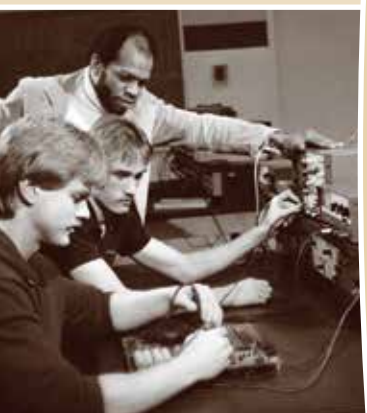


2011-2012  
Annual Report



Since 1962 we've had

# ONE GOAL

...to help you reach yours





## Tri-County Technical College

### MISSION

---

Tri-County Technical College is a public, two-year community college dedicated to serving as a catalyst for the economic and lifelong development of the citizens of Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens counties through outstanding programs and unparalleled service. An open admissions institution with primary focus on teaching and learning, the College serves approximately 6,000 to 7,000 students through both on-campus and distance learning courses. The College grants certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees in technical, career, and transfer programs. The College also offers certificates in continuing education programs.

### VISION

---

Tri-County Technical College will be *the* role model for community college education through dedication to high standards, a nurturing environment, community alliances, and innovative leadership.

### VALUES

---

At Tri-County Technical College, we value

**Integrity**—respect for the dignity, equality, and potential of self and others in personal and professional interactions

**Responsibility**—accountability in personal, community, professional, and fiscal affairs

**Accessibility**—equal opportunity to advance professionally and personally in a clean, safe, stimulating, and aesthetically pleasing environment

**Collaboration**—partnerships among students, faculty, staff, and community to promote open and effective communication, decision-making, and implementation of ideas and processes

**Learning**—facilitation of intellectual and technical growth through commitment to continuous improvement and innovation

## Tri-County Technical College Foundation, Inc.

The Foundation works to create awareness within the community of the financial needs of the College not met by State or federal support and to implement a plan by which these financial needs can be met through private gifts. To fulfill these purposes, the Foundation institutes an organized program for obtaining support from alumni, friends, faculty and staff, corporations, organizations, and private foundations. In addition to soliciting major gifts for the College, the Foundation accepts, holds, invests, reinvests, and administers any gifts, bequests, and grants in money or property given to the Foundation.



President Ronnie L. Booth, Foundation Board Chair Peggy G. Deane, and Commission Chair W. H. "Ham" Hudson.

## Since 1962 we have had one goal – to help you reach yours.

**D**uring this golden anniversary year, we paused to celebrate the many milestones and accomplishments of Tri-County Technical College that spanned the course of five decades. We can proudly say that helping students, businesses, industries, and the communities we serve to reach their goals has been our number-one priority for fifty years and continues to be our highest priority today.

The 2011-12 academic year was no different. Our achievements this year speak to the commitment of our dedicated faculty and staff, the strength of our partnerships in the community, the generosity of our donors, and the contribution of leadership and talent from the Tri-County Technical College Commission and Foundation Board. While it is impossible to include stories and highlights about everything we do, we hope this report will give you a sense of the impact we are having on those we serve.

We can say with complete assurance that 2012-13 will be an even better year. We have much to look forward to as we plan for the openings of our new Industrial Technology Center in Sandy Springs and a new QuickJobs Training Center at our Anderson Campus. We also are in the midst of creating new majors such as Culinary Arts and Paralegal

Services, strengthening our partnerships with local public schools, and improving our matriculation processes to include smoother steps to enrollment, better assessment of college readiness and goals, and stronger advising.

In December 2012, we will end our year-long 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. As this period draws to a close, we remember with gratitude and respect our founding fathers – then-Governor Fritz Hollings, Senator Marshall Parker, and Senator John West, both deceased, among others. They had the wisdom and foresight to understand that if South Carolina were to prosper, greater access to higher education and training was needed. Their innovative spirit and dedication to a common purpose forged a mission for the South Carolina Technical College System and this institution that is as relevant today as it was at inception.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for Tri-County Technical College and our students. The next fifty years is about to begin, and we look forward to working with you as we move the College forward into a future that is filled with challenges and bright with opportunity.

Ronnie L. Booth, Ph.D.  
President

Mrs. Peggy G. Deane, Chair  
Tri-County Technical College Foundation

Mr. W. H. "Ham" Hudson, Chair  
Tri-County Technical College Commission

# College Remains Dedicated to Helping Students Reach Individual Goals

In 1962, Tri-County Technical College had one goal – to help students to reach theirs. Fifty years later, the College remains dedicated to providing students with the education and support they need to stay on track and be successful in achieving their academic, individual, and professional goals.

“We’re now trying to be more intentional in terms of discovering and understanding what those goals are and helping students to reach them,” said President Ronnie Booth.

These goals are as diverse as the students nationwide who attend community colleges like Tri-County. Today, reaching a goal, or student success, doesn’t just mean earning a degree or certificate and entering the workforce. “It’s about getting students from where they are now to where they need to be,” explained Dr. Booth. The starting and ending points are different for each student, he added.

“We are preparing students for the long haul and giving them academic options through online classes, scheduling options, and multiple campuses. It’s more likely they will achieve their goals with the flexibility we offer today,” he said.

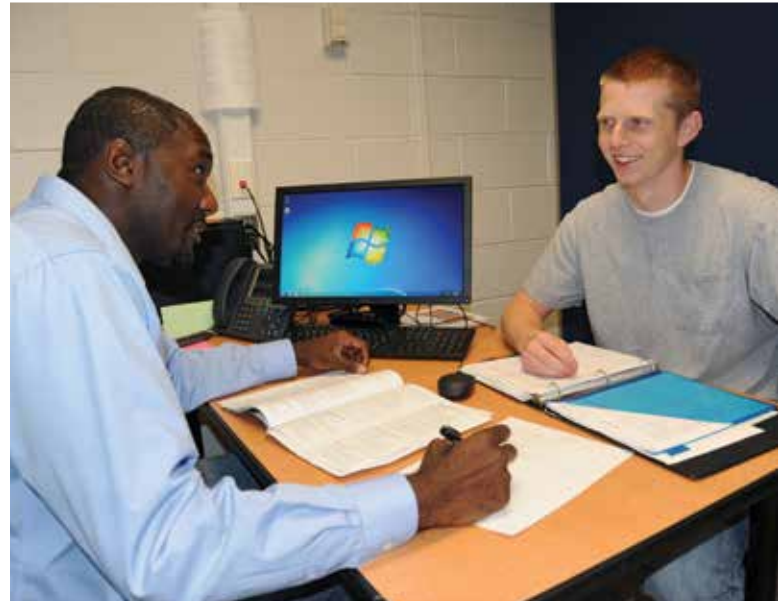
“We’re becoming more engaged in students’ learning through intentional counseling and advising,” he said. “One of our priorities is to support students, connect with them, and help them to succeed academically,” he said. This year, the College hired an advising director and a tutoring center director. “By creating these positions and offices, we are more intentional about providing services and supporting students’ needs while they are pursuing their various goals.”

Many students’ goals are to complete a two-year degree and go straight into the workforce. They are finding that co-operative education experiences, especially in this economy, often serve as pipelines to full-time jobs after graduation.

This past May, seven Tri-County students were among the first class of 14 BMW Scholars who graduated and were then hired as full-time BMW production and equipment service associates.

This fall Schneider Electric’s mini shift, that ran from 4 – 8 p.m. four nights a week, evolved into a co-op. The Seneca company hired seven Industrial Electronics Technology majors who assemble motor control panels at the plant.

“This paid experience gives students a leg up on full-time employment,” said Dr. Booth. “They are proving they have what it takes to be successful, and it can fast track them to opportunities for employment and then promotions. They get to know the inner workings of the



Tyler Watkins, an Industrial Electronics Technology (IET) major, right, whose fall co-op experience at Schneider Electric turned into a part-time job while he completes his degree, talks with Shan Smith, IET program coordinator, about his class schedule for spring 2013. Tyler, a military reservist, plans to graduate in the summer of 2013. “Tyler is an exceptional student,” said Shan. “He works two jobs, is always prepared in class, and never makes excuses. He is an excellent technician, and Schneider is lucky to have him.”

companies faster than would otherwise happen. Co-ops give students a well-rounded education.”

A relatively new program that is gaining momentum throughout the Upstate is the College’s Pre-Pharmacy degree that offers students the prerequisite courses needed to apply to any pharmacy school in South Carolina.

“Graduates are getting multiple acceptances to pharmacy schools all over the United States, as well as excelling in academics and leadership roles,” added Dr. Booth.

Since 2009, the associate degree program has enrolled around 44 students each academic year. To date, 14 Tri-County students have been accepted into pharmacy schools and sustained their academic success. Tri-County now has graduates from all three colleges of pharmacy in S.C.

The Bridge to Clemson program, in its seventh year with 610 students enrolled in fall 2012, is an avenue for those who narrowly missed admission to Clemson University because programs are full and/or the increased competition for incoming freshmen.

This collaborative initiative between Tri-County and Clemson University offers Bridge students a university experience and seamless transition to Clemson for the sophomore year.

“Data shows that the students who transfer to Clemson their sophomore year are as academically successful as the native students. The demand for the program is there, and the stories of success are legion. It’s just another way to help students to reach their goals of attending a four-year university through our arts and sciences classes that give them a strong foundation for completing a baccalaureate degree,” he said.

Tri-County’s Connect to College program is a dropout recovery program that impacts the lives of students and their families. “It’s a program that allows people to achieve a high school diploma, along with college credits, through their own hard work coupled with the staff’s intensive counseling and advising services. It’s intervention in a positive way and accountability with support. Participants know that to be successful in college, they must first be high school graduates. Students are different forever because of what they accomplish. Their lives and their family’s lives are greatly impacted. C2C is changing lives, and the program is so worthwhile,” said Dr. Booth.

The College’s partnerships with local community agencies have proven to be life changing for many, including the men living at the Haven of Rest Men’s Training Center in Anderson. Four years ago, a welding training program was established with Tri-County at the facility. The Haven of Rest partnership has been funded through financial aid programs and the tuition waiver process at Tri-County.

“These men are putting their lives back together and are gaining skills for employment, as well as earning a living wage. We are meeting them where they are in life and are another step in their rehabilitation. It’s the right thing for us to do,” Dr. Booth said.

“We can find a way to help students to get where they need to be. We are more nimble today, and as market needs change, individuals’ needs change, and as society changes, we continue to provide ways for students to be successful.”

*“We’re now trying to be more intentional in terms of discovering and understanding what those goals are and helping students to reach them.”*

~Dr. Booth



Matt Dance knew he would be competing against thousands when he applied to Clemson University during his senior year at Southside Christian High School in Greenville.

“The competition to be accepted to Clemson is steep so I knew my acceptance was a maybe. But I also knew there were options like the Bridge to Clemson program,” said Dance, who, in 2011, was accepted into the invitation-only program for outstanding students whose applications weren’t accepted at Clemson because programs are full and/or the increased competition for incoming freshmen. A first of its kind in South Carolina, the program blends the traditional academic experience at Tri-County with the social and cultural experiences of being a Clemson University student. In its seventh year, the Bridge to Clemson program admitted 607 students this fall.

“I knew if I worked hard, I could be at Clemson in just one year,” said Dance, now a sophomore at Clemson majoring in Computer Information Systems, serving as a Bridge Ambassador, and working as a resident assistant at Highpointe.

Matt says the year at Tri-County prepared him for large-scale university studies. “I was used to smaller classrooms at Southside, and I knew my teachers well. Likewise, at Tri-County, there were smaller classes of 25 and 30, and the instructors were knowledgeable and personable and knew our names. They were interested in our being successful students. I felt like I was a part of Tri-County and it was a great experience.”

He transferred to Clemson this fall with a 3.0 which enabled him to keep his LIFE scholarship at Clemson. “That’s a huge savings in tuition,” he said. “I respect the scholarship, and I know what it entails to keep it,” said Dance, who, upon graduation wants to work as a manager of IT systems for a corporation. “My dream job,” he adds, “is to work for Apple.”



# L.P.N. Student/Easley Entrepreneur Receives Provisional Patent for Simulators

In the spring of 2012, Tri-County nursing students were able to practice their clinical skills outside of the classroom setting with a portable nursing kit that contains low fidelity simulators conceptualized and designed by fellow Practical Nursing major Tanya Mikkelson.

Mikkelson, of Easley, a Practical Nursing student at the College's Easley Campus, received a provisional patent for the kit that contains low fidelity simulators for a tracheotomy, male and female catheters, nasogastric intubation, wound care, an injection pad, and an IV pad.

In just four short months, Mikkelson went from college student to entrepreneur, as her work progressed from an idea to a business – called SimuMed, LLC – and she has been pitching her products to nursing schools all over the State.

Her first sale was to Tri-County, with Anderson University, Greenville Technical College, and Clemson University purchasing kits for their fall 2012 semesters.

"I'm learning as I go," said Mikkelson, of her first business venture. She says she was inspired to create these simulators out of necessity. "We students were asking how to practice our skills at home, but there was no easy way to do so," she says. "The simulators were all in the college labs, and there weren't mobile units for students to purchase to practice on at home. There were simulators available to schools but not to individuals," she said.

Mikkelson says she didn't know just how great the need was until she started doing research on the Internet. "So I decided to design a part (or low fidelity simulator) to practice on," said Mikkelson, a self-taught artist. "The more you practice these skills, the more confident you are in your lab check offs," said Mikkelson, also a former paramedic and patient care technician, and a married mother of three who returned to the classroom last year.

"Every time we would have a check off, I would make a prototype for that procedure. There were lots of late nights. It was definitely trial and error," she said. But after 12 weeks of design and lots of research, she perfected her design and found a manufacturer.

Initially, Russell Todd, owner of Widget Works in Pennsylvania, worked with her and manufactured the first round of orders for Tri-County. The volume of work increased so she sought and secured new manufacturers – this time in South Carolina. "The business has really grown over the months. Because the product can be used in hospitals, doctor's offices, and after-surgery care centers, it serves as a teaching

tool for patients learning how to properly care for themselves when they go home after a tracheotomy, for example," she said.

Along the way, she has received advice and assistance from Clemson University's Small Business Development Center about creating a business plan, acquiring a business license, and obtaining a patent.

When pitching her products, she began with Tri-County. "I showed them to my instructor, Practical Nursing Program Coordinator Julie Vernon, who advised me to make a presentation to Nursing Department Head Janet Fuller."

"I was blown away when Tanya presented her prototypes to me," said Vernon. "These are the most realistic simulators I have ever seen. They are anatomically correct and are as close to real skin as you can get," she said.

"Tanya is so compassionate. At the root of this endeavor is her desire to help others. She used her artistic abilities to help herself and her classmates," added Vernon.

"This was so exciting for me. I found out that the instructors want this as badly as the students do. As far as I can tell in my research, this product is a first of its kind. Every college I have approached has said, 'we need this,'" said Mikkelson.

In the future, Mikkelson wants to produce an instructional DVD to accompany the product kits and will continue to add prototypes as she completes her L.P.N. degree. The Summer 2012 graduate is pursuing her associate degree in Nursing at the Pendleton Campus.

*"Every time we would have a check off, I would make a prototype for that procedure. There were lots of late nights. It was definitely trial and error."*

*~Tanya Mikkelson*



# Pre-Pharmacy Grads Get Multiple Acceptances to Pharmacy School

Jennifer Barley was at her part-time job as an intern at the Anderson Bi-Lo Pharmacy when she received her first voice mail acceptance invitation to enter pharmacy school.

On a break, she checked the call and recognized the area code for Charleston. “I saw I had missed two calls, and when I listened to the voice mail, it was Dr. Philip D. Hall, campus dean and professor at the South Carolina College of Pharmacy at the Medical University of South Carolina, telling me I had been accepted and to please give him a call. I did a happy dance right then and there,” she recalls.

The second acceptance call – this time from Mercer University in Atlanta – came later that same afternoon. “I was still on cloud nine when I got the second call congratulating me.” Weeks later, she received a third acceptance from the University of Georgia.

It’s not unusual for our students to get multiple acceptances to pharmacy schools all over the United States, said Suzanne Ellenberger, science department head.

2012 grad Yelena Panko was accepted to South University, Wingate University, and Campell University and is attending Wingate this fall. Sarah Tyler was accepted to South University (Savannah campus) and the South Carolina College of Pharmacy (SCCP) at Charleston where she is attending this fall. Judson Wright is in his third year of pharmacy school at the SCCP in Columbia.

“The word is out to students in the Upstate that an academically qualified student can come to Tri-County and gain entry into pharmacy school at a fraction of the cost of a university. Tri-County Pre-Pharmacy students realize and appreciate the economic and educational advantage of smaller class sizes for rigorous courses with comparable chances for acceptance to pharmacy school,” said Ellenberger.

Four of Tri-County’s 2010 Pre-Pharmacy graduates, Alan Rusnak, Morgan Fleming, Marshall Price, and Claire Reid, who transferred to Presbyterian College’s School of Pharmacy, are standout students in academics and leadership roles on the Clinton campus.

Fleming is president-elect of the Kappa Epsilon Professional Pharmacy Fraternity and a member of the Pharmacy Student Governance Association. Price is a member of the Pharmacy Honor Council, and Reid is treasurer of the National Community Pharmacists Association. Rusnak serves on the assessment committee for the PC School of Pharmacy and last December competed in the American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacy Clinical Skills Competition.

“Tri-County can be proud of these students,” said Dr. Laura Fox, assistant dean, professional and student affairs, associate professor of

pharmaceutics at Presbyterian College (PC). She chairs Tri-County’s Pre-Pharmacy Advisory Board.

“An interesting finding of our Pre-Pharmacy Advisory Board has been not only the sustained percentage of Tri-County students accepted to highly competitive colleges but their leadership within the programs,” added Ellenberger.

“It was my first time in college so I chose Tri-County,” said Barley, now 35. “I love the small campus. The idea of 100-plus students in a lecture hall at a large college or university was distracting and intimidating to me,” she said. “Tri-County instructors are approachable and knowledgeable and often give practice problems versus teaching theory and sending you off on your own,” said Barley. She has chosen to attend MUSC, which has a specialized nuclear track enabling graduates to become authorized users of radiopharmaceuticals.

Rusnak, who scored in the 99th percentile on his Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT) in 2010, says his Pre-Pharmacy degree prepared him for the specialized test that helps to identify qualified applicants to pharmacy colleges.

“Tri-County quickly became an option because it offers a skills-based approach. The Science program at Tri-County is really doing things right and the instructors are on top of things. And Tri-County is a better value than four-year colleges and universities,” said Rusnak.

Reid also chose Tri-County because of its value. “I attended Tri-County on a LIFE scholarship which paid for my first two years at Tri-County and I paid for only the third year.” She was accepted at three pharmacy schools and chose PC which is close to her home.

Excluding loans from other colleges, all four PC students left Tri-County with little or no student debt, thanks to lottery, LIFE, College Foundation scholarships and Federal Pell Grant and/or Federal Work Study programs.

Tri-County was first technical college in the State to offer this package of classes.

*“An interesting finding of our Pre-Pharmacy Advisory Board has been not only the sustained percentage of Tri-County students accepted to highly competitive colleges but their leadership within the programs.”*

*~Suzanne Ellenberger, Science Department Head*



# College's Partnership with Haven of Rest is Life Changing for Residents

**T**he men living at the Haven of Rest Men's Training Center didn't have much hope the day they decided to commit themselves to the 18-month rehabilitative program designed to help them to rebuild their lives.

These residents began this life-changing journey by entering the Haven of Rest Rescue Mission in downtown Anderson. "Originating in 1960, the Haven of Rest exists to see those bound by life domination issues, rescued, restored, and released while experiencing the love of Jesus Christ," said Eddie Capps, director of the Haven of Rest Men's Training Center.

"We present to men the option to enter our one-year, Christ-centered discipleship program," explained Capps. "We look at their long-term problems and we present to them not a quick fix, but a one-year program that takes time and investment on both sides." It also provides life-skills training, career assessment, job placement, and steps toward their educational goals, he said.

After living at the Haven of Rest Mission for four to six months, men are chosen based on attitude and advancement to come and commit one year of their lives at the Men's Training Center, a 50-acre farm located on N. Major Road in Belton. "They are looking for answers they have been missing," said Capps.

For many, one of the answers is education.

Billy Suprenant entered the Haven of Rest Mission two years ago with a commitment to change his life. The 33-year-old father of two had quit school in the 12th grade, mid year, lacking just four-and-one-half credits for graduation. Throughout the years, he worked in heating and air jobs, got married, had a family, and battled an addiction to drugs. "I have never been on track," said Suprenant. "I didn't know what life was about until I entered the facility."

He saw an opportunity to study for and obtain his GED, which he completed in October 2011. Just eight months later, he is in his second semester in the Industrial Electronics Technology program at Tri-County, is maintaining a 3.7 GPA, working full time, and has been reunited with his children. "My focus today is on my family and college. I have a relationship with God, I've learned about responsibility, commitment, and perseverance and to treat others as you want to be treated."

Four years ago a welding training program was established with Tri-County at the facility. The Haven of Rest partnership has been funded through financial aid programs and the tuition waiver process at Tri-County.

"Once the men have been at the farm for nine months, they are ready to enter the 'work phase,' where they either go to work or get training for jobs," said Capps. "With the economy the way it is, school has been an appealing option for many. They get the training that enables them to get more than a minimum-wage job. We are so excited that Tri-County is helping us with their training and preparation for the workforce."

Helping them every step of the way is Donald White, who is Tri-County's technology programs specialist in the Enrollment Management Division. "I'm so proud of these guys," said White. "They are so humbled about the opportunity to learn new skills, which, in turn, will change their lives. You can see by Billy's GPA that he has put forth his best effort. It takes a lot of us to make this program run. It will be a good day to see these guys graduate with an associate degree."

"I believe this program is yet another example of the College working closely with community agencies to support their work to ensure the best use of resources and the most positive outcomes for individuals and the community," said President Ronnie Booth.

"The Haven knows what these men need spiritually, and Tri-County knows what they need educationally. It's a great partnership," said Capps. "Right now, the men's job is to work on their education. They are different people than when they walked in our door. They had no hope. Now they are smiling and excited about life. The Haven of Rest partnership with Tri-County has been a big help to that end," said Capps.

*"My focus today is on my family and college. I have a relationship with God, I've learned about responsibility, commitment, and perseverance and to treat others as you want to be treated."*

*~Billy Suprenant*

# Entrepreneur's Design Comes to Fruition Through Business Immersion Class

The idea of creating easy-to-assemble emergency housing units had been in the mind of semi-retired manufacturing executive Larry Parham since 1992, when Turkey experienced a devastating earthquake and was struggling to provide emergency shelter for an estimated 30,000 persons.

A manufacturer of laminated arch beams at the time of the disaster, Parham began looking into designing a relief housing structure that was lightweight, durable, had few component parts, and could be set up easily. "I played with the idea but never quite finished it," said Parham.

Now he and his wife, Anne, have been pursuing and focusing on developing the idea. He spent the last 19 months designing an economical way to build strong, small, lightweight arch beams used for housing.

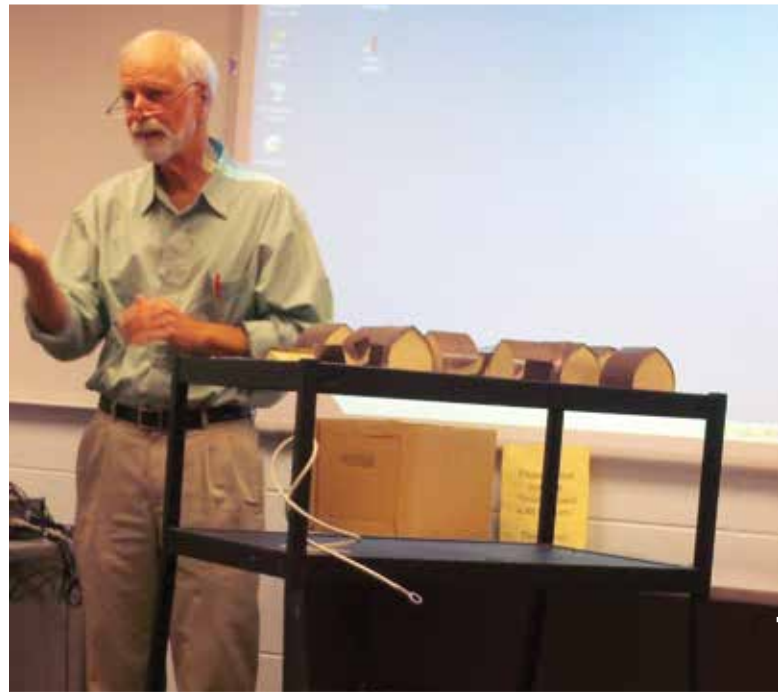
Its uses are multiple; it can serve as housing for disaster relief, when rapid development is essential and easy assembly is crucial to quickly stabilizing and sheltering disaster victims. As the rebuilding process begins, the disaster relief house can be taken apart, relocated, and reassembled as a permanent house that can be expanded upon easily.

"The arch beam house is an economical alternative to standard framed construction, and its component building system offers many design options, along with size and space considerations," said Parham. "It's a great house for missions aiding communities in foreign lands. The lightweight and simple assembly process, with no cutting and limited tools needed, makes it a great value in the field with non-skilled labor," he added.

What makes the arch beam building system different are the dynamics of its components and how they work, he explained. "The arch beams can take heavy loads because they are able to work in their strongest property – that of compression. Another advantage is that the natural configuration of the arched structure forms a triangle, the most stable unit in structure," he said.

The prototyping, adjusting, fine-tuning and tweaking have netted a good product. "I've carried this idea for many years. Now it is coming to fruition," he added.

He says he couldn't have done it without the College's Business Immersion for Entrepreneurs course offered through the Corporate and Community Education Division. "The course gives vital information about operating principles, cash flow, marketing and basic business management procedures – things that could make a big difference in success or not," he said.



Larry Parham

When he began the project, he sought SCORE to see what services were available. "We were introduced to Carl Cliche, who has served as our mentor and suggested the course. With his vast corporate knowledge, he's given us helpful, insightful tips on what we needed to get going. He also warns against the pitfalls. It's been very educational. There's a lot to consider when preparing a new business – things you don't always think about. You need the right people to help you, and this class served that purpose," said Parham.

"This course is designed for entrepreneurs like Larry and Anne, who are either starting a new business or growing an existing one," said Sandra Strickland, director of the College's Business Training Center. "This course takes students through the process of conceiving, creating, managing, and growing their own business."

This class is offered in partnership with Mountain Lakes Business Development Center, Clemson's Small Business Development Center, and Piedmont SCORE. This course relies heavily on volunteer business mentors.

*"I've carried this idea for many years.  
Now it is coming to fruition."*

~Larry Parham

# Connect to College Grad Earns Diploma, College Credits, Confidence

**C**arly Heventhal entered the Connect to College (C2C) program as a 10<sup>th</sup> grade dropout with only 12.5 high school units. Eighteen months later, she graduated with her high school diploma from T.L. Hanna High School, along with 44 semester hours of college credit and membership in Tri-County's Alpha Zeta Beta honor society. Perhaps her greatest achievement, she says, is acquiring self confidence as a student, which she credits to the staff of Connect to College, a dropout recovery program offered by the school districts of Anderson, Oconee and Pickens counties and Tri-County Technical College.

The program's purpose is to serve academically capable youth age 17 to 20 who, for various reasons, have not been successful in a traditional high school environment but who have career goals that require postsecondary education. Using a dual credit model, students earn both high school and college credit and may simultaneously complete both the high school diploma (meeting all requirements of the South Carolina Department of Education) and a postsecondary credential (meeting all requirements of Tri-County Technical College).

The students in Connect to College come from all kinds of socioeconomic and academic backgrounds. Like many high school students today, they struggle with family issues, peer pressure, health and financial problems, and even substance abuse. Some also face the additional challenge of being teen parents. What differentiates Connect to College (C2C) students from most teens, though, is that for one reason or another, they left high school before earning their diploma.

"We've learned that these students can achieve academically – but usually there were social or motivational issues that prohibited them from doing well in the traditional high school setting," said Diana Walter, director of Connect to College, formerly known as Gateway to College.

"I tell students the past defines you only if you let it," said Walter. "We provide a safe community where we help them get back on track and celebrate their successes. You have to have resources to have options, and we provide support they wouldn't otherwise have," she said.

Carly has taken full advantage of C2C's many opportunities since finding the program in the summer of 2011. "I've grown," said Carly, who admits she was on the wrong track. "I chose the wrong crowd and made bad decisions. It was either change my life or end up constantly struggling and questioning my abilities," she said.

After a series of dead-end, part-time jobs, she took the advice of her uncle, an adjunct instructor at Tri-County, who urged her to apply to C2C and to move in with him and his wife.



*Carly Heventhal*

Things started to change. "It was always of dream of mine to go to college, and Connect to College gave me that opportunity. It's a way to get back on track and succeed," said Heventhal.

"Carly is unique, but she's also typical of most C2C students," said Walter. "They all have faced challenges of one sort or another that caused some real hardship in their young lives," she said.

"Students can redefine themselves here and really turn their lives around. Many come with labels other people have given them or that they've applied to themselves. We provide a support system and a way to get beyond the past," said Walter.

"Who I was a year and a half ago is not who I am today. I wanted to have a better life and make my family proud of me. Earning my high school diploma proves to me I can do anything. I've achieved my goal, and I couldn't have done it without Connect to College. They have gone out of their way for me and everyone else in the program to provide support and motivation. They won't let you fall behind or give up."

Financial support for the program comes through Lottery Tuition Assistance, College tuition exemption, district flow-through funds, student-paid fees, as well as the College's Foundation. "I'm grateful to the donors who didn't know me but who cared enough to help to fund part of my tuition so I could complete my high school diploma," said Heventhal, whose goal is to enter Clemson's nursing program after a year of taking University Transfer classes at Tri-County.



# Co-ops Provide Ideal Learning Model

Students in the Industrial Electronics Technology (IET) program have a new cooperative education opportunity this year with Schneider Electric joining the group of local industries offering valuable learning experiences for students in the Engineering and Industrial Technology Division.

Tri-County's cooperative education program is designed to help meet the needs of local industries in their search for highly skilled technicians, while providing strong "real-world" work experience to complement their classroom studies. Over the years, BorgWarner, BMW, Blue Ridge Electric, Duke Energy, and Michelin have offered co-op experiences to our students.

This fall Schneider Electric's mini shift, that ran from 4 – 8 p.m. four nights a week, evolved into a co-op. The Seneca company hired seven IET majors who interpret manufacturing information and electrical diagrams to assemble and wire motor control center products at the plant. They maintain a full-time academic schedule while working 20 hours per week in this paid internship. Applicants must have a minimum 2.75 GPA and must have completed 12 credit hours of study.

"Students gain the theoretical knowledge in the classroom and then come here and apply that knowledge on the job. There's no better learning model than on-the-job training," said Kristin Granata, human resources representative for Schneider Electric.

IET major Tyler Watkins, of Seneca, agrees. "The work we do here correlates with what we learn in class. Many times we student co-ops are among the first to complete a lab because we've already done it on the job. This internship has improved my grades." All seven agree that having this hands-on experience on a résumé is invaluable.

"In addition to hands-on application of what they are learning at Tri-County, we provide an overall view of a lean manufacturing facility. We try to incorporate cross-training opportunities as well," added Granata.

Each intern's skills exponentially improved in the first month on the job, said Brandon Woodard, group leader of the co-op program at Schneider Electric. "When I first began this position, often I would look to Corey Norton, a co-op who had been on the job for about a year, when I had a specific wiring question. He is very knowledgeable and definitely knows the process."

"Co-op experiences are beneficial to both the students and the employers," said Glenn Hellenga, director of Career Services at Tri-County. "From the student perspective, they experience first hand the employment process by undergoing the same selection process they will later in their careers when they compete for full-time employment.

We prepare them for this by working with them on résumé development and interviewing skills. A lack of experience frequently is a barrier to employment for new college graduates. Co-op experiences help bridge the gap between the classroom and the workplace."

"Co-ops are a talent pipeline, and often times a co-op experience leads to a full-time position," said Granata. "It's hard to forecast but based on business demands and availability of positions, we like to see co-ops develop into avenues for full-time employment based on their performance. When we have positions open, we can reach out to this group of dedicated, talented, degreed applicants whom we know have a proven work record and ethic," said Granata.

"Schneider Electric has high standards, and we look for the best of the best. With this group of interns, we definitely got that," said Woodard.

Historically, Schneider has hired many graduates of Tri County's IET program. Plant Manager Larry Smith adds, "Our customers rightly expect our 'build to order' electrical gear to be 100% correct and functional when it arrives. We, therefore, require the advanced knowledge provided by an IET degree of all of our Quality Analysts. They do such an exceptional job that a well utilized career path has developed into salaried positions with our Order Engineering (OE) team in our front office. The "hands-on" quality control experience, supported by the IET degree, is invaluable and enables these associates to be significant contributors while advancing their personal careers. More than 50% of our OE team has studied at Tri County."



Tyler Watkins



# TEACH Mentoring Program Credited with Keeping Students Focused, Successful

**A**pril Brown was sold on the South Carolina TEACH Scholarship program the first time she heard about it. "It's a great opportunity to turn training into a degree. It makes someone a better child care employee and a more creative teacher," she said.

When Brown served as director of Agape Christian Outreach Child Care Center, all of her teachers, including herself, participated in the TEACH Early Childhood Development (ECD) 101 class at Tri-County. "It's necessary to learn new and different ways to teach," said Brown.

The S.C. Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (TEACH) Scholarship Program makes higher education affordable, in terms of cost and time, by providing college scholarships to help with tuition, books, and travel while early childhood education professionals earn credentials and degrees. The purpose of the scholarship program, funded last year by SC Department of Social Services, is to increase the educational levels of childcare professionals in the State.

Terms of the scholarship include staying in the field one year after graduating and completing nine credit hours in a calendar year to maintain the scholarship funding. Recipients also receive incentives, such as a \$300 bonus if they are working toward an associate degree, and a \$200 bonus if working when they complete the ECD 101 course. TEACH pays 80 percent of the scholarship, and the participant and his/her sponsoring childcare program each pay 10 percent of the cost.

Brown's motto has always been to never stop learning. In 1997, she earned an Early Childhood Education certificate from Tri-County, and then went to Southern Wesleyan University where she earned a bachelor's degree in early childhood studies in 2008. She returned to Tri-County to earn an ECD diploma and associate degree in 2009.

Over the last year, Brown says she was proud to work as a mentor with the TEACH program, keeping a group of students focused and on target. "Students were always bouncing ideas off of me. It helped to know I was making a difference, assisting them with short- and long-term goals. I've learned that a little bit of encouragement works wonders," she said.

"The weekly mentoring sessions are the program's most valuable component," said Dr. Harriette Dudley, ECD program coordinator. "These mentors have been through the process so they understand what it means to be full-time students, parents, and employees. All are familiar with the responsibilities of working full time and balancing work, family, church, etc. They are familiar with the stresses that can occur within the family dynamics of going back to school. Students are returning to the classroom after many years so they have to reintroduce themselves to the school process. The mentoring component makes them more successful students."



*April Brown, Shelly Marchbanks, and Karen Durham*

Shelly Marchbanks knows first-hand the value of having a mentor to rely on for advice and support when a college student is balancing studies with full-time teaching at a pre-school.

Twelve years ago she began teaching in a pre-school setting while in high school. "I fell in love with the career. I wanted to be the best teacher I could be so when I heard about the advantages of the South Carolina TEACH Scholarship program, I entered the Early Childhood Development (ECD) associate degree program."

Seven years after receiving her associate degree, Marchbanks is back at Tri-County completing some University Transfer credits before transferring to Clemson where she will pursue a bachelor's degree. In addition, she serves as a mentor for the very program that she credits with keeping her focused and successful.

Karen Durham, director of the Pickens Presbyterian Church Day Care, earned an ECD degree in 2006 after 30 years of working in early childcare education. "The TEACH mentors took every step with us. Scholarship Counselors/Advisors were so patient and encouraging," Durham recalled. Today, as a mentor to Tri-County students, Durham makes weekly contact by phone, e-mail, text, or in person "to encourage and help them the way they did for me. It's a chance to give back," she said.

Tri-County's ECD program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

# Westside Graduate Enters College This Fall With Sophomore Status

**W**estside High School graduate Lauren McCall headed off to the University of South Carolina this fall to pursue a longtime goal of becoming a cinematographer.

Because she elected to take dual enrollment classes at the College's Anderson Campus through Westside's pilot Westside Early College Academy (WECA), she entered college with at least 21 college credits and a sophomore status. "It's a pretty cool feeling," said McCall, who took English 101 and 102, Public Speaking, Art 101, Math 120, and Art 111. She is pursuing a double major in Film and Media Studies and Art History.

The Secondary Transition Enrollment Program (STEP), also called dual enrollment, allows qualifying high school students the opportunity to gain high school and college credits at the same time by taking college-level courses in their high schools or career centers, as well as on Tri-County's campuses or online.

STEP participants must prove they are ready for college-level work, obtain permission from their high schools, and meet certain criteria, such as passing the COMPASS placement test for English and math. Most school districts also award dual credit so the courses can count toward graduation requirements.

"My credits at Tri-County easily transferred to all of the colleges I applied to," said McCall, who was an honor student at Westside. "It also lifts some of the financial burden of paying for college. It was a really smart decision."

She says her time spent as a Tri-County student was a meaningful experience. "I've learned about college atmosphere and how it works. I've developed my listening skills," she said.

She can't say enough about English instructor Art Scheck, Rachael Madeline, her art instructor, and Butch Merritt, who teaches photography. "They are so knowledgeable about their subject matter."

She took the art class to better prepare herself for filmmaking. "In class I've learned how to constructively critique my own work, as well as others. It's a cool feeling to have people see the world the way you see it."

"Lauren is one of those special students who has set goals for herself and has established an action plan to reach those goals," said Merritt, who is an enrollment counselor at the Anderson Campus, in addition to teaching photography classes.

"My mom always told me if I want to pursue a career as a filmmaker, I have to find ways to stand out," she said. Since she was in the



Lauren McCall

ninth grade, McCall has worked with Creative Video Production in Williamston producing videos and DVDs of community events. Last year she placed first in a national competition sponsored by the International Pentecostal Holiness Church. She also produced a video for Robert Bosch's anniversary celebration.

Recently she launched her own website, [laurenmccallmedia.com](http://laurenmccallmedia.com), which features her photography, videography, and music videos. She spent the summer building her résumé by working on various projects like shooting a book trailer in Atlanta for the [USA Today](http://USA Today) website and serving as media correspondent for the Palmetto Girls State conference. A friend of the family arranged for her to meet and shadow the set producer for the Jimmy Kimmell Show in Los Angeles.

"I was so surprised when I learned that Lauren was a dual enrollment student because of her maturity and diligence," said Madeline. "Her motivation and her creative drive will take her far. She will be an excellent filmmaker."



Rupal Shah, lab manager at Harvard University

## Rupal Shah Gets Energized By Helping Others

**W**hether it's in her work as a lab manager at Harvard University's Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases, where she studies and researches the bacteria that causes tuberculosis, or in her volunteer work at a local Boston children's home, Rupal Shah gives 100 percent without sacrificing compassion or care.

Her determination and dedication earned her the Harvard Heroes Award which honors excellence in the university's workplace. It is designed to recognize "above and beyond" achievement among Harvard's extraordinary, high-performing staff. Three individuals from each school received the distinction which was announced by Harvard University President Dr. Drew Faust.

"Receiving the award from a top institution in the country does mean a lot," says Shah, 29, a native of Tanzania, East Africa, who moved to South Carolina during her senior year of high school. "This is a big honor." It's also the first award she has received as a young professional.

There have been many academic accolades over the years, since Shah entered Southern Wesleyan University (SWU) where in 2004 she earned a B.S. in Biology, a B.A. in Chemistry and a minor in mathematics. She was the first graduate of the university's Honors Program (she graduated magna cum laude in four years with two baccalaureate degrees, one minor, and an honors project she conducted in collaboration with the Cardiology Department at Oconee Medical Center). During the honors convocation, she received the Gladys Glover Parker Award for Academic Excellence and Outstanding Citizenship, which is awarded to one outstanding female student of the graduating class. Just two years ago, she was honored with the Young Leaders Alumni Award from SWU.

While studying at SWU, at the suggestion of her father, she also enrolled in Electrocardiography and Phlebotomy classes at Tri-County to complement her degree. "Those certificates have served me well. And I couldn't have gotten that kind of training at a four-year university. If you are passionate about your goals in life, you enjoy following every step to enhance your way to those goals," she said.

"I'm proud of my certifications. Tri-County has great programs. Those certificate courses helped me obtain my job at Oconee Medical Center (OMC) where I worked all through my undergraduate and graduate career for six years. If it weren't for the certifications, I wouldn't have gotten a job at OMC as an electrocardiography technician and a phlebotomist. That was an important part of my life. My certifications are equally as important as my degrees. The hospital experiences reinforced to me that I wanted to work in medicine and with patients."

She continued her education at Clemson University, earning a master's in Microbiology, while volunteering for the Pickens County American Red Cross in Easley, the Hospice of the Foothills in Seneca, and serving as president of two organizations on campus. She spent both fall and spring breaks in Gulfport, Mississippi, participating in Hurricane Katrina relief projects. She also received Clemson's prestigious Walter T. Cox Student Award for Community Outreach and Excellence in Leadership and the R.C. Edwards Outstanding Research and Teaching Assistant Award.

Shah lives by an agenda – one that is devoted to her profession and community. Her long-term to-do list includes going to medical school and eventually working in the field of medicine and infectious diseases.



*Pictured from left are Tim Bowen, director of the Anderson Campus; Butch Harris, College commissioner; Senator Kevin Bryant; Ham Hudson, chair of the College's Commission; Tri-County President Ronnie Booth; Tom Allen, Anderson County Council chair; Rep. Don Bowen; Tommy Dunn, representing Anderson County Council District 5; Bonnie Ammons, assistant director of Federal grant programs for the S.C. Department of Commerce; Senator Billy O'Dell; and Dr. Brian Swords, director of the College's Easley Campus and all three county QuickJobs Development Centers.*

## Tri-County Meets Employers' Goals with Anderson QuickJobs Development Center

Legislators, county council members, and government leaders joined College officials in March to break ground for the Anderson QuickJobs Development Center located at the Anderson Campus. The QuickJobs Development Center will allow Tri-County to meet the goals of employers and to provide the necessary training to build a strong, viable workforce serving Anderson County.

The 5,720-square-foot building will house classrooms and a large space for labs. Construction should take about six months, with a tentative opening date set for spring 2013.

The facility is funded by a \$500,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission through the S.C. Department of Commerce to Anderson County. The QuickJobs Development Center will be operated by the College. Instructors from the Corporate and Community Education Division will teach QuickJobs training courses, such as Certified Production Technician – MSSC training, workplace skills, pre-employment training, electrical wiring, and plumbing classes. In addition, the Center will offer customized training for area businesses and industries.

This is the College's third QuickJobs Development Center. Others are located at the Oconee Campus at the Hamilton Career Center in Seneca and at the College's Easley Campus.

"Many times we ask ourselves how we can make life better for folks in our communities. This is one of those examples," said Tri-County President Ronnie L. Booth.

One of the goals of the grant funding is that one half of the residents served at the center will be low to moderate income, said Dr. Booth.

"Prospective companies always want to know what we provide for them. They want to know if we have a workforce that is properly trained. This facility can do that," said Anderson County Council Chairman Tom Allen. The Army and Air Force veteran added that Clemson and Anderson Universities are the valuable flagships of the community, but like battleships, they are slower to turn around. He likened Tri-County Technical College to "the PT boat guys. When we need something done, they can do it. This center really is key to the economic development of this region," said Allen.

"Government and education came together to meet the critical needs of business and industry," said Anderson County Councilman Tommy Dunn. "We found ways to work together for the common goal of meeting the needs of the people of this community. Anderson County can do nothing but go forward."

# Recreating Rosenwald School



During the summer of 2012, at least once a week, someone would stop by a construction site on the Anderson Campus to view the work and ask instructor Tony Young about this reproduction of the early twentieth-century Rosenwald Schools.

“It’s a conversation piece, no doubt, along with being a valuable teaching tool and history lesson. People are always stopping by and asking questions,” said Young, an instructor in the Building Construction program.

“Whether it’s students, guests, or those who have knowledge of the construction industry, they brag on the quality of the work of the project, which is a one-room, 900-square-foot reproduction of the Rosenwald Schools, which were built primarily for the education of African Americans in the early twentieth century.”

Students from the Building Construction program have worked on the project since last spring.

By the end of the 10-week summer class, the goal was to complete the exterior siding, said Young. The students exceeded his expectations by installing the exterior siding, along with painting it and finishing the cypress wood ceiling. The project’s goal is to stay true to the architecture of that era by using the same materials used to build the schools. In addition to the cypress wood ceilings, they replicated the school windows that have true divided light with wood grills and are the sole source of lighting.

“They accomplished three times the work I hoped to achieve at the beginning of the summer,” said Young.

“We are learning by doing,” said Barron Barkley. “A book can teach you a little, but hands on teaches you a lot.”

“This project gives the students real-world experience and training on a large scale. You can’t get this with just classroom studies. When they make a mistake, you stop, lay down the tools, and go into teaching mode. There’s no stopping in the real-world construction business because time is money. I take the time to focus on correct methods – doing the work correctly the first time. If students take their time and it’s done correctly from ground to roof, there will be few problems. If you learn using correct methods, with time they can increase their speed,” he said.



*Colin Allan, of Central, a Building Construction major, has worked on the project from the beginning.*



*“This project gives the students real-world experience and training on a large scale,” said instructor Tony Young, center, reading blueprints with students Colin Allan, left, and Barron Barkley.*

“They have done a fantastic job as first-time builders,” added Young.

“I’m very proud of this experience,” said Stanley Burch, who entered the program to make a career change and who graduated August 3. “I’ve documented the experience by taking photos along the way.”

“This will be great for my résumé,” said Colin Allan, whose career goal is to work as a building contractor. “We’ve worked on this from the ground up. It’s a hands-on class, and Tony is a great teacher. This is an historical learning experience.”

“This experience has been very rewarding for me and the students,” said Young. “We took dirt and turned it into this historical project. Students can stand back and be proud. They can say I helped to build this.”

The Rosenwald Schools were the brainchild of Julius Rosenwald, CEO of Sears and Roebuck, and Booker T. Washington. The Rosenwald initiative, which began in the early 1920s, was to build new school buildings for the African American communities throughout the United States. Over a 10-year period, Rosenwald would provide matching funds to build precisely designed buildings which would provide school buildings that enable the best environment for learning.

Because of the segregated school systems, in the early 1900s Anderson County had more than 400 schools throughout the county, most of which were one-room schoolhouses.

The Anderson County African-American community would take advantage of this initiative to construct 19 modern school structures between the years of 1920 to 1930.



*Fifty years ago Tri-County Technical College made South Carolina history by becoming the first multi-county technical institute in the State. The College kicked off its golden anniversary celebration with a community reception January 26 on the Pendleton Campus. During the program, leaders from the three-county area talked about Tri-County's important role in the community. Pictured from left are Clemson University President James F. Barker; George B. Patrick, III, deputy secretary of the South Carolina Department of Commerce; Senator Larry Martin, chair of the Pickens County Legislative Delegation; Senator Thomas Alexander, chair of the Oconee County Legislative Delegation; Rep. Mike Gambrell, chair of the Anderson County Legislative Delegation; and President Ronnie L. Booth.*

## Tri-County Technical College Celebrates 50 Years

**A**t a community celebration to kick off the College's golden anniversary, Senator Thomas Alexander quoted the late Senator Marshall Parker, one of the College's founding fathers, in an excerpt from a 1991 speech the Seneca senator gave to Tri-County graduates. He read: "Education and economic development are inseparable. Education without job opportunity is folly; a good job without education is impossible."

"We stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us," said Senator Alexander, who is chair of the Oconee County Legislative Delegation. Looking back at photographs from 1963 when Tri-County Technical Education Center opened its doors and attracted 919 students during its first year of operation, Senator Alexander noted how things have changed aesthetically, but emphasized that the College's focus of providing educational opportunities for all citizens remains the same. "The great thing about Tri-County is that it has changed as the needs of the community and the needs of its students have changed. We're better today because of the 50 years Tri-County has been part of our community."

President Booth recounted the history of the College. "In the early 1960s, there were not a lot of opportunities. The state was rather poor and undereducated and wasn't attracting industry. We needed a better educated workforce."

South Carolina's 16 technical colleges were created as tools for economic development. In 1961, S.C. faced a bleak future. During the early 60's, young people were leaving in droves because there were few jobs for them.

Senator Ernest Hollings, who was then governor, commissioned a group of legislators and representatives of the State Development Board to look at the State's depressed economy at that time. The committee traveled around the United States viewing technical education systems in other states. After a year-long study, they filed a report that said the only way for South Carolina to improve its economy would be to develop its most valuable resource – its people.

Tri-County was founded in 1962 when the tri-county residents pooled their resources to plan the College after Act 323, Section 23, of the South Carolina General Assembly established the State Committee for Technical Education and provided for the establishment of regional centers. Governor Hollings signed Act 905 of the General Assembly on April 7, 1962, creating what would eventually become Tri-County Technical College.

"We were created with a mission to fuel economic development, and I'm proud to say we still do that," said Dr. Booth. "By forging partnerships, we are where we are today."



*Dr. Valerie Ramsey, a Tri-County graduate and former College Commissioner, looks at an historical display in the College's Library. Dr. Ramsey was the first alumna in the history of the College to serve on its governing board (2005 – 2011). Before her retirement, she served as chief business officer for the College of Health, Education and Human Development at Clemson University. Dr. Ramsey also was the first alumna to deliver a commencement speech for Tri-County (at its 1997 summer graduation).*

Rep. Mike Gambrell, chair of the Anderson County Legislative Delegation, said the State's technical college system is recognized as one of the best in the nation. "Tri-County provides the best in technical education and has become an invaluable tool in industrial recruitment. Knowing that there is an educated work force here makes this area an easy sale to industries and businesses. We couldn't make it work without Tri-County."

"Clemson University is proud and grateful for the partnership we have with Tri-County," said Clemson President James Barker. "I'm inspired by what you are doing. I'm excited about the future of our Bridge to Clemson program. I'm also proud of the role Clemson played in founding this institution. One of our proudest moments was the hand we had in beginning this institution," said Mr. Barker, referencing former Clemson President R.C. Edwards, who was instrumental in Clemson College, at that time, donating acreage that was outside Mr. Clemson's willed land to serve as the site for Tri-County.

"The need for Tri-County Technical College is greater now than ever before," said Senator Lindsey Graham. "For many families, this is the place to start. Working together is increasingly difficult these days, but Tri-County represents that when we work together, we can be better than we are individually. I hope to be here for the 75th anniversary."



*From left: Pickens County Council Chair Neil Smith, Senator Lindsey Graham, and Tri-County President Ronnie Booth talk during the reception.*

**Editor's Note:** You can view the 50th anniversary website by visiting [www.tctc.edu/50](http://www.tctc.edu/50).

# Faces of the Decades

## 1960s



### Walter Hays McGee

*Class of 1967 (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning)*  
Owner of McGee Heating and Air (offices in Anderson and Hartwell, Georgia) and MCG Mechanical Services in Anderson

Back in 1966, 18-year-old Walt McGee didn't understand why he needed to take a psychology course as part of general education requirements to earn his Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning certificate at the new Tri-County Education Center, now Tri-County Technical College. But after working for a few years, McGee says he began to realize it was an important course.

"I saw that people are what make a business a success," said McGee, who has owned McGee Heating and Air Conditioning for 31 years. "Attitude is everything in business and good people make a good business. That's where success comes from," says McGee, who is proud to report that for more than three decades, his business never has reported a loss. "From day one it took off. I wouldn't be where I am today without Tri-County Technical College," added the Hartwell, Georgia resident.

"I keep in touch with my employees. I want them to be happy. Good customer service is key for a business," said McGee, who opened MCG Mechanical in Anderson in 2009. Between the two companies, he employs about 95 people.

## 1970s



### Carl Anderson

*Class of 1975 (Criminal Justice)*  
Deputy Chief at Anderson County Sheriff's Office

Carl Anderson began his career as a road patrol officer but has spent most of his tenure as chief homicide investigator for the Anderson County Sheriff's Office.

In 1989 he moved to summary court where he was chief magistrate for 11 years. He retired in 2000 and opened a private investigation business. At the urging of Sheriff John Skipper, in 2008, he returned to his roots, and serves as chief deputy and second in command at the Anderson County Sheriff's Office.

Anderson continues to enjoy the challenges and the changes of the job. "It's never the same day," he said.

One day that truly stands out in his mind is February 15, 2011 – the day Anderson County Council dedicated the Anderson County Law Enforcement Center in his honor. The plaque on the building reads, "The Anderson County Law Enforcement Center is named as a lasting tribute honoring Carl Anderson for his selfless dedication to duty, relentless pursuit of justice and passion to serve and protect the residents of Anderson County."

## 1980s



### Ethel C. Pettigrew

*Class of 1980 (Business Technology with major in Accounting)*  
Certified Public Accountant and Partner at Whitener, Pettigrew and Company, CPAs, LLC, Clemson

CPA Ethel Pettigrew began her career as an elementary school teacher and says one day she hopes to go back to teaching, this time at her alma mater.

"I'm proud of my accounting degree from Tri-County," said Pettigrew "I earned my associate degree in accounting in 1980 after getting my undergraduate and graduate degrees in education," said Pettigrew. "I hope to teach again one day during the fall semester. It's a way to combine my two loves – teaching and accounting," said Pettigrew, who after operating her own accounting firm for years, partnered with longtime friend and accountant Ken Whitener in 2005 to start Whitener, Pettigrew and Co., CPAs, LLC.

Pettigrew has been honored over the years for her community involvement. In 1995 she was named Small Business Person of the Year by the Clemson Chamber and received the Susan B. McWhorter Outstanding Woman Professional Award. She received the Rotary Club of Clemson's Vocational Services Award in 2004. She currently serves on the board of Clemson Child Development Center and as an elder at her church, Fort Hill Presbyterian Church.

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Wanda Johnson learned a great deal about being a good law enforcement/probation agent – and listener – from former Tri-County Criminal Justice Department Head Lew Holton and his lectures.

“He taught us to think outside the box as we addressed issues that had to stay inside the box. The law is the law,” said Johnson, who has made a career in the Anderson County criminal justice system. “Lew provoked us to think and to discuss ideas. Many times class would end and we would all go outside Oconee Hall where the conversation and the learning continued. Lew always stressed it’s important to treat people with respect.”

By day Johnson works as a probation agent and victim services coordinator for South Carolina’s Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services (SCDPPPS). She landed her first job as a public servant in Anderson County Summary Court. In 2001 she joined SCDPPPS. Johnson completed the S.C. Criminal Justice Academy and was sworn in as a field probation agent in 2002.

After earning a B.S. in business administration from Southern Wesleyan University in 1998, Johnson devoted more time to performing. In 1999, she began a musical career with her Charleston-based band, Shrimp City Slim, and has traveled abroad for tours in Poland, France, China, and Italy. “Music is my glorified hobby. It’s my joy,” she said.

Nine years ago, a proud and accomplished Tracy Whitten Bowie walked across the Anderson Civic Center stage to receive her associate degree in Business – with highest honors – from President Ronnie L. Booth. She made that walk again this year, equally as proud, to be honored as one of the College’s Faces of the Decades.

“It’s an unexpected honor,” said Bowie, who has maintained close ties to the College by serving on its Alumni Association Board of Directors for six years. “Tri-County has a special place in my heart. It’s where I started,” said Bowie, who today is executive director of Foothills Alliance in Anderson.

After graduating in 2003 as the outstanding Accounting senior, she spent several years as a Program Coordinator at Anderson Interfaith Ministries. She earned a bachelor’s degree in Human Resources and Human Services from Anderson University in 2007. In 2011, she was named one of the top 20 Under 40 Leaders by the Anderson Independent-Mail.

“I believe in continuous learning because for me education doesn’t end when you walk across that stage. Life is all about continuing to grow and continuing to learn.”

## 1990s



**Wanda J. Johnson**

1995 (*Criminal Justice*)

Probation Agent and Victim Services Coordinator  
South Carolina’s Department of Probation, Parole,  
and Pardon Services (SCDPPPS).

## 2000s



**Tracy Whitten Bowie**

Class of 2003 (*Business Technology with major in  
Accounting*)

Executive Director of Foothills Alliance, Anderson



In celebration of its 50th anniversary, Tri-County Technical College established the *Faces of the Decades* award to recognize an outstanding alumnus from each decade in its fifty-year history. Honorees were recognized at the College’s Spring Commencement Ceremony in May.

# Kleo Stathakis Honored with Order of Merit

The College honored former Foundation Board member and Anderson resident Kleo Stathakis with the highest award given by the nine-member Commission.

The Order of Merit is an honorary society that recognizes community and state leaders who have contributed to the development of Tri-County Technical College and the State Technical College System.

“For 26 years, Kleo served as an invaluable member of the College’s Foundation Board and has been a staunch supporter of the College, always devoted to its mission and purpose,” said Dr. Booth.

As a charter member, she represented Anderson County since the Foundation’s Board’s first meeting on June 7, 1985, and served as the secretary to the Foundation Board from 1995–2011.

She served on numerous Foundation-related committees and assisted in the solicitation of major gifts to the Foundation. Her most notable accomplishment as a board member was when she introduced Mrs. Ruby Hicks to the College and Foundation. When Mrs. Hicks, a member of the College’s Foundation Board, died October 2, 1992, she bequeathed the majority of her estate, valued at nearly three-quarters of a million dollars, to Tri-County to establish scholarships. Until 2001, this was the largest single donation the College had received in its history.

Since 1993, Mrs. Stathakis has generously contributed to a scholarship established in the name of her late husband, Pete Stathakis. She also was instrumental in the Anderson County Woman’s Club establishing an endowed scholarship, and since 1989 the Club has given a total of \$28,500 to Tri-County.

Her commitment to the community has never wavered and, as a devoted volunteer, she worked in the chaplain’s office of AnMed Health, the March of Dimes, and the Kennedy Street School/Concord Elementary School parent-teacher association, and was a teacher in the Great Book program.



*Dr. Booth, right, presented Mrs. Stathakis with the Order of Merit at the College’s 2011 Annual Report luncheon with Mrs. Stathakis’s son, John Pete, back left, and daughter, Alexandria, right, at her side.*

She represented the community with honor and distinction with her service as a board member and recording secretary for the Anderson Historical Society, along with the Anderson Arts Council, and the Anderson County Library System.

In 2005 she was honored by the Anderson County Democratic Women for her 50-plus years of community service with the group’s first-ever Woman of Distinction of Anderson County award, and the Anderson County Council designated April 16, 2005, as Kleo Stathakis Day in Anderson.

A political activist and longtime member of the local Anderson County Democratic Women’s Club, she worked third shift to register voters at local industries during the 2004 election campaign, served as a Delegate to the national conventions for the Democratic Party in 1980 and 1988, and in 2007 was inducted into the S.C. Democratic Women’s Hall of Fame.

Mrs. Stathakis has two adult children, John Pete and Alexandria, and she lives in Anderson.



BASF in Seneca made a \$5,000 donation to the Foundation in support of economic and community development, one of the four initiatives of the College Foundation’s Major Gifts Campaign. The money will be used to support the Institute for Manufacturing Competitiveness. The company has been contributing to the College since 1992.

Here, Frank Lamson-Scribner, plant manager, third from left, presents the check to Dr. Booth, second from left. Pictured with them are, from left, Elisabeth Gadd, director of development; Andy Tunstall, human resource manager at BASF; and John Lummus, vice president for economic and institutional advancement at the College.

# AT&T Honored with Foundation's Philanthropist of the Year Award

**A**T&T was named the 2011 recipient of the Tri-County Technical College Foundation's Philanthropist of the Year award.

This is the Foundation's highest and most prestigious honor reserved for individuals, foundations, companies, trusts, organizations, or other entities that have made a significant financial contribution, either cash or non-cash, to the Foundation to support the work of the College.

Jane Sosebee, AT&T's legislative director for the State of South Carolina and a former member of Tri-County's Foundation Board, accepted the award on behalf of the company.

Jim Evers, regional director for external affairs for AT&T, said, "To be included in the same company as past recipients of this award is a tremendous honor. The College has an extraordinary impact on the lives of its students and their families. We are pleased to have the opportunity to support those efforts and to join with the College and the Foundation in working to make a difference in the tri-county region."

"AT&T has been a tremendous support to this Foundation over the years," said Foundation Chairman David Wakefield. "The company recognizes that an educated workforce is critical to the success of its company and to the success of our nation. As a proponent of students worldwide, AT&T has made education a priority through its philanthropic giving program. As a result Tri-County and its students have benefitted."

Historically, AT&T's focus has been to support projects and collaborative efforts designed to strengthen communities through the advancement of education.

This focus led AT&T to make its first gift to the Tri-County Technical College Foundation in 1996 to fund the AT&T Instructional Excellence Endowment, an endowment focused on supporting the professional development needs of faculty and staff through the College's mini-grant program.

In 2009, The AT&T Foundation, the philanthropic arm of AT&T, Inc., awarded the College a \$100,000 grant to support the Gateway to College (now Connect to College) program — an initiative that is designed to serve at-risk students and recent high school dropouts in Anderson, Oconee and Pickens counties.

The following year, AT&T made a \$50,000 donation in support of economic and community development, one of the four initiatives of the College Foundation's Major Gifts Campaign. The money supports



*AT&T is the 2011 recipient of the Foundation's Philanthropist of the Year award. The company was honored November 17, 2011, at a meeting of the College's Foundation Board. Jane Sosebee, AT&T's legislative director for the State of South Carolina and a former member of Tri-County's Foundation Board, accepted the award on behalf of the company. Presenting the award is President Ronnie L. Booth.*

small businesses through the College's Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development.

Most recently the company sponsored the College's 2012 Fall Classic Golf tournament and provided funds to purchase Mechatronics equipment.

Over the past 15 years AT&T has made consistent gifts, totaling more than \$219,000, to the Foundation. The company is a member of the College's prestigious Wall of Honor, which is reserved for donors who have contributed \$100,000 or more cumulatively.

"AT&T is the kind of community citizen that sets an example for others," said Dr. Booth. "Further, AT&T understands the important role of technology in education. The company's gifts are a long-term investment in the lives of students in our community and ultimately, the community as a whole. We are grateful for their generosity and support," said Dr. Booth.

# Foundation Highlights



## Schneider Electric Supports EIT Division

Schneider Electric in Seneca made a \$10,000 contribution towards its \$50,000 pledge to the Foundation for the company's Teaching Chair Endowment in the Engineering and Industrial Technology Division. Pictured here, left to right, Christine Nacnodovitz, human resources manager, global supply chain, Schneider Electric; Dale Watson, MFG engineering manager, global supply chain, Schneider Electric; Larry Smith, Schneider Electric plant manager; Dr. Booth; and John Lummus, vice president for economic and institutional advancement at Tri-County.

Since 1988, the Seneca company has supported the College Foundation through annual gifts, all devoted to advancing educational opportunities and instruction. Because of the company's generosity, through its teaching chair, faculty in the Engineering and Industrial Technology Division have grown professionally through participation in and presentations at seminars and conferences, along with enrollment in advanced course work.

## Foundation's Wine Tasting a First-Class Event

The College's Foundation hosted its first annual wine tasting fundraiser event at the Anderson Campus to benefit a new Culinary Arts certificate program set to begin in the fall of 2013.

The event, which drew more than 150 guests, was catered by the Lake Keowee chapter of Les Marmitons, along with guest chef Hamid Mohsseni, owner of the Anderson Restaurant Group and a member of the College's Foundation Board. Bank of Anderson was the premier sponsor of the event. Former Foundation Board Chair David Wakefield enjoyed the delicacies.





## Bank of America Supports Connect to College

The Bank of America Charitable Foundation made a \$3,000 donation to the College's Connect to College (formerly Gateway to College) program. The funds are designated for textbooks for students in the program that serves high school dropouts age 17 – 20 who meet specific eligibility criteria and live in Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens counties. Using a dual credit model, students earn both high school and college credit and may simultaneously complete both the high school diploma (meeting all requirements of the South Carolina Department of Education) and a postsecondary credential.

Here, Stacy Brandon, senior vice president for Bank of America and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner, and Smith, Inc., third from left, presents the check. Also pictured from left are Kerri Myers, Merrill Lynch assistant vice president; John Lummus, vice president for economic and institutional advancement at the College; Gary Duncan, Tri-County Foundation Board member; Elisabeth Gadd, director of development at the College; and Kathryn Holbrooks, vice president and mortgage loan officer for Merrill Lynch.

## Educator Remembers College in Will

Bill Senn, middle, son of the late Patricia H. Senn, of Seneca, contacted the Foundation office to inform them that his mother had put Tri-County in her will. Mr. Senn is pictured here presenting a \$30,608 check to John Lummus, vice president of economic and institutional advancement, left, and Elisabeth Gadd, director of development. The gift has been designated for faculty/staff development for the Engineering and Industrial Technology Division.

Mrs. Senn, who died August 13, 2011, was a retired fifth-grade social studies teacher, who spent most her career at Gignilliat Elementary School in Seneca. "Education was her life," said Senn, now a Tuscon, Arizona, resident. "She really valued and believed in technical colleges," added Senn, whose father was a cousin of Mrs. Martha Parker, wife of the late Senator Marshall Parker, of Seneca, a founding father of the S.C. Technical College System.



# Foundation Highlights

## Nix Establishes Scholarship in Memory of His Wife



Ralph Nix, pictured here, owner of Ralph's Trophy Shop in Seneca and a longtime friend of the College, made a \$15,000 donation to the Foundation to establish the Brenda B. Nix Memorial Scholarship to honor his wife.

Nix and his two adult daughters, Sherri White and Chandra Black, wanted the scholarship to be a tribute to their mother who retired from Seneca High School after 26 years of service. "Education was so important to Brenda and to our family," said Nix. "My daughters and I understand the importance of helping someone and giving back to the community." The scholarship will be awarded to a Seneca High School graduate in the Automated Office Technology or business curricula. "We wanted to give back to the College in a way that could help kids in our area," said Nix, who is pictured here with Elisabeth Gadd, director of development.

"Mr. Nix's decision to start a scholarship in memory of his precious wife is a loving and lasting tribute," said Gadd. "The scholarship will ensure that she has a lasting impact on the lives of Seneca High School students whom she cared for so deeply. This scholarship will help students reach their educational goals."

## Lakeside Steel Donation Supports ITC

Lakeside Steel and Machine in Anderson, owned and operated by Jack Jenkins, second from left, and his son, Brad Jenkins, far right, contributed \$30,000 to name the robotics lab in the Industrial Technology Center. Currently under renovation, this state-of-the-art center will include training for welding, as well as heating, ventilation, and air conditioning. The facility is located on Highway 76 in Sandy Springs and is set to open in January 2013. Pictured with them are, from left, John Lummus, vice president of economic and institutional advancement; Dr. Booth; and Elisabeth Gadd, director of development for the College.



# 2011-2012 Year In Review

## JULY 2011

Orian Rugs is among the companies using registered apprenticeships as an effective workforce development tool to grow the skills of their existing workforce. The Anderson company hand picked Maintenance Technician Joe Shaw, seen here, along with several others, to participate in a Mechatronics registered apprenticeship program through the Corporate and Community Education Division.



De De Smith was among the 19 participants, ages 10 – 12, who attended the four-day Camp Xceleration 2011. Participants explored LEGO® MINDSTORM™'s NXT robots, focusing on robot construction and best practices, using gears, basics of programming, improving programs, sensors, and robot navigation. Robert Bosch, LLC, provided funding for the camp.



For the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the Division of Business Affairs has earned the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting. The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded our College a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

## AUGUST 2011

The work of the Early Childhood Development Advisory Committee members, both in the classroom and the community, earned them the distinction of advisory committee of the year.



Community and college leaders and elected officials gathered at the Easley Campus for Governor Nikki Haley (seated) to sign into law the S.C. Higher Education Efficiency and Administrative Policies Act of 2011.

Tyrone Flowers, founder of Higher M-Pact, a community-based organization whose focus is to mentor, develop, and restore hope for high-risk youth and their families, told his story to a group of Upward Bound students at the College's 31<sup>st</sup> annual awards banquet. Upward Bound is designed to help high school students bridge the gap between secondary school and college and to provide them with financial and academic resources to prepare for postsecondary education.



The Educational Talent Search program received continued federal funding and a perfect score on the grant submission. The Department of Education granted the College a five-year, \$391,538 continuation grant to provide academic support and cultural exposure to 854 students.

Weekend Motorcycle Safety classes are offered through the South Carolina Rider Education Program (SCREP) and are held on the College's Anderson Campus. Classes are available for individuals of all skill levels.

# 2011-2012 Year In Review

## SEPTEMBER 2011

The Cultural Partner Program (CPP) pairs students, faculty, and/or staff with an international student attending our College. CPP partners get together on their own time and at the locations of their choice once a week to show international students more about American culture and the Tri-County way of life. Pictured here from left are Gaurav Shah, Shilkumar Patel, Kunlawadee Ridley, Laura Smith, Brian McGuinness (advisor), Qiuchen Hai, Chansong Park, and Josue Montoya.



The College recognized the 10th anniversary of the September 11 tragedy by hosting several events, including a presentation on 9-11 conspiracy theories by Dr. Chad Gregory, History instructor and coordinator of Instructional Activities for the Humanities Department. Other 9-11 recognition activities included blood drives and a display of 9-11 banners signed by members of the student body at each campus.

A student success initiative took place at the beginning of the fall semester, whereby students, who are on warning status with their financial aid, were invited to a recovery workshop. Several meetings were held to give them information on how to get back on track. These intervention strategies help students to be successful and are a good example of continuous improvement.

## OCTOBER 2011

Doris Simpson, executive assistant for the president and the Commission since 1997, was the Southern regional winner and among the five nominees across the United States for the prestigious American Community College Trustees (ACCT) Professional Board Staff Member award.

Following the Annual Report Luncheon, keynote speaker Congressman Jeff Duncan, fifth from left, talks with, from left, Executive Director of Ocone Alliance Jim Gadd, Sandra Sandifer, Richard Imershein, George Acker, and Rep. Bill Sandifer.



For the seventh consecutive year, the Fall Classic Golf Tournament drew a record crowd and rave reviews, raising more than \$26,000 for the Industrial Technology Center set to open in 2012 – 2013. The tournament was supported by lead sponsors BorgWarner and Thrift Brothers. Mick Lankford, a member of the Men's Golf Team, is pictured here.



The nine May 2011 graduates of the Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) program who took the National Certification Exam administered by the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) earned a perfect pass rate. Since 2006 five out of six graduating classes have achieved 100 percent pass rates.

# 2011-2012 Year In Review

## NOVEMBER 2011

The Veterinary Technology program reported a 90 percent pass rate on the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE). The ten 2011 graduates who elected to take the exam are now licensed veterinary technicians, a title held by individuals who earn an associate degree in Veterinary Technology from an AVMA-accredited program like Tri-County's and have passed national and state credentialing exams.



Barbara Hammond, director of the Office Skills Center for the Corporate and Community Education Division, was awarded the Outstanding Continuing Education Non-Credit Instructor Award by the South Carolina Association for Higher Continuing Education (SCAHCE).

A "Work-Ready" training fair focusing on how individuals can obtain the skills needed for area jobs was held at the Watkins Community Center in Honea Path. The Belton-Honea Path Area Work Ready Training Fair was presented by the City of Belton and the Town of Honea Path.



## DECEMBER 2011

Works by Clementi, Chopin, Pitoni, and Mozart were just a few of the pieces performed during "An Evening of Music" held before a capacity crowd. The Tri-County Chorus, consisting of seventeen members of the student body, performed several pieces under the direction of Jeff Christmas, music instructor and chorus conductor.



The Easley Campus is the site for weatherization classes that focus on training contractors and future technicians in retrofitting homes for better energy efficiency. Classes are taught by Corporate and Community Education Division instructors. Students train in a small house (12' x 20') built by Construction Management students. The program's training and equipment are paid for through a \$165,477 energy efficiency grant from the S.C. Office of Economic Opportunity.



Faculty, staff, and students at the College's Pendleton, Anderson, and Easley campuses sponsored an angel tree for children from the Head Start programs in each county. One hundred and forty-seven were adopted from the College's Angel Tree, sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA) and the Office of Student Life and Counseling.

Around twenty-five Easley campus students, faculty, and staff participated in United Way's Make a Difference Day, a day when volunteers devote their time to working on community projects. This year, Easley Campus participants spent the day working in the Easley Community Garden, which produces fresh fruits and vegetables for local food banks.

# 2011-2012 Year In Review

## JANUARY 2012

Tri-County's Gateway to College program transitioned out of the Gateway to College National Network (GtCNN) in December 2011 and now operates independently of GtCNN. As part of the transition, the program adopted a new name—Connect to College (C2C).

CBS National News visited the Easley Campus as a part of a story reporters were doing on the changing economy in the Pickens County area. The story discussed the benefits of training and featured students in our Industrial Electronics credit program and our Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC) in Corporate and Community Education.



Dr. Mohammad Ghobadi, mathematics instructor, and Allen Guest, an instructor in Clemson University's Department of Mathematical Sciences, participated in a pilot study involving the joint teaching of calculus using IOCOM technology. The IOCOM software allowed live streaming in a web conferencing format that was tailored to classroom instruction.



Kimberly Bruton, of Williamston, a Surgical Technology major, helped the Future Laboratory Professionals and AnMed Health to meet and surpass their goal of collecting 50 pints during a blood drive. Pictured with Kimberly is Brenda Turner, phlebotomist.



## FEBRUARY 2012

Science instructor Phil Gilmour was invited to join the MERLOT (Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching) Chemistry Editorial Board. MERLOT has more than 100,000 members and more than 32,000 member-contributed learning materials geared toward higher education.

Three faculty/staff members were chosen as the College's 2012 Educators of the Year and were recognized at the South Carolina Technical Education Association (SCTEA) meeting in February. Dr. Phil Buckhiester, now retired provost, was the College's outstanding administrator; Dr. Harriette Dudley, early childhood development program coordinator, was the outstanding instructor; and Kevin Steele, manager of administrative services, was the outstanding staff nominee.



Dr. Booth visited with Senator Ernest F. (Fritz) Hollings, pictured here in his office at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, and presented the former senator and the father of South Carolina's system of technical education with a copy of the College's 50th anniversary book, Five Decades of Distinction.

Veterinary Technology instructor Christee Williams was the nominee for the Governor's Professor of the Year award. Christee, a licensed veterinary technician and alumna of our Veterinary Technology program, also was asked to serve on the 2011 Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE) Practice Analysis Task Force.



A \$30,000 donation in equipment and cash donations from the Mining Association of South Carolina (MASC) members helped to outfit the new highway construction materials lab in McKissick Hall on the College's Pendleton Campus. A \$100,000 donation by the SC Asphalt Pavement Association (SCAPA) kicked off this project in June 2011.

The Title III LC<sup>2</sup> office sponsored a professional development seminar, titled "LC<sup>2</sup>: The Impact on Student Success." Full-time and adjunct faculty, along with staff, attended the seminar to learn about the LC<sup>2</sup> accomplishments of last year. The group got hands-on experience using Smarter Measure results to better advise and place students into learning communities.

# 2011-2012 Year In Review

## MARCH 2012

Lisa Bryant, director of human resources at Cannon Memorial Hospital, standing, was among the presenters at a Steps to Success seminar offered to students in the Business Technology programs. Attendees got first-hand tips from local employers on the do's and don'ts of interviewing skills and workplace behavior at this annual seminar sponsored by the Business Technology Advisory Committee.



The College hosted an Open House on its Pendleton Campus that attracted nearly 400 prospective students. Guests were introduced to the College, saw program presentations, toured the campus, observed interactive department lab stations and spoke one-on-one with instructors about career opportunities. Danny Stovall, Mechatronics Technology/Automotive Technology program coordinator, right, talks with David Scott, of Anderson.



The Student Democrats and Student Republicans Clubs sponsored a voter registration drive at the Pendleton Campus. The purpose of this event was to register new voters, inform all voters of current voting rules and regulations and to allow prospective voters the opportunity to meet some candidates and learn about the issues.



Titanic expert and adjunct astronomy instructor Bill Willard, pictured at right, presented "Tales from Titanic," a mixed-media program telling the true stories about the individuals who survived the sinking of the ocean liner and those who did not. He is pictured here with Hunter Yates, of Clemson, a University Transfer major. The event was sponsored by the College's Enrichment Series Committee.



The Expanded Duty Dental Assisting program received extended accreditation following a recent site visit by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. Based on this review, the Commission adopted a resolution to grant the program the accreditation status of approval without reporting requirements.



The College's longest-serving employees were recognized as part of the College's 50th anniversary celebration: Glenn Hellenga, director of Career Services (38 years); Ron Talley, instructor in Industrial Electronics Technology (35 years); and Debbie Nelms, fiscal analyst in the Foundation Office (34 years).

In celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday and the College's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Inspiring Futures student club hosted a Cat in the Hat Ball. More than 450 children and their parents and grandparents joined the celebration which featured fun children's activities. Veterinary Technology major Holly Moore, of Westminster, brought her children, Carli Turner, 10, and Mikah Davis, 6, who are seen reading Dr. Seuss books.



# 2011-2012 Year In Review

## APRIL 2012

The College held its multicultural festivals at its three campuses and featured food, music, and culture highlights from other countries.



Tri-County Technical College's seventh annual Bluegrass Under the Stars concert was held April 7 and featured family fun, bands, fireworks, and department displays. An estimated 1,500 people attended the event. Little Roy and Lizzy (seen here), recent inductees into America's Old Time Country Music and Fiddler's Halls of Fame, headlined the concert.

Early Childhood Development's Summer Serve and Learn Project was selected for the Commission on Higher Education's Service Learning Award. The award was presented to Dr. Harriette Dudley, Early Childhood Development instructor, at the Commission on Higher Education meeting.



Motivational speaker Steve Edwards, author of Who's In Charge of You? Answer That And Change Everything, middle, showed students in the Business and Public Services Division how to transform their lives from average to amazing in a recent seminar on campus.

Pendleton Mayor Frank Crenshaw presented Dr. Booth with a proclamation declaring April 7 as Tri-County Technical College Day in the Town of Pendleton in recognition of the College's fiftieth anniversary.



Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens county councils passed resolutions honoring Tri-County for 50 years of service to the community. Presentations were made at county council meetings.



Six students were inducted as members of the Tri-County Technical College Student Ambassadors program. This program fosters the personal and professional development of students interested in acquiring leadership skills by serving the College.

# 2011-2012 Year In Review

Works by Schubert, Mozart, Schuman, and Bernstein are just a few of the pieces performed during the Spring Choral Concert held before a near-capacity crowd in Marshall Parker Auditorium on the Pendleton Campus. The Tri-County Chorus, consisting of 30 members of the student body, performed under the direction of Jeff Christmas, music instructor and chorus conductor.

Sandvik Production Manager Cliff Leach, left, talks with students James Garza, Roger Burrell and Charmaine Staggers about job opportunities at the College's Annual Career Fair. The event was sponsored by the College's Career Services Department.



A group of faculty and staff was chosen by Evergreen College to attend a Learning Communities Summer Institute. They showcased our Learning Communities and the process the College follows in a poster session.



Area high school seniors accepted to Tri-County met on the College's community campuses for orientation sessions. After attending an overview of the College's services and resources, they met with their academic advisors and registered for classes. Here, Crescent High senior Robert Compton registers for classes with assistance from Renae Frazier, director of recruitment and admissions.



The Alumni Association and the Athletics Department co-hosted the Tri-County Spring Open. The event raised 9,985, and proceeds from the event benefit both the Alumni Association and the Athletics Department.

Welding students took home three first place and three second place awards at the State Welding competition, ranking them the best overall performers at the annual competition for the state technical colleges' welding programs.

Criminal Justice (CRJ) students had a chance to talk to law enforcement agencies about potential jobs and hiring practices at the College's Annual Criminal Justice Career Fair. Representatives from all levels of law enforcement agencies, probation and parole agencies, private investigation and security were on hand to answer questions and to talk about job opportunities.

Carol Garrison, widow of President Don C. Garrison, who served the College from 1971 until his retirement in 2003, visited the campus with her close friends, Mike Cannon, left, and Bruce Cannon, third from left, who are brothers. Bruce was the public relations director at the College from 1968 until his retirement in 1999, and Mike is a member of our Foundation Board. Here, John Lummus, vice president for economic and institutional advancement, presented each of them with a copy of Tri-County Technical College, Five Decades of Distinction, a 100-page book written to commemorate the College's five decades of service to the citizens of Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens counties.



# 2011-2012 Year In Review

MAY 2012

Donna Shannon, a registered dental hygienist, certified dental assistant and department head for the Allied Health/Expanded Duty Dental Assisting program, was honored with the highest award presented to the faculty. She received the Presidential Medallion for Instructional Excellence at the College's spring commencement.



A \$281,852 training grant from the United States Department of Agriculture opened the door for Tri-County and York Technical Colleges to meet the workforce needs of the local paper manufacturing workforce. Tri-County received \$165,613 for the development of a certificate in Pulp and Paper, as well as the development of a Chemical Engineering Technology degree program that has a Pulp and Paper, Environmental/Water/Wastewater or Polymers and Plastic concentration.



A degree from Tri-County Technical College means something because of the quality of graduates it has produced over the past 50 years, Senator Lindsey Graham, pictured here middle, with Commission Chair Ham Hudson, left, and Dr. Booth, told the record-breaking 624 graduates receiving degrees at the College's golden anniversary commencement.

James (Jimmy) Walker, a math instructor in the Comprehensive Studies Department as well as the Arts and Sciences Division, received the College's 2012 Adjunct Faculty Presidential Award.

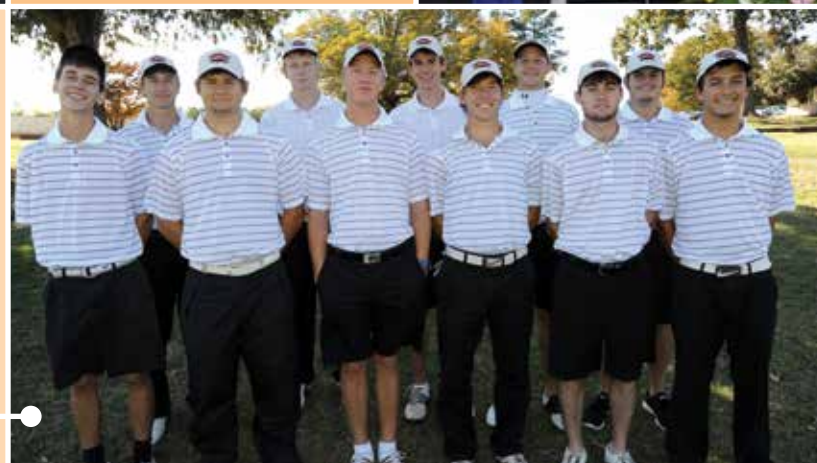
Retiring administrators Dr. Gwen Owens, dean of the Arts and Sciences Division, right, and Dr. Phil Buckhiester, provost, were honored at a surprise reception hosted by faculty just prior to graduation. Both retired June 30.



Representative Brian White, right, presented Dr. Booth with a resolution, passed by the General Assembly earlier this year, honoring Tri-County for 50 years of service to the community. The presentation was made at the College's spring commencement held May 7.



For the first time in its eight-year history, the College's Men's Golf Team went to the NJCAA Division I Men's National Championship. The Hawks posted a 14<sup>th</sup> place finish at the end of the 72-hole championship. Men's Golf Coach Clint Wright was named Region 10 Coach of the Year. Dalton Ward, of Sumter, was named Player of the Year and All Region at the District Championship.



# 2011-2012 Year In Review



The College's Corporate and Community Education Division launched its first Heavy Equipment Operations class in the spring. Tuition for the inaugural class of 15 was funded by a grant aimed at training females, minorities, the unemployed, and the underemployed.



One hundred-and-eighty-eight runners and walkers competed in the third-annual 5K Road Race. Runners take off on the course that starts and ends at the Anderson Campus located at 511 Michelin Boulevard.

Seven of our students were among the first class of 14 BMW Scholars who recently graduated and were officially hired as full-time BMW production and equipment service associates. Pictured from left to right are Chad Looper, Thomas "Cole" Johnson, Adam Grantz, Kenneth Denmon, Dr. Booth, Alison Reynolds, former career services counselor, Michael Bonham, Michael Bellamy, and Charlton Balcombe.



Wes Green, right, was among the two- and four-year college students accepted into the 2012 Summer Palmetto Academy. Green was one of two technical college students accepted. He was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the S.C. Space Grant Consortium. He also was one of 10 transfer students accepted into Clemson's Health Science Department. He is pictured with Tri-County biology instructor Drew McRae.



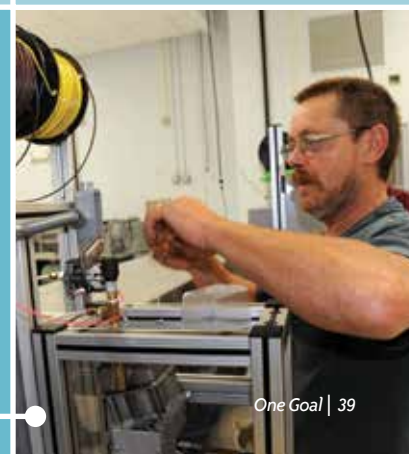
## JUNE 2012

Eleven healthcare agencies attended the job fair hosted by Corporate and Community Education Division's Healthcare Programs Department, with many attending grads walking away with jobs that very day.

The Industrial Technology Center, a state-of-the-art welding and heating ventilation and air conditioning training facility, is set to open in the spring of 2013. The 42,000-square-foot building is located on Highway 76 in Sandy Springs on five acres of land and is just four miles from the Pendleton Campus. Designed to simulate a real-life industrial setting, the structure will use various types of construction techniques in the retrofitting process to be used later as teaching tools in the classroom.



The World Class Training Center changed its name to the Center for Workforce Excellence. The new name reflects the higher level of training the Center is able to offer industries whose associates require demanding technical skills. Over the past few years, the Center moved to align its programs with current industry needs and the name change reflects the Center's new direction as workforce developers.



# Figures, Charts & Graphs

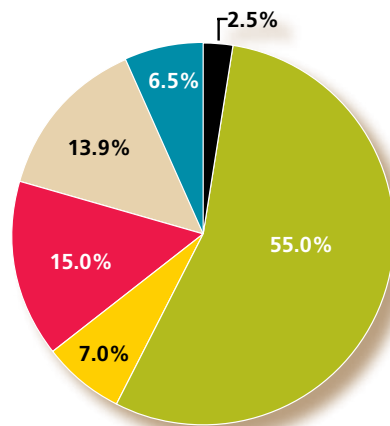
## Students Receive \$23.7 Million in Financial Aid

Students 2011-2012	Program	Amount Disbursed	Students 2011-2012	Program	Amount Disbursed
4001	Pell	\$12,501,616	11	S.C. Vocational Rehabilitation	\$12,642
1239	LIFE	\$5,546,071	3	Veterans Administration	\$11,455
2416	Lottery Tuition Assistance	\$2,595,386	15	TEACH Early Childhood Development	\$11,011
156	Post 911	\$526,508	9	Upward Bound	\$7,652
138	Private Scholarships	\$247,589	11	DL Scurry Loans and Grants	\$7,257
614	S.C. Need-Based Grants	\$776,263	1	Air National Guard College Assistance Program	\$4,500
372	Foundation Scholarships (Endowed and Restricted)	\$382,865	10	S.C. Academic Endowment	\$2,713
329	Tuition Waivers	\$339,742			
239	Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	\$193,065	9,802	Total Amount of Aid	\$23,749,157
31	Employment & Training Services	\$149,870			
52	National Guard College Assistance Program	\$145,828			
82	College Work Study	\$123,128			
34	Tuition Grants to Children of Certain Veterans	\$103,725			
16	Go Army	\$31,216			
9	National Guard	\$15,598			
14	Connect to College	\$13,451			

Note: Some students received more than one form of financial aid and are counted each time.  
Source: Business Office, July 2012

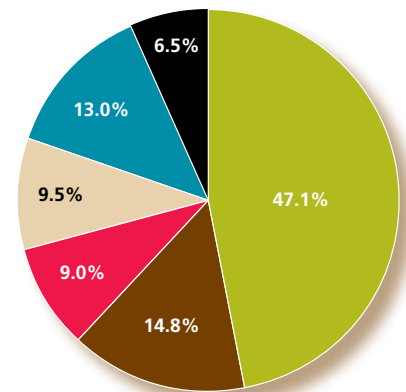
## Tri-County Technical College 2011-2012 Budget

Operations Budget	\$41,057,893
Restricted (Federal/State/Other)	\$34,011,594
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$75,069,487</b>



**Operations Revenue  
by Source**

Credit Tuition and Fees	55.0%
County Appropriations	7.0%
State Appropriations	15.0%
Auxiliary Enterprises	13.9%
Corporate and Community Education Division	6.5%
Miscellaneous	2.5%



**Operations Expenditure  
Budget by Function**

Instruction	47.1%
Academic and Student Support	14.8%
Operations and Maintenance of Plant	9.0%
Administrative and General	9.5%
Auxiliary Enterprises	13.0%
Corporate and Community Education Division	6.5%

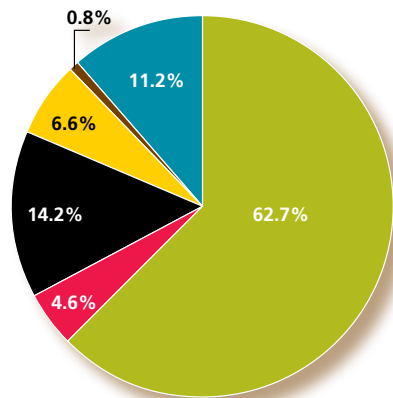
Source: Business Office, July 2012

## Credit Student Profile

### Fall Semester Comparisons

	2009	2010	2011
<b>Race</b>			
Black	14.5%	13.2%	12.5%
White	80.6%	80.5%	80.4%
Other	4.9%	6.3%	7.1%
<b>Sex</b>			
Female	56.2%	57.1%	56.7%
Male	43.8%	42.9%	43.3%
<b>Enrollment Status</b>			
Full-time	60.1%	60.8%	57.5%
Part-time	39.9%	39.2%	42.5%
Career Development (non-degree-seeking majors)	9.9%	9.5%	8.9%
Technical Programs	57.6%	56.9%	58.0%
University Transfer	32.5%	33.5%	33.1%
<b>Working</b>	57.8%	56.5%	60.5%
Avg. hrs. worked/week	27.2%	27.7%	27.7%
Average Age	25.1%	24.8%	24.5%

Source: Institutional Research Office, July 2012



## Operations Budget by Category

Salaries and Benefits	62.7%
Supplies and Materials	4.6%
Contractual Services	14.2%
Fixed Charges	0.8%
Faculty/Staff Development/Travel	6.6%
Purchases for Resale (Bookstore)	11.2%

## Fall Semester Headcount

Arts and Sciences	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Associate in Arts	852	974	869
Associate in Science	1,341	1,354	1,381
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>2,328</b>	<b>2,250</b>

Business and Public Services	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Accounting	86	91	84
Administrative Office Technology	161	170	190
Computer and Information Technology	176	156	170
Criminal Justice Technology	244	237	259
Early Childhood Development	147	141	126
Management	326	339	340
Radio and Television Broadcasting	117	126	123
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>1,292</b>

Career Development	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Career Development	672	662	604
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>604</b>

Health Education	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Expanded Duty Dental Assisting	56	65	69
Health Certificates	8	4	2
Medical Assisting	101	105	90
Medical Laboratory Technology	80	96	89
Nursing	1,122	1,217	1,192
Practical Nursing	279	241	215
Pre-Health Certificates	66	57	0
Pre-Pharmacy	44	45	53
Surgical Technology	115	81	88
Veterinary Technology	107	133	151
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,978</b>	<b>2,044</b>	<b>1,949</b>

Engineering and Industrial Technology	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Automotive Technology	–	1	4
Building Construction Technology	1	3	1
Engineering Graphics Technology	72	51	56
General Engineering Technology	48	45	56
Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Technology	76	65	58
Industrial Electronics Technology	170	166	174
Industrial Supervision Technology	33	23	22
Machine Tool Technology	39	36	50
Mechatronics	–	123	150
Welding	119	134	134
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>705</b>

<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>6,758</b>	<b>6,941</b>	<b>6,800</b>
--------------------	--------------	--------------	--------------

Source: Institutional Research Office, July 2012

# Figures, Charts & Graphs

## Grant Funding (July 1, 2011–June 30, 2012)

Project Title	Funding Source	Type	Amount
Optics and Photonics Education Grant	National Science Foundation via University of Central Florida	Federal	\$ 10,000
Pulp and Paper Manufacturing Training Grant	U.S. Department of Agriculture-National Institute of Food & Agriculture	Federal	\$ 281,852
TRIO - Talent Search - Year 5 of 5	U.S. Department of Education	Federal	\$ 391,538
TRIO - Upward Bound - Year 5 of 5	U.S. Department of Education	Federal	\$ 375,576
Perkins IV Postsecondary Program	U.S. Department of Education via S.C. Department of Education	Federal	\$ 289,302
Mechatronics Non-Credit to Credit Pathway	AdvanceSC	Private	\$ 100,000
Advanced Mechatronics Education Program	AdvanceSC via S.C. Technical College System Office	Private	\$ 58,480
<b>TOTAL NEW AWARDS</b>			<b>\$1,506,748</b>

Source: Grants Office, August 2012

### Jobs from New and/or Expanding Industries

407 persons trained for new jobs for the 11-12 fiscal year listed by county:



#### Anderson County

Allegro Industries	45
Cross Country Home Services	6
First Quality Enterprises, Inc.	191
Robert Bosch Corp.	30
Unitex Group USA	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>287</b>

#### Pickens County

Kongsberg Automotive	14
St. Jude Medical	19
VCI-SC Inc.	13
YH America	74
<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>

**Grand Total** 407

Source: readySC™ Office, July 2012

### 2011 Fall Enrollment By Campus

<b>Pendleton Campus</b>	<b>5,024</b>
<b>Anderson Campus</b>	<b>1,012</b>
<b>Oconee Campus at the Hamilton Career Center</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Easley Campus</b>	<b>549</b>

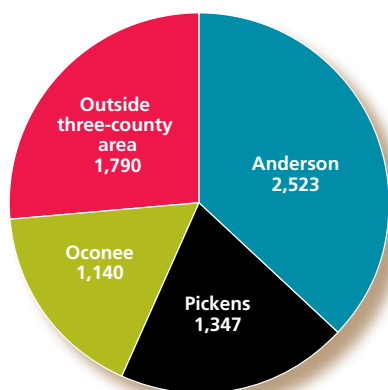
Figures represent enrollment by campus for students who take at least one course at the given campus.

## Graduates & Awards 2011-12

	<b>Graduates</b> (Unduplicated Headcount)	<b>Awards</b> (Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates)
Summer 2011	419	531
Spring 2012	735	952
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,154</b>	<b>1,483</b>

Source: Registrar, July 2012

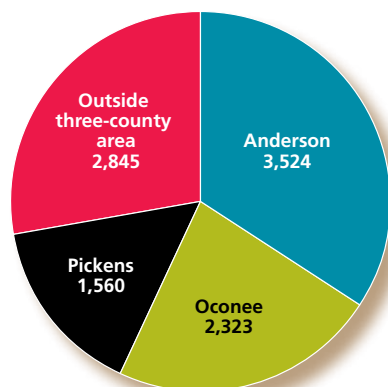
## Fall 2011 Credit Students Enrollment by County



**Total: 6,800**

Source: Institutional Research Office, July 2012

## 2011-12 Corporate and Community Education Students Enrollment by County



**Total: 10,252**

Source: Corporate and Community Education Division, July 2012

## 2011-2012 Program Advisory Committee Chairs

### ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS

Ms. Croslena Johnson, Coordinator of Student Life and Counseling Services, Tri-County Technical College

### ARTS & SCIENCES

Dr. Walt Sinnamon, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Biology, Southern Wesleyan University

### BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY

Ms. Denise Bailey, Accounting Resource Manager, Elliott Davis, LLC

### CENTER FOR WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE

Mr. Mike Banister, Human Resource Manager, Koyo Bearings

### COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Greg Benton, Director of Software Development, SAM Group

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY

Vacant

### EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Ms. Rebecca Powell, Instructor, Fred P. Hamilton Career Center

### ENGINEERING GRAPHICS TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Chris Detlefsen, Design Engineer, Magna Automotive

### EXPANDED DUTY DENTAL ASSISTING

Mr. Shane Simpson, CDA, Fort Hill Family Dentistry

### GENERAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Ray Orzechowski, Engineer, BASF

### INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Mike Jenkins, Power Systems Consultant

### HVAC

Mr. Anthony Gillespie, Parts Sales, Trane (Retired)

### INDUSTRIAL SUPERVISION TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Mike Webber, Senior Production Leader, Milliken & Company – Gerrish Mill

### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE

Dr. Jennifer Bushwack, DVM, Electric City Animal Clinic

### MACHINE TOOL TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Tony Bryant, Koyo Bearings

### MECHATRONICS

Mr. Stan Owen, Senior Project Specialist TS-39, BMW Manufacturing, LLC

### MEDICAL ASSISTING

Ms. Jan Haguewood Gibbs, CMA, RST, Office of Dr. Wajdi D'bouk, Anderson Family Care

### MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY

Ms. Brenda Sanders, Laboratory Educational Coordinator, AnMed Health

### NURSING

Vacant

### PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

Jennifer Bagby, RPh, CVS Pharmacy

### PRE-PHARMACY

Dr. Laura M. Fox, Assistant Dean, Professional and Student Affairs, Associate Professor of Pharmaceuticals, Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy

### RADIO & TELEVISION BROADCASTING

Mr. Michael Branch, Morning Show Host and Production Manager, FM 103, Inc.

### SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

Ms. LaRue Fisher, CNOR, RN, AnMed Health

### VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY

Dr. James Mullikin, DVM, Veterinary Clinic, P.A.

### WELDING

Mr. Jesse Cannon, Instructor, BJ Skelton Career Center

# Tri-County Technical College Foundation, Inc.

## Ways to Give

There are many ways in which you can support Tri-County Technical College's efforts to achieve excellence in two-year technical education. Following are some examples:

- Cash
- Non-Cash, i.e., equipment donations, etc.
- Employers' Matching Gifts
- Securities
- Real Estate
- Life Insurance
- Retirement Plans
- Trusts and Annuities
- Bequests

For additional information, contact John Lummus, Vice President for Economic and Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Tri-County Technical College Foundation, at 864-646-1548.

## Family and Friends Remembered

The next time you wish to acknowledge the death of a friend or loved one or are faced with buying a gift for someone, you may want to consider making an honor/memorial gift to the Tri-County Technical College Foundation. These gifts give lasting recognition to the individuals for whom the gifts are made while at the same time helping to ensure the future of the College.

More than 50 honor/memorial gifts totaling \$23,403 were received during 2011-2012. Each donor received a receipt for his/her tax purposes acknowledging that the gift was tax-deductible, and the individual or family honored received a personal acknowledgment from the Foundation.

### Gifts in Memory

Mrs. Vera Garrison  
 Mrs. Clara W. Golay  
 Mr. Edward W. Grant  
 Ms. Sallie A. Jamison  
 Mrs. Virginia Dare Jones  
 Mrs. Mary Jane Lukas  
 Dr. John W. Manly  
 Mrs. Brenda B. Nix  
 Mr. Gary Roberson  
 Ms. Lele Samm  
 Mr. Chad R. Smith  
 Mrs. Sadie Steele  
 Mr. Roger D. Swords  
 Mr. Jack Watson

### Gifts in Honor

Dr. Ronnie L. Booth  
 Dr. Philip G. Buckhiester  
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Cox  
 Mrs. Linda D. Crowe  
 Mr. Galen DeHay  
 Dr. Ralph D. Elliott  
 Mr. Frank Garland  
 Dr. Gerald L. Marshall  
 Mrs. Robin McFall  
 Ms. Deborah W. Nelms  
 Dr. Valerie R. Ramsey  
 Ms. Vickie Robinson  
 Mrs. Sandra N. Roddey  
 Dr. Della M. Vanhuss  
 Mr. James L. Williams  
 Ms. Chris Worthy

## The Foundation's Numbers

Total Fund Balance	\$17,972,925
2011-12 Contributions	\$492,310
Number of Donors	520
Number of Contributors Who Had Never Given Before	180
Contributions from Faculty and Staff	\$28,420
Average Gift from Faculty and Staff	\$189
Average Gift from Individuals	\$924
Average Gift from Companies	\$2,075
Average Gift from Foundations	\$5,693
Funding Provided to Students and Educational Programs	\$636,279

## Foundation Finance Committee

James L. Williams, Chair, Salem  
 Suzanne E. Morse, Pendleton  
 Charlie C. Thornton, Vice Chair, Anderson  
 Gregg Stapleton (ex officio), Salem  
 Dr. Ronnie L. Booth (ex officio), Clemson  
 David C. Wakefield (ex officio), Anderson  
 Gary T. Duncan, Seneca  
 Ben F. Hagood, III, Anderson

## New Endowments Established

General Machine of Anderson Scholarship  
 Hazel and Grace Jensen Scholarship

## Benefactors' Society

The Benefactors' Society recognizes those who have planned for future gifts to the College through their wills, annuities, life insurance policies, or retirement plans. Benefactors' Society members realize the importance of a quality education and are interested in seeing Tri-County achieve its vision of becoming the role model for all community colleges.

If the College is in your estate plan and you would like to be recognized as a member of the Benefactors' Society, call John Lummus (864-646-1548), Elisabeth Gadd (864-646-1812), Debbie Nelms (864-646-1809), or Courtney White (864-646-1484). Following is a list of current members:

### Members of the Benefactors' Society

Anonymous	Dr. Charlotte R. Kay (deceased)
David A. Armstrong (deceased)	Dr. Debra King
Carol Burdette	Mary K. Littlejohn (deceased)
Corinne B. Cannon	Susan W. McClure
Dr. Henry Cowart Drake (deceased)	Willie C. McDuffie (deceased)
Linda and Ralph Elliott	Larry and Marge Miller
Alvin Fleishman (deceased)	Ms. Stephanie J. Montgomery
Jeanne Fowler	Broy S. Moyer
Nancy Garrison (deceased)	Cameron and Margaret Murdoch (deceased)
Dr. John L. Gignilliat (deceased)	Mrs. Rita Rao
Thomas Hayden	David W. Russ
Ruby S. Hicks (deceased)	Dr. L. Marianne Taylor
Charles R. Johnson	William L. Watkins (deceased)

## Matching Gifts

Many companies and corporations in the United States offer matching-gift programs, giving their employees an opportunity to increase the amount of their donations to charitable organizations. Five donors who gave to the Tri-County Technical College Foundation, Inc., during 2011-2012 applied for matching gifts. The total amount matched by the following companies was \$2,590:

Chevron  
Duke Energy  
St. Jude Medical – CRM Division

## Financial Statement

June 30, 2012

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

Cash	\$ 566,010
Net Pledge Receivables	\$ 630,218
Short-Term Investments	\$ 1,078,707
Interest Receivables	\$ 76,432
Student Loan Receivables	\$ 6,757

**Total Current Assets \$ 2,358,124**

#### Long-Term Investments

Public Equities	\$ 9,094,864
Bonds	\$ 3,856,745
Multi-Assets	\$ 901,679
Special Strategies	\$ 835,168
Commodities	\$ 301,553
Energy	\$ 130,016
Private Equities	\$ 18,824
Real Estate	\$ 86,153
Note Receivable	\$ 413,846

**Total Long-Term Investments \$ 15,638,848**

**Total Assets \$ 17,996,972**

### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Accounts Payable	\$ 20,434
Investment Fees Payable	\$ 3,613

**Total Liabilities \$ 24,047**

#### Fund Balance

Fund Balance	\$ 12,142,193
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investments	\$ 5,830,732

**Total Fund Balance \$ 17,972,925**

**Total Liabilities and Fund Balance \$ 17,996,972**

# Foundation Donors

The Tri-County Technical College Foundation Board and staff are grateful to you, our donors, for the support you have given us. This list recognizes donors who made gifts to the Tri-County Technical College Foundation during 2011-2012, beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2012.

Every effort has been made to correctly list each donor; but if you find an omission or incorrect listing, please call the Foundation Office at either (864) 646-1809 or 1-866-269-5677 (within the 864 area code), ext. 1809. You can also send an e-mail to dnelms@tctc.edu.

## **Partners' Club** (\$50,000 - \$99,999.99)

**Donors Who Made Pledges of \$50,000 - \$99,999.99**  
Nalley, Mr. and Mrs. George B.

**Ambassadors' Club**  
(\$25,000 - \$49,999.99)  
Estate of Mrs. Patricia H. Senn  
Nalley, Mr. and Mrs. George B.  
Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc.

**Donors Who Made Pledges of \$25,000 - \$49,999.99**  
Ash, Mr. and Mrs. Darren  
Hedrick, Ms. Nancy  
Lakeside Steel and Machine

**Pacesetters' Club**  
(\$10,000 - \$24,999.99)  
American Services, Inc.  
Anne J. Gambrill Foundation  
Ash, Mr. and Mrs. Darren  
Atlas Food Systems and Services  
Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
Darby, Mrs. Judy M.  
Itron Electricity Metering, Inc.  
Nix, Mr. Ralph E.  
Oconee Medical Center  
Pasui, Dr. Dan  
Robert Bosch LLC  
Schneider Electric/Square D  
Trehel Corporation  
W. C. English Foundation

**Donors Who Made Pledges of \$10,000 - \$24,999.99**  
Charles and Janet Tabor Family Foundation

**Honors Club**  
(\$5,000 - \$9,999.99)  
Anderson Independent Mail AT&T  
BASF Catalysts, LLC  
BorgWarner  
Bowers Emergency Services  
Cornell Dubilier Marketing, Inc.

Cryovac Division, Sealed Air Corporation  
Duke Energy Foundation  
First Citizens Bank  
General Machine of Anderson, Inc.  
Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A.  
Hedrick, Ms. Nancy  
NHC HealthCare of Anderson  
Oconee Federal Charitable Foundation  
Oglesby, Mr. and Mrs. D. Kirk  
Sandvik  
Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim, Jr.  
South Carolina Broadcasters Association  
Thrift Brothers

**Donors Who Made Pledges of \$5,000 - \$9,999.99**  
Hughes, Mr. Butch

**Merit Club**  
(\$2,500 - \$4,999.99)  
Bank of America Charitable Foundation  
Bank of Anderson  
Booth, Dr. and Mrs. Ronnie L.  
Clemson Area Transit  
Duke Energy  
Gadd, Mr. and Mrs. Jim  
Marshall, Dr. Timothy R.  
Powell Real Estate  
White, The Honorable and Mrs. Brian

**President's Club**  
(\$1,000 - \$2,499.99)  
Anderson County Woman's Club  
Anderson Rotary Club  
Anderson University  
Barton, Mrs. Betty A.  
Big V Automotive  
Boan, Mr. Sammy  
Buckhiester, Dr. and Mrs. Philip G.  
Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Michael T.  
Carter, Mr. Rex L.  
Charles and Janet Tabor Family Foundation  
Collins, Ms. Julie Barton  
Deane, Mr. and Mrs. John C.  
Easley Combined Utilities

Eisenberg, Mr. David  
Fuller, Mrs. Janet  
Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R.  
Greenville Horse Show & Fair  
Hansen, Mr. Mikkel A.  
Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Butch  
HMR Veterans Services  
Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Joe E.  
Hughes, Mr. Butch  
Hurt, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J., Jr.  
Kalley, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce  
Lakeside Steel and Machine  
Les Marmitons of Keowee  
Lummus, Mr. and Mrs. John H.  
Martin, Dr. and Mrs. Theodore H.  
Metromont Corporation  
Michelin North America, Inc.  
Mining Association of South Carolina  
Oconee Machine & Tool Co., Inc.  
Parker Poe Consulting, Inc.  
Price, Mr. James H., III  
Ramsey, Dr. Valerie R.  
Roach, Mr. and Mrs. Steve  
Roper Mountain Animal Hospital  
School District of Pickens County  
Shadwick, Mr. Jack  
Silver Administrative Services Company  
Spitz, Mr. and Mrs. Ted  
Stapleton, Mr. and Mrs. Gregg  
The Villages at Town Creek  
Theodore, Mr. Nick and Mr. Drew  
Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C.  
United Way of Greenville County  
Upstate Veterinary Specialists  
Wal-Mart Store #3222  
Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. William W.  
Woodcock, Mr. Robert  
Youngblood Development Corporation

**Cornerstone Club**  
(\$500 - \$999.99)  
Alexander, Colonel and Mrs. James W.  
Alumni Association of TCTC  
Benson Ford Nissan  
Bruce, Dr. Arthur L.  
Champion Fund at T. Rowe Price Program for Charitable Giving  
City of Easley

Community First Bank of Seneca  
Crisp-Simons, Mr. Todd B.  
David Taylor Heating and Air Conditioning  
Elliott, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph D.  
Evatt, Mr. and Mrs. Rhett  
Future Laboratory Professionals  
Harding, Mr. and Mrs. Greg L.  
Harper Corporation General Contractors  
Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas  
Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Jim  
Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. William H. (Ham)  
Jamison, Mr. and Mrs. Donaigron  
Long, Mr. and Mrs. B. Neal  
Martin, Mrs. Lou Ann  
McDougald, Mr. Douglas  
McMillan Pazdan Smith Architects  
Orian Rugs, Inc.  
Orr, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W.  
Owens, Dr. Gwendolyn B.  
P.E.O. Sisterhood AE Chapter  
Pendleton Area Business Council  
Pickens, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall I.  
Ralph Hayes Motors  
Raymond James Charitable Endowment Fund  
Reynolds, Mrs. Alison A.  
S. C. Association of Veterinarians  
Stathakis, Mrs. Kleo B. and Ms. Alexandria P.  
Techtronics Industries North America, Inc.  
Town of Pendleton  
Wells Fargo  
West, Mrs. Mary Scott  
Williams, Mr. Jim  
Young, Mr. and Mrs. Al

**Century Club**  
(\$100 - \$499.99)  
Adams, Dr. Andrew A.  
Allan, Ms. Meg  
Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas R.  
American Security  
Anderson NAPA Auto Parts  
Anderson Police Department  
Andrus, Ms. Sue  
Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. L. Curtis  
Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. William T.

Atlanta Consulting Group  
Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Larry D.  
Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Archie I.  
Barto, Ms. Janet Marie  
BB&T  
Beleskas, Mr. John Felix  
Benefit Design Corporation  
Blakley, Ms. Jacquelyn  
Bonitz  
Bowen, Mr. Tim  
Bradford, Mr. Ellis E.  
Brdar, Ms. Janet T.  
Brock, Mrs. Deborah A.  
Brown, Ms. Cheryl D.  
Bucy, Mr. David W.  
Burdette, Mrs. Margaret C.  
Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Chad  
Cartledge, Mr. and Mrs. Larry  
Champion, Dr. Peggy  
Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Ben R.  
Clemson Sports Medicine and  
Rehabilitation  
Cole, Mrs. Cathy C.  
Collins, Ms. Teresa M.  
Colombo, Ms. Leigh  
Compton, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley L.  
Corbeil, Mr. and Mrs. C. Paul  
Craft, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy L.  
Cromer Food Services, Inc.  
Cunningham, Mr. Michael  
Current, Mr. and Mrs. James L.  
Dacus, Ms. Emma Sue  
DeHay, Mr. Galen  
Dermer, Ms. Peggy  
Donnelly, Mr. and Mrs. Edward N.  
Dudley, Ms. Harriette S.  
Duncan, Mr. Gary T.  
Eckert, Mrs. Sharon D.  
Edmonds, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy W.  
Ellenberg, Mr. Robert  
Emily's  
Ethridge, Ms. Tracy L.  
Executive Auto Brokers LLC  
Ford, Ms. Cathy M.  
Garman, Nancy and John  
Geer, Mr. and Mrs. John M., Jr.  
Gignilliat, Mr. William W.  
Hammond, Ms. Barbara  
Harden, Mr. John C., III  
Hasty, Mrs. Donna M.  
Helgeson, Mr. Jerald R.  
Hellinga, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn  
Herlong Bates Burnett Insurance,  
Inc.  
Hess, Mr. and Mrs. Roy  
Homan, Mr. and Mrs. Craig  
Hoyle, Mr. Norman  
Hudson, Mr. William Lane, Jr.

Hunter, Mr. C. Dale  
Hursey, Mrs. Marion G.  
Johnson, Ms. Shannon M.  
Keasler, Mr. and Mrs. Morris  
Konieczny, Mrs. Suzanne  
Kopera, Mr. and Mrs. Ken  
Latham, Mrs. Lillian L.  
Lawless, Ms. Christy S.  
Lee, Dr. Ronald D.  
Lewis, Dr. Lynn  
Lollis, Ms. Lynn M.  
Luper, Ms. Angel S.  
Mahaffee, Mrs. Martha C.  
Marino, Dr. and Mrs. Chris  
Marsh, Ms. Beth  
Mattison, Ms. Brenda  
McClain, Mrs. Tonia B.  
McClure, Mr. Hubert  
McDonald's of Seneca  
McFall, Mrs. Robin  
McGee Heating and Air, Inc.  
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. William R.  
Mohsseni, Mr. and Mrs. Hamid  
Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steve  
Moyer, Mrs. Broy S.  
Nelms, Ms. Deborah W.  
Oconee Federal Savings & Loan  
Association  
Old, Mrs. Marguerite Gignilliat  
Otey, Ms. Jeanne  
Pepper, Ms. Robin A.  
Peter, Mr. Robert C.  
Poore, Mrs. Claudia E.  
Poore, Mrs. Lisa M.  
Reed, Ms. Alberta A.  
Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Billy  
Rholetter, Ms. Cindy  
Richardson, Ms. Eleanor B.  
Robertson, Ms. Sandra  
Robinson Funeral Homes  
Roddey, Ms. Sandra N.  
Ryans, Mr. Dennis  
S T Quality Electric, Inc.  
Sally, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen W.  
Sandy Springs Water District  
Saxon, Mrs. Lisa B.  
Schultz, Ms. Beth E.  
Shannon, Ms. Donna  
Shepherd, Ms. Joyce A.  
Shumpert, Mrs. Sarah J.  
Sims, Ms. Alydia Camille  
Sitton, Mrs. Roberta  
Smith, Mr. Franklin  
Smith, Mr. G. Neil  
Smith, Mr. Phil  
Spragins, Mrs. Catherine R.  
Stebbins, Mr. and Mrs. Roland A.  
Steele, Mr. Kevin

Stovall, Mr. Danny  
Swords, Dr. Brian D.  
Swords, Ms. Diane  
The Commercial Bank  
Toole, Mr. and Mrs. W. Allen  
Tri-County ACE Hardware  
Turner's Jewelers  
Upstate Staffing, Inc.  
Vanhuss, Dr. Della M.  
Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. David C., III  
Walter, Mrs. Diana M.  
Welch, Ms. Carolyn  
Wilkerson, Colonel and Mrs.  
Lawrence B.  
Williams, Mr. and Mrs. James L.  
Winburn, Mrs. Blythe H.  
Woodson, Mr. John W., II  
Yeargin Potter Shackelford  
Construction, Inc.  
Yon, Mr. and Mrs. Dan R.  
Young, Mrs. Betty H.  
Youngblood, Mr. and Mrs. Danny

### **Loyalty Club (\$ .01 - \$99.99)**

Acker, Mr. and Mrs. George  
Addison, Ms. Sidney  
Alexander, Ms. Elaine H.  
Allen, Mr. Herm  
Allen, Ms. Stephanie E.  
Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles T.  
Anderson, Ms. Theresa  
Andrew, Ms. Allison R.  
Angoli, Ms. Marilyn I.  
Anonymous (2)  
Arbena, Mr. Joseph Scott  
Armentrout, Ms. Sarah  
Aumann, Ms. Abbie  
Austin, Dr. and Mrs. Robert  
Bauknight, Ms. Cheryl B.  
Baumann, Dr. Peter  
Beattie, Ms. Jennifer  
Biediger, Ms. Michele  
Black, Mr. Luke  
Black, Ms. Nancy  
Blackwell, Mr. Robert W.  
Bladzick, Ms. Susan  
Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Doug  
Borders, Ms. Amy  
Borow, Mr. Tim  
Bountyland Petroleum, Inc.  
Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Jim  
Bradham, Mr. and Mrs. David A.  
Breazeale, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W.  
Brinson, Ms. Veronica J.  
Broughman, Mr. Kevin  
Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Don W.  
Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Juan A.

Burriss, Mrs. Pattie  
Cain, Ms. Christine  
Cape, Mr. James T.  
Carter, Mr. Charles  
Catalfomo, Ms. Keri  
Chalfant, Mr. Ray  
Chandler, Ms. Stephanie  
Chapman, Ms. Angela M.  
Chapman, Ms. Melissa H.  
Childers, Mr. John M.  
Childress, Ms. Octavia  
Christmas, Mr. Jeff  
Christopherson, Mr. M. E.  
Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil L.  
Colcolough, Mrs. Sharon G.  
Coleman, Ms. Kristine E.  
Collins, Ms. Chyna  
Community First Bank of Walhalla  
Cook, Mr. Carol  
Cox, Mrs. Elizabeth M.  
Cox, Ms. Janis F.  
Craven, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob W.  
Crist, Ms. Joy  
Crooks, Mr. Chris  
Curtis, Ms. Susan  
Dabbs, Ms. Karen L.  
Davis, Mrs. Celeste P.  
Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy  
DeLoache, Mr. James E.  
Dickerson, Ms. Sue  
Dickson, Ms. Dorothy  
Dieter, Ms. Janice W.  
Dingler, Ms. Rachel L.  
Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Jr.  
Dolan, Mr. John  
Drake, Mr. Russell  
Drew, Ms. Patricia T.  
Dukes, Ms. Anna T.  
Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Berry  
Edwards, Ms. Penny S.  
Eidson, Mr. and Mrs. Gary  
Ellenberger, Dr. Suzanne  
English, Ms. Jill J.  
Entreken, Ms. Elizabeth D.  
Estridge, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry  
Fant, Ms. Kelsey  
Farmer, Ms. Janna  
Farrar, Ms. Kasey  
Faulling, Mr. Everett L.  
Fellows, Ms. Mary  
Feltman, Mr. and Mrs. Steve V.  
Fisher, Ms. Michelle  
Fotiu, Ms. Patricia  
Francis, Ms. Jessica  
Franklin, Ms. Kayla  
Galbreath, Ms. Courtney  
Gambrell, Ms. Carolyn  
Garrett, Ms. Lisa T.

# Foundation Donors

Geren, Ms. Mary  
Gibson, Mr. David  
Gillespie, Ms. Tammy  
Glew, Mr. John Warren  
Godwin, Mr. Charles C.  
Goodwin, Mr. Steven  
Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene  
Grant, Mr. Wesley F.  
Gray, Mr. Brooks  
Green, Ms. Jamie  
Griffith, Mrs. Dana  
Grogan, Ms. Morgan  
Guffie, Mr. Brent  
Guzman, Mr. Miguel  
Hammett, Ms. Jan M.  
Harbin, Ms. Ashley L.  
Hardy, Ms. Tina  
Harris, Ms. Rhonda N.  
Harrison, Ms. Julia  
Harrison, Ms. Kelli  
Head, Ms. Jane  
Heg, Mr. Terry  
Henley, Ms. Amanda  
Herbert, Dr. and Mrs. James  
Heringa, Mr. Spencer  
Hewett, Ms. Amanda  
Hogan, Dr. and Mrs. Robert J.  
Holstead, Ms. Danna M.  
Hon, Mr. and Mrs. James  
Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Holt  
Hudders, Ms. Morgan  
Inskeep, Mr. Brian  
Interiano, Mrs. Ana M.  
Johnson, Ms. Croslena B.  
Johnston, Mrs. Mary K.  
Jones, Mr. Michael S.  
Kauer, Mr. John D.  
Kay, Mrs. Polly F.  
Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Richard A.  
Kern, Mr. and Mrs. Roger R.  
Kidd, Ms. Jean H.  
Kilgore, Ms. Tracy Y.  
Kinsey, Ms. Jeanette  
Krause, Mr. and Mrs. Steven M.  
Krutiitskiy, Mr. George  
Kubu, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey P.  
Lee, Mr. Dennis  
Lindley, Mr. Charles D.  
Little, Mr. David  
Littleton, Mrs. Gloria  
Lumms, Dr. and Mrs. William  
Lutz, Mr. Spain  
Marsh, Ms. Megan  
Martin, Mr. Wrlon James, Jr.  
Martocchia, Dr. and Mrs. David  
McConaughy, Ms. Erin  
McCuen, Mr. and Mrs. Michael D.  
McElwee, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M.

McFarland, Ms. Carole  
McRae, Mr. John A.  
Menzel, Ms. Carole  
Merritt, Mr. Butch  
Milford, Mr. Scott  
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Keith A.  
Miller, Dr. Sharon  
Monahan, Mr. Dan  
Moore, Mr. James R.  
Morgan, Ms. Marissa D.  
Morris, Ms. Sena S.  
Moser, Mr. Scott  
Moss, Mrs. M. Evette  
Mountain Venture LLC  
Mudd, Mr. and Mrs. Roger W.  
Neal, Mr. Chris  
Neese, Mr. Christopher  
Nichols, Ms. Chelsea  
Nicholson, Ms. Nicole  
Nodine, Ms. Debra  
Norris, Ms. Debbie  
Nowell, Ms. Jacqueline  
Obloy, Mr. Michael J.  
Orzechowski, Ms. Amanda  
O'Shields, Mr. Jerry D.  
Outz, Mr. Richard  
Owens, Ms. Miranda  
Park Sterling Bank  
Patel, Sohang  
Patten, Mrs. Dorothy G.  
Pearson, Mr. James G.  
Pearson, Mr. Kevin  
Perkins, Mr. Horace  
Piedmont Chrysler Jeep Dodge  
Piedmont Honda  
Piedmont Nissan  
Ponder, Mr. Milton  
Pressley, Mrs. Sarah  
Quarles, Ms. Stephanie  
Ramsey, Ms. Sarah  
Rayer, Ms. Phyllis  
Reeves, Mr. Richard B.  
Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B., Jr.  
Robinson, Ms. Vickie  
Rogers, Mr. Pee Wee  
Rollin, Dr. Roger  
Rosemond-Saunders, Mrs. Helen  
Ross, Mr. Dylan  
Ross, Mr. Mike  
Rowley, Ms. Hayley  
Rutledge, Ms. Jacqueline L.  
Saidat, Ms. Catherine  
Scheck, Mr. Arthur R., III  
Scholz, Mr. Richard A.  
Schrader, Ms. Lois  
Screws, Ms. Wanda  
Seabrook, Mr. and Mrs. Cordes G., Jr.  
Seawright, Ms. Pat

Shackelford, Mrs. Heather R.  
Sharif, Mr. Iqbal  
Sharp, Mr. Norman C.  
Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Donald F.  
Shook, Ms. Mary Louise  
Shook, Ms. V. Lynn  
Simon, Mr. Matthew  
Simpson, Mrs. Doris J.  
Singh, Ms. Mary C.  
Smith, Ms. Robyn  
Smith, Ms. Savannah  
Smith, Ms. Virginia  
Smolen, Ms. Anna  
Steed, Ms. Kim  
Steele, Mr. William P., Jr.  
Stephens, Ms. Lauren  
Strange, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas  
Strickland, Mrs. Sandra P.  
Taylor, Ms. Michelle Lynne  
Thompson, Dr. Beatrice  
Thrasher, Mrs. Debbie L.  
Todt, Mr. Brendan J.  
Treadwell, Ms. Kathleen  
TCTC Music Program  
Tri-County Technical College  
Trimmier-Lee, Mrs. Cindy  
Tucker, Ms. Jamie  
Tumlin, Ms. Trini  
Varney, Ms. Laurel  
Vernon, Ms. Julie  
Veterinary Technology Students,  
Faculty & Staff  
Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent J., Jr.  
Wadnik, Ms. Amanda  
Wald, Ms. Nancy Albright  
Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne  
Walsh, Ms. Deborah S.  
Ward, Ms. Carol M.  
Watson, Mrs. Jean P.  
Weaver, Ms. Nikki  
Webb, Ms. Holly  
Wham, Ms. Jane M.  
Whisenhunt, Dr. and Mrs. James  
Whitlock, Mr. William H.  
Wiley, Ms. Bethany A.  
Williams, Mrs. Chrystal L.  
Williams, Mrs. Katherine Z.  
Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. James A.  
Withey, Ms. Jen  
Woodruff, Ms. Debra  
Wright, Mrs. Sheree L.  
Yohannan, Mrs. Marianne A.

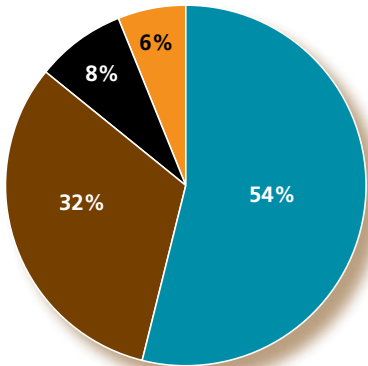
## In-Kind Donors

Action Septic Tank Services  
All About Golf  
AnMed Health  
APAC – Southeast

Bangkok Group LLC  
Bi-Lo  
Booth, Dr. and Mrs. Ronnie L.  
Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Michael T.  
Carolina Beer Company, Inc.  
Carolina Produce  
Chick-fil-A  
Coca Cola Bottling Company  
CR Jackson, Inc.  
Firehouse Subs of Anderson  
Firehills Motor Sports  
Hanson Aggregate  
Herbert, Mrs. Ann  
Home Depot #1130  
Industrial Bonded Warehouse, LLC  
J Peters  
Just More BBQ  
Kistner, Mr. Terrence  
Lincoln Electric  
Lodge's Greenhouse and Nursery  
Lowry Oil Company  
Mann, Mr. Calvin  
Martin Marietta Materials  
Mellow Mushroom  
Mining Association of South  
Carolina  
Mohsseni, Mr. and Mrs. Hamid  
Panera Bread Company  
Pendleton Ice Company, Inc.  
Rea Contracting  
Stanco Metal Products, Inc.  
Subway of Pendleton  
Techtronics Industries North  
America, Inc.  
The Cliffs Communities  
Viva! il Vino  
Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. David C.  
Wal-Mart Store #644  
Walters, Dr. Steve  
Youngblood, Mr. Ray

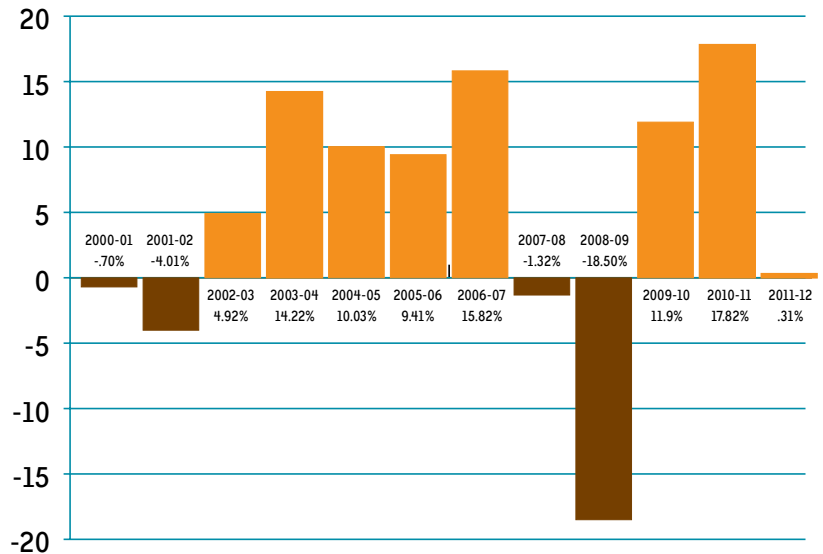
# Foundation Finances

## Funding Sources

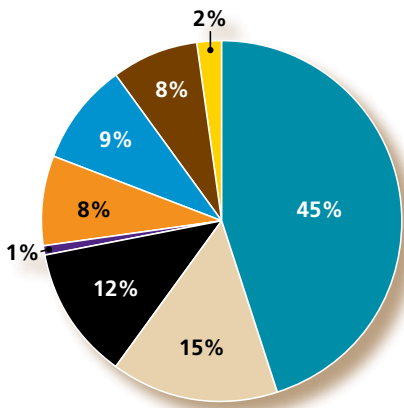


Companies	32%
Faculty/Staff	6%
Individuals	54%
Foundations	8%

## Investment Returns

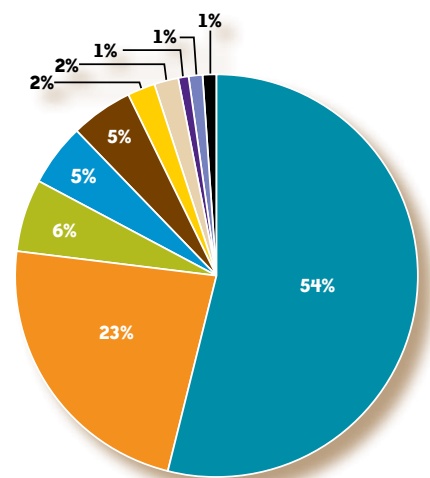


## Expense Allocation



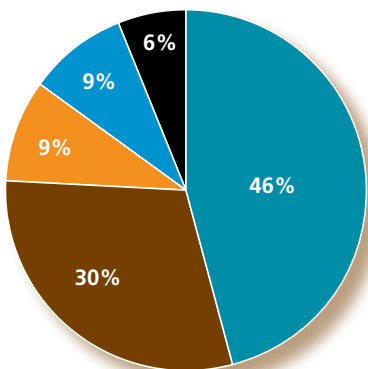
Scholarships	45%
Professional Development	15%
Educational Support	12%
Technology	1%
Management/General	8%
Fundraising	9%
Investment Fees	8%
Alumni Relations	2%
Operating/Fundraising	

## Investments



Short Term Investments	6%
Public Equities	54%
Bonds	23%
Multi-Assets	5%
Commodities	2%
Energy	1%
Special Strategies	5%
Private Equities	1%
Real Estate	1%
Note Receivable	2%

## Donor Gift Designations



Unrestricted	6%
Technology	9%
Professional Development	9%
Scholarships	30%
Priority Needs/Special Projects/Other Initiatives	46%

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS: \$492,310

# Tri-County Technical College Foundation, Inc.



**Mrs. Peggy G. Deane**  
Chair



**Mr. Charles C. Thornton**  
Vice Chair



**Mrs. Suzanne E. Morse**  
Secretary



**Mr. James L. Williams**  
Treasurer

## Tri-County Technical College Foundation, Inc. Board Members

**Mr. George Acker** (ex officio), Director,  
Government & Community Relations, Duke  
Energy Carolinas

**Mrs. Chrissy Adams**, Solicitor of the 10<sup>th</sup>  
Judicial Circuit

**Mr. James Alexander**, Owner, Gold Tee  
Consulting, LLC

**Mrs. Linda Bacigalupo**, President, Tri Tech  
USA, Inc.

**Mr. Alan Blackmon**, Engineering Manager,  
Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative

**Dr. Ronnie L. Booth** (ex officio), President,  
Tri-County Technical College

**Mr. Hugh Burgess**, President, Consolidated  
Southern Industries

**Mr. Mike Cannon**, President, Cannon  
Marketing, Inc.

**Mrs. Mary Ann Craft**, HR Manager, U. S. Engine  
Valve

**Mrs. Peggy Deane** (Chair), Retired, Former  
Senior Vice President, AnMed Health

**Mr. Gary T. Duncan**, Financial Advisor, Merrill  
Lynch

**Mr. Dave Eldridge**, Director, Mountain Lakes  
Business Development Corporation

**Mr. Jim Evers**, Regional Director, AT&T

**Mr. Michael Fee**, Vice President and Owner,  
Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc.

**Mr. Ben Hagood**, Regional Vice President,  
TD Bank

**Mrs. Lorraine Harding**, Owner, Lorraine  
Harding Real Estate

**Mr. Henry Harrison**, Chairman and CEO,  
American Services, Inc.

**Ms. Nancy Hedrick**, President/CEO, Computer  
Software Innovations, Inc.

**Ms. Ann Herbert**, Community Leader

**Mr. Craig Homan**, Retired, Former President  
and CEO, CH Industries

**Mr. W. H. "Ham" Hudson** (ex officio), Retired,  
Former President, Oconee Medical Center

**Ms. Marcia Hydrick**, Vice President, Thrift  
Brothers, Inc.

**Dr. Theodore H. Martin**, Dentist

**Mr. Hamid Mohsseni**, President, Anderson  
Restaurant Group

**Mrs. Suzanne Morse** (Secretary), Trustee, W. C.  
English Foundation

**Mr. D. K. (Kirk) Oglesby, Jr.**, President  
Emeritus, AnMed Health

**Mr. Chris Robinson**, General Manager,  
Robinson Funeral Homes and Memorial Gardens

**Mr. Jim Smith**, Retired, Former CEO, Smith Oil  
Company

**Mr. Larry Smith**, Plant Operations Manager,  
Schneider Electric

**Mr. Ted Spitz**, Attorney at Law

**Mr. Gregg Stapleton** (ex officio), Vice President  
for Business Affairs, Tri-County Technical  
College

**Ms. Alexandria Stathakis**, Director, Robert  
Bosch, LLC

**Mr. Charlie Thornton** (Vice Chair), CPA, Suggs  
Johnson, LLC

**Mr. David Wakefield**, Retired, Carolina First  
Bank

**Mr. James L. Williams** (Treasurer), Attorney  
at Law

**Mr. Mike Wilson**, Business Relations Manager,  
Duke Energy

**Mr. Al Young** (ex officio), President and CEO,  
The Commercial Bank

**Mr. Danny Youngblood**, President,  
Youngblood Development Corporation

**Mr. Ray Youngblood**, Retired, Alice  
Manufacturing Company

# Tri-County Technical College Commission



**W. H. "Ham" Hudson**  
Chair, Oconee County;  
President,  
Oconee Medical Center  
(Retired)



**Leon "Butch" Harris**  
Vice Chair, Anderson County;  
Manufacturing Manager,  
Koyo Bearings USA



**D. Pruitt Martin**  
Secretary, Anderson County;  
Executive Vice President and  
Regional Executive, Anderson,  
Oconee, and Pickens Counties,  
The Palmetto Bank



**Helen P.  
Rosemond-Saunders**  
Oconee County;  
Director of Guidance,  
Seneca High School (Retired)



**John M. Powell**  
Oconee County; Owner of  
Powell Real Estate



**W. Milton Ponder, III**  
Pickens County; Hearing  
Officer and Director of Student  
Services for School District of  
Pickens County (Retired)



**George N. Acker**  
Pickens County; Southern  
Region Director for  
Government & Community  
Relations, Duke Energy



**Thomas F. Strange**  
Pickens County; Senior  
Director of Research and  
Development,  
St. Jude Medical



**J. Allard "Al" Young**  
Anderson County;  
President and CEO,  
The Commercial Bank,  
Honea Path

## Tri-County Technical College Executive Staff



Members of the Executive Staff are (front, from left) Mr. John Lummus, Vice President, Economic and Institutional Advancement; Dr. Ronnie L. Booth, President; Mrs. Sharon Colcolough, Director, Personnel; (back, from left) Mr. Galen DeHay, Director, Planning and Institutional Effectiveness and Interim Provost; Mrs. Rebecca Eidson, Director, Public Relations and Communications; and Mr. Gregg Stapleton, Vice President, Business Affairs.

*Tri-County Technical College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award the associate degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Tri-County Technical College.*

*Tri-County Technical College does not discriminate in admission or employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, qualifying disability, veteran's status, age, or national origin.*

*“The tragedy of life  
doesn’t lie in not  
reaching your goal.  
The tragedy lies in  
having no  
goal to reach.”*

**-Benjamin Mays**

Benjamin Elijah Mays was an American minister, educator, scholar, social activist, and the president of Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, from 1940 to 1967.



7900 Hwy. 76 • PO Box 587  
Pendleton, SC 29670  
864-646-8361  
www.tctc.edu

