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Technology
Tusculum's Window
to the World

FROM THE PRESIDENT

There is an excitement at Tusculum College that is palpable. Tusculum College is on the cusp of moving into a different era - an era of growth, prosperity and an intensified focus on quality. It is particularly encouraging that we are entering into partnerships with community colleges and professional schools, developing new academic programs including nursing, an MBA program, a chemistry major, a baccalaureate program in criminal justice and making significant technological advances throughout the College.

There are also discussions about capital projects to support existing and developing programs that have the potential to make a significant statement about the College and serve as a symbol to the internal and external community, to students, alumni, friends and donors that Tusculum College is forging a path.

These initiatives support Vision 20/20 and the Strategic Plan. The College continues to fulfill its mission of providing a liberal arts education in a Judeo-Christian and civic arts environment and, as you will see in the enclosed Annual Report, has made tremendous strides toward making many of our goals a reality.

This publication is intended to provide insight on how technology, Tusculum's 'window to the world,' is now and futuristically will be utilized, how the unique characteristics of the block system prepares students for the modern workplace and to present a technology plan designed for the future.

Technology will provide Tusculum College students the knowledge, skills and tools to make a difference in their communities, their professions and the world. As we reflect on recent accomplishments, we also acknowledge the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. Tusculum College invites you to join us on this journey as we enter a third century of changing lives and impacting the world through education, civic engagement and service.



Dr. Nancy B. Moody

Sincerely,

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Dr. Nancy B. Moody
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Professor uses social network to extend student discussion

Professor Wayne Thomas expects his students' best efforts. His reputation precedes him as an advocate for open-mindedness in learning, as well as his willingness to test the boundaries of conventional teaching. In this spirit, he incorporated the use of the social networking site, facebook, into the syllabus for his Intermediate Creative Writing course during the 2010-11 academic year.

Thomas, chair of the Fine Arts Department and associate professor of English, created a group webpage for the class. As a core requirement for success in the course, he instructed the students to use the facebook page as a forum to extend in-class discussions beyond the walls of the classroom. Moreover, students were assigned respective authors and poets to acquaint themselves with and then asked to present these writers in the forum professionally and authoritatively, posting external links to biographies, recorded readings, etc. On any given day of the class, one student posted information about a writer and a sample of his or her work, and the other students posted comments in reply, often regarding themes they noticed in the writer's work.

Thomas also imparted a certain freedom to his students, allowing them to discuss authors and literature outside of those outlined in the course schedule. To protect their privacy, he did not require students to use their personal facebook profiles for the group, and at least one student did create a profile specifically for the course.

In addition to emphasizing that within the forum there were no right or wrong answers (only wrong mechanics), Thomas encouraged the students to both initiate and carry on intelligent, scholarly debate about theme, motif, character, voice, form and sundry other tools that build strong creative writers. Simple consensus was discouraged. The students enjoyed the ability to click "Like" on posts they agreed with or were enlightened by, while being able to disagree with others' poetic interpretations without the threat of offending a classmate or friend in a face-to-face setting.

Thomas graded students on the frequency and creativity of their posts as well as their abilities to "bring something new" to the online discussions. After the allotted time for posting comments had expired, Thomas read the forum threads and "Liked" the posts that met or excelled beyond the assignment requirements. Besides signifying a job well done and acting as immediate gratification for students, Thomas' "Likes" were incorporated into the final participation grades for the class.

Perhaps the most ingenious aspect of Thomas' course formatting in this instance was simply giving students an incentive to use their favorite social networking site productively. Their discussions cycled in and out of class and led to engaged, attentive work in their final portfolios.

*By Justin Reed,
senior creative writing major from Florence, S.C.*



Wayne Thomas

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GPS Student Support Services provides tools to assist adult students in becoming tech savvy

Technology is a key component in the educational process for the typical adult student enrolled in Tusculum College's Graduate and Professional Studies (GPS) program.

Because of the diversity of its students, instructors and staff encounter entering students with a widely varied range of technology experience and aptitude.

And, because of the critical importance of technology-as-a-tool in the workplace, the GPS program strives to encourage exploration and growth in technology skills as part of the academic program.

The Knoxville Regional Center is piloting a student services program modeled after the very successful residential program, which has operated on the Greeneville campus for many years.

GPS Student Services program offers a traditional book loan program, and in addition loans out technology, such as laptops, Android tablets and iPads. The GPS Student Services program serves students not only at the Knoxville Regional Center, but also students attending classes at the Greeneville campus and Morristown and Tri-Cities sites.

According to Ryan Otto, director of Student Services for GPS, a grant provided the funding for GPS Student Services to purchase these new devices.

The grant's purpose is to support first-generation college students in learning to utilize new technology. Students on the Knoxville campus are given the opportunity to borrow these items, and staff is available to teach them about social media and how it can be utilized. For example, the staff of GPS Student Services provides students with instructions on how to Skype, as well as on the "ins and outs" of facebook and updating webpages.

As at all of Tusculum's sites and on campus, useful technology is provided in the classroom. The Knoxville campus has a computer lab open 8:30 a.m. – 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and the library supplies a large number of e-books on various subjects. There are interactive whiteboards available and Internet access in every classroom.

As part of the program, GPS Student Services provides online tutorials for the online course management



Kim Bloomfield, student service coordinator at the Knoxville campus, tutors a student on the use of a tablet.

programs, which Tusculum professors utilize as part of their instructional format.

Through those programs, syllabi and grades can be posted and in some cases, students can communicate with each other and their instructors and assignments can be posted.

"GPS Student Services works to try and figure out the best technology to help our students," said Otto. "With the aid of the grant we are exceptionally able to engage our students with technology and provide them skills in the utilization of these critical workplace tools."

In addition the students stay connected with teachers and other students through e-mail. The feeling of being connected leads to feelings of being supported.

Even at the adult level, said Otto, GPS Student Services is a very valuable program and offers much needed help like counseling, workshops and educational trips. "By helping students be technologically savvy, our staff has found another way to make sure that students are comfortable with whatever they are presented."

*By Antionette Young,
senior journalism major from Nashville, Tenn.*

College embarks on ambitious technology improvement program

In July 2011, Tusculum College embarked on an ambitious technology program that will support the goals of the College for years to come. There are many issues that will be addressed administratively and technologically.

In order for Tusculum College to prepare its graduates for entry into a global society, information technology must be explored and utilized. To this end, it becomes vital that the College have a strong infrastructure. At the completion of this plan Tusculum College's Information Systems (TCIS) will be operating in a proactive manner, allowing for new technologies to replace old ones without interruption to functionality or operability. Specifically, over the next three years, changes will be made in the way that TCIS functions both administratively and operationally.

Step one in this ongoing process is that the entire infrastructure backbone is being completely upgraded and standardized. Through virtualization technology, TCIS is consolidating 20 physical server machines into two physical boxes with built-in redundancy and failover capabilities. Enterprise level firewalls have been installed to provide a high level of security for Tusculum's network and its data integrity. Another part of this network redesign will be the ability to offer Internet 2 access. More information concerning Internet 2 access can be found at <http://www.internet2.edu/>. Increased bandwidth and a fiber backbone will afford Tusculum College the ability to push

services and technology to its off-campus sites without bottlenecks and slowdowns.

The ultimate goal is to standardize technology in every classroom utilized by faculty, thereby providing them access to current educational technology trends to ensure the best experience possible for faculty and students. This technology will consist of utilizing large screen LED HDTVs mounted on classroom walls and wireless sync devices to allow faculty to project what is on their computer on the television. The difference between this and a stationary solution is that the faculty member will be able to move around the classroom with their portable wireless device. This technology is cross platform allowing for the usage of a Windows PC, MAC or even other mobile

technology such as an iPad or tablet. This will also allow students to sync their wireless devices to the television for project presentations; all of this without cumbersome cables. This technology is in the initial testing phase and should be installed in the first classroom this year.

Campus wide wireless access will also be coming to Tusculum College with the initial implementation planned for summer 2012 in student residence halls. A

complete managed wireless access solution will afford faculty, staff, students and campus visitors a fast, reliable experience in accessing network resources and data.

Video streaming of Tusculum events has been introduced, and faculty and Town Hall meetings have been streamed live via the Internet so that off-campus faculty and staff could participate virtually. Streaming of Tusculum athletics is also in the works as testing began in November 2011.



Large screen LED HDTVs linked to a stationery computer are used by Tusculum faculty now, such as this classroom in which Dr. Ron McCallister, associate professor of computer science and director of the School of Arts and Sciences, teaches a computer class. The technology plan calls for the implementation of technology that will allow faculty to move around the classroom with a portable wireless device while its screen is projected to the large screen television.

Video streaming of Tusculum graduation ceremonies is planned for 2012 as well.

In September 2011, the Tusculum Board of Trustees allocated more than one million dollars for the replacement of the current information management system. This funding was used to research a replacement for the current system and to implement a new data management system that can support the College's growth for the foreseeable future. The current system, while serving Tusculum admirably for the past 17 years, has been outgrown by the increased enrollment of students and advances in technology. It has now become an obstacle for the growth of the College. Initial assessments began in late summer 2011 with a vendor site visit to establish what was needed and how to best transition from the old system. Implementation of the new system began in January, with full implementation to take approximately 18 months.

These are only a few of the innovative technology-related issues being addressed by the Tusculum College Information Systems Department. Feel free to contact any

of its members listed below with any questions or comments. Visit the website at <http://www.tusculum.edu/is/>.

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'Thin Client' technology takes computer labs to next level

Across the campus, student computer labs are being replaced with "Thin Client" technology so that each of the computer labs is as up-to-date as possible.

One student lab located in Virginia Hall was updated in October 2011, and the computer labs in Niswonger Commons and Tredway Hall underwent the same transformation in early 2012. Thin Client technology allows for desktop virtualization by having a server push desktop images out to terminals in the labs. This allows for centralized management of software and hardware, as all of the work is done on the server. In layman's terms, Thin Client technology means that TCIS can make one change or update on the server then push that change out to all terminals in the lab.

Desktop Video Conferencing was officially introduced to the Tusculum community in November. This new technology allows for high definition, interactive video conferencing to be conducted with only a laptop, webcam and microphone. No longer will geographical location be an obstacle when it comes to attending meetings, professional development or even recruiting new students.

*By Dr. Blair Henley,
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and chief technology officer*



Quick facts about desktop virtualization:

- Lakeland College in Illinois is saving \$80,000 annually by virtualizing desktop computers
- A thin client uses about 15 watts of energy versus one desktop using 100 to 250 watts
- Thin clients need to be refreshed every seven years on average, while desktops need to be refreshed every 3-4 years



Digital Media Department gets creative with technology issues

When Chris Jacek, assistant professor of digital media at Tusculum College, joined the faculty two years ago, he arrived inspired by Tusculum College’s commitment to hands-on education and the prospect of the extended class time offered by the block schedule. Having worked at Apple and Time Warner Creative, Jacek knew his students needed not only to learn technical skills, but they also needed to gain experience with a wide variety of software and design and editing tools that would increase their value in the job market and in the freelance world.

His biggest concern as he began preparing for classes was lost time and technical experience created by limited lab space and the sharing of rapidly aging computers, software and editing equipment.

“With limited lab equipment, hands-on activities had to be done independently, outside of class, without the benefit of the instructor present,” Jacek said, adding that students would learn about the software and programs through lecture, then would come back later for their time on the equipment. “We couldn’t work through things as a group, and it was impossible to let them explore the programs as we went over it in class.” What was needed was a 15-unit lab with technology and equipment that could continually be updated. A daunting and expensive undertaking, but one Jacek felt was critical to the future success of the program and of his students.

Jacek was determined to find a solution that would improve the learning experience for his students, as well as increase the range of applications and software they could gain experience with prior to graduation. He met with administrators, pored over budgets and consulted other institutions to see how such issues were being addressed. As the issue was discussed and processed, a creative solution that keeps cutting edge technology and software in the classroom and provides students with tools that they can keep and utilize after graduation began to emerge.

“After some creative problem solving, we came up with a solution that not only provided the program with what it needed, but at the end of the day, was actually a better solution than a lab,” Jacek said. Jacek worked with the administration and with the Office of Financial Aid to develop a loan program for students to purchase their own laptop computers and software and assimilate it as part of their financial aid package. The students own the computers, and because of the combined purchasing power and discount

rates the College receives, they are able to gain the tools of their future trade at a much reduced price than that of the average consumer.

“Now we can have lab experience. All the students can work on the same program at the same time,” Jacek said. “They are able to practice techniques and receive classroom feedback from the instructor, providing the learning environment that Tusculum College excels at – intense, hands-on experiences.”

Because the computers are mobile, the students can utilize them for homework, personal projects and on-site editing during film shoots. They also use their computers for class project presentations, hooking to a main screen in the classroom.

“The students have been very enthusiastic about the new program,” Jacek said. “They are very respectful of their own equipment and appreciate that the software is current and relevant to the workplace today.”

According to Jacek, it is the nature of digital media that everything builds on what you have learned previously, much like mathematics. “We now have more learning by doing, can cover more programs and techniques, and the students leave us more marketable in the work world. They also have equipment to develop their own projects independently or to be included in their portfolios.

Plans are to eventually expand the program to include a digital SLR, high definition camera for each of the students. Jacek said he would like students to leave the Digital Media program with everything they need to produce on their own.

“It’s a win-win for us. It makes sense for the institution, as the College no longer pays for obsolescence, and for the students, they are investing in themselves and their future careers,” he said.



Students in a digital media course present projects from their laptop computers.

*By Suzanne Richey,
director of college communications*



Tusculum students connect with the world

Two Tusculum courses made the world their classroom this past year, visiting both London and Salzburg as part of Tusculum College's Global Studies initiative. In addition, during the year, Tusculum students were able to have discussions with students from across the globe about current international business issues such as the role of energy in the global environment and English as a global language through a new program of the College's Center for Global Studies.

Students in the "3-D Art in Europe" special topics course accompanied instructor Keith Herrin, assistant professor of art, on a trip to Europe, which had stops in Munich, Germany; Innsbruck, Linz and Salzburg, Austria, and Zurich, Switzerland. Also traveling with the students was Dr. David McMahan, dean of students.

Part of the focus of the trip was not only to see the artwork and architecture, but also to allow the students to learn how to travel and feel comfortable in traveling.

Clare McBeth, a junior from Martin majoring in museum studies, was struck by the size of the cathedral in Salzburg. While looking at a set of sculpted, metal gates inside the cathedral, she was encouraged by Herrin to touch them. "I thought about the person who did this and how many people have gone through it," she said. "The trip started to mean more to me then. I was seeing incredible things that I had only seen in books."

Literature came alive to a group of Tusculum College students as they traveled to London and were able to see settings of some of the most important works of 19th century British authors.

Students in the "19th Century British Literature" course traveled to London Oct. 27- Nov. 2 accompanied by their professor for the course, Dr. Shelia Morton, assistant professor of English.

The students enjoyed exploring ancient buildings in the city of Salisbury, the home of author William Golding, and all enjoyed the trip to Bath, the setting for much of Jane Austin's novel, "Persuasion."

Exploring some of the places authors frequented and places used as settings in their books was the main focus of the trip.

A trip to Costa Rica and an interdisciplinary trip to Malta were also taken during the spring semester. A trip to Barcelona, Spain, is planned this summer.

On the Tusculum campus, Global Studies used technology to connect with the world. More than 20 students at Tusculum College and 17 in Norway participated in a global classroom discussion in December.

The topic of the program was "English as a Global Language." Students represented not only the United States, but also Chile, Norway, Russia, Denmark, Bulgaria, Nigeria, China, France and Ghana.

Students connected via one of two sites, either on the Tusculum College campus or the campus of HiH University in Harstad, Norway.

The interactive debate centered around whether English

was becoming a global language, whether it was the right language for a global language and alternatives such as Chinese or Spanish. Discussions also focused on the lack of bilingualism of American students, while most international students were fluent in a minimum of two languages. The students also discussed the

cultural aspects of language and the difficulty of conveying cultural connotations in a second language.

The global classroom was sponsored by the Tusculum College Business Club and the Study Abroad and Global Awareness student organization at Tusculum. It was coordinated by Dr. Geir Bergvin, director of the Center for Global Studies and associate professor of marketing, and Heather Patterson, assistant professor of English. It is one of a series designed to connect Tusculum students and faculty in academic discussions with students and faculty throughout the world.

"The new program is based on the technology that Tusculum College has invested in that allows us to link up to classrooms across the globe for one coordinated classroom discussion," said Bergvin.

Anyone interested in more information on the program or who would like to find out about the Center for Global Studies should contact Bergvin at 423-636-7300 or at gbergvin@tusculum.edu.



Participating in an international interactive debate about English as a global language were members of a linguistics course and members of the Tusculum College Business Club.

Cameras help students discover artistic 'eye'

Deborah Bryan, assistant professor of art, is using technology to help her students develop their own artistic eye.

When Bryan came to Tusculum College in 2007, she was struck by how many students in her drawing, painting and printmaking classes had difficulties in generating original imagery to use as a basis for their artwork.

Students were going to websites with copyright-free imagery to find photos to use. "I asked, 'would you want to use someone else's photography for instance, as the basis of your work? Why not generate your own photographs and work with those as references?'"

Realizing it would not be enough to restrict students from using these images, Bryan set upon a course of action that continues. She brings in quality point and shoot digital cameras and teaches her students how to take the shots they need and to use Photoshop Elements and Photoshop CS5 to develop the images into a reference photo. This reference photo is to then be used as a basis for a drawing, painting or print.

Students are instructed by Bryan to not copy the image but use it as an inspiration. However, she does encourage students, particularly those in the upper level courses, to do further research on the Internet to fill in details not captured in their own photos.

To the right above are some examples of some of the reference photos and works created by the students: from top down, a still life by Ashton Hardeman; an abstraction by JerWayne Gunn '11, and an oil painting by Cindy Barrett.

by Eugenia Estes,
associate director of college communications



New lighting and equipment increase options for Theatre-at-Tusculum



These new LED stage lights in the Annie Hogan Byrd Fine Arts Building are more energy efficient than older lights, using three watts of energy compared to 500+ watts.

Theatre-at-Tusculum productions in recent years have brought Siam, the French countryside and Oz to life in vibrant colors and elaborate sets on the stage.

The quality theatrical experience Arts Outreach provides in each of its productions has been enriched in recent years by technical upgrades.

For the past several years, Arts Outreach has been updating and acquiring new equipment for both the stage in the auditorium of the Annie Hogan Byrd Fine Arts Building and the David Behan Arena Theatre.

While the changes may not be readily apparent to audiences in either venue, the updates have meant a greater flexibility in staging and lighting, said Frank Mengel, Arts Outreach technical director.

The new lighting allows for schemes to be programmed into scenes and operated with the touch of just one button rather than several, Mengel said.

Stage lights have been purchased in increments over the past several years. Among the newest are stage lights that use LED bulbs. The dimmers of red, blue and green are built into the lights, he said, and can be operated through the controls for the stage lights, making it easier to create different colors. To accomplish the same effect with the older lights would require three lights, three color gels and three dimmers operated separately.

In the Behan Theatre, a new control booth was constructed last summer and a new lighting control system installed. Its control board is now interchangeable with the one that controls the auditorium's stage, Mengel said, so they can be easily interchanged if a problem arises.



The light switch/dimmer box in the Behan Theatre has been upgraded. The new box is smaller than the original one, but allows for the addition of lights.

by Eugenia Estes,
associate director of college communications



Passion for film gives Tusculum student, alumnus entry into world of television production

Tusculum alum, Matt Ripley '09 and current student, Zach Wampler '12 are bringing a dream to life, as their first full-scale television project, "Fans of Film," began airing on local television station WJHL-TV in January.

"This is a very personal project for both of us," said Wampler. "It combines our love of movies with our love of production and allows us to share what we love with others."

The show is intended to provide humorous and fan interactive reviews of new movie releases. "We will be every man's critic – talk about movies you want to see," said Ripley.

Ripley and Wampler not only dreamed about a future in television production, but dared to reach out and make it happen. After refining their ideas, they called Jack Dempsey, president of WJHL-TV, and told him they had an idea for a show.

Dempsey gave the pair two days to prepare a pitch, and when the opportunity came to make the presentation, their 30-minute meeting extended into a three-hour detailed discussion that led to the offer to begin with a small segment on "Daytime Tri-Cities" to get them started.

"He loved the show and suggested small segments to start, which were tied into the evening news one night a week, and those led to the offer of a 13-week season," said Wampler.

The show is targeted to anyone who likes movies, and Ripley and Wampler believe there will be strong viewership in the college market. The show airs at 12:35 a.m. on Saturday morning, following the "Late Show with David Letterman."

Wampler explained that the idea came to him while sitting in class one day, "thinking about how it would be cool to have a show like this." He then went home and discussed the idea with his wife.

"As I ran it over in my mind, it occurred to me that I would like to bring Matt in and make it a joint project," said Wampler. "Strangely, just after that, I received a text from Matt, who I had not talked with in a while. It seemed meant to be." They began with the concept of a movie review show and then added features to bring their humor and personality into it.

According to Wampler, one key component of "Fans of Film" is the interaction with the show's fans. "We really want to be interactive and have fan submissions. We want to try to get people on the show to talk about the movies




Matt Ripley, left, and Zach Wampler are sharing their love of movies in their self-produced "Fans of Film" airing on WJHL-TV in the Tri-Cities.

they like," said Wampler. According to the show's facebook page, FansofFilm11, they will discuss the top movies of the week, as well as show off fan art, fan-made trailers and other interactive features.

The show will be filmed, written and produced by Wampler and Ripley. Both Ripley and Wampler credit course work at Tusculum and their time in the digital media program as having given them the tools they needed to make this opportunity happen.

"What we learned gave us the basis we needed to be able to make this show a reality," said Wampler.

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



Tusculum alumnae teach using high tech tools

As a lesson progresses on the measurement of volume in Candace Babb's fifth grade class at Tusculum View Elementary, students pick up their voting clickers and answer a question shown on the screen of the classroom interactive whiteboard. With a touch of the screen, Babb, a 2010 graduate of Tusculum College's education program, notes that 15 out of 16 students in the class got the correct answer and moves on with the lesson.

The interactive whiteboard, the voting clickers, laptops, iPads, document-readers and the Internet are among the technological elements that are integrated into Babb's classroom, as well as that of Carla Renner '05, who teaches fifth grade language arts at Tusculum View. During a lesson that same day in Renner's class, students pulled out laptops and continued work on their non-fiction books they are completing as a creative writing assignment.

"Technology in the classroom is crucial," said Renner. "The students have become self-sufficient. They know what is expected, and they learn to figure things out. While the majority of the students work independently, I have the opportunity to pull students and work with them one-on-one."

Renner added that self-sufficiency is a skill that they strive for, as it allows class time to focus on critical skill-building and much more material is able to be covered in the limited time allotted for each subject. Renner utilizes the laptops on a daily basis, as well as the classroom's smart board. Technology is a set of tools that are written into the lesson plan, and students expect it to be part of the learning process in the same manner as a textbook or a calculator.

"I can't imagine teaching without technology," said Renner. Technology is integrated, starting with the planning process, through classroom instruction and the way students are assessed. Being able to implement the various tools is now a non-negotiable skill for classroom teachers.

Both Babb and Renner agree that technology helps them be more creative in the classroom, allowing for more varied activities and activities that are engaging to the tech-savvy students. Renner, who no longer uses a textbook for lesson



Students in Carla Renner's class work on a creative writing assignment on their laptops, above. Candace Babb, left, uses a smart board to explain a math assignment. Macy Kidwell, below, uses a clicker to answer a question in Babb's classroom.



planning, said that the Internet and her computer allow her to stretch her creativity and find specific teaching segments that work best with the skill being taught and the students currently in her class.

Both Babb and Renner encouraged students studying education to familiarize

themselves with what technologies local school systems are using and to use the new tools, "more and often."

"The software is constantly changing, but the way we teach is changed by the tools we have available as well," said Babb.

Because of the technology, students are engaged and working on their own, which allows teachers more individualized teaching time, said Renner. "You can do a lot with a child one-on-one in 10 minutes. We can diagnose problems, answer questions and assess competency. Because of this, we are more effective."

Next year will be the first year that the students will take their T-CAPs (the end of year standardized exam) online, according to Babb. Students will no longer be limited to multiple choice questions, they will have to answer with short answers and often explain "why" they selected their answers.

"We are beginning to practice this on the computers," said Babb. "We cannot expect our students to be successful if we do not prepare them to succeed."

By Suzanne Richey, director of college communications

Major donor finds Tusculum to be the 'right place' as a student

Ryan Barker, a sophomore history and creative writing major from Laurens, S.C., has found Tusculum College to be not only the perfect setting for his academic success and personal growth, but also a home away from home where he is engaged, supported and enveloped in the culture.



Ryan Barker

"Tusculum College is more than the name of my school," said Ryan.

"Tusculum College is my professors, the staff, the College Communications office and Institutional Advancement office where I work, the friendships I have made with other students and those that serve with me on the Student Government Association (SGA) and in other activities. It is also the many alumni, Board Members and other friends of the College whom I have gotten to know and share my experience with over the past two years."

Ryan has excelled academically despite a challenging double major path and has been engaged in student life, including serving on SGA as Welty-Craig Hall representative and participating in other organizations and service projects. He has worked with new students on campus tours and helped with registration.

As Ryan has become an integrated part of Tusculum College and the unique culture of its diverse mix of students, emphasis on academics, and the Civic Arts, he has worked side by side with the staff and faculty promoting the College and its achievements through his work with the Development and Alumni Relations departments as well.

Among the other titles he has accumulated as a student and through his work, Ryan is also a major donor to the College. This past year, Ryan gave a \$1,001 gift to the College, putting him in a unique category of those who go above and beyond to help Tusculum College serve its students and provide those programs that make Tusculum College the special experience that bonds those who are now her alumni.

Why would a student struggling to put himself through college part with what is such a significant part of his annual income to make a gift to Tusculum College?

"It is something I wanted to do," said Ryan, whose gift represented one third of his summer income. "There is not one single reason, but many that made me want to give this gift."

Ryan said that Tusculum College is a very special place for him, that he has been encouraged and supported by

faculty and staff who have become mentors and some like family. He has also learned a tremendous amount about how the College operates and the importance of philanthropic giving to not only College programs, but also for student scholarships.

"Why would I not give what I can?" said Ryan, "Tusculum College has meant so much to so many, and I love talking to alumni and hearing their stories. Their experience here is a defining part of their life and almost always they look back on it with so much fondness. The College gave them not only the academic and civic skills they needed, but provided the environment in which they could together make the transition from youth to adulthood. They made friends, shared good times and comforted one another just like we do today."

Ryan has helped the College raise money in a number of ways, making phonathon calls, promoting the Pioneer Club and Senior Gift campaigns and supporting the marketing of the College. He has participated through his work study position and through his student internship in the planning and execution of development and alumni programs. Ryan has also given many, many volunteer hours.

"Tusculum College is the right place for me," said Ryan. "I have found a lot of support and encouragement here and it has helped me to be successful. But, we still have needs. There are ways we could be better, and I want to be a part of that, I want to make Tusculum better."

When asked what he would like to see in Tusculum's future, Ryan said he hoped the focus would stay on the students and that more resources would be provided for existing academic programs and student programs like the Pioneer Band.

"Tusculum College is a great place and we do so many things well because of the people here, but we can do so much more, offer so many of the good things on a wider scale, enhance the programs we have, if we just had the resources.

Ryan hopes to continue to be an active student at Tusculum, even as his academic program becomes more challenging. He is also beginning to look at graduate schools for his post-baccalaureate work.

"Tusculum College is the right environment for me to learn, discover and find where my place in life will be as my future unfolds. Tusculum will always be a part of what makes me who I am and who I will become."

By Suzanne Richey, director of college communications

The Arts at Tusculum

The Department of Fine Arts was created at the beginning of the fall 2012 term to further strengthen the standing of the arts, which have brought scores of people to campus and provided creative outlets for not only students, but community members as well. It includes the majors of Art and Design, Digital Media, English with a concentration in creative writing, as well as a minor in theater and music courses. Wayne Thomas, associate professor of English, is its first chair. The year has been active for Tusculum College Arts Outreach, the Band program and the Allison Gallery and has also seen the creation of a student-led gospel choir, which held its first performance in February.



Marco the Magnificent (Russ Crum) charms Lili (Emily Bryant) in this early scene from Theatre-at-Tusculum's fall production of "Carnival!"



English professors Dr. Clay Matthews, at left above, and Jan Matthews, read from their works at a Faculty Spotlight on November 1, sponsored by the Humanities Division. The readings were held on the lawn of the Rankin House. Following the readings, a reception was held to open the exhibit, "Auguring," in the Allison Gallery by Aurora Pope, assistant professor of art, below.



The Tusculum College Marching Band played at each home football game, and the Pep Band could be heard at home basketball games. The Handbell Choir, the Concert Band and the Jazz Band were featured in Christmas, winter and spring concerts.



Theatre-at-Tusculum presented "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" in February. The cast included, clockwise from bottom, Audrey Shoemaker, Angela Willis, Tusculum student Josh Davis, Doug Presley, Brian Ricker '10 and Tusculum student Danielle Threet. Not pictured is Carlie Shipley, a five-year-old who portrayed Woodstock.

Poet Allison Joseph, a published author and director of the master of fine arts program in creative writing at Southern Illinois University, read from her works on December 1. The reading was part of the Division of Humanities Lecture Series.



College moves forward with new academic programs

The Board of Trustees of Tusculum College has conceptually approved three new academic programs, including a master's degree program in business administration and undergraduate programs in nursing and criminal justice.

The new programs were recommended to the Board of Trustees after the completion of faculty-led comprehensive feasibility studies. The programs were deemed to align well with the civic arts/community service portion of Tusculum's mission and core values and to have strong potential for the recruitment of new students to the College in the social/behavioral and natural sciences.

The proposed degree programs are contingent upon the approval of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and upon approval of the Tennessee Board of Nursing for nursing.

The Master of Business Administration will be a transition from the existing Master of Arts in Organizational Management. Based on the feasibility study, projected employment for students with the MBA credential is positive, and Tusculum's graduate business faculty members are well poised with experience, resources and organizational capacity to transition the MAOM into a MBA.

The feasibility study for the nursing program showed a number of local and national factors support the value of the College providing undergraduate students the opportunity to complete an undergraduate nursing degree either as first-time freshmen or as registered nurses seeking to complete a bachelor's degree. Prospective student data collected via Tusculum's Office of Enrollment Management documents that the number of students considering the College who are also seeking nursing have tripled since 2009.

In preparation for beginning the nursing program this fall, Dr. Lois L. Ewen has been named the College's dean of nursing.

"This is a major step forward for Tusculum College and the nursing program, and we are thrilled that we are able to engage Dr. Ewen as our Dean of Nursing at Tusculum College, as she brings all the skills, talent and heart that will be necessary to build a program that will impact so many lives for many years to come," said Dr. Nancy B. Moody, president of Tusculum College.

Dr. Ewen comes to Tusculum from Capital Regional Medical Center in Tallahassee, Fla., where she served as director of education. She has more than 12 years of academic dean's experience at her three previous institutions and has extensive experience working with faculty and students.

The criminal justice undergraduate program will be an

addition to the School of Arts and Sciences. This major provides students the opportunity to enter a variety of government, security and justice-related occupations.

The feasibility study revealed that prospective student interest in the major has been steady over the last few years, and state employment trends indicate sustained employment opportunity for those seeking work in policing, corrections and other security/justice-related positions.

"A great deal of thought and effort has been put into creating these new programs by our faculty and administration," said Moody. "We are committed to increasing academic options for students, while continuing to support the programs already in place."

Local hospitals sign agreements to support nursing program

Laughlin and Takoma hospitals signed clinical affiliation agreements on January 19 to serve as educational sites for the new nursing program.

"Tusculum College is dedicated to meeting this need in our area, and we are proud to move forward on this effort with community partners such as Laughlin and Takoma hospitals, which are critical to our success," said Dr. Nancy B. Moody, president of the college.

Chuck Whitfield, president of Laughlin Hospital, and Daniel Wolcott, president of Takoma, both commented on their commitment to the College's nursing program and to excellence in health care for Greene County and the region.

The clinical agreements with the hospitals outline the mutual benefits of the provision of clinical experience for students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program at Tusculum.



Dan Wolcott, president of Takoma, Dr. Nancy B. Moody, president of Tusculum College, and Chuck Whitfield, president of Laughlin Memorial Hospital, (from left) sign clinical agreements for the new nursing program.

Alpha Chi Honor Society recognizes top students

Each year Tusculum College strives to produce well-rounded students, students who succeed not only in the classroom but also in a variety of other areas, including benefiting their communities. Alpha Chi Honor Society recognizes these students who work hard to be successful in every aspect of their lives.

Becoming a member of the Alpha Chi Honor Society is the highest academic honor a student can achieve at Tusculum College.

The standards required to be a member of Alpha Chi include excelling in academics, possessing strong character and contributing positively to the community. The fraternity requires that students rank in the top 10 percent of their class.

For the 2011-2012 academic year, Alpha Chi inducted 21 new members. Each of these students goes above and beyond to succeed in their specific academic areas. Whether in their major area of study, in a club, in a sport or in the work force, these students are simply the best of the best.

Jordan Reams, a senior special education major and Alpha Chi inductee of last year, from Butler, Tenn., describes Alpha Chi as “a great organization. The experience has played a huge role in my success here at Tusculum.”

President Nancy B. Moody said to the students at the induction ceremony in November, “We often talk about our best and brightest, and I have no doubt that we are right to expect great things from each of you.”

This year’s inductees include:

- Chris Armstrong, a junior from Grandview, Tenn., majoring in mathematics with a minor in chemistry. Armstrong belongs to the College’s fishing club.
- Cory Callahan, a senior from Bristol, Tenn., majoring in psychology with a minor in chemistry. Callahan served in the U.S. Coast Guard for seven years, stationed on the coast of Florida. He was awarded a humanitarian medal for his work in hurricane relief in Haiti.
- Danielle Doolittle, a junior from Evensville, Tenn., majoring in human growth and learning, K-6.
- Scott Duffy, a senior from Afton, Tenn., majoring in history with a minor in religion. Duffy returned to college after serving 17 years in the U.S. Air Force before he received a medical discharge. He had 17 combat deployments while he was in the service. He has been accepted to graduate school at the Emanuel School of Religion in Johnson City. Duffy presented his senior thesis at the Blue Ridge Undergraduate Research Conference last spring.
- Kendra Dunn, a junior from Greeneville, Tenn., who is majoring in biology with a minor in chemistry.



Honorees had the opportunity to have their photos made with Dr. Nancy B. Moody, president of Tusculum. Pictured above are Moody, Alex Wiedemann, and Dr. Troy Goodale, associate professor of political science and faculty sponsor of Alpha Chi.

- Andy Goellner, a senior from Denver, Colo., who is a sports management, business administration and accounting major. Goellner is captain of the men’s soccer team.
- Jenny Grant, a junior from Franklin, Tenn., majoring in psychology. She has a 4.0 grade point average. Grant has received the Duffield Academic Award and has been named to the conference and college academic honors lists. A member of the Cross Country team, she has competed in the NCAA Division II regional meet for the past two years.
- Ashton Hardeman, a junior from Cleveland, Tenn., majoring in art.
- Kenneth Hill, a senior from White Pine, Tenn., majoring in creative writing with a minor in literature. Hill had one of his nonfiction works, “Recollection on Stupidity” published in an online literary journal last spring. He is the assistant student editor of poetry for the Tusculum Review, the College’s literary magazine. He is also a member of the English Student Organization and the Pioneer Anime Club.
- Emily Paige Hudson, a junior from Hixson, Tenn., who is majoring in psychology. Hudson is heavily involved in the theater program at Tusculum as an actor and as a member of backstage crews.
- Billie Jennings, a junior from Mountain City, Tenn., majoring in creative writing. Jennings is also heavily involved in the theater program, appearing in leading roles in several plays on campus.
- Kayla Jones, a junior from Jonesborough, Tenn., majoring in psychology with a minor in theater arts. Jones is a junior representative for the Honors Council and has been featured in five productions of Theatre-at-Tusculum.

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Small business program recognized as model for global action initiative

Tusculum College's "Help Me Help You" program has been selected as one of the top programs in the nation by the Clinton Global Initiative University, a national foundation that recognizes innovative programs and projects that have a large impact with global reach.

The program and its co-founder, Luis Zamora, a junior business and economics major from Santiago, Chile, were recognized in March at the Foundation's global conference in Washington D.C.

"This is a wonderful achievement and recognition for Luis, his program and for Tusculum College," said President Nancy B. Moody. "He is the epitome of what Tusculum College represents and hopes to instill in its students. Luis is a student-scholar and student-athlete who is very conscious of his civic responsibility."

The Clinton Global Initiative University reviews thousands of projects and programs from all over the world in order to select the most promising commitments to action. The commitment made by the co-founders Zamora and Rodrigo Gimenez, has become the first

from Tusculum and the first from Chile to be recognized by the initiative. At the conference Zamora not only represented his Alma Mater, but also the nation of Chile. Gimenez serves as director of operations in Chile.

The recognition from the Clinton Global Initiative University includes two main points. Zamora and Gimenez have committed to implementing a small business support program with a focus on theoretical, practical and emotional aspects of "Help Me Help You" in underdeveloped regions.

In addition, with the hope of creating a global network that helps encourage the small business support around the world, Zamora and Gimenez also committed to sharing the program at no charge with any business student and/

or academic institution that would like to implement "Help Me Help You" in their respective countries. The program is already available in both Spanish and English.

According to Zamora, this involves not only sharing the course content and additional documents, but also supporting and guiding the academic institution on an ongoing basis in order to ensure an adequate implementation, as well as providing access to the program's Global University Platform to further enhance the current efforts of all institutions involved worldwide.

Zamora created the program along with Gimenez, in partnership with the University of Chile, located in Santiago.

The program, operated by Tusculum's business students and students in the Bonner Leader Program, is committed to helping its participants increase their profits, create a business plan, expand their network and improve their practical and interpersonal skills through a variety of unique, globally tested activities.

The program started in the fall with nine participants and eight monitors completing a 10-week course that aims to create a

mutual learning environment between students and small business owners. The spring semester program has 12 participants and began in January. The overwhelming support the program has received in Greeneville, in addition to its innovative concept of providing benefits for all of the different individuals involved, has carried through into the negotiations of implementing the program overseas.

The first year has been funded by sponsors Scott Niswonger, Tom Ferguson and Atmos Energy Corp.

Following the idea of helping underdeveloped regions, Help Me Help You has gone from the Appalachian region to Concepción, Chile, which was one of the zones that was most affected by the 8.8 earthquake that hit the country in February 2010.



At the graduation ceremony for the fall semester of Help Me, Help You program were, front row from left, Suzanne Richey, Dr. Scott M. Niswonger, Kim Ward, Gene Maddox, Lynette Price, Eric Price and Dr. Michelle Freeman. Second row are Dr. Tom McFarland, Kalie Smith, Dr. Antonio Bos, Brian Ward, Terry Webb, Kirstie Gust, Felicia Waters and Robin Shepherd. Third row are Isiah Lymon, Paul Bergvin, Andreas Jarquin, Matthew McKeever, David Talley, Dr. Greg Hawkins, Steven Hollingshead, Julia Newman and Luis Zamora. Back row are Andy Goellner, Samantha Underwood and Steve Gehret.

Domer and Gamble join Board of Trustees

Two new members have joined the Tusculum College Board of Trustees, Dr. Judith Kofroth Domer '61 and Anna B. Gamble.

Gamble was approved as a Board member at the May 2011 board meeting and attended her first meeting in September. At that September meeting, Dr. Domer was approved as the newest trustee.

Dr. Domer

Dr. Domer is no stranger to service to her Alma Mater. She has served on the Tusculum College Alumni Executive Board for several years, including serving as the Board president from 2005-2007.

Throughout her career Dr. Domer performed a great deal of research, but she also mentored postdoctoral fellows and graduate students who did research in her laboratory and taught both medical and graduate students in the areas of medical mycology and immunology.

She received appointments to various study sections at the National Institute of Health at the Veterans Administration and as a reviewer for Howard Hughes Predoctoral Fellowships.

Dr. Domer has been the president of the Medical Mycological Society of the Americas, has served on the editorial boards of several journals, most notably "Infection and Immunity" and "Clinical Microbiology Reviews," and served as the chair of the Annual Meeting Program Committee for the American Society for Microbiology.

She was awarded a doctorate from Tulane University where she worked, eventually receiving the title of acting vice chancellor for Graduate Studies at their



Dr. Judith Domer

medical center.

"We are very pleased that Judy has accepted our invitation to join the Board of Trustees," said Chair of the Board Kenneth A. Bowman, a 1970 graduate of Tusculum College. "Higher education and support for Tusculum College have been key components throughout her personal and professional life, and we look forward to her input and influence to help the college grow in its endeavors."

Gamble

Gamble continues her involvement with higher education as a trustee at Tusculum. She is a former member of the initial Advisory Board for Continuing Education of the University of Virginia at Charlottesville.

A native of Duffield, Va., Gamble has been a supporter of Tusculum College since Dr. Nancy B. Moody was named its 27th president in 2009.

Before her retirement, Gamble progressed through her career cumulating as a manager of a large dental office. She and her husband, Bill, currently live in Kingsport, Tenn. and both have been lifelong supporters of music and the arts and are contributors to the new band program at Tusculum.

"We are very pleased that Anna has accepted our invitation to join the Board of Trustees," said Chair of the Board Kenneth A. Bowman, a 1970 graduate of Tusculum College. "Anna learned the value of higher education at a very young age and has been a supporter of higher education throughout her life. Anna is a wonderful addition to the Tusculum College Board and community."



Anna Gamble



Have a Tusculum tradition in your family?

We want to hear your story.

If you have three or more generations of Tusculum alumni in your family, we want to get your story on record. Contact Heather Patchett, vice president for Institutional Advancement, 423-636-7303.



TUSCULUM COLLEGE

Annual Report

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Vision 20/20

Planning for the future of Tusculum College



The future of Tusculum College is fundamentally connected to history through core values embodied by her mission statement.

Tusculum College remains true to the mission extolled by the founders to provide a liberal arts education in a Judeo-Christian and civic arts environment. Today, as in 1794, the values of integrity, responsibility and critical thinking are relevant and essential.

As Tusculum College embarks on a third century of service, the vision for the next decade is shaped by a commitment to achieving the goals of Vision 20/20, created by all stakeholders of the Tusculum community and focused on achieving long-term goals that will significantly impact the future of the College.

To that end, the focus is on four key areas to:

- Enhance institutional integrity through aspirational leadership and academic innovation, including well managed relationships with domestic and international academic institutions to provide joint academic and co-curricular programs, exchange opportunities and deep immersion experiences; integration of social media and virtual experiences to enhance accessibility and academic achievement; increased placement of graduates in advanced degree programs and professional schools; robust student and faculty scholarship; and full integration of reflective judgment and critical thinking in all aspects of our living and learning environment.
- Distinguish Tusculum College alumni as leading citizen-scholars, through redevelopment of the “Freshman Experience” to incorporate cultural enhancement opportunities, providing students with knowledge and skills relevant to their everyday and professional lives; a co-curricular transcript program to document student participation and leadership in on- and off-campus organizations, demonstrating their leadership experiences and dedication to service; and immersive, student-centered learning and leadership environments conducive to collaborative, problem-based learning.
- Establish transformative living and learning communities, by creating state-of-the-art, student-centered learning environments; providing contemporary technologies to prepare students who are academically, intellectually and technically equipped to work in, lead, and serve their communities; providing places and support that nurture intellectual curiosity; and creating virtual and physical environments conducive to academic achievement and success.
- Create the capital to support ongoing institutional self-sufficiency, security, and innovation, characterized by diversification of revenue streams, alternative funding mechanisms and opportunities, and decreased student and institution dependence on state and federal tuition assistance; competitive salaries and benefits designed to attract and retain exemplary faculty and staff; a doubled endowment and increased unrestricted funds to allow the College flexibility in supporting new initiatives; a substantial increase in graduation rates; and active engagement in local and regional economic development.



Academics

▶ Tusculum College received reaffirmation of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges for the next 10 years. The announcement was made at the SACSCOC annual meeting on Tuesday, December 7, 2010, in Louisville, Ky. The College has been an accredited institution through the SACSCOC since 1926, and the recent review was the best in the history of the College. Reaffirmation is the result of the hard work of faculty and staff and speaks highly of the strength of the College in academic programs and support units.

▶ Tusculum College introduced two new degree programs, the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and the Master of Arts in Teaching. Both programs are offered through the College's Graduate and Professional Studies program and are now offered at the Greeneville campus, the Knoxville Regional Center and the sites in Gray and Morristown. A new concentration in behavioral health was also added in the psychology program.

▶ Tusculum is expanding the way it serves both students and the community. The College began the process to offer on-site instruction in Madison County, N.C., for the master's degree programs in education.

▶ Graduates from Tusculum will have additional opportunities to enter professional programs following the signing of affiliation agreements late in 2010 with the Gatton College of Pharmacy at East Tennessee State University. The College also signed affiliation agreements with the Southern College of Optometry and the Lincoln Memorial University-DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine. The College also signed an articulation agreement with Pellissippi State Community College in June, which provides Pellissippi graduates with an associate's degree a seamless admission process to Tusculum.

▶ Tusculum College moved forward with implementation of Problem-Solving with Reflective Judgment, a Quality Enhancement Plan, begun as part of the SACSCOC reaffirmation process. The new initiative is consistent with the College's mission to cultivate the habits of practical wisdom and develop the skill of reflective thinking. As part of the initial implementation, faculty development opportunities were held to equip professors in targeted courses to teach using problem-based learning, case-study method and reasoning through moral and ethical dilemmas. This enriched instructional philosophy is intended to help students apply reflective judgment to ill-structured problems which are designed into the coursework. In addition, Residence Advisors were trained to offer student programming which involved students confronting real-world problems and learning to construct defensible arguments for the solutions they selected.

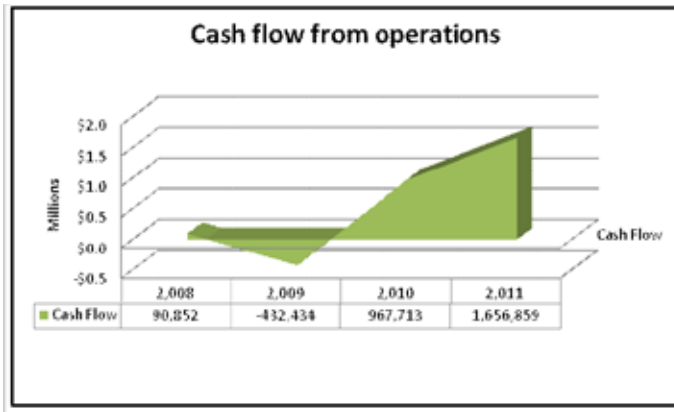
▶ Six new faculty were hired in the 2010-11 academic year, including Suzanne Byrd, assistant professor of physical education; David Frazier, assistant professor of computer science; Eva Lynn Cowell, assistant professor of management; Chris Jacek, assistant professor of digital media; Jason Jones, assistant professor of physical education, and Clay Matthews, assistant professor of English.

▶ The Corporation for National and Community Service has honored Tusculum College with a place on the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service efforts and service to America's communities for the fifth time. This comes as a great honor to the College because service projects and service learning experiences are part of the core of Tusculum's mission that includes the Civic Arts and service to others. The Community Service Honor Roll is the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement.

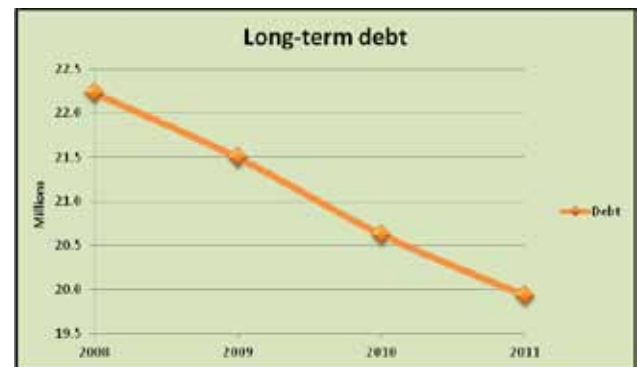




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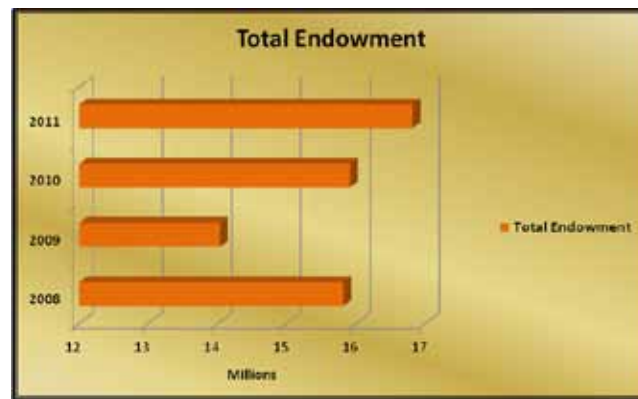


▶ Cash flow from operations increased from \$967,713 in 2010 to \$1,656,589 in 2011.

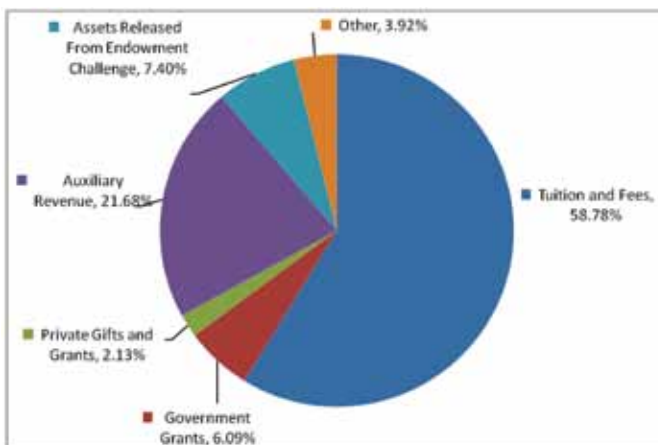


▶ Long term debt decreased from \$20,625,177 in 2010 to \$19,930,898 in 2011.

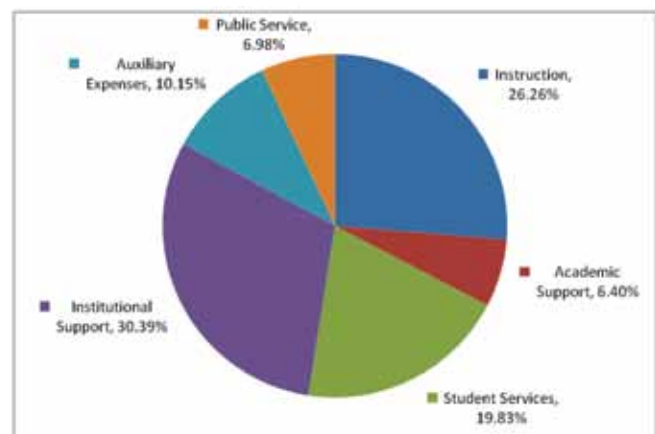
▶ The total endowment increased from \$15,908,835 in 2010 to \$16,813,336 in 2011.



Total Revenues June 2011*
(30.5 Million = 100%)



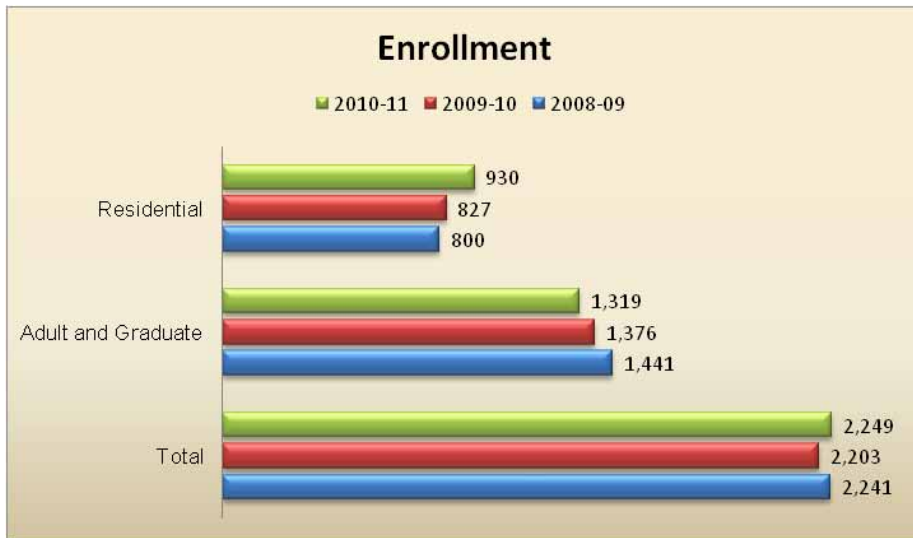
Total Expenses
(27.3 Million = 100%)



*The increase in unrestricted net assets is a result of operating surplus of \$589,462, the release by the United States Department of Education in April 2011, of \$2,261,294 in Endowment Challenge Grant funds, market gains of \$256,088 and a transfer of \$103,378 to the unrestricted fund to recover funds provided to cover underwater endowments.



Enrollment Management

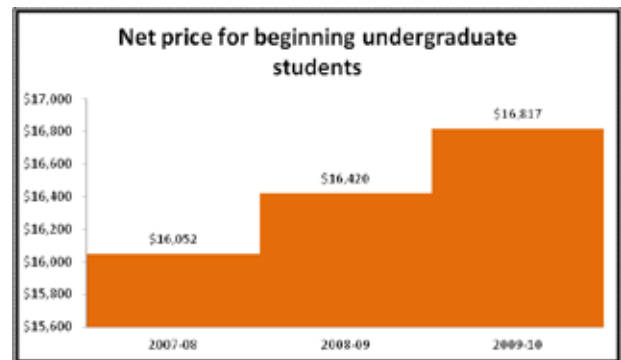


► Enrollment in the Residential College continues to grow. There were 930 students enrolled in academic programs, including 354 new freshmen and transfer students. In total, with the addition of Graduate and Professional Studies students, enrollment was at 2,249.

► Dr. Thomas H. Stein was named vice president for enrollment management at Tusculum College and assumed his responsibilities in April. Stein held a similar position for 18 years at Otterbein University in Westerville, Ohio. With thirty-two years experience in higher education, Stein has experience in marketing, fundraising, strategic planning and working with students through the enrollment and financial aid processes.



► The Yellow Ribbon program, which assists military veterans, helped the College gain a spot on G.I. Jobs' 2011 list of Military Friendly Schools. The list honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools that are doing the most to embrace America's veterans as students.



	Students in Residence Halls	Occupancy
Spring 2009	525	78%
Fall 2009	630	94%
Spring 2010	584	87%
Fall 2010	720	107%
Spring 2011	660	98%



Institutional Advancement

▶ Heather Patchett was named vice president of Institutional Advancement June 2011. Patchett has more than 20 years experience in all aspects of fund raising, including major gifts, capital campaigns and planned giving programs. She managed advancement programs at Converse College, where she served as vice president of Institutional Advancement; at the University of the South, where she served as director of capital gifts, and at Gustavus Adolphus College, where she was director of the Office of Gift Planning.



▶ More than \$1.75 million was raised during fiscal year 2010-11 from 1,276 donors. Of that amount, \$611,944 was designated to the Tusculum Fund to support College operations, exceeding the 2010-11 Tusculum Fund goal of \$400,000.

▶ The College received bequests in excess of \$757,000 which helped to establish endowments for the literary magazine, the theater program and scholarships.

▶ Once again, 100 percent of the members of the Board of Trustees made gifts to the College. They contributed more than one-third of the dollars given to the Tusculum Fund, giving 255 percent of their goal to the Fund.

▶ The 2010-11 Faculty-Staff Campaign saw a two percent increase over 2009-10, with 46 percent of faculty and staff contributing to the campaign.

The College lost a dedicated friend with the death of Dr. Samuel E. Miller '35 H'98 of Abingdon, Va. Dr. Miller passed away June 3, 2010. He was a long-time supporter of his Alma Mater, particularly the Arts Outreach program, and was presented the Distinguished Service Award by the College in 2009. Dr. Miller was a physician, poet, educator, patron of the arts, visionary and servant leader. His associations with Tusculum College include the lifelong ties made among the six members of his immediate family who attended Tusculum College. Dr. Miller established a pattern of positive involvement in college, community and family that he carried on since his student days at Tusculum College. His support of the arts included his initiation of Arts Outreach's Acts, Arts, Academia annual performance and lecture series, and attendance at Theatre-at-Tusculum performances as his health allowed. Upon his death, Miller, a member of the Heritage Club, bequeathed the College more than \$80,000.



▶ Gifts to the Tusculum Fund from foundations totaled more than \$157,000; nearly four times the total given in the previous year.

▶ A challenge was issued on June 1 to increase alumni giving from five percent to 10 percent by June 30. The giving percentage from the Residential College alumni finished at 10.86 percent, nearly three percent higher than the previous year, and participation from Graduate and Professional Studies program alumni nearly doubled, going from 1.12 to 2.19 percent. Overall there were 370 more gifts to the Tusculum Fund. Of those gifts, 283 were from first-time donors, new members of the College's Founder's Society.



- ▶ The senior class of 2011 exceeded their Senior Class Gift Campaign fund raising goal and provided new signs at the entrances to campus. The Class of 2011 also had more donors than any other alumni class.
- ▶ Many events were celebrated, including:
 - Dr. Nancy B. Moody was inaugurated as the College's 27th president, becoming the College's first-ever female president;
 - alumni enjoyed an event at the historic Tusculum House in Princeton, New Jersey;
 - more than 500 alumni and friends participated in Homecoming 2010 activities, and
 - the College hosted the Ambassador of Malta Mark Miceli, who opened an international photography exhibit from Malta and met with students and community members.
- ▶ The Tusculum College Pioneer Pep Band made its debut in the Fall of 2010 and by spring, was joined by the creation of a full band program; the hiring of David A. Price, director of music and special events, and the addition of a jazz band, a concert band and a handbell choir.



Information Systems

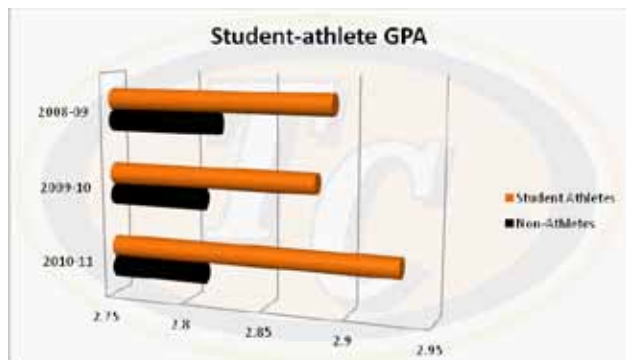
▶ Tusculum College partnered with the Greeneville City School System as an external evaluator to assess resources and departmental effectiveness in the summer of 2010. In addition, a Technology Task Force was appointed to look at existing needs, to work on prioritization and to assess funding routes for investing in a campus wide technology plan spanning the next five years to be linked with the College's overall Strategic Plan. These two exercises led to plans for hiring a new Vice President and Chief Technology Officer to lead the campus in its technology programming.

▶ Dr. Blair Ferrell Henley was named vice president for information systems and chief technology officer at Tusculum College in late June. He brings to Tusculum nearly 14 years of computer and systems experience as career and technical education supervisor at the Bristol Tennessee City School System. He serves as the director of technology for the Niswonger Foundation's Northeast Tennessee College and Career Ready Consortium (NETCO) Through his work with NETCO, Dr. Henley directed the implementation of the technology infrastructure required in 29 high schools across Northeast Tennessee to support the goals of the Investing in Innovation (i3) Grant. In addition, he designed the online course interface and learning management systems used to produce the web-based curriculum used in the 29 high schools. In his new position at Tusculum College, Dr. Henley is responsible for the planning and oversight of installation and maintenance of all information systems including support of faculty, staff, students and administration at all sites and the campuses of Tusculum in both academic and non-academic functions.





Athletics



► Highlights for the fall 2010 and spring 2011 seasons include:

- Tusculum Football led the nation in passing yards per game (NCAA II National Statistical Champion)
- Volleyball recorded the program's 700th win
- Men's Soccer's Andy Goellner finished ninth in the nation in saves per match
- Women's Soccer posted its 13th consecutive winning season
- Men's Cross Country runner Simon Holzapfel '11 named SAC Runner of the Year for a second straight season
- Women's Cross Country had four out of five runners to achieve personal record times at the SAC Conference meet
- Men's Basketball finished in top four of the conference for a third straight season
- Women's Basketball earned third South Atlantic Conference Championship title in four years
- Baseball recorded its 11 consecutive winning season
- Softball's Elizabeth Johnson pitches first "perfect game" in school history. Team set school DII mark with 32 wins
- Men's Tennis obtains ITA Team Academic Award for fourth straight year
- Women's Tennis recorded its 10th straight winning season
- Men's Golf won four team titles and tied school single-season record
- Women's Golf's Jill Corum became first player in school history to win three tournaments in a career



Andy Goellner



Simon Holzapfel



Elizabeth Johnson



Jill Corum



The women's basketball team celebrate winning the 2011 South Atlantic Conference basketball tournament.

Durham and Irwin presented honorary degrees

Tennessee State Historian Walter Durham and John Rice Irwin, founder and developer of the Museum of Appalachia, were recognized by Tusculum College with honorary degrees for their lifetime achievements and dedication to service of others.

Durham, who lives in Gallatin, was presented an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters during a brief ceremony in Nashville in July, with Tusculum President Nancy B. Moody presiding. The presentation took place in the home of his daughter, Anna Durham Windrow.



Walter Durham

Durham has several ties to the College. His wife, Anna, is a 1949 alumna of the College and a descendent of its co-founders, the Rev. Samuel Doak and the Rev. Samuel Witherspoon Doak. His son, James Durham, is a 1979 alumnus of the College and a current member of its Board of Trustees.

In presenting the honorary doctorate, Dr. Moody outlined Durham's notable professional achievements and his service in the community.

Durham is the award-winning author of 21 books, including "The Great Leap Westward," "Old Summer" and "Rebellion Revisited." His latest book, "Grasslands, A History of The Southern Grasslands Hunt and Racing Foundation, 1929-1932," was published in December 2010. He has also been published in numerous periodicals, including "Tennessee Historical Quarterly." Durham has received the Tennessee History Book Award given by the Tennessee Historical Commission and the Tennessee Library Association and the Award of Merit from the American Association for State and Local History.

He is a member of the Board of Advisors for the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area, a member of the Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, a member of the statewide committee on The War of 1812 Bicentennial and has received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Tennessee Preservation Trust.

In addition to his support of Tusculum that includes a donation of more than 100 special edition titles to the Thomas J. Garland Library, Durham has been a member of the Monmouth College Senate, a trustee of Monmouth College, a member of the President's Advisory Committee at Volunteer State Community College and a member of the Vanderbilt Alumni Board of Directors.

A veteran, Durham served in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1943-46, including overseas service in Italy and Africa. He attended the University of Wisconsin and Vanderbilt University, where he earned bachelor's and master's degrees. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Sigma Alpha honorary societies and Sigma Nu fraternity at Vanderbilt.

Making a commitment to serve others using his expertise, Durham served on the Tennessee State Industrial Development Commission, was a 10-year member and chairman of the Tennessee Historical Commission, was a member of the Tennessee Historical Records Advisory Board and served as a civilian delegate to the Air Force National Security Forum.

Irwin was presented with an honorary doctorate in September by Dr. Moody during the Opening Convocation ceremony.

Although Irwin is known primarily for his work with the Museum of Appalachia near Norris, Tenn., the scope of his accomplishments is much broader.

"Irwin certainly has lived a life that adheres to the tenants of the Tusculum College mission," Dr. Moody said. "He has strived for success in his personal life, while never forgetting his sense of community and his goal of preservation of the past for future generations. His love of history and of the Appalachian Region has shone through as he has lived and worked and served."

Irwin is the author of seven nationally and internationally distributed books.

He has lectured on the subject of Appalachian history throughout the eastern United States.

In 1989, Irwin was one of 29 individuals admitted to the MacArthur Fellows Program. He was honored by the East Tennessee Historical Society in 1992 as one of nine East Tennesseans "whose accomplishments have distinguished them far beyond East Tennessee," and in 1993, he was awarded a Doctorate of Humane Letters from Cumberland College.

In 1994, he was inducted into the Junior Achievement of East Tennessee's Business Hall of Fame. Six years later, he was the recipient of the annual Outstanding Educational Service to Appalachia Award. He is the 2008 recipient of the Trailblazer Award and in 2009 was named to the Anderson County Hall of Fame.



John Rice Irwin

Faculty receive grant to lead interdisciplinary research into local tobacco market

Faculty at Tusculum College have received a research grant from the Appalachian College Association to complete an undergraduate research project focused on the Greene County tobacco market.

The \$10,000 grant will be used to conduct a cross-discipline project involving professors from the English, digital media, mathematics and psychology departments, and a number of Tusculum students under their direction.

According to Chris Jacek, assistant professor of digital media, the research project will focus on tobacco farming in Greene County with the goal of collecting the information on video and producing a documentary of the findings.

“We will be collecting information in a variety of areas,” said Jacek. “We do not have a defined direction, but will let the story tell itself.”

According to Dr. Clay Matthews, assistant professor of English, students will conduct a wide range of interviews to gauge general public perception of tobacco, smoking and the economic impact tobacco has had on the region.

In addition, under the direction of Dr. Brian Davis, assistant professor of mathematics, students will investigate the economic impact the tobacco market has had on Greene County. “We will look at economic impact and look at Greene County as a microcosm of the nation’s economy overall.”

Students in the psychology department will conduct a survey on attitudes toward smoking and look at it in the context of behavioral health concepts. They will be mentored by Dr. Jennifer Harper, assistant professor of psychology.

The results of the various components of the research project will be compiled and presented at the annual Appalachian College Association Conference. According to Jacek, the documentary will not be completed at that time, but they will present their research findings and report on their work toward the documentary completion. The documentary will give students in the College’s digital media division the opportunity to work on a polished product to be produced and presented to the public.

Participating will be a mix of residential students and adult students in the Graduate and Professional Studies program.

Students producing new *Frontier Magazine*

Beginning this fall, Tusculum College shifted from producing a student newspaper to a magazine. The magazine is created by students majoring in journalism and professional writing who are enrolled in the class Journalism 113. The class is called “Magazine Productions.”



The first magazine was a 34-page publication which showcased events and places of the East Tennessee region. Writers in the class are responsible for the stories while the editors, sophomore Jonathan Nash of Talbott, Tenn., and senior Heather Blanton of Maiden, N.C., are responsible for the layout and design.

Student writers in the class are taught how to write feature articles and how to choose outside work for a regional magazine. Editors learn how to produce a magazine from the ground up using the program Adobe InDesign.

“Being an editor for “Frontier Magazine” allows me to share the voices of the Greeneville and Tusculum communities in a journalistic format. The program has taught me life and career-based skills such as communication, time management, professional forms of writing and making an influence to the community itself,” said Nash.

The Frontier Magazine is available online and can be viewed by going to <http://www.magcloud.com/browse/issue/309757>.

For future issues, the staff is hoping to increase the number of print copies; however, the digital download is always free.

*By Melissa Mauceri,
sophomore journalism major from Pigeon Forge*

Museums accepted into the Conservation Assessment Program

The Museums of Tusculum College have been accepted into the Conservation Assessment Program and will be allocated \$7,190 from the Heritage Preservation division of the National Institute for Conservation.

This funding will be used to hire a professional conservator to assess the collections and a historic preservation specialist to assess the historic buildings that house the Doak House Museum and the President Andrew Johnson Museum and

Library. After the assessment is complete, detailed reports with recommendations for improvements to both museums will be presented to the College.

“We are very excited about what participation in this program will mean for the museums,” said Dollie Boyd, director of the Museums of Tusculum College. “This will be a boon to our mission to care for our collections and structures and could also help us in the quest for larger awards in the future.”

Greek life returns to Tusculum

Greek life student organizations are making a return to Tusculum College with a sorority founded on campus this past fall and a fraternity currently in the organizational stage.

The Alpha Omega Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi national sorority was formed this fall and currently has 12 student members. The Chapter was formed by co-founders Michelle Hoover, a senior English major from Smyrna, Tenn., and Elizabeth Wright, a junior from Powell, Tenn., majoring in mathematics with a computer science concentration. The group became affiliated with Tusculum College in January and became an official Tusculum College student organization.

The chapter's advisor is Felicia Nunley, who has been a Beta Sigma Phi for 41 years.

"Michelle and Beth really wanted to see a sorority on the Tusculum campus," said Cierra Ockstadt, a sophomore business major from Portland, and a member of the first pledge class.

"Beth's mother was a Beta Sigma Phi, so it was a natural first choice."

Ockstadt added that it is a non-collegiate sorority, which is not always associated with a college or university. Because of this, dues are much less than would be found in a collegiate-affiliated sorority.

The group will hold their first rush fall semester of the 2012-13 academic year. The organization is open to any female with a 3.0 or higher grade point average with demonstrated good character. The organization will dedicate its philanthropic work to Relay for Life and breast cancer research efforts, as well as work with a local soup kitchen and other local and regional organizations.

In addition to Hoover, Wright and Ockstadt, founding members of Beta Sigma Phi include Austen Herron, a sophomore English major from Durham, N.C.; Joy Beeler, a senior psychology major from New Tazewell, Tenn.; Kayla Jones, a junior psychology major from Jonesborough, Tenn.; Emily Shipsey, a sophomore museum studies major from Nashville, Tenn.; Kayla Overholt, a junior English major from Newport, Tenn.; Britany Menken, a junior English major from Maryville, Tenn.; Billie Jennings, a senior English major from Mountain City, Tenn.; Corrine Absher, a freshman political science and digital media major from Kingsport, Tenn., and Angel

West, a sophomore English major from Buford, Ga.

In addition to the formation of Beta Sigma Phi, a music fraternity for men is also in the early stages of development.

According to Alex McKay, a junior business major from Chattanooga, Tenn. and one of the co-founders of the proposed Tusculum group, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is in the early stages of colonization as a possible chapter at Tusculum College.

Phi Mu Alpha is founded on the principles of brotherhood and the love of music and is a men's fraternity. The object of the organization is the "development of the best and truest fraternal spirit, the mutual welfare and brotherhood

of musical students, the advancement of music in America and a loyalty of the Alma Mater."

McKay and Jeremy Dodson, a sophomore political science student from Nashville, Tenn., have become probationary members of the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia organization at East Tennessee State University.

After becoming members, the two hope that, with the blessing of the province governor of East Tennessee, a Tusculum Chapter could be sponsored by ETSU, with a rush for members held in the fall.

Membership is open to men 18 years of age or older who are students, faculty or staff of the

sponsoring college or university who are able and willing through their love of music to assist in the fulfillment of the object and who are not a member of any other music fraternal society.

The national philanthropy for Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is Mills Music Mission, which is dedicated to "uplifting the souls of the less fortunate through the beauty and power of music."



Members of Beta Sigma Phi gathered at the Thomas J. Garland Library for a St. Patrick's Day social. Front row, from left, are Kayla Jones, Corrine Absher, Elizabeth Wright, Michelle Hoover and Cierra Ockstadt, and back row, from left, are Billie Jennings, A.J. Overholt, Angel West, Austen Herron and Brittany Menken.



Learning more about the music fraternity is part of the probationary period for the Tusculum members of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

'Scholars Then Soldiers'

Exhibit explores alumni experiences in the Civil War

An exhibit that explores experiences of Tusculum College alumni in the Civil War and the effect of the war on the College opened March 17 at the President Andrew Johnson Museum and Library on campus.

"Scholars then Soldiers: Tusculum College and the American Civil War" is a student-produced exhibit focusing on the experiences of 19 Tusculum alumni who fought during the war.

The exhibit also examines how the Civil War affected the operations of Tusculum. The museum is housed inside the "Old College" building, which was the only structure on what is now the main Greeneville campus at the time of the war.

Museum studies students worked diligently throughout the past six months to put the exhibit together. Those students include Erika Allison of Alpharetta, Ga.; George Blalock of Greeneville; Katherine Dooly of Chuckey; David Kite of Dandridge; Clare McBeth of Martin; Corrine Moore of Jonesborough; Tynan Shadle of Lubbock, Texas; Sandy Salmons of Greeneville; Emily Shipsey of Nashville; Chelsea White of Mansfield, Ohio, and Erika Witt of Roanoke, Va.



Students who helped create the exhibit greeted visitors during the opening reception. From left are Clare McBeth, Corrine Moore, Sandy Salmons, Katherine Dooly, Chelsea White, Erika Allison, Emily Shipsey, Tynan Shadle and David Kite. Aaron Franklin, a field guide/naturalist major from Johnson City, and volunteer Meghan Houk, at right, dressed in period costume for the reception.

The students developed the initial idea for the exhibit, conducted research, wrote label copy, built artifact mounts and produced the graphics for the text panels.

"The students have done a remarkable amount of research and exhibit design work in a short amount of time," said Dr. Peter Noll, assistant professor of museum studies. "They are excited to premier the efforts of their hard work."

"Scholars then Soldiers" will be on display through the remainder of the Civil War Sesquicentennial, which ends in 2015.

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is a member of the Psychology Club and the Venture Crew Club.

- Cara Lankford, a junior from Madisonville, Tenn., is a pre-pharmacy major, who has already earned her certification as a pharmacy technician.
- Steven Lin of Ping Tung, Taiwan, a senior pre-medicine major. Lin is a member of the College's Men's Tennis team and the President's Society, a select group of students who serve as ambassadors for the College.
- Angie Michaud, a senior from Surgoinsville, Tenn., majoring in physical education with a minor in coaching. She is captain of the Pioneer Dance Team and treasurer for the Physical Education Club. She is an active member of Student Support Services, the Student Alumni Association and the Student Tennessee Education Association.
- Crystal Roark, a senior from Greeneville, Tenn., majoring in human growth and learning, early childhood education. She is a mentor for Student Support Services and is able to excel academically and be involved on campus while holding a full-time job at a local restaurant.
- Ben Sneyd, a junior from Unicoi, Tenn., majoring in creative writing with a minor in journalism. Sneyd was

the winner of the 2011 Curtis and Billie Owens Literary Award in the poetry category.

- Sam Underwood, a junior from Muncie, Ind., who is majoring in business. Underwood has received numerous accolades as a member of the Pioneer Volleyball team. She has been named to the South Atlantic Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll, as well as the College's academic honors lists. She was also one of three students selected to attend the Mellon Fellow Community Initiative Student Session on Global Citizenship last January as part of the Salzburg Seminar program.
- Alex Wiedemann of Rogersville, Tenn., a junior majoring in mathematics with minors in chemistry and biology. He is a peer tutor in math and the sciences. He is a member of Voices Against Violence, the Society of Physics Students and the American Physics Society.
- Abby Wolfenbarger, a senior from New Market, Tenn., majoring in creative writing with a minor in literature. Her essay, "On a Wallflower Fitting In," was published in *Novelletum*, an online literary journal. She is a peer English tutor and the student fiction editor for the *Tusculum Review*. She is treasurer for the English Student Organization and a member of the Pioneer Anime Club.

*By Melissa Mauceri,
sophomore journalism major from Pigeon Forge, Tenn.*

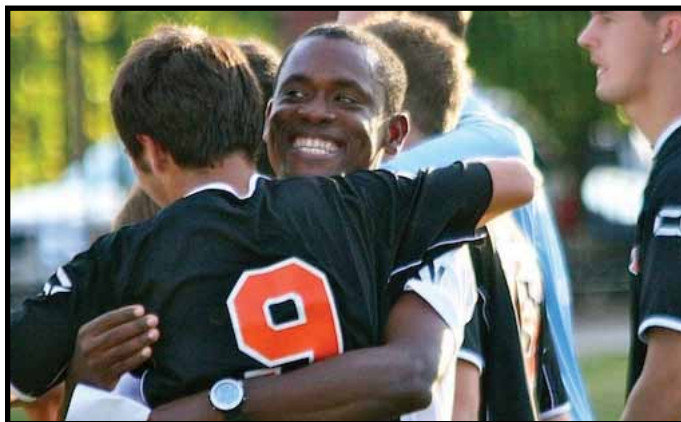
Return of Vital sparks improvement for Men's Soccer

The Pioneer men's soccer team engineered a dramatic turnaround in 2011, vaulting from ninth to second place in the South Atlantic Conference and finishing with a 6-1-2 record in league contests (7-8-3 overall).

Allen Vital '92, in his first season as head coach at his alma mater, after 14 seasons at Carson-Newman College, earned SAC Coach of the Year honors for the sixth time in his career after leading the Pioneers to a remarkable season despite fielding a young lineup that at times featured as many as 10 freshmen starters.

The Pioneers went 7-1-3 over their final 11 regular-season matches, including a streak of five straight shutout victories highlighted by a 1-0 win over then-13th ranked Clayton State University and a convincing 4-0 victory over rival Carson-Newman. The only blemish on the Pioneers' record was a 2-1 double-overtime loss at SAC champion Anderson University.

Freshman defender Matias Rubio of Bradenton, Fla., received numerous postseason accolades, including first-team All-SAC, second-team Daktronics All-Region and third-team



Allen Vital in his first season as head coach of the Men's Soccer team, led the young team to a 6-1-2 SAC record.

National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-Region. Freshman Stephen McNeill of Manatee, Fla., led the Pioneers in scoring with seven goals, including four game-winners, while junior goalkeeper Andy Goellner of Denver, Colo., led the conference in shutouts with seven and posted a goals against average of 1.21.

*By Dom Donnelly,
assistant athletic director for media relations*

Tusculum Women's Soccer finishes third; Joy gets 200th win

The Pioneer women's soccer team finished in a tie for third place in the South Atlantic Conference standings and advanced to the Food Lion SAC Tournament for the 13th consecutive season. Overall, Tusculum finished with a 10-7-2 record in 2011, including a five-game winning streak in midseason. Of the Pioneers' seven losses, three came in double overtime and two others came to nationally-ranked opponents.

Head coach Mike Joy '03 reached a personal milestone on Oct. 26 when he earned his 200th victory at Tusculum with a 3-0 win at Carson-Newman. In 15 seasons with the Pioneers, Joy has a record of 200-91-21.

Junior forward Tamicka James of Wilson, N.C., also reached a milestone in 2011, becoming the third player in program history to reach 100 career points with an assist against Carson-Newman. She scored 15 goals and 34 points to lead the SAC in both categories and rank among the NCAA Division II leaders. James will enter her senior season tied for third in program history with 43 goals, tied for ninth in career assists with 16 and in third place on the career scoring list with 102 points.

James was named first-team All-SAC, first-team Daktronics All-Region and second-team National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-Region. Freshman goalkeeper Marissa Williams of Canton, Mich., was a third-team NSCAA All-Region selection after posting seven shutouts and a solid 1.22 goals against average in 18 games.

ATHLETIC NEWS

Individual accomplishments highlight 2011 gridiron campaign

Several school records were broken while the Pioneers garnered individual accolades during the 2011 Tusculum football season. It was a grueling, injury-plagued campaign that saw the Pioneers posting a 3-8 record.

All-American quarterback and Harlon Hill Trophy finalist Bo Cordell, of Cincinnati, Ohio, suffered a season-ending broken foot in the third game of the year. Third-string signal caller Torrey Slaven of Winfield, Tenn., stepped in and handled the quarterback duties in fine fashion, passing for more than 2,000 yards with 17 touchdowns and only three interceptions.

Senior Rashaad Carter of Stone Mountain, Ga., became Tusculum's all-time leader in receiving yards while earning All-Conference and All-Region recognition. Carter totaled with 1,056 receiving yards, the third-best single-season tally in school history and becomes the first player in school history to record more than 1,000 receiving yards in multiple seasons. Carter's 2,928 receiving yards are a school record and the seventh-most in league history, while his 210 career receptions are second-most at Tusculum and fourth in the SAC record books.

Senior Deonte Gist of Greenville, S.C. earned All-Region accolades of the year for a second straight season, as well as Daktronics All-America honors as a return specialist for the first time. He led the SAC in kickoff return average at 29.43 yards per return, seventh-best in the country. Of his 21 returns, two were for touchdowns, including a 94-yarder against Brevard College and a 92-yarder at Newberry College.

Gist led the league in receptions for a second straight year, averaging 8.1 catches per contest, which were second in the nation (NCAA II). The 2010 consensus All-America receiver ends his Tusculum career as the program's all-time leader in all-purpose yards (4,374) and kickoff returns yards (1,593). His 2,540 career receiving yards are second in Tusculum history.

Gist and Carter established a NCAA II record during the year for the most career receptions by two players from the same team.

The defensive end also earned a spot on the All-SAC and All-Region teams, while long-snapper Skylar West of Oneida, Tenn., was named to the Beyond Sports College Network All-America Team, becoming the first player in school history at his position to earn All-America honors.

*By Dom Donnelly,
assistant athletic director for media relations*



Rashaad Carter set several school records in the 2011 season, including all-time leader in receiving yards.

Volleyball makes third consecutive trip to NCAA tournament

Success continues for the Tusculum volleyball program as the Pioneers finished with an 18-13 overall record, while advancing to the NCAA Tournament in each of the last three seasons. It was the program's sixth straight winning season and 22nd in the 30-year history of the storied-program.

After setting an NCAA Division II record last year with 845 digs, Caitlyn Dean of Fort Wayne, Ind., averaged 6.45 digs per set to rank third nationally, earning All-America First Team recognition for the second consecutive year.

The two-time All-South Atlantic Conference First Team and All-Region honoree is first all-time in school history with her 6.82 digs per set average, while her 1,529 total digs are the third-most ever by a Pioneer.

Ashley Sarmiento was also named to the 2011 Capital One Academic All-America® NCAA Division II Volleyball Second Team. Sarmiento, a 5-11 sophomore setter from Dayton, Ohio, has a perfect 4.00 cumulative grade point average, while majoring in mathematics and math education (K-12). Sarmiento is the first Academic All-American® in program history. On the volleyball court, she finished second in the South Atlantic Conference and 39th in the country in assists per set, averaging 10.29 helpers per frame (fifth in Tusculum College single-season history).

Sarmiento is very active in the community where she is serving her first term as president of the Pioneer Student-Athlete Advisory Council. Her community service activities include Pioneer Mentoring Program, Ride for Life, Scholar Athlete Student Leader and volunteering with the Greeneville-Greene County Humane Society.

ATHLETIC NEWS

Jones named Men's Basketball Coach

Michael Jones was introduced as Tusculum College's men's basketball coach at a press conference this past August at the Niswonger Commons.

Jones comes to Tusculum after serving the last 12 years as head coach at South Atlantic Conference member Brevard College. Jones led Brevard to a historic campaign in 2009-2010, as the Tornados finished the season 21-10, while capturing the Food Lion South Atlantic Conference Tournament title and the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Division II Tournament. Jones was named the SAC Coach of the Year as the team set or tied 27 individual and team records. The Maysville, Ky. native has amassed 214 victories in his 14 years as a collegiate head coach, including 175 in his 12 seasons at Brevard. Jones has led his programs to three national tournaments. Jones has also seen five of his players offered professional basketball contracts, including two in the National Basketball Development League.

"This is a proud day in the history of Tusculum basketball," said Director of Athletics Frankie DeBusk. "I am confident that he will lead our program to success, both on and off the basketball court, while positively representing our College, the SAC and NCAA Division II. Michael is a well-respected member of the coaching community, an accomplished recruiter and has made a positive impact within our conference."

While at Brevard, Jones' teams have accounted for 20 wins or more on four occasions. The Tornados captured both the Appalachian Athletic Conference regular season and tournament titles that season.

"I am so happy and honored to work at such a great institution as Tusculum College and to have this opportunity," Jones said. "Tusculum has a great academic and athletic history, and I would like to thank Dr. Nancy Moody and Coach DeBusk for affording me the opportunity to lead the Pioneers. I am excited about the support for our program and the resources we have to achieve our goals at the highest levels."



Coach Mike Jones is welcomed by Athletic Director Frank DeBusk as new head coach of the Men's Basketball team.

*By Dom Donnelly,
assistant athletic director for media relations*

Women's basketball knocks off defending champions

The Pioneers entered the 2011-2012 season as the defending South Atlantic Conference champions and two-time defending Food Lion SAC Tournament champions, but featured a roster that included eight newcomers. Head Coach Adell Harris quickly jelled the team into contenders, and the Pioneers defeated a number-one team for the first time in school history with a 63-51 victory over defending national champion Clayton State at the North Georgia Thanksgiving Classic in November.

Against Clayton State, the Pioneers overcame an early five-point deficit and led 32-24 at halftime. The Pioneers expanded their lead to as many as 16 points in the second half before finishing off the 12-point win. Junior guard April McCann of Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., led Tusculum with a game-high 15 points, and senior forwards Linda Aughtburns of Fayetteville, N.C., and Staci Hicks of Loveland, Ohio, added 10 points apiece in the victory.

Following the win over Clayton State, Tusculum climbed into the USA TODAY/ESPN Division II Coaches' Top 25 Poll and moved as high as 16th in the rankings. The Pioneers defeated a second nationally-ranked opponent with a 68-61 win over 11th-ranked Shaw in its home opener on Nov. 28 enroute to a 5-0 start, its best since opening the 2006-2007 season with five straight wins.

ATHLETIC NEWS

Four inducted to Sports Hall of Fame

Four new members were inducted to the Tusculum College Sports Hall of Fame during homecoming festivities in September. This year's induction class includes: Rachel Barron '04 (women's soccer), Alan Dunn '04 (football), Tara Henderson '04 (women's soccer) and the late Tom Bryant (football coach).

From 2000-2003, Barron recorded one of the most prolific scoring careers in Tusculum women's soccer history. She owns seven school records, including her 66 career goals scored, which are the fourth most in South Atlantic Conference history. In her 75-match career, Barron also dished out 20 assists, scored 152 points (first in Tusculum history/fifth in SAC history) and posted 22 match-winning goals (first in Tusculum history).

In 1991, Coach Tom Bryant was hired to orchestrate the reinstatement of the sport of football at Tennessee's first college. After a 41-year hiatus, football returned to the Greeneville campus due largely to the hard work and perseverance of Bryant. He was a true ambassador of the game and was instrumental in giving the program the kick-start it needed to become the perennial power that it is today. The Flat Rock, Ky. native coached for four seasons on the Tusculum sidelines (1991-1994). After his first team went winless in the 1991 campaign, Bryant's Pioneers rebounded by going 15-14 in his final three seasons combined, including a 6-3 record in 1994.

Alan Dunn accounted for one of the finest careers ever by a Tusculum offensive lineman. Dunn joins former teammates Paul Czerniak '03, Ricardo Colclough '04 and Caleb Slover '03'09 in the Tusculum Sports Hall of Fame. The Chattanooga, Tenn. native garnered All-South Atlantic Conference First Team honors three times, including his final two seasons (2002, 2003) as he was the recipient of the Jacobs Blocking Trophy, which recognizes the top offensive lineman or blocking back in the conference. Dunn is one of only three players in the 20-year history of the award to earn the honor multiple times.

Tara Henderson holds the distinction as the first All-America honoree in the history of women's soccer. She also became the first Tusculum student-athlete to earn All-South Atlantic Conference recognition four times in her collegiate career. The two-time All-America midfielder started in all 81 matches she played in during her career where she accounted for 16 goals, 17 assists (8th in Tusculum history) and 49 points. She also recorded seven match-winning scoring tallies (tied for 6th in Tusculum history) in the Black and Orange. The 2004 Tusculum graduate was a member of the SAC Commissioner's Honor Roll and the Athletic Director's Honor Roll.

*By Dom Donnelly,
assistant athletic director for media relations*



Tara Henderson, Rachel Barron, Laura Bryant (wife of Hall of Famer Tom Bryant) and Alan Dunn.

Youth movement continues for cross country program

The Tusculum College cross country team received some outstanding performances by several underclassmen during the 2011 fall campaign.

Freshman David Cooper had an outstanding rookie season for the Pioneers as the Greeneville, Tenn. native was Tusculum's top runner in all six meets this fall including his first place performance at the Maryville Invitational. Cooper won with a time of 27:47 for the 16th fastest 8K time in school history. He also finished 11th at the Guilford Cross Country Festival, 19th at the Carson-Newman Challenge and 21st at the South Atlantic Conference Championship. He was named to the SAC All-Freshman Team.

On the women's side, team captain Jenny Grant, a junior from Franklin, Tenn., once again proved to be Tusculum's most consistent competitor. She finished in the top-30 on two occasions, including a 17th place finish at the Maryville Invitational.

Homecoming 2011



Dr. Kenneth A. Bowman '70 was awarded the Pioneer Award during the Alumni Association meeting. The award was presented by Dr. Nancy B. Moody, president of Tusculum College. Bowman is currently serving his Alma Mater as chair of the Board of Trustees.



Calvin Britt, left, and Erika Witt were crowned Homecoming King and Queen at halftime of the football game. Both seniors, Britt is a sports science major from Augusta, Ga., and Witt is a museum studies major from Roanoke, Va.



Paige Malone Mengel '88, left, presented Dan Barnett, associate professor of chemistry, the National Living Faculty Award during the Alumni Association meeting.



Members of the 1966 men's basketball team, who won their conference championship that year, as well as cheerleaders from that year, were recognized at the Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony and prior to the football game.



Dr. Jane Lovvorn Morse '77 presented the Frontier Award to Rebecca Muncy '05. Muncy served as in both alumni and gift services positions for her Alma Mater and is currently a teacher and coach at Davy Crockett High School in Washington County.



Members of the Class of 1961 presented a class gift of more than \$6,000 to Dr. Bob Pollock '65, president of the Alumni Association. Class members decided to designate their gift toward the purchase of furniture for the patio outside of Chalmers Conference Center in the Niswonger Commons.

Homecoming 2011



Bob Jaeger '59, left, and Bob Nielson '62 register for Homecoming. Jackie Paxton Rose '75 volunteered to help register her fellow alumni.



Members of the Class of 1961 led the Homecoming parade.



Alumni enjoyed a trip to Bright's Zoo on Friday morning.



Erica Worrell, a freshman from Bridgeton, N.J., talks with Vera Ann Ricker Myers '87, center, and Sanda Montgomery Abramson '65 at Myers Pumpkin Patch and Family Farm, which is operated by Myers and her family.



Winners of the Homecoming Golf Tournament in the net division were the team of, from left, Todd Ireland '98, Doug Jones, Brandon Steele and Andy Collins. Winning the gross division were a team of Matt Ball '04, Chris Bird '00 and Justin Jeffers '04.



Winners of the chili cookoff were the Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment. Staff members include, from left, Jo Ann Swecker Thompson, Kristi Dalton, John Cage '08, Stacey McDonald '10 and Clay Wilkerson.

Students and members of the community recreate an argument over secession between students of the pre-Civil War Tusculum College in this scene from the Lantern Tour that the Museums of Tusculum College hosted during Homecoming at the Doak House Museum and the President Andrew Johnson Museum and Library, right.



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'40s

Barbara Goss Kefauver '46 of Atlanta, GA, was unable to attend Homecoming 2011, but wants to share about her life after leaving Tusculum. During college, she was class president during her junior and senior years. She was a member of The Pioneer Players and played a variety of leading roles in plays and operettas. She also played violin in the school orchestra, directed a class in ballroom dancing and was a varsity cheerleader. Barbara continued in the arts following graduation and was very active in musical circles in Knoxville. She also did some modeling and expressed some of her creativity through drawing. She married in 1948 and moved to Jacksonville, FL, where she had her own radio show. She was also featured in a national musical magazine. Returning to Knoxville in 1950, she was involved in producing and appearing in several television commercials. She was an active member of the choir at Second Presbyterian Church. Barbara wrote Christian music with her aunt Jean Bond and has collaborated with Pat Boone and Tennessee Ernie Ford. She also had her own television show in the early 1960s featuring music. Barbara worked at the University of Tennessee from 1966 to 1968 as the assistant coordinator for international students. She started working at the RCA Corporation in Hollywood, CA, in 1974 and worked directly with the president. She relocated to the RCA office in Atlanta in 1980 and retired in 1984. After retiring, she sang for five years with the Robert Shaw Symphony Orchestra Chorus. Barbara was also a creative writer and had her own newspaper called, "Neighbor to Neighbor" in a retirement community she moved to in the late 1980s.

Earle and Meldrum Shanks Shotwell '47 '45 of Fern Park, FL, are celebrating 66 years of marriage this year. The couple met at Tusculum as freshmen.

'50s

The Rev. Jim and Emmy (Shipley) Marquis '51 '51 have moved to Memphis, TN, to be close to family after living 27 years

in Chattanooga, TN. The couple has been happily married for 60 years. Jim has been an Episcopal priest for 40 years.

'60s

Dr. Bruce Shine '60 H'84 of Kingsport, TN, has been named chair of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission for a two-year term ending in January 2014 by the Tennessee Supreme Court. The commission was created to implement an alternative dispute resolution system within Tennessee's court system. Shine participated in the initial writing and development of the process the commission developed for mediation and arbitration to resolve litigation. As a member of the Credentials Committee of the commission since its inception, Shine has passed upon the credentials of all Rule 31 mediators in the state. He is a Fellow of the Tennessee Bar Association as well as the American Bar Foundation, which has a membership limited to one-third of one percent of the lawyers in a state.

Condolences to **Frank Wolpert '61** of Holmdel, NJ, whose wife of 50 years, Lynn, passed away on December 30, 2011, after a long illness.

Irene Park '62 of Thousand Oaks, CA, a retired El Camino Real High School teacher, was awarded a 2010 "Walk of Hearts," a distinguished honor given to teachers in recognition of their dedication and continued record of excellence in education. In 2003, she received the R.O.L.E. Model (Rewarding Outstanding Leaders in Education) award, and in 2002 she was presented with the Crystal Apple award for outstanding teaching methodology. At El Camino Real High, Irene taught all levels of English and English as a Second Language (ESL). She was a sponsor of Interact, a Rotary-supported student club. Her career also included teaching in Korea and China and several years in the American Language Center at UCLA Extension. She originated, developed and directed the American Culture and Language Program at California State University, Los Angeles.

Dr. Everett C. Toomey '65 of Millsboro, DE, is serving as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Delaware. Dr. Toomey served as a secondary principal and director for the Indian River School District from 1970-1998. He also served on that district's school board from 1999-2002.

Dr. Toomey is a member of the Delmarva Educational Foundation Board of Directors and is president of Heritage Advisors, an educational consulting service. He holds numerous memberships in professional and civic organizations. He was honored with the State Board of Education's Order of Excellence Award in 1986, included in "Who's Who in American Education" and awarded the Department of the Army's "Commander's Award for Public Service."

The Rev. John B. Edson '66 of Dillsburg, PA, has retired from his career as an Episcopal priest and is volunteering at his parish in an after-school tutoring program. He sings bass in his parish choir. He is also adjusting to life as a widower. His wife, Linton Ann, passed away three years ago.

Harold A. Rainey '66 of Burnsville, MN, has retired from active work for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) after more than 40 years in various ministries.

Henri Weems '66 and his wife, Elaine, of McLean, VA, visited campus recently. Henri writes, "Growth of the College over the past years has been remarkable. All the new buildings have been carefully and beautifully designed to reflect the original McCormick Hall arch, balcony and tower. The sports complexes were being used for various summer sports camps, so there was a lot of activity and a lot of people looking at the campus." You can view their photos at <http://henriandelaine.shutterfly.com/463>.

Gregory M. Pielich '69 of Johnson City, TN, retired in 2006 after 33 years with Nuclear Fuel Services. Greg and his wife, Pat, celebrated their 41st anniversary in August. They met on the old Tusculum tennis court at the beginning of his freshman year. They have two children, one granddaughter and three grandsons. Greg was the lifeguard at the Tusculum pool from 1966 to 1969. He enjoys competitive swimming and took home one gold, two silver and one bronze medal at the Tennessee Senior Olympics.

'70s

Dr. Carolyn Howard Ham '70 of Camden, SC, was selected the South Carolina Adult Education Director 2010-2011. Carolyn and her husband, **E. J. '70**, retired on June 30, 2011, after serving 40 years in education in the Kershaw County School District in Camden, SC.

Steve Schmid '72 of South Amboy, NJ, shared the sad news that his mother, Elizabeth Schmid Betteride, passed away on July 4, 2011, after battling a long illness.

Mike Gersie '74 of Medford, NJ, is currently the director of operations at George School in Newtown, PA. He would like to hear from his classmates. His email is mike_gersie@georgeschool.org.

Rick and Jean (Ryan) Francis '76 '75 of Raleigh, NC, have celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. Rick has more than 35 years of service with AT&T. Their youngest daughter, Molly, is dancing in the Cirque du Soleil production of The Beatles "LOVE" in Las Vegas.

'80s

J. Chris Cruise '82 of Las Cruces, NM, has recently accepted a position as clinical psychologist with the Special Exams Unit at the El Paso Veterans Administration Health Center in El Paso, TX.

Debbie Smith '86 of Greeneville, TN, was among the graduates of the Greene County Partnership Leadership Class of 2011. Smith is the town environmentalist for the Town of Greeneville. She is a member of Reformation Lutheran Church, the Nolichucky Watershed Alliance and the Greeneville Junior Woman's Club.

Vera Ann Myers '87 of Bulls Gap, TN, and her Myers Pumpkin Patch and Family Farm won two major awards from the Tennessee Motor Coach Association at its convention in January 2012. She was also chosen to fill a coveted seat on the organization's board of directors. Vera Ann was named Associate of the Year. She also received the "Go-Getter" Award, a special award given to the associate who makes the greatest impression on operators during the week-long convention. Vera Ann serves on the Alumni Executive Board.

Julia Reedy '88 of Madisonville, TN, became executive director of the McMinn County Education Foundation in January. She worked three decades as a teacher on the elementary school level in McMinn County. She retired from teaching in 2007, but quickly returned to education as a math interventionist in the school system and most recently taught third grade while a teacher was on maternity leave.

Patricia A. Seaver '89 of Morristown, TN, has been appointed as the director of marketing and communication for the Morristown Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Linda Belcher Stroud '89 of Greeneville, TN, has been named director of Greeneville City Schools. Stroud, who is currently principal of Greeneville High School, will start in her new position on July 1.

'90s

Wayne Hughes '90 of Afton, TN, has taken a new position as an agent with Farm Bureau's Tusculum office. He now has three children with the birth of his youngest daughter, Ava Marie, on December 19, 2009. He also kicked off all-natural beef sales in 2011 at Mountain View Bulk Food with Rocky Field Farm Beef.

James "J.T." Vogt '90 of Maryville, TN, has accepted a position as deputy program manager for the USDA Forest Service, Southern Research Station, Forest Inventory and Analysis Unit in Knoxville, TN. J.T. and his wife, Karen, have two children, Samantha and James.

Candace Bellamy '91 of Austin, TX, has released her first original EP (extended play musical recording), "A Thousand Shades of Blue," which is available on iTunes, Amazon and at Waterloo Records. Some of Austin's elite musicians play on Candace's EP. Also included is a song cowritten by JJ Plasencio (formerly of Sixpence None the Richer). Bellamy has performed in several bands and appeared in the critically acclaimed "Porgy and Bess" at Zach Scott Theatre. She has created a one-woman show, "Follow the Red Lips," which she has performed in New York City and at universities across the Southeast.

Larry R. Estep '91 of Kingsport, TN, has joined the executive management team at Citizens Bank as executive vice president. He has 38 years of service in the financial industry. Active in the community, Larry received the 2009 Distinguished Leadership Award from the Kingsport Chamber of Commerce. He has served as chairman of the Kingsport Economic Development Board, chairman of the United Way campaign, chairman of NETWORKS – Sullivan Partnership and president of the Kingsport Chamber of Commerce. He served on the Tusculum College Board of Trustees

from 1991 to 2003. Larry is also a Holston Business Group founding board member and currently serves on the Phipps Bend Industrial Park Board and the Sequoyah Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Scott Cupp '97 of Louisville, TN, has been named assistant principal at William Blount High School in Blount County. He has been a math teacher at the high school.

Dr. Daryl D. Green '97 of Knoxville, TN, has written a new book, "Don't Be an Old Fool." In the book, Dr. Green provides sound, practical solutions about how to handle some of life's common issues, such as relationships, with a touch of humor. He is a leadership development expert, who has been quoted by national media. Dr. Green writes a syndicated column, "Family Vision," which appears in more than 200 newspapers. He is the author of several leadership development books and has published more than 100 articles.

Delina Hensley '97 appeared in the play, "Honkey Tonk Angels," presented by the Asheville Community Theatre in July.

Tommy Hopson '97 of Afton, TN, was among the graduates of the Greene County Partnership Leadership Class of 2011. Hopson is agency manager for Greene County Farm Bureau Insurance. He is a former president of the Greeneville Kiwanis Club and local chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors. He is a teacher and missions team director at Tri-Cities Baptist Church. He has also been a coach in the Upward sports program.

John Kosmak '98 of Gray, TN, is beginning a doctoral program later this year, which will be his sixth degree. John has taught for the past 13 years in Tusculum's Graduate and Professional Studies program. He runs a small business and has worked for the U.S. government for the past 37 years.

'00s

Darby Wood Hutchinson '00 of Jefferson City, TN, has been appointed special agent-in-charge of the Knoxville office of the Tennessee Bomb and Arson section of the state Department of Commerce and Insurance's Fire Prevention Division.

Catherine McCoy '00 of Greeneville, TN, has been named interim principal at Chuck-

ey Elementary School for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year. Catherine has eight years experience as a classroom teacher and three years experience as an assistant principal at Doak Elementary School.

Cathy E. Dixon '02 '11 of White Pine, TN, has been appointed to the 2011 Board of Examiners by the Tennessee Center for Performance Excellence Board of Directors. As an examiner, Cathy is responsible for reviewing and evaluating organizations that apply for the Tennessee Center for Performance Excellence award program. The examiners, who are experts from all sectors of the economy, meet the highest standards of achievement and peer recognition in their fields.

Trevis D. Gardner '02 of Maryville, TN, has been named to the Blount County Board of Education. Gardner is vice president of operations for the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority.

Amy Stevens '03 of Erwin, TN, has been promoted to vice president of marketing and communications of the LHC Group. In her new position, she will plan and direct the company's strategic communications initiatives. Previously, she worked for Wellmont Health System.

The Rev. Blake S. Montgomery '05 of Rogersville, TN, graduated from Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary in August with a master's degree in religious education. He is pastor of Big Creek Baptist Church.

Autumn "Sunshine" Broyles '06 of Mosheim, TN, is serving as interim assistant principal at Doak Elementary School. She was named to the position in September. Sunshine has 11 years of experience as a teacher at Doak School. She has served as assessment coach, the K-2 data coordinator, parent involvement coordinator and is a leader in the Accelerated Reader program.

Joy Gardner '06 of Hampton, TN, is manager of the Wetlands Water Park in Jonesborough, TN. Gardner oversees a staff of about 80 people. She also coordinates food vendors for Jonesborough Days and special events during the winter.

Roverta Reliford Russaw '06 of Talbott, TN, has been awarded the East Tennessee Historical Society's Community History

Award for the advancement of African-American genealogical research in Jefferson County. She was also recognized for her service to the African-American Heritage Alliance and to the Community Economic Development Network of East Tennessee. Roverta, who works with Legal Aid as a paralegal and advocate, has spent much of her spare time working tirelessly gathering ancestral information that enriches her family and other African-American families in the community. She has uncovered family history that leads to a former slave from Barbados who gained his freedom after coming to the United States and was a leading citizen of his community.

Marco Tomat '06 has taken a position as the president and chief executive officer of York Place, a fully accredited psychiatric residential treatment facility for children, affiliated with the Episcopal Church and located in Lake Wylie, SC. Tomat and his family moved there from the Durham, NC, area, where he was assistant director of North Carolina programs for Youth Villages.

Shawna Voigt '07 of has been named "Teacher of the Year" at Rebecca Minor Elementary School in Lilburn, GA. She taught third grade during her first two years and kindergarten for the past two years. Shawna earned a master's degree in elementary mathematics last year from Walden University and plans to pursue a specialist degree in the future. She started the Girls on the Run program at the elementary school. The Girls on the Run program trains young girls to run and aims to guide them away from negative lifestyle choices.

Josh Edens '08 of Jonesborough, TN, was named "Tennessee Titans High School Coach of the Week" for the week of October 17. Edens is the head coach of the North Greene High School Huskies football team. The award included a \$1,000 contribution to the North Greene football program, which reached the playoffs this year, and Josh was a guest at the December 11 Titans game with the other recipients of the award. The criterion for selection includes the coach's impact on his team, school and community. A statewide media panel votes each week to determine the weekly winner.

Valerie Mullins '08 of Limestone, TN, has joined Takoma Medical Associates in Greeneville, TN, as a physician's assistant.

She earned a master's degree in physician assistant studies from South College.

Chris Poore '08 is the new head boys basketball coach at Jefferson County High School. This is Poore's first head coaching position. The former Tusculum basketball standout had been an assistant coach at Scott County High School.

Janita Clausell '09 of Knoxville, TN, has been named president and chief operating officer of CU Community LLC, a subsidiary of ORNL Federal Credit Union. She previously served as the executive vice president of the credit union and will continue to serve as vice president of mortgage lending. She serves on the board for the Appalachian Chapter of the American Red Cross and has worked with several local charities.

Josh Ellis '11 has been named the boys' basketball coach at Edgewood High School. A native of Merritt Island, FL, he served as a student assistant for the men's basketball team at Tusculum for four seasons.

Jason Seaton '11, a former Tusculum College athletic training student and cross country runner was recognized in a recent edition of the "NATA News," the official publication of the National Athletic Trainers' Association. Seaton is currently serving as the certified athletic trainer at Beau-regard High School in Opelika, AL. During an Alabama high school football game this past October, Seaton witnessed a player from the opposing team go down. Once at the scene, Seaton realized the player could not move his ankle or toes. EMS helped Seaton carefully spine board the injured athlete, who later recovered.

Nuptials

Christopher Crawford '00 of Knoxville, TN, married Andrea Humphreys on December 11, 2010.

Kari Melissa Dunn '05 and **Gregory Shawn Dykes '98 '05** were married on June 24, 2010. Following a honeymoon trip to the Bahamas, the couple is living in Greenville, TN. Kari is a second grade teacher at DeBusk Elementary School. Gregory is a physical education teacher at Tusculum View Elementary School and a football and baseball coach at Greeneville High School.

Lindsay S. Shepherd '10 and Kenton Brotherton were married on July 9, 2011. Following a honeymoon to Nassau in the Bahamas, the couple is living in Greenville, TN. Lindsay is a Pre-K teacher at Mosheim Elementary School and an assistant volleyball coach at North Greene High School.

Births

Ryan and Jennifer Szamier Bush '99 '00 announce the birth of their second child, Tanner Ryan, who was born on August 16, 2010. Their four-year-old daughter, Taylor, is excited to have a little brother.

Kyle Becker '01

of Apopka, FL, and his wife, Kelly, are celebrating the birth of Emily Sara Elizabeth



Becker, who was born on June 16, 2011. She was 7 lbs. and 6 ozs. and 20 inches long. Her older sister, Madelyn, is excited about the addition to the family.

Memorials

'30s

Kathleen Mildred Myers Evans '36 of Mosheim, TN, passed away September 11, 2011. Mrs. Evans taught for several years in the Greeneville City School System before starting a second career as a bank officer at Greene County Bank. She served as a Sunday School teacher for 37 years at Pine Grove United Methodist Church. Mrs. Evans was a member of several civic organizations. After the early death of her sister, she graciously assumed the role of "mother" to her nephews and "grandmother" to their children and families.

'40s

Dr. Charles E. Rigby '40 of Drexel Hill, PA, passed away March 24, 2011. Dr. Rigby was a physician who was a longtime supporter of his Alma Mater.

Philip A. Wright, Sr., '42 of Wallingford, CT, passed away September 4, 2011. Mr.

Wright was employed at American Cyanamid Company as an industrial manager for 42 years until his retirement. He was a member of the Church of the Resurrection and the Knights of Columbus, Pinta Council No. 5. Mr. Wright served on the Wallingford Planning and Zoning Commission, Chamber of Commerce, Meriden – Wallingford Hospital Board and participated in fund-raising drives for the YMCA and other civic causes. He was a past president of the Wallingford Visiting Nurses Association. Mr. Wright was also a member of numerous conservation and nature preservation groups. Mr. Wright enjoyed gardening, canning tomatoes, fishing in the Adirondacks and following the New York Yankees and the University of Connecticut men's and women's basketball teams. His survivors include daughter and Tusculum alumna **Kathleen Wright Kirschmann '73**.

Gen. John William Vogt (Ret. USAF) '43 of Melbourne, FL, passed away April 16, 2010. A scholar, warrior and statesman, he served as an officer in the U.S. Air Force Officer for 35 years, retiring in 1975 from his last assignment as commander-in-chief of American and allied air forces in Europe. His service ranged from a fighter pilot in World War II to an appointment to an intelligence advisory post. He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Edward Woodward '43 of Bay Head, NJ, passed away on October 24, 2005. Mr. Woodward was retired from Channel Home Centers.

Mary Julia McWherter Bowie '46 of Rockville, MD, passed away August 17, 2011, of respiratory failure.

Dr. Joanne Lovell Linn '46 of Nashville, TN, passed away January 27, 2012. Dr. Linn was professor emeriti of anesthesiology at Vanderbilt University, where she practiced and taught for more than 35 years. She was an active member and officer of many professional organizations including the American Medical Women's Association, of which she served as national president in 1979.

Clifford Fry '49 of Chattanooga, TN, passed away November 11, 2011. Mr. Fry was retired from the Tennessee Valley Authority. A veteran, he served in the Korean War and in World War II. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 95 and a

member of the East Ridge Lions Club for many years. He coached little league baseball and served on several committees with the Chattanooga Boys Choir. Mr. Fry was a member of Brainerd Baptist Church, where he served as the Sunday School greeter chairman for more than 30 years and was a deacon. He was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, **Evelyn Carter Fry '43** (please see following memorial.)

Evelyn Carter Fry '43 of Chattanooga, passed away on October 26, 2011. Mrs. Fry was retired from the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). She was an active member of Brainerd Baptist Church and her Sunday School class. Mrs. Fry served as a substitute teacher and a librarian for the Brainerd Baptist kindergarten and was on the church's library staff for many years. She was president of the Chattanooga Boys Choir Guild and served on the Allied Arts Council. She had a life membership in the P.T.A. at Anna B. Lacy School and served on the Hamilton County P.T.A. Council. Mrs. Fry was a member of the TVA Retirement Association and a member of the Missionary Ridge Chapter 1777 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

'50s

Dorothea A. Huber '50 of Maplewood, NJ, passed away January 10, 2012. Ms. Huber was a retired auditor.

John Donald Rader '50 of Johnson City, TN, passed away September 22, 2011, after an extended illness. Mr. Rader was retired from the Belk Company, where he spent most of his career in management. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

William Lee Rutherford '50 of Lenoir City, TN, formerly of Estero, FL, passed away on May 15, 2011. A World War II veteran, Mr. Rutherford was employed by Tennessee Eastman and retired in 1986. He coached football and baseball at the Boys Club in Kingsport and officiated high school football games. Mr. Rutherford enjoyed playing golf. His survivors include son and Tusculum alumnus **Mike Rutherford '92**.

Lois "Louise" Sparrow Keener '57 of Gastonia, NC, passed away October 13, 2011. Mrs. Keener was a retired teacher, having taught at the elementary level for 30 years. Following retirement, she was

tireless in her work at the Lucille Tatum Extension Center and tutored in English. She was an active member of West Avenue Presbyterian Church where she served as elder, vacation Bible School teacher, Sunday School teacher and choir member. She was an avid gardener and University of North Carolina basketball fan.

Billye Hutton Horne '58 of Greeneville, TN, passed away suddenly on December 11, 2011, at her home. She was retired from Takoma Regional Hospital. Mrs. Horne was an active supporter of her Alma Mater. She and her husband, **Ralph '58**, have been longtime members of the Pioneer Club and supporters of the new band program. The Hornes were familiar faces at Pioneer basketball and football games. In recent years, she had also become a fan of volleyball and regularly attended games. Mrs. Horne was a member of First Baptist Church of Greeneville. In addition to her husband, her survivors include aunt and Tusculum alumna **Julia Hogan '67**.

John B. Adcock '59 of Winchester, TN, passed away July 29, 2011. Mr. Adcock was born on Easter Sunday and was nicknamed "Bunny" because of his birth date. This nickname stuck with him through his years at Tusculum, where he was well liked and respected. Mr. Adcock was a civilian electrical engineer for 34 years at the Newark Air Force Base in Ohio. Upon retiring, he returned to his beloved Tennessee and took a position with the Arnold Engineering Company. Mr. Adcock was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Winchester and a member of the Masonic Order. He was known for his devotion to his family and his life-long love for automobiles and boating.

Helen Honeycutt Hartman '59 of Mosheim, TN, passed away January 10, 2012. Mrs. Hartman was a retired school teacher who taught 39 and a half years in the Greene County School System. She taught 26 of those years at Mosheim School. Mrs. Hartman was a member of the Greeneville-Greene County Retired Teachers Association. She enjoyed her Sunday School and worship services at Hartman's Chapel and Mount Sinai United Methodist churches. She played the piano and taught the Adult Sunday School Class at Mount Sinai as long as her health permitted. Mrs. Hartman enjoyed gardening and reading. Her survivors include her daughter and Tusculum

alumna **Susan Hartman '74**, nephew and Tusculum alumnus, **Lynn Hartman '71**, and niece and Tusculum alumna **Sara Wilson '74**.

'60s

Carl Frank Bell '62 of Mosheim, TN, passed away July 21, 2011. Mr. Bell was retired from NCR Morristown and was senior job placement coordinator for First Tennessee Human Resources. He had served in the U.S. Army and was a member of the Elks Club. Mr. Bell was a member of Whittenburg United Methodist Church.

Cline D. Carter '63 of Greeneville, TN, passed away August 1, 2011. Mr. Carter was retired from Sprint United Telephone Company. He was a prominent cattle and tobacco farmer. Mr. Carter was a U.S. Navy veteran. He was of the United Methodist faith and was always generous to those in need.

Kathryn Yates Robinson '67 of Greeneville, TN, passed away on January 26, 2011. Mrs. Robinson was a retired speech pathologist for the Greene County School System. She was a long-time member of First Presbyterian Church of Greeneville and the Adelle Haynes Circle. Mrs. Robinson was a member of the Greeneville-Greene County Retired Teachers Association; the Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Andrew Johnson Post No. 1990; the Women of the Moose; Greeneville Chapter No. 1598, and Youth Builders of Greeneville Inc. She was also a volunteer for Toys for Tots and Gifts for Kids. An avid reader, she loved to play bridge and Rook. She was also an artist and wrote poetry.

'80s

Mark Austin Carter '81 of Greeneville, TN, passed away September 3, 2011. Mr. Carter worked for Newman Heating and Air. He was a member of Romeo United Methodist Church. Mr. Carter was an avid golfer and loved flying. He had a private pilot license and had owned his own plane. Mr. Carter also raised and sold ostriches for many years. Survivors include his sister and Tusculum alumna **Claire Carter '70**.

Gary Vastine Constant '86 of Cleveland, TN, passed away August 2, 2011. Mr. Constant had recently retired from the U.S. Postal Service. He was a Vietnam veteran

and was active in the Cleveland city youth recreation program, serving as an umpire and referee. Mr. Constant was a faithful member of St. James Cumberland Presbyterian Church of America, overseeing church transportation and property management. He also served on the church's finance committee.

Carolyn Brown-Moser '87 of Dandridge, TN, passed away May 4, 2011. Mrs. Brown-Moser was a regional monitor, agency team leader for the Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Mrs. Brown-Moser bred, trained and showed Saluki dogs including a national champion. Mrs. Brown-Moser was an elder of New Hope Presbyterian Church.

'90s

Angie Bible Darnell '97 of Chuckey, TN, passed away on January 25, 2012. Mrs. Darnell was an office manager for Sky Night Aviation.

'00s

Russell Lynn "Rusty" Shelton '03 of Greeneville, TN, passed away March 25, 2011. At Tusculum, he earned a bachelor's degree in special education. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Faculty and Staff

E. Alvin Gerhardt Jr., founding director of the museum program and studies and former director of the President Andrew Johnson Museum and Library, passed away on February 5, 2012. In 1992, Mr. Gerhardt joined Tusculum, establishing an undergraduate museum studies program and directing the President Andrew Johnson Museum and Library. He retired in 2000. He served as president of the Tennessee Association of Museums in 1977-79 and as vice-president of the Tennessee Historical Society in 1981-83. He was named to the Tennessee Committee for the Humanities in 1979, serving until 1983. He also served on the College's Council on Church Relations for many years.

Tusculum alumnus finds a home at Yellowstone



Eugene Gearity

You never know who, where or when you will connect with Tusculum College alumni. That was the case with Jim Owen '60 and his wife, Pat. The Owens recently participated in a tour that included Yellowstone

National Park. During their preparation they called the park concessioner, Xanterra. While gathering information, Jim and Pat talked with Shannon Gearity and learned she was from Johnson City, Tenn. and that her husband, Eugene, was a 1985 Tusculum graduate.

Eugene and Shannon have had a very interesting life journey. After graduating from high school Eugene did various jobs including working at a family business in Massachusetts. Eventually, he found his way to Tennessee and took a job with the Paty Company in Johnson City. The owners suggested that Eugene take classes at Tusculum College, and they would help pay for his tuition. In due time, Eugene worked his way up to store manager. Everything was going well until another company decided to acquire the Paty Company, but they did not, as Eugene puts it: "acquire me."

After his departure from the Paty Company, Shannon continued to work in a doctor's office, and Eugene worked for a stock brokerage as a computer analyst. These jobs were not satisfying for the couple, and the Gearitys decided that they should do something different, like start their "Golden Years" early.

First, they took a trip to Alaska and when they returned home, came to the conclusion that they did not want to be completely idle, but did not want to take a job in an office and contend with office politics in an attempt to climb the corporate ladder. They sold their home, got rid of unnecessary belongings and headed to Bryce National Park and took jobs with Xanterra. They

felt that this was a great life style and after a couple of years decided to make a change but remain in the employment of Xanterra.

The Gearitys have been at Yellowstone since 2006 and have worked in various departments. Eugene provides transportation to park visitors and along the way imparts wildlife, natural and geological facts. Park visitors fully enjoy his talks and personal experiences. There is no question that both enjoy their jobs, are most enthusiastic about meeting the public and providing great park visitor service and experience.

They consider their jobs fun, meaningful and most satisfying. On their days off, they get to explore the many areas of the park and see nature unfolding before them. They take two, five-week vacations a year. At such times they return to Tennessee, visiting friends and family on the way. As they say: "We love our golden years, feel we are on a continuous vacation and at the same time doing something constructive." They have no intention of moving back to city or suburban life.

Eugene expressed a fondness for Tusculum and appreciates the doors that Tusculum helped open for him. He commented about the beauty of the old buildings on campus and how some have been nicely renovated. He is impressed with the positive interaction between the College and the Greeneville/Tusculum community.

By Jim Owen '60

Eugene, left, and Shannon Gearity enjoy seeing nature unfold before them as part of their workplace.



In the holiday spirit . . .



The mood was festive and the conversation lively during the Holiday Open House held at the President's House on December 13 for alumni and friends of the College, residents of the City of Tusculum and members of the Greene County Partnership.



Hosting the event were, from left, John Foster, mayor of the City of Tusculum, and his wife Joann; Tom F. Moody and Dr. Nancy B. Moody, president of Tusculum College; Terry Ferguson and Tom Ferguson, president of the Greene County Partnership.



The hosts greeted each attendee at the door. Tom Moody, above, speaks to Ellen Myatt '99 and her guests.



Members of the band program, Jack Lampley, left, and Chris Weems, helped with the vans transporting attendees to the President's House.



Enjoying a laugh are Jack Kilday '57, from left, Nancy Kilday, Mary Jo Solomon Slagle '60 and Howard Slagle '61.



Jeanne Morelock, Carolyn Parman and Betty Jo Mays enjoy conversation.

TC Networking

Alumni, friends and students make valuable connections

Alumni, friends of the College and students have been making valuable career connections during recent networking events.

Dr. Robert W. Pollock '65, at right, hosted the first event at his home in Knoxville on December 1.

The next event was held January 19 in Oak Ridge at the Flatwater Grill, and a third was held March 15 in Erwin with more planned.



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