The John Tarleton Society was established in 1992 to honor the university’s most generous benefactors. Funds donated by these individuals are used to further campus growth, increase scholarships, and enhance academic progress. President Dottavio presented a crystal obelisk to honorees.

**BRAD AND NANCY ALLEN**, Stephenville, met in 1972 while attending Tarleton. They established the J. Brad and Nancy Gage Allen Endowed Scholarship, which benefits students who show strong academic excellence.

**DR. AND MRS. EDWIN DORSEY** established the Edwin and Welba Dorsey Endowed Scholarship in 1997 to benefit chemistry majors at Tarleton. In 1964, Dr. Dorsey was Tarleton’s first graduate to receive a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. Mrs. Dorsey also attended Tarleton.

**DR. BURNABY MUNSON** attended Tarleton in 1953 and 1954 and says he particularly enjoyed teachers Dick Smith and O.A. Grant, who were models for his teaching career. In 1989 Dr. Munson established the Dr. O.A. Grant Scholarship in history/government.

**MR. AND MRS. B.D. O’NEAL** established the LTC Sam E. Jeffers ROTC Endowed Scholarship. Mr. O’Neal and the scholarship's namesake Sam Jeffers were longtime friends who attended Tarleton from 1949 to 1951 and Texas A&M together. O’Neal is proud of the Tarleton Corps Scholarship in honor of his patriotic friend and rancher, who died in 1992 in Hamilton.

**MRS. JACQUE TANTON** recently established two endowed scholarships at Tarleton: the Tanton Family Endowed Scholarship-Dublin High School and the Tanton Family Endowed Scholarship-Granbury High School. Both were established to benefit students from these high schools who plan to major in an agricultural-related field. Mrs. Tanton has a long history with agriculture and spends most of her time working on her ranch in Dublin.

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Dr. Donald W. Morton, who passed away in 1995, served as Tarleton’s music and art department head from 1945 to 1976. He retired in 1976 as professor emeritus. The late Dr. Vance Terrell established a scholarship in his honor.

In 2008, Mrs. Dahlee Morton, 91, of Stephenville made a generous donation to make the scholarship an endowed scholarship so it can continue to benefit Tarleton students majoring in piano.

Mrs. Morton has been a supporter of Tarleton, the Stephenville area and the community’s musical and cultural activities for many years. She is a longtime music educator – both as a piano teacher and as a music theory instructor.

The scholarship will benefit full-time students who are declared piano majors and have completed a successful piano audition, remain enrolled in applied piano lessons, are enrolled and make satisfactory progress in piano ensemble, and have a 3.0 grade point average or higher in all music courses and a 2.8 or higher overall grade point average.

“I am so happy I am able to make this scholarship an endowment that will always benefit Tarleton piano students,” she told President Dottavio.

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Tarleton’s student Chemical Society raised and donated $10,000 to establish an endowed scholarship in honor of Howard Nance, former faculty member and longtime society advisor. Nance sponsored the Chemistry Club for more than 30 years. Under his leadership, the club was named outstanding or commendable club numerous times. Nance also was named a recipient of the outstanding teaching award while on Tarleton’s faculty. The society raises funds in several ways including chemical equipment box washing, as well as bake, popcorn and safety goggle sales.

The Howard Nance Chemical Society Scholarship will be awarded to a College of Science and Technology student with first preference given to chemistry majors and secondary preference to chemistry minors. The recipient must have completed at least 16 semester credit hours in chemistry, taken or be enrolled in an upper level chemistry course and be an active member of the university’s Chemical Society. The award will be announced at the Chemistry Club Annual Awards Dinner.

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The Texas Association of Agricultural Consultants (TAAC) was founded in 1974. The organization is comprised of professional agricultural consultants from across the state who work together in a cooperative effort to help farm growers address crop concerns in an environmentally responsible and profitable manner.

TAAC’s $20,000 donation will establish an endowed scholarship fund to benefit students majoring in crop science, entomology or integrated pest management.

The scholarship recipient must be a junior or senior, a Texas resident, with at least a 2.75 overall grade point average and a demonstrated need for financial assistance. The student also must have demonstrated interest in production agriculture.

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TAAC works with farm growers to provide solutions to difficult problems and help nurture a greater understanding of the interaction among various environmental factors affecting crop production.

Seated (l to r): TAAC Scholarship Chair John Ed Brothers, President Dottavio, TAAC President Mark Nemec
Standing (l to r): College of Agriculture and Human Sciences Dean Don Cawthon, former Congressman Charles “Charlie” Stenholm, Interim Provost Dr. Brad Chilton
The Truman T. Bell Scholarship Endowment, established through the Tarleton State University Foundation, Inc., will benefit math and/or science majors preparing to become teachers.

Truman Bell received a bachelor’s degree in 1971 and a master’s degree in education in 1975 from Tarleton. After serving as director of financial aid and career services at Tarleton, he became director of career services at Texas Tech. There he connected with a Conoco Corporation executive and was recruited as a “headhunter” for Conoco and then, after a merger/acquisition, worked for Exxon as a headhunter. He now is the Senior Program Officer in Education and Diversity Global Community Relations for Exxon Mobil Corporation in Irving, Texas.

Foreground: Mr. Bell and President Dottavio. Others in attendance included Tarleton Foundation board member emeritus Ben Baty; Foundation board members Lana Wells Collier and Barbara Terrell; Dean of the College of Education Dr. Jill Burk; Chemistry Professor Rueben Walter, Dean of the College of Science and Technology James Pierce; and Foundation board member emeritus Col. Will Tate.

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The Ben and Nellie Baty Endowed Scholarship was established to benefit students majoring in marketing or business management at Tarleton. Priority will be given to U.S. Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) students.

While attending Tarleton from 1948 to 1950, Baty served as captain of the Cadet Corps, as well as “F” Company Commander. After serving in the U.S. Army, he received his bachelor’s degree in marketing in 1957 from Texas A&M. He joined the Shell Company in 1957 and retired after 38 years of service.

Mr. Baty served for seven years on the Tarleton Foundation board of directors – four of those on the executive board as secretary, vice president, and president. His service was essential to the Foundation’s continuing growth. He remains involved as a board member emeritus.

Attending the ceremonial gift agreement signing were Calvin Spindor, Tarleton Foundation president; Dr. Rusty Freed, department head of management, marketing and administrative systems; Mr. and Mrs. Baty; Vice President of Enrollment and Information Management Dr. Brad Chilton; and Tarleton President F. Dominic Dottavio.

The Tarleton Foundation was established in 1978 to provide financial assistance to Tarleton State University. The members of its board of directors commit their time and resources to help the university and its students.

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