

Area Man Endows \$75,000 In Scholarships

Dr. John T. Wynn, a resident of Egypt, Texas and president emeritus of Williamsburg Technical College, has recently guided the placement of \$75,000 in endowment monies for the benefit of students at the College.

Among the scholarships named are the Will Northington Meriwether Endowed Scholarship and the Ednamaye Reese Meriwether Endowed Scholarship.

The Meriwethers were ardent supporters of education having helped numerous students over time in Texas and other states including South Carolina.

Wynn is the nephew of the Meriwethers and resides in Egypt on property inherited from his aunt and uncle.

A rancher, Will Meriwether was a long-time resident of Egypt. During his lifetime he was active in support of the Future Farmers of America giving generously to youth activities and supportive of many educational developments. Upon his death his wife, Ednamaye Meriwether, established an endowment in his memory, which at the time was a first in the technical college system in South Carolina. In recognition of the Meriwethers' support Williamsburg Technical College's area commission named a million-dollar library building on campus in their honor.

Ednamaye Meriwether, a retired English teacher in Wharton, TX, is warmly remembered by many former students and friends. Prior to her death in 1992 she visited Kingstree, SC, several times and also hosted members of the College's area commission at her home in Egypt, TX.

She managed the family farming and ranching activities until her death, at which time Wynn took over the business located on property owned by the family for



Williamsburg Technical College Foundation chair Henry Poston (left) and College president Dr. Cheryl Cox (right) joined College president emeritus Dr. John Wynn as he completes paperwork to name three more scholarships at the College.

over 150 years.

Wynn also endowed a scholarship in his own name to assist students at the College. Wynn served as president of Williamsburg Technical College from 1974 until 1994.

Upon his retirement he was conferred the honor of "President

Emeritus" by the area commission and awarded the "Order of the Palmetto" by the Governor of South Carolina.

Gifts of \$10,000 or more will endow a scholarship to be given in perpetuity in the name, honor, or memory of the donor. The scholarship is derived from the

interest accrued on the donated amount, which must be earned before the scholarship is awarded. Once interest is sufficient to be awarded, the award is presented to the student at the College's fall scholarship awards ceremony.

Gifts made payable to the Williamsburg Technical College Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, are tax deductible.

Williamsburg Technical College remains dedicated to providing quality, affordable and accessible opportunities for students to achieve their educational goals in a fiscally, administratively, and academically sound and supportive environment.

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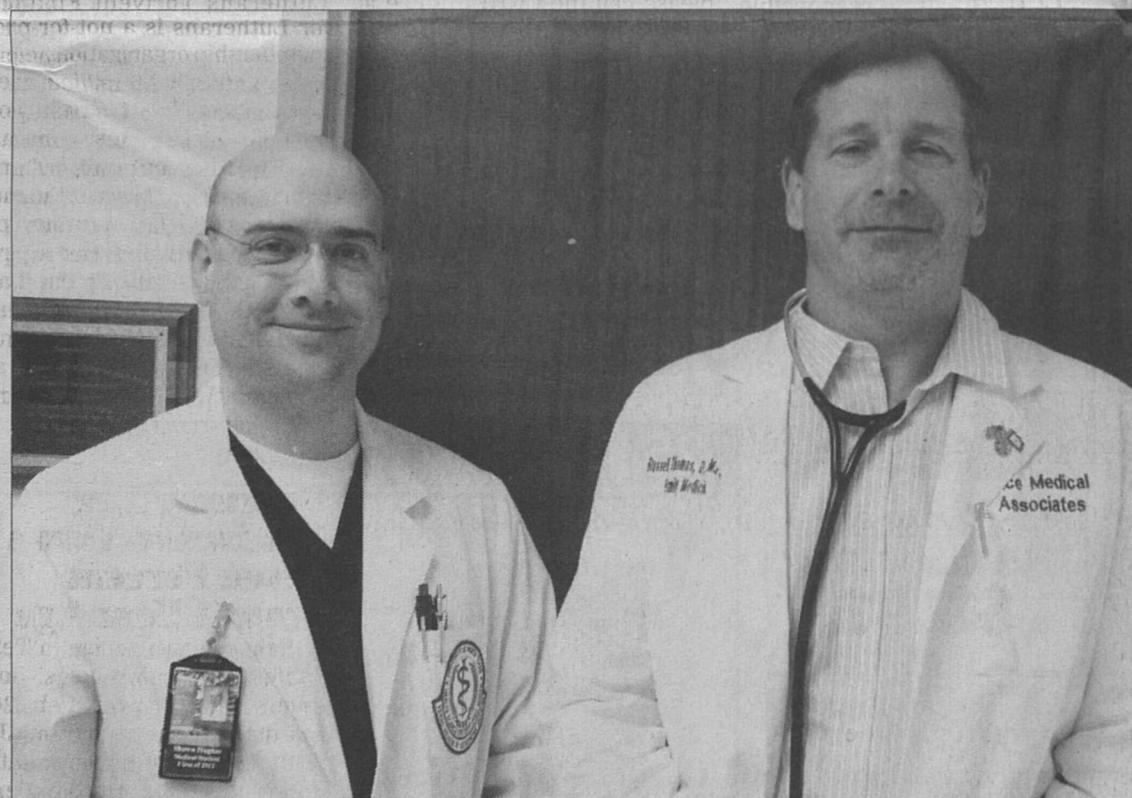
To qualify to apply for these scholarships a student must

have been active in 4-H for at least three years, including the current year.

In 2010 the 4-H Council will also give a \$500 Health Rocks! Scholarship. The same requirements apply to this scholarship.

Applications are available at the Colorado County Extension Office, 316 Spring Street in Columbus.

Completed applications are due to the Extension Office by April 30, 2010.



Shawn Hughes, 2nd year medical student at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine finished a rural health track rotation at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake under Dr. Russell Thomas. Mr. Hughes' completed an undergraduate degree in nursing before entering medical school. RMC provides numerous students and residents with educational experiences to complete their medical training. From left to right, Shawn Hughes, MS, II and Dr. R. Russell Thomas, Jr. DO, MPH.

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