

THE PLACE OF THE SUNLIGHT OF GOD

# TAMASSEE

DAR SCHOOL

2017



ROAD TO  
**100**

*Tamassee*  
DAR SCHOOL



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## From the Desk of Lori Ann Bailey

### OUR MISSION

Supporting children and families in crisis through residential, educational, & outreach services.

### OUR VISION

To provide the highest quality of care for children and families in crisis.

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**On the Cover:** *Tamassee DAR School is excited to announce the theme for our 2018 Annual Fundraising Campaign – The Road to 100. As we journey toward the 100th Anniversary of Tamassee in 2019, we celebrate the significant impact our friends, donors, and supporters make in the lives of the children. Your generosity allows them to reach for the stars and access their full potential. Your gifts this year empower them to heal from the past, find normalcy in the present, and excel in their education for a brighter future. Our Road to 100 logo symbolizes their journey into the sunlight of God on the path you pave for them. Thank you!*



Tamassee DAR School was founded in 1919 because the Daughters of the American Revolution recognized the need to provide educational opportunities for the children of the southern Appalachian Mountains. From the time the first students were admitted to our school, the goal has been to improve the lives of children, youth, and families. Initially, the emphasis was primarily on building a strong agricultural and industrialized program, serving children in poverty. The belief was that if the children were provided the education they couldn't get back home on the farm, their future, their future families, the community, and even

our nation would greatly benefit. It really was a profound vision. A vision that has spanned nearly a century thanks to the generosity of men and women from around the country and even the world. A vision that could make a difference in a sustained way in the lives of children they may never have the opportunity to meet.

Our mission has evolved from exclusively providing educational opportunities for children living in poverty to providing educational, residential, and outreach services to children and families in crisis. While the family and cultural dynamic that drives children to need our services may have changed, the fundamental foundation that education is the key for a brighter future remains constant. For many children living in crisis situations, education gets lost. When the family is struggling for survival, when abuse and neglect are present in the home, or when extended family that is already stretched thin must step in to care for children, education is seldom a priority.

Tamassee DAR School continues to see education as much more than just the basic subjects taught in our schools. Just as our early services taught children and youth the skills needed to be productive in life, we still believe in this holistic approach to education. In our early years this was evident in our training of girls in domestic skills and our training of boys in taking care of animals and running a farm. Today it is evident in our work to help children heal from their past trauma so they can effectively learn, teaching them about boundaries and how to have healthy relationships, what a healthy family looks like, how to make healthy lifestyle choices, and, of course, doing their best in school. Our preschool program is an early learning program that prepares young children for elementary school, giving them a head-start in their learning. For our older youth we also teach independent living skills like how to care for a home, how to look for and maintain a job, the importance of continuing their education, strategies to help ensure their personal safety, and so much more. Our work with families seeks to educate them in ways that allow them to be strong, healthy, and to learn how to care for their children well.

As Tamassee DAR School has always evolved to meet the current needs of children and families, we continue to do so. This past year we successfully completed the process to become a licensed Child Placing Agency. This will allow us to expand our services to children in need of a loving home beyond our current residential cottages on our campus. We will expand our services to begin work with families in our local community to provide loving foster homes for children in need.

It is important to understand our work with children and families in broad terms. We want our supporters and the public at large to understand the breadth of all that we do and why we do it. As you read this report, please remember that behind the numbers are real children. Children with hopes and dreams of a brighter future, a future full of promise, a future filled with love. This annual report is our opportunity to not only tell the story of Tamassee DAR School but to also express our gratitude for your generosity. It is a chance for you to read about your impact in the lives of children and families we help. We are changing lives!

For almost 100 years now, the vision of providing a strong educational foundation for children in need has not wavered. The lives of countless children have been changed. But it is not only the lives of children that have changed. The lives of people across this nation have also been changed. Our donors weren't just reaching into their pockets to help children. They were reaching into their hearts. They have loved our children for almost a century. They have passed on that love to their children and others in their communities. They have passed on that love to you! The love has multiplied, and it continues to flow in powerful ways to help the children of Tamassee DAR School and their families.

We hold high the trust you have placed in us. We stand together in service to the children and families of Tamassee DAR School. Thank you for your compassion and your investments of time, talent, and money in our mission. Because of you, our children continue to walk toward a future filled with hope and promise!



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Letter from the  
**CHAIRMAN**

As Tamassee DAR School approaches her 100th Anniversary, I want to thank you all for your continued love for the children. Your prayers, time, talent, and gifts have helped so many children over the years, and Tamassee has evolved during that time to serve the needs of children.

It is said that there are half a million children in our country that are in need of foster care. Please pray with me for these children. Please pray that good people will step forward to help these children. In addition to the work we already do with foster children, this past year Tamassee has successfully completed the process to become a Child Placing Agency to begin working with foster families. Tamassee will find and train good foster families and work with them to provide good homes for children.

I know you have heard the story of the starfish. A child is walking along the beach throwing starfish back into the ocean. An adult asks, "How can this make a difference with so many starfish?" The child replies, "It makes a difference to this one" as he tosses another into the sea.

We hear the stories of former Tamassee students. Beth Boss Dabney, a teacher, who couldn't wait to get to her fourth-graders each day to give to them what Tamassee gave her. Beth now serves on the Tamassee Board of Trustees. Dr. Queen, who became a doctor and has spent his life giving back and giving to Tamassee. Tell the stories. Tell the people you know about Tamassee. Give what you can and encourage them to give to Tamassee. I have heard it said that many times Tamassee made budget because some lovely DAR member or community member or past student put Tamassee in their will.

We must do what we can to alleviate the suffering of the innocents in our society. We can make a difference – we have made a difference for nearly 100 years.

Thank you and please – help us to spread the word and do all we can. The more money we raise, the more children we can help.

God bless you and God bless the children,

Dianne Culbertson, Chair  
Tamassee DAR School Board of Trustees



The Tamassee DAR School Academy hosted their first Colonial Day event on Friday, October 27, 2017. Along with the Academy, the 4th grade classes from local elementary schools were invited to take part and as a result, 140 children and teachers traveled back to the 18th Century for the day.

Representatives from the Powder Magazine located in Charleston, South Carolina came dressed in period appropriate costumes and brought the props and equipment necessary to facilitate the historical transformation back to the colonial time period.

The student's experience began by dipping white feather quilled pens into ink bottles to "make their mark" signifying their enlistment in the Continental Army. The next stop was the musket station where, as brand new members of the militia, they were taught the proper way to handle, load and fire a musket. After learning their new found firearm skills, they practiced marching with their muskets "shouldered" until such time as the sergeant ordered them to load and fire. A unified roar of "bang" was heard as the new enlistees followed the command.

Once the student's musket firing re-enactments were completed and to the delight of those in attendance, the instructor fired his musket and produced a muffled sound of an explosion and a cloud of white smoke. This ignited the student's joyous chant of "Huzzah", which was the early American equivalent of "Hooray"!

The students roamed to each exhibition table and enjoyed learning about colonial tools, clothes, household utensils and much more.

## COLONIAL DAY at Tamassee

Ms. Casey Certain, Tamassee DAR School Academy Teacher, had a nutritional exhibit where she shared glasses of the common early American beverage, wassail, with her guests. They discussed seasonal foods that were commonly served during the colonial period and talked about the role tea played in the American Revolution. Each session ended with Ms. Certain singing the period popular song, "Here We Come A Wassailing". This song was customarily heard as folks traveled around door to door with their wassail, singing and asking for payment from those who would drink wassail from their bowl.

Mari Noorai, from Clemson University was on hand to share information about the historical Hanover House which was built in 1716 and today resides in the South Carolina Botanical Gardens at Clemson. The Spartanburg Committee of the National Society of Colonial Dames of America provided some of the historical artifacts that can be found in the Hanover museum.

Ms. Noorai also described the childhood games played by colonial children and then led the young people in playing a few of the most well-known.

Throughout the day, the sound of children's laughter and excitement could be heard and hands were seen going up as students anxiously asked questions to further understand life in the 18th century. The smiles on their faces as they participated in activities and hung on every word of the presenters made the entire event worthy of doing again.

Thank you to the representatives from Powder Magazine, Mari Noorai of Colonial Dames and Clemson University, and to Casey Certain of the Tamassee DAR School Academy for making this day come alive for the students.

# Tamassee DAR School Hosts *Pastor's Lunch and Learn*



October is designated as Pastor Appreciation Month and in 2017, Tamassee DAR School invited clergy from the area to attend an Appreciation Day Lunch and Learn.

Pastors and Church Leaders from surrounding communities and around the state, traveled to Tamassee DAR School campus where they were honored for their dedication and commitment to helping families and children in need. Through their partnership, we have been able to serve hundreds of children in need of out-of-home placement. No matter the family issue - divorce, financial difficulty, educational needs, or more serious problems at home - Tamassee has been here as a resource to meet the needs of the children and/or the family. This day was a celebration of that mutual partnership and to create a better awareness of the programs and services offered at Tamassee. Pastor Randy Smith from Pendleton Street Baptist Church commented, "For a number of years I had driven down Highway 11 past the entrance to the school, on my way to Tamassee Knob deer and turkey hunting. I never realized the impact of Tamassee DAR School until I was invited to come for a tour of the facilities during the Pastor Appreciation Day. During that time, I and my deacon chairman experienced firsthand what a difference the school was making in the lives of the children and young people that were there. We came back to our church with a desire to partner with the ministry that is taking place there. May God bless the efforts of the staff and those who serve. We will be back!"

As part of the event, church leaders were provided an overview of Tamassee programs, a tour of campus which included a residential cottage, and literature to share with their congregation. A question and answer period was held in the North Carolina Gibson Chapel before lunch was served in the Ann T. Brown Banquet Hall.

It is frequently through members of their congregation and community contacts that pastors and church leaders first learn of struggling families in their area. Tamassee DAR School has been helping children and families in need for over 99 years and continue to be an available resource. This event was a celebration of the marriage of those opportunities, and a reminder that together, we can make a difference in the lives of children and families in need.

*Caption Photo 1: Members of Tamassee DAR School Staff provide programmatic information to attendees at the Pastor Appreciation Lunch and Learn.*

*Caption Photo 2: Tamassee DAR School CEO, Lori Bailey talks about the history and mission of the organization.*



*Top left photo: The Cannon Brigade stands ready.*

*Middle photo: Musket demonstration captures everyone's attention.*

*Bottom left photo: Ms. Certain shares popular recipes from colonial days.*

# THE GIFT OF NORMALCY

## The Power of Boarding Scholarships for Children in Need

### Life

Wood and the hot sun.  
Hammer and nails  
The smell and sound  
Tired and dirty  
He sweats and grunts  
Busted up hands

Wood, the hot sun  
Cooking his skin like a stove  
Hammer and nails  
Sound of construction, slow repetition  
The smell of saw wood  
Making him cough.  
He sweats and grunts  
Busted up hand  
Smashed by falling wood  
He holds it to his chest

When he's home, he's  
Ready to eat  
The good taste of food  
Was hungry, but isn't  
Any more, stuffed as  
A pig, takes his  
Shower wraps up his hand  
Gets ready for the next work day  
He may break his  
Back, but it's worth it

In the end  
After all those hard days at work  
He still gets to  
Spend time with  
His family  
But he always  
Grins at the end

*~Daniel*



No one expected Daniel to be at Tamassee DAR School for very long. His primary caregiver had challenges everyone involved hoped would be resolved quickly. Tamassee would be a temporary safe haven for him before reunifying with his family. Sadly, things did not go as hoped. Weeks turned into months, and Daniel adjusted to a longer term stay at Tamassee. He bonded with his peers, Teaching Parent, Care Coordinator, and Grief and Loss Coach. He learned how to process his losses, enjoyed student life at Tamassee, and did well in school. He was a model of good behavior to other children.

Then recently his caregiver told him that there would be no more visits. In a heartbreaking decision, his caregiver gave up parental rights. Daniel responded with great maturity. He talked through his feelings with the staff at Tamassee, and he decided that his caregiver's actions would not determine his future. "I want a normal life," he said as he spoke about his desire to attend college, find the right career, and have a family of his own one day. It is a great honor to have Daniel at Tamassee and to walk alongside him as he grows into his full potential.

Daniel's story illustrates the power of boarding scholarships for Tamassee DAR School. Through your annual gifts to the Boarding Scholarship Fund, Daniel received the care he needed when he needed it most. Donations to this fund provide food, shelter, clothing, educational needs, medical needs, utilities, insurance, trained professional staff, transportation, special outings, other operational needs, and much, much more.

Each year you give \$500 or more to the Boarding Scholarship Fund, you will be recognized with a Care Award during our Awards Day celebration held in May, and be recognized in our Tamassee Today magazine Annual Report edition.

There are two convenient ways you can change a child's life with a boarding scholarship donation during Tamassee's "Road to 100" year this year. First, make a one-time gift. You can do this by going online

to [www.tdarschool.org/donate](http://www.tdarschool.org/donate) and select Boarding Scholarship Fund under the Designation, or by mailing a check to Tamasee using the envelope enclosed in this magazine. Please be sure to write Boarding Scholarship in the check's memo.

Second, join the Tamasee Faithful Sustaining Gift Program and designate your monthly debit or credit card gift for the Boarding Scholarship Fund. Your financial information is kept with strict security, and your monthly gift provides reliable support for the

children of Tamasee. Take a moment now to fill out and send us the sign up form on this page. Of course, if your Tamasee Faithful monthly contributions add up to \$500 or more in the previous year, you'll be recognized on Awards Day and in the Tamasee Today magazine. Every gift to the Boarding Scholarship Fund provides normalcy to the children of Tamasee. As Daniel will attest, normalcy is an incredible gift.

*The child's name in this story has been changed for confidentiality.*

**Want to leave Tamasee in your will? Contact Jason Eller at 864.944.1390 ext. 107 to find out how!**

# Tamasee Faithful



**YES!**

I WANT TO SUPPORT TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL by donating monthly



## PAYMENT INFO

**Option 1: Credit Card (Please select one)**

Visa  MC  AMEX  DISC

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Holder Name (Name on Card) \_\_\_\_\_

Please begin my recurring credit card gift on:

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Thereafter please process my monthly gift on the:

1st or  15th of each month

*I understand and hereby authorize Tamasee DAR School to charge my credit card or withdraw from my bank account monthly in the amount I have designated.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## ABOUT YOUR GIFT

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**My Total Monthly Gift Amount:**

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**I Would Like My Monthly Gift to Support:**

Boarding Scholarship Fund  Children's Fund

*Gifts to this program will be acknowledged in an end of year statement unless otherwise requested.*

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Providing a  
**BRIDGE OF SUPPORT**  
 for life beyond Tamassee



through the LifeBridge program receive guidance and assistance from Tamassee Care Coordinators who help guide the child and the family through the reunification process. This can be a stressful time for the parent or relative, and the child as they learn to coexist once more as a family unit.

In the case of adoptions, the Tamassee LifeBridge Coordinator prepares both the child and their new family for a successful adjustment to their lives together. Training, resources and support are offered for as long as the family opts to remain in the LifeBridge program.

After high school, residential students have the opportunity to move into the Tamassee Apartment Quad located in Clemson, SC. Whether they are transitioning into fulltime jobs and independent living, or enrolled in a college or university to pursue a certificate or degree, they are welcomed. The two- bedroom apartments pair young adults with their "own home" experience, while benefitting from the guidance of on-site support. The staff is available to offer advice, guidance and assistance as the young adults learn first-hand about the responsibilities associated with becoming successful adults.



Tamassee DAR School provides a wide variety of high-quality children's services and programs. Most children enter the Residential Program when their family is experiencing a crisis. Our programs and services provide opportunities for children to refocus on their education, cope with grief and loss they may have experienced, grow in self confidence and re-acquire the ability to build positive relationships based on trust.

As time passes, the situations which bring a child to Tamassee can change. The student may graduate high school and look forward to transitioning into independent living or pursuing higher education. Children can be reunified with relatives or placed with a new adoptive family. In each of these instances, Tamassee DAR School is there to continue support of the child and family through the LifeBridge services. Previously titled "After Care", the LifeBridge program is designed to provide students and their families with a "safety net" as they transition to their next step in life.

Families who are reunified and elect to stay engaged with Tamassee DAR School

There are currently seven former Tamassee DAR School Residential Students who are participating in the LifeBridge continuing education and independent living program. Here is an update on the paths they are taking:

**Julian, Class of 2016** is employed full time while enrolled in Long Distance Learning from Accredited Heart of Herbs Herbal School. Julian is seeking a certification in Master Herbalist. His future plans include attending Tri County Technical College for Associate Degree in Business.

**Claudia, Class of 2016** is working Part time at CVS Pharmacy as Certified Pharmacy Technician while attending school at Tri County Technical College. Claudia is intending to transfer to 4 year college this coming fall 2018 and has received an acceptance letter from Clemson University, but is also looking at other 4 year colleges.

**Levi** who is our youngest young adult is presently working full time, but plans to attend Tri County Technical College in fall 2018.

**Zion** is working full time in the manufacturing industry. He has received several manufacturing certifications from Tri County Technical College, but has plans to return for an Associate's Degree in Megatronics.

**Deandre, Class of 2016** is presently working two part time jobs while attending Tri County Technical College seeking a degree in Criminology.

**Mary Beth, Class of 2014** graduated with an Associate's Degree from Tri County Technical College and has transferred to Anderson University for 4 year degree. She is presently living in the Dorm at the University.

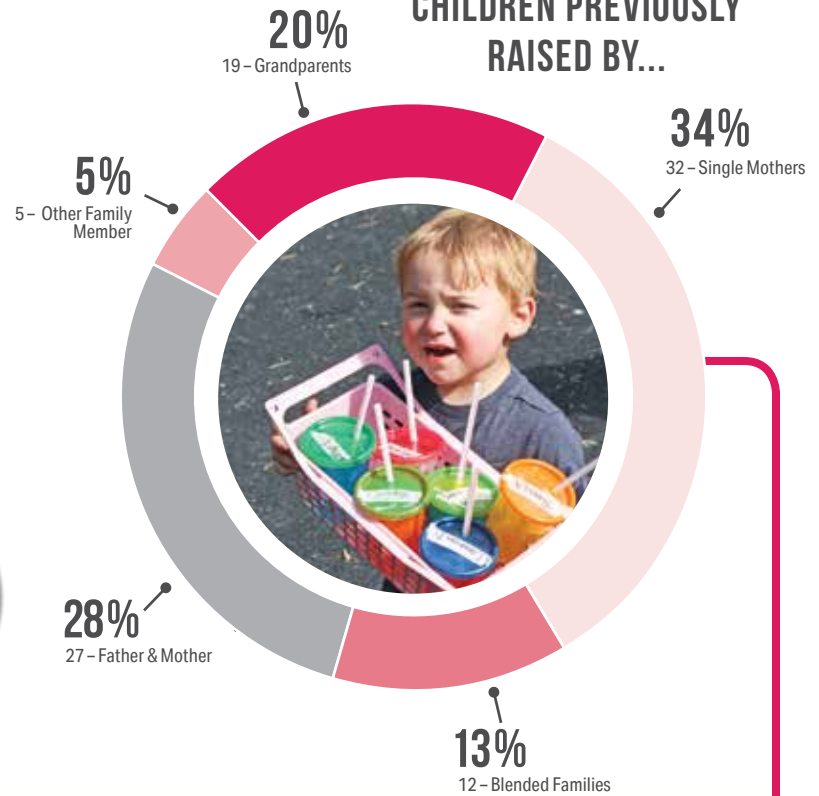
**Grace, Class of 2015** has moved to Black Mountain, North Carolina. She is working full time at present with plans to go back to school at Technical School in Asheville, North Carolina.



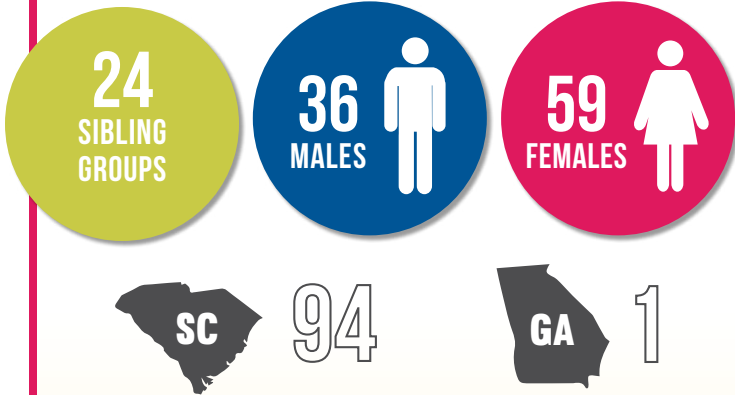
**113** TOTAL POPULATION SERVED  
IN 2017 (RESIDENTIAL & AFTERCARE)

**95** RESIDENTIAL  
**18** LIFEBRIDGE

**CHILDREN PREVIOUSLY  
RAISED BY...**



**RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM  
TOTAL SERVED: 95**



**AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY**

DSS: 222 DAYS (7.4 MONTHS) PRIVATE: 426 DAYS (1.2 YEARS)

**100%**

of students participated in  
**INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS TRAINING**

**50%**

of eligible students participated in  
**STUDENT WORK PROGRAM**

The Residential Program served a total of **95 children** throughout 2017.

**LIFEBRIDGE [FORMERLY AFTERCARE]  
TOTAL SERVED: 18**

**9**

REUNIFIED  
FAMILIES

**2**

ADOPTIONS

**7**

STUDENTS IN HIGHER  
EDUCATION/  
INDEPENDENT LIVING





PCC helps Santa Claus provide Christmas!

We are very happy to have our child in your program. We feel comfortable and assured our child is safe and engaged in positive peer experiences.

~ Parent

*In their words...*

When we had a need, the staff was always able to help meet it, or point us in the right direction for help.

~ Parent

## Pennsylvania Children's Center

### *Helping Santa Grant Christmas Wishes*

Tamasee DAR School's Pennsylvania Children's Center (PCC) is the only licensed daycare center in the area. Since 1985, we have been successfully serving infants, toddlers and children in the community. Teachers not only provide quality care for the little people during the day, but they strive to instill an early love of lifelong learning into every child in the program.

PCC has the opportunity to serve families of all socio-economic groups.

It is not unusual for children who are enrolled in the program to be funded by Tamasee DAR School scholarships or through the aid of an outside program. For the PCC staff, working with families in the local community and going that extra mile to provide assistance when they sense a need is not uncommon.

Christmas 2017 provided the day care center staff with the opportunity to brighten Christmas morning for several of the families served. After realizing there were ten parents struggling to provide Christmas gifts for their children during the holiday season, a call was made to a local community church that had inquired about ways they could help. The congregation was asked to create warm Christmas morning memories for the children by purchasing gifts for parents to place under their family tree. Thanks to the members of the congregation, gifts were purchased, wrapped, and delivered to the families in time to be placed under trees before Christmas morning. The church members were blessed with the gift of joy that comes from helping the parents provide a Christmas for the children.

Heartfelt appreciation was expressed to the PCC staff by grateful parents who just could not say "thank you" enough. In turn, the PCC staff sent a letter to the congregation telling them how much their love and support meant to the families for whom they had provided. Its actions such as this that have made PCC mean more to the families in the surrounding communities than just their day care facility. They are making a difference in the lives of the children and families they serve.

## PENNSYLVANIA CHILDREN'S CENTER

**TOTAL SERVED: 50**

**FULL TIME ENROLLMENT: 12 CHILDREN**

**SG FIRST STEPS 4K: 3 CHILDREN**

**AFTERSCHOOL ENROLLMENT: 16 CHILDREN**

**ADDITIONAL SUMMER ENROLLMENT: 19 CHILDREN**

During 2017 the Children's Center served a total of 50 children through the various programs offered at the Pennsylvania Children's Center.

## Work

He goes to work  
 And could get hurt  
 He stacks the bales  
 And hammers and nails  
 He plowed the fields and  
 went to the neighbor and appealed

For herding the cattle  
 and fixing the fences so they don't rattle  
 He works from dusk to dawn  
 Working and cutting the lawn  
 He works hard every day  
 And earns his pay

He works on the car  
 But doesn't get very far  
 Because his wife needed help installing a door  
 And now he's headed to the store

He buys the tools  
 He reads the instructions and follows the rules

Now he's back to working on the car  
 This time he's getting somewhere, but it's  
 very hard

The transmission was broke  
 But when he fixed it, he was very stoked  
 He turns it on and hits the gas  
 Now he can relax at last

But not for long,  
 He thought he was done but he was wrong  
 He has to chop the wood  
 He sees his wife laying down and wished he could  
 He grabbed the axe and started to chop  
 Now he was finished with his job

Written By Raymond Academy  
 Middle School Student, 7th grade

# 2016/2017

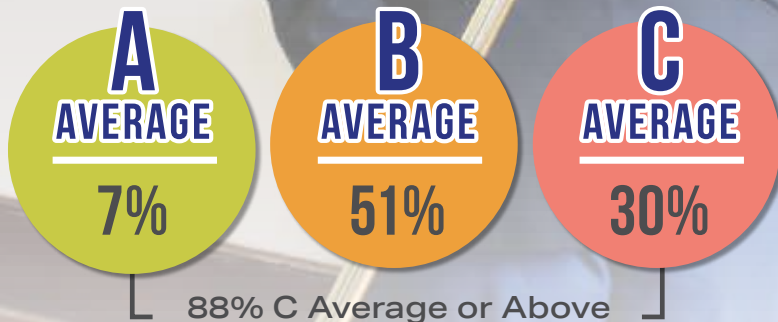
## Academic Year

### TOTAL SERVED

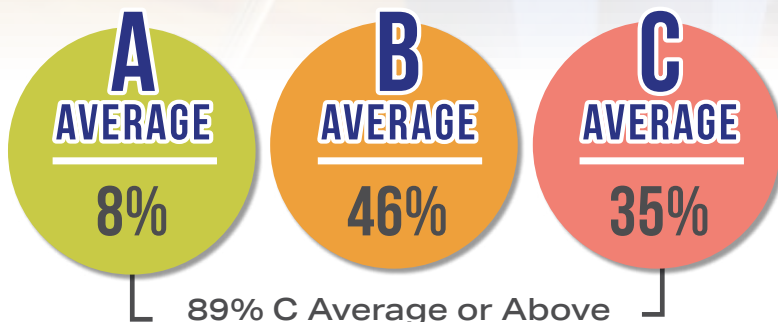
**28** RAYMOND  
 ACADEMY

**95** LEARNING  
 RESOURCE  
 CENTER

### MIDDLE SCHOOL



### HIGH SCHOOL



### Working Women

She's got children to feed  
 And plants to weed  
 She's got emails to send  
 And children to tend  
 She's got meds to give  
 And her life to live  
 She's got stuff to put away  
 And words to say  
 She's got a shower to take  
 And breakfast to make  
 She's got toys to fix  
 And cookie dough to mix  
 She tells us not to run  
 But the kids think it is fun

She is always caring  
 And also daring  
 She cares for her puppy  
 Even if she is grumpy

She loves to swim  
 But not if the water is dim  
 She likes to play with the puppy  
 Even when she is sleepy

She loves all the kids  
 Even when she wants to forbid  
 She loves her house  
 But not a mouse

She gives them Knowledge  
 So she sends them off to college  
 She wishes her kid good well,  
 For all a good farewell

Written By Raymond Academy  
 Middle School Student, 8th grade



## TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL

# Forming a FAMILY

**N**ot long after the 2015 school began, Dustin came through the gates of Tamassee DAR School. I remember the day we first met because he carried the same name as my own son, and there have not been many “Dustins” here since my arrival. He was small framed with dark hair, and he had dark eyes that hesitated to glance up. He also had a little grin that was not easily shared with strangers.

Prior to arriving at the “Place of the Sunlight of God”, Dustin had been living with a family friend who was working fulltime and providing fulltime care to an aging family member. While her heart was full of compassion for those in need, her days lacked the time necessary to guide a teenage boy through those often turbulent middle school years. Consequently, Dustin was often the master of his own fate, and that fate did not include a focus on his

school routine. He experienced truancy issues, struggled with rules and was showing a discontent for discipline figures. In Dustin’s world, education was not a priority.

Upon arriving at Tamassee DAR School, the young teenager had tasted independence and was not sure he wanted to conform to the structure and guidance needed by young boys. Because of his past lack of interest in education, he was enrolled in the Tamassee DAR School Raymond James Academy for middle school students. The small classroom sizes, hands-on learning techniques and commitment of the Academy Teachers were the ideal environment to get Dustin back on the right academic track.

Over the next two years, he consistently attended classes, participated in assignments, and developed an interest in music. In the spring of 2017, he graduated from the Academy as a successful 8th grader with the interest, discipline, and academic foundation to begin a successful high school career. In high school, his love of music found him participating in the band and orchestra as a trombone player, and it peaked his interest in a career as a high school band teacher.

During Dustin’s time at Tamassee, he began a relationship with his father who until then, had not been a part of his life. As a new father of a teenage boy, there were parenting skills that needed to be learned. As a teenage boy with a new-found father, Dustin spent hours discussing healthy roles and responsibilities in building family relationships. Tamassee DAR School Childcare staff provided advice and resources to help father and son build a meaningful relationship, and in December of 2017, they were unified as a family. Our hearts are hopeful that their future will be filled with the joys that “family” brings, our prayers are with them for continued guidance, and Tamassee DAR School is there to assist them in the transition for as long as they need us!

*The child’s name in this story has been changed for confidentiality.*

# DONOR SPOTLIGHT

To say that **Mary Jane Matson** has a heart for helping the children at Tamassee DAR School is a definite understatement. Mary Jane financially supports the daily needs of the children with a substantial annual gift to the Boarding Scholarship Fund with an additional gift match from General Electric. Mary Jane explained that she has an understanding and a heart for these children because of her own roots, “I grew up in a little country town that could be considered Appalachia. I was living on the fringes of what many of the children at Tamassee may have experienced in their own lives.”

Mary Jane lives in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. She became a member of DAR in 1950, first in Massachusetts, then in Ohio, and is currently a member of the Great Valley Chapter in Pennsylvania. After hearing the stories of the Tamassee DAR School children from her DAR friends and others, she knew she wanted to help. Mary Jane said, “**I wanted to give to Tamassee so that these children could have**

# CAMPUS RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Serving children and families for over 99 years requires periodic upgrades and renovations to campus facilities. Here are the latest renovations to occur.



TOP LEFT: Recently, new gutters and gutter guards were placed on the May Erwin Talmadge Georgia Auditorium thanks to a special gift made by Jon and Rose Bell of Georgia and the ongoing support from the Georgia State Society NSDAR.

TOP RIGHT & MIDDLE: The work has begun to restore the guest cottage that was damaged when Hurricane Irma swept through campus in September 2017.

BOTTOM LEFT: Pennsylvania State Regent, Cyndy Sweeney's project of renovations to the lower level of the Pennsylvania Children's Center is underway. Completion of this project will allow the necessary space to grow our programs and services to children in the community.

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***an education, know one day what it is like to have a healthy family of their own, and be successful in life."***

Jason Eller, Chief Development Officer for Tamassee DAR School, commented on Mary Jane's annual giving to Tamassee DAR School, "She is an extremely modest person, and I feel blessed to know her. She has a special understanding of our children and a strong desire to pass on the blessings she has received to help a child at Tamassee. I just can't say thank you enough for her genuine support of the programs and services we provide."

When asked what she would like to share with others about Tamassee DAR School she stated, "I believe that Tamassee DAR School is a place where the "sunlight of God" is shining on those children fortunate

enough to be there. Supporting them is an investment not only in their future, but in ours as well."

***Consider a gift of appreciated stock to the Boarding Scholarship Fund!*** Your gift will be a great donation to Tamassee while helping you avoid costly capital gains tax. Remember you can double your gift by contacting your company and requesting matching gift information. **Contact Jason Eller, Chief Development Officer at 864-944-1390 x107 for more information. Visit us online at [www.tdarschool.org](http://www.tdarschool.org).**

# BUILDING A WELLNESS ♥ CULTURE AT TAMASSEE



On October 23-24, 2017, Tamassee DAR School welcomed a team of trainers from HealthCorps University. Founded in 2003 by Dr. Mehmet Oz of the Dr. Oz television show, HealthCorps' mission is to unleash the power of America's youth to live productive and happier lives. HealthCorps' training events address good nutrition, increased physical activity, and improved mental wellness for children, and it is aligned with the National Health Education Standards.

While improved nutrition, exercise, and a positive outlook are important for all of us, they are especially important for the children and youth Tamassee serve since they often come from backgrounds that ingrained the opposite behaviors. Such healthy self-care skills are also critically important for our staff – both for their own well-being and for teaching and modeling the behaviors for our children.

Thanks to a grant from Clemson head football coach Dabo Swinney's All In Team Foundation and support from the Lady Washington Chapter, NSDAR of Houston, Texas forty-one (41) Tamassee children and staff from the childcare, education, dining hall, and administrative departments participated in the two day training. The hands-on seminar was the result of months of planning and coordination



with HealthCorps that included individual self-assessments for the children and planning to address specific organizational needs at Tamassee. What is more, HealthCorps uses a "training trainers" model so that the staff who attended the event are now equipped to teach the curriculum to all future Tamassee children.

During the training, participants learned wellness guidelines for decreasing sugary beverage consumption, fast food consumption, sedentary behavior, and negative perception of challenges as well as guidelines for increasing the frequency of breakfast consumption, fruit and vegetable consumption, exercise, and conflict resolution skills. They had fun decoding nutrition labels to be empowered to make healthy food choices. They received feedback from their individual wellness assessments and learned about setting SMART goals – Specific, Measurable, Action-Oriented, Realistic, Timely – related to needs identified in their self-assessment. They also discovered coping skills for dealing with stress such as yoga, deep breathing, meditation, and positive thinking regarding challenges.

Tamassee CEO, Lori Bailey, reflected on the training, "HealthCorps has given our children and youth tools that will help them develop lifelong skills and knowledge for healthy living. Far beyond an emphasis on simply good nutrition and physical activity, HealthCorps also emphasizes the importance of mental resilience, which is critically important for our children and youth. I'm confident our staff came away from the training fully equipped to support our youth on this journey to improved wellness." Chad

Wayne, Chief Programs Officer at Tamassee, commented, "The children were very engaged and immediately bought into the idea of healthy living habits. We also have staff that are excited about working with the kids to role model and encourage healthy choices."

Tamassee DAR School has appointed two of our staff as the "wellness champions" to implement and oversee the HealthCorps program throughout Tamassee's services to ensure long term success. HealthCorps provides a wide range of ongoing resources and coaching to support long term implementation. The Cliffs Resident Outreach has also provided funding to support incentives and supplies needed for the initiative. Thanks to Dabo's All In Team Foundation, the Cliffs Residents Outreach and HealthCorps University, Tamassee is building a wellness culture for the children for years to come!



Tamassee Children Make Stress Balls during the HealthCorps Training



Tamassee Boys Practice Exercises



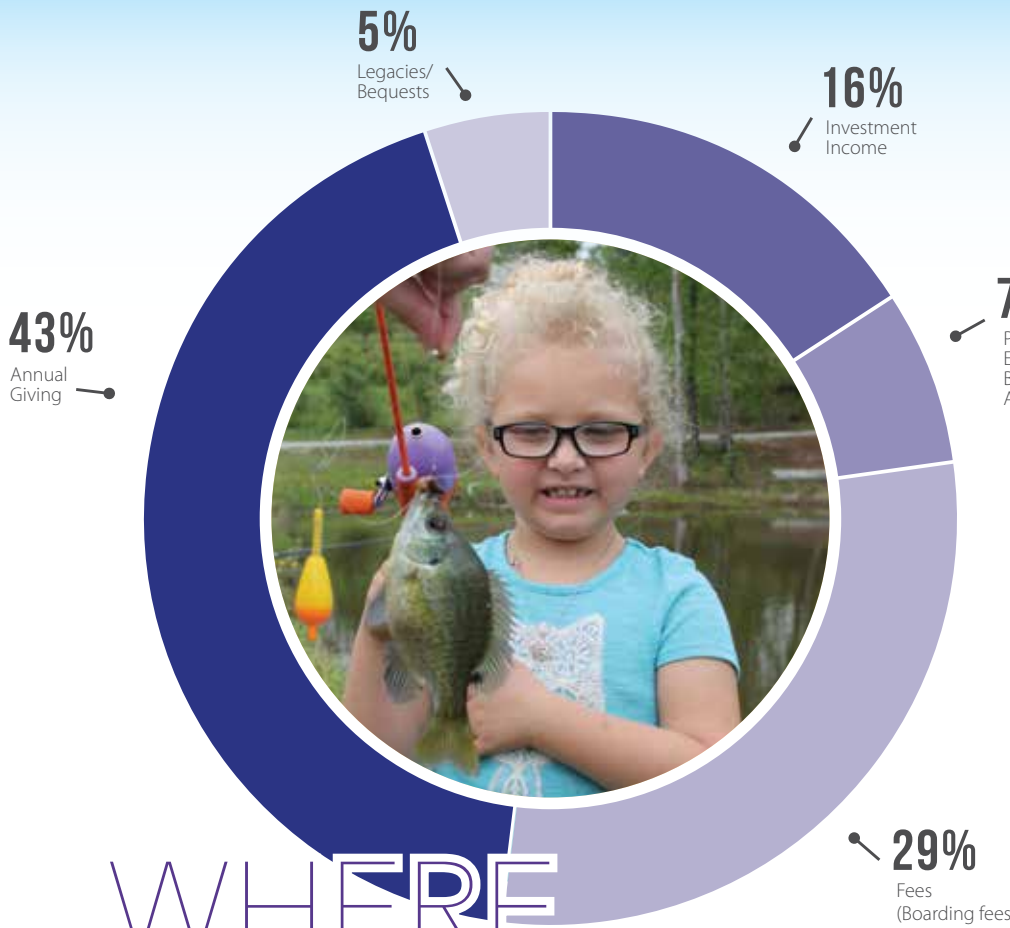
## Here is what the children had to say....

- "I learned to be healthy and to eat healthy. To face challenges and never give up."
- "I learned to eat good and always exercise every day and not to get stressed."
- "I learned to be efficient, be healthy, be confident, never doubt yourself."
- "I learned that no matter what happens, we will make it."
- "I learned to set goals with timelines."
- "I learned to face your challenges."
- "I learned we are all able to succeed."
- "I learned to be positive."

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*- Lori Bailey, Tamassee DAR School CEO*

# INCOME EXPENSE &



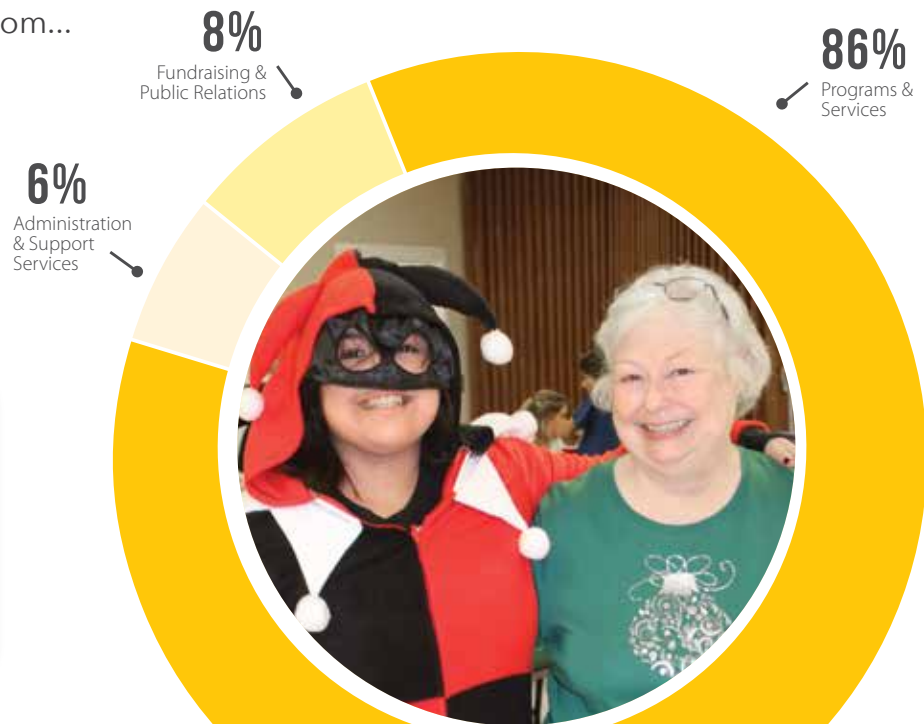
**TOTAL REVENUE**  
**\$3,898,243**

JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2017

16%	Investment Income
7%	Productive Enterprise & Business Activity
29%	Fees [boarding fees]
43%	Annual Giving
5%	Legacies/Bequests

## WHERE

the dollars come from...



**TOTAL EXPENSES**  
**\$3,358,214**

JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2017

86%	Programs and Services
6%	Administration & Support Services
8%	Fundraising & Public Relations

## WHERE

the dollars go...

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# Thank you

Throughout the year, Tamassee DAR School is very fortunate to have friends, families, organizations and businesses in the community ready to help. Your gifts of funding, volunteer service, fellowship, prayers and more allow us to continue to serve children and families in need.



Decorating our cottages with students from Clemson University!



Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church hosted a picnic and game night as one of the first events held in the new Walter and Ross Kinney Pavilion.

## Community CORNER



Clemson University Football Coach, Dabo Swinney presents a check from his All In Foundation to Tamassee DAR School.



New Galilee Baptist Church in Walhalla, SC helped make Christmas wishes come true for Tamassee students.



The Keowee Key Boating Association in Salem, SC presented a check to the Children's Fund.



Closing out their summer break at the Keowee Key pool party before heading back to school.

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Mallory Dailey, 4H Clemson Extension Agent introduces students to avenues you can take with 4H.



The Keowee Key Boating Association boat ride and picnic was greatly anticipated by the children!

STUDENTSPOTLIGHT

A NEW NORMAL for TONYA

Tamassee DAR School Board of Trustees joined us for a night with the Po' Ramblin Boys.



Thank you Suzanne Watkins and families of the Episcopal Day School, Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish in Clemson, South Carolina for your love and support.

Tonya is one of our shining stars at Tamassee. As a middle-school aged young lady, she has worked hard to overcome the darkness that kept her light from shining. Prior to coming to Tamassee, Tonya suffered extreme neglect and abuse. Because of these experiences, Tonya became verbally aggressive and hurtful towards others. She had poor grades, low self-esteem and little self-worth. She was constantly in trouble in school and was near expulsion.

Once enrolled at Tamassee DAR School, Tonya was assessed and special counseling was provided. Chad Wayne is the Chief Programs Officer for Tamassee and commented on the love and services that surrounded Tonya as she worked through her trauma, "Tonya is such an incredibly talented and special child who just needed the right help to move her life forward in a positive direction. In order to do this, we ensured she received specialized professional counseling to directly meet her needs. In addition, we provided grief and loss sessions to help her understand what happened to her and effective coping skills that are then reinforced by staff."

Today, Tonya has a very positive outlook about her life. She has excelled in our academic program and has been on the A/B honor roll. Due to her improved grades and new coping skills, she has achieved TOPS (Tamassee's Often Privileged Student) status. She now participates in sports and school activities. Tonya is experiencing a new normal for her life. One filled with love, belonging and opportunity.

Mr. Wayne repeated one of Tamassee's strongest beliefs in action for our children, "No matter what, we are going to love you." This statement is our mantra for the children we serve and Tonya continues to receive that love each day at the place of the sunlight of God.

\*The name of the child within this story has been changed for confidentiality purposes.



VFW Auxilliary Post 6830 from Walhalla, SC presented Jason Eller, CDO with gifts and gift cards for the children of Tamassee.



Employees of Johnson Controls in Seneca SC share the love with Tamassee children at Christmas.

# 2017 AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

*Thank you to all our friends and donors who provided an award and/or scholarship funding during the 2017 calendar year. Awards and Scholarships are presented during our Awards Day ceremony which is held annually in May.*

## STAFF & SENIOR RECOGNITION

### STAFF 3M AWARD

Eric Owens

### MARIE HIRST YOCHIM AWARD

Evelyn Frye

### GRACE WARD CALHOUN AWARD

Wendy Brott

## EDUCATIONAL & CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

### PATRIOTISM AWARD

Jazmin

### WINSLETT PROMISE MATH AWARD

Cadence, Jeremiah

### WINSLETT PROMISE SCIENCE AWARD

Annie, Nathan

### AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Anni

### PUTTING YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD AWARD

Branden, Zavir

### JULIA FARRIGAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Shateka

### JERSEY BLUE CHAPTER MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH AWARD

Allison

### JERSEY BLUE CHAPTER MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH AWARD

Zavir

### JERSEY BLUE CHAPTER MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE AWARD

Cadence

### JERSEY BLUE CHAPTER HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH AWARD

Anni

### JERSEY BLUE CHAPTER HIGH SCHOOL MATH AWARD

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### JERSEY BLUE CHAPTER HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE AWARD

Anni

### WRIGHTSTILL AVERY CHAPTER ELEMENTARY ENGLISH AWARD

Alana, Alvaro

### WRIGHTSTILL AVERY CHAPTER ELEMENTARY MATH AWARD

Alana & Anah (tie), Alvaro

### PENNSYLVANIA CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Elementary Girl: Destiny

Elementary Boy: Alvaro

Middle School Girl: Allison.

Middle School Boy: Jeremiah

High School Girl: Mechia

High School Boy: James

### REBECCA MOTTE CHAPTER HISTORY AWARD

Middle School: Breail

High School: Shateka

### THEODOSIA BURR CHAPTER AWARD

Female: Jasmeen

Male: Kamarion

### GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Anah

### GEORGIA B. EDGMAN MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP- LADY WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Alana

### WHY AMERICA IS FREE AWARD

Proper Department Female

Allison & McKenzie (tie)

Proper Department Male –

Jeremiah

### SUPER SPELLER AWARDS

Michael, Destiny

### TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL AWARD FOR CREATIVE ARTS

Middle School: Cadence

High School: Jasmeen

### TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL ELEMENTARY SOCIAL STUDIES

Elementary: Alana

## SPARKLE AWARD

Alvaro

## A/B ALL YEAR AWARDS

Alana, Alvaro, Jazmin

## JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS CLUB (JAC)

Our appreciation to Mari Noorai, the Andrew Pickens, Eliza Lucas Pinckney and Wizard of Tamassee Chapters for their dedication to the Tamassee DAR School JAC.

## SOUTH CAROLINA STATE WINNERS

### FIRST PLACE AWARD

Issac, Nick, Tymariah, Josh Summer, Allen, Zoie, Jazmin, Ericka, Nathan, Cadence Maddison, Blake, Marianna, Allison, MaKenzie, Josh, Ashlyn Shateka, Jasmeen, Shasta, Tristen

## SOUTHEAST DIVISION WINNERS

### FIRST PLACE AWARD

Alan, Zoie, Ericka, Cadence Jasmeen, Tristen

## NATIONAL WINNERS

### FIRST PLACE

Triston

### SECOND PLACE

Ericka, Cadence, Zoie, Jasmeen

### HONORABLE MENTION

Triston

### DAR YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Jeremiah, Allison

### DAR EXCELLENCE IN HISTORY AWARD

Madison, Nathan

## UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

### CLAUDIA CULPEPPER

Apalachee Chapter College Scholarship (GA)

College Hill Chapter College Scholarship (GA)

Fielding Lewis Chapter College Scholarship (GA)

General de Lafayette Chapter College Scholarship (IN)

Kate Barry Chapter College Scholarship (SC)

Jasper Chapter College Scholarship (SC)

## JULIAN COLLINS

Perrin Wheaton-Reynolds Endowed College Scholarship (IL)

Samuel Johnston Chapter College Scholarship (NC)

## MARYBETH BRUNSON

Betty Jouret College Scholarship (GA)

Joseph McDowell Chapter Endowed College Scholarship (NC)

Dr. Irene Dillard Elliott College Scholarship (SC)

John Sam & Zonell McPhail Lay Family Endowed College Scholarship (SC)

Emaline Edwards Endowed College Scholarship (TN)

Buffington Fund College Scholarship (VA)

"I Am the Light" College Scholarship (SC)

John and Millie Hawbecker College Scholarship (SC)

## DARBY N. JONES

Ralph H. Cain Memorial College Scholarship

## BOARDING SCHOLARSHIPS

*The following named Boarding Scholarships were received between 5/5/2016 and 5/5/2017 and represent annual gifts to the Tamassee DAR School Boarding Scholarship Fund that total \$500 or greater.*

Hollywood Chapter Boarding Scholarship (CA)

Mrs. Linda Moore Boarding Scholarship (CA)

Allapattah Chapter Boarding Scholarship (FL)

Palm Beach Chapter Boarding Scholarship (FL)

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lowery Boarding Scholarship (GA)

Miss Susan deCamp Conger Boarding Scholarship (GA)

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hyer Boarding Scholarship (GA)

Captain Henry Vanderburgh Chapter Boarding Scholarship (IN)

Maryland State Society Boarding Scholarship (MD)

National Society DAR Boarding Scholarship (NSDAR)

North Carolina State Society Boarding Scholarship (NC)

Mrs. Mary Jane Matson Boarding Scholarship (PA)

Fort Sullivan Chapter Boarding Scholarship (SC)

University of South Carolina Chapter Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Mr. and Mrs. Lenair L. Altman Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Mrs. Dianne T. Culbertson Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Kings Mountain Chapter Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Sumter's Home Chapter Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Theodosia Burr Chapter Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Jones Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Michel Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Carolyn Maddox Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Mrs. Ellen Zaki Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Mrs. Charles Dammann Boarding Scholarship (TN)

Lady Washington Chapter Boarding Scholarship (TX)

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clinton Bybee, Jr. Boarding Scholarship (TX)

## ENDOWED BOARDING SCHOLARSHIPS

*Named Endowed Boarding Scholarships are established with an initial investment of \$25,000. The principle remains in intact, and the interest income is used to support our children and programs. Those listed have established a minimum of \$25,000 Endowed Boarding Scholarship.*

Rose Elyea Bell Endowed Boarding Scholarship (GA)

Joseph Habersham Chapter Endowed Boarding Scholarship (GA)

Estate of Betty Holmquist Bohlen Endowed Boarding Scholarship (IL)

Estate of Miriam Miller Endowed Boarding Scholarship (IN)

Donald/Suffolk – Geneva M. Anthony Endowed Boarding Scholarship (IN)

Mae. B. McClamroch Endowed Boarding Scholarship (IN)

Geneva E. Sheppley Endowed Boarding Scholarship (IA)

Nelson B. Ernest Endowed Boarding Scholarship (OH)

Estate of Karl & Dorothy DeMiller Endowed Boarding Scholarship (OH)

Dusenbury MacCaula/Nathanael Greene Chapter Endowed Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Estate of Bertha Maw Endowed Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Walter R. and Ross Kinney Alumni Endowed Boarding Scholarship (SC)

Naomi Cantrell Tucker Endowed Boarding Scholarship (SC)

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# 4H Club

## WINS AWARDS



*Love for Living 4H Club Officers review the 4H pledge prior to the presentation of their award certificates.*

The Tamassee DAR School “Love for Living 4H Club” officially kicked off in late 2016 with organizational activities such as election of officers and selection of their group name. The 4H Club Leader is Ms. Casey Certain, who is also the English and Social Studies Teacher in the Tamassee DAR School Raymond Academy located on campus.

Late in the year, the newly formed 4H Club members were pleased and excited to learn they had won 1st place in the Upstate Region and 2nd place in the state of South Carolina for their garden project.

The shadow-box garden, which included vegetation such as tomatoes and herbs, was the first project the group had planned, organized and completed. Initially, progress was impaired when club members unknowingly discovered a bed of poison oak. After recovering from the affects, they learned, endured, regrouped and successfully completed the assignment. As stated by the

Club President, “Even though we had a hard time with our first attempt because of the poison oak incident, we came back from it together with our second try.”

During the summer months, Ms. Nancy Castro, who works as a Student Care Coordinator at Tamassee DAR School assisted the 4H Club members with responsibilities and worked diligently with the students to nurture and care for their garden.

As a new 4H Club, it was a special moment to see the excitement on the faces of the students as they were presented with their winning certificates and ribbons!

In the fall, all students of Tamassee were required to complete a class in healthy living and good eating habits. The 4H members were tasked with incorporating those lessons into ensuring a nutritious menu for the 4H holiday party which included, turkey sausage links, organic mix pancakes, omelets with

vegetables, whole wheat French toast, lite syrup and fruit parfaits with granola sprinkles.

As the students progress from their current situations, they take with them the basic knowledge to manage sustainable food production and an awareness of healthy eating habits that will serve them well as they transition into their next stage of life.



As the “Love for Living 4H Club” closed out their first year, Ms. Certain was awarded the Volunteer Leader of the Year by Clemson Extension for her work bringing 4H to the Tamassee DAR School Campus. Under her leadership, the group successfully completed their garden project and was recognized at regional and state levels for their efforts.

## TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL JUNIOR AMERICAN COMMITTEE *Provides Support for Hurricane Heroes*

Within weeks of each other during the summer of 2017, two major hurricanes swept through the southern states. Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma ravaged the South with rain, winds and water that forced many people to evacuate their homes only to return to heart breaking losses. For those who could not escape the storm, there are untold stories of bravery by men and women who serve their community in times of need.

Under the guidance of Mari Noorai, the Tamassee DAR School Junior American Committee (JAC) remembered both those who were endangered by Hurricane Harvey, and those who came to their rescue.

As the news and photos of the destruction splashed across the media, the students at Tamassee DAR School were amazed by the

actions of first responders who sacrificed their own safety to help others. To show their gratitude and support, the children created posters and cards to send to those who had become heroes in their eyes. Fourteen organizations of first responders received bound booklets that contained handmade pages of best wishes and appreciation for their unselfish efforts to help the people and animals endangered by the storm.

To show support for students in schools impacted, Tamassee JAC members sent notes and cards of encouragement as well. Handmade cards were written and mailed to Chaplain General Pamela Wright, Texas State Regent Judy Ostler, Texas State Chaplain Kay Alston and other Texas Daughters and Chapters who were in the path of Hurricane Harvey.

The students of the JAC received thank you letters from Harris County Judge Ed Emmett, who shared the booklet with his Emergency Management Department, Art Acevedo, Houston Chief of Police and Assistant Fire Chief, Herbert Griffin from the Houston Fire Department. A Facebook shout-out was also posted by the Humble Independent School District to the children of Tamassee DAR School.

Lori Bailey expressed her gratitude to Ms. Noorai for her work on the project saying, “Not only did your project encourage these wonderful individuals that put their lives on the line daily for us, but you also helped to provide a wonderful lesson for our children about how doing something fairly simple for others (like sending a note of thanks) can have a profound impact.”



January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

# Family of Donors



Buses visited from Ohio and North Carolina.



It was a year when old friends stopped by for a visit. What joy!

The **"Circle of Giving Society"** recognizes those individuals, foundations, businesses, organizations and friends of Tamasee DAR School that have contributed \$1,000 or more to either a temporary restricted fund or permanently restricted fund during the 2017 calendar year. We deeply appreciate all our Circle of Giving Society members for their special gifts!

### Philanthropist Circle \$50,000+

Dale and Wendy Brott  
Estate of Mary E. Bullock  
Pennsylvania State Society DAR

### Champion Circle \$25,000+

Mountain Hill Community Church, LLC  
National Junior Membership Committee  
Dr. Michael L. Queen

### Partner Circle \$10,000+

Mr. & Mrs. John I. Bell, Jr.  
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National Society DAR  
Mrs. Cyndy Sweeney  
TS and Juanita Ballance Foundation

### Pioneer Circle \$5,000+

California State Society DAR  
Dabo's All In Team Foundation  
Dakota Finance LLC

Lady Washington Chapter  
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Tennessee State Society DAR  
**Friends Circle \$1,000+**  
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Virginia State Society DAR  
Mrs. Ann M. Weir

## THANK YOU

The **"Tamasee Angels Giving Society"** recognizes those individuals, foundations, businesses, churches, organizations and friends of Tamasee DAR School that have made a single or cumulative unrestricted gift of \$500 or more for the 2017 calendar year. Thank you Angels!

### Citation Club \$25,000.00+

Dale and Wendy Brott  
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Estate of Margaret G. and J. Kennedy Kincaid Jr. Trust  
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The Estate of Carol Locke Rogers

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Box Tops for Education - General Mills

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Estate of John & Alice Eckman Trust  
Estate of Mable Slagle  
Estate of Mary Roper  
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National Society DAR  
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North Carolina State Society DAR  
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Staff was invited to hear the student's recite their poetry at Ms. Casey's Coffee House.



For the first time in 5 years, a misty rain fell on the day of the Annual Golf Tournament.

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2018  
Awards Day Celebration  
**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**  
May 21, 2018

## May 21, 2018

- 8:30 am Registration  
*(Hospitality, PR Sales, Artisans)*
- 9:00 am DAR Regents' Council Meeting
- 10:30 am Welcoming/Opening Ceremony/  
Senior Recognition
- 11:30 am Lunch
- 1:00 pm Advisory Committee Meeting  
*(Everyone is welcome to attend)*
- 2:15 pm Major Dedications & Children's  
Program
- 3:15 pm Open Campus
- 4:00 pm Awards Day Program
- 5:30 pm Dinner

**Concludes Awards Day Events**

# Awards Day RESERVATION FORM

## May 21, 2018

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

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Phone

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Email

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National or State Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Other DAR Title:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Other Title (non-DAR)

### Monday, May 21

Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$17.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail meal reservations by May 7.**

Checks in the proper amount should be made payable to Tamasee DAR School. Mail reservation form to: Tamasee DAR School, PO Box 8, Tamasee, SC 29686

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Each person attending is responsible for booking their own hotel reservation. A block of rooms have been reserved at the Hampton Inn of Seneca (864) 482-2900 and the Best Western in Seneca, SC (864) 886-9646. Be sure to ask for the DAR rate. The rate is only available at the Hampton Inn until April 20th. Additional accommodations may be found at: <http://www.scmountainlakes.com/uploads/Lodging/Lodging.asp>

**I will be driving:** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**I request transportation to and from the airport:** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Transportation is offered to and from the Greenville/Spartanburg Airport. Please provide the following information:

Carrier \_\_\_\_\_ Flight# \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Hotel \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival date & time \_\_\_\_\_

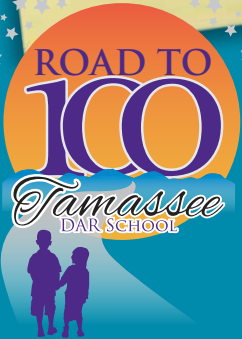
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Special instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

Should you have any problems with your reservations, please call Melissa Grant at 864-944-1390.



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 2019  
 Calendars!

**Oct. 15 & 16, 2019 • Founders' Day**

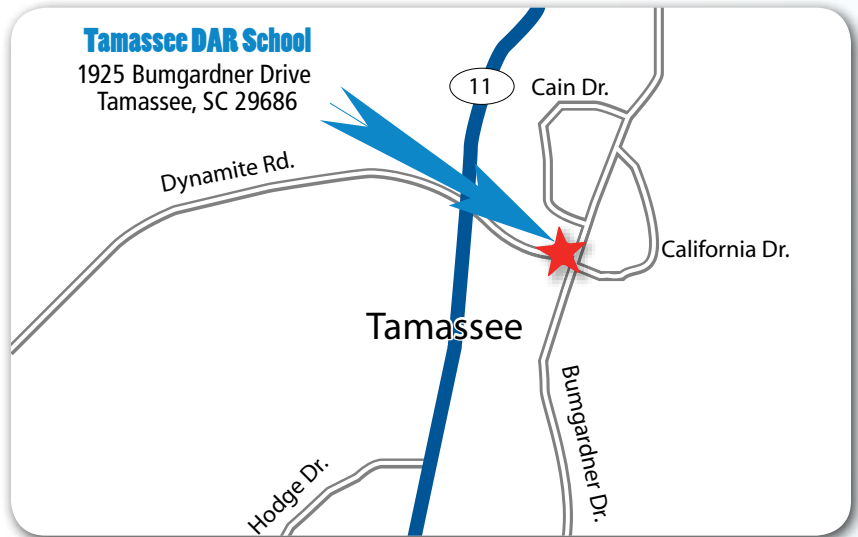
This Founders' Day is scheduled for a National Bus Tour visit to Tamassee DAR School, plus we will be celebrating 100 years of service to children and families. Mark your calendar and begin making plans to join us!

**STAY CONNECTED!**

Visit our website: [www.tdarschool.org](http://www.tdarschool.org) & stay connected with your Tamassee DAR family.

Read about future happenings & enjoy photos & stories from past events. Register your email address & be included on the distribution list for eblasts and newsletters.

"Like" us on Facebook for snapshots of campus happenings!



**Charlotte, NC (3 hour drive)**

I-85 South, exit Hwy. 11 & follow for approx. 90 minutes

**Columbia, SC (3 hour drive)**

I-26 to I-385 (Greenville) to Hwy. 123 toward Easley/Clemson.

**Asheville, NC (2 hour drive)**

I-40 East to I-26 East, take exit 54 to Hwy. 25 South to Hwy. 11 South toward Cleveland. Follow Hwy. 11 South (35 miles) then turn left onto Bumgardner Dr. just past Tamassee-Salem Elementary School.

**From South Florida/Georgia**

I-75 North: From I-75 N, exit in Atlanta onto I-85 North toward Greenville, SC. Take exit 1 (Hwy. 11) just across the GA/SC line. Turn left onto Hwy. 11. Travel 30 miles to Tamassee. Turn right onto Bumgardner Dr. at sign for Tamassee DAR School.

**Greenville/Clemson/Seneca, SC (1.5 hour drive from Greenville)**

Take Hwy. 123 toward Easley, Clemson, & Seneca. Right onto Hwy 28 toward Walhalla, Right onto Hwy. 11 toward Tamassee-Salem. Go 9 miles and turn right onto Bumgardner Dr. at sign for Tamassee DAR School.

I-95 North: From I-95 North, take I-26 West toward Columbia (follow directions above from Columbia, SC)