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Tarkio College is Open Again!

FALL 2020



Ribbon cutting with TC President Don Jagger '71 and TTI President John Davis



TCAA President Linda Brunk Smith '65 helps plant the Legacy Trees

Letter From the President of the Tarkio College Alumni Association

SET FIRE! SET FIRE!! SET FIRE!!!

We finally did it! After 28 long years Tarkio College is back open doing business as Tarkio Technology Institute (Tarkio Tech).

I want to thank the Board of Directors of TCAA for hanging tough all of these years: for having the foresight to capture the name and the TC corporation when they could; and revitalizing the TC board itself. Thank you also alumni for keeping both TCAA and TC financially afloat for lo these many years!

TC tried several things that didn't work, but under the faithful leadership of then president Bob Hughes '71, TC finally came up with a plan to begin with a tech component first and then moving on to a two year academic program. I salute those who have crossed the goal line when Bob and I couldn't. I want to also thank Dr. John Fisher for his tireless and awesome help in preparing all of the paperwork for the Missouri Department of Higher Education. It couldn't have been done without you.

In my memory bank, I must thank Jim Shaum '41 and Dr. Lloyd Martin '41 for giving me the faith to carry on when others thought we were all fools for trying. How I wish you were here to see the doors open again.

Thank you to you alums for your help with the roof project. NO MORE LEAKS! We had hoped to take on other projects of support for TC, but before we do that, we need to build up our reserves again, so you know what to do: PAY YOUR DUES and other donations to P.O. Box 111, Tarkio, MO 64491. PayPal is available on our website at www.tarkioalumni.org. Just a gentle reminder that TCAA and TC are two separate corporations, both needing your support. TC's address is P.O. Box 231.

We are thrilled to have the opportunity for NEW alumni members from TTI! They are our recent program completion students! They are our future!! WELCOME!!!

We were so disappointed not to have had Homecoming this year! We hope to be back on track next year, always the weekend after Father's Day. Hope to see you then!!!

Linda Brunk Smith '65
President, TCAA

TCAA Pays for Roof Repair

Tarkio College received an initial bid of \$22,000 for the much needed roof repair on Rankin. Your Board of Directors generously took on this project and paid the initial amount. Later the roofer came back for an additional amount of \$3400 which we also agreed to pay realizing the initial bid seemed way too low for the amount of damage we knew was there. Later still, he came back for an additional \$12000 with his \$5000 write-off. We were not able to meet this total expense without impacting our reserves. We did agree to try to raise an additional \$6000 if given six months to do so. TC is to pay the remaining \$6000. We are currently raising that money, so if you have not given, we welcome your gift or add on to what you may have already given. Although this turned out to be far more than expected, the main thing is: THE ROOF NO LONGER LEAKS!!!

The following have generously met the challenge, and we thank them:

Rankin Roof Donations

Aldrich, Dora & Larry
Bailey, Chuck & Lauren
Bainbridge, Thomas
Campaigne, Linda
Christy, Becky & Mark
Citizens Bank & Trust
(Morgan Trust)
Cox, Dan
Creighton, George
Crudup, Randy
Dodd-Weant, Nancy
Fell, Paul
Ferry, Joseph
Frahm, Ross
Gaines, Sharon
Gelston, Wayne
Gold, Beth
Gunn, Richard
Holbrook, Baron
Housh, Carla

Huettner, Grace
Hull, Meta
Hughes, Robert
Huston, Joseph
Ingram, Gretchen
Jagger, Twyla
Johnson, Peggy
Kass, Cynthia
Kellenbarger, Pat
Kennedy, Ariana
Kenneweg, Bill
Kreifels, James
La Forge, Katherine
Laughlin, Mary Jane
McAdams, Mary
McCoy, Bob
McQueen, Cosetta
Mier, Willie
Mires, Sheridan
Mirous, James
Novic, Robert

O'Connell, Dale
O'Meara, Bob
Pogue, Joyce
Rankin, Al
Saluga, Mary Ann
Sanders, David
Schmidt, Eldon
Schoenrock, Julie
Shear, Skip
Smith, Linda
Stoll, Elaine
Tamburinno, Sarah
Tollett-Ross, Marla
Tosh, Muriel
Turnbull, Tim
Vardeman, Ken & Myrna
Vincent, Chas & Karen
Voggesser, Ann
Watkins, JO
Winkler, Kurt
Della Russo, Mike

This list is as of September 30, 2020, Can we add your name?
TCAA, P.O. Box 111, Tarkio, MO 64491.



Engagements & Marriages:

May 24, 2019: Mark Wilson '71 got married.

August 9, 2020: Ed Kaye '70 became engaged to Shan Miller.

BEST WISHES TO ALL!

Anniversaries

TCAA wishes everyone below a Happy Anniversary. Your editor picked most of these up from Facebook. Sorry if I missed you. This can be remedied by sending your news to tcaa@tarkio.net Please send any errors to the same address.

January 10, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Phil Knoebel #32
February 28, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Lou Vircillo #50!!!
March 4, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Reid # 30
March 20, 2020: Joseph and Phyllis Genova #27
April 14, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Ferch #36
April 17, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. George Henry #33
May 3, 2020: Bill and Susan Mehaffey Slaughter #50!!!
May 17, 2020: Tim and Janet Arneal Johns #45
May 30, 2020: Dale and Linda O'Connell #22
May 31, 2020: Sidney Pearce and Gary Cooper #64!!!!
June 6, 2020: Mary Holliday and Donald Boone #19
June 9, 2020: Wayne and Karen Gelston #41
June 11, 2020: Elizabeth Breazier and Lonnie Clair #41
June 18, 2020: Joe McIntosh and Faye Perkins #35
June 20, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Farley #39
July 23, 2020: Mike and Tati Needleman # 43
July 30, 2020: Holly Stevenson Hankins and spouse #37
August 3, 2020: Doug and Wendee McVicker #48
August 4, 2020: Curt and Sheryl Riley #30
August 10, 2020: LeRoy and Sylvia Fontenot #30
August 16, 2020: Dr. and Mrs. Mark Dalbey #45
August 24, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. David Berg #36
August 29, 2020: Jeff and Teagan Sumy #19
August 29, 2020: Suzanne Bartenhagen McCleary and spouse
September 5, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Ian Kramer #28
September 6, 2020: Harlan and Linda Brunk Smith #50!!! (your editor)
September 24, 2020: Richard and Kimberly Hodge # 15
September 30, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Randy Crudup #25
October 4, 2020: Doug and Caprice Christensen Ward #35
October 4, 2020: Mr. and Mrs. Rod Drake
October 5, 2020: Beth Gold and spouse #18
October 6, 2020: Charlie and Michele Parker #36

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Retirements & New Beginnings:

Retirements:

Charles Goolsby '82
Angela McIntosh Sherman '80
Brenda Ewart Foster '88
Marty Austin Farley '85
Lyn Muir Simmons '81

Career Changes:

Bob Simpson '87 is the new director of the Atchison County Library

Please send us addition employment news to tcaa@tarkio.net

Obituaries:

Obituaries are posted when we receive them, and we try to tell you a little about each if we have such information. Please send us any additions or corrections, and we apologize for any errors.

Jeffrey "Skip: Eggers '?, Milford, IA, died April 5, 2019. He was one of our students who had to transfer out at the closing. He was a talented musician.

Gerald Burris '?, New Town, ND, died July 4, 2019. He owned a janitorial service.

Bill Elam '60, Lamar, CO, died November 12, 2019. He had served in the US Marines. He was a Hall of Famer excelling in track. He also played football and basketball for TC.

Dottie King Carlson '58, Columbia, MO, passed away December 21, 2019. She was a Shaklee distributor and an administrative aide to a local dentist. She was an active member in her church as well as other organizations.

Pat Mills Prather '51, Forest Lake, MN, passed away January 7, 2020. Pat was a lively spirit and an active Democrat.

Samuel Donald Aven (Staff), Suwanee, GA, died January 8, 2020. He had been Dean of Admissions at Tarkio College.

Reginald Storey '?, Kansas City, MO, died January 23, 2020. We know nothing further.

Karen Marie Zach Sutter '?, Detroit Lakes, MN, passed away April 8, 2020. She loved genealogy, crafting, and playing the piano.

Amos "Rabbit" Harris Jr '74, Port Arthur, TX, died April 22, 2020. He was an outstanding football player at TC and was scouted by the Chiefs.

Tommy Darrell Hopkins '75, Columbia, MO, died May 19, 2020. He was the Director of Grain Inspection and Warehousing for Missouri. He bred angus cattle and founded Accent Mortgage Professionals.

Vince Else '58, Villisca, IA, died June 14, 2020. Vince was a member of our Athletic Hall of Fame. He had coached football, basketball, track, baseball, cross country and bowling, as well as horse shoes! He also served as an official and worked with a jump rope team.

Mary Lou Bryte Arnett '81, Omaha, NE, passed away in June 2020. We do not have the exact date. She had been an activity director at several retirement homes and had a passion for animals.

George M. Henry '64, Maple Grove, MN, died June 27, 2020. George was a member of our Athletic Hall of Fame. He was an outstanding football player. He had been a teacher, coach and administrator.

Elsie Fae McCoy Rhoades, '66, Tarkio, MO, passed away July 5, 2020. Elsie Fae had been a teacher, newspaper columnist, and author. She was an active supporter of Tarkio College for many years and always the life of the party. We shall miss her on the local scene. She is survived by Jim '65, Mary Beth '71, and Jane '73.

Delores Martin Wickersham '54, Omaha, NE, died July 20, 2020. She had worked as a cashier for a grain company.

Lowell Morrill '50, Edmund, OK, died September 9, 2020. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosemary Kyle '54 and survivors include son, John '84. He had worked for Skelly Oil for 33 years and then worked in commercial real estate for his own company, Morrill Realty.

Dan Kelly '60, Topeka, KS, died September 15, 2020. Dan was a medical doctor specializing in pediatrics. He was also a Lt. Commander in the US Navy having had an exciting career with the submarine service.

Thomas R. "Tom" Kaczor '66, Langhorne, PA, died September 16, 2020. He was an athlete all of his life and played basketball at TC. He owned and operated Thomas M. Kaczor Real Estate.

Nancy Hinchman Gay '65 has asked that we remember her sister, Sally Jean Hinchman, who was not a TC alum but gave her life in Christian Service with the Presbyterian Church.

TTI Graduates to be Welcomed into TCAA

Your Board of Directors is working diligently in changing our rules to bring TTI certificate completion graduates into our Association. This has taken longer than we had hoped, but we hope to have it done shortly. We are also working on preparing a welcoming packet to give to these accomplished young people. For the first time in 28 years we are going to have some new members, and they are our future. We will keep you informed. Please give us your support as we make these changes.

Bricks and Memorials 2020

Bricks:

Allen Reynolds, 1960
Bob "Wezul" Wisse, 1974
Paul Rizzo, 1975
Shafqat Rahman, 1975
Andy Placito, 1971
Elsie Fae Rhoades, 1966
Tim Turnbull, Friend of TC

Memorials:

George Henry, 1964
Pat Prather, 1951
Elsie Fae Rhoades, 1966
Lowell Morrill, 1950

Tarkio College Scholarship Fund Donations

The following alumni contributed to our scholarship fund drive along with their dues:

Bainbridge, Thomas
Campaigne, Linda
Daugherty, Nancy
Ferry, Joseph
Gardner, Jean
Jagger, Twyla
LaForge, Katherine

Mirous, James
O'Meara, Bob
Rolofson, Patty
Schmidt, Eldon
Schoenrock, Julie
Shear, Lawrence

We thank them.

TC Alumni Notes!

We love hearing from you!! Please continue to send us notes (and your dues and donations).

Ever faithful Joyce Pogue '57 did all the right things. She sent us a note, change of address to a retirement home, her dues, and a donation for the roof. You can't beat that with a stick! Thank you, Joyce!

Shirley Martin McLaren '53 sent us a note with her dues also informing us of the death of her sister, Delores Martin Wickersham '54. Our sympathies to you, Shirley and the other Martins.

George Creighton '60 sent us a thank you note for our efforts in getting TC up and going. Thank you for that, George. He also informed us that he and Carolyn Wycliff '59 celebrated their 60th anniversary on March 4. Congrats George and Carolyn! They are now living in CO.

Sarah Rankin Seim '60 sent us the update information on Bill Elam '60 that is elsewhere.

Jean Clayton Gardner '63 and husband, Marv sent us a great Christmas update letter, and we thank her.

Hey, I am beginning to think you "youngins" don't know how to write! We enjoy hearing from all--either by snail or email. Our email address is: tcaa@tarkio.net.



The Tarkio College Class of 1965 salutes the reopening of the college!

Letter from the President of Tarkio Technology Institute:

Tarkio Tech Begins First Full Academic Year

On Tuesday, September 1, 2020, Tarkio College d/b/a Tarkio Technology Institute began its first full year of operation with programs in Welding, Plumbing, and Wind Energy Technology. A total of 13 students are enrolled in the three programs. Eight of these students are part of a concurrent enrollment program through the local high schools which will allow them to earn credits toward their post-secondary program as well as their high school graduation.

The institution celebrated this milestone on Saturday, September 12 with a Grand Re-Opening ceremony which took place both on campus and on Facebook live. There were 72 participants in attendance on campus and another 50 viewing the Facebook live broadcast. In addition, noted alumni posted video testimonials of their experiences at Tarkio College on the Tarkio Tech Facebook page. These testimonials and the ceremony continue to be available on this page.

Application has been submitted to the Missouri Department of Higher Education to add programs in HVAC installation, Computer Repair Technology, and Computer Information Technology. Once approved, these programs could be added as early as the spring, 2020 semester.

Plans are being developed to replace the windows in Rankin Hall and to open up the first floor of Bestor Dormitory for student and temporary community housing.

The third quarter of the year has been a very productive period for fundraising which was topped off with the first major gift to our Capital Campaign of \$175,000 from Ms. Joanne Curnutt, the sister of former long-time Atchison County resident and County Collector, Mr. Dean Curnutt '51. We want to extend a sincere thank-you to the Tarkio College Alumni Association and all those who have contributed to Tarkio College.

John Davis, President
Tarkio Technology Institute



Pictured above: New graduates of Tarkio Technology Institute. Presidents Don Jagger and John Davis with Orion Seaman (left) and Ryan Laughlin (Right) - Ryan is Maryjane Davison nephew '74.

TCAA-Statement of Financial Position
(Includes unrealized gains of \$1202)
6/30/2020

ASSETS		
Cash and Bank Accounts		\$21,829
Inventory		\$1,383
Memorabilia	\$15,774	
Printer, Computer, fax	\$7,756	
zAccumulated Dpr	<u>-\$23,530</u>	
TOTAL Other Assets		\$0
Investments		\$26,524
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Total Assets		<u><u>\$49,736</u></u>
Fund Balance		
TCAA Fund Balance		\$49,736

TCAA Statement of Activities
7/1/2019 Through 6/30/2020

Inflows		
Contributions Gifts Grants	\$13,472	
Dues	\$9,736	
Rental Income	\$0	
Net Sales	\$355	
Interest, Dividends and Realized Gain	\$1,457	
Total Inflows		<hr/> \$25,020
Outflows		
Bank, License, Officers Ins. and Office fees	\$2,653	
Depreciation	\$0	
Occupancy, Rent, Utilities, Maintenance	\$1,133	
Printing, Publications, Postage	\$2,026	
Professional fees, Independent Contractors	\$1,105	
Student Scholarships	\$2,000	
Donation To Tarkio Tech for Roof Repair	\$10,000	
Total Outflows		<hr/> \$18,917
OVERALL TOTAL INFLOWS OVER OUTFLOWS		<hr/> <u>\$6,103</u>
Change in UnrlzdGain		(\$2,113)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		<hr/> <u>\$3,990</u>

HOW TO USE PAYPAL OR CREDIT CARD FOR DUES/DONATIONS

1. Go to our website, www.tarkioalumni.org
2. On the left side of your screen, click on "company matching gifts." This option is also open to smaller individual donations and transactions.
3. Enter the desired amount and choose PayPal or credit card - you also have the option below the amount donated for any special instructions, for example a memorial, etc.
4. If you have a PayPal account follow that procedure - for a credit card/debit card enter your information
5. You have the option of sharing your address information with TCAA
6. After you have entered all the required information - click "donate now"
7. The system will then tell you that you have donated \$___ to TCAA.

For matching gifts our **EIN is 43-1617012**