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.

Accreditation

Tri-County Technical College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award the associate degree. (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia, 30033-4097; Telephone number: 404-679-4500; Website: sacscoc.org)

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.
Community Partners,

*Breaking New Ground* is the theme of this year’s report to the citizens of Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens Counties, reflecting a number of new, groundbreaking initiatives at Tri-County Technical College. And, for the first time, we are combining two annual reports – the College report and the Foundation report – to give you an all-inclusive look at our many accomplishments as we continue our journey toward achieving role-model status in community college education.

Each page of this report tells stories of a year filled with brand new activities and initiatives, from breaking ground in Anderson for our first branch campus, to formally instituting an athletics program, to launching the Gateway to College program for at-risk students. Additional “firsts” include our Bridge to Clemson program with Clemson University and our first annual Fall Classic golf tournament to benefit the newly formed Institute for Manufacturing Competitiveness. Support from our Foundation also allowed us to acquire much needed medical training equipment, including our first infant human patient simulator, as well as canine and surgical simulators.

In an effort to place additional emphasis on our role in economic development, we hired our first-ever Vice President for Economic Development and Government Affairs to strengthen our relationship with business, industry, and government. In addition, two new vice presidents were hired to replace two retiring vice presidents, representing a changing of the guard in the leadership of Tri-County as we continue to break new ground in serving our students and the community.

These are only a few highlights from the stories covered in the pages of this report for the 2005-2006 academic year. We thank you, our community partners, for your interest in and support of the important work we do and look forward to our continued association in the coming years.

Sincerely,

Ronnie L. Booth, Ph.D.
President

Mendel H. Stewart, Ed.D.
Chair, Tri-County Technical College Commission

E. Steve Darby
Chair, Tri-County Technical College Foundation
The Anderson Campus is scheduled to open during the spring of 2007.

The vision for a campus convenient to the city of Anderson and southern Anderson County became a reality last December when officials broke ground on the future site of the College's first branch campus.

Located on a 38.95-acre piece of property near the intersection of Standridge Road and Michelin Boulevard, the planned facility will be...
approximately 42,000 square feet and will include general classrooms for both credit and non-credit programs, computer and science labs, conference rooms, office space, kitchen facilities, and more. The programs at the Anderson Mall will be relocated to the Anderson site. Future plans for the development of the property include three additional buildings and sports/recreation fields.

“This is a big deal for Tri-County Technical College,” said President Booth. “Our long-term plans are to make this a very special place for the Anderson community. Our plan is to be in the building by Spring 2007.”

The branch campus will serve several of the College’s goals, said Dr. Mendel Stewart, chair of the College’s Commission. “Many students travel great distances from the far reaches of Anderson County to attend the Pendleton campus. Bringing the College’s services closer can better serve them, and they can take classes closer to home. Tri-County continues to grow, and we are nearing maximum capacity at the Pendleton campus (57 acres). Tri-County’s presence at this new location will positively impact the community.”

“We aren’t just looking ahead to the immediate future,” added Dr. Booth. “The planning we do now supports our vision for the future of the College over the next several decades. Our strategy is to decentralize teaching and services to meet the five-year goal of an increase in enrollment to more than 7,000 students,” he added.

“Tri-County is a community college, and it is demonstrating that by coming to the community – by reaching out to the people,” said Congressman Gresham Barrett.

“This campus is made possible by vision, and we commend Dr. Booth and the College Commission for providing that vision,” said Steve Darby, chair of the Foundation Board. “It is also a day made possible by commitment – the commitment of the Foundation Board to find alternative sources of funding for the purchase of this land and for the construction of the first building,” he said. (Once the approval process began, the Foundation Board voted to establish a limited liability corporation (LLC) to purchase, develop, and lease property to the College.)

“This new campus is a testament to Dr. Booth’s and his staff’s priorities of community involvement and the expansion of educational opportunities,” added Darby.

Anderson Campus Naming Opportunities

The new Anderson Campus presents several opportunities for members of the community to become directly involved in the expansion and improvement of educational opportunities for the citizens of Anderson and the surrounding area. By naming a room in honor of your company, community organization, family member(s)/other individual(s) or some other entity, you may establish an endowed teaching chair, purchase equipment for the room, or provide other support, depending on your specific wishes and the needs of the College.

Following is a listing of rooms that are available to be named. For additional information on naming opportunities, contact Haley Sitton, director of Development, Tri-County Technical College Foundation, (864) 646-1812.

- Classrooms
- Computer Laboratory
- Conference Rooms
- Culinary Laboratory
- Lobby
- Multipurpose Room
- Resource Library
- Science Lab
Saying goodbye to her first-born child heading off to college was an emotional experience, but Martha Richard felt good about leaving 18-year-old Bionca in the hands of the Bridge to Clemson program, a collaborative initiative between Tri-County and Clemson University that blends university transfer classes at Tri-County with Clemson campus life.
A first of its kind in South Carolina, the Bridge program was an answered prayer for Bionca Dunbar and 231 other recent high school students who narrowly missed admission to Clemson because of limited space and high demand.

“Bridge students are outstanding students whose applications weren’t accepted at Clemson because programs are full and/or the increased competition for incoming freshmen. The invitation-only program blends the traditional academic experience at Tri-County with the social and cultural experiences of being a Clemson University student,” said Vinson Burdette, dean of Student Development at Tri-County.

The program offers select students a university experience and seamless transition to Clemson for the sophomore year, explained Amanda Blanton, director of Collaboration at Tri-County. Bridge students must earn 30 transfer credits at Tri-County during their two semesters and transfer to Clemson with a 2.5 GPA. They live in an apartment complex, The Heritage at Riverwood, and can travel fare free to classes via Clemson Area Transit (CAT) buses.

Students take advantage of the academic support resources at both institutions to aid in transition from high school to college, said Blanton.

“She is my first child going to college, and I want someone to look out for her,” said Ms. Richard. “The transition from high school to a large four-year university can be hard. A two-year college softens the blow,” said Richard, herself a recent graduate of Aiken Technical College.

“It’s a road to Clemson,” said Bionca, “and an excellent transition from high school.”

“After the orientation session at Tri-County, I feel comfortable bringing her to stay. I know I don’t have to worry. There’s a lot of closure here,” said Richard.

“College will be a big adjustment,” admits Bionca, “but I’m ready to jump right in.” Orientation was very helpful, she added. “The instructors have been there every step of the way. Every question has been answered. I’m ready to start,” said Bionca, who spent the summer doing an internship at the Savannah River site.

Their academic experience is at Tri-County, but their social experience can extend to the Clemson campus culture, said Burdette. “A critical point is students can access all student life programs and services at Clemson, such as Fike Recreation Center membership, Cooper Library, Redfern Health Center, Michelin Career Center, Student Union activities, selected athletic activities, and dining services.”

Bionca says being integrated into the Clemson experience will help in transferring to the four-year university. “I can’t wait to yell ‘Go Tigers’ with everybody else this fall.”

This partnership is mutually beneficial for Tri-County and Clemson, said Blanton. “It’s another opportunity for accessibility to the Clemson experience for those highly qualified students who weren’t accepted.”

“It also increases awareness of the transfer function of two-year colleges all across South Carolina,” said Burdette.

“The key to the program is collaboration,” said Burdette. “The cooperation between the two institutions has been phenomenal.”
Surgical Technology students practice dexterity skills using a surgical simulator.

**BREAKING NEW GROUND**

through innovative technology

**Tri-County First to Acquire Surgical Simulator**

This past summer Tri-County became the first community college in the country to acquire a surgical simulator and integrate it into its Surgical Technology clinical procedures. The simulator allows students to practice dexterity skills used in laparoscopic surgeries in the operating room, enhancing their confidence and promoting proficiency in a safe environment.
Earlier in 2006, the Veterinary Technology Department was the only community college in the United States chosen to receive Pepper, a prototype canine simulator used to teach anesthesia techniques to veterinary students. Tri-County is the only Veterinary Technology Department in the world to have this simulator and hopes to serve as a Beta test site as Pepper develops into a fully computerized canine simulator. The four other canine models are located at the University of Florida's College of Veterinary Medicine and at the University of California at Davis College of Veterinary Medicine. Pepper, the simulcast head of an adult Labrador Retriever, will be invaluable in teaching canine intubation skills by giving students more confidence in handling emergency situations before they work with live animals.

These are just two of the five cutting-edge teaching tools, in some cases one-of-a-kind models, that are enriching the classroom experience of health education students because of generous donations primarily from The Abney Foundation, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, local hospitals, and individuals. Medical Education Technologies, Inc. (METI), the manufacturer of these simulators, donates a $1,000 nursing scholarship annually for students who are interested in simulation learning.

In the last year, the College also added a child and an infant simulator to labs. To complete the virtual labs as “full service,” there are two IV simulators used to develop, refine, and maintain IV and phlebotomy skills for students.

“Hands-on experience is the best teacher,” said Dr. Lewis. “Simulators allow instructors to simulate specific situations by programming the physiology while students build confidence in their own critical thinking and decision-making skills. The results can be safer patient care in the hospitals because students can make mistakes and learn from the consequences in the virtual safety of the lab before working with patients.

“The beauty of simulators is that students can fail in safety,” said Dr. Lewis. The simulators allow for teachable moments in certain scenarios that you simply can't do in a patient's room.

“Our goal is to provide safe, competent, and confident graduates in all of our health care areas. This is all possible because of amazing friends like The Abney Foundation, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, local hospitals, and individuals," she said.

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“Tri-County's Health Education Division has the first fully equipped virtual lab in the State," said Dr. Lynn Lewis, dean of the Health Education Division.

Two years ago, The Abney Foundation funded three human patient simulators, which are physiologically correct, computer-driven models designed to look and respond like real patients. Nicknamed STAN for Standard Man, these adult simulators teach students how to care for patients in a safe, simulated environment before they work with actual patients. Two of the human patient simulators are housed in Hayden Abney Fulp Hall, and one is in the Continuing Education Division for its Emergency Medical Technician training.
Catie Pekarek is among the first class of students in the Gateway to College program.

Gateway’s First Class Gets Second Chance

Catie Pekarek feels like she’s been running behind her whole life.

After years of enduring an abusive home life as a young girl, she entered the foster care system where she lived in seven different homes and changed schools as many times over in an eight-year period.

At age 16, she left Seneca High School just five credits shy of a diploma,
and went to live for a year at the Wilderness Way Girls Camp in Fair Play, a therapeutic environment where she says she learned how to deal with her past.

That's when things turned around for the 17-year-old Walhalla resident.

She's through playing catch up. The past is behind her. She's found a new home with her adoptive parents. She's on track, happy, and is returning to school.

She's among the first class of students in the College's Gateway to College program, a new initiative designed to serve at-risk students and recent high school dropouts in Anderson, Oconee and Pickens counties. This fall Tri-County's Gateway to College program enrolled 50 students who will begin the journey of earning their high school diploma while simultaneously earning a postsecondary credential.

Tri-County is among four community colleges in the United States selected this year to receive grants from Portland Community College in Oregon to implement the nationally recognized Gateway to College program on its campus. Its purpose is to serve the needs of students who have recently dropped out of high school or who have the academic capability but are struggling in a traditional high school environment. Students' tuition is covered by South Carolina Lottery Tuition Assistance and other College and grant programs. The College's Foundation and a Workforce Investment Act grant are funding the books.

Students complete high school and college courses at the same time, basically remediating and accelerating their academic studies simultaneously. Students start with a small learning community experience consisting of comprehensive academic and guidance classes, helping to build their academic competence and their confidence while acclimating them to the college environment. The program is designed for those with the expressed goal of earning a high school diploma and a college credential.

“I'm so happy. I've finally got a new life,” said Catie, who says she witnessed and endured years of emotional and physical abuse from her biological parents until their parental rights were terminated.

“I grew up at an early age and really survived by the grace of God,” she said. “I have a strong faith. It's a miracle that I'm alive. Considering my home life, my grades were good, but I didn't apply myself in school. I was distracted and dealing with things. The Wilderness Camp really turned things around for me.”

After she left the camp, her new mother, Ruth, suggested she enter the Gateway program. “It's the right thing to do. I had matured. I didn't want to get my GED. The program appealed to me because I can get a high school diploma and work on college courses. I'm here to focus on school. This is my second chance. My first chance was taken away by life. I wasn't given a fair shot, but I will make the most of it. I want to study world religion and work as a missionary or in youth ministry.” She has her eye on Toccoa Falls after completing a University Transfer degree at Tri-County.

“Thanks to the Gateway program, I've been handed a second chance to accomplish my dreams,” she said.

**Gateway to College Grant**

Tri-County Technical College is among four community colleges in the Nation this year to receive grants from Portland Community College in Oregon to implement the nationally recognized Gateway to College program. Portland Community College is one of 12 partner organizations in the national Early College High School Initiative funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Carnegie Corporation of New York, The Ford Foundation, and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.
Innovative Project is a First for Walgreen’s, Anderson County, and College

The disabilities training program for Walgreen’s new Distribution Center, currently under construction off I-85 in Anderson, is a unique endeavor for the company, as well as Anderson County and every agency involved in this pilot program. This innovative, regional project is a first for the Chicago area-based company and for Anderson County.
This is the first time Walgreen's has committed to training and employing the Distribution Center’s workforce where 30 percent of the employees will have cognitive and physical disabilities. It’s also the first time in Anderson County that the Center for Accelerated Technology Training (CATT) at Tri-County, the Anderson County Economic Development Board, Anderson Disabilities and Special Needs Board, Vocational Rehabilitation, and several school districts have engaged in a collaborative training project.

In fact, Rick Poole, project coordinator for the Walgreen’s project for South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation, says he knows of only one other project even close to this in the United States.

Walgreen’s will hire persons with physical and cognitive disabilities to work at the Distribution Center in the following jobs: order picking, receiving goods, and breaking cases down.

The Distribution Center, set to open in January of 2007, will begin with 250 employees, said Poole. The Distribution Center will expand and significantly increase the number of employees over time.

In a building specifically upfitted for this project, training professionals have begun training individuals from Disabilities and Special Needs, Vocational Rehab, and local school districts. The Anderson Disabilities Board will do the majority of the early training for this project. CATT is helping to fund this training and will help to train the workers with typical abilities on campus in the College’s Economic Development Center. “We will set up a mock distribution center modeled after the Distribution Center in Anderson,” said Woody Dillard, CATT area director. CATT has purchased office equipment and will pay for around 40 instructors to attend TEACCH seminars at UNC-Chapel Hill. TEACCH is a week-long session designed specifically to train instructors who will be training persons with cognitive disabilities, said Dillard.

“This is Walgreen’s first project of this kind,” said Dillard. “Most companies we deal with never make as large a commitment to train special-needs individuals as Walgreen’s has. This is one of our largest projects in terms of numbers – we plan to train 800-plus people for Walgreen’s,” said Dillard.

Walgreen’s plans to build several more centers based on this model in the U.S., said Poole. “The Anderson Distribution Center is a pilot for them. This is a company vision headed by Randy Lewis, senior vice president of distribution and logistics at Walgreen’s, who has a son with autism,” said Poole.

The unemployment rate for people with disabilities is 90 percent, said Poole. “This project is a way to combat that figure. We can foster increased workplace productivity among individuals who otherwise wouldn’t have these opportunities,” he said.

This is Walgreen’s first project of this kind, said Dillard. “They are plowing new ground, and so are we. There are no models to go by. That’s the beauty of partnering with agencies who have experience in working with individuals with special needs.”

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**Tri-County Technical College Center for Accelerated Technology Training**

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Anthony Richey was recognized as the 2005 Most Valuable Player for the Men’s Golf Team.

After only a year of competing in the National Junior College Athletics Association (NJCAA), Tri-County’s men’s golf and soccer teams are turning heads among intercollegiate coaches all over the Southeast.

“We’re viewed as very competitive,” said Golf Coach Doug Allen. After one semester, the Golf team proved itself as a competitor among...
12 - 15 two- and four-year college teams competing in the tournaments, even setting an all-time scoring record in a tournament. “Initial pats on the back for starting a program turned into raised eyebrows,” said Allen.

“The golf team has put us on the map among club sports in the Southeast,” said Allen. “Our guys are being actively recruited by four-year colleges at every tournament we attend. Now we are known as the team to watch out for.”

Last fall was the Soccer team’s first season as well, and players competed against junior colleges and NCAA Division II teams. “We went in late in the season. Our first game was against an NCAA Division II Team, North Greenville College, and we were fairly competitive the first time on the field,” said Soccer Coach Jonathan McCombs. “We also played Georgia Military College, which is in the same region with the second-ranked team in the country among junior colleges.”

Later in the season, Tri-County’s soccer team won its match with Anderson University’s JV team. “Although it was our first year, we’re now viewed as very competitive,” he said.

For a long time, it has been Allen’s wish to start an athletics program at the College.

“Students choose Tri-County because it costs less, they can earn a degree that can put them to work immediately, and now they can participate in sports,” he said.

“Participating in intercollegiate athletics really adds to the college experience,” said Allen. “Interacting with the other athletes and traveling as a team gives them a sense of belonging as alumni.” Athletics also enhances the College’s image, he added. “People realize we truly are a community college.”

“We’re having fun and learning a lot at the same time,” said McCombs. “Athletics is a great learning tool. A lot of what helped me early on in my law enforcement career, I learned as a student athlete on the soccer field.”

One of the College’s priorities is to enhance the student experience, said Vinson Burdette, dean of Student Development. “A competitive sports program enhances the student experience for athletes, as well as those who enjoy the excitement and camaraderie of supporting their teams. Within just a short time, the implementation of athletics at Tri-County has created many opportunities for student development and engagement outside the classroom. The accomplishments of our coaches and teams promote pride in our institution and project a positive image in our community. Our expanding sports program is just one of many ways that we are becoming a role model institution.”

“Our priority is still academics, but athletics are a bonus,” said Allen. “It makes the college experience more memorable. Team members make friends that last a lifetime.”
Asheville-based Steel String Theory headlined a trio of bluegrass artists at the first annual Bluegrass Under the Stars concert.

Several thousand community members attended the College’s first annual Bluegrass under the Stars concert, a free family event featuring bands and fireworks. Asheville-based Steel String Theory headlined a trio of bluegrass artists, including perennial fan favorites Curtis Blackwell and the Dixie Bluegrass Boys and Al Osteen and...
Friends. Blazing Bluegrass, a group of talented youth ages 13 and 14, opened the event. Bands also offered free pre-concert workshops on fiddle and banjo playing, songwriting, and improvisation.

President Ronnie Booth, a lifelong bluegrass fan, initiated the idea for the concert as a way of strengthening the College's ties to the community and to connect with the town of Pendleton and its annual Spring Jubilee celebration.

Tri-County Technical College sits squarely in the town limits of Pendleton, said Dr. Booth. “We have a beautiful campus, a great amphitheater, and abundant parking. Why not take advantage of all that by offering a fun, family-centered event?"

Over the course of the four-hour concert, guests enjoyed barbecue plates, popcorn, sweets, and other treats. They also had the opportunity to talk to College representatives and to visit information tables offering literature about the College and its programs and services. Next year's event is scheduled for April 7, 2007.

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It was standing room only for a reading and book signing by award-winning poet and novelist Ron Rash, pictured here with good friend and former colleague, Sandra Roddey, administrative assistant for the Arts and Sciences Division. Ron, who taught English at the College from 1986 until 2003, chose Tri-County to kick off his national book tour March 16. He read from his new novel, *The World Made Straight*, released April 1. The event was sponsored by the Tri-County Cultural Enrichment Committee. He currently holds the Parris chair in Appalachian Studies at Western Carolina University where he teaches English.

The College’s student chapter of the National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA) was named the Student Chapter of the Year in December. Chapter Advisor Christee Williams, third from left, along with Department Head Dr. Peggy Champion, right, and NAVTA Chapter President Carlin Hardin, second from left, traveled to the North American Veterinary Conference in Orlando where they accepted the award. Lori Renda-Francis, MA, BBA, LVT, and Veterinary Technician program director at Macomb Community College, left, presented the award. This is the first time Tri-County’s chapter has submitted a nomination and the 14-year-old chapter’s first national accolade.

The College Foundation hosted its first annual Fall Classic Golf Tournament at the Anderson Country Club September 30, garnering rave reviews and raising nearly $28,000. (Net profits were approximately $20,000.) Proceeds went toward the newly established Institute for Manufacturing Competitiveness to help develop programs so the College can provide a new level of service and support to our strong manufacturing base. AdvanceSC has committed to make a $100,000 gift toward the College’s Institute for Manufacturing Competitiveness contingent upon our raising $150,000.

Dr. Valerie Ramsey wowed the audience at her first national speaking engagement in December. Dr. Ramsey was selected to tell her story to community college leaders in a keynote address at the Benefactors Awards Banquet at the Council for Resource Development conference December 2 in Washington, DC. “I was blessed to be invited to deliver the address. It was quite an honor,” said Dr. Ramsey, who is the Chief Business Officer for the College of Health, Education, and Human Development at Clemson University and the first alumna appointed by the governor to our College’s Commission. Earlier this year, Dr. Ramsey also was honored as the Distinguished Alumna of the Year for Tri-County Technical College.
Nationally known and in its seventh year, Call Me MISTER is a scholarship teaching program developed by Clemson University to meet the shortage of African American male teachers in South Carolina’s elementary schools. Tony Webb, who received an associate in Science degree at summer commencement, is the College’s first graduate, or MISTER, to enter the program where black males are recruited, trained, and certified to become elementary teachers in S.C.’s public schools. The program is a collaborative effort between Clemson University and Benedict College, Claflin University, South Carolina State University, Morris College, and others.

Expanded Duty Dental Assisting student Kerri Hardin, of Tamassee, was named the top Dental Assisting student in the State. Kerri received the Mary M. Clary Award for Assistant of the Year at the South Carolina Dental Association’s annual meeting. This is the first time that a Tri-County student has won this prestigious award that recognizes leadership ability and dedication to the profession.

The twelve students who participated in the College’s inaugural study abroad experience spent two weeks in Cuernavaca, Mexico, where they took classes in a well known Spanish immersion language school, Experiencia Language School, and lived with local families. During the weekends and evenings, students enhanced their cultural knowledge of Mexico through excursions to markets, museums, and other towns. In addition to learning about another culture and its language, students say it was a lesson in independence and adaptation.

John Lummus, pictured at right, joined the College April 1 as its first Vice President for Economic Development and Government Affairs. In this newly created leadership position at the College, Lummus works closely with local and State leaders to promote economic development in the region by teaming with local economic development alliances, working with industrial prospects, and serving as a legislative and governmental affairs liaison for the College. Here, Lummus reviews the Safety Wall of Honor at Square D Schneider Electric in Seneca with Larry Smith, plant manager. In August, the company celebrated two million safe hours without lost time action.
Over the years, Ellis Bradford and Clara Golay, formerly of Pendleton (seated on couch), have contributed to several College initiatives, including a student loan program. Here, the Bradfords, who have since relocated to Pittsboro, NC, enjoy afternoon tea hosted by Dr. Booth. Also in attendance were Haley Sitton, director of Development, far right, and Dr. Booth’s wife, Sara.

• The Business Training Center opened a Web Animation and Web Development training lab at the Anderson Mall facility.
• Process improvement initiatives and supervisory skills training were among the free seminars offered by the World Class Training Center for business and industry during S.C. Industry Appreciation Week.
• National Hispanic Month was recognized with a celebration that included music, dancing, and a piñata-breaking contest for students.
• Presentations highlighting the Constitutional Convention of 1787 were held in recognition of Constitution Day.

Adam Ellis, a student in the Engineering Graphics Technology program, left, demonstrates the College’s rapid prototyping machine to local business leaders during the Zoom Zone Showcase Exposition in Anderson. The purpose of the event was to showcase the Upstate, particularly the Anderson and Clemson areas, as a center for advanced materials and manufacturing. Tri-County was a Platinum Sponsor of the event.

• A panel of Tri-County alumni discussed their careers and job-related skills at the fourth annual “Careers for the Real World” alumni forum.
• The College closed on the purchase of a 38.95-acre piece of land in Anderson that will become the home of its first branch campus.
South Carolina Speaker of the House Bobby Harrell, left, greets Representative Bill Sandifer, Jane Sosebee, and Dr. Booth at the 2004-05 Annual Report Luncheon. Speaker Harrell delivered the keynote address to more than 300 community leaders during the annual event.

- The Business Technology Advisory Board set a College record by being named the Advisory Committee of the Year for the sixth time at the College's Annual Report Luncheon.
- The South Carolina Association for Developmental Educators recognized Dr. Gwen Owens, dean of the Arts and Sciences Division, with an award in honor of her outstanding service to students.
- Dr. Ralph Elliott, husband of Linda Elliott, retiring vice president for Institutional Advancement, donated funds in her honor to renovate and name the Linda Craven Elliott Institutional Advancement Suite. The Foundation also raised an additional $21,000 for the Linda C. Elliott Instructional Excellence Endowment, and Mrs. Elliott was inducted into the College's Order of the Trilon.
- A groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new Anderson Campus.
- Heralding in a new era of College Leadership, Mr. Howie Roesch was named Vice President for Business Affairs, and Dr. Lisa McWherter was named Vice President for Institutional Advancement. Roesch has more than two decades of diverse leadership experience in industry, most recently with Aventis Pharmaceuticals and Hoechst Celanese. McWherter came to the College from Chattanooga State Technical Community College, where she most recently served as Associate Vice President for Leadership and Fund Development.
- The Tri-County Technical Education Association honored three outstanding employees as Educators of the Year: Faye Allen, director of Fiscal Affairs, as the outstanding administrator; Doug Allen, Industrial Technology department head, as the outstanding instructor; and Sandra Roddey, administrative assistant for the Arts and Sciences Division, as the outstanding staff member.
- 230 high school students enrolled in Tri-County courses offered on their campuses through the Secondary Transition Enrollment Program (STEP), the College's dual enrollment program in which qualified high school students "step" into college early by taking Tri-County courses while still in high school. An additional 62 high school students took classes on the College campus or over the Internet. Over the course of the academic year, more than 300 high school students enrolled in College courses.
- The Partnership for Academic and Career Education (PACE) offered a workshop titled Brain-based Strategies for Working with Groups to more than 60 public school and college instructors. During the year, PACE trained more than 230 local educators on various topics, such as applied academics and career development strategies.

Brad Moorhouse, administrator of National HealthCare (NHC) in Anderson, presented the College's Foundation with an $8,790 check from its Foundation for Geriatric Education to fund health care equipment for the College's Continuing Education Division. Pictured with him is Haley Sitton, director of Development at the College.
YEAR IN REVIEW

February

Austin Moore gives two thumbs up after getting one of his teeth filled by Dr. Sawsan Bitar during Give Kids a Smile Day held on campus. Elementary school children received free dental services from local dental professionals and Tri-County’s Expanded Duty Dental Assisting students.

The College hosted several events in recognition of Black History Month, including a motivational speech by Dr. Lamont Flowers, distinguished Clemson University professor of Educational Leadership, and a performance about African American history by the Anderson University Ensemble, seen here.

• A Machine Tool Technology (MTT) Technical Scholars Program was established to address a growing shortage of qualified workers. Enrollment is slated to begin Fall Semester, 2006, with 12 students who will participate in a blended classroom/work experience.

• The Criminal Justice program developed a new course to bring the practical applications of forensic science to the law enforcement curriculum at the College. The class teaches students how to locate, recover, and process physical evidence, and includes lab exercises in fingerprinting, photography, and evidence collection.

March

Bosch is among this year’s additions to the College’s prestigious Wall of Honor, a distinction reserved for donors who have contributed $50,000 or more cumulatively to the College Foundation. For 21 years, Robert Bosch Corporation in Anderson has partnered with Tri-County in a variety of ways, all devoted to enhancing educational opportunities. Here, Vice President of Manufacturing Mike Mansuetti poses with Debbie Croft, human resources director.

WYFF’s Chief Meteorologist John Cessarich, pictured here talking with Elaine Scott-Mattison, former director of TRiO programs, was on-site with his “John on the Road” segment to highlight the TRiO programs as “The Best Kept Secret in the Nation” during the evening broadcast. The College celebrated National TRiO Week with a series of events, including an Old School Block Party, a panel discussion about educational funding issues, a blood drive, and the 4th Annual “TRiO TREK” walk to raise scholarship funds for TRiO participants.

• A new major in Industrial Supervision Technology (IST) was approved to replace the former Textile Management Technology program for Fall 2007. Students in the IST program will have the opportunity to select from a variety of concentrations for their major, including textile management, engineering graphics, HVAC, and others. Several full scholarships are available to IST majors.
For the fourth consecutive year, Mike and Brenda Cannon of Anderson were patrons of the Ruby S. Hicks Memorial Writing Contest, an event that recognizes the creative writing abilities of area high school students. Mike and Brenda are pictured here with their sons, Ross, left, and Brooks, right.

Duke Energy was among the businesses/industries participating in the 13th Annual College and Career Fair sponsored by Student Support Services, one of the three TRiO programs at the College. Here, Jake McGraw, of Duke’s recruiting staff in Charlotte, NC, left, talks about career opportunities at Duke Energy with students from the Industrial and Engineering Technology Division.

• Students enrolled in an Abnormal Psychology class coordinated the National Alcohol Screening Day (NASD) program to raise awareness of how alcohol affects health and academic performance. They performed screenings to help individuals evaluate their alcohol use and provided referrals to local treatment and support resources.

• Nearly 100 students were honored at the Annual Student Awards Ceremony, including outstanding seniors, student government officers, and those recognized in Who’s Who Among American Junior Colleges.

• The Business Training Center developed a new Dental Office Specialist certificate.

• Tri-County Technical College held its first athletic banquet to honor members of its newly formed golf and soccer teams. Special awards were given in the categories of Most Valuable Player, Academic Achievement, and Team Spirit. Recognition also was given to community supporters. Geoff Hart, Sports Director for WYFF-TV Channel 4, was the keynote speaker for the event.

• Soon-to-be graduates of Tri-County’s Criminal Justice program got the opportunity to talk one-on-one with recruiters from local law enforcement agencies at a departmental career fair.

Four associate degree Nursing students were the recipients of AnMed Health scholarships at Tri-County for the 2005 - 2006 academic year. Peggy Deane, senior vice president at AnMed Health, third from left, met with the students for a luncheon and is pictured with them (from left) Charissa Mullet, of Townville; Cherie Love, of Pendleton; and Robert Holcombe, of Pendleton. Not pictured is Sherry Hamilton, of Belton. AnMed has been making annual gifts to scholarships at Tri-County since 1989 and has fully endowed five scholarships.

Charter members of the Alumni Association reunited for the first time in two decades to celebrate the organization’s 20th year. In attendance were, pictured here from left, (standing) Jimmy Edmonds, Scott Webber, and John Powell, and (seated) Debra Cummings, Dana Griffith, Dot Bradley, Bobbi Montgomery, and Caroline Glenn. Not pictured is Abeda Basher, of Anderson.

Tri-County students swept the awards in the storytelling category at the 2006 South Carolina Speech Communication Association College Festival held at USC-Aiken. Tri-County was the only two-year college to compete in the annual festival.

The World Class Training Center kicked off its new Electrical Technician classes, a series of practical, hands-on electrical courses designed to enhance and refresh electrical skills of industrial maintenance technicians. Here, Darby Electric outside sales reps Nikki Reid and Steve Rice participate in DC Machines, the first in a series of technical hands-on courses.
• Janet Fuller, department head for Nursing, received the Presidential Medallion for Instructional Excellence, the highest award presented to the faculty. Richard Kingman, an adjunct instructor in the Computer and Information Technology Department, was named recipient of the 2006 Adjunct Faculty Presidential Award.

• President Ronnie L. Booth was named recipient of the Access and Equity Leadership Award for his strong commitment to students and their achievements.

• Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, the first African-American female appointed as President of the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, was the keynote speaker at the 43rd annual commencement ceremony.

• Welding students won three awards, including a first-place honor, in the State Technical College System’s Annual Welding Competition held at Trident Technical College.

• Jay Sloan, an instructor in the World Class Training Center, was certified in Reliability Centered Maintenance through the Society for Maintenance and Reliability Professionals.

• The Twentieth Annual Alumni Association Golf Tournament netted a profit of $7,307 to benefit the College Foundation. Since 1990, the Alumni Association has contributed more than $50,000 to the College’s Foundation.

• The Respiratory Care program was awarded continued accreditation through 2013 by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Program.

• Teachers and counselors from area public schools participated in the Twentieth Annual Summer Institute, sponsored by Tri-County Technical College and the Partnership for Academic and Career Education, the local Tech-Prep and School-to-Work consortium.

• Graduates of the Medical Laboratory Technology program boasted a 100% pass rate on the National Registry of the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) examination.

• Two Welding Technology faculty members successfully completed training and testing requirements to become Certified Welding Inspectors through the American Welding Society (AWS). Paul Phelps, program coordinator, and Scott Brabham, instructor, also earned credentials to become Certified Welding Educators.

High school students with interests in science technology, engineering, and math spent a week learning to build a roller coaster during the College’s first “Camp Xceleration.” Students participated in hands-on workshops, field trips to local businesses and industries, and heard presentations by guest speakers. Students also designed and constructed model roller coasters for entry in a camp competition. Eric Strasser, pictured at right with fellow participant Matthew Wilson, won first-place honors with his roller coaster creation, Time Blaster. He received an $800 scholarship from Tri-County and an I-Pod shuffle.

A Cool Cooking class was among the offerings at a Continuing Education-sponsored Smart Fun for Kids summer program. Participants are seen here making a cheese dip and chocolate fondue with Ashley Cothran, Culinary Arts/ Baking and Pastry instructor.
Figures, Charts, and Graphs

Student Profile
Fall Semester Comparisons

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Avg. hrs. worked/week | 31.3 | 30.7 | 30.7 |
Average Age           | 25.5 | 25.4 | 25.3 |

Source: Institutional Research Office, July 2006

County of Residence
Credit Students

Total: 4,645

Source: Institutional Research Office, August 2006

County of Residence
Continuing Education Students

Total: 7,879

(Preliminary Data)
Source: Information Technology, September 2006

Continuing Education Classes Taught on Campus and in Communities

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Source: Continuing Education Division, August 2006

Source: Continuing Education Division, August 2006
What role does Tri-County Technical College play in the local economy? An economic impact study completed in March, 2006, indicates that the College is a sound investment from multiple perspectives. Study highlights include the following:

- Students enjoy an attractive 22% annual return on their investment of time and money—for every $1 a student invests in TCTC, he or she will receive a cumulative $6 in higher future earnings over the next 30 years or so (after discounting).
- Taxpayers see a real money “book” return of 15% on their annual investments in TCTC and recover all investments in 9 years.
- The State of South Carolina benefits from improved health and reduced welfare, unemployment, and crime, saving the public some $1.8 million per year each year that the students are in the workforce.
- The TCTC service area economy owes roughly $208.7 million of its regional income to TCTC operations and past student productivity effects. This figure amounts to roughly 3% of a typical year’s regional economic growth.

For a complete summary of the CCBenefits study, visit the Tri-County Technical College website at www.tctc.edu and click on Visitors and The Media, Media Resources, News Releases.

### 7,018 Receive $10,758,918 In Student Financial Aid

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Note: Some students received more than one form of financial aid and are counted each time.
Sources: Student Financial Aid Office and Business Office, August 2006
### Graduates & Awards FY 2005-2006*

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<td>May 2006</td>
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*Preliminary Figures
Source: Registrar, August 2006

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### Fall Semester Headcount

#### Arts and Sciences 2003-04 2004-05 2005-06
- Associate in Arts: 524 643 564
- Associate in Science: 1,151 1,173 1,253
- TOTAL: 1,675 1,816 1,817

#### Business and Public Services 2003-04 2004-05 2005-06
- Accounting: 78 83 105
- Computer Technology: 258 196 176
- Criminal Justice Technology: 182 194 181
- Early Childhood Development: 128 125 132
- Management: 249 294 280
- Office Systems Technology: 169 178 163
- Radio and Television Broadcasting: 80 108 110
- TOTAL: 1,144 1,178 1,147

#### Career Development 2003-04 2004-05 2005-06
- Career Development: 512 414 461
- TOTAL: 512 414 461

#### Health Education 2003-04 2004-05 2005-06
- Expanded Duty Dental Assisting: 32 41 47
- Health Certificates: 29 21 5
- Medical Assisting: 53 67 77
- Medical Laboratory Technology: 65 58 58
- Nursing: 165 169 135 *
- Practical Nursing: 128 143 120
- Pre-Health Certificates: 29 43 54
- Respiratory Care: 65 73 75
- Surgical Technology: 71 73 83
- Veterinary Technology: 71 77 83
- TOTAL: 708 765 737

- Electronics Engineering Technology: 48 43 39
- Engineering Graphics Technology: 51 59 45
- General Engineering Technology: 31 33 17
- General Technology: 47 39 33
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Technology: 29 38 32
- Industrial Electronics Technology: 131 135 146
- Industrial Maintenance Technology: 29 39 33
- Machine Tool Technology: 43 40 34
- Quality Assurance: 4 4 2
- Textile Management Technology: 42 46 35
- Welding: 54 60 67
- TOTAL: 509 536 483

**GRAND TOTAL:** 4,548 4,709 4,645

*Note: The Associate Degree Nursing program began two start terms during the 2005-06 academic year. Now students may begin the program both Fall and Spring semesters. This results in a twice the total number of generic students (120) enrolled in the program each year as compared to 2004 (60 generic students).

Source: Institutional Research Office, August 2006
### Figures, Charts, and Graphs

#### External Funding (July 1, 2005–June 30, 2006)

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Source: Grants Office and Foundation Office, August 2006
Operations Revenue by Source

- 43.9% Tuition and Fees
- 11.9% County Appropriations
- 33.3% State Appropriations
- 9.8% Auxiliary Enterprise
- 1.1% Miscellaneous

100% Total Operations Revenue

Operations Expenditures by Function

- 49.4% Instruction
- 19.2% Academic and Student Support
- 8.8% Operations and Maintenance of Plant
- 13.8% Administrative and General
- 8.8% Auxiliary

100% Total Operations Expenditure by Function

Operations Expenditures by Category

- 72.9% Salaries and Benefits
- 4.8% Supplies and Materials
- 10.7% Contractual Services
- 2.9% Fixed Charges
- .9% Faculty/Staff Development/Travel
- 7.8% Purchases for Resale (Bookstore)

100% Total Operations Expenditure by Category

Source: Business Office, August 2006
Foundation Donors (July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006)

The Tri-County Technical College Foundation Board and staff are grateful to our many donors for the support they have given to the College. Because of you, we are breaking new ground as we help students to overcome financial obstacles, faculty and staff to grow professionally, and instructional programs to be strengthened and enhanced.

**Pacesetters’ Club**
($10,000 and over)

- Abney Foundation
- AnMed Health
- Armstrong, The Estate of David A.
- BB&T
- Blue Cross Blue Shield of South Carolina
- Bradford, Mr. Ellis and Mrs. Clara Golay
- Cannon Memorial Hospital
- Darby, Mr. and Mrs. E. Steve
- First Citizens Bank
- Gignilliat, The Estate of Dr. John L.
- Kay, The Trust of Dr. Charlotte R.
- Murdoch, Mrs. J. Cameron
- Nalley, Mr. George B.
- Oconee Memorial Hospital
- Palmetto Health Baptist Easley
- Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim D., Jr.
- Sullivan, Mr. Harold V.
- The Duke Endowment
- U. S. Engine Valve Company
- W. C. English Foundation

**Founders’ Club**
($5,000 - $9,999.99)

- AFCO
- Alumni Association of Tri-County Technical College
- American Services, Inc./Henry C. Harrison
- BellSouth
- Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- Claramunt, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis D.
- Duke Energy Foundation
- Elliott, Dr. Ralph D.
- Fredman, Mr. and Mrs. Jan
- Greenville Hospital System
- National HealthCare (NHC) of Anderson
- Nittan Valve Company, Ltd.

- Pratt Sosebee Used Cars
- Techtronics Technologies North America, Inc.
- Thrift, Mr. and Mrs. Sam
- Wachovia Foundation

**Trilon Club**
($2,500 - $4,999.99)

- Carolina First Bank
- Cooley, Mrs. June S.
- Cornell Dubilier Marketing, Inc.
- Cryovac Division, Sealed Air Corporation
- D. L. Scarry Foundation
- Gignilliat, Mr. Thomas M.
- Glen Raven, Inc.
- Greenville Horse Show & Fair
- Michelin North America
- Mooneyhan, Mr. Jack L.
- Oglesby, Mr. and Mrs. D. Kirk
- Santens of America
- Square D Foundation
- St. Jude Medical – CRM Division
- SunTrust Bank
- The Cliffs Communities

**President’s Club**
($1,000 - $2,499.99)

- Anderson County Woman’s Club
- Anderson Rotary Club
- Anonymous
- Barton, Mrs. Betty
- Booth, Dr. and Mrs. Ronnie L.
- BorgWarner
- Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Michael T.
- Center for Child Care Career Development
- Champion Fund at T. Rowe Price Program for Charitable Giving
- Council for Resource Development
- Croft, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew V.
- Easley Combined Utilities
- Elkins, Mrs. Roxanne
- Gignilliat, Mr. and Mrs. William W.
- Hampshire Designers, Inc.
- Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A.
- Inergy Automotive Systems
- JPS Composite Materials Corporation
- Lukas, Mr. John B.
- McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. James E.
- McGee, Mr. Michael A.
- Medical Education Technologies, Inc.
- MEDICUS
- Moyer, Mrs. Broy S.
- Neal Long Agency, LLC

- Oconee Federal Savings and Loan Association
- Oconee Machine & Tool Company, Inc.
- Owens Corning Corporation
- Palmetto Bank
- Pickens, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall I.
- Piedmont Natural Gas
- Rotary Club of Clemson-Calhoun
- S. C. Association of Veterinarians
- South Carolina Manufacturers Alliance
- Tabor, Mr. and Mrs. Bud
- Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C.
- Timken
- Trehel Corporation
- Valenite, Inc.
- Wal-Mart Stores
- Watkins, Mrs. Frances Sitton
- Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Neal
- Winkopp, Mr. Tom
- Youngblood, Mr. Daniel E.
- Yuda, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence F.

**Cornerstone Club**
($500 - $999.99)

- Brazosport College
- Bucci, Dr. Michael N.
- Buckhiester, Dr. and Mrs. Phil
- Champion Aerospace
- Clemson Rotary Club
- Design South Professionals, Inc.
- Duke Energy
- Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Gary T.
- Ellenburg, Mr. Marvin L.
- Elliott, Mrs. Linda C.
- Fuller, Mrs. Janet
- Garrison, Dr. and Mrs. Don C.
- Geer, Mr. and Mrs. John M., Jr.
- Hammond, Mrs. Barbara
- Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. William H. (Ham)
- Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. Charles
- Morse, Mr. and Mrs. John C.
- Owens, Dr. Gwendolyn B.
- Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall J.
- Spragins, Mrs. Catherine R.
- Stathakis, Mrs. Kleo B.
- Stewart, Dr. and Mrs. Mendel H.
- The Duffy Family
- Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A.
- Williams, Mr. and Mrs. James L.
Century Club
($100 - $499.99)
Adams, Dr. Andrew A.
Addis, Mr. and Mrs. Sandy
Alexander, Colonel and Mrs. James W.
Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas R.
Altman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L., Sr.
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Ways to Give

Following are ways you may give to Tri-County Technical College, helping us achieve excellence in two-year technical education.

- Cash
- Non-Cash Gifts
- Employers’ Matching Gifts
- Securities
- Real Estate
- Life Insurance
- Retirement Plans
- Trusts and Annuities
- Bequests

For additional information, contact Haley Sitton, director of Development, Tri-County Technical College Foundation, 864-646-1812.
Foundation Financial Statement

ASSETS
Current Assets
- Cash $99,137
- Pledges Receivable $91,170
- Short-Term Investments $1,762,212
- Interest Receivable $75,687
- Student Loans Receivable $29,752

Total Current Assets $2,057,958

Long-Term Investments
- Bonds $3,652,858
- Public Equities $7,978,339
- Energy $311,966
- Private Equities $113,066
- Multi-Assets $347,070
- Real Estate $673,463

Total Long-Term Investments $13,076,762

Total Assets $15,134,720

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE
Accounts Payable $213,211
Investment Fees Payable $3,297

Total Liabilities $216,508

Fund Balance
- Fund Balance $9,759,753
- Less: Pledge Discounts $20,269
- Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investments $5,178,728

Total Fund Balance $14,918,212

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance $15,134,720
The Foundation's Numbers

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Foundation Endowment Returns

**2005-2006 Donor Gift Designations**

- Unrestricted: 62%
- Faculty and Staff Development: 8%
- Scholarships: 4%
- Special College Projects/Other Initiatives: 6%
- Priority Needs: 20%

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS: $953,160

**New Endowments Established 2005-2006**

- **Priority Needs**
  - Ellis Bradford and Clara Golay

- **Professional Development**
  - Linda C. Elliott Instructional Excellence

- **Scholarships**
  - David A. Armstrong Memorial
  - Nixon and Augusta M. Cox
  - Julia M. Darby
  - Greer/McWherter
  - Dr. J. C. Holler Memorial
  - Dr. Charlotte Kay Memorial
  - Anita L. Nalley
  - James D. and Annie Reid C. Smith
Anderson Couple Named Philanthropists of the Year

The late William Law Watkins and his wife, Frances Sitton Watkins, were model philanthropists at Tri-County and throughout the community. Upon his death in 1999, Mr. Watkins left a bequest to create an endowment fund that would provide educational scholarships in perpetuity at Tri-County. Mrs. Watkins continued to contribute annually to the College's educational programs until her death in July of 2006.

The Anderson couple was honored for their dedication and devotion to Tri-County and was named the 2005 Philanthropists of the Year by the College's Foundation Board of Trustees.

Kerry Yon, of Anderson, a 2005 graduate of Tri-County's associate degree Nursing program, is one of the 2004 - 2005 recipients of the William Law Watkins Memorial scholarships. She spoke to the Foundation Board at a dinner honoring the couple. Yon was a caregiver for Mr. Watkins during the last three years of his life.

“I had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Watkins during the final years of his life,” said Yon, who is now a registered nurse at AndMed Health's main campus. “I worked as a home health assistant for him and Mrs. Watkins before and while I was a student. He encouraged me to go back to school and made me promise that I would,” said Yon, who began college at Tri-County shortly after high school graduation in 1991 but dropped out to get married and start a family.

“He was quite an influence on my life,” she recalled. “His belief in me gave me the courage to go back to College and finish my degree. The Watkins family embraced me and believed in me,” she said.

“To some, my nursing pin and my badge are nothing more than jewelry and a piece of paper. But to me, they are the keys to opening the door to opportunities. Without the scholarship, I wouldn't be a nurse today. I think about Mr. and Mrs. Watkins every time I sign my name to nursing orders,” she said. “I’m so appreciative to the entire family for their generosity.”

“My parents were generous people,” said Sally Marshall, one of the Watkins daughters who accepted the award on behalf of her family. “They helped so many people obtain their education over the years. Daddy especially had a love for Tri-County. He thought technical education was wonderful and does so much for the entire community and his beloved Anderson County. It thrilled them to give their time and money to the College.”
Benefactors’ Society

The Benefactors’ Society was created in 1993 to thank those who planned for future gifts to the College through their wills, annuities, life insurance policies, or retirement plans and to encourage similar gifts to the College. Benefactors’ Society members realize the importance of a quality education and are interested in seeing Tri-County achieve its vision of becoming a role model for all community colleges.

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Honor/memorial gifts to the Foundation totaled $151,873 during 2005-2006.

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