

# ALUMNI ISSUE 32 • Fall 2024 NEWSLETTER

### **President's Corner**

Dear Atlantic Cape Alumni,

The Fall Semester is always a bustling time at Atlantic Cape, and I'd like to share some updates about what's happening here at the college. Our students are actively involved in their studies, as well as in various

activities and athletics. We remain committed to providing a high-quality education that prepares them for their future academic and career goals. In fact, we have some exciting new projects at Atlantic Cape currently in progress.

Thirteen Atlantic Cape Community College nursing students received their pins during the Inaugural Practical Nursing Completion Ceremony on August 7. These students are the first to complete the threesemester certificate program, which has provided them with the required skills and knowledge needed to start their careers in nursing. Celebrating its 20th anniversary, the 2024 Scramble 'FORE' Golf Tournament took place on Friday, October 4, with 153 enthusiastic golfers enjoying the beautiful course under sunny skies. Thanks to our supporters, we raised a record-breaking \$75,000, making this year's tournament the most successful in our history! The Atlantic Cape Foundation extends its gratitude to the Mullock family, Cape May National Golf Course staff, Golf Tournament Committee members, generous sponsors, players, and volunteers for their contributions in raising scholarship funds for students. The proceeds from this event will go towards scholarships for students pursuing programs in environmental science and biology.

GivingTuesday is always an important fundraising event for the college. This year we raised more than \$20,000 to support emergency funds, our food pantry and other important priorities. Thank you to everyone who generously donated to Atlantic Cape on GivingTuesday. These are just a few examples of how we consistently support our students and community. I encourage all graduates to remain engaged and share your achievements with us.

I kindly invite all Atlantic Cape Alumni to stay involved and in touch with us through our Alumni Association programs and services. We are eager to hear about your accomplishments, to celebrate them with you, and to share them with current and future students who might need some encouragement to help them along their own path. To share your success story, reach out to Kristin Jackson at (609) 463-3621 or kjackson@atlanticcape.edu.

Thank you for your ongoing support and interest in Atlantic Cape, I wish you a joyful and healthy holiday season.

Sincerely,

Barbara Gabo

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# Distinguished Alumni and Young Alumni Achievement Award

Visit atlanticcape.edu/alumniaward to learn about these annual awards and to nominate a deserving Atlantic Cape Graduate!

NOMINATION DEADLINE: January 26, 2025

# Annual Scramble "FORE" Scholarships Golf Tournament Raises Another Record Amount

More than 150 golfers descended upon the Cape May National Golf Club in Erma, NJ on a beautiful early autumn day on October 4 as the Atlantic Cape Community College Foundation's Annual Scramble 'FORE' Scholarships Golf Tournament celebrated its 20th anniversary in Cape May by once again raising a record amount for student scholarships.

"The Atlantic Cape Foundation is so thankful for the generosity from our sponsors and supporters. Without their commitment this event would not be possible," said Atlantic Cape Foundation Executive Director Jean McAlister. "We would also like to thank Bob Mullock, his family and Cape May National Golf Club for hosting this important scholarship event for the last 20 years! We are truly grateful." This year's total of \$75,000 raised topped last year's then-record total of \$71,500.



### Thursday, March 27, 2025 • 6 - 9 p.m. Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center Atlantic City, NJ

For information about this event, including sponsorship opportunities and restaurant participation, please contact Kristin Jackson at kjackson@atlanticcape.edu or (609) 463-3621.



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### **Meet the Atlantic Cape Alumni Association Executive Council!**



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The purpose of the Alumni Association is to strengthen the relationships between alumni, the community, and Atlantic Cape as well as to maintain among its alumni a spirit of fellowship and service in an effort to support the mission and educational goals of Atlantic Cape Community College. For more information about the Alumni Association Executive Council and ways to get involved, please contact Kristin Jackson at kjackson@atlanticcape.edu or (609) 463-3621.

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The Atlantic Cape Foundation and Cape May County Women's Commission cohosted the 2024 Women of Wonder Awards Luncheon on Thursday, November 14 at The Flanders Hotel in Ocean City. This year's charity luncheon raised \$16,155 to support the Women of Wonder Scholarship Endowment Fund. During the event, four exceptional Cape May County Women received the Woman of Wonder Award; **Deborah Brasch**, executive director for Caring for Kids in Cape May Court House; **Christina Clemans**, managing broker for The Chris Clemans Group at Tim Kerr Sotheby's International Realty; **Amy Mahon**, partner and chief operating officer for Reich Asset Management; and **Denise Venturini-South**, commissioned Chaplain and founding director of Cape Hope.

The Woman of Wonder Award honors Cape May County women for their outstanding and selfless dedication to helping others reach their full potential while making positive contributions within our area and beyond. These women serve as excellent leaders and/or role models in civic, business, education, medicine, public service and other sectors of our local community. Proceeds from this fundraiser support scholarships for female students from Cape May County who are studying at Atlantic Cape Community College. Since the first event in 2011, Women of Wonder events have raised over \$100,000, providing scholarships to 67 students who may not have otherwise been able to attend college. The Atlantic Cape Foundation and Cape May County Women's Commission are grateful for each and every donation that supports the scholarship endowment fund.

For more information about the 2024 honorees, previous award recipients, and the scholarship endowment fund, please visit atlanticcape.edu/wow.



#### Dear Alumni and Friends,

On behalf of the Atlantic Cape Foundation, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you for your incredible generosity this Giving Tuesday. Thanks to your support, we not only reached but exceeded our goal, raising over \$20,000! Your contributions will make a profound difference in the lives of our students, opening doors to new opportunities and helping them achieve their dreams. In addition, we raised \$500 for the Alumni Association Scholarship, which will provide financial support to a current Atlantic Cape student.

As we close this year, we are reminded of the power of community and the impact we can create when we come together. Your dedication to Atlantic Cape inspires us, and we are deeply grateful for each and every one of you and appreciate your support this past year.

Wishing you and your loved ones a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year. We look forward to continuing this journey with you into 2025 and look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Warm regards,

Chris Mularz

Thank you for your continued support!

If you have any questions or just want to chat, please feel free to contact me at 609-463-3651 or cmularz@atlanticcape.edu.



# BE INVOLVED. STAY CONNECTED.

And Continue the Buccaneer Tradition of Excellence

### There are many opportunities for Alumni to Volunteer:

- Mentor Students
- Classroom Guest Speaker
- Volunteer at Alumni or College Events



- Serve on the Advisory Committee
- Assist at College Open Houses and Recruitment Events

Tell us how you want to volunteer. Please contact Kristin Jackson at kjackson@atlanticcape.edu or (609) 463-3621

### **IN MEMORIAM**

Betty Jean Terry '71 Max Q. Fineran '15 Patrick J. Kelly '75



