

Greetings Tigers!

We have officially said "goodbye" to summer and "hello" to another academic year! This means that students have settled into their residence halls, classes are now in full swing, and of course, football is off to an exciting start. There is something about this time of year that is so special.

Clemson is home to many great athletes. It is also home to generous donors such as Betty Poe who was recognized at the Wofford game on September 5 for making the second Cornerstone gift of \$2.5 million to Clemson University Athletics for facilities. The longtime Clemson supporter made this generous donation in honor of head football coach, Dabo Swinney and his staff, and in memory of her late husband, Billy "Tweet" Poe, a football letterman for legendary coach Frank Howard at Clemson from 1944-46. We are very appreciative of Mrs. Poe's continued generosity and support for Clemson! View pictures from our first home game against Wofford and second home game against Appalachian State.



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As a student, Robin Richards '79, M '96 could be found spending long hours in the Cooper Library. Because it was her favorite thing about Clemson, she made a bequest in her will to the Cooper Library before she passed away in 2012. The Robin Richards Memorial Library Quasi-Endowment was established in 2014 and continues to ensure that the library is able to offer the best services and support to the Clemson community. The University is very grateful and confident that her endowment will continue to benefit Clemson throughout the years. Read more.

We are excited to announce that the Harvey and Lucinda Gantt Multicultural Center is now in the Clemson University Union. The Center has gone through a rebranding process, complete with a new mission, vision and website. The Gantt Multicultural Center will focus on creating more opportunities for students to engage across identities. "We don't provide enough of these opportunities as an institution, and we want to be one of hopefully many areas of the institution that rise to the challenge of creating those meaningful learning opportunities for our students, faculty and staff," said Altheia Richardson, executive director of the Gantt Multicultural Center.

Tigers, we did it again! For the eighth consecutive year, Clemson has ranked among the top 25 national public universities according to U.S.News and World Report's annual guide to "America's Best Colleges" for 2016. At No. 21, we are tied with the University of Georgia and Purdue University. "It is a tribute to the quality of a Clemson education and the outstanding work that our faculty, staff and administrators are doing to make a difference in the lives of our students and the state," said Clemson President James P. Clements. The guide also cited Clemson as 16th among "most innovative schools," a new ranking of schools that have made the most innovative improvements in curriculum, faculty, students, campus life, technology or facilities. Learn more.

Many exciting events have already taken place this semester, and we have many to look forward to. The Welcome Back Festival, sponsored by the Student Alumni Association took place on August 17. Downtown's College Avenue was filled with members of the Clemson Family who enjoyed reconnecting with the Clemson community. The festival raised over \$13,000 for the Student Alumni Council Scholarship Fund.

It has been exciting to see our new students acclimating themselves to Tigertown. In fact, we welcomed over 4,000+ new faces to our beautiful campus! We are confident that these young men and women will thrive here at Clemson, and they could not do that without your support and generosity. For that, we thank you. Your dedication truly helps our students, faculty and staff. View a fun video of our new Tigers forming the Tiger Paw!

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 <u>aiving@clemson.edu</u>. We also encourage you to download our free <u>Wills Guide</u>, 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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