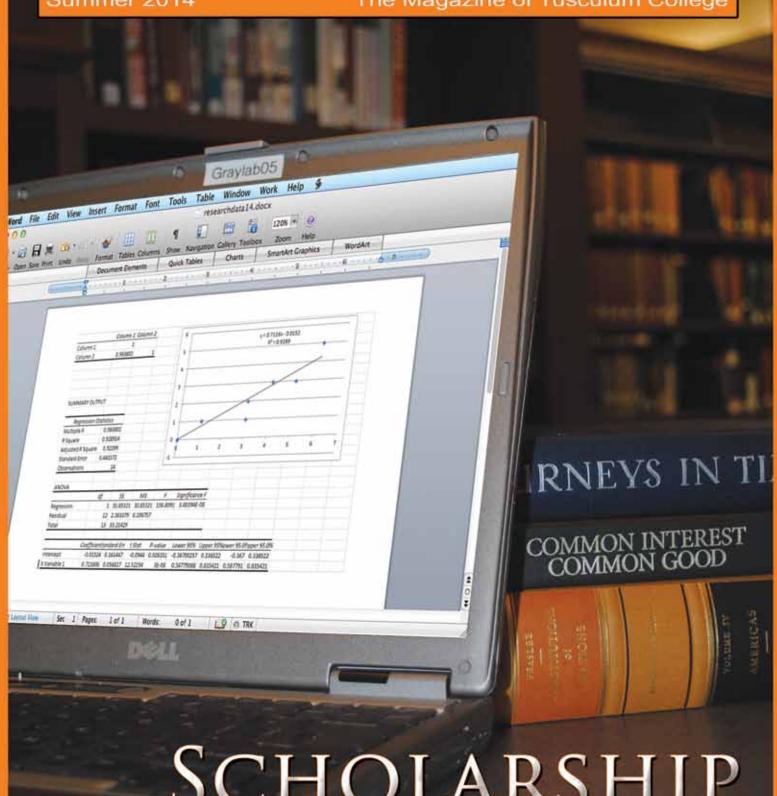
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## From the President

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." - Benjamin Franklin

Scholarship is a driver of economic development and scientific discovery, where new ideas and products are generated and where problems are solved and solutions discovered. Tusculum College is in the business of offering educational opportunities to fit the needs of every scholar who enters our doors. We support the first-generation college student with dreams of becoming a doctor, the international student from Ghana who wants a pharmacy degree and the adult student who wants the knowledge and skills to secure a promotion that will provide a more promising future.

Tusculum is fully supportive of its faculty's wide-ranging scholarship – from original research resulting in journal articles to creative analysis presented at national conferences to original works of fiction and poetry. Tusculum's professors engage students fully in the process of discovery and dissemination



Dr. Nancy B. Moody

of new knowledge and in the creation of original contributions to their fields through opportunities in undergraduate research.

Every day Tusculum students are achieving incredible things and are on their way to becoming alumni who will contribute to their professions and their communities. Many of these students are at Tusculum because they have received financial help through our endowed scholarship program. These scholarships, provided by alumni and friends of the College, are often the critical difference in whether or not a student can access the dream of a college education.

In creating an endowed scholarship, donors choose to pass forward the gift of higher education to make a difference in the life of someone else. Many choose to name these scholarships for a loved one or a respected professor or in honor of someone who impacted their lives. Through this program, they have the opportunity, like our own Dr. Edward Kormondy '50 H'97 (story on page 4), to help someone who wants to continue in the field of study that engaged him for most of his professional life.

Scholarship is important to our communities and our world. It is an investment that changes a single life, but generates innumerable ripples as that graduate goes out into the world and impacts the lives of thousands more. Please invest. Invest in our students, our faculty, our communities and our future.

Sincerely,

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## Kormondy's life provides unique perspective on 'scholarship'

When considering the term "scholarship," Dr. Edward Kormondy '50 H'97 has a unique perspective based on a life dedicated to scholarship, academia and the belief that teaching is one of the most profound professions in which one can engage. He has had tremendous success in his academic career, and through his dedication to teaching and higher education he has given to countless others. He considers this partial payment for what he was given through the opportunity he had to further his education.

"Scholarships offer an opportunity for an individual to succeed in college or university work," said Dr. Kormondy. "In this, he or she realizes that someone else has put up the money for his or her education. They may not have an idea about that original person, and it can be a mystery or they can learn who those people were. It is a serendipitous kind of experience."

For Dr. Kormondy, the door to education was opened by the gift of the GI Bill. A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Dr. Kormondy, like many others, returned from World War II, and took advantage of the GI Bill by enrolling in college. Dr. Kormondy chose Tusculum College.

"The GI Bill was the single greatest thing this government ever did," said Dr. Kormondy, "Hundreds of thousands attended college who wouldn't have been able to afford it. It created a significant difference in the development of this country. These young soldiers came home and were able to become engineers, scientists, teachers and philosophers."

He looks back at his time at Tusculum and remembers it as a turning point in his life. He specifically remembers the inspiration of Dr. Mike Wright. "He was a tough, tough professor, with extremely high expectations of his students," said Dr. Kormondy. "One day in class he mentioned that there would be three major points. I asked what the second and third ones were, and he replied, 'If you had stayed awake you would have gotten them.' I stayed awake from then on."

Dr. Wright became his mentor, steering and guiding him during his years at Tusculum and in the years afterward. Dr. Wright used his connections at the University of Michigan and helped the young Kormondy to secure a working position at the school's Museum of Zoology to help pay for graduate school.

In the years that followed, Dr. Kormondy had

immeasurable success in the world of higher education. As a faculty member he taught and mentored hundreds of science students, and as an administrator he worked to improve higher education for all students.

Through the years Dr. Kormondy has published prolifically while maintaining his varied academic career supporting scholarship, education and particularly education in the sciences. In his career he has published more than 70 research articles and 13 books.



Dr. Edward Kormondy '50 H'97

"I kept at my scientific research for years and then got very interested in other developing issues in education." To this end he studied minority education in China for years, visiting the country five times.

Dr. Kormondy is retired from his last position as university president for the University of Hawaii at Hilo. He also served as interim president of the University of West Los Angeles School Of Law, where he continues to serve as chair of its board. He lives in Los Angeles and served as a Board member of Tusculum College filling the role of vice chairman for seven years.

He also served as co-acting president of Tusculum in 2007, along with Dr. Angelo Volpe H' 08, for which he was recognized with the College's first Civic Leadership Award. In 2003, he was the recipient of the Tusculum College Distinguished Service Award, the highest award presented by the College. Most recently, he was named a life trustee.

After his undergraduate years at Tusculum, Kormondy earned a master's degree and doctoral degree, both in zoology, from the University of Michigan. He served professionally at the University of Michigan, as well as



at Oberlin College, the University of Pittsburgh, The Evergreen State College, the University of Southern Maine and California State University-Los Angeles in various capacities including dean, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

While a faculty member at Oberlin, Dr. Kormondy had the opportunity to see a number of students graduate and go on to successful careers in the sciences.

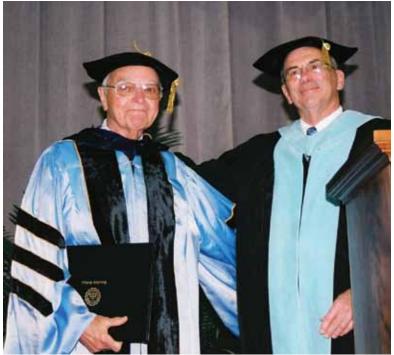
In 1968, after Russia launched Sputnik, the United States charged the National Science Foundation to make up lost ground. The NSF created several educational commissions, including the Commission on Undergraduate Education in the Biological Sciences. Dr. Kormondy was asked to head up this commission which identified promising teaching practices in the biological sciences. The group sought these out and then hosted conferences where these practices could be shared. Dr. Kormondy led this successful program for three years.

After serving the commission, Dr. Kormondy returned to teaching at The Evergreen State College. It was an opportunity for him to be part of a unique experience where he was a member of the team to open a new school. "It was a fantastic experience, opening a college." He became dean of the natural sciences there and later the vice president for academic affairs.

In 1978, Dr. Kormondy represented the U.S. State Department on a mission to Poland and Hungary to examine environmental education. He has served as a consultant in the life sciences to some 30 institutions, including the Universidad Simone Bolivar in Venezuela. He also has been involved in civic, scientific and arts-supporting organizations in his home communities through the years.

After retirement from the University of Hawaii at Hilo and West Oahu, his outstanding service to the University of Hawaii system was recognized when the Board of Regents named him chancellor emeritus.

Dr. Kormondy has made it his goal to continue to support students striving to improve through education. He has created both the Edward J. Kormondy '50 Scholarship Endowment and the Kormondy-Hedrick Scholarship in the Life Sciences Endowed Fund. The latter was named in honor of Frances and Anthony Kormondy and Beatrice and Robert Hedrick, parents respectively of Dr. Kormondy and the late Peggy Hedrick Kormondy '50, both of whom majored in biology at Tusculum. This scholarship is awarded yearly to one or more rising juniors who are majoring in one of the life sciences and have a strong interest in pursuing advanced degrees in that field.



Dr. Kormondy receives Tusculum's first Civic Leadership Award during the May 2008 commencement ceremony from Dr. Russell Nichols, who was interim president at the time.

"We wanted to be assured that students who want to continue the work in that field have that opportunity," said Dr. Kormondy.

In rethinking the definition of the word scholarship, a good definition might be "Edward Kormondy." Dr. Kormondy has contributed to the scientific knowledge base through his original research in the biological sciences, as well as through his studies in educational learning theory. Through his teaching and mentoring he has impacted thousands of students. He has made a commitment to support higher education professionally and personally, embodying all that he believes to be the inherent value of education.

"I felt that I was able to repay with success in some way the wonderful success I had at Tusculum. It really was a time that set my course."

His final advice to those studying today in Tredway Hall and walking among the mountain vistas of the campus in East Tennessee that he considers such a keystone in his life: "Study hard. Don't be afraid to venture into something that's unknown. Have courage of conviction. Move forward; don't stop. Always look for opportunities and take them."

And an underlying message - "Be a scholar and honor those who aided you in your future success."

Suzanne Richey '14 Director of College Communications

Freshour finds unexpected dual career

Finding success in higher education can be vigorous work, and the will of the student determines what the future holds. For many students focused on an academic career, one of the most desirable outcomes of finishing a bachelor's degree is to go on to graduate school, graduate high in your class and build a successful career. Dr. Jessica Epley Freshour '06 has done just that.

Dr. Freshour is a published pharmacist who is an assistant professor at East Tennessee State University (ETSU). She is a thriving 30-year-old, who along with teaching, maintains a pharmaceutical practice in Johnson City.

"Pharmacy fits my personality," she said. "I first wanted to enroll in medical school, but there was a chance it would be full. A family friend advised me to go into pharmacy. I did, and I loved it." Dr. Freshour found something she wanted to do and did it.

Her love to teach others drew her to ETSU, where she teaches in the afternoon in the Department of Pharmacy Practice. "Not only can I help people, but now I can teach others how to do exactly what I'm doing. I really like that aspect of teaching. I love and enjoy these students."

Not only are Dr. Freshour's teaching skills being put to work, but all the schooling paid off in her work with other pharmacists in her practice in Johnson City. "I work with a team of pharmacists during the morning where I can sometimes take students to observe our work, our rounds and our procedures," she said about the practice.

Scholarships played a big role in Dr. Freshour's past education. While at Tusculum she was a Niswonger Scholar and received the Presidential Scholarship through Tusculum. "It most definitely helped me make my way through paying for my undergraduate education."



Jessica Freshour '06

She wishes the best for Tusculum as she embarks on her new endeavors. She admires and respects former professors, including former chemistry professor Robin Newberry Tipton '98 and Dr. Debra McGinn, associate professor of biology.

"They really supported me on my climb to success, along with my family and all of the people behind the Niswonger Scholars program." She added, "I'm proud of the way that Dr. Nancy Moody has run the College and the progression it has taken. I'm extremely happy for the new science building, and I would like to thank the community of Greeneville for the support and making the experience of going to Tusculum easy and enjoyable."

She added, "Tusculum allowed me to be the most prepared student I could have been in my post-graduate studies. I gained experience through the service learning program and internships. I wouldn't trade my experience at Tusculum for anything."

Dr. Freshour is a model for Tusculum students of the present and future: a student, who earned multiple scholarships, realized what she wanted, went after her dream and succeeded in her efforts.

Jonathon Dennis freshman journalism major from Silver Creek, Ga.



## Rollers, Stallard invest in future scholars

Reasons for individuals to establish endowed scholarships at Tusculum College are almost as numerous as the scholarships themselves. But those individuals share a common belief in the value of education and an appreciation of Tusculum College.

Those beliefs have again led to an investment into Tusculum College with the establishment of two new scholarships, the Samuel P. and Nan Jean (Thomas) Roller '49 '49 Endowed Scholarship and the Joseph L. Stallard '56 Endowed Scholarship.

The Samuel P. and Nan Jean Roller Endowed Scholarship Fund will provide support for students who major in science and choose to enroll at Tusculum College with a preference for students from Oregon.

Both Samuel and Nan Jean have built a successful life together in Oregon for more than 60 years. Samuel has been employed at the McKesson Corporation, selling pharmaceutical items, for more than 40 years. Between being a mother of three and grandmother of eight and supporting her husband, Nan Jean has been involved with National Garden Clubs, Inc. organizations for more than 50 years.

The Rollers believe in the value of education and have demonstrated their commitment to future Tusculum students through the establishment of this scholarship.



Nan Jean and Samuel Roller have established one of the newest endowed scholarships for the College.

Pat Hash Stallard established the Joseph L. Stallard '56 Endowed Scholarship Fund in recognition of her husband's life-long interest in his Alma Mater. Joe has been the recipient of both the Sports Benefactor Award and the Pioneer Award from the Tusculum College Alumni Association. Stallard is a charter member of the College's Sports Hall of Fame for his participation basketball. He has served as the president of the Alumni Association.

The Stallard Scholarship will provide financial support for able and deserving students who enroll at Tusculum College

Joe Stallard, seated at right, is applauded following the announcement by his wife of the new endowed scholarship she has established in his honor during the alumni breakfast at Homecoming 2013.

and participate in athletics, with preference for basketball players. If no basketball player is deemed eligible to receive the Joseph L. Stallard '56 Scholarship, another college athlete may be selected.

Endowed scholarships help fill the gap between available governmental financial aid, institutional aid and loans and what a student or their families must pay. Receiving that scholarship also tells that student there was someone who believed that a college education is valuable and wanted to provide that opportunity to someone else to pay it forward.

### Tusculum Scholarship

## Shipyard leads alumna on voyage into history

In 1996, Joan Western Lofland '71 and her husband, Sudler, purchased the overgrown and abandoned site of the former Vinyard Shipbuilding Company in their hometown of Milford, Del.

Now, the restored Milford Shipyard Marine Railway is one of the centerpieces of Milford's Mispillion Riverwalk and has brought attention to the town's heritage as a shipbuilding center. Additionally, it has shone a spotlight on the efforts of a lesser known part of the World War II naval effort, the "Splinter Fleet" submarine chasers.

The journey between these two points has been filled with lots of hard work, research, some fortunate happenstances and unexpected turns for Joan and Sudler.

In the mid-1990s, the shipyard property came to Sudler's attention. Joan explained that her husband has had a knack over the years for picking old properties to purchase and then fix up for repurposing. "Sudler got to know the last owner of the shipyard around 1995 just before the buildings were condemned. It was then it went up for sale and he decided that this is a property that needed to be saved, so we bought it," she said.

The Loflands began the arduous task of bringing the historic property back from its point of near abandonment. Much of the property was overgrown to the point that some of the structures were hidden, she said.

In this process, they uncovered the first of many treasures to be found at the shipyard, which operated as the Vinyard Shipbuilding Company on the Mispillion River in Milford from 1896 to 1973. Not only were the main boatyard building, wood shop and machine shop intact, but all the machinery inside was still there and in working order as it had been at the Vinyard Company's peak.

The company was founded by Wilson M. Vinyard, an entrepreneur who saw a business opportunity in constructing ships with gasoline or diesel engines, advanced technology at the time.

The shipyard flourished with their early ships used



The woodshop, at left, was covered with vines when the Loflands bought the property in 1996. The shipyard looks much different today, below.



primarily for agricultural and commercial purposes. During World War I, the company built three subchasers for the military and during Prohibition, constructed 10 patrol boats for the Coast Guard that were used to intercept bootlegging activity. In the late 1920s, the company expanded their line to include the construction of more than 40 luxury cruising yachts, known for their elegant woodwork and fine craftsmanship.

Soon after the couple purchased the shipyard property, they began to receive calls and letters from owners of yachts that had been constructed there. "We discovered that many people who had these wooden boats wanted to sell them," she said.

Eventually, Joan continued, the couple purchased one of the wooden yachts, the 40-footer *Kismet* built in 1938. It needed refurbishing, and the couple brought her back to the shipyard where Sudler and the shipyard crew went to work restoring the little *Kismet*.





shipyard, the Loflands were not looking to purchase another boat, but they received a call about the yacht, *Vignette*, that had been built by Vinyard in 1951. "It was in absolutely horrible shape," she said. "But, we learned that it was the last one built here, so we bought it." *Vignette* was completed in 2006.

Throughout the process, the Loflands were learning more about the heritage of the property, and a college student from Milford who was working on a master's thesis shared the research he had gathered about the Vinyard Company with them. "We thought we had plenty of information about the shipyard," she said.

However, they received a call from a man who had purchased the Vinyard-built yacht, *Augusta*, but could not keep it because of the changes in the economy.

Joan recalled that they went to see the yacht in Lancaster, Va., and discovered the 50-foot cruiser was in a dilapidated condition. "The owner was a researcher extraordinaire. He knew everything there was to know about the *Augusta* and had almost as much information as the student who did the master's thesis," she said. "He wouldn't sell us just the research. We had to buy the yacht to get his research. Finally, we decided that we would take the *Augusta*."

While in rough condition, the *Augusta* retained most of its original parts and furnishings, and the Loflands began the process of returning it to its original 1927 appearance. The *Augusta* was relaunched in a ceremony in 2010 and was recently used as the basis for Milford artists to use to create artworks featured on a downtown art tour.

Lofland said she was asked recently why Downtown Milford, Inc. selected the *Augusta* to be used for the project's centerpiece. While the *Augusta* is the plainest of the three yachts, she explained, it was the *Augusta* returning home after 80 years that sparked the town's interest in rediscovering the heritage of Vinyard Shipbuilding and the role it played in the

The Augusta today, below, looks much different from the boat when it was brought to the shipyard, at right.







Joan's research developed into a documentary and traveling exhibit funded by a grant from the Delaware Humanities Forum. From left are historian Erik P. Rau, Joan and Sudler.

war effort in the 1940s.

Historical research was a new endeavor for Joan, but she said that the networking she learned to do during her 30-year career as a hospital social worker served her well. "I was not afraid to call anyone and follow up every lead to get a story or share a photo."

In her research, Joan conducts interviews with many people who have stories about the shipyard, as well as the veterans who served on the military ships built there. "The most rewarding part of this has been the people, getting to know the individuals and learning their experiences." In talking to the veterans, "they were pleased to get my call and surprised that anyone today would want to hear about their life aboard a subchaser. It meant a lot for them to know that someone still recognized their efforts and they had not been forgotten," she added.

Vinyard Shipbuilding was awarded a contract by the military to build 14 submarine chasers for the U.S. Navy in World War II. The subchasers, as they were also called, were primarily tasked with patrolling shipping lanes in the Atlantic and protecting both military and private vessels from German U-boats. Built from wood, as metal was reserved for the construction of the large warships, the subchasers were known as the "Splinter Fleet," and more than 40,000 sailors served on the ships during the war.

As she learned more about the World War II story of the subchasers, Lofland said she had the good fortune to talk to Theodore Treadwell, who had written a respected book titled "The Splinter Fleet" about the subchasers, as well as a memoir of his personal experiences serving on a subchaser. "The men who served on the subchasers consider him a star," she said, explaining Treadwell wrote the book as "the enduring testimony of their accomplishments that is

## Arrowood sets lofty academic standards

When the concept of scholarship comes up, different notions arise. They range from a kind of financial aid offered to undergraduates to academics writing discourses and treatises. While the descriptions differ, each offers insight to the facets of scholarship. For one Tusculum student, scholarship is both of these things and more.

Robert Arrowood, a senior psychology major with a concentration in research from Unicoi, graduated in May with honors and has spent the last four years exemplifying student scholarship. Arrowood has received research grants, been accepted into the Alpha Chi Honor Society, published research, been honored as the Student of the Block, and has served as a student tutor. He has been a student teacher and worked in his field. With a near perfect grade point average and having completed the Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program at East Tennessee State University, he has shown a dedication to his field comparable to many graduate students.

Dr. Bill Garris, associate professor of psychology, remembers having Arrowood in what might have been his first psychology class. "You see, eighteen-year-olds," Garris explained, "are like the newest little kids on the playground. They often have a certain immaturity to them, but lots of potential. Robert was one who spoke up in class and was often engaged with the material. As he developed as a student his depth of knowledge progressed tremendously and because of that he was trusted with greater responsibility."

Earlier this year, Arrowood had the opportunity to student teach under the supervision of Dr. Garris.

"I expected to hate teaching. I did it to build my vitae, but Dr. Garris eased me into lecturing softly, and I quickly realized I liked teaching," said Arrowood. "I liked seeing students respond to my lectures and that made me want to teach more."

Arrowood made it clear that he intends to complete a Ph.D. in clinical psychology with an emphasis on research. In order to strengthen his chances of being accepted into a desired graduate program, he entered the Ronald E. McNair program at East Tennessee State University. The program is a summer internship designed to help students who show an interest in working toward a doctorate. Arrowood explained, "I'm a first generation college student, so figuring out how to get into college was difficult. When it comes to graduate school, the McNair program helped me with the process." He addded



Robert Arrowood, right, speaks with Dr. Stephen Nettlehorst, assistant professor of psychology, at the Southeastern Psychological Association's 60th annual conference.

that it taught him how to construct a vitae, how much a vitae matters and improved his research skills.

To Arrowood, the influence of his professors including Dr. Brian Pope, professor of psychology and chair of the psychology department; Garris, and Dr. Tom Harlow, associate professor of psychology and director of the honors program, has guided him. Before taking some of the upper division psychology classes offered at Tusculum, Arrowood explained that his plan was to earn a master's degree and enter the marriage counseling field, but now he has a newfound respect for research and the ways in which his research can influence his future practice.

"There are benefits of a small college," Garris added.
"They allow the faculty to get to know their students. There are opportunities for students to develop interpersonal skills; opportunities that aren't available at larger institutions. Robert has had the opportunity to work with three different faculty members on experiments, become published and teach. All of this is because we know our students, we know their interests, and we can create opportunities for them."

Ryan M. Barker senior creative writing and history major from Laurens, S.C.



## Tusculum alumni benefit from tuition reimbursement

Financial assistance for completing a degree can take a variety of forms, and for several regional companies, providing tuition reimbursement for their employees to continue their education is part of their program of professional development.

For Scott Jinks '13 and Cheri Kelley '12, the corporate reimbursement programs enabled them to reach their academic goals. Both Jinks and Kelley work for companies that see the value of the investment a tuition reimbursement program can provide.

Tuition reimbursement is an opportunity that many employers offer as a way to pay back employees for education expenses. Those who choose to participate initially pay for the courses they take. When the course is successfully completed, the employee may be returned some or all of the tuition expenses. At some institutions, students with financial constraints may qualify to defer payment until their coursework is complete.

Jinks is a quality engineer at Baldor Dodge Reliance Company in Rogersville. He participated in the company's tuition reimbursement program and earned his bachelor's degree through Tusculum College's Graduate and Professional Studies program.

"It was a great opportunity, economically," said Jenks. "If you make an 'A' in a class, they reimburse you 100 percent of the price of that class; if you make a 'B' or a

'C' they will reimburse 75 percent of the tuition costs for that course. However, if you graduate and get your full degree, they will go back and reimburse you the 25 percent that was left off from the latter grades."

Kevin Hughett, the human resources director at Baldor, said, "We offer this program in order to serve the purpose of making our employees better." He added, "The company benefits from employees getting more education so it's a good investment."

Kelley is the logistics manager at Rich Products in Morristown. Rich Products is a national food distribution company. Kelley has been with Rich Products for 21 years and was able to attend Tusculum College through Rich Products' educational reimbursement program.

"I had several promotions before I got the degree, but I knew that I would need it in order to progress in the company," said Kelley. "It was a great opportunity. They reimbursed me probably 20-30 percent of my college tuition, and that was a great thing for me."

There is considerable variety in the way individual tuition reimbursement programs are coordinated, but at the companies where they are offered, the corporate leaders believe in the value of education and willingly invest in their employees and encourage them to be life-long learners.

"Tusculum College is happy to work with any company's existing tuition reimbursement guidelines," said Lindsey Seal, assistant director of enrollment. She added, "We will also work with any company that is interested in establishing a similar program for their employees."

Jonathon Dennis freshman journalism major from Silver Creek, Ga.



Tuition reimbursement programs provide many Graduate and Professional Studies students the financial assistance they need to continue their education.

## Financial aid crucial in enabling Tusculum students to reach their goals

Financial aid plays a significant role in the academic advancement of Tusculum College's students. There are many scholarships and grants available, and many of Tusculum's students depend on scholarships as part of their financial aid package to make their dream of a college education possible.

"Academic or merit scholarships include Tusculum College scholarships or grants," said Stacey McDonald, a senior financial aid counselor who is tasked with helping connect students with aid. "The Hope Scholarship is available to Tennessee residents who have a qualifying grade point average. There is also the Opportunity Grant, which is need-based, as well as the Tennessee Student

Assistance Award. Other federal grants such as the Pell grant, the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant and scholarships from the state are available



Some scholarships are tied to specific fields of study.
Presented the Doug Ratledge Environmental Science
Scholarship during Honors Convocation in April was
Kayla Gillispie. Dr. Richard Thompson, assistant professor
chemistry, presented the award.



Melissa Mauceri, far left, the author of this article, was one of the scholarship recipients who attended the Scholarship Banquet in March, which allowed donors to meet students who benefit from their generosity. It also allowed the students to learn more about the importance of giving back and about the people who have helped them in their educational journey. From left are Mauceri, student Bridget Conte, donors Bill and Jane Shanks Pilloni '60 '59 and student David Cooper.

for those with particular majors such as nursing and education."

At Tusculum, alumni and friends may provide ongoing support for students through endowed scholarships. A minimum donation of \$1,000 per year awarded must be made in order to create a named annual scholarship.

"Endowed funds are part of the permanent endowment of the College. The interest earned each year is used for the designated purpose. The principal remains intact," said Michelle Arbogast, associate director of foundation and donor relations. "Commitments totaling \$25,000 or more are needed to establish a named endowed scholarship fund. An endowed fund is an excellent way to perpetuate interest in and support for Tusculum College."

Destini Wingerter, a senior journalism major from Bristol, is grateful to be the recipient of an endowed scholarship. "Scholarships benefit me because they allow me to go to a private college," she said. "They also give me an opportunity to pursue my future goals in my career."

Wingerter is the recipient of the Judge Luke M. McAmis and H.C. McAmis Endowed Scholarship, established in 1983 by Dr. Robert H. Bailey '48 and friends and associates to honor Judge McAmis '24 of Kingsport and his brother.



According to Arbogast, a Memorandum of Understanding is created between the donor and the College to establish an annual or endowed scholarship. The donor may select the criteria to identify the student receiving the scholarship.

There are many types of annual and endowed scholarships. One example is the Judith Bishop Boswell '56 Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund, which was established in 1994 by friends, family and fellow classmates as a tribute to Judith Bishop Boswell, class of 1956. Scholarship preference is given to able and deserving students who have expressed an interest in cheerleading and other related campus spirit activities. This year's recipient is Melissa Mauceri, a senior journalism major and cheerleader from Pigeon Forge, who also received the William and Jane Shanks Pilloni '60 '59 Endowed Scholarship.

Another example is the Melinda Ruth Cansler Greene Annual Scholarship, established by Annie and Jimmy Cansler in loving memory of Jimmy's daughter, Melinda, and as a means to provide support for students with financial need who are enrolled in the nursing program.

Melinda was a graduate of Washington College Academy, a school that, like Tusculum, was founded by Samuel Doak. She attended the University of Tennessee. Annie and Jimmy Cansler, in establishing this annual scholarship, seek to continue Melinda's giving spirit by



Scholarships are important to international students such as Sri Lankan native Michael Fernando, above, with Dr. Moody during the Scholarship Banquet. International students are not eligible to receive aid from U.S. governmental programs.



First generation student Robert Arrowood, left, received the Hallie Simpson Wade Family Memorial Scholarship this past year, a scholarship that was created through an estate gift. All the students at the Scholarship Banquet had their photo taken with Tusculum President Nancy B. Moody.

assisting deserving students pursuing a nursing degree at Tusculum College. This year's recipients are senior nursing majors Anjelica Bolden of New Tazewell and Katrina Holder of Greeneville.

It is clear that without financial aid most students would not be able to attend college and receive a quality education. Student Ryan Barker, a senior history and creative writing major from Laurens, S.C., said, "As for financial aid, it is one of the things that give us opportunity. Without financial aid like endowed scholarships, I never would have been given the opportunity to accomplish everything I have because I wouldn't have been able to afford the education Tusculum has provided me."

Barker, who has studied abroad and is currently the president of the Student Government Association, has received several scholarships including the Hubert C. Smith, Jr. '53 Endowed Scholarship.

Arbogast is available to answer questions for anyone who is interested in creating a scholarship fund. She can be reached at marbogast@tusculum.edu.

Melissa Mauceri a senior journalism major from Pigeon Forge

## **Hitler's Car?**

## Mystery surrounds car housed for many years across from campus

This account has not been authenticated with references in order to verify every detail. It is a compilation of memories and recollections, believed by many in the Tusculum community to be a true account.

The author's childhood neighbor and long-term friend Sam Dobson '71, has reviewed this account and vouches for the recollections. The point of writing this was not to be scholarly, but to provide some bits of information to the Tusculum family that they can ponder. Perhaps this account will inspire some more scholarly and knowledgeable person to fill in the gaps and correct any shortfalls in the details.

According to verbal history and our memories and what was published in *The Greeneville Sun*, shortly after World War II, Tom Austin of the Austin Tobacco Company was traveling in the Netherlands and Belgium and came across a car of a model similar to the one below that was said to have been driven by Heinrich Himmler, one of Hitler's Nazi henchmen.

Austin was able to work out a deal and purchased it for an unknown sum. The Europeans were not fond of having a Nazi car anywhere in their country, so it was likely a bargain. He had the car shipped back to Greeneville and

## Alumni Reminisces

by James Southerland '64 in collaboration with Sam Dobson '71

later presented it to Post 1990 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW).

The car had a huge in-line engine with exhaust pipes from each cylinder that were at least three inches in diameter. The body was armored with heavy steel, and the bullet-proof glass windows were at least one and a half inches thick. It had a large leather-covered seat in the back that looked like a sofa, and there were two fold-down jump seats in the spacious area in front of the main seat. Outside, there were hand holds and foot steps at various places on the rear and sides, presumably for guards to ride along. Because of these heavy pieces added to the car, it weighed almost 10,000 pounds.

Despite this, it was allegedly able to cruise at 130 miles per hour on the Autobohn in its prime. It had three tanks, holding about 60 gallons. However, the normal gas mileage was said to be about three miles per gallon.

The car was used in various parades and for many years, remained drivable. When it became difficult to keep running due to availability of parts and cost, it was carried on a flatbed trailer in the parades for a few years.

When the VFW decided to move their meeting hall from Main Street in Greeneville to its current location off Harlan Street, they needed to raise funds to build the new building. Since the car was rumored to have belonged to Himler, one of Hitler's high ranking underlings, they decided to find out how much the car would be worth.

They advertised it nationally and some entrepreneurs came to Tusculum to



This car, near-identical to the VFW car, is in a Canadian museum. This photo was taken by an Indian car enthusiast, posting as Ram on the Indian car site, BHP.com.

examine it and eventually offered them what was rumored to be around \$100,000. The buyer took the car to Chicago, where another expenditure of a reported \$100,000 was said to restore the car to its former glory.

During the process, the new owners contacted the Mercedes-Benz factory in Germany for additional documentation and authentication. As is fairly common knowledge, Mercedes had part of their operations inside a mountain cavern during WWII, and they were able to locate the original bill of sale. It was signed by Hitler himself, according to reports. Shortly after completion of the restoration, the car was reported to have sold for more than one million dollars. It has been sold at least once since then.

I occasionally think about that car, and that I had the opportunity to sit in it and imagine driving it or being driven in it. I did not often think much about that terrible devil Hitler who once owned it but of the victory of the United States over his Arian plans. And to think, it was right here in Tusculum, just across from the College!

James Southerland '64 grew up just off campus and was part of the Tusculum College community. Sam Dobson '71 and his father Harold Dobson lived in the white house off Dobson Drive and Harold was the "keeper of the car" on behalf of Post 1990. The property is now owned by Scott Niswonger '87 H'06.

#### Vinyard

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not only welcome but long overdue," wrote Pierre Salinger in the foreword of "The Splinter Fleet." Not one of the subchasers had been included in momentous celebrations ending WWII.

Joan also came to know Treadwell's son, Dan, who had visited the Vinyard Shipyard. That visit led to one of those fortunate happenstances, as Treadwell's son provided copies of letters that his father had received from soldiers who described their

lives aboard the subchasers for Joan to use in her research.

Another of those good happenstances occurred one day at a Mail Center in Milford. As Joan told someone about her frustrations about not being able to find a member of the Vinyard family, another person listening knew a granddaughter. Contacting the granddaughter, Joan said she learned that the granddaughter had been planning to throw out her grandmother's archival photos of the shipyard. The Loflands happily accepted the photos from her instead.

Initially concerned with preserving the site, sharing Vinyard's story with others also became important. "I wanted people in our town to know the heritage of the shipyards, the workers there and those who served on the ships," Joan said. She noted that growing up in Milford, students were not encouraged to look for hometown history.

Joan received a grant from the Delaware Humanities Forum and created a documentary video and traveling exhibit about the history of the town.

"I was new at this," she said, adding she had the good fortune of meeting Michael Oates, who wrote, directed and edited the resulting documentary, "Wood Shavings to Hot Sparks,' The History of Shipbuilding in Milford, Delaware." The video was promoted with the relaunching ceremony of



The shipyard now has an attractive covered area for boat launches.

the *Augusta* with the proceeds going to fund an executive director position for the Milford Museum.

Joan's 2013 documentary about the subchasers built at Vinyard started as a PowerPoint presentation, which she presented to the Patrol Craft Sailors Association convention in Norfolk, Va. There, she was asked if she could make the presentation into a video so it could be shared with veterans who are no longer able to attend the meetings due to health issues. Michael Oates signed on for this project too, and the documentary has been distributed to veterans who served on the ships and their families. Joan's final project is to create a book putting the research together, highlighting the Morris Rosenfeld and H.G. Tropea photos of the Vinyard built yachts, advertising that went with them, the commercial and war ships and the stories of the men that built them.

After the publication of the book, Joan wants to think about taking a break from her historical research projects and try to visit and thank the many people who contributed time, photos or stories.

Videos about Vinyard Shipbuilding and the *Augusta* can be found online on YouTube. Enter "Rebirth of *Augusta*" into the search bar to find a brief video about its relaunching.

Eugenia Estes '04 Associate Director of College Communications

## Hughes to lead Tusculum's efforts in enrollment management, marketing

LeAnn Hughes, Tusculum's new vice president of enrollment management and marketing, has been part of the campus community since early April. She held a similar position for the past two years at King University.

Hughes comes to the College with experience in marketing, fundraising, strategic planning and working with students through the enrollment process.

"Her experience and success in enrollment management and marketing will support continuing success at the College in recruiting both adult and traditional age students," said Dr. Nancy B. Moody, Tusculum president. "She also brings expertise to our rejuvenated branding and marketing efforts in both traditional and emerging venues."

Hughes began her career at King University in July 2002 in the position of director of communications. She served as vice president of marketing and development and most recently as King's vice president of marketing and enrollment management, where she was heavily engaged in efforts to expand that university's graduate and professional studies and online programs.

She was also instrumental in King's 14 years of record enrollment. At King she served as a member of the president's five-member cabinet, responsible for the strategic visioning process of the college and implementing policies and procedures.



LeAnn Hughes

"I am delighted to be a part of Tusculum College and look forward to applying my skills and background to such an exceptional institution," said Hughes. "It is an honor to have been selected for the position, and I anticipate a mutually exciting and rewarding opportunity as we work to reach Tusculum's enrollment and marketing strategic goals."

Hughes has previously served as the director of marketing and sports development for the Kingsport Area Chamber of Commerce; marketing and events director for the Downtown Kingsport Association and computer instructor/publications director for Bailey Computing Technologies, Inc. She was a member of the 2001-2002 Leadership Kingsport Class.

Hughes earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, where she was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa and a Master of Arts degree in English from East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tenn., graduating in the top two percent of her class. In addition, she has earned a certificate in fundraising management from the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University.

## Malcolm, Parker join Office of Institutional Advancement

On Nov. 1, the number of staff in the Office of Institutional Advancement increased by 20 percent when Joanna Malcom and Joni Parker became part of the Tusculum College community. Malcom is assistant director of the Tusculum Fund and Parker is assistant director of alumni and parent relations.

As assistant director of the Tusculum Fund, Malcom executes the annual phonathon, oversees the Faculty/Staff campaign and Senior Gift campaign, as well as works as part of the College's development team. The student phonathon, under her direction, has surpassed its monetary goal for the 2013-14 year.

Prior to coming to Tusculum, Malcom was an annual fund gift officer at Berea College, her alma mater, and worked on a number of campaigns for that institution. In addition, she worked with Berea's



Joanna Malcom



Joni B. Parker

planned giving program and assisted with alumni and other events. She holds a bachelor's degree in music from Berea. In her role, Parker is responsible for promoting and enhancing relationships with alumni and other supporters of the

College, as well as managing the class reunion program.

Parker was formerly an advertising account representative for *The Greeneville Sun* and has worked with Creative Energy public relations firm in Johnson City. Parker has a bachelor's degree in mass communications from East Tennessee State University. She is currently enrolled in Tusculum's master's program in human resource development.

## Tusculum's Arch receives some TLC

The Tusculum College Arch, built in 1917, has become the visual icon of the College. The Women's Glee clubs from 1915-1916 provided the initial funds to construct the Arch, which was originally built by Tennessee's primary stonemasons, J.T. Ponder. The Arch cost \$400.

According to Sam
Dobson '71, a history major
at Tusculum College, the
construction of the Arch
was a project devised in
the patriotic passion that
swept the Tusculum College
campus, as well as the rest
of the country, after the
United States entered World
War I. Today the Arch,

along with nine other College buildings, is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Dobson has witnessed firsthand the Arch's progression. His great-grandfather Samuel Robert Dobson, known to most as "SR," owned Dobson Grocery, which was located across the street from the Arch. Samuel Robert Dobson helped build the Arch. Although the store has been closed for many years, many still remember it and "SR."

According to Sam, "SR" remembered seeing the main part of the Arch built, and then the wings were added. Ac-



The restoration work was completed in time for the Arch to welcome visitors to campus during the Old Oak Festival.



A workman from WASCO places new stone into the side of the Arch to replace rock that has been broken and chipped away as a result of the structure's exposure to the elements.

cording to "SR," in 1922 they added a concrete topping with the date to the Arch. He recalled a time in his youth when he and his friends would cross the street and play at the Arch.

In the spring of this year, work began to fully restore the Arch following water damage that had begun to create failure in the existing mortar. According to David Martin, director of facilities for Tusculum College, "The Arch is getting a full restoration." Martin added that all the old mortar was removed, new mortar added and some minor repairs made. There will also be some ground lighting in-

stalled to light the arch in the evening hours.

Martin said the work is being done by WASCO, a commercial masonry company out of Knoxville that is certified in historic masonry preservation.

The Restoration Project was funded through a joint gift from the Senior Class of 2014 and the 50th Reunion Class of 1964. The two groups presented a check to the College at the May Commencement ceremony.

The Tusculum College Arch remains the most recognizable symbol of the College and will continue to stand in welcome to generations of future students.

Melissa Mauceri Senior journalism major from Pigeon Forge

## Stokes commissioned as Tusculum chaplain

Mark A. Stokes has served in many positions and areas at Tusculum College, and this February, he took on a new role, chaplain.

Stokes was commissioned as chaplain during a ceremony on Feb. 4. His commissioning followed three years of study and commissioning as a Ruling Elder (formerly known as Lay Pastor) in Holston Presbytery and the Presbyterian Church (USA).

"The long historic connection between First Presbyterian Church and Tusculum College is valued as an important relationship by both the College and the Church," said Dr. Dan Donaldson, minister at First Presbyterian Church of Greeneville and a member of the College's Board of Trustees. "As Mark's pastor and friend I am pleased to share in this special occasion in his work Greeneville, mother church of the College. and ministry. This commissioning strengthens the relationship between the Church and the College,



Mark A. Stokes, left, was commissioned in a ceremony conducted by the Rev. Dr. Dan Donaldson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of

and is an affirmation of Mark's call to service in the ministry of First Presbyterian Church and the mission of

Tusculum College."

Stokes has served in important leadership roles at First Presbyterian Church as an elder, a teacher, a choir member and a variety of other roles.

As chaplain, Stokes oversees weekly chapel services held during academic blocks and serves as advisor to the student religious organizations. He coordinates the Council on Church Relations and works to further develop and maintain the College's relationship with the Presbyterian Church (USA) through positions on Presbytery committees and as a liaison to the Presbyterian Church USA, Synod of Living Waters, Holston Presbytery, Presbytery of East Tennessee and the First Presbyterian Church of Greeneville.

In addition, he continues to coordinate the Theologian-in-Residence lecture series, administer the Tusculum Sunday program at First Presbyterian Church of Greeneville and serve as a Tusculum Experience instructor, as well as an academic advisor.

Stokes has worked in almost all of the major administrative areas at the College since coming to campus 25 years ago. He has headed admissions, student affairs and institutional advancement and has served as the vice president of administration, overseeing such diverse areas as the museums, information systems and building projects.

## Williams leads Theologian series



Dr. Travis Williams, assistant professor of religion at Tusculum, led the 2014 Theologian-in-Residence lecture series, examining the "why" of I Peter; why it was written and why it was written in a certain manner. Dr. Williams, a leading expert on the New Testament epistle, described the situations experienced by the letter's audience, Christians in Asia Minor living in a Greco-Roman culture. He also detailed how the author of I Peter encouraged cautious resistance to societal norms in contradiction with their faith and also provide a way to cope with their disadvantages by changing the way they saw themselves.

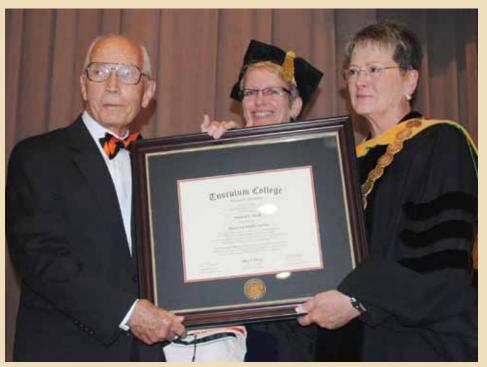
## Descendent of college founders receives honorary degree at May Commencement

Capt. Samuel L. Doak, a 1949 alumnus of Tusculum College and a member of the Board of Trustees for 21 years, received an Honorary Doctorate of Public Service at the afternoon May Commencement service.

"Through service, leadership and lifelong support of the College, Capt. Doak exemplifies the Civic Art values that Tusculum College has promoted for 220 years," said Dr. Moody in conferring the degree.

He is a direct descendent of the founders of the College. His great, great, great, great grandfather, the Rev. Samuel Doak, and his great, great, great grandfather, the Rev. Samuel Witherspoon Doak, founded Tusculum Academy, which later became Tusculum College.

Captain Doak is a 1950 graduate of the United States Naval Academy and the recipient of a Master of Arts degree



Capt. Samuel L. Doak, left, a 1949 alumnus of Tusculum and a member of its Board of Trustees, was conferred an honorary doctorate during May commencement activities. Presenting him the diploma and hood are Dr. Melinda Dukes, center, vice president for academic affairs and Dr. Nancy B. Moody, Tusculum president.

from Boston University. He distinguished himself as a member of the United States Navy during his 30-year career, receiving multiple honors, including the Legion of Merit and a Bronze Star with a Combat V. He was the Commanding Officer of the NROTC Unit at Cornell University and was the Deputy Commandant of the Armed Forces Staff Colleges. During his 30 years as a commissioned officer on the active list of the Navy, he served as commanding officer of an amphibious ship, an ocean going minesweeper and a destroyer.

As a member of the Tusculum College family, he has served as director of alumni affairs and as a valued and influential member of the Tusculum College Board of Trustees. Capt. Doak has been a member of the Board of Trustees since May 1993 and has served on the Academic Affairs, Academic and Student Affairs, Building and Grounds and Enrollment committees and the subcommittee on honorary degrees. He and his wife, Emily, are also the recipients of the Tusculum College Distinguished Service Award.

Capt. Doak has contributed his time to building the local community through such activities as teaching senior citizen driving courses. He is an active and dedicated member of Greeneville Cumberland Presbyterian Church and a regular attendee of First Presbyterian Church of Greeneville.

"Sam and Emily have been generous contributors to Tusculum College throughout their lives, supporting the growth, expansion and mission of the College at the highest levels," Dr. Moody said. "These gifts have impacted the lives of thousands of students who lead better lives today because of the generosity of these two Pioneers who have blazed the trail that others might follow and have the opportunity for a college education."

Prior to the Commencement service Capt. Doak and his family were guests for a luncheon in the President's Dining Room with Dr. Moody and other College officials.

## Pioneer Athletics (TC)

## Men's lacrosse makes Tusculum debut

The era of men's lacrosse at Tusculum College opened on a winning note.

The Pioneers, under the direction of head coach Richard Carrington, won their first three games and four of the first five.

The team took the field for their first game in Parkersburg, W.Va., on Feb. 8, where the Pioneers defeated Ohio Valley University 12-10.

In its home opener, Tusculum scored 13 unanswered goals in a 23-6 win over Lees-McRae College on Feb. 19.

The Pioneers recorded a 9-8 road win at Young Harris College and followed with an 11-6 home victory over Post University.



Tusculum President Nancy B. Moody dropped the puck for the ceremonial opening face-off for the first home lacrosse game on Feb. 19.

#### Dean earns third All-America honor, breaks NCAA digs record

Caitlyn Dean finished her senior season as an All-American in volleyball and as the

NCAA Division II record holder for career digs.

The libero/defensive specialist from Fort Wayne, Ind., was selected to the Daktronics NCAA Division II All-America Vollevball first team. Dean becomes the first three-time All-America selection in program history and the first Tusculum studentathlete to garner All-America first team honors three times in her career for any sport. Dean is the only South Atlantic Conference volleyball player to garner All-America first team honors three times in her career.

Dean, a nursing major, was also named to the 2013 Capital One Academic All-America® NCAA Division II Volleyball third team as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). She

becomes only the third Tusculum student-athlete to earn Academic All-America® and All-America honors in the

> same academic year as Dean was selected to the AVCA All-America Team.

Dean's 3,184 career digs are a Division II best and the eighth most for all NCAA divisions. She is second in DII history in career digs per average (6.85 dps) and her 114 career service aces are the seventh most in Tusculum history.

During her 124-match Tusculum career, Dean has accounted for 40 contests with 30 or more digs, including seven times in 2013. Her 723 total digs this year are the third most in Tusculum history.

Dean is a four-time All-South

Atlantic Conference first team selection. She has been named the Tusculum College Female Athlete of the Year the last two seasons and is a member of the SAC Commissioner's Honor Roll and the Tusculum Athletic Director's Honor Roll.



Caitlyn Dean

## Pioneer Athletics (TC)



## **Dunn inducted into SAC Hall of Fame**

Former Tusculum College football All-American Alan Dunn '04 has been elected to the South Atlantic Conference Hall of Fame.

He was officially welcomed into the SAC Hall of Fame at the conference's annual banquet on June 5.

Dunn garnered All-South Atlantic Conference First Team honors three times (2001, 2002, 2003) and was the recipient of the Jacobs



Alan Dunn '04

Blocking Trophy, which recognizes the top offensive lineman or blocking back in the conference. Dunn

is one of four players in the 24-year history of the award to earn the honor multiple times.

The two-time All-American started all four seasons at offensive tackle. At the end of his senior season, Dunn earned an invitation to play in the Cactus Bowl, the NCAA Division II all-star game, and was the recipient of the Jim Langer Award, honoring the game's most valuable offensive lineman.

Graduating from Tusculum with a history degree, Dunn was an outstanding student and he was named to the Academic All-District IV Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

After graduating from Tusculum, he signed a free agent contract with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 2004.

However, Dunn never achieved his dream of playing in the National Football League but moved back to his native Chattanooga to determine his next academic step.

After settling on law school and sending off applications, he gave football a final fling in 2005 while awaiting the responses. He went to Wyoming and played in the National Indoor Football League with trips to Montana, Nebraska, Texas and Washington (state), among others.

After beginning law school, Dunn used his blocking skills figuratively to ward off all distractions, finishing in three years and passing the bar exam on his first attempt.

Currently a practicing attorney in his hometown, Dunn was inducted to the Tusculum College Sports Hall of Fame in 2011.

## Cooper recognized for academics by South Atlantic Conference

Tusculum College's David Cooper was named the 2013 South Atlantic Conference Men's Cross Country Scholar Athlete of the Year.

The SAC Scholar Athlete of the Year Award is a distinction that recognizes excellence in athletics. academics, service and leadership. It is presented to one student-athlete in each of the conference's 18 championship sports and is selected by the league's faculty athletics representatives. Cooper, a junior from Greeneville, Tenn., becomes



David Cooper

the second men's runner in program history to earn this award, joining two-time SAC Scholar Athlete Simon Holzapfel '11, who earned this honor in 2009 and 2010.

Cooper has a perfect 4.0 cumulative grade point average while majoring in biology. For the second straight year, he was named to the Capital One Academic All-America® second team. Cooper is a member of the Tusculum chapter of the Alpha Chi Honor Society.

On the course, Cooper is a two-time All-SAC selection. In 2011, he was named to the SAC All-Freshman Team and is a three-year team captain.

Cooper has been involved in numerous campus and community leadership roles, serving with the Greene County YMCA, the Tusculum Athletic Judicial Board and the Greene County Humane Society. He is also the current president of the Pioneer Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and is a past participant of the SAC Student-Athlete Leadership Conference.

## **Pioneer Athletics**

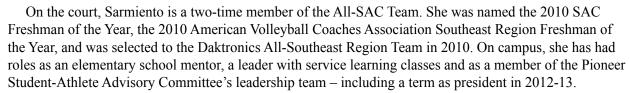
#### Sarmiento repeats as SAC Volleyball Scholar Athlete of the Year

For a second straight season, Tusculum College's Ashley Sarmiento has been selected as the South Atlantic Conference (SAC) Volleyball Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Sarmiento is the program's first repeat winner of the conference honor, which is presented to one student-athlete in each of the conference's 18 championship sports and selected by the league's faculty athletic representatives. She is also only the third player in the 23-year history of the award to earn the honor multiple times.

A mathematics and math education major at Tusculum, Sarmiento has a 3.93 cumulative grade point average. She has twice been selected to the Capital One Academic All-America Team and is a member of Tusculum's Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society.

Sarmiento was the 2012-13 recipient of the SAC Presidents Award, the most prestigious honor the conference awards to its student-athletes. She also received the Tusculum President's Award this spring, one of the highest honors the College bestows





Ashley Sarmiento

## Volleyball reaches **NCAA** tournament for fifth time

The Tusculum College volleyball team continued its winning ways in 2013, advancing for a fifth straight time to the NCAA Division II tournament.

The Pioneers amassed a 21-11 record, including 15-7 in South Atlantic Conference play to finish second in league standings for the third time in four years.

The volleyball team earned the program's fifth straight NCAA tournament at-large bid and advanced to the Southeast Regional quarterfinal. Tusculum posted the program's eighth consecutive winning season and the sixth 20-win campaign in the last eight years.

This past year, the Pioneer volleyball team posted the program's eighth consecutive winning season.

## Meeting a legend



Tusculum College quarterback Bo Cordell '13 met football legend Archie Manning at the Allstate Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1. Cordell was honored as a member of the 2013 American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team prior to the ball game. (For more about Cordell's accomplishments, please see the article on page 32.)

## Pioneer Athletics (To



### Handshoe named women's lacrosse coach

The women's lacrosse program took a significant step forward recently with the announcement of Jenna Handshoe as the new program's first head coach.

Women's lacrosse will become the school's 16th varsity sport when it begins competition in the spring of 2015. Tusculum women's lacrosse will compete at the NCAA Division II level and will be a member of the South Atlantic Conference

Handshoe comes to Tusculum from Tennessee

Wesleyan College, where she served as head coach for two seasons. With the Bulldogs, Handshoe posted a 17-18 record and led the school to two trips to the National Women's Lacrosse League tournament, where they finished fifth and fourth.

"As Tusculum enters a new era by starting our first-ever women's lacrosse program, we have hired Jenna to take the reins and run with this new and exciting opportunity," said Tusculum Athletic Director Frankie DeBusk. "Jenna was our first choice and came highly recommended from colleagues of Director of Lacrosse Richard Carrington. I would like to thank Richard for his efforts in

finding a very qualified candidate for this position and cannot wait to see our student-athletes start coming to campus this fall."

"I am very grateful to President Nancy Moody, Coach DeBusk and Coach Carrington for giving me this amazing opportunity and entrusting me with building the women's lacrosse program at Tusculum," said Handshoe. "Upon touring and meeting with the athletic staff I knew Tusculum College is a very special place to be."

A native of Greenville, S.C., and a graduate of J.L. Mann High School, Handshoe was a four-year starter at NCAA Division I Presbyterian College from 2007 to 2010. With the Blue Hose, she was a second-team All-National Lacrosse Conference selection in 2010 and led the team in scoring as both a junior and a senior. She led Presbyterian in points, goals, free position

goals, shots and shots on goal her senior year. She led in goals her junior season with 28. In 2008, the season was cut short, but Handshoe still scored 15 goals in the four games she played. She was nationally ranked in NCAA Division II in 2007 for ground balls and caused turnovers. She was named to the Big South Conference Presidential Honor Roll and also played basketball for Presbyterian her freshman year.

In high school, Handshoe helped J.L. Mann to win

the 2006 South Carolina State Championship. She was named the Tournament MVP and the South Carolina Defensive Player of the Year.

"As a player I had the amazing opportunity to be a member of a young and growing program, and I am ecstatic to have the opportunity as a coach to start and develop a program," commented Handshoe. "Tusculum College has the great setting, academic attention and facilities to draw the attention for high school and junior college prospects."

After earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in history with minors in physical education and athletic coaching in the spring

of 2010, Handshoe was a volunteer assistant coach at Presbyterian for the 2011 season and officiated at local high school games. Handshoe has worked various lacrosse camps and clinics and held volunteer classes for the Athens City Middle School during the past academic year.

While at Tennessee Wesleyan, Handshoe served on the National Women's Lacrosse League Membership committee and was the Appalachian Athletic Conference chair for the Coaches Committee.



Jenna Handshoe



## Trustees honor Cordell for achievements

Bo Cordell has brought much attention to Tusculum College in the past few years through his success on the football field and service to the community. In February, the College's Board of Trustees passed a special resolution to express its appreciation for his contributions to the Tusculum community.

On Feb. 7, Dr. Kenneth A. Bowman, chair of the Tusculum Board and a 1970 alumnus of the College, presented Cordell with a signed resolution of appreciation from the Board recognizing his accomplishments in the classroom, on the field and in the community.

"Bo Cordell has been a record setter on the football field and has excelled in the classroom, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration in 2013," said Bowman. "More than that, Bo has given back at a level not often seen, being recognized on a national level not only for his athletic success, but also for his service to community.

"While we, the Tusculum College Board of Trustees, recognize Bo Cordell's successes at Tusculum College, we also extend a formal expression of appreciation along with best wishes to him in all future endeavors," Bowman continued.

In May Cordell signed a free agent contract to play professional football with the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League.

While at Tusculum, Cordell was named to the prestigious American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team, one of only 22 collegiate football players in the nation to be recognized in 2013. Off the field, Bo has been very active on campus and in the community. He volunteered with the Tusculum Mentors Program,



Dr. Kenneth A. Bowman, chair of the Tusculum Board of Trustees, left, presents a resolution of appreciation to Bo Cordell during a reception at the President's House.

Earth Day, Tusculum Lunch Buddies program, Boys and Girls Club Youth Football Clinic, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Adopt-a-Highway program, the Make-A-Wish Foundation and the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

He participated in the Center for Economic Development and Entrepreneurship, was named to the Tusculum College Dean's List, and was a Capitol One Academic All-District Player. He also served as a representative with the Pioneer Student Athlete Advisory Council.

Cordell, the first quarterback in Tusculum history to earn the All-American distinction in two separate seasons, was recognized in 2013 and 2010 by D2football.com and Don Hansen's Football Gazette and was the 2013 Daktronics Region Two Player of the Year.

He finished fourth for the second time in the voting for the Harlon Hill Trophy that honors the NCAA Division II National Player of the Year and was a finalist in 2010.

Cordell has had one of the most prolific careers ever by a collegiate signal caller. He owns 15 NCAA Division II records, including career passing yards (16,265 – fourth in all NCAA divisions), career completions (1,397 – third in all NCAA divisions), career pass attempts (2,187 – third in all NCAA divisions), career total offensive yards (16,432 – fourth in all NCAA divisions) and total offensive plays in a career (2,572 – second in all NCAA divisions).

He was also named the 2013 South Atlantic Conference Offensive Player of the Year, the first Tusculum player to earn the honor multiple times in his career (2010 and 2013) and one of only four players in league history to earn Offensive Player of the Year honors multiple times. He was named a semifinalist for the 2013 William V. Campbell Trophy presented by the National Football Foundation.

## Class

## Notes

#### '40s

**Val Moncada '41** of Asheville, NC, has received the highest award given by the Masonic Brotherhood – the 33rd Degree, at the Masonic Temple in Charlotte, NC. He has served as a Mason for 65 years.

The late Clifton Earle Shotwell '47 was honored with the dedication of The Shotwell Cup for Excellence in Cross Country and The Shotwell Memorial Bench at the University of the South, Sewanee on October 31, 2013. The cup and bench were dedicated by the undefeated 1953 and 1954 teams at the University of the South in memory of their beloved coach.

#### **'50s**

The Rev. Don Wright '53 of Canton, MI, is now pastor emeritus of The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn, MI. He is still an active pastor, serving the Erin Presbyterian Church of Roseville, MI, and as parish associate at the Dearborn Church. Don and his wife **Dorothy (Jaynes)** '54 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 1, 2013.

Kathy Vogt '56 celebrated her 80th birthday on November 23, 2013, with more than 80 family and friends in Knoxville, TN. Her husband, son and grandson are all alumni – Joe Vogt '53, Kelly Vogt '83 and Joe Vogt '12.

#### '60s

**Donald G. Wilson '64** had his book, "Evidence Withheld" published last July, which is available at *Amazon.com*. He writes that the book, "exposes the FBI cover up in the Martin L. King Jr. assassination," as well as chronicling his FBI career.

**Stuart R. Schwartz '67** of Frisco, TX, has recently published "A Wit's World," a collection of six original stories in a variety of styles. Schwartz has worked as an executive in the insurance and healthcare industries for several years. Upon retirement, he embarked on one of his lifelong goals, to become a writer. He served in the U.S.



A mini-1970s reunion was held in August 2013 at the Dunellen Hotel Restaurant in Dunellen, NJ. Reminiscing about their college days were, from left, Larry Pinkiewicz '75, Tom McCann '75, Fred Defazio '75, George Ryan '75 and Al Lombardi '76.

Army, Artillery Division, before embarking on a business career. He would enjoy hearing from his friends and readers at *stuartschwartz1956@gmail.com*.

#### '70s

**Susan Jacobs '74** of Dunfries, VA, retired from teaching in June 2013 and is enjoying traveling, visiting with friends, helping at her church, reading and quilting.

Harry Walker '79 of Towson, MD, recently earned his doctorate in education from Johns Hopkins University. His doctorate is in leadership and teacher development. After 33 years in the Baltimore Public Schools, primarily as an elementary school principal, Harry had retired. After a brief time in the private sector as a senior education technology consultant with Education Elements, he has returned to school leadership as the principal of Bellows Spring Elementary School in Howard County, MD.

#### '80s

Beth Maupin Frye '85 of Chuckey has been named the Athletic District I Female Coach of the Year by the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA). Frye is the head girl's basketball coach at Chuckey-Doak High School.

#### '90s

Gayle Mrock '90 '94 has been promoted to vice president of program services at Holston United Methodist Home for Children.

**Beth Ricker '93** of Greeneville, TN, represented her fellow teachers in accepting the United Way Advocacy Leadership Award presented to the state's teachers by the Ten-

nessee United Way organization. She spoke passionately about a teacher's mission. Ricker has been in education for 28 years and is currently a math teacher at Greeneville High School.

**Dr. Brian L. Pike '95**, upon completion of his two-year tour at the Naval Medical Research Center in Maryland, was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal. He and his wife, Alexandria, relocated in December to the Naval Medical Research Unit – Asia, located in Singapore.

#### **200s**

Tusculum football alum and South Oldham High School (KY) head coach **Jamie Reed** '00 '04 was named the Kentucky 5A-District 5 Coach of the Year.

**The Rev. Collin Adams '05** of Pollocksville, NC, appeared on the September 23, 2013, episode of "Jeopardy." Although he did not win the game, he was in the lead as the three contestants went into the "Final Jeopardy" round. Adams is now a pastor at Pollocksville Presbyterian Church.

**Rev. Blake S. Montgomery '05** of Rogersville, TN, is now pastor at Sneedville First Baptist Church in Sneedville, TN.

#### '10s

**Micah Haney '10** of Union Grove, AL, recently completed his MBA from North-central University.

**Elizabeth McDonnell '11** graduated in May 2013 with a Master of Fine Arts in creative writing from Chatham University with concentrations in creative non-fiction, travel writing and publishing. She served

as editorial intern for Creative Nonfiction and Pittsburgh Quarterly. She is now a marketing intern at Sundress Academy for the Arts (SAFTA) in Karns, TN.

**Vinton Copeland '13** of LaGrange, GA, became a licensed minister in December. Vinton is a student in the Master of Divinity program at Mercer University.

**David Talley '13** is currently living in Blountville, TN, and is working as a financial representative at Northwest Mutual in Johnson City.

Luis Zamora '13 of Chile has joined PricewaterhouseCoopers as a strategy and operations consultant. Luis will be part of a team that will provide leadership for the firm through a Latin American integration to be followed by the firm's global integration of consulting services in 2014.

## Weddings

Rustin Jones '06 and Casey Westmoreland '13 were married on July 20, 2013. Following a honeymoon trip to Jamaica, the couple is living in Greeneville, TN. Rustin is a teacher at West Greene High School, where he is also the head boys and girls soccer coach. Casey earned a degree in education in December.

Jessi S. Smith '10 and Josh Bennett '11 '13 were married on July 4, 2013, at Rui Palace Resourt in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico. The couple is living in Greeneville, TN. Jessi is a physician's assistant at Takoma Medical Associates. Josh is a teacher and the girls basketball coach at West Greene High School.

## **Births**

**Brad Hawks '05** and his wife Mallory celebrated the birth of their second daughter, Emmersyn Faith, on July 16.

## Memorials

'30s

**Gerald A. Jelinek '36** of Dillonvale, OH, passed away on Thursday, January 3, 2013.



Tim Wuest '78, Herb Bonner '78, Rick Scott '77 and Leo Holihan '78 met in Springfield, OH, on March 22 of this year. Tim lives near Cincinnati, Herb near Columbus, Rick in Raleigh, NC and Leo near Dayton.

Mr. Jelinek was retired educator and served as board chairman for Steel Valley Bank.

Nina Grace Cantwell Styke '37 passed away January 5, 2014. Mrs. Styke taught middle school in the Hamblen County School System for 42 years. She was a member of St. Paul Presbyterian Church.

#### '40s

John Milton Cathrall '41 of Stratford, NJ, passed away on November 23, 2013. Mr. Cathrall had served his Alma Mater as a member of the Board of Trustees. He served his hometown in many capacities and retired as town historian. Mr. Cathrall was a member of the PTA, helped build the swim club and was on the board of the Methodist Church. In his late 80s, he wrote "The History of Stratford." A veteran, Mr. Cathrall served as a naval lieutenant in the Pacific theater during World War II.

Margaret Schaefer Lewis '43 of Syracuse, NY, passed away on March 7, 2014, after a brief illness. She attended Tusculum for two years before transferring to Syracuse University, from which she graduated. She loved her time at Tusculum and always spoke highly of Tusculum to others. Mrs. Lewis taught elementary school for 22 years

before retiring in 1984. She served as a deacon and elder at Elmwood Elementary Presbyterian Church, and for the past 15 years, was a member of Onondaga Hill Presbyterian Church and its Circle One. Mrs. Lewis volunteered at Community General Hospital for 33 years and founded the City View Garden Club of Onondaga Hill.

Betty Beeson Helms '44 of Neenah, WI, passed away on December 11, 2013. Mrs. Helms had deep ties to Tusculum College. Her grandfather was Professor Samuel Rankin, for whom Rankin Hall is named. and her uncle, Raymond Rankin, served as Tusculum's president in the 1950s and 60s. Her sister, Ann Beeson Gouge '41, is a Tusculum alumna, as is her cousin Tom Rankin '51. Mrs. Helms attended Tusculum for two years before transferring to Eastman School of Music, from which she earned a bachelor's degree in music, majoring in music theory with minors in piano and cello. After graduation, she worked as a draftsman for the Manhattan Project in Oak Ridge, TN. There, she met her future husband, John, while playing in the symphony orchestra. She was a charter member of the Fox Valley Symphony and directed her church choir for 17 years. In addition, she played in the Oak Park-River Forest Symphony and the Lawrence College Symphony. Mrs. Helms was an active member of Faith United Methodist Church, Church Women United, American Association of University Women, the Neenah Historical Society, Sigma Alpha Iota Alums, the Wednesday Musicale and the Fox Valley Keyboard Teachers Association.

Mildred Katherine Greenway Miller '44 of Kingsport, TN, passed away on December 18, 2013. She was a dietician with Tennessee Electric Company and served as manager of the executive lunchroom. During her time at Tusculum, she met the love of her life, Pat Miller '43. After his service in the Marines in World War II, they married and enjoyed 68 years together. Mrs. Miller was active in her church, First Broad Street United Methodist Church. She also volunteered in various organizations, including cooking for Meals on Wheels for more than 20 years.

Milton Arthur Lain III '45 of Westtown, PA, passed away on October 18, 2013. He was a retired dairy farmer and owner of Pine Island Turf Nursery, Inc. Mr. Lain was an active and faithful member of the Minisink Kiwanis Club and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Westtown. He was a former member of the Minisink Valley School Board, Orange County Land Trust, Orange County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board, a delegate of the Orange County Farm Bureau and a member of the Masonic Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons #365, in Goshen. He volunteered for many years delivering for Meals on Wheels.

Genevieve Langdon Roberg '45 of Jackson, TN, passed away on May 20, 2012. Mrs. Roberg had been a second grade teacher at the Prospect Street School in Terryville, CT. She was a member of the Eastern Stars and a member of the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Jackson.

**Vivian Neimeyer Checkley '46** of Lewisville, TX, passed away August 2, 2013. Mrs. Checkley was a retired chemist and botany colorist.

Harriet Hastings Mooradian '46 of Nassau, NY, passed away on February 27, 2013, following a brief illness. Mrs. Mooradian was a librarian at Sterling Winthrop in Rennselear. She loved being outside and had a passion for gardening, which prompted her to become a founder and president of the Hudson Valley Daylily Society. She

#### Three alumni inducted into GHS Sports Hall of Fame

Three Tusculum alumni have been inducted into the Greeneville High School Sports Hall of Fame. Inducted on Oct. 25 were Tusculum alumni Cody Baugh '07, Jim Rich '67 and Frank Shipe '76.

Baugh was quarterback for the Greeneville High School football team, a position he also played for the Tusculum Pioneers. Baugh also played baseball at GHS. He is a physical education teacher and assistant varsity football coach at GHS. He is also head baseball coach for Greeneville Middle School.

Rich coached at GHS for most of his 32 years at the school. He was the head baseball and softball coach and coached the junior varsity and freshmen basketball teams at GHS. Coach Rich began operating the clock for GHS home games in the 1980s, which he continues to do to this day. He lettered in baseball and basketball while a student at Tusculum. He enjoys attending both Tusculum and GHS athletic contests.

Shipe was an outstanding member of both the track and basketball teams. He qualified for the AAU Junior Olympics in 1969 and still holds the GHS triple jump record. After teaching in the Washington County School System, he returned to GHS as a teacher in 1980 and retired as a respected teacher, coach and administrator.

eventually had a beautiful daylily named after her – the Hemerocallis "Harriet Mooradian" daylily.

Dr. Donald Joseph Fernbach '48 of Houston, TX, passed away on September 22, 2013. Dr. Fernbach was active in scouting, earning the rank of Eagle Scout by the age of 14. A World War II veteran, he served in the 100th Infantry Division and was awarded a Bronze Star for bravery and heroism. He received his medical degree from George Washington University School of Medicine in 1952. Dr. Fernbach entered his residency in pediatrics at the Baylor College of Medicine and then completed a residency in pediatric pathology at Children's Medical Center and Harvard University School of Medicine in Boston followed by a fellowship in hematology and oncology. In 1957, he returned to Texas and joined the faculty at Baylor College of Medicine, founding the Research Hematology-Oncology Service at Texas Children's Hospital in 1958, now known as the Texas Children's Cancer Center. From 1957 to 1991 Dr. Fernbach served as the head of the Hematology and Oncology Section of the Department of Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine; chief of the Hematology and Oncology Service at Texas Children's Hospital; and director of the Research Hematology Laboratory at Texas Children's Hospital. During his tenure at Baylor, he became a professor of pediatrics and published more than 160 scientific articles. He was the co-editor and author of the first

textbook on clinical pediatric oncology. His research team discovered the value of cyclophosphamide, one of the most effective and widely used chemotherapy agents for adults and children. As director of the Blood Transfusion Services at Texas Children's Hospital, he was the first physician in Houston to use a plastic blood bagging system and one of the first anywhere to use blood component therapy for children. He performed the first bone marrow transplant from one identical twin to another to treat aplastic anemia. He led the effort to develop newborn screening for sickle cell disease. In 1978, he helped start the Ronald McDonald House Houston. Dr. Fernbach was awarded an American Cancer Society Professorship of Clinical Oncology and the first Elise C. Young Chair of Pediatric Oncology at Baylor College of Medicine, which he held until his retirement in 1991. Among his numerous awards, he received a citation from the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society for leadership in securing coverage for children with cancer under the Crippled Children's Services of Texas. In 1993, he received the St. George Medal in recognition for outstanding contribution to the control of cancer by the American Cancer Society - National Division.

**Eugenia (Genie) Sheldon Kane '48** of Gate City, VA., passed away on September 9, 2013. Mrs. Kane earned a master's degree in early elementary education from the State University of New York at Oswego.

She taught kindergarten in Huntington Station Long Island before marrying and moving to Gate City. She was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Gate City, directing the choir for many years and frequently performing vocally. She was also a member of the Petite Garden Club and the Scott County Home Extension Club.

Lt. Col. John H. Mack USAFR (ret.) '48 passed away on February 13, 2012, in Durham, NC.

Helen "Lynn" Allison Brooks '49 of Portsmouth, VA, passed away December 30, 2010. She met her husband Jay Brooks, Jr. '49 as a student at Tusculum and they married in 1950. Mrs. Brooks spent most of her time in enthusiastic service to her family and her church, the First Church of Christ Scientist.

Mr. Robert D. Drain '49 of Greeneville, TN, passed away December 7, 2013. Mr. Drain was a retired farmer and rural mail carrier. He was also a director of the Greene County Farmers Mutual Insurance Company. Mr. Drain was a veteran of the U.S. Marines, and he was a member of Walkertown Presbyterian Church.

Jean Haire Kern '49 of Cleveland, TN, passed away October 16, 2013. She was retired, having worked as a receptionist/ assistant to Dr. George Eason at the Kingsport Veterinary Hospital. She was an active member of First Broad Street United Methodist Church, where she sang and traveled to Europe with the choir. She was also a youth counselor at the church.

#### '50s

**Charles Boyer '50** of Kingsport passed away July 4, 2013. Mr. Boyer was a retired chemist from Eastman Kodak after 35 years of service. He was a member of Cassidy United Methodist Church.

Mary Jane Evans Lintz '50 of Greeneville, TN, passed away September 12, 2013. Mrs. Lintz and her husband operated the family farm with their sons. She was a member of Hunts Chapel United Methodist Church, the former Greene County Home Demonstration Club, the Greene County Democratic Women's Club, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Farm Bureau Women.

George Stager '50 of Fort Collins, CO, passed away January 13, 2014. He served more than three years in the U.S. Navy in patrol bomber squadrons on both sides of the Atlantic. He taught at junior high and high schools in the South Orange-Maplewood, N.J., school system. He was also an adjunct professor of geography and social sciences at New Jersey State Teachers College, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Seton Hall University and Kean College, where he was named Distinguished Service Adjunct Professor in 1974. Mr. Stager also coached football at Dover High and three teams at

Columbia High School. He led the girls' tennis team to two State Regional Championships and a State Final in 1983 and the coed bowling team to the State Tournament twice. He also coached the coed fencing team. Retiring in 1989, he moved to Fort Collins. Mr. Stager continued to be active in the Golden K Kiwanis and the Poudre School District Advisory Board.

**Betty Heck Fendley '51** of Auburn, AL, passed away on October 19, 2013. Mrs. Fendley worked for the TVA in Knoxville after graduating from Tusculum. Mov-

## Two notable alumnae, Speer and Weesner, pass away in early months of 2014

One of Tusculum's oldest living alumni and one of its most active alumnae passed away in early 2014, Mrs. Sarah "Ted" Shenault Speer '32 and Mrs. Joan Faulkner Weesner '51.

Mrs. Speer of Tusculum, TN, passed away January 29, 2014, at 104 years of age. She was a retired teacher, having taught in the Greene County School System for more than 40 years. Mrs. Speer was honored as Greene County Teacher of the Year and was a member of the Greene County Retired Teachers Association.

Mrs. Speer loved her church and often contributed to it through music. She took excellent care of her handicapped husband, the late Rev. John W. Speer, without a complaint and was the epitome of a minister's wife. She also had a special relationship with her nephew, John. Her survivors include Tusculum alumni and nieces **Betty Waddell Sams '56** and **Linda Waddell Erwin '63**.

Mrs. Weesner '51 of Morristown, TN, passed away February 3, 2014, after a valiant battle with cancer. A faithful supporter of her Alma Mater, Mrs. Weesner was serving on the Morristown President's Advisory Council of the College at the time of her passing. She was an enthusiastic ambassador for Tusculum College, volunteering as an alumni representative at campus events as well as attending numerous College events. Mrs. Weesner met her late husband, **Murrell Weesner** '50, during the freshman picnic during her first days on the Tusculum campus. She and her husband attended Homecomings almost every year after their graduation until his passing in 2011, and she continued that tradition, having attended many of the Homecoming 2013 events.

She was a charter member of the Tusculum Sports Hall of Fame, a 1990 recipient of the Pioneer Award and a 1997 recipient of the Sports Benefactor Award. A native of Pennsylvania, Mrs. Weesner made Morristown her home after her marriage, and she and her husband quickly began their lifelong support of the city's charitable, civic and educational endeavors. The couple was named Mr. and Mrs. Morristown in 2009 by decree of the City Council and the mayor.

Mrs. Weesner was a true Pioneer in the Morristown community. She co-founded that community's first public daycare in the 1960s, was a coach of the boys tennis team at Morristown High School and organized the first public kindergarten in the Morristown school system. Her career in education included teaching pre-school students to adults. She served in the 1980s and early '90s as a junior social counselor in the foster care and adoption unit of the East Tennessee Human Resource Agency. Mrs. Weesner was also instrumental in the founding of the Friends of Hospice Serenity House. She served on a number of charitable boards in the community and supported and performed with local theatrical groups. Her survivors include Tusculum alumni and daughters Becky Jo Weesner Moles '79, Mary Ellen Weesner Horner '82 and Winnie Weesner Seals '90 and son-in-law Kirk Horner '80.

ing to Alabama in 1970, she began working at Auburn University. While employed there, she received her master's degree in education and completed classwork for her doctorate. She retired as the associate dean in the School of Architecture, Design and Construction after 31 years.

Charlotte Easterly Burns '56 of Greeneville, TN, passed away January 2, 2014. Mrs. Burns was a retired school teacher. She was a member of Hunt's Chapel United Methodist Church. Her survivors include her grandson and Tusculum alumnus Justin Burns '03.

Elizabeth Ruble Owen '56 of Rochester, MA, passed away on October 3, 2013. Mrs. Owen was the public librarian in the Taunton (MA) Public Library for more than 20 years. She also taught in Berkley, Easton and Taunton schools. She was a trustee for the Rochester Library, sat on the Board of Directors for the Brick House School in Taunton and was a member of the Morton Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

Blanche Ellenburg Sauls '58 of Greeneville, TN, passed away March 6, 2014. Mrs. Sauls was a retired teacher from the Greene County School System and a member of Christ United Methodist Church. She was a volunteer at Takoma Hospital and a member of the Retired Teachers Association and Delta Kappa Gamma.

Randolph Lowe '59 of Midway, TN, passed away November 7, 2013, after a battle with Alzheimer's disease. Mr. Lowe had formed Midway Turning Company with his father, retiring from the business in 1990. He served as chief of the Midway Volunteer Fire Department and was one of its charter members. He attended Midway United Methodist Church. His survivors include grandson and Tusculum alumnus Jason Lowe '07.

#### '60s

Michael P. Claditis '60 of Natrona Heights, PA, passed away March 19, 2013. Mr. Claditis was the owner and operator of Claditis Auto Sales in East Deer Township for 25 years. He also formerly owned Michael's Children's and Ladies Clothing.

**Joyce Nagel Weir '63** of Lockport, NY, passed away July 24, 2013. She operated Weir Accounting Services for 43 years. She

was a member of St. John the Baptist R.C. Church and the National Society of Public Accountants.

Mary Frank Bales '65 of Morristown, TN, passed away September 18, 2013. She was retired after serving many years as an associate professor of business at Walters State Community College.

#### '70s

Larry Eugene Harrison '75 of Limestone, TN, passed away January 16, 2014. Mr. Harrison was retired from United American Insurance Company. He was a lifetime member of Limestone United Methodist Church.

#### '80s

Sharon Mosby '86 of Knoxville, TN, passed away on July 30, 2013, after a battle with lung cancer. An accountant, Ms. Mosby was most well known as a jazz and blues great in the Knoxville area. She had toured across the U.S. and abroad with the Hampton Institute Concert Choir. She performed as a featured vocalist with the bands Soul Sanction and the Wendel Werner Ouartet. She had lived in California for a time and performed regularly at Disneyland. In 1999, she released an album, "I Can Handle That!" and was featured on "Tenors and Satin," a collection of some of the best Knoxville jazz musicians. She was one of the most popular performers in the "Live After Five" Knoxville music series.

**Albert Malyso '87** of Saddle Brook, NJ, formerly of Garfield, NJ, passed away on January 29, 2014. Mr. Malyso had retired three years ago as a guidance counselor for the Garfield Board of Education.

**Douglas P. Slizewski '87** of Monticello, FL, passed away on October 9, 2013. Mr. Slizewski had worked for Pitney Bowes and the General Electric Foundation.

**Joe K. Standifer '87** of Morristown, TN, passed away on November 11, 2012. Mr. Standifer worked for the Tennessee Valley Authority.

#### '90s

**Dr. Paul W. "P.W." Holdridge '92** of Chattanooga, TN, passed away on September 7, 2013, after a lengthy illness. Dr. Holdridge earned his master's degree at Tusculum be-

fore earning a doctorate at Union Institute and University. He was the retired owner of H-Group Design, LLC. He also worked as a home designer, mortgage banker and business teacher at Chattanooga State Community College. Dr. Holdridge served in the U.S. Navy Reserve. He was a member of the Alhambra Shrines Clown Unit, Jesters, and as a York and Scottish Rite Mason. Dr. Holdridge served in several leadership capacities at Brainerd Presbyterian Church.

Christine McGaha '93 of Greeneville, TN, formerly of Knoxville, passed away on October 24, 2013, following an extended illness. She was retired from Bechtel-Jacobs of Oak Ridge after 28 years of service. Mrs. McGaha was a member of Central Baptist Church of Bearden, where she was active in the choir.

#### '00s

**Rodney K. Greene '00** of Talbott, TN, passed away on September 14, 2013. Mr. Greene worked for LeSportsac and had also worked for Exedy America as a quality control engineer. He was a member of New Hope Baptist Church in Corryton.

**Bobbie Renee Southerland '05** passed away September 18, 2013. A resident of Mosheim, TN, she worked at TI Automotive.

Greta Jones-Taylor '07 of Bristol, TN, passed away unexpectedly on February 3, 2014. Mrs. Jones-Taylor was employed at Helen's Hallmark for more than 15 years and started Occasions By Greta, a napkin and special occasion imprinting business. She was president of the Anderson Elementary School PTA. She was proud of her degree and the joy of her life was her daughter, Emma. She went into labor with Emma on the last night of classes for her degree at Tusculum.

#### **Faculty**

**Dr. Theran Mugleston** of Dandridge, TN, passed away on January 30, 2014. Dr. Mugleston had taught management courses in the Graduate and Professional Studies degree programs since 2002. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and the Vietnam War. In addition to Tusculum, he had taught at several other colleges. Dr. Mugleston was known for his love of God, his family, his church and the students that were under his tutelage.



# It is in Your Hands

You can determine who receives the Alumni Awards presented each year at Homecoming. Review the following award descriptions and send your nominations to the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations. The nominations, except those for Sports Hall of Fame, are reviewed by the Alumni Executive Board and honorees are chosen for the presentations during Homecoming. Sports Hall of Fame nominations are reviewed by the Sports Hall of Fame Committee.

#### **Pioneer Award**

The Pioneer Award is presented each year to an outstanding alumnus or alumna, in recognition of outstanding or meritorious achievement in his or her chosen field; for distinguished service to church, community, country and humanity, and for continuing and loyal service to the College.

#### Frontier Award

The Frontier Award is presented to an outstanding alumnus or alumna in recognition of outstanding or meritorious advancement in his or her career. Consideration will be given to former students who have been graduated from the College at least five years, but no more than fifteen years. Consideration for this award should include continuing and loyal service to Tusculum.

#### **National Living Faculty Award**

The National Living Faculty Award is presented each year to an outstanding member of the Tusculum College faculty who has made significant contributions to Tusculum's academic program(s). Persons shall not be eligible for consideration until they have maintained an academic relationship with the College for at least five years. To be considered for recognition, faculty members should have excelled during their service to Tusculum by demonstrating a commitment to the students of the College and the academic program(s).

#### National Alumni Recognition Award

The National Alumni Recognition Award is presented each year to an outstanding member of the Tusculum

College Community. The purpose of the National Alumni Recognition Award is to bestow recognition on those individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the

College. Persons shall not be eligible for consideration until they have maintained a relationship with the College for at least five years. To be considered for recognition, individuals should have excelled during their service to Tusculum by demonstrating a commitment to the students of the College and her program(s).

#### **Sports Hall of Fame**

Nominations are open to Tusculum College alumni, former coaches, managers, sports editors, team trainers and other individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the College's sports program. Persons shall not be eligible for consideration until five years after they have completed their college-playing career, or, in the case of a non-athlete, maintained their athletic relationship with the College for at least five years. To be considered for induction, athletes should have excelled in their individual Tusculum sport, attaining individual honors and recognition while a student. Merely belonging to a season-winning team is not an achievement worthy of induction.

#### **Sports Benefactor Award**

The Sports Benefactor Award is presented to a friend of the College in recognition of outstanding support of the Tusculum athletic program. Consideration for this award should be based on the person's contributions to the athletic program and loyalty to the College athletics.

The award nomination form can be found online at *http://web.tusculum.edu/alumni/alumni-awards/*. The deadline for submission is July 31, 2014.

If you do not have access to the Internet, you can nominate someone for the award by sending the name of the individual, the award for which he or she is being nominated, the honoree's class year if applicable, and reasons why the person should be honored by mail to the Office of Alumni Relations, P. O. Box 5040, Greeneville, TN 37743. Please include your name and class year with your nomination.

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