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Endowment Given In Honor Of Retired Martinsville Judge And Wife

PHCC is very pleased to announce a \$100,000 endowment given by Kim and David Darnell in honor of Kim's parents, lifetime area residents Judge Kenneth M. and the late Norma P. Covington.



Norma and Judge Kenneth Covington

Judge Covington, 87, earned his bachelor's degree from Bluefield College and his law degree from the University of Richmond. He served as Henry County Commonwealth Attorney for 12 years and retired as a Henry County Circuit Court Judge. Covington is a U.S. Army Korean War veteran, earning the Bronze Star for meritorious service.

Norma Covington, 82, earned her bachelor's degree from Radford College. She had been an active member of Broad Street Christian Church, where she served as Christian Women's Fellowship chairman for many years, in addition to other leadership roles. Mrs. Covington had

also been active in the Martinsville Garden Club, Martinsville Literary Club, and a volunteer for Grace Network.

"My parents care very deeply about this community and recognize that its future success depends on education. We are very proud to honor my parents in a way that supports the continuing education of area students." said daughter, Kim Darnell.

"We are so pleased to accept this endowment honoring Judge and Mrs. Covington," said PHCC President Dr. Angeline Godwin. "This gift ensures our community will continue to be enriched by two people who have given so much to the Martinsville and Henry County area. This gift bearing their names will influence the lives and goals of future PHCC Patriots."

COMMONWEALTH LEGACY SCHOLARS



Ryan Byrd

Ryan Byrd received the Honorable Gerald L. Baliles Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship. Ryan earned an advanced studies diploma with a 3.64 GPA as well as earning a 3.7 GPA in dual enrollment classes. While a student at PHCC, Ryan was a member of the National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, and BETA club. His community service and volunteer activities include timing school swim meets, the Bassett Buddies Baseball program, church dinners, and serving at the Horne Home for developmentally disabled adults. Ryan was a member of the Bassett High School baseball and swim teams. Ryan is earning his associate degree in General Studies and plans to transfer to Virginia Tech to complete a bachelor's degree in business management with a specialization in human resources.

Stephanie McAlexander received the Honorable Gerald L. Baliles Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship and is an honor graduate of Patrick County High with a 3.78 GPA. While at PCHS, Stephanie was a member of the Praise and Worship team and the Health Occupations Students of America Club, serving as treasurer in her senior year. She was in the marching band color guard and served as captain her senior year. Stephanie completed the Certified Nurse's Aide (CNA) program and has worked with Team Nurse for over a year. She volunteers regularly with the American Red Cross and at Pioneer Community Hospital. Stephanie chose to enroll at PHCC to stay in her community while continuing her education in a smaller, more affordable setting. Stephanie plans to enter the registered nursing program to obtain her licensure and work at Brenner's Children's Hospital in North Carolina as a pediatric nurse.



Stephanie McAlexander



Ariel Turner

Ariel Turner is the recipient of the Eleanor Saslaw Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship and is an honor graduate of Franklin County High School. Ariel earned an advanced studies diploma with a 3.97 GPA and a 4.0 GPA in her dual enrollment classes at Virginia Western Community College. She received the Governor's Academic Excellence Award and the Board of Education Scholastic Excellence Award. Ariel was a member of the National Honor Society. While enrolled at FCHS, she earned her Emergency Medical Technician Certification through dual enrollment classes and is a volunteer EMT with the Fork Mountain Rescue Squad as well as working a full-time job in the food service industry. Ariel chose to attend PHCC to complete the nursing program at an affordable cost as she pays her own college expenses. Ariel plans to complete the registered nursing program at PHCC and transfer to Jefferson College of Health Sciences to obtain her bachelor's and master's degrees and become a certified registered nurse anesthetist.

Adam Fain, the recipient of the Thomas P. Dalton Family Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship, is an honor graduate and class salutatorian of Patrick County High School earning an advanced studies diploma with a 4.47 GPA and a 3.9 GPA in dual enrollment classes at PHCC. Academic honors include the Superintendent's Scholar Award; Calculus Award; Honors English Award; Honors Biology Award; Honors US History Award; and Advanced Chemistry Award. Adam was a member of the Beta Club and Future Farmers of America, attending national conventions with both organizations. He received the DAR Good Citizenship Award and served as a teacher's aide at a local elementary school during his senior year. Adam earned his Eagle Scout award in January 2015 completing the renovation of a fire safety trailer for the Patrick County Fire and Rescue Association. Adam chose to attend PHCC because of the affordability, smaller class sizes, and ability to learn and interact with professors. He wants to transfer to Virginia Tech in the fall of 2017 to obtain his Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering and become a mechanical engineer in the automotive industry or a similar field.



Adam Fain

PATRICK HENRY SCHOLARS



Amanda Daniels

Amanda Daniels, daughter of Angel and Kenneth Daniels, graduated from Magna Vista High School with a 3.36 GPA. She was involved with the French Club, show choir, JV softball team, and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). She volunteers at her local church where she is a youth group leader and participates in the drama team, Last Day Generation Band, and music department. She is enrolled in the general studies program at PHCC and plans to transfer to a four-year institution.

Ferguson plans to transfer to a four-year institution after PHCC to pursue her education in the teaching field.



Madison Foley

Breanna Ferguson, daughter of Amy and Randy Ferguson, graduated from Bassett High School with a 4.21 GPA. She was a member of the Student Council Association, National Honor Society, Beta Club, and National Art Honor Society. She also served as the 4-H reporter, youth council president, camp counselor, and president and co-chair of the Piedmont Arts Teen Arts Council.

Madison Foley, daughter of Susan and Timothy Foley, graduated from Bassett High School with a 4.18 GPA. She was a member of the Beta Club, Art Club, National Art Honor Society, History Scholastic Competition of Academic Excellence League (SCAEL) Team, and is now a member of the PHCC Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. Her volunteer work includes assisting at dance camps, the church free market, special needs Easter egg hunt, and the Fieldale Heritage Festival. She plans to obtain her associate degree in nursing from PHCC, allowing her to obtain her bachelor's and master's degrees in hopes to one day becoming a nurse practitioner.

as secretary of the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Club. While at PCHS, she acquired her Certified Nursing Assistant's (CNA) license, which has assisted her in gaining employment at Blue Ridge Therapy Connection. She plans on receiving her RN license through the nursing program at PHCC and furthering her education and career at a four-year institution to become a pediatric nurse practitioner.



Kristin Harris

Kaleigh Griffith, daughter of Tonya Hall and Tally Griffith, graduated from Patrick County High School with a 3.75 GPA. She was involved in basketball, volleyball, and served as secretary of the Future Farmers of America (HOSA) Club. While at PCHS, she acquired her Certified Nursing Assistant's (CNA) license, which has assisted her in gaining employment at Blue Ridge Therapy Connection. She plans on receiving her RN license through the nursing program at PHCC and furthering her education and career at a four-year institution to become a pediatric nurse practitioner.

Kristin Harris, daughter of Elizabeth and Mark Harris, graduated from Patrick County High School with a 3.28 GPA. She was involved in basketball, volleyball, secretary of the Future Farmers of America Club, and winner of the cosmetology competition. She has volunteered at the Landmark Center Nursing Home and coached for the Patrick County Recreation Department. Harris is enrolled in the general studies program at PHCC and plans to transfer to an institution where she can become a physical therapist assistant.

Madison Martin, daughter of Melissa and William Martin Jr., graduated from Bassett High School with a 3.83 GPA. She was an active member in the National Honor Society, Beta Club, Kick-Off Mentor Program, and Interact Club. She was also a member of the varsity softball team, varsity swim team, and CHILL Youth Coalition. Her volunteer work includes the Community Meal, Children's Church, and youth group at Chatham Heights Baptist Church. She also volunteers with Dyers Store Fire Department, the Spencer-Penn Center, softball camp, and United Way. She plans to study elementary education at PHCC on her journey to becoming a teacher.



Breanna Ferguson



Kaleigh Griffith



Madison Martin

PATRICK HENRY SCHOLARS



Jacob Sowder

Jacob Sowder, son of Angela and Darrell Sowder, graduated from Bassett High School with a 3.8 GPA. He was a five-time academic letter recipient and an honor graduate. He assisted with tutoring classmates and other students within the high school. After he completes the general studies program at PHCC, he plans to transfer to pursue a doctorate degree and become a clinical psychologist.

Kayla VanDyke, daughter of Lorraine Shively and Chadwick VanDyke, graduated from Franklin County High School with a 3.55 GPA. She was an active member of the Future Business Leaders of America Club, Gay/Straight Alliance, and the Eagle newspaper. While a part of the Eagle newspaper, it won first-place for the Virginia High School League and first-place national awards from the American Scholastic Press Association. She plans to finish her general studies degree at PHCC before transferring to a four-year institution to obtain a degree in literature or creative writing.



Kayla VanDyke



Katlyn Wilson

Katlyn Wilson, daughter of Sharon and Malcom Wilson, graduated from Magna Vista High School with a 4.13 GPA. She was an active member of the Beta Club, French Club, and Future Farmers of America Club where she won the FFA Individual State Essay Contest. She was the recipient of the Academic Excellence Award. Some of her volunteer work includes United Way Smart Beginnings, Comcast Cares, SPCA Martinsville and Henry County, Drewry Mason Elementary School, and Mt. Olivet Elementary School. After studying psychology and sociology at PHCC, she plans to transfer to a four-year institution to become a psychologist or a life coach.

A NOTE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



It gives me great pleasure to announce that the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) has awarded the “2016 Excellence in Foundation” award for “Overall Performance” to the Patrick Henry Community College Foundation.

Over 700 community colleges took part in the application process with six winners announced at The Conference for Community College Advancement in San Diego, CA. Ironically, when completing the application a couple of months ago, I was not aware of the magnitude of the award. Realizing that so many institutions also completed applications makes this award even sweeter!

The award is based on a multitude of factors; one of which is the dedication to student success displayed by the amount of scholarship and student assistance dollars raised and awarded in relation to the size of the institution.

This award would not be possible without the tremendous support we receive from faculty, staff, and administration!

J. Gregory Hodges

It's another great day to be a Patriot!!!

The Patrick Henry Community College Foundation is a not-for profit organization that is fiscally and organizationally separate from the college. Its goal is to enhance community awareness of Patrick Henry Community College; to secure contributions, bequests and donations; and to account for, manage and help appreciate monies or property submitted to the Foundation.

Our goal is to help students gain access to affordable, quality education. Help us make that dream a reality by contributing to the PHCC Foundation.

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