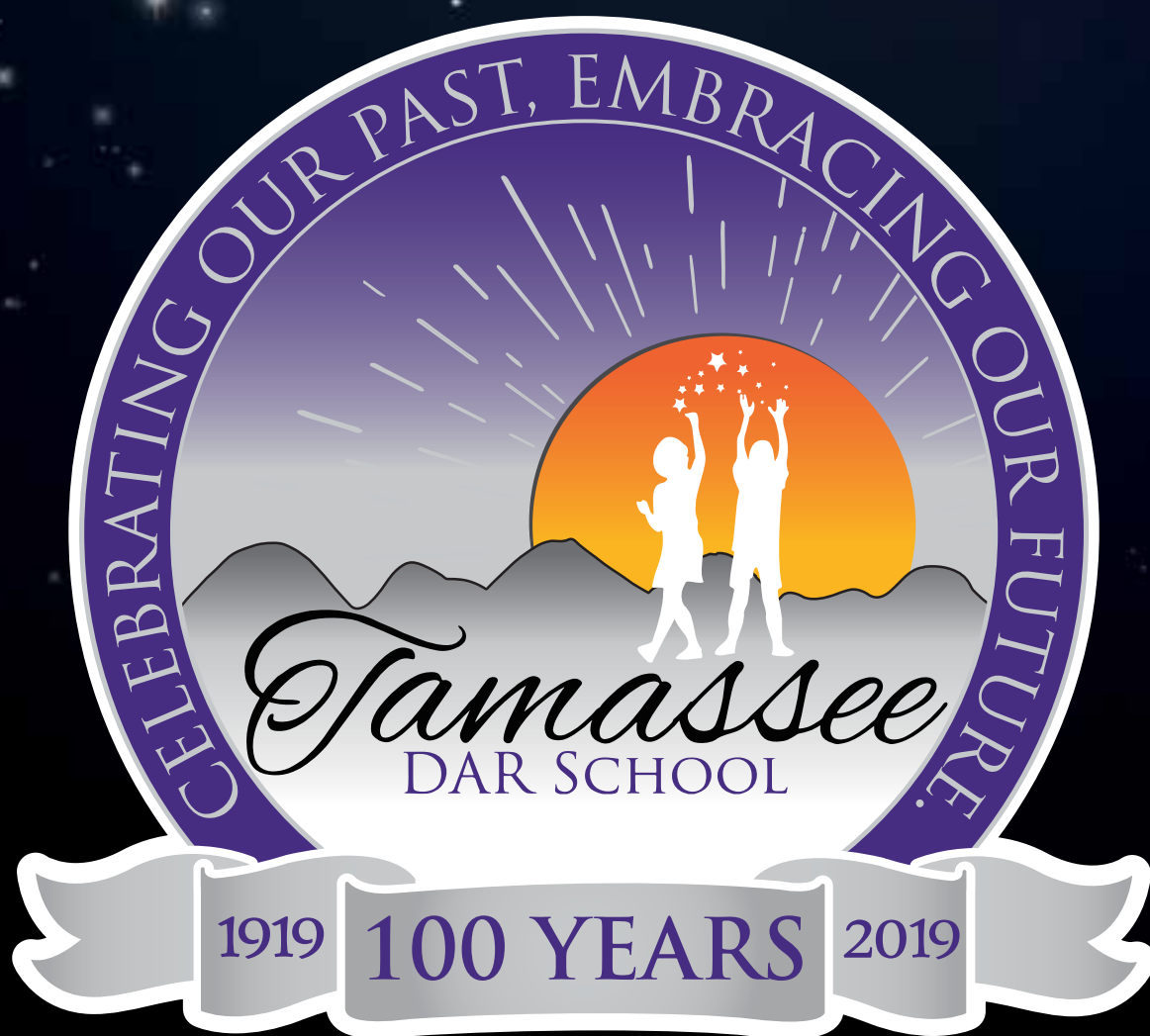


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Tamassee's First Decade 1914-1924 by Grace Ward Calhoun, South Carolina State Regent (1914-1917) and Tamassee DAR School Chairman of the Board (1914-1917 and 1936-1939).



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Coming Home

My family and I relocated to the Walhalla area two and a half years ago when I accepted the position with the Tamassee DAR School. I often tell people that living back in the mountains feels like I have "come home" as I grew up in these same mountains in Western North Carolina. While I have my primary home with my husband and son here, I also talk about

"going home" whenever I go to see my mother and father who still live in the mountains of North Carolina. While their home is no longer my primary home, it will always be a place I know of as "home" in my heart. A place where people deeply care for me, where I can be myself, and where I find support and encouragement in whatever I am going through. A place rich in memories and the comfort of long-standing loving relationships. A place I am always welcome, and I know the people there are always happy to see me. Do you have places like that? Perhaps it is also your parent's home, or your grandparent's, maybe an aunt's or a friend's house that was a second home when you were growing up, or perhaps it was your hometown.

Last fall we began to create a video in celebration of Tamassee's 100th birthday that we celebrate this year. We brought people back to campus that had lived here throughout that century of service. Some lived here as children seeking refuge and education, while others lived here as staff with a mission to serve those children. The one continuing theme I heard over and over was the important sense of place people maintain in relation to this beautiful campus, the idea that when you visit you are "coming home."

It was such a pleasure to meet Ms. Maxie who lived here with her sister in 1932. While she only lived here for one year, she shared many fond memories of her time here. She also expressed how wonderful it was for her to once again visit the South Carolina Cottage, the place she called home that year so long ago.

It was wonderful to hear from Debbie Cox and Cindy Smith. They shared with us about their mother's time living at Tamassee DAR School as a child, her fondness for the school, and the important role it played in her life. They shared that their mother would often say that her "life began when she came through the gates of Tamassee DAR School."

Beth Boss Dabney and Michelle LeBlanc also shared about their time at Tamassee and the important impact it has had on their lives. These two sisters lived at Tamassee for several years, both graduated from our programs, and have gone on to be very successful in their careers and family life. Both are still very involved with the life of our school including alumni activities and service on the Board of Trustees. Michelle described her visits back to campus as follows: "Coming back is almost timeless in what it means on a deep and visceral level It is Home."

Just recently, we had a large family of brothers and sisters return to our care after a few months of living at home with their parents. This situation doesn't happen a lot, but it does happen. Sometimes family reunification happens within our child-welfare system before the parents are fully ready to care for their children for the long-term. Additional family disruption may happen, and children return to care. When children return, I am always cautious in what I say to them. While I am excited to continue to be part of the solution for children in crisis, especially those we already have a relationship with, I recognize that to those children it represents another time where they have been gravely disappointed by the adults in their lives. In talking with two of the sisters, I simply said, "I am glad to see you." It was wonderful to see both of their faces break into a huge, genuine smile. The older sister said, "It is good to be here." I am thrilled that in their time of additional family crisis they see us as a place of refuge and safety, a good place to be with people they know and love. They see us as "home" maybe not their primary home where mom and dad are, but nonetheless, still "HOME."

We have a lot of celebration plans for this year...our 100th birthday year! Make plans now to make your own journey "home" to the "Place of the Sunlight of God!" We will be so glad to see you!

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Letter from the CHAIRMAN

As we celebrate Tamassee’s 100th Anniversary it is reassuring to know that at Tamassee, the Place of the Sunlight of God, we are educating our students in the important values that caused our forefathers to found this great nation. It is so important to preserve our history, our culture, and our traditions, and to instill responsibility, strength of character, and optimism in these precious children of God whose path leads them to Tamassee. We are providing for the children a foundation of faith, hope, love, and patriotism. God has richly blessed Tamassee over these one hundred years in so many ways. Each teacher, supporter, friend, neighbor, administrator, or board member has made an impact on the lives of these children. Thank you for all you do to make this possible. Your gifts, time, talents, and prayers are truly giving great opportunities for a life of real meaning for each student who enters these gates.

The DAR Council is working well. Any concerns are addressed at Council meetings and brought forward to the Board. Information on buildings on campus is shared with the respective State Regents. The Advisory Committee is working well to provide information on Tamassee, the children, and activities to our DAR members and chapters and to raise funds for Tamassee.

We are truly blessed to have wonderful and dedicated staff who care so much about the welfare of our children. Thank you to all of our staff for their great dedication to the children. We continue to adapt and add programs that will help our children. The Grief and Loss Program is proving very effective and helpful as our children learn about themselves and their opportunities as they make their way in the world.

We continue to work diligently to enhance the one hundred-year-old partnership between the School, members of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the members of the local communities. It is essential that the partnership remain strong to continue the School’s mission and meet the needs of the children. Thank you for your support, your prayers, and your love of the children. God bless you all.

Dianne Culbertson, Chair
Tamassee DAR School Board of Trustees



TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL CELEBRATES

100 Years of Service to Children & Families

As the clock steadily clicked to mark the end of 2018 calendar year, Tamassee DAR School continued to approach the end of the Road to 100 years of service to children and families. Whether you were in Time Square when the giant ball dropped, at a festive party with fancy hats, confetti and the sounds Auld Lang Syne, or simply sitting at home quietly welcoming the new year, once 2019 officially arrived Tamassee DAR School began celebrating its past and embracing its future.

As we entered the first few days of our Centennial Anniversary, we found ourselves reflecting on the original purpose for the founding of Tamassee DAR School and interestingly enough saw that the needs of society are returning us to those early objectives.

Tamassee was founded to provide an education to the young girls living in the mountains where the possibility for building a brighter future and becoming a productive

citizen were weak. It was dangerous travel over the rough terrain to the schools that existed, and the family units struggled to provide food, shelter and a safe home to the children they loved.

Dr. Ralph H. Cain, the original Tamassee DAR School Administrator, traveled to those remote locations to visit families and convince loved ones, who were entrusted with making the best possible decisions for those students, of the value of a good education, in a safe, loving, supported environment, surrounded by positive influences. He talked of the many opportunities the children would have to explore their self-interests, the love of country they would develop, and what it meant to become a contributing citizen as they grow into adulthood. He explained how the children would experience the joy of giving back to others and continue to grow spiritually and in their love of God.

As the head of a household or leader of any kind, there always comes a time when hard decisions must be made. Today, we hear stories of grandparents and other surrogate family members who are struggling to raise children who have been placed in their care, of parents working off shift jobs with no afterschool oversight available to their children, of students getting bullied in their current environment who just need a fresh start in a new place, of students that need more individual attention than is available through larger public school environments, and even of children who are currently homeless.

Today, 100 years later Tamassee's focus remains the same -- helping struggling families light their children's paths to brighter futures through the power of education. It must be very rewarding as a DAR member to think of the thousands of lives that have been changed due to your dedication. It must be amazing to realize that the vision and the foresight held by the Daughters so very long ago has been sustained for 100 years. The need for Tamassee DAR School in America's society has never died. If our founders could only see us now! For a century your love and support has fueled the mission of Tamassee DAR School, and with your continued dedication to the children of this country, we look forward to helping thousands more in need work through temporary setbacks and look forward to believing in, pursuing, and achieving the American dream.

Photos: One of the first boarding students before and after her Tamassee experience.

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100 YEARS OF SERVICE!

In today's disposable society, sustaining an organization for 100 years is truly an accomplishment.

Let's Celebrate!



Photo: Early classrooms in the South Carolina Cottage.



Photo: Evening with Calvin Jones.

February 24, 2019 marked the 100th anniversary of the very first school session, which was held in the South Carolina Cottage. It was a trial period attended by 23 local day students to ensure all would be ready for the fall session when the first set of boarding students arrived ready to begin their education. In February 2019, today's Tamassee staff and students recognized the milestone in the Ann Brown Banquet Hall with a luncheon celebration, including a centennially decorated cake, cottage presentations highlighting Tamassee's decades of history, and tributes to their home - *The Place of the Sunlight of God*.

On April 5th a benefit concert by pianist Calvin Jones was held in conjunction with the Southern Wesleyan University in nearby Central, South Carolina. Mr. Jones is an international recording artist, composer and pianist. He has written for films and has performed his music worldwide. The concert was the perfect complement to the Tamassee DAR School centennial activities.

On July 27th, Tamassee will host a campus celebration for community friends, alumni, and our faithful supporters. Activities will include a selection of bands with live music, children's games, food, artisans, vendors, car show, and more. Mark your calendars, and join us!

Our annual Founders' Day event will be held on **October 15 and 16, 2019**. At this time, we will celebrate our Founders, the Daughters of the American Revolution. These ladies had the vision and the determination to provide educational opportunities to those who had none, the courage and fortitude to accept the challenges they faced in this endeavor, and the continued dedication and support of the cause for 100 years.

Founders' Day 2019 will also be the year of the National Bus Tour, and we will welcome the President General, her Executive Committee, and DAR members from all over the country.

Commemorative merchandise has been designed and created. For your purchasing convenience an online store is now featured on our website. All proceeds benefit the Tamassee DAR School Children's Fund and will help carry us into the next 100 years.

Throughout 2019 there will be plenty of opportunities to celebrate Tamassee's Centennial. We hope you will take advantage of each one.



Above Photo: Distinguished guests came to see the new school in 1922.



Left Photo: Purchase your Centennial merchandise online at <https://www.tdarschool.org/visit-shop/shop/>.

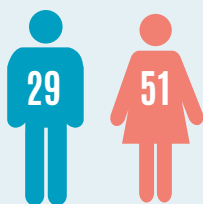
148 TOTAL

population served in 2018 (Residential,
LifeBridge & Pennsylvania Children's Center)

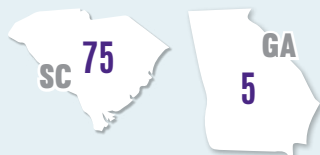
80 CHILDREN SERVED

in the Residential Program during 2018.

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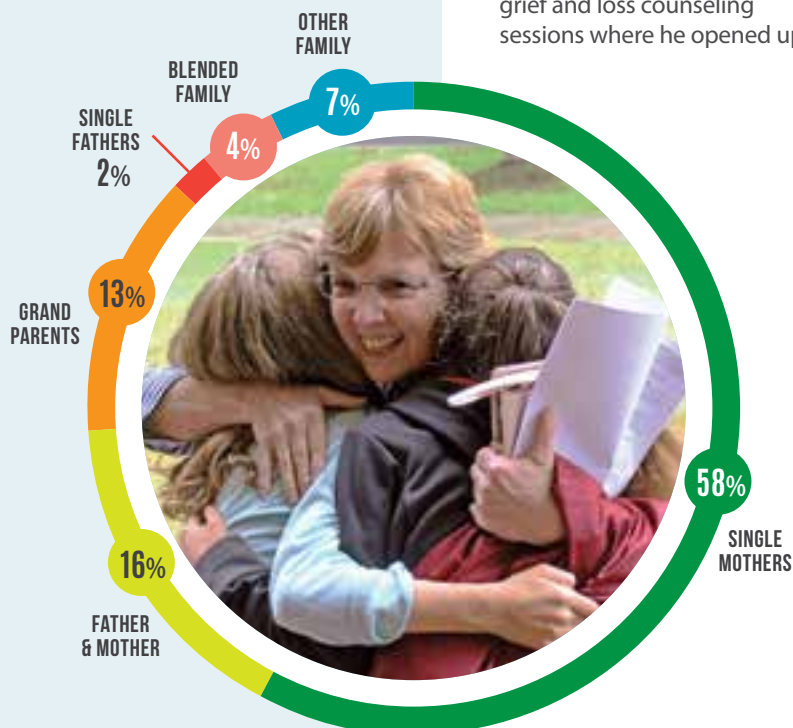


AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY

DSS: 285 DAYS (9.5 MONTHS)

PRIVATE: 470 DAYS (1.3 YEARS)

PREVIOUSLY RAISED BY...



Part 1 - Mark

Mark came to Tamassee DAR School in September 2016 as a hurt and confused twelve year old boy. Upon arrival, he struggled. He was disrespectful to staff. He was disruptive in classes and was misplacing his outbursts of anger onto others. However, the staff of Tamassee DAR School remained committed to his success. His teaching parent invested time and attention to build his trust and to help him achieve the daily cottage expectations. Mark also began attending grief and loss counseling sessions where he opened up

about his past, developed a deeper understanding of what had happened, and began to learn how to move forward in a positive manner. After several months, noticeable improvements were seen by those around him. Mark was making progress, and he soon found himself building positive relationships with others on campus.

Part 2 - John

Twelve year old John arrived at Tamassee DAR School in February of 2016. He was already settled into Indiana All States Cottage and had made a select group of friends by the time Mark arrived. It could be said in the early going the two boys did not seem to care for one another at all. It was not until sometime later that they stopped glaring at each other and finally had their first real conversation. Both boys were surprised to find that they had a great deal in common, including the ability to make others laugh.

Part 3 - The Friendship Grows

The two teens became fast friends, and the relationship was mutually beneficial to them both. John explained to Mark that he needed to stop getting into trouble, and Mark took heed. The friendship between the two boys flourished.

In June of 2018, the pair of teens were chosen to represent the entire Tamassee DAR School student body at Continental Congress in Washington D. C. In the fall of 2018, John and Mark were team mates on the middle school football team. John was a quarterback, and Mark was a running back. The boys learned to play guitar together while in the Tamassee music program, and they could be heard every afternoon into late evening bouncing the basketball as they practiced shots in anticipation of an upcoming game. The guys were pretty much inseparable, and you knew when you saw one, the other was close by.

During this time period, Tamassee DAR School staff was notified of a family that wanted to adopt John. While John began transition visits to this new family, it was painful for Mark, especially since a family had not been found for him. On top of that, he was losing his best friend. Even though John would remain in the same school and the boys would see each other daily, it was not the same. In early December, John left Tamassee DAR School to join his new forever family.

As it turned out, December became magical for Mark when he received news that the Department of Social

DISCHARGES & DESTINATIONS

65% TO FAMILY MEMBERS

15% TO FOSTER HOMES

16% TO HIGHER LEVEL OF CARE

1% TO PRE-ADOPTIVE HOME

Services had identified a family that wanted to adopt him. This family too was in the same school district where the two boys were already attending school so their friendship could continue to grow.

It seemed like a Christmas miracle to the Tamassee staff. Yet for Mark, the idea of going to live permanently with a group of strangers was terrifying. The staff helped Mark find the words to express his fears to the family and his need to transition slowly. During the next several weeks, the adoptive family planned fun activities for Mark. The family made the

commitment to help him stay connected with his friends and maintain the ties he has at Tamassee.

As the transition efforts continued, Mark's uncertainty continued to taunt him. He was blessed to have someone he trusted to talk with about the adoption. Someone who could relate to the apprehension about this life changing event, someone who knew him very well, his friend...John. It is remarkable how the stories of these two fine young men continue to intertwine. Mark found reassurance from John that having a forever

family was a gift he should and would cherish. Again, Mark listened to his friend. When the day arrived for Mark to leave with his new family, he was ready.

Inside our hearts at Tamassee DAR School, we cheered for the forever families and the forever friends these two young men have found.

The names of these individuals have been changed for confidentiality purposes.

MEASURING SUCCESS

These statistics are being measured to ensure that the residential children of Tamassee are receiving the best care possible and to monitor specific programs and services offered at Tamassee.



78%

of eligible students participated in the following organized extra-curricular activities,

Softball

Basketball

Cheerleading

Winter Guard

Chorus

Piano, Guitar & Dulcimer Instruments

58%

of students were a part of the program "TOPS" – Tamassee Often Privileged Students.

Students are awarded for good citizenship and attention to their academics as participants in the program.

100%

of eligible students participated in mental health screening and subsequent counseling services.

94%

of students participated in the summer program and enjoyed music class, team building, art camp and Traveling Tuesdays which took them off campus for an educational outing. Those who did not participate in the summer program held jobs as part of their preparations for independent living.

100%

of students participate in spiritual activities by attending church and/ or a youth group.

98%

of the time children participated in scheduled visits.

Children look forward to regular visits from loved ones and Tamassee strives to ensure these opportunities are available.



100%

of Tamassee DAR School students are engaged in developing independent living skills. Completing daily and weekly chore responsibilities in the cottages and cooking experiences are part of the lessons learned.

Students 14 and older can become eligible for on-campus jobs where they learn good employee practices from Tamassee DAR School Staff members who oversee their work and work ethics.

SIX STUDENTS

took advantage of this opportunity and spent time working in the Thrift Store, Pennsylvania Children's Center and the Banquet Hall.

Students 16 and older can use the experience gained through their on-campus employment to work off campus.

NEARBY BUSINESSES EMPLOYED FOUR TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL STUDENTS.

Photos Above:

Hot dogs, apple pie, and baseball!

Cheering for their favorite team was a great experience!

The sounds of music echoed throughout campus as students took lessons.

Photo- Far Right:

Independent living skills requires the students to learn to cook.

STAR LIGHT, STAR BRIGHT

Kristen Henry, Annual Giving Officer

As an adult, I can recall how it felt to see the first star each night. I would close my eyes tight, recite the magic words, "Star light, star bright," and make my wish. My first wish – a Cabbage Patch doll.

My mother would remind me that if I told anyone about my wish then it wouldn't come true. I must have been a very good secret-keeper as evidenced by the curly blonde hair, big blue eyes, and dimpled cheeks peeking out from the top of the torn wrapping paper that Christmas.

Wishes were simple for me back then and included dolls, a puppy (which I finally got when I was 16), and Babysitter's Club books.

As I watch my own children scramble to see who can find the first star of the evening, I reflect on the children at Tamassee DAR School and wonder what they wished for before coming to Tamassee.

Did "Madison" wish to be able to go to the eye doctor and get the glasses she needs to see the board in class? Did "Bradley" see the first star and wish he would have food on the table the next day? What about "Kelsey"? Did she wish for someone to take away the pain she had experienced in her young life?

I think you would agree with us that children should not have to wish for their basic needs to be met.

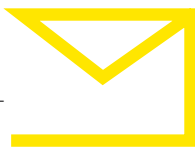
Through the continued kindness of donors like you, we are able to meet those needs for our children so they can close their eyes tight, say those magic words, and wish beyond their everyday concerns for something extraordinary. Your monthly gift will help us meet their needs and provide a wish or two.

Sustained monthly giving through Tamassee Faithful allows you to provide consistency and stability to the children's lives. Your commitment to monthly giving means each child is free to wish for puppies, toys, and even their favorite doll.

For as little as \$25, you can guarantee Bradley has nutritious meals available to him every day. A commitment of \$50 a month will help with Madison's everyday care. ***\$100 a month will provide therapy for Kelsey so she can finally understand that the pain she has experienced in her life isn't her fault.***

As a Tamassee Faithful member you will be part of a dedicated group of monthly donors whose automatic monthly gifts allow Tamassee DAR School children to know their wishes are heard and needs are met.

YES! I WANT TO SUPPORT
TAMASSEE DAR SCHOOL
by donating monthly



ABOUT YOUR GIFT

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My Total Monthly Gift Amount:

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☐ Tamassee Advisory Committee Gift (check box)

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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Option 1: Credit Card (Please select one)

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

Signature

Date

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FULLCIRCLE

In 2013, Haley's path lead her to Tamassee DAR School from a nearby, small town in Georgia. She had been living with her mother and stepfather and prior to that, Haley had lived in different locations around the country and never quite settled into a typical home-like atmosphere. Regardless of where she lived, school work was not emphasized, and during her 8th and 9th grade years, she had missed 60 – 80 days of classes. Her childlike eagerness to learn had somewhat dissipated over the years, and she was no longer interested in school.

Haley arrived at Tamassee coping with feelings of rejection by her mother who seemed to side with her stepfather in matters concerning her behavior. She realized that Tamassee DAR School would require her to buckle down and focus on academic goals, and she worried about catching up. She still disliked going to school and was not a fan of studying.

As with most new students, her first week at Tamassee was filled with adjustments. She did not want to be here but soon realized how welcomed everyone made her feel. She recalls how her cottage mates befriended her and urged her to attend school dances with them. She talks about long discussions with teaching parents and recalls how much they wanted to see her succeed.

From a very young age, Haley realized that she wanted to help others. After graduation, she worked as a nanny and then as an in-home caregiver for adults who were not able to care for themselves. Today Haley has returned to the Place of

the Sunlight of God where she now serves as a Teaching Parent to help children in need just as she was helped.

When asked about Haley, her former Teaching Parent Ms. Casey recalled, "Haley was (and is) a strong, independent young lady with a no-nonsense attitude. I remember our conversation in the cottage when she mentioned she wanted to return to Tamassee to become a teaching parent. Haley exhibits the strength and determination it takes for anyone, but especially students from a challenging background, to become successful in life. She has shown the same investment and interest in her students I tried to show when she was in my cottage, and I commend her for paying it forward."

Mrs. Cyndi, Tamassee's Grief and Loss Coach, echoed the same sentiment about Haley by saying, "The first word that comes to mind as I reflect on Haley as a student is tenacity; yes, she was stubborn, persistent, and insistent. She was determined to achieve her goal of completing her high school senior year in her home town. She successfully met that goal regardless of the opposition that faced her.

Haley's return to serve the children of Tamassee DAR School is an indication of her sense of acceptance and belonging."

When talking about her work as a teaching parent, Haley states, "I do not view myself as a mother figure or a best friend. My goal is to prepare the students for the future and hopefully prevent them from the struggles I experienced upon leaving Tamassee. If I inspire a few of them to someday return as a Teaching Parent, that's even better!"

Photo: Haley and Teaching Parent, Ms. Casey share a funny thought in 2013.



Matching Gifts

How you can have a greater impact on the lives of a child at Tamassee DAR School

They say if it is too good to be true, then it probably is. Unless of course, "it" is referring to a matching gift program for a deserving nonprofit like Tamassee DAR School.

Matching gift programs are well-hidden gems that can actually DOUBLE or TRIPLE your donation. How do they do this? Is it magic? Nope. It's just math.

Companies design matching gift programs to optimize impact by applying a multiplier to an employee's nonprofit donation. Your donation through your company monthly gift program for Tamassee could grow to double the size or more!

What does this actually mean? Let me give you an example.

Wendy Worker supports Tamassee DAR School every year by donating \$500 during #GivingTuesday, the worldwide day of giving. Once Wendy makes her donation using Tamassee DAR School's online giving page, she contacts her Human Resources department and requests the company match her donation.

Wendy's company sends Tamassee DAR School a check for the same exact amount bringing the grand total of her kindness to \$1,000. Her company has matched her donation dollar-for-dollar, and Shannon, one of many children who call Tamassee home, is able to continue receiving a quality education in a loving and caring environment. It's that simple.

Matching gifts are an effective way to encourage giving. To know that your single gift can double or even triple to make an even larger impact is a beautiful thought, indeed.

Do not fret if your company does not recognize Tamassee DAR School as a qualified nonprofit! Once an employee recommends a nonprofit for inclusion in the program, the application process will begin.

If you are interested in seeing if your company matches, contact your Human Resources department or visit our website, <https://www.tdarschool.org/join-us/ways-to-give/> and click on "Matching Gift Company Look Up."

Total Students Served

RAYMOND ACADEMY: 28
LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER: 80

"I like it at the Academy because of the small class size. My favorite class is social studies because I love asking tons of questions."
~ Shyann, 6th grader



"I love how Ms. Casey makes learning a game. She lets us have our funny moments; she is a kind and generous teacher. I love her so much."
~ Kia, 7th grader

What I like most about the Academy is that the teachers put in their best to make the Academy like home. They also try to make you feel welcome and comfortable when you are new to the Academy."

~ Cameron, 7th grader



I like how we have enough time during class to read when we finish work. We also can have extra help if we need it before and after lunch."

~ Lindsey, 7th grader



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Photo 1: The traditional Tamassee Academy 8th Grade Egg Drop continued!

Photo 2: Students utilized ink wells and feathered pins during the 2nd Colonial Day event.

Photo 3: The Academy enjoyed a science field trip to Clemson's Hannon Camp.

Photo 4: Students had the opportunity to experience looming.

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Middle School

A Average: 7%

B Average: 58%

C Average: 27%



92% C AVERAGE OR ABOVE

High School



A Average: 15%

B Average: 42%

C Average: 35%

92% C AVERAGE OR ABOVE

"What I like about the Academy is that it's more challenging, and we don't have to go to the public middle school for very long."

~ Lenny, 7th grader

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Watching Maddie Blossom



By Casey Certain, English and Social Studies Teacher
Tamassee DAR School Raymond Academy

When Maddie came to me as a 7th grade student in the Academy, she was a very unhappy, distrusting girl who refused to look on the bright side. We rarely saw her smile while at school, but she completed her work on time with attention to detail and accuracy. It was clear Maddie had so much more to offer but wasn't ready to open up yet. I often wondered whether she would ever warm up to me or not. Occasionally she would mention her past experience in school, labeling herself as a "bad kid" who got into fights and experienced in-school suspensions frequently. This was surprising, because she never exhibited any aggressive behavior toward her fellow classmates and always respected the Academy teachers.

As the months progressed, Maddie began getting involved with activities like our campus drama performances and cheerleading. She was making friends and becoming an academic leader in the classroom but still having some difficulties in the cottage. TOPS (Tamassee's Often Privileged Students) became an incentive for Maddie. She wanted to be accepted into the program, which is based on good grades and good behavior. Maddie set her mind to it, and sure enough, she got on TOPS! Her grades stayed on A-B average, and Maddie was finding her footing at Tamassee.

Maddie is now in 8th grade with me, and she has a wonderful relationship with all three Academy teachers. She smiles and laughs often, continues to be on A-B honor roll, participates in track, and enjoys the privileges of TOPS. She is a student I refer to when other students are asking how they can earn points for a party in my class, "Ask Maddie. She's always on the winning team—she does her homework, is respectful in class, and participates in discussions." Anytime Maddie slips, she eventually comes back around and is able to recognize what went wrong and how she could have handled it differently. She reminds other students of possible consequences for their behavior when she recognizes they are not meeting expectations, often speaking from experience. Her growing maturity and ambition are creating a promising young woman who I hope to see graduate from college with a prenatal nursing degree, her goal for the future.

For confidentiality purposes, the students name in this article has been changed.

LifeBridge

Reunification, Foster Care and Kinship Family Support

In 2018, LifeBridge worked with 14 families as they transitioned from the care of Tamassee DAR School into a family unit. The key components of the LifeBridge support program for these students and their families were:

Participation in monthly community based visits and weekly phone contacts with LifeBridge staff.

Coaching sessions by the LifeBridge staff based on the guidance provided by The Strengthening Families curriculum.

Young Adults & Independent Living

Our LifeBridge Independent Living Program supports young adults as they transition into responsible working adults and/or pursue higher level educational opportunities. The LifeBridge program is currently assisting three former residential students as they pursue these goals.

Mary Beth is a student at Anderson University in Anderson, South Carolina. She plans to complete her degree in English and graduate in May of 2020. Mary Beth lives on the college campus, works part time in a grocery store, and participates in monthly visits with the LifeBridge staff.

Deandre is in his second semester at Tri-County Technical College in Pendleton, South Carolina. He is working part time at a local hotel and lives in the LifeBridge Apartment complex in Clemson, South Carolina. Deandre is exploring continuing his college education and is considering a transfer to Clemson University to continue his degree, or to a Division III school where he can play basketball.

Julian is enjoying full-time employment at a restaurant while enrolled in a certificate program for herbology. He is focusing on his long term goals and creating a vision board to reflect where he would like to be in the future. Julian lives in the Clemson LifeBridge Apartments and is interested in starting a croquet club for the residential students on Tamassee DAR School campus.

2019 High School Graduates

In May, Tamassee DAR School will celebrate the high school graduation of two young ladies who are currently residential students and make their home in the Illinois Cottage. These young ladies are already partnering with the LifeBridge staff and taking steps in their transition into the program. Both of the girls will be pursuing degrees in higher education and have made college visits to local campuses as well as the College of Charleston in Charleston, South Carolina.

Tahya is a senior and is interested in becoming a veterinarian. She has been accepted into Tri-County Technical College in Pendleton, South Carolina and plans to begin her college experience this fall. She has visited 2 other in-state colleges and explored her options for transferring at a later date. Tahya works part time at a local restaurant and will be moving into the Clemson LifeBridge Apartments after high school graduation.

Jasmeen is a senior in high school and is currently employed part time at a local retail store. She has been accepted into Tri-County Technical College in Pendleton and is excited to begin her college career this fall while experiencing homemaking in the Clemson LifeBridge Apartments. During recent college visits to other schools, Jasmeen explored educational opportunities that will help her achieve her dream career in visual or performing arts.

17

TOTAL
SERVED

Reunified Families.....14
Students in Higher3
Education/Independent
Living



Photo: Meet Jasmeen — Class of 2019

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Volunteers Making a Difference

Volunteers are an invaluable part of who we are and what we do. Tamassee DAR School believes that children can best be healed through relationships with caring, well-trained staff and volunteers. The strength of our ability to do this has always been through the generosity and dedication of our supporters in the community and beyond. It is through our volunteers that we are able to enhance and supplement our programs and services. Tamassee DAR School has many opportunities throughout the year for you to help with tutoring, office assistance, projects, events, landscaping, and much more.

Alyx Farkas is a junior at Clemson University studying marketing and graphic communications. She is also a volunteer at New York Cottage who loves her time interacting with the youngest Tamassee girls as much as they enjoy her visits.



Alyx said, "Tamassee DAR School has been one of the biggest blessings I have received in the past year and a half. As a volunteer for any organization, you are often told that you are investing in the lives of those individuals. However, at Tamassee DAR School, I learned it was more than solely that. Each time I visit the campus and the little girls of the New York Cottage, I leave with a fulfilled heart. Each one of the girls I have met, whether it be once or time and time again, have left an imprint in my heart. I am a better person as a result of them and I treasure all the time I have gotten to spend with them."

Last summer, I competed in the Miss South Carolina Scholarship Organization Pageant under the title of Miss Greater Easley. I visited the girls once before I headed to competition and then again close to two months after. When I returned that August, one of the girls ran up to me saying "Miss Alyx. Miss Alyx. How was it?" I looked at her and laughed smiling. "How was what?" "How was the pageant?," she asked with wide eyes and a smile. Two months had gone by but this girl who I had seen every visit since I was first introduced in December 2017 had not forgotten my mention of being in a pageant from two months earlier. I share this story because this is why others should volunteer. These little girls pour their love into you from the moment you enter the door and their wise minds remember every little thing you tell them. They count on you. You act as a role model. Being a regular volunteer is so important for these children because you are allowing them to have continued stability, support, and love. Each little one has a dynamic personality and it's been especially amazing to watch the personalities of the shy girls shine through after a second visit. I am so grateful for the joy, laughter, and love from each one of the girls of the New York Cottage and hope I can provide special moments and memories for them.

From that first day I walked into the cottage, I felt like I was a part of the Tamassee DAR School community. I was immediately welcomed into their home and the girls were ready to play and have fun. I knew that volunteering with this group would allow me to directly impact the lives of others. Volunteering is definitely an emotional journey, particularly when I return and the group of girls has changed as some are no longer needing to stay in the home. However, I know that the time they spent will most definitely be remembered and that all the girls who enter the cottage need that same love and support that Tamassee DAR School offers each of their children no matter the length of stay."

The time mentors dedicate to children goes a very long way in helping build their self-confidence and trust in others. Mentor's become an important part of the child's journey towards better outcomes. According

to statistics, many teens who age out of foster care at ages 18-21 struggle as they continue to transition into independent citizens. We believe that by building positive relationships between adult mentors and teens, the struggles they face as they transition into independent living can be eased and the outcomes can be more successful. Everyone needs good role models and people they can depend upon.

Adrian Pitts is the Database Manager at Tamassee DAR School who is also an active member in the Tamassee DAR School Mentoring Program. Adrian stated, "The reason for getting involved in the mentoring program is to show the children that there are those who care enough to listen, help and encourage them with whatever they are facing. It's a way of giving back that comes from the heart and soul of person to share their time to make a child smile, laugh or just have someone to talk to."

The rewarding moments come when you realize they are opening up and you see positive changes that occur in their life. To find out what they are passionate about and to help them to achieve their goals is priceless. To make a positive difference in someone's life makes me feel as though my life was worthwhile. For that I am grateful to God."

Photo 1: Alyx encourages young girls to reach for their dreams.

Photo 2: Tamassee DAR School girls look forward to their time with Alyx.

Photo 3: Among other things, mentors help children build self-confidence and grow in their ability to trust.



BECOME A VOLUNTEER OR MENTOR TODAY!

To learn more about the Mentor Program at Tamassee DAR School, please contact our Collaboration and Engagement Coordinator at (864) 944-1390 ext. 122.

Our goal is to have a mentor for every child in our residential program.

Pennsylvania Children's Center

51

TOTAL SERVED

Full Time Enrollment

19

SC First Steps 4K

3

Afterschool Enrollment

15

Summer Enrollment

14

"It is a testimony to the program that the children don't want to leave in the afternoon."

~ Parent

"My grandchildren love the Pennsylvania Children's Center. They are learning so much and sing the songs at home they learn....none of the children want to leave in the evening."

~ Grandparent

"I am the mother of two small children. I work a part time job and like so many single parents. I struggle to make ends meet. When I was awarded the scholarship money to help with my daycare expenses, it really helped to relieve the everyday stress I have with the struggles of living paycheck to paycheck and trying to provide for my children. I am very thankful I was able to receive this help and I hope another family will also be as fortunate in the future as I have been."

~Parent

In 1975, the Pennsylvania Children's Center (PCC) was launched on the campus of Tamassee DAR School to serve families with young children in the local community. Since that time the outreach program has been there to encourage, at a young age, hundreds of babies and toddlers along with elementary school aged children enrolled in the before and after school program to develop a love of lifelong learning.

The Center's staff takes pride in their ability to serve many of the various needs among the community. Not only through the high quality of day to day care they provide to children at the center, but in matching families who have specific needs to available resources in the community. The PCC team works hard to stay in communication with other agencies and aware of the special programs they offer to refer families in need to the proper organization.

When a family within the local community called to inquire about placement of their 3 year old at the Pennsylvania Children's Center, the parent mentioned that child had speech delays. Janis Young, Tamassee DAR School Coordinator of Early Childhood

Education assured the mother that after enrollment, the PCC staff would do an assessment and reach out to a local organization to further research the child's speech impediment.

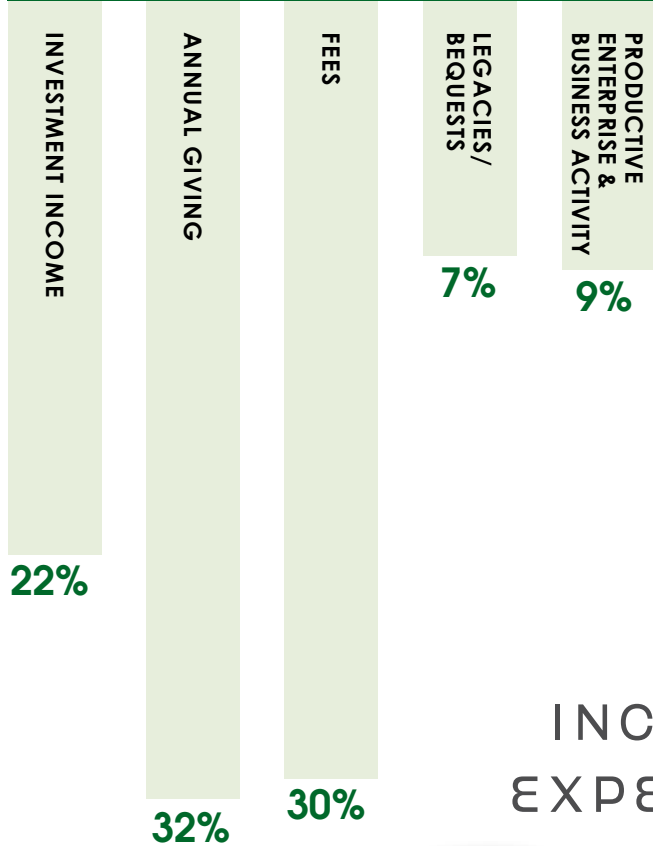
The parents enrolled their child in Tamassee's daycare program and was assessed by the resource organization as promised. Once the observation was completed the child was referred for services to an outside resource organization and exited Pennsylvania Children's Center to participate in a specialized program in the public school system.

Today, the child attends PCC when public school is closed for in-service days, weather, and holiday closures. The parents have shared numerous times how grateful they were to find the caring staff of the Pennsylvania Children's Center who reached out to meet the total needs of their family.

The staff of the Pennsylvania Children Center remains committed to helping the children and families of our community find the resources and interventions that provide a strong foundation during the early learning years.

Photo: The Pennsylvania Children's Center students experienced different cultures around the world.

TOTAL REVENUE \$3,077,119

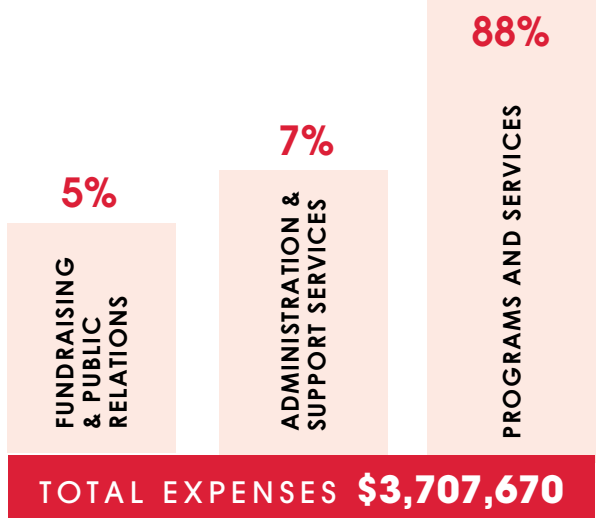


INCOME
&
EXPENSE

2018



Photos from top to bottom: 1 – Halloween is always a fun time at Tamassee. 2 –The Barter Players are here and chatting with the children prior to the performance of Aesop's Fables! 3–Next generation DAR. 4–On your mark...get set...GO! A day of fun at the arcade! 5–Community turned out for a Foster Care Lunch & Learn .



TOTAL EXPENSES \$3,707,670

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community corner



Thank you to Mr. Frank Kieninger from **Eternal Shepherd Lutheran Church** in Seneca, South Carolina for his after school visit with the students. During his visit Mr. Kieninger distributed a Life Reference Manual to each student and staff member present. After providing a brief overview of the best way to access the information in the manuals, Mr. Kieninger presented a check for the Children's Fund to Tamassee DAR School CEO, Lori Bailey.



Duke Energy Hyro West Charities showed their support for the mission of Tamassee DAR School by sharing the proceeds of their 2018 golf tournament. It is through love and support like this that Tamassee DAR School has continued to serve children for 100 years.



Children Helping Children!

Under the leadership of Ms. Andi Cobb and Ms. Diane Lusk, 4th grade students who are members of the **Tamassee Salem Elementary YMCA Afterschool Care** program created and delivered comfort bags to the students of Tamassee DAR School. The colorful home sewn totes contain thoughtful assortments of items such as blankets, coloring books, stuffed animals, socks, pillows, tissues, hair brushes, toothbrushes and more. It is also clear that each of the comfort bags is filled with love and kindness from one child to another



The **Home Depot Foundation** and **Team Depot** came to campus and held craft day with the children of Tamassee DAR School. Along with their time and attention, the volunteers brought the resources necessary for the students to enjoy creating their very own rocking horses

Tamassee DAR School is blessed with friends in the surrounding communities who love and support our mission. Throughout the past 100 years, community businesses, groups, churches, individuals, and organizations have played active roles in the lives of the children



Tamassee DAR School was excited to be All IN for the 4th year when we were named recipients of a **Dabo Swinney's All IN Foundation grant**. In the past the funds have provided support for various purposes and in 2018 they were earmarked to provide financial scholarships to needy families in the community whose children attend the Tamassee DAR School Pennsylvania Children's Center. Jason Eller attended the Foundation luncheon and had the pleasure of meeting Coach Dabo and his wife Kathleen Swinney to personally thank them for the gift. Mr. Eller commented, "Tamassee and the children are so very thankful to the Swinney's and the wonderful "All In Foundation" for their support. We look forward to our growing partnership and friendship for the children. Go Tigers!"



The children of the Pennsylvania Children's Center were excited to welcome Janet Stansell and her son Daniel who came to campus with character covered pillows for the toddlers to relax on during naptime at the center. There were pillows covered in Mickey Mouse, super heroes, firetrucks, snuggly kittens, flowers, and more. What fun the children had making their own personal selections. Thank you to the Stansells and everyone at Gospel Light Prison Evangelism for their love and support!



It was a day of fellowship, fun, and food when Pastor Randy and members of his congregation from the **Pendleton Baptist Church in Easley, South Carolina** traveled to campus. The children enjoyed riding bikes, playing basketball, tossing the football, games, and a puppet show along with a cookout at the outdoor campus pavilion. Thank you for your friendship and for sharing your day with us!



Tamassee DAR School campus moved into the age of modern technology with the installation of fiber optics cable. This project puts all campus telephones and computers on a common system which improves efficiency and communication. Fiber optic uses cutting edge technology and gives us faster more reliable internet access which also allows for future growth on campus and beyond. Thank to you the **Mountain Hill Community Church in Landrum, South Carolina** for sponsoring this project.

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being served. We are very grateful for their dedication to Tamassee and for the positive influences they provide to the lives of the children. Here are some of the ways they supported the children of Tamassee throughout 2018.

2018 AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

STAFF AWARDS & GRACE WARD CALHOUN AWARD

3M Award for Staff

Amy Wills

Marie Hirst Yochim Award for
Teaching Parent

Stephanie Madden

Grace Ward Calhoun Award
for Outstanding Supporter

John and Rose Bell

STUDENT EDUCATIONAL & CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Estero Island Chapter
Patriotism Award

Abigail P.

Elementary School Lawson
Good Sportsmanship Award

Trinity S

Trenton E

Middle School Good Lawson
Sportsmanship Award

Markayla C

Alex A

High School Good Lawson
Sportsmanship Award

Alexyia P

Winslett Promise Math Award

Tahya R

Jeremiah C

Winslett Promise Science
Award

Mahkia C

Trenton E & Michael

Julia Farrigan Leadership
Award

Jeremiah C

Cahokia Mound Chapter
Award of Excellence

Alexyia P

Jeremiah C

William Boyston Chapter
Putting Your Best Foot
Forward Award

Abigail P

Jersey Blue Chapter English
Award

Middle School: Kyla E

High School: Markayla C

Middle School Math Award

Markayla C

Jersey Blue Chapter Middle
School Science Award

Mahkia C

Jersey Blue Chapter High
School English Award

Brianna M

Jersey Blue Chapter High
School Math Award

Jasmeen R

Jersey Blue Chapter High
School Science Award

Tie - Brianna M & Jasmeen R

Joseph McDowell Chapter
Math Award

Middle School: Markayla C

High School: Jasmeen R

Joseph McDowell Chapter
Science Award

Middle School: Mahkia C

High School: Tie - Brianna M & Jasmeen R

Waightstill Avery Chapter
Elementary English

Kiya P

Nicholas G

Waightstill Avery Chapter
Elementary Math

Summer L

Nicholas G

Pennsylvania Citizenship
Awards

Elementary: Toni G, Andrew

Middle School: Angelica G, Noah E
High School: Jasmeen R

Pennsylvania State Society
Juniors Creative Arts Awards

Elementary School: Taliyah B, Junior S

Middle School: Kyla E, Alex A

High School: Jasmeen R

Rebecca Motte Chapter
History Award

Middle School: Kyla E

High School: Jasmeen R

Theodosia Burr Chapter
Award

Brianna M

Nathaniel C

Margaret Gregg Gordon
Chapter Good Citizenship
Award

Tahya R

Micaela Sieracki Academy
Award

Jeremiah C

Megan P

Tennessee State Society 3rd
Grade Penmanship Award

Trinity R.

*It's great to connect with former students at
Tamassee Student Association Homecoming.*



**Georgia B. Edman Music Award –
Lady Washington Chapter
Kim S**

**Tamassee DAR School Elementary
Super Speller Awards**

Andrew P
Destiny L

**Tamassee DAR School Sparkle Award
Cammron S**

**Tamassee DAR School All Year A/B
Honor Roll**

Destiny L
Andrew P
Nicholas G
Junior S

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

College scholarships listed were received between May 1, 2017 and May 3, 2018 or have been committed to be received at a later date.

Mary Beth Brunson

College Hill Chapter College Scholarship
Fielding Lewis Chapter College Scholarship
Illinois State Society College Scholarship
Reynolds Endowed College Scholarship/Perrin Wheaton Chapter
Indiana State Society College Scholarship
General de Lafayette Chapter College Scholarship
Ann Whitall Chapter/Rae Tice College Scholarship
Hickory Tavern Chapter College Scholarship
Joseph McDowell Chapter Endowed College Scholarship
Walhalla Chapter College Scholarship:
Dr. Irene D. Elliott College Scholarship/University of South Carolina Chapter
John Sam & Zonell McPhail Lay Family Endowed College Scholarship
Emaline Edwards Endowed College Scholarship
"I Am the Light" College Scholarship Tamassee DAR School Anonymous Alumna
John and Millie Hawbecker College Scholarship in memory of Donald Sutton
Claudia Culpepper
Elizabeth N. Seimes Endowed College Scholarship
Elizabeth Chase Evans Endowed College Scholarship
Apalachee Chapter College Scholarship
Betty Jouret College Scholarship Given by the Philadelphia Winn Chapter
Illinois State Society College Scholarship
Indiana State Society College Scholarship
Cordon Street Endowment Gift Fund College Scholarship
John H Fallon Endowed College Scholarship

Levi Culpepper

Lorraine and Harold Jennings Endowed College Scholarship
Belatty Endowed College Scholarship
John and Millie Hawbecker College Scholarship in memory of Donald Sutton
Darby Jones
Ralph H. Cain Memorial College Scholarship
Zion Williams
Mary Shutt Endowed College Scholarship
Malone Family Endowed College Scholarship

BOARDING SCHOLARSHIPS

Named Boarding Scholarships of \$500 or more are presented to all students of Tamassee DAR School. The boarding scholarships recognized below were received between May 15, 2017 and May 14, 2018.

Mrs. Linda Moore Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Carolyn Peth Boarding Scholarship
Amelia Island Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Palm Beach Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Lynn Brackey Boarding Scholarship
Miss Susan deCamp Conger Boarding Scholarship
Mr. and Mrs. Roger Heffelfinger Boarding Scholarship
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hyer Boarding Scholarship
Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lowery Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Martha A. Story Boarding Scholarship
Captain Henry Vanderburgh Chapter Boarding Scholarship
National Society DAR Boarding Scholarship
North Carolina State Society Boarding Scholarship
Nelson B. Ernest Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Mary Jane Matson Boarding Scholarship
Mr. and Mrs. Lenair L. Altman Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Dianne T. Culbertson Boarding Scholarship
Fort Prince George Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Fort Sullivan Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Linda S. Hawkins Boarding Scholarship
Mr. Philip Hendricks Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Nancy N. Jones Boarding Scholarship
Kings Mountain Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBroom II Boarding Scholarship
Ms. Carolyn Maddox Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Harriet Nash Boarding Scholarship
Sumter's Home Chapter Boarding Scholarship
University of South Carolina Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Ellen Zaki Boarding Scholarship
Andrew Bogle Chapter Boarding Scholarship
Mrs. Marilyn Dammann Boarding Scholarship
Lou Jean Trulove Boarding Scholarship
H. Dean Bare Boarding Scholarship

ENDOWED BOARDING SCHOLARSHIPS

Endowed boarding scholarships are established with an initial investment of \$25,000 or more. The principle remains intact and the interest income is used to support our children and programs.

Rose Elyea Bell Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Joseph Habersham Chapter Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Estate of Betty Holmquist Bohlen Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Geneva M. Anthony Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Mae. B. McClamroch Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Estate of Miriam Miller Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Geneva E. Sheppley Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Estate of Karl & Dorothy DeMiller Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Dusenbury MacClauay/Nathanael Greene Chapter Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Estate of Bertha Maw Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Walter R. and Ross Kinney Alumni Endowed Boarding Scholarship
Naomi Cantrell Tucker Endowed Boarding Scholarship

THANK
YOU

to everyone who
sponsored an award and/or
scholarship during the 2018
calendar year. Awards and
scholarships are presented
during our Awards Day
ceremony which is held
annually in May.



January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018

Family of Donors



Walhalla High School Functional Transition Class learns gardening techniques from Tamassee's own, John Harper.



Baskets of babies for the children!

The **"Circle of Giving Society"** recognizes those individuals, foundations, businesses, organizations and friends of Tamassee DAR School that have contributed \$1,000 or more to either a temporary restricted fund or permanently restricted fund during the 2018 calendar year. We deeply appreciate all our Circle of Giving Society members for their special gifts!!

Philanthropist Circle \$50,000+

Estate of Minnie Nicewander
National Society DAR

Champion Circle \$25,000+

Mountain Hill Community Church, LLC
National Junior Membership Committee

Partner Circle \$10,000+

Asbury Station Chapter
Mr. & Mrs. John I. Bell, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie B. Brown
Estate of Mary E. Bullock
Mr. Walter R. Kinney
Pennsylvania State Society
South Carolina State Society

Pioneer Circle \$5,000+

California State Society
Dabo's All In Team Foundation
Edgar V. Weir Family Foundation, Inc.

New Jersey State Society
New York State Society
Ohio State Society
Texas State Society
Friends Circle \$1,000+
Ann Whitall Chapter
Anonymous
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Ball
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Mrs. Debbie Cox
Mrs. Mernie S. Crane
Mrs. Marilyn J. Dammann
De Anza Chapter
Mrs. Janet E. Dickerson
Mrs. Margot Eld
Mrs. Lynnette R. Faulkner
Florida State Society
Mrs. Henry Ford
Miss Rosemary T. Hogan
Illinois State Organization
Indiana State Society
Kentucky State Society
Ms. Carolyn Maddox
Marie Cummings Newton Trust
Maryland State Society
Missouri State Society
Patton Campaign Fund
Dr. Michael L. Queen
Salem Lions Charities, Inc.
University of South Carolina Chapter
Mr. William Wagner

THANK YOU

The **"Tamassee Angels Giving Society"** recognizes those individuals, foundations, businesses, churches, organizations and friends of Tamassee DAR School that have made a single or cumulative unrestricted gift of \$500 or more for the 2018 calendar year. Thank you Angels!

Citation Club \$25,000.00+

Estate of Anne Kelley Brown
Estate of Ella M. Grimes
Estate of Ella Young Atwell
Estate of Margaret G. and J. Kennedy Kincaid Jr. Trust
Mrs. Mary Jane Matson
North Carolina State Society
Tamassee Foundation

Legacy Club \$10,000.00+

Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie B. Brown
Estate of Annie C. Munnerlyn

Estate of Mary Roper
Ms. Carolyn Maddox
National Society DAR
Palm Beach Chapter
Trustee Club \$5,000.00+

Mr. and Mrs. Lenair Altman
Box Tops for Education - General Mills
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Fayard
Georgia State Society
Mrs. Linda S. Hawkins
Robin and Elaine Howe
Mrs. Nancy N. Jones
Lady Washington Chapter
Mr. and Mrs. John P. O'Brien Jr.
Mrs. Judy Ostler
Ms. Barbara Roberts
Mrs. Dixie L. Thomasson
Mr. & Mrs. John Twitty

Executive Club \$2,500.00+

Anonymous
Anonymous

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clinton Bybee, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin K. Clauss
Coca Cola Give
Miss Susan de Camp Conger
Ellen and Gertrude B. Kirby Fund of the Community Foundation
Estate of George and Marie Buckner Pitcher
Mr. John H. Fout
HMR Veterans Services, Inc.
Hydro West Chalties
Marie Cummings Newton Trust
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mays
Publix Partners Program
Mr. and Mrs. David Russell
Mr. Graham Stovall
Walhalla Chapter

Patron Club \$1,000.00+

AlAmelia Island Chapter
Anna M Black Trust
Bailey Foundation
Dr. Carl E. Balli
Ms. Brenda H. Browning

Mrs. Carolyn Cantrell
Mr. & Mrs. Cory S. Chambers
Charity Independent Baptist Church
Mrs. Ann S. Cider
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Mr. Manuel Cohen
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Mrs. Marilyn J. Dammann
Mrs. Elizabeth Dickinson
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Estate of Mable Slagle
Estate of Theodore Heske, Jr.
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 Mr. and Mrs. David Levett
 Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. David Levett
 Jarrett Lindon
 Mrs. Bertha S. Little
 Clifford C. Lowery
 Mary Clap Wooster Chapter
 Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBroom II
 Ms. Ann McFadden
 Mr. Joseph Mihelick
 Mississippi State Society
 Mitchell W. Watts Family Foundation, Inc.
 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Mix
 Mrs. Linda Moore
 Mrs. Polly Myers
 Network for Good
 New Jersey State Society
 Mrs. Mary N. Norlund
 Mrs. Bonnie Vaughn Perry
 Mr. Joseph F. Pirola, Jr.
 Raymond James Charitable Endowment Fund
 Dr. Janice Raymond, Ph.D.
 Mrs. Virginia Reisinger
 Ms. Jennifer Romano
 Salem Lions Charities, Inc.
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shuler
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 Mr. & Mrs. Blair Stanicek
 Margaret Steward
 Sumter's Home Chapter
 Mrs. Cyndy Sweeney
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tancus
 The Jackson Companies
 Mrs. Cecilia M. Thomas

Mrs. Jean S. Tower
 Mr. William Wagner
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 Dr. Anna P. Williams
 Williamsburg Chapter
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Monday, May 20

Continental Breakfast # _____ Complimentary

Lunch # _____ @ \$10 \$ _____

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Checks in the proper amount should be made payable to
Tamassee DAR School. Mail reservation form to: Tamassee
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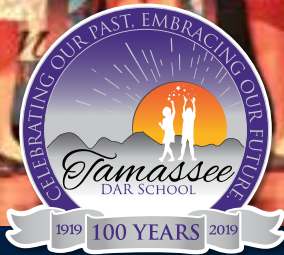
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2019 Awards Day Celebration
Schedule of Events
May 20, 2019

- 8:30 am Continental Breakfast
South Carolina Cottage
- 8:30 am Registration, Hospitality, PR Sales, &
Artisans
Tennessee Smith-Mettetal Building
- 9:00 am DAR Regents' Council Meeting
Adele Erb Sullivan Administration Building
- 10:15 am Opening Ceremony/Senior
Recognition/Special Presentation
North Carolina Gibson Chapel
- 10:45 am Major Dedication Tour
Building on Campus
- 12:30 pm Lunch
Ann Brown Banquet Hall
- 2:00 pm Advisory Committee Meeting
North Carolina Gibson Chapel
Everyone is invited to attend!
- 3:15 pm Children's Program
Georgia May Erwin Talmadge Auditorium
- 4:15 pm Awards Day Program
Georgia May Erwin Talmadge Auditorium
- 5:30 pm Dinner (Concludes Awards Day Events)



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AWARDS DAY: **May 20**
COMMUNITY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION:
July 27
COMMUNITY NIGHT AT VICTORIA VALLEY VINEYARDS:
August 28
CENTENNIAL FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION
October 15 & 16



Save these dates and don't miss the fun throughout 2019!

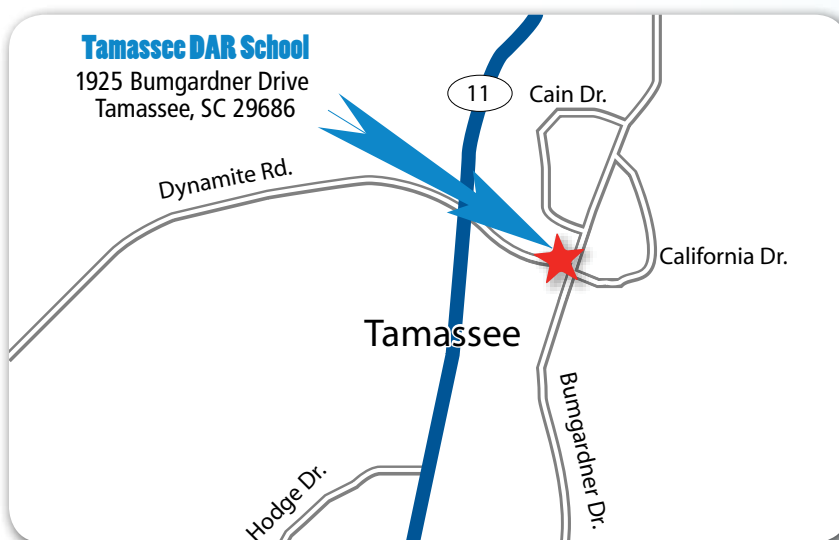
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Charlotte, NC (3 hour drive)

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

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.

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.

Columbia, SC (3 hour drive)

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

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.

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