

## Bequest from Former School Superintendent will Provide Scholarship Funds

Jesse C. Carson Jr. '32 dedicated his working career to education, and in death his commitment will live on through an endowed scholarship. A bequest of \$860,000 from Carson's estate will provide financial aid for Guilford students, with preference given to residents of Rowan and Stokes counties in North Carolina.

Carson had a 35-year career in public education, including six years as superintendent of Rowan County Schools. He died Nov. 21, 2003 at the age of 93. Together with Virginia "Jeinks" Murchison Carson, his wife of 63 years, Carson influenced the lives of an untold number of children.

A native of Germanton, N.C., a community in Stokes County, Carson was a decorated World War II veteran who earned three Battle Stars and a Bronze Star while serving in General George Patton's Third Army in the European Theater from 1942-46.

Following military service, he became



Jessie C. '32 and Virginia "Jeinks" Carson

principal of Mount Ulla School and district principal of China Grove Schools before moving into administration. He served as assistant superintendent of Rowan County Schools from 1961-65

and superintendent from 1965-71.

During the turbulent 1960s, Carson helped Rowan County Schools implement the newly created Civil Rights Act.

"As the years have passed, I realize more and more how very fortunate I have been," Carson said on the occasion of his 50th college reunion in 1982. "I also realize how much Guilford has meant to me. And the support given me by my wife, parents, teachers, friends and coworkers has encouraged me especially at difficult points in life."

A quiet but strong leader, Carson spent his life leading and serving others. He was known to be a gentleman and dedicated husband who would never ask any more of others than he would of himself.

David O. McKay, a well-known clergyman, said, "I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day." Carson's life was a sermon, and through the Jesse C. Carson Scholarship his life will continue to make a difference for generations to come.

— Phil Warshawer

## Former Vice President Charlie Patterson Receives Lifetime Achievement Award

Charlie Patterson, who retired as vice president for advancement Dec. 31, was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the N.C. Triad Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals in November.

The Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Patterson for his 37 years of service in higher education advancement work and for his success as a fundraiser and commitment to mentoring young professionals in the field. The award had been presented only once previously, to Whitney Jones in 2003.

Patterson was among seven individuals of groups honored at the organization's Philanthropy Awards Luncheon.

Patterson held fundraising positions at Meredith College, the University of Richmond, UNCG and Wake Forest University before arriving at Guilford in 1998. During his tenure the college raised \$56.4 million in the *Our Time in History* capital campaign.



Charlie, left, and Eleanor Patterson are surrounded by family and friends at a retirement reception for the former vice president for advancement in December. They are seated in Guilford rocking chairs presented by advancement staff members. In addition, Charlie Patterson was presented with a desk belonging to Charlie Hendricks '40, and a section of the basketball playing floor from the Joel Coliseum in Winston-Salem, N.C. Friends and family also committed \$50,000 to name a room on campus in honor of Patterson.

## Alumni Association Honors Six with Awards at Homecoming

The Alumni Association presented awards to six individuals during homecoming festivities in October — **Doug Galyon '53, Jim Morgan '66, Ronnie Gelman '73 Lowenstein, Tony Rosica '90, Dewey Trogdon '58** and Hayes Clement.

Galyon, Morgan and Lowenstein received the Alumni Excellence Award, which was established in 1980 to recognize alumni who are humanitarians and have achieved distinction in their chosen professional endeavors.

Galyon is chair of the N.C. Board of Transportation and member of that board since 1993. He served previously as a Guilford County commissioner and Greensboro City Council member. A former director of public affairs and consultant for Guilford Mills, he is a member of the college's Board of Visitors. The city's newly renovated railway station is named for him.

Morgan is a managing partner in the law firm of Morgan, Herring, Morgan, Green, Rosenblutt & Gill of High Point,

N.C. He served in the N.C. House of Representatives for three terms and headed the N.C. Council of Bar Presidents, N.C. Jaycees and United Way of North Carolina. He was founding chairman of the High Point Community Foundation.

Lowenstein is director of the Independent Budget Office of New York City, a position she has held since 2000. The office provides nonpartisan budgetary, economic and policy analysis for city residents and elected officials. She has worked as an economist for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and taught economics at Barnard College.

Rosica earned the Young Alumni Achievement Award, which was established in 2001 to recognize alumni who have achieved distinction early in their careers. He is a real estate broker and salesperson with Long & Foster Agency in Princeton, N.J. He has reached the Silver Level for the top one percent of realtors in the nation. He is also a mem-

ber of the New Jersey State Coalition in Support of Youth.

Trogdon and Clement received the **Charles C. Hendricks '40** Distinguished Service Award, which was established in 1954 to recognize persons giving prolonged and distinguished service to the college. It was renamed this year to honor Hendricks, who died Nov. 20, 2004.

Trogdon is former chairman of the board of Cone Mills Corporation and was a director of First Union Corporation, First Union National Bank of Greensboro and the Advisory Board of Chemical Bank in New York. He was a trustee of the college, serving as vice chairman and treasurer, and a member of the Board of Visitors.

Clement is retired managing partner of the Greensboro office of Arthur Andersen & Co. He joined the company after graduating from Duke University in 1958. He is serving on the college's Board of Visitors and was a member of the **Our Time in History** campaign cabinet.

## WALK THIS WAY

The walkway bisecting the campus quadrangle, from King Hall to Hege-Cox Hall, is being developed into a graduate walk paved with bricks bearing the names of alumni and friends. In the first phase of the project, 334 bricks were purchased and laid in the walkway. More than 100 bricks have been purchased to date in the second phase.

For information about purchasing bricks, contact **Caroline Steed '90** at 336-316-2123 or e-mail [csteed@guilford.edu](mailto:csteed@guilford.edu).



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