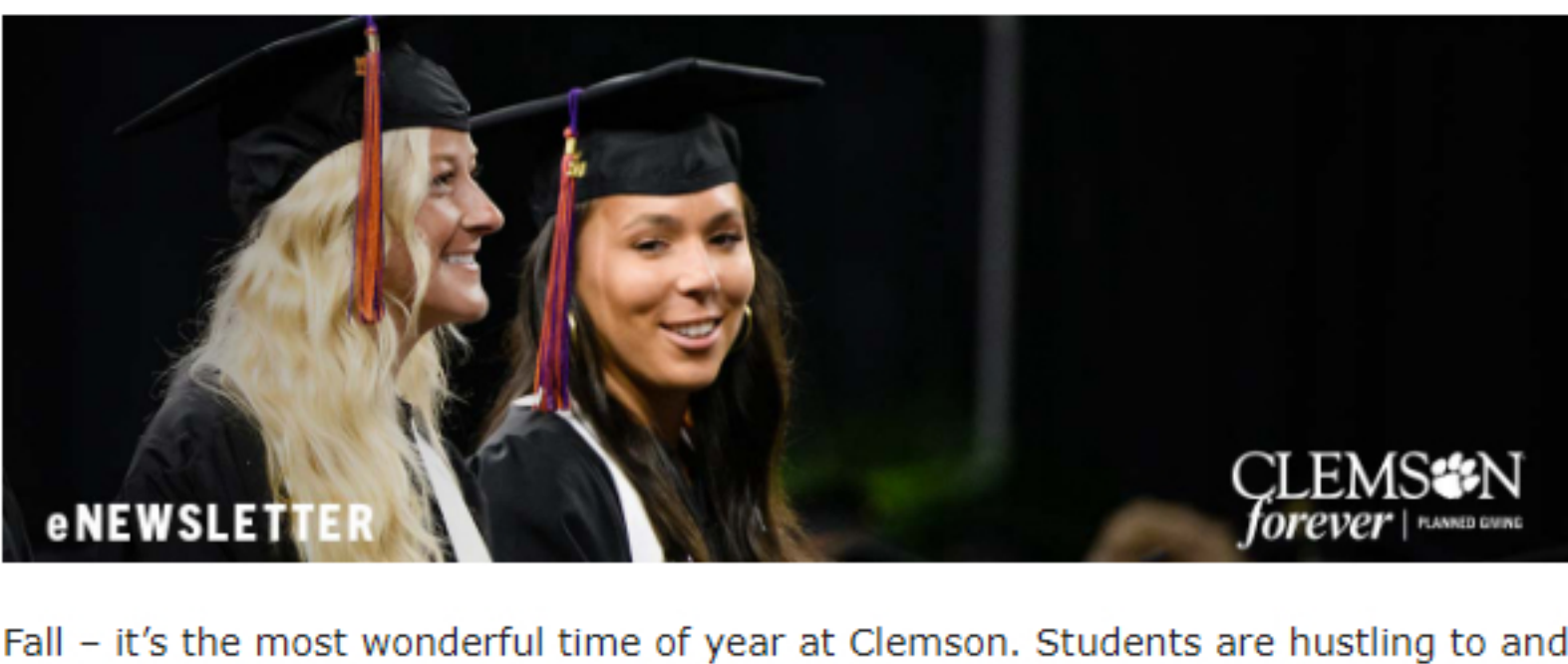
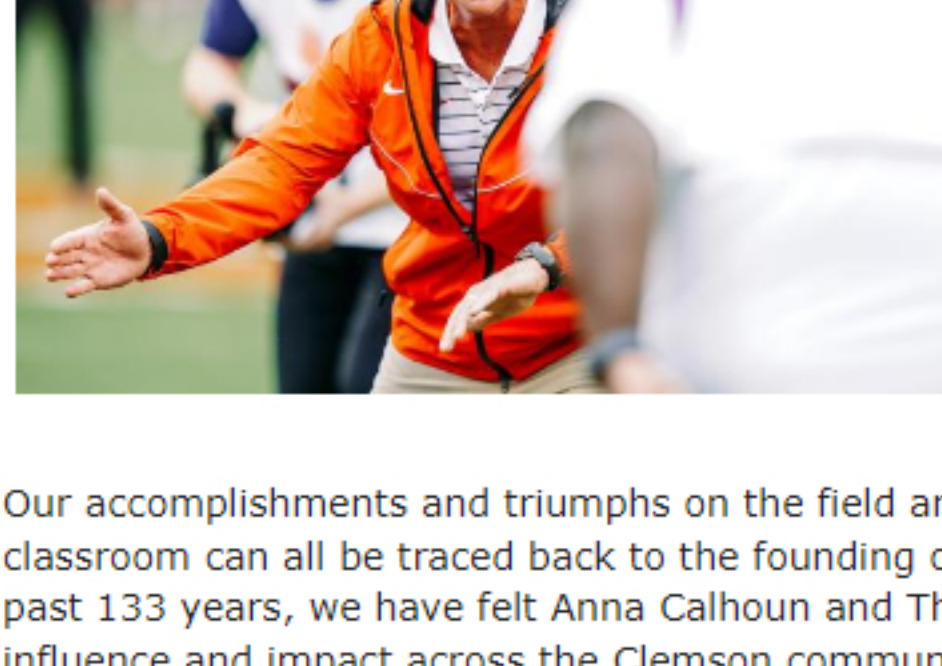




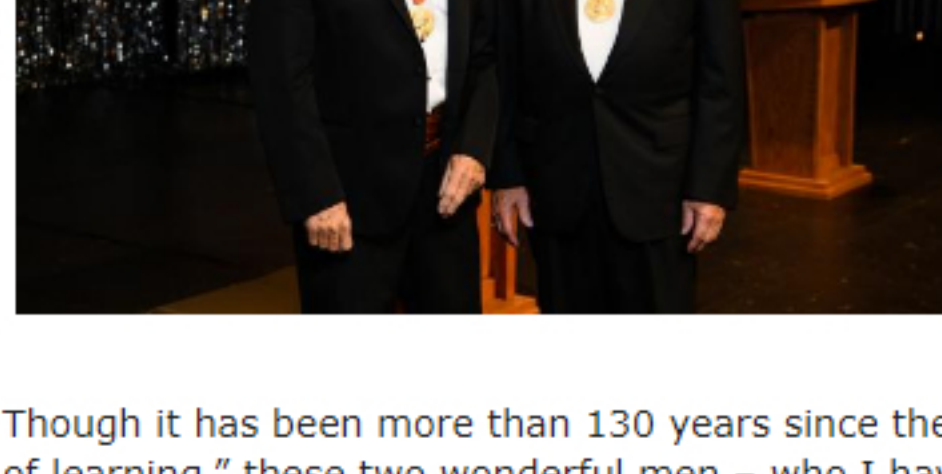
Fall – it’s the most wonderful time of year at Clemson. Students are hustling to and from class. Morning and evening temperatures are beginning to fall. Clemson families and friends are returning to campus. And the roar of 80,000 Tigers can be heard from Memorial Stadium on Saturdays.

Last weekend officially kicked off the beginning of a new football season. On Friday, the Clemson Family lined the streets for the First Friday Parade. On Saturday, a little rain didn’t deter our fans from returning to Death Valley to cheer for our Tigers. Tonight, we welcome Louisiana Tech to Clemson and hope to secure the Clemson Tigers’ third victory for this season and extend our record for home game wins to 36. Go Tigers!



Our accomplishments and triumphs on the field and our achievements in the classroom can all be traced back to the founding of our great University. For the past 133 years, we have felt Anna Calhoun and Thomas Green Clemson’s ongoing influence and impact across the Clemson community – and beyond. One way we celebrate their legacy and impact is by recognizing those who have followed in their footsteps by awarding them the Clemson Medallion. Our newest recipients are Dr. Robert E. (Bobby) McCormick ’72, professor emeritus and former dean of the College of Business (2014-2018), and Dr. Charles K. Watt ’59, founding director of the Watt Family Innovation Center and former dean of the College of Business and Behavioral Science (2012-2014).

The [Clemson Medallion](#) is the highest honor conferred by Clemson University. It recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a long and sustained commitment of significant and transformational service to the University. Named in honor of Thomas Green Clemson, the benefactor of Clemson University and a devoted advocate for scientific education and the advancement of agriculture, the Clemson Medallion is both a recognition of the distinguished recipient and a reaffirmation of an enduring Clemson vision.



Though it has been more than 130 years since the founding of this “high seminary of learning,” these two wonderful men – who I have had the honor and pleasure to know for many years – personify Mr. Clemson’s determination to make a profound and abiding difference in the world through education, generosity and service to others. Please watch a special video highlighting the event [here](#).

Bobby McCormick described it perfectly, “It seems to me the greatness of our place is we have not lost sight of his simple and elegant goals to help the regular people of our state and region by nurturing and cultivating a ‘high seminary of learning.’”

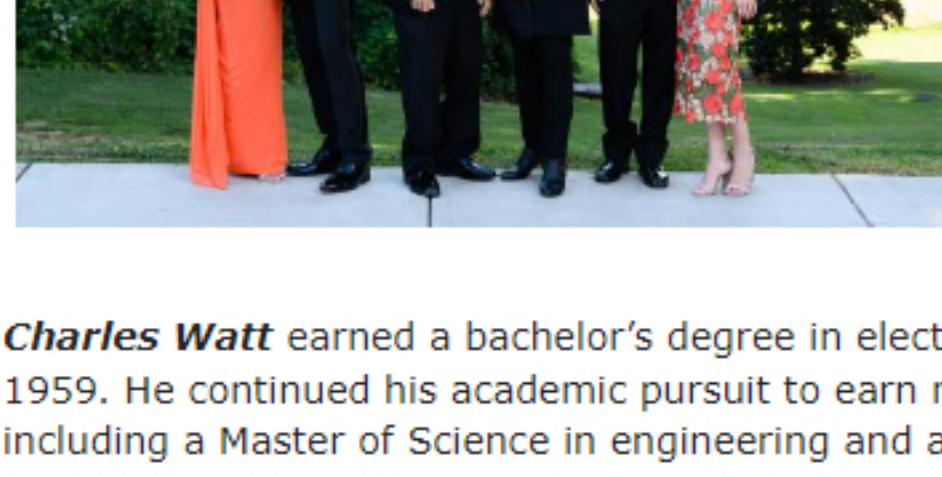
He added, “This place defined me, as it has so many others. How could Mr. Clemson have ever imagined such greatness? The old saying, ‘mighty oaks from little acorns grow,’ surely seems to fit. What a gift he gave us, he and Mrs. Clemson.”

These two extraordinary men have given their time, talent and treasure to our University, and I hope you will click [here](#) and take a few minutes to read more about them, their lives and the great work they have done for our University and beyond.

Bobby McCormick graduated from Clemson with a bachelor’s degree in economics in 1972 and a master’s in environmental economics in 1974. He earned a Ph.D. in economics from Texas A&M in 1978. Since then, he has played vital roles in some of Clemson’s proudest achievements.

McCormick served as a faculty member in economics from 1982-2007 and became dean of the College of Business in 2014, serving until 2018. McCormick has been awarded several Clemson University teaching awards, including the Prince Innovative Teacher of the Year (1998), the Alumni Professor of the Year (2000), the MBA Professor of the Year and the National Scholars Mentor Award (2004 and 2006).

McCormick was the academic leader on the programming, design and construction of The Wilbur O. and Ann Powers College of Business building, the first standalone facility for the business school, now one of the defining structures on Clemson’s campus.



Charles Watt earned a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering at Clemson in 1959. He continued his academic pursuit to earn multiple graduate degrees, including a Master of Science in engineering and applied science from George Washington University in 1973 and a Ph.D. in engineering and applied science from George Washington University in 1986.

Watt orchestrated a remarkable career in engineering, most notably founding Scientific Research Corporation, an advanced engineering company that provides innovative solutions to the U.S. government, private industry and international markets. Before that, he held numerous positions of escalating responsibility at such government institutions as the Naval Electronics Systems Command, the United States Congress and the Office of the Secretary of Defense as director of Defense Test and Evaluation during the Reagan administration.

He became an adjunct professor at Clemson in 1990, an appointment he kept for 24 years, and was recruited by President Jim Barker and Provost Dori Helms to serve as Dean of the College of Business and Behavioral Science from 2012-2016. He has been honored as a Clemson Alumni Fellow and the Alumni Associations’ highest recognition, the Distinguished Service Award. He was also named to the Thomas Green Clemson University Academy of Engineers and Scientists.

Watt is the founding director and chairman of the founding board of directors for the Watt Family Innovation Center, a \$60 million state-of-the-art facility devoted to interactive learning and interdisciplinary collaboration on Clemson’s campus. Opened in 2016, the Watt Family Innovation Center is one of the most cutting-edge technology centers in all of academia. In addition to being a modern hub of collaboration and innovation, it is the nucleus of a high-speed network that boosts data flow across campus and connects students with business, academic, government and economic development entities across the world.



These two titans represent the power that lies in service to others. Thomas Green Clemson understood it decades ago, influencing future generations to follow his footsteps of servitude and philanthropy. His influence has been felt by Bobby McCormick and Charles Watt, and they have inspired the next generation of leaders. As they have for me, I sincerely hope they serve as inspiration for you to reflect on the bountiful legacy you wish to leave behind for future generations.

This week, the United Kingdom – and indeed the world – are grieving the loss and celebrating the legacy of Queen Elizabeth II. Queen Elizabeth reigned for more than 70 years – from the industrial age to the internet age. Decades of endurance and accomplishments, she partnered with global leaders to lead Britain through the loss of its empire and its emergence as a multicultural nation.

Queen Elizabeth was crowned at 25 years old, and in her 70 years as queen, she provided the world with great insight and leadership. Many of her quotes stand out to me; however, there is one I would like to share with you. She said, “I know of no single formula for success. But over the years, I have observed some attributes of leadership are universal and are often about finding ways of encouraging people to combine their efforts, their talents, their insights, their enthusiasm and their inspiration to work together.” The Clemson Family stands in solidarity because we have a determined spirit to work together, encourage, support and impact future generations. Just as Queen Elizabeth wisely said, by combining our efforts, talents, insights, enthusiasm and inspiration, we are leading the next generation of Clemson Tigers to make a difference in the world – to be the leaders of tomorrow.

Our University’s founders, Thomas and Anna, made a thoughtful and strategic planned gift that continues to benefit and impact the people of our state and around the world. Recognizing and appreciating the advancement of forward-thinking philanthropy, we invite you to consider how your investments can be used to amplify your legacy to focus on who and what has been most important to you during your life.

We are all writing our individual story – each and every day – with our actions, words and deeds. Please allow us to assist you as you explore your thoughts and plans for the future. There are so many ways in which you can give back to Clemson through a current or planned gift that may benefit you, your family and others. Please reach out to us directly or you may visit our [website](#) to investigate various ways to chart your estate goals and objectives. You may also send a personal email to us at giving@clemson.edu. We always enjoy hearing from you! Please find information about IRA Charitable Qualified Distribution (QCD) benefits [here](#). For information about general estate planning, please download our [free Wills Guide](#), which is designed to help you navigate your thoughts and plans before you visit with your attorney and/or financial advisors.

Now that our students are back, it is a wonderful time to visit our campus. We hope you and your family are making plans to join us very soon.

C U this fall ~ GO Tigers!

Gratefully yours,



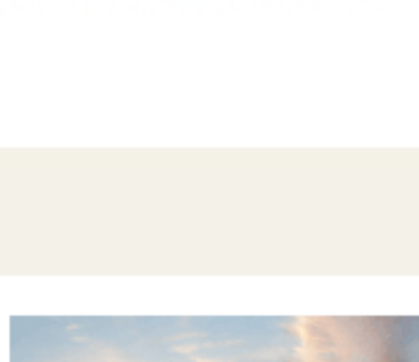
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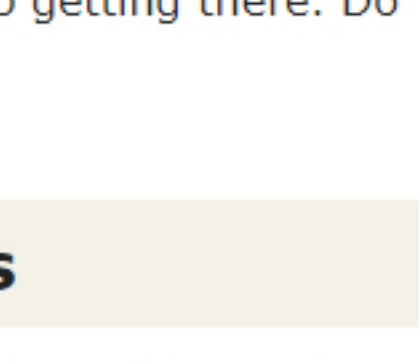


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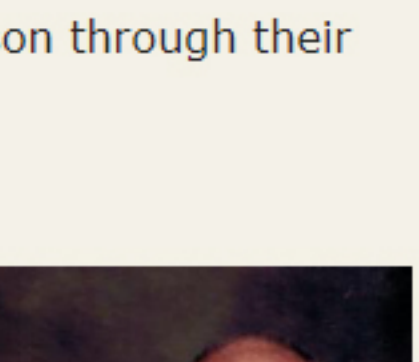


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[Separate & Joint Property](#)

"My brother Pete and I own a ranch together," said Joe to his advisor. "We inherited the four sections of our ranch from my mother. As a single person, I think that I will plan to leave 50% of my share to Pete and the other half to my favorite charity."

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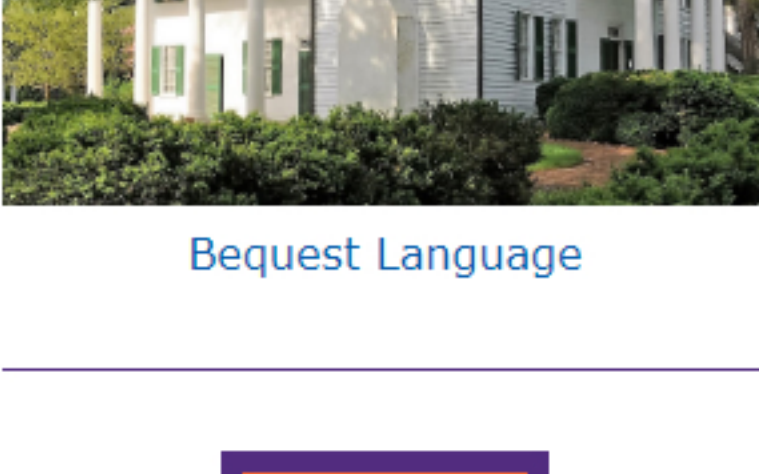
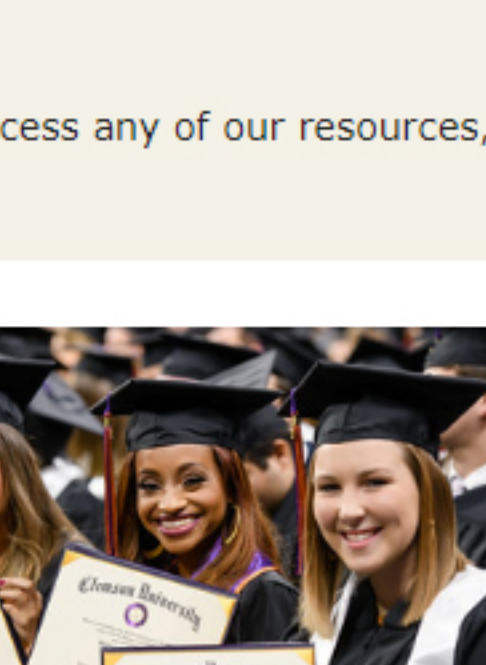
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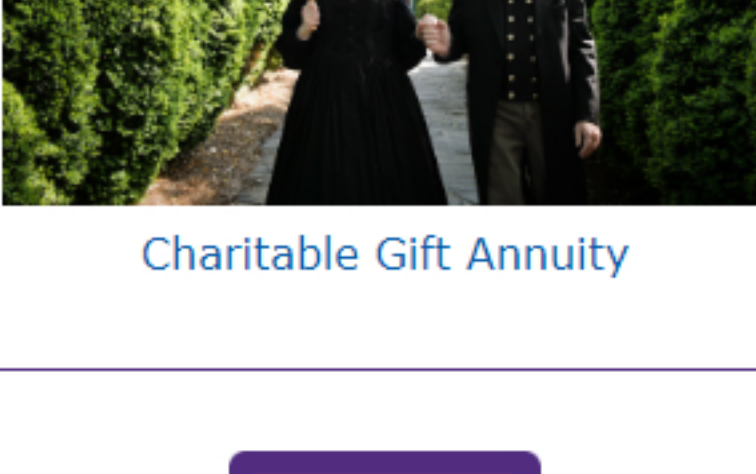
A Hearty Harvest for the Future

"With every deed you are sowing a seed, though the harvest you may not see." These words from Ella Wheeler Wilcox, an author and a poet, ring especially true when considering planned gifts. It is those who are most committed to a life of generosity who will selflessly plant seeds that will yield a harvest they will never see. Brig. General Chalmers "Hap" Carr ('60) is the epitome of this – having lived his life serving and giving to others, many of whom he will never meet.

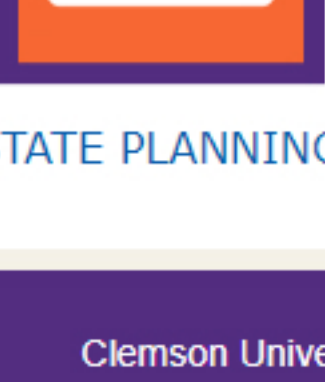
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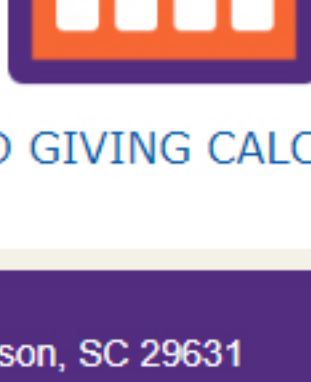
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