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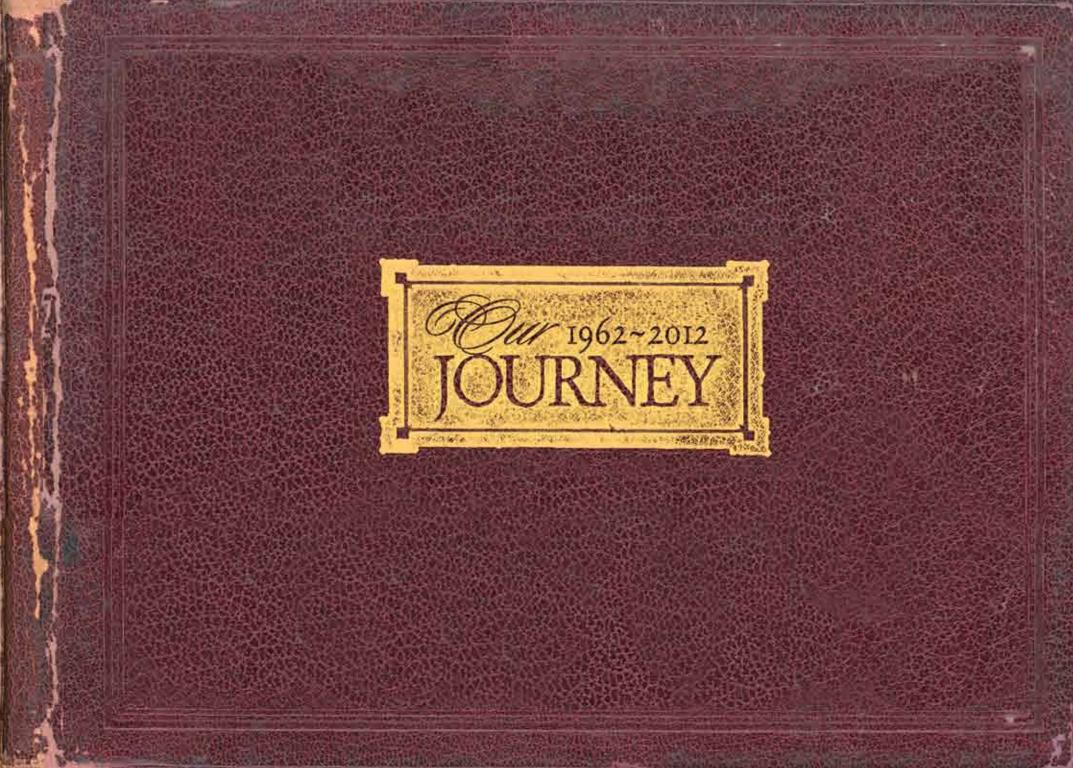
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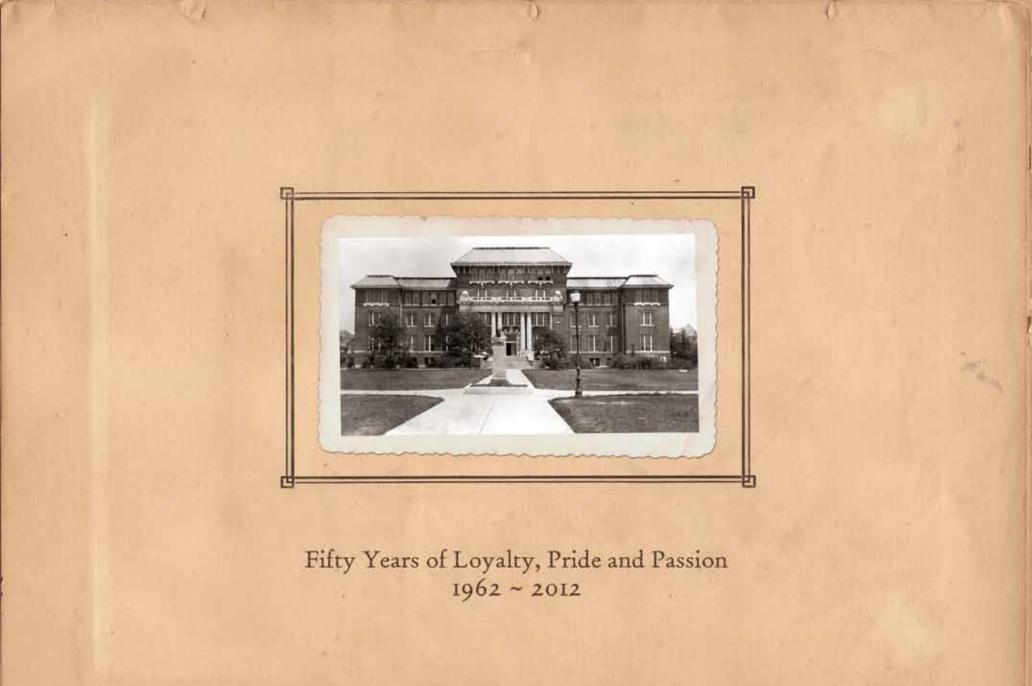
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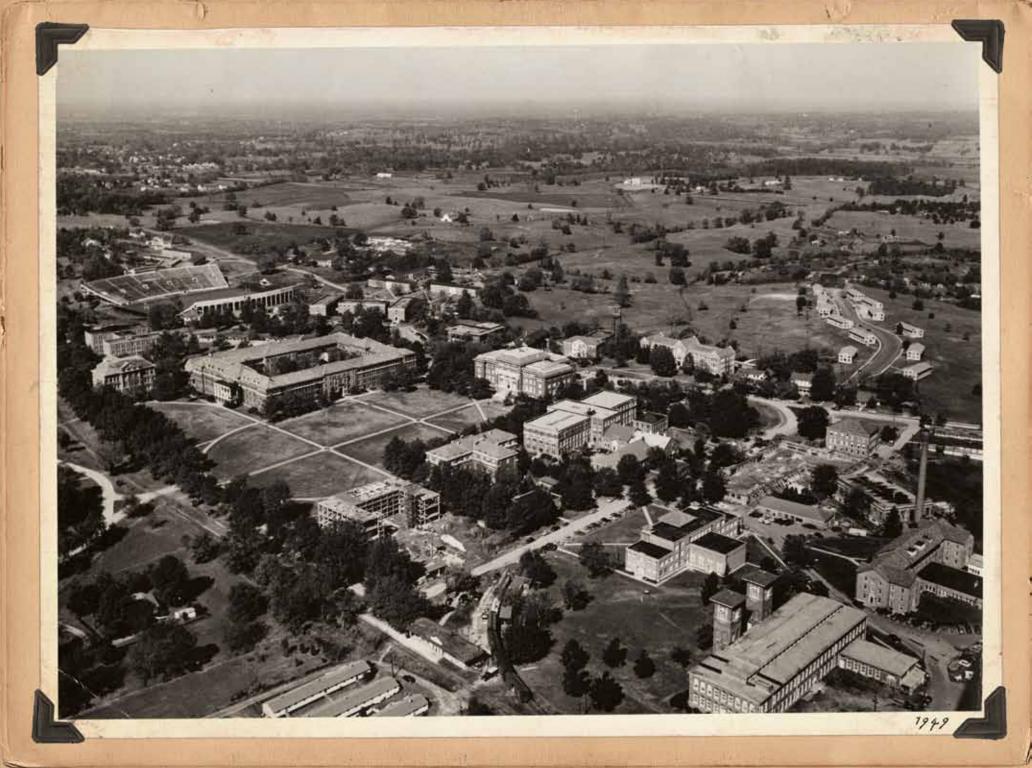
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Mississippi State University Foundation Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2010-2011







No individual is wholly responsible for the success of the Mississippi State University Foundation. That success lies with the countless alumni and

friends who display loyalty, pride and passion for their university year after year. They rise to the challenge and invaluably support our mission to provide continuous private funds for the advancement of Mississippi State. Their generosity allows the university to fulfill the great expectations of its home state, and answer the call of a nation in need of a world-class, degree-granting education and research institution.

Reflecting on the history of Mississippi State allows one to recall the path of endurance the university has traveled over time. Much of that path was marked by individuals who invested their time and resources to pave the way for prosperity and growth of what has become the state's largest university.

The origins of philanthropy at Mississippi State most likely date back to its founding as a land-grant institution. On Feb. 28, 1878, Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College was created by the federal Morrill Act, and individuals began laying the cornerstones of the small campus.

When A&M opened its doors in 1880 to its first class of 354 students, its mission was the same as it is today, to educate. Those students primarily studied "agriculture, horticulture and the mechanical arts...without excluding other scientific and classical studies, including military tactics." More undergraduate degree programs would emerge as A&M transitioned into Mississippi State College in 1932. The graduate school was established in 1936, and doctoral degrees were first offered in 1951. Since becoming Mississippi State University in 1958, the institution has encompassed tremendous strides in the areas of research and service, becoming recognized globally for many of its outreach programs and research activities.

For 134 years, Mississippi State has carried out its mission of service, bringing learning, enlightenment and opportunity to thousands of Mississippians and others across the nation. More than 121,000 men and women have come in search of, and found, bright futures as degree-bearing graduates. The dreams of each new generation of students continue to be fulfilled, in large part, by contributions from supporters who understand their gifts are the crucial difference between educating young adults and providing a first-rate educational experience.

The MSU Alumni Association was responsible for early philanthropic work on campus. Later, the Alumni Foundation, still in existence today, would play a more organized role, but limited in scope. It was not until the MSU Development Foundation was founded in 1962 that a highly structured fundraising program for the university was established. It was realized at that time that tuition and state dollars alone are unable to support the programs that make Mississippi State truly distinctive. The incremental level comes from the contributions of alumni and friends who understand the university's vision and its importance to its state and nation. Philanthropy, guided today by the MSU Foundation, continues to impact the university's tri-fold mission of learning, research and service. Mississippi State has leveraged generous private contributions over the past 50 years to become a highly-reputable academic institution and an outstanding research university.

As the MSU Foundation commemorates its soth year, we honor Mississippi State's heritage and express our deepest gratitude for our success to our organization's superb volunteer leadership. We also thank the entire MSU family of contributors who have placed their trust in our ability to make the most of every dollar given to Mississippi State. With the steadfast loyalty of our donors, we are exceeding the expectations set forth by the founding fathers of the early Development Foundation.

The accomplishments of the MSU Foundation and the graduates and friends who support its endeavors are part of the university's legacy. Over time, the generosity of individuals and corporate supporters has reached unparalleled magnitude. In fiscal year 2011 alone, support from alumni and friends reached an unprecedented university high, as more than \$80.3 million in gifts and pledges were received.

Over the years, the MSU Foundation has become a vital link between the past and the present, and will continue to serve as an essential connection between the present and the future. We are the development foundation for Mississippi State University, and this is our story as it unfolds with each contribution made on behalf of the university's students, faculty and programs.

Years at Mississippi State NAME: Charles E. Weatherly HOMETOWN: Rypley, Miss. YEARS ATTENDED: 1954- 1959 MAJOR: Industrial Management MEMORABLE MOMENTS: Playing foottall, meeting my wife Ellen, welcoming kids and grandkids, working for Missingpi State University Charles E. Weatherly DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT, EMERITUS AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND VETERINARY MEDICINE Post Office Box 9760 a Dulling Doo MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY. FOUNDATION oweath



Charles E. "Charlie" Weatherly's personal and professional history with Mississippi State provides a wealth of timeless Bulldog recollections and

special maroon moments to share with other alumni and friends. Because of his dedication to his alma mater as an MSU alumni and development employee for nearly 50 years, we are privileged to have him serve as our narrator for this special anniversary publication.

When Charlie set foot on Mississippi State University's historic Drill Field some 58 years ago as a freshman he felt he was walking on hallowed ground. It was the same overwhelming feeling his father, Ernest Weatherly of Ripley, experienced years earlier as he enrolled at then-Mississippi State Agricultural and Mechanical College. The elder Weatherly graduated in 1933 with an agriculture degree and became a county agent in Pontotoc where he raised Charlie.

Charlie has enjoyed a long love affair with his alma mater, and his name has become synonymous with both alumni affairs and development at Mississippi State. He has devoted his adult life to MSU, as he cultivated and furthered the university's alumni and fundraising efforts. The strong connection Charlie developed with Mississippi State is an admiration of the university he shares with countless other graduates, including his two brothers, Danny and Robert.

Charlie enrolled at Mississippi State College on a football scholarship in 1954. He played end for the Bulldogs from 1954-1958, starting on offense and defense for two years, and was vice president of the campus M-Club. He graduated in 1959 with a degree in industrial management. Earlier that year, he received a telegram from legendary Vince Lombardi inviting him to try out for the Green Bay Packers, the football team for which Lombardi had just become head coach.

Luckily, the "Jolly Maroon Giant," as Charlie is affectionately known to many, decided to pursue a career with MSU. He was hired in 1962 as the first full-time field representative for the MSU Alumni Association, and began laying the ground work for alumni chapters. In 1967, he became executive secretary which was later known as director of alumni affairs. He proudly served eight MSU presidents as he guided the Alumni Association.

In 1987, Charlie became coordinator of special projects for the Alumni Association and the MSU Foundation. In that role, he was instrumental in the organization of constituencybased fundraising programs at Mississippi State. The programs successfully continue today, fulfilling the needs of MSU's eight academic colleges and its schools.

Charlie remained with the MSU Foundation in various capacities until 1997 when he retired as full-time director of development for agriculture, forestry and veterinary medicine. He remains a dedicated fundraiser and continues to work in a limited capacity as senior development director emeritus for the Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine. He also continues to serve on the Alumni Foundation board of directors. Charlie relishes every moment he spends working with MSU alumni and friends. During his tenure, he has served as a mentor to the university's development officers.

For over 50 years, Charlie has been married to his college sweetheart, the former Ellen Randolph. Ellen is also a graduate of MSU, having received a degree in elementary education in 1960, and her masters in that same area in 1963. She taught at Overstreet Elementary and was later employed at MSU from 1975 to 1987. Ellen's father, the late Col. George N. Randolph, was a professor of military science and tactics and professor of history at Mississippi State College.

Charlie and Ellen's three children, the late Charles R. Weatherly, Moree Elizabeth Weatherly and Ruth Ellen Germany, all attended MSU. The girls obtained MSU degrees, and Charles was an MSU senior at the time of his death.

A longtime resident of Starkville, Charlie works hard to maintain his connection with his alma mater personally and professionally. He is a member of the Association of Retired Faculty, an organizer of the "Local Dawgs," and a coordinator of reunions for football players from 1949 to 1961. Charlie also provides volunteer consulting for the Veterans Memorial Rose Garden. He was instrumental in the donation of the roses and serves as a tour guide.

One of the single greatest accomplishments in Charlie's life was being named MSU's 2005 National Alumnus of the Year. For his many years of service and unwavering support, Charlie will always be a legend at Mississippi State. He truly is one of the university's most endearing Bulldogs.

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In 1958, Mississippi State College became Mississippi State University. The 1960s were a time of great intensity at Mississippi State, and

alumni continued to impact the university in many ways.

The incoming presidential administration of Dean W. Colvard in 1960 would usher in a phase of growth for Mississippi State like no other. Colvard referred to MSU as a "sleeping giant," and his much-anticipated plans would awaken its potential. An additional margin of excellence, he believed, would set the established land-grant institution on a long-range course for an explosion of growth. Unlike his presidential predecessors, he was not an alumnus and not a Mississippian, but he held a most respected view of the institution and the state.

Colvard envisioned addressing the needs of a growing university with support from private sources. The idea of private gifts for a public university was new to the region, and some alumni were skeptical of a necessity for funds beyond state support. The need for gifts became more apparent as others understood the vision of building upon the proud heritage of the university, and enabling it to grow beyond what minimal state funding would achieve.

Although the Alumni Association, through its foundation, had been awarding small student scholarships and assisting with securing funds for campus improvements, it was decided that a more organized group should be formed to solicit private gifts. This would provide alumni many opportunities to impact the university in ways never before realized.

The culmination of Colvard's grand vision was the formal organization of the Mississippi State University Development Foundation chartered on Feb. 5, 1962. Over 200 alumni, who shared Colvard's enthusiasm, pledged a total of \$120,000 to support the proposed new foundation in the first three years of operation. The task of drafting a charter and bylaws was entrusted to J.K. Dossett, a Jackson attorney, who provided counsel for the organization until 1987, when his son James Dossett assumed that role. Incorporaters of the Development Foundation were the late H.E. Allen, the late J.C. Redd, the late Louie C. Spencer Jr., and the late Charles S. Whittington. Early officers were the late Dorris Ballew, the late T.E. Casey, the late H.B. Crosby, the late W.B. Donald, the late Lewis F. Mallory Sr., and the late T.K. Martin.

As the Development Foundation's first president, alumnus Whittington identified hundreds of prospects and sent out thousands of letters to alumni requesting gifts. Clay Lyle, a retired MSU faculty member, assisted with visits to prospects. These early efforts to engage donors gave the organization a strong base upon which to build. With its founding, the Development Foundation became the formal solicitation for scholarships to assist with a steady enrollment increase and a mechanism for a university endowment.

As the Development Foundation began work as a comprehensive fundraising organization, its offices occupied two small rooms in Lee Hall. In its first year of operation, the organization secured 88 contributions totaling \$12,542. Gifts ranged from cattle and fertilizer, to books and paintings. However, gifts of stock and bequests began to aid the progress of the comprehensive fundraising effort.

The first large gift to the organization, also its first large deferred gift, was a deed to 1,031 acres of land in Quitman County from Floyd Campbell White and his wife, Thera. The late Okolana couple retained a life estate in the property, and proceeds from the land gift became part of the MSU Development Foundation's permanent endowment.

Early contributions included those for facilities. The first major gift for a building was given by alumnus J.N. McArthur for McArthur Hall. Another significant contribution was made by George and Jane Perry, whose generous gift built the Carillon Tower in the courtyard of the Chapel of Memories. The chapel was constructed with bricks from famed Old Main Dormitory, a campus centerpiece until it burned in 1959.

Those early contributions were recognized through the Development Foundation's first donor club, the Patrons of Excellence, which was initiated by Colvard and early development leadership. Individuals, businesses and groups were solicited for pledges of \$1,000 a year for 10 years to support the activities of the foundation. The Patrons of Excellence continues as a club within the university's annual giving program.

Colvard had served as the university's 12th president since 1960, and his administration propelled the university forward. Early in his tenure, the five academic schools on campus agriculture, engineering, business and industry,



education, and arts and sciences—became colleges. Student enrollment topped 6,000, and would approach 8,000 by the end of Colvard's tenure. Enrollment numbers escalated in part to a growing number of female students. And, in 1965, the first African-American student, Richard Holmes of Starkville, was admitted to Mississippi State quietly during a time of unrest in much of the nation as integration of college campuses took hold.

In 1966, Colvard departed Mississippi State University much to the sadness of alumni and friends who formed close ties with him. He would leave to become chancellor of the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. A large portion of his legacy at MSU, the then-Development Foundation, would remain intact and ready to face the challenges that lay ahead.

William L. Giles followed Colvard as MSU president that same year. In taking office, he began building on the progress made by Colvard. Giles further cultivated Mississippi State alumni by personal visits and attending alumni meetings, for he understood the importance of those relationships.

Giles quickly made his mark on MSU's agricultural operations, and especially the experiment stations. He led the way for the university degree program in landscape architecture, and in doing so would noticeably play a role in the beautification of campus.

In response to the needs of a growing university, the Development Foundation moved into the Colvard Student Union building and expanded operations. Also, in 1968, alumni formed a separate group to specifically assist with athletic fundraising, which became the current day Bulldog Club.

At the close of the first decade of operation, the Development Foundation raised over \$4.5 million, and the university's endowment approached \$1 million. The Development Foundation was well-positioned with the support of Giles to set its sights on combating the university's growing pains—the need for more buildings, more programs and better pay for faculty and staff.

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As Mississippi State University entered the 1970s, the country was exploding with sit-ins and protests, however the conduct of MSU's dedicated students remained for the most part unchanged. During the Giles administration, enrollment soared from 8,000 to over 12,000 —with female and African-American students accounting for much of the increase. The university experienced remarkable growth during Giles' tenure. The era was marked by milestone progress in academic programs, enrollment and faculty quality.

On the Starkville campus, two new academic areas, the School of Architecture and the College of Veterinary Medicine—were established in 1973 and 1974, respectively. The academic units were in response to the needs of the state to turn out professionals in these areas. The forestry program grew, changing its name to the School of Forest Resources. Home economics expanded its research operations to include the teaching curriculum, thus becoming one of the largest departments in the state. In the 1970s, Mississippi State University would also expand its educational outreach outside of its main campus. MSU-Meridian began operation as a regional degree-granting institution in 1972. From the beginning, the Meridian community supported its new educational institution, which primarily serves East Central Mississippi and West Alabama.

Mississippi State University began to feel the powerful impact of the Development Foundation's early work. The organization initiated the identification of more prospective donors outside of Mississippi's borders. During this time, the Patrons of Excellence donor club continued to thrive, and the corporation's assets increased from \$3 million to \$10 million.

Two major projects were undertaken during the 1970s. One was the effort in support of the John C. Stennis Chair in Political Science, honoring the late alumnus and longtime Mississippi senator. Through the generosity of many donors, the Stennis Chair became the university's first fully endowed position in 1975, and the university began awarding the first Stennis scholarships. Another major undertaking was a drive to complete a creative arts facility as a centennial anniversary project.

A new energy came in 1976 with the James D. McComas presidential administration. McComas launched a \$4.5 million nationwide drive to build the creative arts complex. "A New Century—A New Dimension" was the slogan for the 1978 venture. J.E. Ruffin was coordinator, and national drive chairman was alumnus Mike Sturdivant Sr. The first gift toward the complex, which became McComas Hall, was made by



Charles S. Whittington, the first Development Foundation president.

As the university began its second century, Mississippi State was poised for further growth. The promise of greater achievements with private support rekindled ties between alumni, friends and their university. Graduates of the then-College of Agriculture and Home Economics began supporting scholarships through the first alumni association established within one of Mississippi State's academic colleges. Contributions for the AG 100 Club of at least \$100 per member have supported annual scholarships for agriculture and home economics students since then, financially assisting hundreds of students as they pursued MSU degrees.

As the 1970s drew to a close, more students were becoming the beneficiaries of annual scholarships funded through the Development Foundation. The campus infrastructure also benefited from new facilities. Gifts for buildings during the decade came from H.E. Allen for Allen Hall and Cully A. Cobb for the Cobb Institute of Archeology. Alumnus E.B. "Dutch" McCool gave funds for McCool Hall to house the College of Business. He also funded a scholarship and provided lights for Dudy Noble Field.

Mississippi State began its second century, again poised for further growth. The promise of greater potential for MSU readied the Development Foundation to cultivate ties with more alumni and friends.

The Development Foundation entered the 1980s with an income exceeding \$2 million—not including deferred gifts and gifts-in-kind—for the first time in its history. Mississippi State's total endowment experienced much-needed growth.

A growing number of graduates were contributing to MSU, as the alumni giving program replaced the alumni "dues" system in 1981. The dues-based membership existed since the Alumni Association was formed in 1885. Membership is now based on annual gifts made to the university. The annual giving program is an important part of the university's fundraising and relationship-building efforts.

By 1985, the Development Foundation moved its operations into the Butler-Williams Alumni Center. The facility was named for the late alumnus Eugene Butler, publisher of *Progressive Farmer* magazine and later *Southern Living* magazine, and the late Bob Williams, executive secretary of the MSU Alumni Association. Butler's generosity did much for the university—from funding scholarships to construction of the Butler Guest House.

On Oct. 2, 1987, the Development Foundation commemorated its 25th anniversary with a salute to donors and leadership in the Colvard Student Union ballroom. Appropriately, Dean W. Colvard, former MSU president and founding father of the Development Foundation, was in attendance. Members of the two major donor clubs at the time, the President's Club and the Patrons of Excellence, were recognized for their generous contributions.

As the Development Foundation looked to its second quarter century with confidence, giving was on the rise. The organization encouraged alumni who worked for matching gift companies to take advantage of this giving opportunity. The concept took hold and would prove extremely advantageous for donors, allowing them to make larger gifts, thus benefitting overall fundraising efforts.

A love of MSU athletics sparks many gifts to the university. Longtime MSU Foundation board member and alumnus Leo W. Seal Jr. made a gift benefitting athletics in honor of his late father. The Leo W. Seal Sr. M-Club building hosts M-Club members and is also used for university functions.

In 1987, select incoming MSU students benefitted from the proceeds of a generous trust. The Schillig Leadership Awards were established through an endowment from the trust of famed opera singer Ottillie Schillig of Port Gibson. Recipients of the four-year scholarships later became part of the university's Distinguished Scholars. The Schillig Scholarships started the university's practice of establishing and awarding high value scholarships as a way to recruit top students.

Since 1985, MSU President Donald W. Zacharias had led the university, and there was significant growth in MSU's national visibility and reputation. Research and technology contracts more than doubled during Zacharias' 12-year tenure. In addition, highlights of the Zacharias years included the creation of the state's first World Wide Website, and MSU became the state's first university to require personal computers for students. For all his accomplishments as president, Mississippi State's newest residence hall community, Zacharias Village, is named in his honor.

PHOTO: Pary Cafeteria PHOTO DATE: 1967 CONMENTS: My relationships have been comented to Mississippi State for almost as long as I can remember. My dad, Ernest, would go to Starkville for country agent meetings, and I'd tag along just to eat in the State cafeteria, get a milkshake at the dairy processing department, and go to Scatt Field to see Sharty McWilliams and Harper Davis I had no inding I would eventually aid development efforts that would place George and Jane Perry's names on the USU landmark in recognition of Jane Perry's generous gift annuity







As the Development Foundation transitioned from the 1980s to the 1990s, contributions reached more than \$11 million, and the endowment for Mississippi

State amounted to just over \$20 million. The central office development staff began working with fundraisers assigned to colleges and schools.

Known as the MSU Development Foundation from 1962 to 1992, the organization became the MSU Foundation Inc. in 1993. The university was thriving under the presidency of Donald W. Zacharias, and the development leadership felt the time was right for an unprecedented fundraising undertaking—the university's first capital campaign.

The Campaign for Mississippi State: To Serve Mississippi...and Beyond entered its silent phase in 1992. This campaign was publicly announced on April 23, 1993, with \$43 million already committed toward a \$78 million goal. Alumnus James K. Ashford served as national general chairman for the five-year volunteer driven effort.

The campaign's overall goal was to make the university stronger, and increase its value to its students and the nation. The campaign brought major capital improvements, among them a muchneeded expansion of Mitchell Memorial Library.

Early campaign support came from bestselling novelist and alumnus John Grisham, who established an endowment for the Grisham Teaching Awards and scholarships. He and his wife, Renee, also supported athletics. Gifts of this decade were primarily secured through the campaign, including the largest contribution for the university at the time. The late engineering alumnus Dave C. Swalm made a \$14 million gift for an endowment for the Dave C. Swalm School of Chemical Engineering and a facility to house the academic unit. His gift also restored the exterior of Lee Hall, which was originally constructed in 1909. An earlier contribution from the late Swalm was MSU's first gift in excess of \$1 million.

Other significant campaign gifts for facilities came from the John H. Bryan Sr. family for an athletic administration building, and from Joe Frank Sanderson Sr. for an indoor recreational facility. MSU's cafeteria, an early campus structure, received a much-needed renovation from a gift annuity by the late Jane Perry.

Beginning in the 1990s, Mississippi State gained national attention for its work in the area of international security studies. Janos Radványi, a longtime MSU history professor, was named the inaugural holder of the Janos Radványi Chair in International Security Strategies. The chair is a university-wide institute that provides both students and faculty with opportunities to gain awareness of political, economic and security issues on an international level. An accompanying lecture forum brings world dignitaries as speakers to Mississippi. Private gifts created and continue to support the endowment.

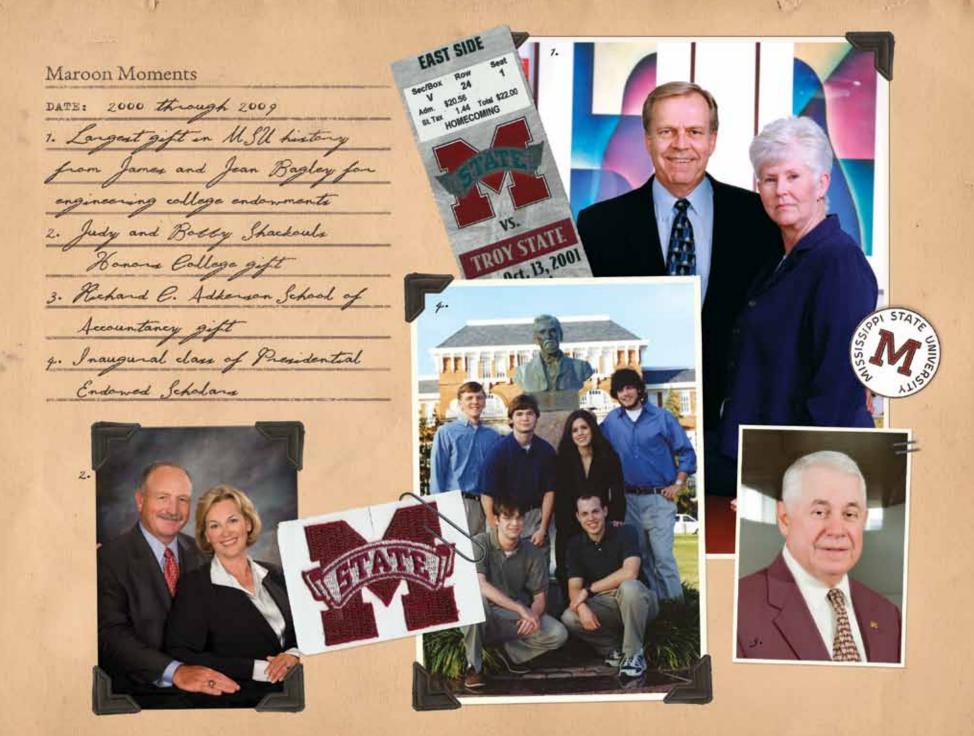
The Campaign for Mississippi State: To Serve Mississippi...and Beyond drew to a close on June 30, 1997, with more than \$143 million in contributions, shattering its modest \$78 million goal. The 170-foot Walk of Honor on the historic Drill Field and the Eternal Flame, in front of Allen Hall, stand as a perpetual tribute to the campaign's success. Campaign gifts from these individuals supported faculty development, scholarships, educational program enhancements, library enhancements and buildings. The campaign also strengthened MSU's endowment to \$150 million.

New university leadership came in 1998 as alumnus Malcolm Portera became MSU president. Portera succeeded Donald W. Zacharias, who served until 1997. Under the Zacharias administration, MSU enrollment grew from more than 12,000 students to over 15,600 students.

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In the 2000s, MSU President Portera placed his focus on making Mississippi State more competitive for students and faculty in the national marketplace. A highlight of funding during the Portera years was federal dollars, which poured into campus for research in record numbers. Grants and contracts increased each year of his presidency.

One of the most notable accomplishments during the Portera administration was an eightyear contract from the Department of Defense in the amount of \$108 million to work with the department's High Performance Computing Modernization Program. The widespread project involved a team of university and industry partners across the country. MSU's computing technology continued to increase, and in 1999,



MSU ranked 13th among national academic institutions in supercomputing abilities and first in the Southeastern Conference.

One outgrowth of the university's computing technology was the assignment of an e-mail address to every MSU student in 2001. Under Portera's administration, enrollment at Mississippi State reached just under 17,000 students. A goal of the Portera administration was the replacement of scholarship funds, previously provided by state money, with private contributions. Portera worked to draw academically talented students with full-ride scholarships and create endowments for much-needed faculty positions.

In response to the need for scholarships, Bobby and Barbara Martin of Ripley issued the Martin Challenge for Patrons of Excellence Scholarships. Their matching gift challenge boosted scholarship dollars immediately available for students across the university.

As the MSU Foundation entered a new decade, the fundraising programs of Mississippi State University were poised to reach a greater level of success. The MSU Foundation placed special emphasis on securing larger gifts, as well as deferred gifts, while maintaining a strong commitment to its annual giving base. In fiscal year 2001, contributions to the university hit an all-time high of \$55.8 million.

Great strides were being made in stewardship of the university's contributors. New lifetime giving levels were created to keep pace with the outpouring of support from alumni and friends. The Legacy of Leadership and the Old Main Society became lifetime recognition levels. Various levels within each honor past MSU presidents, including Dean W. Colvard, while the President's Club and Patrons of Excellence remain a solid part of donor recognition.

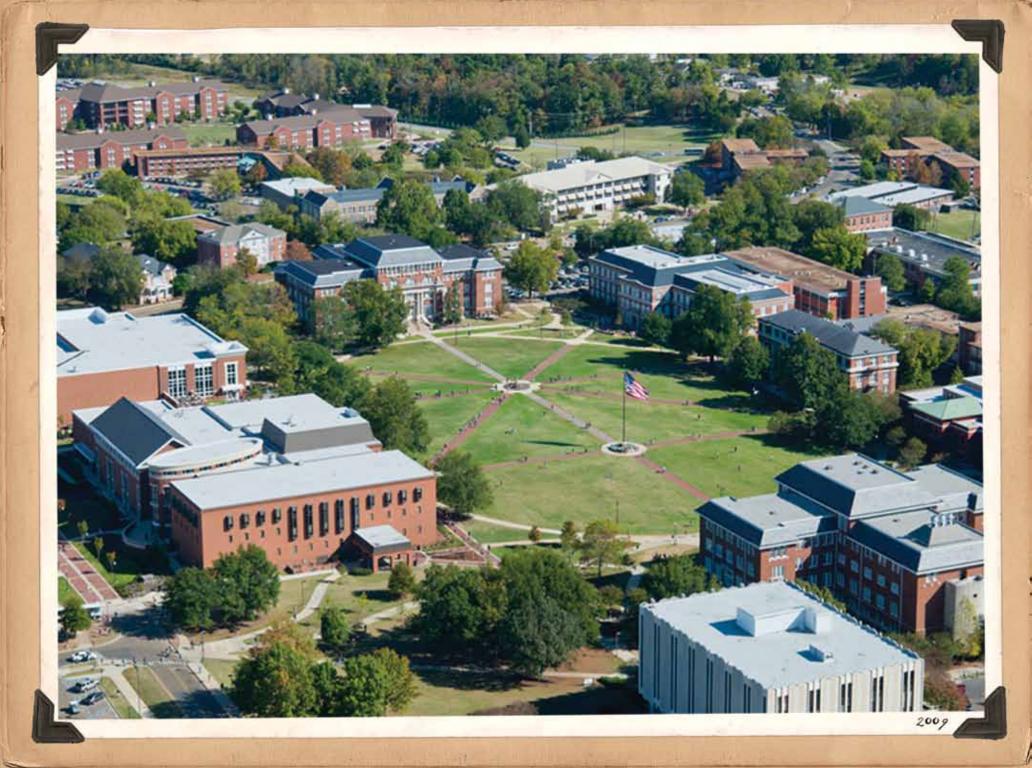
New donor communication vehicles were launched by the MSU Foundation. A newsletter, *foundations*, debuted in 2000 to keep donors up-to-date on the latest MSU philanthropic news. A website, www.msufoundation.com, premiered for alumni and friends as fiscal year 2001 drew to a close.

In 2001, Mississippi State stepped up efforts to attract top-echelon students with the launch of a prestigious scholarship program known as the Presidential Endowed Scholars. Donors created endowments to provide recipients of these scholarships a four-year education, which included housing and other incentives such as study abroad opportunities. The university graduated its first PES class in 2005, and the program continues to attract the most academically competitive students from around the nation.

During the 2000s, the university continued unprecedented growth in academics and athletics. The stadium at Scott Field was enlarged in 2001 to incorporate sky boxes and new club-level seating. The \$30 million expansion project, the largest in MSU athletic history at that time, was initiated with a contribution in excess of \$8 million from the late alumnus Floyd D. Wade Sr., along with self-generated funds. The MSU Athletic Department is currently seeking additional gifts to further expand Davis Wade Stadium for Bulldog enthusiasts. The MSU campus was also experiencing much-needed growth in facilities. In 2002, the MSU Foundation moved into a new alumni and foundation complex, the Hunter Henry Center. The facility was constructed entirely with private gifts and built on land purchased by the MSU Foundation from the university. The late engineering alumnus Hunter W. Henry Jr. made the lead gift for the ultra-modern building and challenged others to give. The Henry Center serves as a conference center and houses lifetime recognition for MSU's most loyal donors.

In 2002, J. Charles Lee became president following the departure of Malcolm Portera, who left in late 2001 to become chancellor of the University of Alabama system. Lee worked to improve the progress of the university on all levels, and supported the silent phase of the university's second capital campaign, *State of the Future*.

Mississippi State University marked its 125th anniversary in 2003. Amid the yearlong celebration, engineering alumnus James Worth Bagley and his wife, Jean, announced the largest single gift in university history. Their \$25 million commitment would greatly enhance undergraduate and graduate engineering education at MSU by creating several endowments. In Bagley's honor, the engineering college was named the James Worth Bagley College of Engineering. The Bagleys' gift was counted as part of the second highest giving year in MSU history—with \$74.3 million for the 2002 fiscal year. The university's endowment stood at \$153 million.



For its tremendous overall growth in fundraising, the MSU Foundation was recognized nationally in 2003. The Foundation received a coveted Circle of Excellence Award from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, marking the first time organized development efforts at Mississippi State had been cited for this overall achievement.

Building on its fundraising success, Mississippi State publicly launched State of the Future: The Mississippi State Campaign in 2004 with a goal of \$400 million. The campaign focused on gifts for achieving the university's mission and bolstering the university's endowment. And, it cemented a shared belief that Mississippi State is a university very much in tune with the needs of its home state and region.

Alumnus Richard C. Adkerson, who voluntarily steered the committee for *State of the Future*, created an endowment to advance accounting education in the College of Business. For his generosity, the accounting school is known as the Richard C. Adkerson School of Accountancy. Another named academic unit endowed during the campaign was the Judy and Bobby Shackouls Honors College, from what was formerly a university honors program. The college offers a unique living-learning experience to more than 1,000 MSU students, including the university's most elite students, the Distinguished Scholars.

Scholarships are often the deciding factor in whether or not a prospective student chooses to enroll at Mississippi State. As a result of *State of the Future*, more than \$88 million in gifts were designated for undergraduate scholarships and fellowships during the seven-year campaign. The campaign ignited several new scholarship programs which will create opportunities for generations of students.

Besides tremendous growth in scholarships, State of the Future ushered in 26 new faculty positions, bringing the total number of endowed chairs and professorships to 47 university-wide. Silent phase campaign commitments for positions came from Bill and Carolyn Cobb and Earnest and Mary Ann Deavenport, both for named endowed chairs in engineering. Jack Hatcher created a chair in engineering entrepreneurship, helping establish a program to train engineering students to prepare for business start-up.

Other endowments to create positions were the Triplett Chair in Agronomy from Glover and Imogene Triplett, the Kennedy Chair in Waterfowl and Wetlands Conservation by James C. Kennedy, and the Crane Professorship in Architecture by Johnny and Bessie Lynn Crane. These positions were among the first fully endowed by the colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Forest Resources and Architecture, Art and Design, respectively. The College of Veterinary Medicine also received a gift for an endowed position from Marcia P. Lane. The Lane Chair in Humane Ethics and Animal Welfare enhances the efforts of the state of Mississippi's only veterinary college.

A number of construction projects for new facilities and renovations were set in motion across campus with significant gifts during *State* of the Future. A new agricultural and biological engineering building was erected for shared disciplinary programs of the College of Agriculture and Life Science and the James Worth Bagley College of Engineering. A long-awaited band and choral rehearsal facility was also built to assist with the recruitment of prospective students for the College of Education.

The Riley Foundation provided a lead gift to fund the renovation of the famed 1890 Grand Opera House of Mississippi, transforming the Meridian facility to serve as a valuable outreach tool for Mississippi State. The Riley Center for Education and Performing Arts continues to be a vital venue for MSU and the city of Meridian. The gift also funded the renovated of the adjacent Marks-Rothenburg building as an education and conference center, housing programs for MSU-Meridian and others.

Other new facilities included the Cullis Wade Depot and Welcome Center, the Templeton Athletic Academic Center, the Franklin Center, and the Palmeiro Center for indoor athletic training.

An early *State of the Future* gift for an educational program enhancement came from Fred E. Carl Jr. of Greenwood. Carl's commitment endowed the Carl Small Town Center in the College of Architecture, Art and Design and expanded the scope of the center's involvement by increasing the number of communities it serves.

Another sizeable campaign gift came from Joe Ann Ward of Jackson as she funded a critical care unit for small animals in MSU's College of Veterinary Medicine. Earlier, she established the

veterinary college's first endowed position, the Hugh G. Ward Chair in Small Animal Medicine, in memory of her husband, who was instrumental in the college's founding.

Many Mississippi State students have benefitted from study abroad opportunities thanks to Fred and Sara Jean Burke's gift during *State of the Future*. The couple wanted to financially assist students in experiencing different societies and cultures, while encouraging them to return and put their knowledge to work in Mississippi. The Burkes are Mississippi natives.

It was during this time period that the School of Architecture became the College of Architecture, Art and Design. Robert V.M. Harrison, a retired architect, was instrumental in assisting MSU with its quest to become the only university in the state with an architecture school. He and his wife, Freda, support an endowed fund for the school and a visiting lecture series. Harrison was the first teacher for the fifth-year program in Jackson.

A generous gift from the late Leo W. Seal Jr. sparked fundraising for the 52,000 square-foot addition to McCool Hall known as the Seal Family Business Complex. Many other donors assisted with the project, which will allow the College of Business and the Richard C. Adkerson School of Accountancy to grow as enrollment increases. Seal, his father and his twin sons graduated from MSU.

State of the Future drew to a close in December 2008, with over \$462 million raised. Nearly 60,000 contributors were part of the successful effort. Forty-seven percent of the donors for *State of the Future* were first-time contributors to the MSU Foundation.

J. Charles Lee served as MSU's president for the majority of the *State of the Future* campaign, departing mid-2006 to be followed by Robert H. Foglesong who served into 2008. Interim presidents and MSU alumni, Vance H. Watson and Roy H. Ruby would follow, serving through year's end.

Mississippi State University welcomed home alumnus Mark E. Keenum as its 19th president in 2009. With Keenum's administration came the unveiling of *StatePride*: An Initiative for Student and Faculty Support. The initiative is steadily moving toward a \$100 million goal for student scholarships and faculty positions. *StatePride* aids Mississippi State as it works to grow its enrollment to 22,000 students by 2015. The initiative marks the first time the MSU Foundation and the Bulldog Club have collaborated for a tailored fundraising drive.

Through the Bulldog Club, the majority of the MSU athletic infrastructure has been built, expanded or improved based largely on private funding. More alumni and friends understand the benefits of supporting academics and athletics at Mississippi State.

By way of *StatePride*, the MSU Foundation is working to secure scholarships to assist students university-wide, and appeal to donors to create more endowed positions as enrollment rises. In 2010, alumnus Joe Gordy, of Brewton, Ala., and his wife, Carol, established the Joe and Carol Gordy Endowed Chair in Horticulture and the Joe and Carol Gordy Endowed Professorship in Horticulture. Both positions will allow the university to attract and retain top-performing faculty members, and the endowments will ensure the future of floral management and horticulture education in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Some priority needs of Mississippi State are met by a new giving program, known as the President's Cabinet. Other new programs, such as, the Bulldog Properties and the Bulldog Forest, are offered in response to growing giving trends for gifts of real estate and timberland. Col. K.D. Johnson of Ridgeland has supported the university in recent years with a Bulldog Forest gift, taking advantage of tax benefits for gifts of timberland. Proceeds from timber sales from the Col. K.D. Johnson Forest will support scholarships, an excellence fund, and the construction of the Col. K.D. Johnson Courtyard.

For alumni and friends who want to leave a permanent mark on the university, the Maroon Mile brick program is growing in popularity. The effort seeks to pave the sidewalks and walkways of the Drill Field and other campus parade grounds with individualized brick pavers. Since 2003, the program has appealed to recent graduates, parents and friends.

The MSU Foundation, for the first time in school history, received gifts exceeding \$60 million for two consecutive years, fiscal years 2009 and 2010, making fiscal year 2011's \$80.3 million level of support truly remarkable. Because of the tremendous outpouring of support, and the *StatePride* initiative, the university's endowment is approaching \$350 million.

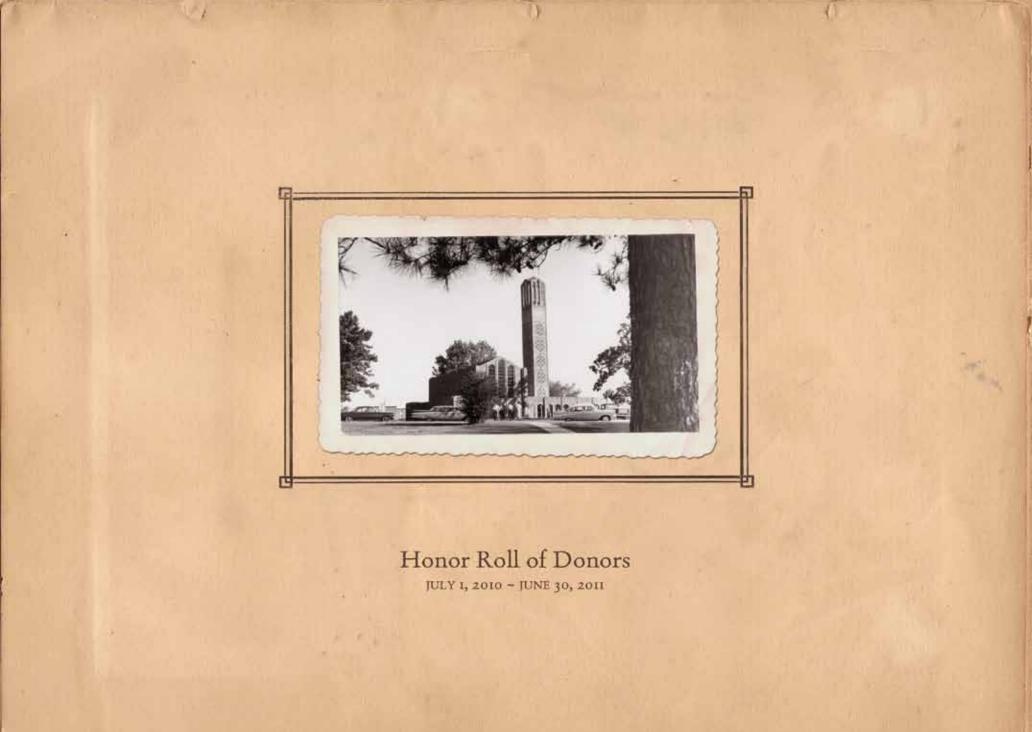


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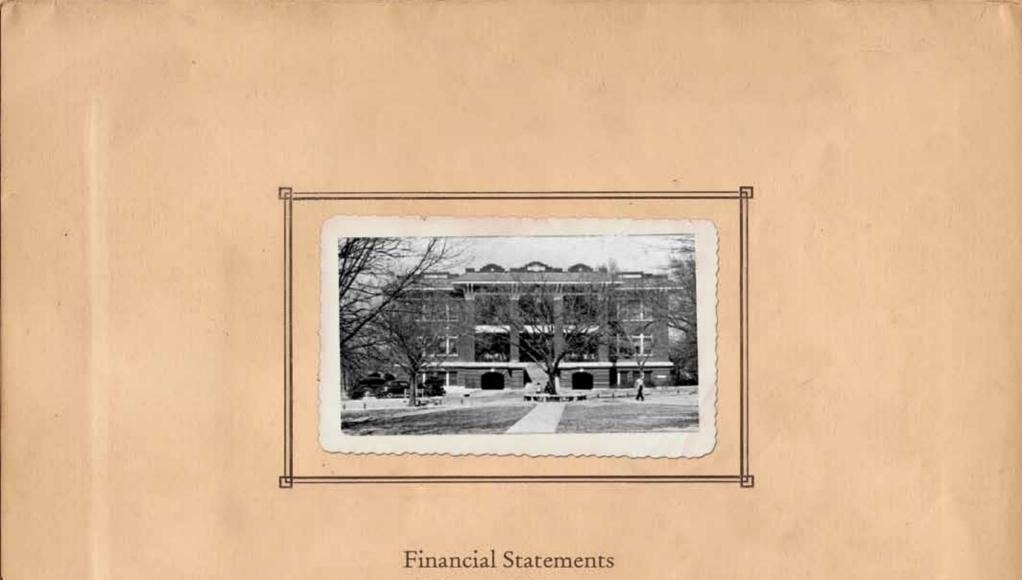
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Message from Foundation Leadership

The MSU Foundation has stood the test of time, meeting fundraising challenges faced by Mississippi State University and responding to those challenges with vigor for 50 years. We have been the foundation for the future of Mississippi State, and we celebrate our success with pride.

As the MSU Foundation approached our 50th anniversary, we were privileged to mark the single highest giving year in the history of our organization and, more importantly, in the history of MSU. As \$80.3 million poured in from alumni and friends during fiscal year 2011, we experienced an overwhelming sense of pride in the work we do each day. Many of the gifts received have begun shaping the university in response to critical needs, while others are growing the university's endowment, which now stands at \$347 million. In fiscal year 2011, nearly 18 percent of alumni contributed, which signals many of you also realize the importance of making contributions annually.

The plan for a development foundation was a brilliant idea conceived by the late MSU President Dean W. Colvard. We are forever indebted to him, and many others who understood his goal. The chartering members of the early Development Foundation, and the inaugural contributors to the establishment of the organization in 1962, are among the pioneers of philanthropy at Mississippi State. They ushered in progress with their loyalty, pride and passion for the university. In doing so, they motivated future generations to continue their generous support of academic achievement and revered Bulldog traditions.

There is no way to express the extent of our gratitude for contributions given through the MSU Foundation over the past 50 years. Many of you are the reason our organization has endured. We say with confidence your contributions were used for the greater good of Mississippi State. Your continued generosity allows the university to offer one of the best educations in the world, characterized by gifted students, superb faculty and exceptional specialized programs.

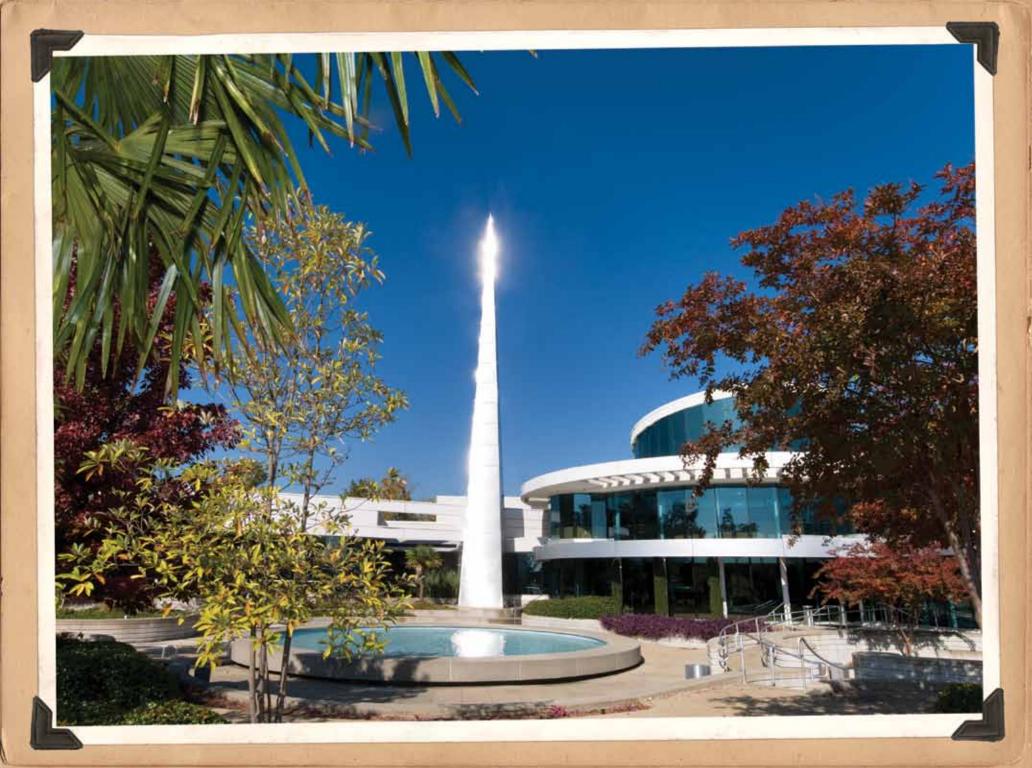
In our 50th year, we are thriving as an organization, as we assist Mississippi State with its long-range goals. We are approaching the \$1 billion mark in total funds raised for Mississippi State University since our incorporation. As a result, the MSU we have come to cherish is also flourishing and increasing its reputation nationwide.

The diligent work of the MSU Foundation is needed now more than ever. As a contributor, you can help us welcome in a new era of growth and prosperity by continuing to make a commitment to excellence in teaching, research and service.

Sincerely,

James J. "Jim" Rouse ('62) President, MSU Foundation Board of Directors

John P. Rush ('94, '02) MSU Vice President for Development and Alumni and Chief Executive Officer, MSU Foundation



Consolidated Statement of Financial Position | Year ended June 30, 2011

		2011
Assets		
Cash	\$	2,068,473
Restricted cash		3,536,619
Accrued interest, other receivables and prepaid assets		813,513
Receivable from Mississippi State University		3,998
Receivable from MSU Alumni Foundation		87,652
Receivable from MSU Alumni Association		137,918
Notes receivable		207,171
Pledges receivable, net		18,468,672
Investments		324,088,172
Present value of amounts due from externally managed trusts		34,343,134
Land, buildings and equipment		11,138,241
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	394,893,563
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	1,869,692
Agency payable		3,536,619
Obligation under capital leases		2,454,242
Liabilities under split interest agreements		3,768,700
Note payable		202,235
Total liabilities		11,831,488
Net assets:		
Unrestricted:		
Net assets controlled by Foundation		24,827,789
Net assets related to noncontrolling interests		45,200,866
Total unrestricted net assets		70,028,655
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Temporarily restricted		57,647,303
Permanently restricted		255,386,117
Total net assets		383,062,075
Commitments		
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	394,893,563

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Consolidated Statement of Activities | Year ended June 30, 2011

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	_Unrestricted	Temporarily restricted	Permanently restricted	Total
Revenues and support:				
Contributions	\$ 5,100,382	11,320,438	10,826,704	27,247,524
Net investment income	22,200,476	29,354,481	519,038	52,073,995
Change in value of split interest agreements	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	97,710	5,290,557	5,388,267
Other	3,629,432	123,514		3,752,946
Change in restrictions by donor		1,690,000	(1,690,000)	
Net assets released from restrictions	18,508,414	(18,508,414)		
Total revenues and support	49,438,704	24,077,729	14,946,299	88,462,732
Expenditures:				
Program services:				
Contributions and support for Mississippi State University	21,621,502			21,621,502
Contributions and support for Bulldog Club	87,625			87,625
Contributions and support for Bulldog Foundation	31,845			31,845
Contributions and support for MSU Alumni Association	550,573	1		550,573
Total program services	22,291,545			22,291,545
Supporting services:				,
General and administrative	2,725,692	_	_	2,725,692
Fundraising	3,030,248			3,030,248
Total supporting services	5,755,940			5,755,940
Total expenditures	28,047,485			28,047,485
Change in net assets	21,391,219	24,077,729	14,946,299	60,415,247
Less change in net assets related to noncontrolling interests	(7,703,119)			(7,703,119)
Change in net assets controlled by Foundation	\$ 13,688,100	24,077,729	14,946,299	52,712,128
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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets | Year ended June 30, 2011

	Unrestric net asse controllec Foundat	ted ts l by n	Unrestricted net assets related to oncontrolling interests	Total unrestricted net assets	Temporarily restricted net assets	Permanently restricted net assets	Total net assets
Net assets as of June 30, 2010	\$ 11,12	39,689	36,944,852	48,084,541	33,569,574	240,439,818	322,093,933
Change in net assets from Statement of Activities	13,6	88,100	7,703,119	21,391,219	24,077,729	14,946,299	60,415,247
Payments to noncontrolling interests			(1,403,705)	(1,403,705)	-	-	(1,403,705)
Proceeds from noncontrolling interests	and a		1,956,600	1,956,600			1,956,600
Change in total net assets	13,65	88,100	8,256,014	21,944,114	24,077,729	14,946,299	60,968,142
Net assets as of June 30, 2011	\$ 24,82	27,789	45,200,866	70,028,655	57,647,303	255,386,117	383,062,075

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MSU Foundation Giving History | Years ended June 30, 1962 through June 30, 2011

1962	\$ 312,321
1963	47,935
1964	72,585
1965	179,820
1966	144,886
1967	1,107,006
1968	306,307
1969	389,917
1970	285,144
1971	931,163
1972	784,195
1973	1,090,545
1974	1,134,775
1975	622,476
1976	989,927
1977	525,965
1978	I,172,502
1979	1,121,848

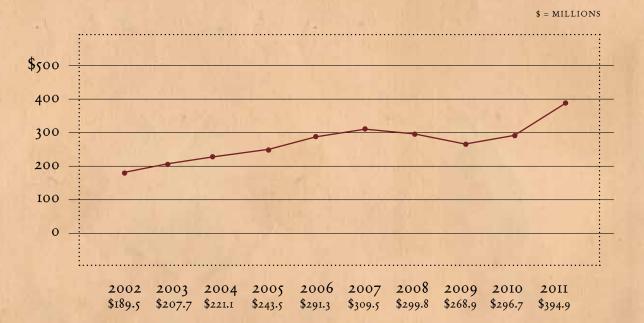
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1980	\$ 1,520,241
1981	3,404,007
1982	2,384,595
1983	2,829,488
1984	2,929,312
1985	4,317,413
1986	4,738,793
1987	4,617,612
1988	2,642,225
1989	11,336,328
1990	11,184,588
1991	11,121,674
1992	9,751,427
1993	14,104,071
1994	39,068,774
1995	14,259,822
1996	13,903,141
1997	44,227,361

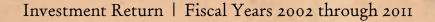
1998		\$ 26,893,328
1999		26,814,507
2000	1. 1	40,559,639
2001	111	55,769,080
2002		74,384,960
2003	ñh H	40,272,345
2004		46,066,553
2005		51,027,703
2006		78,587,987
2007		56,856,641
2008	1.1	51,692,731
2009	R.X	61,498,452
2010	12.00	65,144,711
2011		80,278,931

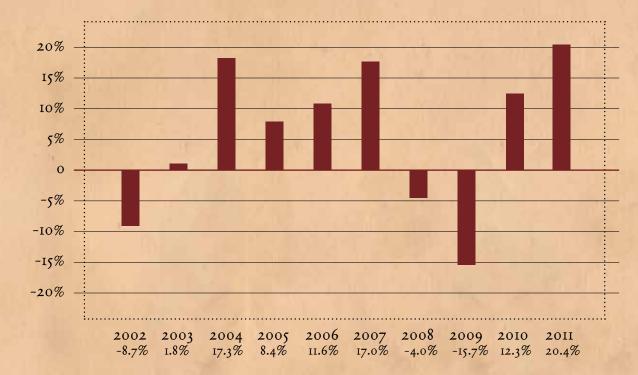
Grand Total \$ 965,407,757

Total Assets | Fiscal Years 2002 through 2011



The above line graph depicts the growth of the MSU Foundation's total assets over a 10-year period.





The MSU Foundation reported an encouraging return on its investments for fiscal year 2011. We are optimistic that our returns will continue to move in a positive direction and that endowments will continue to strengthen.



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The percentage of alumni who gave during fiscal year 2011 reached 17.8 percent. For the 10-year period between 2002-2011, the percentage of alumni who contributed averaged 15.0 percent.

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Alumni Participation Rates | Fiscal Years 2002 through 2011

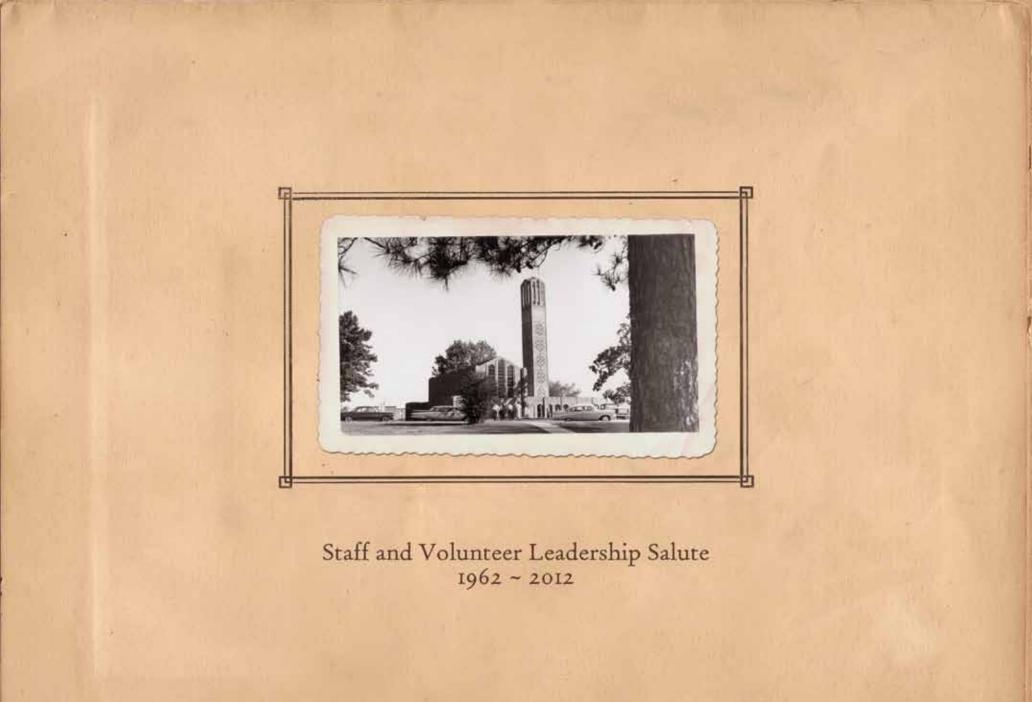
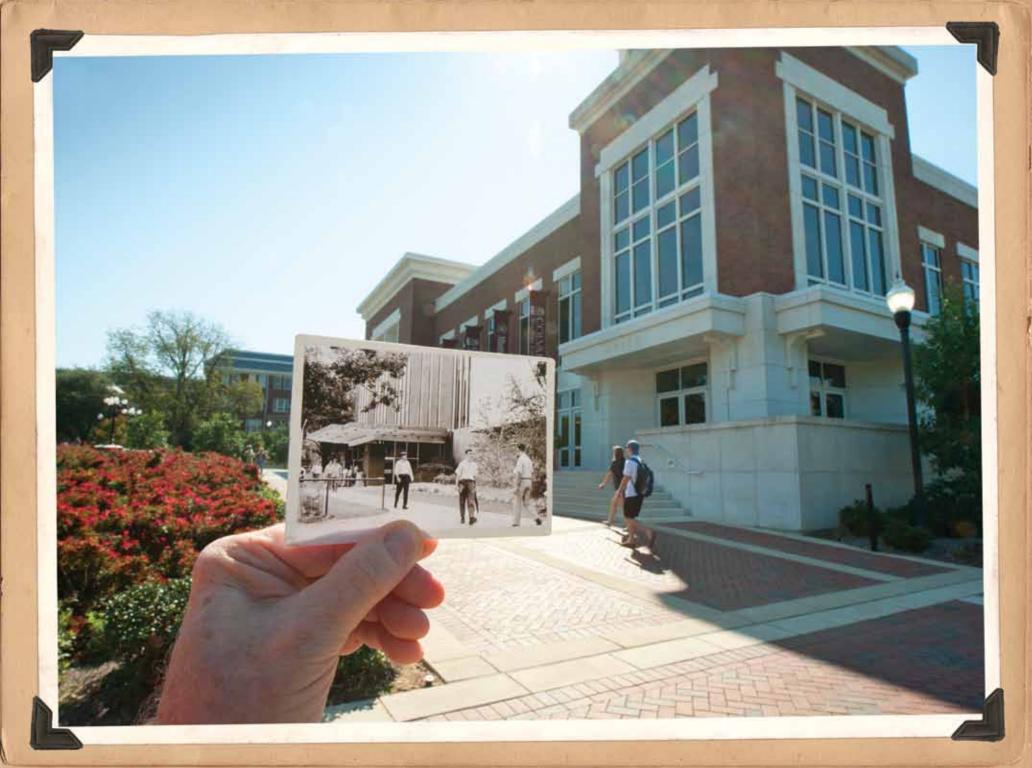


PHOTO: Colvard Student Union PHOTO DATE: 1964 CONMENTS: All who metnessed first-hand these great men signing the charter for the Development Foundation knew our university was on the verge of something truly monumental. I was able to meet all founding members by virtue of my rale of field scretary for the Alumni Association. During my early career, I ypent much of my time driving USU President Colvard around the state It is fitting that the hut of campus, the student union duilding, is named in his honor for his rision for private fundraising altered Missingpe State forever.







Mississippi State University owes its stature as an outstanding public educational institution to the state of Mississippi, visionary leadership, and a

long history of generous alumni and friends who assist the university in numerous ways. Through their support, the university has been able to meet the needs of today while preparing for the demands of tomorrow.

Mississippi State is proud of its status as the largest university in Mississippi. Our university is building on a tradition of educating the sons and daughters of Mississippi, and its reputation is rapidly growing as it continues to attract students from across the globe.

In 1962, MSU enrolled about 6,000 students, and would quadruple its student body over the next five decades. The university has experienced record-breaking growth for three-quarters of the last decade, welcoming students from all 50 states and more than 70 countries. As a testament to MSU's early origins as a military school, the university enrolls and serves student veterans through the G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery Center for America's Veterans.

For the first time in Mississippi State history, enrollment reached in excess of 20,000 students for fall 2011. The university's long-range plans call for further growth. With gifts, we can accommodate this anticipated growth and better position our university in the process. Gifts through the MSU Foundation allow Mississippi State to provide scholarships to a greater number of talented students who come to MSU to pursue their dreams. Endowments for chairs and professorships will allow these students to learn from, and research with, the best faculty in all disciplines.

In response to this soaring number of students, the university must also grow its campus infrastructure. By improving academic and student programs, as well as teaching and research facilities, donors enhance the university's ability to recruit students and talented faculty. They, in turn, attract collaborators from business and industry, who further enhance research and teaching as success builds upon success and a degree from Mississippi State grows in value.

As Mississippi State University looks to the future so does the MSU Foundation. The case for private support has become more compelling with each passing decade. Much can be said for the increasing caliber of fundraising efforts led by the MSU Foundation.

On the horizon, the MSU Foundation will seek to expand our role as we work to inspire a new generation of contributors. The *StatePride* initiative has positioned us to advance fundraising efforts, and new giving trends will enable us to make the most of our endowments over time. It is with fundraising success that Mississippi State has the means to face new challenges as it pursues a path to become one of the nation's top-tier universities. With your support, MSU can march forward, while preserving the traditions and values that enabled it to become a premier land-grant institution.

Alumni and friends of Mississippi State have long been partners in change. Through your generosity, MSU students can achieve their educational goals, and university researchers can seek the answers to issues of universal impact. Countless members of the global community can be touched by important services, programs and educational opportunities offered by the university.

We are forever grateful to those early Mississippi State supporters who forged a new frontier by chartering the Development Foundation's incorporation on Feb. 5, 1962. Thanks to these individuals, we will continue to shape MSU.

The MSU Foundation is approaching \$1 billion in total funds raised for Mississippi State University. In our 50th year, we will aim for that mark as we commemorate the many special maroon moments in philanthropy that have placed our university on a solid path to emerge among the best universities nationwide.

We look forward to the next 50 years of philanthropy as we assist Mississippi State and the rising generation of students. We hope you will continue to support the endeavors of MSU by impacting academics and athletics with your gifts. Because of the loyalty, pride and passion exhibited by our donors, the MSU Foundation breathes exuberance into Mississippi State University each and every year.



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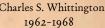
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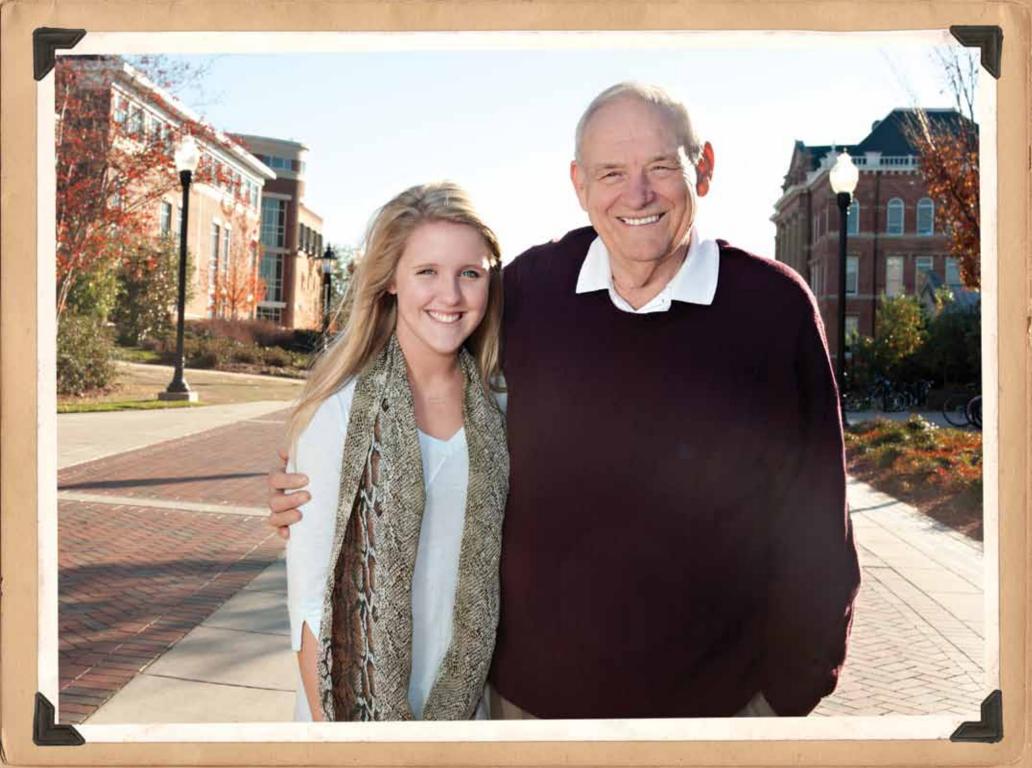
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PHOTO: Elizabeth and I at USU PHOTO DATE: 2011 COMMENTS: My wonderful granddaughter, Elizabeth Germany, has become part of MSU's historic class of over 20,400 students. Ellen and I are overjayed to have her enter our televed USU as part of the Judy and Bolly Shackauls Honors Colleges It is a tremendous honor to have had the privilege of serving my alma mater for these past 50 years, and playing a small rate in ensuring that M.S. will also so here for future generations of Weatherlys. We hope our other grandchildren well follow in Elizabeth's factitions.



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