thayer's dedication to future generations is seen in his bequest to establish the William B. Thayer '52 Quasi-Endowment for Excellence, which is designated to the university for the areas of greatest need. He leaves a lasting legacy of support to his beloved alma mater. Legacy Day activities include tours of Fort Hill, Clemson Legacy Registry signing, a scavenger hunt beginning at 2pm followed by the Fort Hill Legacy Society Dedication ceremony at 4pm under the Second Century Oak.

With tremendous gratitude,



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