The anonymous donors established the Achieving the Dream Scholarship to be awarded in honor of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. American Baptist minister, activist, humanitarian, and leader in the African-American Civil Rights Movement who won the Nobel Peace Prize for combating racial inequality through nonviolence. This scholarship will be awarded annually to one or two students (maximum two) graduating from Americus-Sumter County High School as long as the donor is able and desires to fund the scholarship.

Adam King – Freshman – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Alumni Association Scholarship

The Alumni Association Board of Directors offers cash scholarships to worthy students who show financial need. Contact the Alumni Office for application. This scholarship is awarded by Alumni Board of Directors.

Emily Abell – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Leslie, Georgia
Ellie Cook – Sophomore – Exercise Science major from Cordele, Georgia
Caitlin Cooper – Junior – Nursing major from Sylvester, Georgia
Rebekah Davis – Sophomore – Management major from Americus, Georgia
Carter Flynn – Freshman – General Education major from Albany, Georgia
Bailey Goodin – Sophomore – Marketing major from Smithville, Georgia
Mitch Holloway – Junior – Special Education major from Plains, Georgia
Andrew May – Junior – Geology major from Leesburg, Georgia
Eli Mixon – Sophomore – Exercise Science major from Cordele, Georgia
Lauren Musselwhite – Sophomore – Nursing major from Cordele, Georgia
Bethany Phillips – Freshman – Business major from Ellaville, Georgia
Amanda Shiflett – Junior – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Allison Stewart – Junior – Business Management major from Meansville, Georgia
Jesse Wilson – Freshman – Exercise Science major from Americus, Georgia
Matt Youngblood – Junior – Marketing major from Vienna, Georgia
Alumni Association Scholarship – continued

Cody Clements (L) – Sophomore – Computer Science major from Vienna, Georgia
Taylor Moore (R) – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Preston, Georgia

William McCoy (L) – Freshman – Biology major from San Antonio, Texas
Justin Vickery (R) – Sophomore – Accounting major from Americus, Georgia
Alumni Endowed Scholarship

The Alumni Association offers an academic scholarship to a Georgia resident who has a GPA of 2.5–2.99 and is a sophomore, junior or senior in good standing. This scholarship is awarded to undergraduate students only.

Aaron Morris – Freshman – Biology major from Americus, Georgia
Ard Watson Scholarship

The Ard Watson Scholarship Fund was created by his family to honor Mr. Watson, former Director of Clinical Labs at Sumter Regional Hospital, to encourage career development in nursing or other healthcare fields. Consideration is given to residents of Sumter County, Georgia, with a minimum GPA of 2.85. Selection is made by the School of Nursing.

Jasmine Sims - Senior- Nursing major from Americus, Georgia
Daniel D. Arden, Jr. Science Scholarship

The science faculty established this scholarship to honor Daniel Arden, a former science professor at GSW. The scholarship is awarded to geo-science majors, either Freshmen or transfer students, who have a GPA of 3.0, with consideration given to SAT scores as well as curricula taken while in high school and/or college.

Andrew May – Junior – Geology major from Leesburg, Georgia
Stephanie Gatlin – Junior – Geology major from Albany, Georgia
Conner Batchelor – Freshman – Geology major from Macon, Georgia
Shayna Turner – Junior – Geology major from Montezuma, Georgia
Trevor Dempsey – Junior – Geology major from Columbus, Georgia
Elizabeth Birge – Freshman – Geology major from Niceville, Florida
The BeBe Gibson Nursing Scholarship was established by Betsy and Henry Crisp in memory of Mrs. Crisp’s mother, BeBe Gibson. This scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman, a transfer student, or a current student pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in the School of Nursing at GSW. Preference is given to students with a minimum 3.0 GPA from Sumter, Lee & Clay counties in Georgia, or to non-traditional students who have established verifiable residency in such counties. The number, amount, and recipients will be determined by the Scholarship Committee of the School of Nursing at GSW.

Brianna Washington – Senior – Nursing major from Albany, Georgia
Belford Scholarship

This scholarship, established in memory of Richard A. Belford and Martha G. Belford and in honor of William Lee Belford, shall be used for an incoming freshman or a current student pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree at GSW in the School of Business Administration. Consideration will be given to student athletes enrolled in the School of Business who meet the stated criteria. a) Preference will be given (although not limited to) students who graduated from High School from Chatham, Effingham, Bulloch, Bryan or Liberty counties in Georgia  b) A minimum 3.0 (on a scale of 4) grade point average is required for receipt of this scholarship. The Scholarship recipient will be determined by the Scholarship Committee of the School of Business at Georgia Southwestern State University. The award amount will be credited to the student’s account at GSW.

Fraser Johnston – Senior – Management major from Port Setan, Scotland
Evan Alderman – Senior – Marketing major from Oxford, Georgia
Bettie & Claude L. Rhyne, Jr. Scholarship

The family of Bettie and Claude Rhyne, Jr. created this scholarship for upper-class or graduate students majoring in Biology who have a 3.0 GPA.

Abby Harrod - Senior- Biology/Pre-Med major from Americus, Georgia
Bettie Tolson Rhyne Scholarship

Claude L. Rhyne, Ph.D. of Americus, GA, established this memorial scholarship to honor his wife. This scholarship is for a graduate student who is pursuing a Master’s degree in reading. If there is no graduate student who applies in this field of study, consideration will be given to students in the Master’s Degree Program in Computer Science.
Cavender- Rich Scholarship

In 1987, Tim DuPree established a scholarship in the memory of his late grandmother Ida Cavender, and Tony Rich, a benefactor. The scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior at Macon County High School and Peach County High School. Criteria includes a minimum SAT score of 950, financial need, HS average of 85 or better, 95% attendance record and a strong interest in the American work ethic. Selection is made upon recommendation of the principal of Macon County High School and Peach County High School.

Kaylen King – Freshman – Nursing major from Ft. Valley, Georgia

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Charles F. Crisp Scholarship

This endowment was established by family and friends in memory of Charles F. Crisp, former President of the Bank of Commerce and local business leader in Americus, Georgia. Recipient must be a resident of Georgia, an incoming freshman with a minimum SAT of 1000 and HS GPA of 3.0. Consideration is also given to students enrolled at GSW and with a 3.0 GPA.

Leanne Butts – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Leesburg, Georgia
April Currington – Freshman – Nursing major from Butler, Georgia
Bret Futch – Freshman – Nursing major from Leesburg, Georgia
Lindsey Hall – Sophomore – Early Childhood Education major from Albany, Georgia
Newton Locke – Freshman – Undeclared major from Butler, Georgia
Cole Maxwell – Freshman – Exercise Science major from Leesburg, Georgia
Bri Pafford – Freshman – Early Childhood Education major from Albany, Georgia
Chelse Perry – Sophomore – Biology major from Americus, Georgia
Haley Welch – Freshman – Marketing major from Ellaville, Georgia
Whitney Welch – Freshman – Accounting major from Ellaville, Georgia
(Charles F. Crisp Scholarship – continued)

Megan Bivins (L) – Sophomore Nursing major from Ellaville, Georgia

Ryan Singley (C) - Senior Business major from Americus, Georgia

James Hartin (R) – Sophomore English Education major from Cordele, Georgia

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The Civitan Club of Americus established this scholarship to support students majoring in special education at GSW. It is awarded to the student with the highest GPA.

Mitch Holloway – Junior – Special Education major from Plains, Georgia
Class of ’59 Scholarship

This scholarship was established by members of the GSW Class of 1959 to benefit GSW students who have achieved Junior, Senior or graduate level and have earned a minimum of 2.5 GPA. First consideration will be given descendants of GSW alumni.

April Hall – Senior – Psychology major from Cordele, Georgia
Daphne Cantrell Chambless Scholarship

Established in 2005 by Daphne Ann Chambless in honor of her mother, the Daphne Cantrell Chambless Award criteria is for a Georgia Southwestern State University student pursuing a baccalaureate degree in any academic subject, has a record of academic excellence as demonstrated by a GPA of 3.0 and has achieved a level of a Junior or Senior.

Macy Crawford – Senior – Nursing major from Reynolds, Georgia
Shabrika Lindsey- Senior- Exercise Science/Wellness- Blakely, Georgia
Denham Family Athletic Scholarship

This scholarship is for a student athlete who is an incoming freshman, a transfer student, or a current student pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree at Georgia Southwestern State University and who is recognized as a student athlete.

Taylor Whitehead – Junior – Nursing major from Tifton, Georgia
Evan Bozof Scholarship

A pitcher on the GSW baseball team from 1996-1998, Evan Bozof passed away from meningococcal disease April 20, 1998. An athletic scholarship was endowed in Evan's name in March 2008. This scholarship is intended to support baseball at GSW. A GPA of 3.25 is required. It may be awarded to an incoming student, a transfer student from a junior college or a continuing GSW student who is a member in good standing of the GSW baseball team with a GPA 3.25.

Matt Hubbard – Junior – Exercise Science major from Lawrenceville, Georgia
Mitch Holloway – Junior – Special Education major from Plains, Georgia
Josh Logan – Junior – Political Science major from Buford, Georgia
Frances B. Arenz Jones Scholarship

This Alumni Award is available to incoming freshmen who are Sumter County residents. Vicktor Jones established it to honor his wife, Frances Bagley Arenz, a 1939 graduate of GSW. Criteria include a HS GPA of 2.8 and no grades below C. Applicants are also considered for leadership qualities and participation in extra-curricular activities. This scholarship can be on-going as long as the criteria are met.

Emily Abell – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Leslie, Georgia
Quint Crumpton – Junior – Psychology major from Americus, Georgia
Ashleigh Gray – Junior – Business major from Centerville, Georgia
Tristan McKelvey – Freshman – Pre-Engineering major from Americus, Georgia
Erin Parker – Sophomore – Undecided major from Americus, Georgia
Rishabh Patel – Sophomore – Pre-Engineering major from Americus, Georgia
Tanvi Patel – Sophomore – Biology major from Americus, Georgia
Madison Skala – Freshman – Nursing major from Americus, Georgia
Cauldin Smith – Sophomore – Nursing major from Americus, Georgia
Pie Smith – Freshman – Computer Science major from Americus, Georgia
Blake St. John – Freshman – Information Technology major from Leslie, Georgia
John Wojnar – Sophomore – Accounting major from Americus, Georgia
Taylor Moore – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Preston, Georgia

Jacob Hicks – Freshman – Pre-Nursing major from Americus, Georgia
The Frances Wood Wilson Foundation of Decatur, Georgia, provides assistance to worthy students with a GPA of 3.0 and who demonstrate leadership involvement in school activities. Selection is by the Director of Admissions.

Andrew Pless – Sophomore Biology/Pre-Med major from Cordele, Georgia
Jesse Wilson – Freshman Exercise Science major from Americus, Georgia
Madison Brown – Junior Early Childhood Education major from Americus, Georgia
Frances Wood Wilson Scholarship – Continued

Jacob Fowler (L) – Freshman – Computer Science major from Rupert, Georgia
Abby Harrod (C) – Senior – Biology/Pre-Med major from Americus, Georgia
Vanessa Reyes (R) - Junior- Business major from Americus, Georgia
G. Stanley Wicker Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the family of GSW alumnus, G. Stanley Wicker, to honor his memory. Mr. Wicker was a faithful alumnus of GSW and served on the GSW alumni board for many years. This a need-based scholarship, determined by the university’s scholarship committee and criteria set by the committee for need-based scholarships. The number, amount, and recipient(s) of the Scholarship will be determined by the Scholarship Committee of the appropriate department at Georgia Southwestern State University. The Scholarship award amount will be credited to the student’s account at GSW.

Abigail Robinson – Junior – Nursing major from Macon, Georgia
Aimee Robinson – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Macon, Georgia
Glynn Mathis Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Glynn Mathis, an alumnus of GSW and a retired career educator in the State of Georgia. This scholarship is awarded to deserving students (undergraduate or graduate) showing financial need that meet admission standards or requirements at Georgia Southwestern and are pursuing a degree in Education and plan to teach. Preference is given to student athletes demonstrating academic proficiency and athletic skills in any of the intercollegiate sports offered at Georgia Southwestern.

Earl Dupree – Senior – Health/Physical Education major from Hawkinsville, Georgia
Goizueta Scholarship

The Goizueta Foundation of Atlanta established a scholarship to provide need-based assistance annually to Latino students whose families currently reside in the United States.

Manuel Duran Gonzalez – Freshman – Mechanical Engineering major from Columbus, Georgia
Ricky Jimenez – Junior – Exercise Science major from Americus, Georgia
Brayean Lepiz – Junior – Political Science major from Americus, Georgia
Emmanuel Lopez – Freshman – Computer Science major from Fort Valley, Georgia
Gabby Martinez – Sophomore – History major from Hiram, Georgia
Fatima Mendoza – Sophomore – Psychology major from Fairburn, Georgia
Juan Morales – Sophomore – Mechanical Engineering major from Warner Robins, Georgia
Uriel Rodriguez – Junior – Exercise Science major from Americus, Georgia
Benjamin Sequeira – Sophomore – Fine Arts major from Miami Springs, Florida
Goizueta Scholarship – Continued

Consuelo Gonzalez – Junior – Accounting major from Atlanta, Georgia
Vianca Gonzalez – Sophomore – Chemistry major from McDonough, Georgia
Vanessa Reyes - Junior- Business major from Americus, Georgia
David Saldana- Freshman Accounting major from Oglethorpe, Georgia
The Griffin Bell Golf Scholarship was established to honor the memory of former Attorney General Judge Griffin Bell. The scholarship is offered to an incoming student, transfer student or a continuing GSW student with a high school GPA of 3.0 who is pursuing a major in Business Administration with an emphasis on Professional Golf Management or who is recruited to play on the GSW Golf team.

Tyler Barker – Sophomore – Business major from Augusta, Georgia
Nick Gaultney – Junior – PGM major from Dunwoody, Georgia
Griffin Bell Scholarship – continued

Brennan Bauschka – Senior – PGM/Marketing major from Johns Creek, Georgia
AJ Hooper – Senior – Business Management major from Dalton, Georgia
Cary Taylor – Sophomore – Business Management from Bogart, Georgia
Griffin Bell Scholarship – continued

Landon Colwell – Sophomore – Business Management major from Griffin, Georgia
Ian Flanagan - - Sophomore – Business Management major from Douglasville, Georgia
Austin Perry- Junior – Accounting major from Griffin, Georgia

Sid Sorenson – Freshman – Business Management major from Leesburg, Georgia
H. Phil Jones, Jr. / Citizens Bank Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of H. Phil Jones, Jr., former president of the Citizens Bank of Americus. It is available to Sumter County or Webster County residents exhibiting financial need, those who show leadership qualities through extracurricular activities such as clubs, sports or volunteer work and is an “average” student with a 2.0-3.25 GPA.

Bryce Benton – Senior – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Khayla Owens – Sophomore – Nursing major from Warner Robins, Georgia
Owen Dillard – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Americus, Georgia

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DR. HAROLD EARL HOLLOWAY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by the estate of Dr. Harold E. Holloway, a graduate of GSW. Criteria for selection of recipient: A Georgia Southwestern State University student who attended Schley County Schools, with first consideration given to descendants of Schley County High School graduates prior to 1970. Student must have a GPA of 3.0 on a 4 point scale and have financial need.

Lori Sawyer – Senior – Exercise Science major from Ellaville, Georgia

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Henry King Stanford Scholarship

This Alumni scholarship was named in honor of Henry King Stanford, President of GSW from 1948 through 1950 and former President of Birmingham Southern, Ga. College and State University in Milledgeville, University of Miami, and University of Georgia. Criteria: in-coming freshman, minimum SAT of 1000, and 3.0 GPA.

Katherine McGarr – Sophomore History major from Cordele, Georgia
Taylor Weeks – Freshman Nursing major from Unadilla, Georgia
Brenton Gebel – Freshman Accounting major from Milledgeville, Georgia
Henry King Stanford Scholarship – continued

Sarah Bridges — Senior – Exercise Science major from Leesburg, Georgia
John Jones – Sophomore – Middle Grades Education major from Leesburg, Georgia

Miles Norman – Freshman Engineering major from Blakely, Georgia
Ryan Johnson – Senior Exercise & Science major from Americus, Georgia
Herschel A. Smith Scholarship

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia honored Dr. Herschel Smith, GSW’s first campus infirmary physician, by naming the GSW infirmary “The Herschel A. Smith Health Center.” Dr. Smith was instrumental in creating the nursing program at Georgia Southwestern. The award is offered to non-traditional nursing students of good academic standing with a GPA of 3.0.

Yvonne Hernandez – Senior – Nursing major from Darien, Georgia
HUGH D. CARTER, JR. BIOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Hugh D. Carter, Jr. It is awarded to students who have completed 30 semester hours of biology course work and have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Joseph Myler – Senior – Biology/ Pre-med major from Albany, Georgia

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Human Resource Management Scholarship

Human Resource Management alumni from GSW established the Human Resource Management Scholarship for students who meet the following criteria: Enrolled in GSW as a Human Resource Management Major Minimum of 18 hours of upper division business classes Has at least 2.75 GPA (on a 4.0 scale).

Sunny Thayer- Senior – Human Resource Management major from Acworth, Georgia
Iris Argo Scholarship

This endowed scholarship is in memory of Dr. Iris Stewart Argo, an alumnus and Professor of English at GSW for more than thirty years. Dr. Argo was also an accomplished author. Recipients must be English majors with a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Brittnea Holland – Senior – English major from Oglethorpe, Georgia

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J.H. Dorminy Music Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Mrs. J.H. Dorminy, Jr. to encourage and support the study and performance of music at Georgia Southwestern.

Russel Thompson – Senior – Music major from Cordele, Georgia
James G. Deriso Scholarship

This memorial endowment was established by the family of James G. Deriso. Mr. Deriso, father of Mrs. Betty Pope, was a successful businessman in Sumter County. Consideration is given to participation and leadership in campus activities and extracurricular activities. Scholarship criteria requires recipients to be junior or senior status, accepted into the School of Business, with a GPA of 3.0, and no more than one grade of “C” in upper division courses.

Nick Ward – Senior – Business Management major from Eastbourne, England
Austin Young – Junior – Management major from Ellaville, Georgia
Amanda Shiflett – Junior – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Lauren Cordle – Senior – Human Resource Management major from Leesburg, Georgia
Carson Fields – Junior – Accounting major from Athens, Georgia
Chelsa Childress – Senior – Accounting major from Baconton, Georgia
Ashley Allen – Junior – Marketing major from Douglasville, Georgia
Matt Youngblood – Junior – Marketing major from Vienna, Georgia

Marina Burke – Senior – Accounting major from Lawrenceville, Georgia
Jena Miller – Senior – Business Management major from Ellaville, Georgia

James Tomberlin – Junior – Business Management major from Cochran, Georgia
Lindsey Royal – Senior – Accounting major from Warner Robins, Georgia
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Nick Ward – Senior – Business Management major from Eastbourne, England
Austin Young – Junior – Management major from Ellaville, Georgia
Amanda Shiflett – Junior – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Lauren Cordle – Senior – Human Resource Management major from Leesburg, Georgia
Carson Fields – Junior – Accounting major from Athens, Georgia
Chelsa Childress – Senior – Accounting major from Baconton, Georgia
Ashley Allen – Junior – Marketing major from Douglasville, Georgia
Matt Youngblood – Junior – Marketing major from Vienna, Georgia
(James G. Deriso Scholarship – continued)

Marina Burke – Senior – Accounting major from Lawrenceville, Georgia
Jena Miller – Senior – Business Management major from Ellaville, Georgia

James Tomberlin – Junior – Business Management major from Cochran, Georgia
Lindsey Royal – Senior – Accounting major from Warner Robins, Georgia

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Jerry and Marjorie Newman Scholarship

The Jerry and Marjorie Newman Scholarship was established through the generosity of Jerry and Marjorie Newman. Jerry Newman is a loyal alumnus of the Georgia Southwestern State University (GSW) Class of 1959 who serves on the GSW Foundation Board of Trustees. He, along with his wife Marjorie, have supported GSW in many ways over the years, including a gift to renovate the former president’s home on campus now known as the Newman Alumni House. Recipients must be an enrolled student in good standing at Georgia Southwestern State University. Preference will be given to Columbus, Georgia and surrounding area residents.

Danielle Alcide – Sophomore – Education major from Columbus, Georgia
Madison Wilson – Sophomore – Undeclared major from Columbus, Georgia

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Jim Ray Scholarship

This endowment was established by the late Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ray of Americus, Georgia, in memory of their son Jim. The recipient must be enrolled full-time and in good standing. Consideration will be given but not restricted to incoming freshmen. Preference is given to student athletes in the sport of golf.

Tyler Barker – Sophomore – Business major from Augusta, Georgia
The Coach Jimmy Hightower Endowment was established through the generosity of many to support student athletes and the GSW athletics program in honor of GSW’s first (and only) football coach. This gift is intended to be awarded in Coach Hightower’s name following the criteria established in the endowment.

The recipient of the Scholarship is determined by the Athletics Director, in conjunction with the Director of Financial Aid at Georgia Southwestern State University.

Colby Smith – Senior – Exercise Science major from Milledgeville, Georgia
Juan Morales – Sophomore – Mechanical Engineering major from Warner Robins, Georgia

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Coach Jimmy Hightower Athletic Scholarship
Julia B. Isakson Scholarship

This scholarship was established by E.A. Isakson of Roswell, Georgia, to honor his wife Julia, a 1937 graduate of Georgia Southwestern College. This scholarship covers full tuition and is awarded to a deserving student with a positive attitude who would benefit from an education at GSW. It is renewable and not based on financial need.

Daniel Player – Junior – English major from Oglethorpe, Georgia
Kappa Sigma- Judge John Harper Scholarship

The Kappa Sigma Alumni Foundation established the Kappa Sigma Judge John V. Harper Scholarship. Judge Harper was a much respected and admired GSW alumnus and brother of the Kappa-Kappa Chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. This scholarship will be awarded annually as long as the donor is able and desires to fund the scholarship, or until the endowment of the same name achieves the necessary value to be awarded.

Bryce Benton – Senior – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Tyler Nix – Senior – Business Management major from Newnan, Georgia

Pictured on right
Zeb Locke – Junior Exercise Wellness major from Butler, Georgia

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Kenneth R. McMillan Scholarships I & II

Frances Daniel, caregiver and friend of the late Kenneth (Tip) McMillan, GSW Class of 1959, shared his desire to assist students in obtaining higher education. She established two alumni endowed scholarships in his memory. Consideration is given to residents of the Ga. Sheriff’s Youth Homes, or of Colquitt County, Ga., who have financial need and meet admission standards.

Gracie Segers (L) – Freshman English major from Moultrie, Georgia
Eve Marchant (C) - Sophomore Nursing major from Hartsfield, Georgia
Brady Jarvis (R) – Sophomore Nursing major from Moultrie, Georgia
Kenneth R. McMillan Scholarship II

Frances Daniel, caregiver and friend of the late Kenneth (Tip) McMillan, GSW Class of 1959, shared his desire to assist students in obtaining higher education. She established two alumni endowed scholarships in his memory. Consideration is given to residents of the Ga. Sheriff’s Youth Homes, or of Colquitt County, Ga., who have financial need and meet admission standards. Selection is by a Special Committee chaired by Rudolph Patterson, Attorney and awarded by Director of Financial Aid.

Gracie Segers – Freshmasn – English major from Moultrie, Georgia

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Kimberly Douglas Robins Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Glenn Robins in memory of his wife, Kimberly Douglas Robins, who was a graduate of GSW and served as the Chief Administrator of the Andersonville Cemetery. This scholarship will be awarded annually as long as the donor is able to fund the scholarship. This scholarship shall be used for a student who is enrolled in GSW, with preference to the following majors – Secondary Education, Middle Grades Education, or Nursing and to non-traditional students or those seeking a second degree.

Ashley King – Senior – Nursing major from Jesup, Georgia
Kirt Myers Memorial Scholarship

Dr. James “Kirt” Myers, a dedicated GSW Administrator, teacher, coach, and father died tragically in an automobile accident in 2001. His family, friends, and students began this endowment to honor his memory for his contributions to GSW and the Americus community. The award is available to students with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and who have been admitted to teacher education with a Special Education Major.

Sarah Allen – Senior – Special Education major from Blue Ridge, Georgia
Kiwanis Leadership Scholarship

The Kiwanis Club of Americus established an endowed scholarship for students from Sumter County who display leadership qualities and have a minimum 2.85 GPA. Preference is given to former Key Club members or dependents of a member of the Americus Kiwanis Club. The amount and recipient(s) will be determined by the Kiwanis Club of Americus based on availability of funds.

Joshua Swift – Junior – Accounting major from Johns Creek, Georgia
Lauren Barfield – Senior – Early Childhood Education major from Dawson, Georgia
Ashley Denby – Junior – History major from Cordele, Georgia
Brigitte Locke – Senior – Nursing major from Reynolds, Georgia
Amanda Berstle – Senior – Middle Grades Education major from McDonough, Georgia
Emma McBrearty – Junior – Middle Grades Education major from Perry, Georgia
(Kiwanis Leadership Scholarship – continued)

Sarah Bridges – Senior – Exercise Science major from Leesburg, Georgia
AJ Hooper – Senior – Business Management major from Dalton, Georgia

John Jones – Sophomore – Middle Grades Education major from Leesburg, Georgia
Whitney Parker – Freshman – Undecided major from Americus, Georgia
Leewynn Finklea Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Leewynn Finklea, an educator and GSW’s first Alumni Director. Applicants must have financial need, a minimum 2.75 GPA and show interest in community and school related activities.

Tristian Wiggins – Junior – Exercise Science/ Wellness major from Ellaville, Georgia
Levine-Hanes Scholarship

Dr. Michael Hanes, former President of GSW and his wife, Dr. Madlyn Hanes, established this endowed scholarship in honor of their parents. This scholarship will be awarded to a first year, traditional age, full time student who has demonstrated unmet financial need and qualifies for regular admission with above average credentials. It can be extended if recipient qualifies.

William Green – Freshman – Pre-Engineering major from Conyers, Georgia
Lillie Josey Dudley Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. A. Gatewood Dudley and Cynthia Dudley. Scholarship will be awarded to a student with the highest grade point average upon acceptance to the School of Nursing and who has completed all core requirements at GSW. This award will be given to one nursing student per year and is renewable based upon the Scholarship Committee’s recommendation. If the scholarship award is not renewed, it will be offered to another newly admitted student according to the award criteria. The recipient of the Scholarship will be determined by the Scholarship Committee of the School of Nursing at Georgia Southwestern State University which should include the Head Nurse at Phoebe Sumter Medical Center. The Scholarship award amount will be credited to the student’s account at GSW.

Lauren Shiver – Junior – Nursing major from Sylvester, Georgia
Loveda Powell McNair Scholarship

Brenda Hunter Browning, ASN, an alumnus of GSW’s School of Nursing ('64), established this scholarship in memory of her friend and former classmate. The recipient must be a Georgia resident enrolled in the GSW School of Nursing.

Kathryn Myers – Senior – Nursing major from Byron, Georgia
Lula Finch Stephens Scholarship

The Lula Finch Stephens Scholarship Endowment was created through the generosity of Sam and Sue Stephens with contributions to both the Lula Finch Stephens and Jennie H. Strange scholarship funds in honor of their respective mothers. Mr. Stephens chose to combine the two funds to ensure that the legacy of Mrs. Lula Finch Stephens will live on at GSW. Criteria include demonstrating financial need and exhibiting a record of academic achievement with a GPA of 2.8 on a 4 point scale. This scholarship is renewable.

Justina Laguerre- Sophomore Biology major from Brooklyn, New York
Claude Rhyne, the brother of Margaret R. Wagener and Robert Rhyne, established this scholarship as a lasting tribute to their memory. This scholarship is to be awarded to a student in the School of Education with a major emphasis on Special Education. Applicants must demonstrate a need and maintain a GPA of 2.5.

Hannah Conger – Senior – Special Education major from Ellaville, Georgia
Marshall Pryor Scholarship

This endowed scholarship was established in memory of Robert Marshall Pryor by his family. The scholarship is available to residents of Sumter County, Georgia, who have financial need. Marshall Pryor, the grandson of the late Judge Thomas O. Marshall, Supreme Court Justice of the State of Georgia, demonstrated great courage in his fight to live and will always be an inspiration to his family and friends.

Amanda Shiflett – Junior Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Faith Morris – Senior Psychology major from Edison, Georgia
Rachel Harrod – Junior Nursing major from Moultrie, Georgia
Hannah Conger – Senior Special Education from Ellaville, Georgia
Shabreka Reddick – Junior Biology major from Americus, Georgia
Amy Baker – Senior (2nd degree) Nursing from Midway, Georgia
Aaron Morris – Freshman Biology major from Americus, Georgia
Marshall Pryor Scholarship - continued

Ryan Johnson – Senior – Exercise Science & Wellness major from Americus, Georgia

Andre Bryant - - Sophomore – Education major from Thomasville, Georgia
Mary Dupree Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Mary G. Dupree by the J. Frank Myers family. The purpose of the fund is to assist students in good standing in attaining a degree in teacher education.

Lauren Barfield – Senior – Early Childhood Education major from Dawson, Georgia
Hailie Taylor – Senior – Early Childhood Education major from Fitzgerald, Georgia
Mattie H. Marshall Scholarship

This memorial scholarship honors the late Mattie H. Marshall, mother of former Georgia Supreme Court Justice Tom Marshall, and is awarded to a worthy student who is a resident of the State of Georgia and has a minimum GPA of 2.5.

Shontasha Manghram – Senior – Psychology major from Montezuma, Georgia
Travis Streetman – Sophomore – Marketing major from Ellaville, Georgia
Daniel Player – Junior – English major from Oglethorpe, Georgia
Elizabeth Lewis – Senior – Music major with Teacher Certification from Bainbridge, Georgia
Savannah Fonda – Junior – Nursing major from Snellville, Georgia
Quint Crumpton – Junior – Psychology major from Americus, Georgia
Sandy Collins – Senior – Business/Marketing major from Lawrenceville, Georgia
Nell Holt Holman Nursing Cash Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Americus resident Tom Holman in honor of his late wife, Nell Holt Holman, who passed away in 2011. Mr. Holman and his sons wanted to honor Mrs. Holman’s service to the community as a charge nurse at Magnolia Manor Nursing Center, providing care to Alzheimer’s patients for 18 years. This scholarship will be granted on the basis of financial need to GSW students who major in nursing – undergraduate or graduate. Preference will be given to students from Sumter County and surrounding areas.

Jasmine Sims – Senior – Nursing major from Lithonia, Georgia
The Peyton Jacob Scholarship was established by the Alumni Association to honor Dr. Peyton Jacob, the former president of Georgia Southwestern State University from 1935-1948. It is awarded to worthy students of good academic standards.

Leanne Butts – Junior – Early Childhood Education major from Leesburg, Georgia
Pope Caregivers Fellowships

The Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving (RCI) awards fellowships and scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students. These are available through a generous endowment to RCI from John and Betty Pope. Awards are given to GSW students who are studying in caregiving-related areas or are working on caregiving projects that address the mission of the RCI.

Jennifer Thigpen – Freshman – Pre-Nursing major from Waycross, Georgia
Farrah Sechrist – Freshman – Nursing major from Leslie, Georgia
Evan Parks – Freshman – Pre-Pharmacy/Chemistry major from Lake Park, Georgia
Caitlin Cooper – Junior – Nursing major from Sylvester, Georgia
Katie Wimberly – Freshman – Nursing major from Macon, Georgia
Brooke Benton – Junior – Nursing major from Americus, Georgia
Landis Seagraves – Freshman – Nursing major from Nicholson, Georgia
Anneliese Leahy – Junior – Nursing major from Evans, Georgia
Misty Waters – Senior – Early Childhood Education major from Ellaville, Georgia
Gilbretta Greene – Sophomore – Nursing major from Preston, Georgia
Rachel Medlin – Senior – Early Childhood Education major from Cordele, Georgia
Gabby Griffin – Sophomore – Nursing major from Ottawa, Canada
Savannah Fonda – Junior – Nursing major from Snellville, Georgia
Jon Cannon – Senior – Nursing major from Athens, Georgia
Anna Bryant – Freshman – Nursing major from Pensacola, Florida
(Pope Caregivers Fellowships – continued)

Elizabeth Moody- Sophomore- Nursing major from Georgetown, Georgia
Lilly Dent- Sophomore – Junior Dramatic Arts major from Fitzgerald, Georgia

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Roy Lee & Susan Smith Athletic Scholarship

According to the wishes of the donor as set forth in “A Contract Establishing the Roy Lee and Susan Smith Endowment Fund” the earnings from this fund will be made available for Athletic programs. That could include athletic scholarships, capital improvements to athletic facilities, and other uses that pertain to Athletic programs at Georgia Southwestern State University. The amount and usage will be determined as follows: All uses must comply with the mission statement of the Georgia Southwestern Foundation, with current IRS guidelines and must be approved by the President of the University and the Athletic Director of the University. Amount and usage is subject to available funds.

Abby Child (L) – Graduate – Masters in Early Childhood Education from LaGrange, Georgia
Emili Russ (R) – Senior – Exercise Science major from Covington, Georgia
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Emili Russ- Senior- Exercise Science major from Covington, Georgia

Not Pictured:
Abby Child
Roy Lee & Susan Smith Sheriff’s Youth Home Scholarship

The family of Roy Lee Smith, a successful local businessman, established this scholarship fund with preference given to boys and girls from the Georgia Sheriff’s Youth Homes. Scholarships are for high school graduates who meet GSW admission standards and remain in good standing while attending. Minimum of 12 credit hours must be taken each semester. Covers room, board, books and tuition.

Devonta Hatten – Junior – Psychology major from Valdosta, GA
Hannah McCain – Sophomore- Nursing major from Preston, GA
J. Emory Rylander Scholarship

This scholarship was established the family of J. Emory Rylander, founder of The Tog Shop in Americus, Ga. It continues through the generosity of the late Judy & Jimmy Rylander. Recipients must be enrolled full-time in the School of Nursing, possess high academic standards, and demonstrate commitment and good moral character at GSW and in the community.

Jasmine Sims – Senior – Nursing major from Lithonia, Georgia
Vera Francisco – Senior – Nursing major from Rydal, Georgia
Amy Baker – Senior (2\textsuperscript{nd} degree) – Nursing major from Midway, Georgia
Brigitte Locke – Senior – Nursing major from Reynolds, Georgia
Slitra Layman – Junior – Nursing major from Bangkok, Thailand
Caitlin Cooper – Junior – Nursing major from Sylvester, Georgia
Melinda Sanderson – Senior – Nursing major from Moultrie, Georgia
The Sandra Gillis Scholarship Endowment was established through the generosity of GSW alumnae Sandra Gillis, a chemistry major who retired from Ford Motor Company. Ms. Gillis used her earnings from many hours of overtime to contribute to her endowment fund and to purchase a life insurance policy to further increase the endowment. The Sandra Gillis Endowment is a permanent fund created to provide scholarships to enrolled students at Georgia Southwestern State University now and for generations to come. The scholarship is awarded annually to GSW Students who meet established criteria.

Clint Collins - Junior - Business Management major from Americus, Georgia
Candace Gregory – Senior – Marketing major from Atlanta, Georgia
Shayan Kalladanthiyil – Junior – Nursing major from Buford, Georgia
Brittany Rutledge – Senior – Psychology major from Montezuma, Georgia
Shannon Peavy Knopes Nursing Scholarship

This Memorial Scholarship was created by Shannon’s parents as a lasting tribute to their daughter who died as a result of complications caused by a legionella type virus contracted while working as a nurse. The awards are in the amount of $500 per year and are available to second year nursing majors who are in good academic standing at GSW. Preference is given to Houston County, Georgia, residents.

Charlene Jeanbaptiste – Senior – Nursing major from Chicago, Illinois
Melinda Sanderson – Senior – Nursing major from Moultrie, Georgia
Yvonne Hernandez – Senior – Nursing major from Darien, Georgia
Samantha Joubert – Senior – Nursing major from Suwanee, Georgia
Sigma Chi Scholarship

The Sigma Chi Scholarship was established in recognition of the long standing tradition of Sigma Chi on the GSW campus and in support of Sigma Chi scholars. This scholarship is awarded annually to students that demonstrate campus engagement as evidenced through fraternity participation, community involvement, and campus leadership.

James “Beau” Millwood – Junior – (Double Major) Exercise Science & Wellness and Psychology major from Flowery Branch, Georgia
Student Success Scholarship

This fund is used primarily for student scholarships and to meet other needs identified to enrich and enhance the education experience at Georgia Southwestern State University.

Taylor Norris – Freshman – Major undecided from Americus, Georgia
Kandice Lowe – Freshman – Accounting major from Americus, Georgia
Melody McSwain – Freshman – Special Education major from Albany, Georgia
Rachael Medlin – Senior – Early Childhood Education major from Cordele, Georgia
Kahlan Bruce – Freshman – Biology/Pre-veterinary major from Dawson, Georgia
Sara Beth Bazemore (L) – Junior Business major from Butler, Georgia
Tanner Stafford (C) – Freshman Business major from Tallahasee, Florida
Ryan Johnson (R) – Senior Exercise Science & Wellness major from Americus, Georgia
Tammy Lee Fortner Scholarship

The family of Tammy Lee Fortner in Columbus, Georgia, established this endowed Scholarship in memory of their daughter. Applicants must be majors of Fine Arts, Psychology, or Sociology. Special consideration is given to students who demonstrate an interest or talent in the use of arts in human services such as art therapy, recreational therapy, occupational therapy, and music therapy.

Mindy Peterson – Senior – Fine Arts major from Commerce, Georgia
Raquel Eplin – Junior – Dramatic Arts/ Communication & Media major from Lakeland, Florida
Madison McMinn – Junior – Art major from Stone Mountain, Georgia
Elizabeth Lewis – Senior – Music with Teacher’s Certification major from Bainbridge, Georgia
Leia Knox- Senior – Music major from Cordele, Georgia
Leah Anglin – Senior – Music Vocal Performance major from Albany, Georgia
Sydney Scott – Senior – Communication & Media Arts major from Preston, Georgia
Megan Lisenby – Senior – Art major from Leesburg, Georgia

(Tammy Lee Fortner Scholarship – continued)

Victoria Price – Senior - Theater Performance major from Tifton, Georgia
Justin Neal – Senior – Dramatic Arts major from Doraville, Georgia
Two Great Choices Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established by Barbara and Earl Gammage to assist students who reside in Sumter County and recently graduated from a public or private high school located in Sumter County. This scholarship is awarded by the Director of Admissions. Recommendations from high school guidance counselors and principals will be considered.

Kelley Stapleton – Freshman – Marketing major from Richland, Georgia
Amanda Shiflett – Junior – Marketing major from Americus, Georgia
Brandon Revell – Freshman – Nursing major from Americus, Georgia
Christina Davis – Freshman – Chemistry/Pre-Pharmacy major from Buena Vista, Georgia
Amber Hicks – Freshman – Nursing major from Americus, Georgia

Pictured separately:
Dee Hudson – Sophomore- English major from Americus, Georgia
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SCHOLARSHIP

The University System of Georgia Foundation contributed funds to the GSW Foundation as consideration for GSW to offer need-based financial aid for the sole purpose of providing need-based scholarships. Georgia Southwestern State University, at the discretion of the president, will award scholarships to one or more students who demonstrate financial need and are in good standing as incoming freshmen, transfer students or students currently enrolled at GSW.

Genesis Davis – Senior – Information Technology major from Atlanta, Georgia
Cynthia Lavaud – Junior – Nursing major from Marietta, Georgia
Meme Harvey – Sophomore – Pre-Business major from Cordele, Georgia
Wordie Hubbard – Senior – Information Technology from St. Marys, Georgia
Sha’Daria Blakely – Junior – Early Childhood Education Americus, Georgia
Alliyah Bandoo – Senior – Nursing major- from Atlanta, Georgia
Aaron Jones – Senior – Exercise Science/ Wellness major from Cordele, Georgia
Darlene Brock – Junior – Communications major from Albany, Georgia
Erica Faircloth – Junior – English/Professional Writing major from Americus, Georgia
Ashley King – Senior – Nursing major from Jesup, Georgia
Allison Ross – Senior – Chemistry/ Pre-Pharmacy major from Macon, Georgia
Roxanne Walker – Senior – Human Resource Management major from Fitzgerald, Georgia
Greg Smith – Senior – Nursing major from McDonough, Georgia
Vivian Schild Scholarship

Established by alumnus Sandra Blaylock Gillis (‘69) this annual scholarship award was created to provide scholarships to enrolled female students at Georgia Southwestern State University with a record of academic excellence as demonstrated by a minimum GPA of 2.7 on a 4 point scale. First preference is for a chemistry major, then to a pre-pharmacy major. Should neither be available, the scholarship may be offered to a female Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math (STEM) major.

Anna Nguyen – Junior – Chemistry major from Hawkinsville, Georgia
Allison Ross – Senior – Chemistry/Pre-Pharmacy major from Macon, Georgia
Weston Family Scholarship

A past chairman of the Board of Trustees of the GSW Foundation, D. Michael Weston and family established an endowed scholarship to encourage high academic achievement to an incoming GSW Freshman who possesses a 2.0 to 2.5 HS GPA

Austin Childs – Senior – Political Science major from Cordele, Georgia
Anthony Golphin – Freshman – Sociology major from Hinesville, Georgia
Wheeler/Parker Scholarship

The Wheeler/Parker Scholarship was established by Jean and Wes Wheeler as an endowment to honor the Parker and Wheeler families. The criterion gives consideration to students who have financial need and meet admission standards. This scholarship is shared by the School of Business and the School of Nursing.

Amelia Cornell – Junior – Pre-Business major from Cumming, Georgia
Wessley Sutton – Junior – Pre-Business major from Cordele, Georgia
Tori Duren – Senior – Nursing major from Adel, Georgia
Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of Georgia Foundation Scholarship

The Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of Georgia Foundation provides a scholarship for full tuition (fees not included) for undergraduate students who are residents of Georgia, and enrolled full-time.

Ashley Mc Clung – Senior – Accounting major from Americus, Georgia