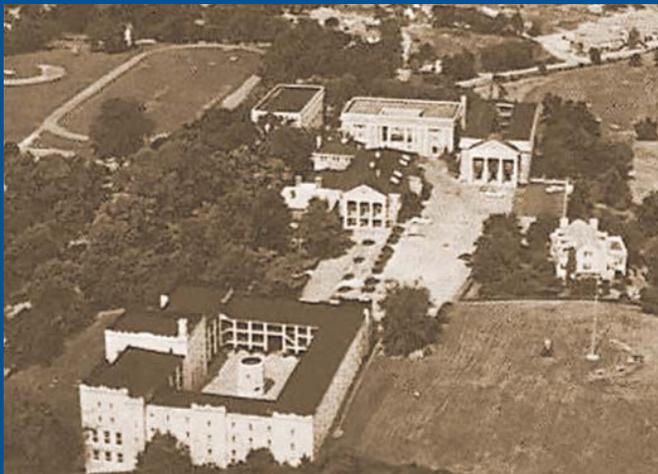




Preserving the Heritage

Honoring the Values of the **Stanton Military Academy**

The Stanton Military Academy Alumni Association Board of Directors established the Legacy Fund within the SMA Foundation to create an endowment to perpetuate the SMA Legacy and preserve the traditions of Truth, Duty and Honor of SMA and the memories of the individuals who made up the academy.



Former Grounds of Stanton Military Academy



VWIL Color Guard

Truth, Duty and Honor

The roster of Stanton Military Academy cadets includes: U.S. senators and congressmen, decorated war heroes and military leaders, professional athletes, television and movie personalities, corporate leaders and even the President of a foreign country.

Through the leadership of your alumni board's past presidents, and the day-to-day skillful operation of our alumni office, museum, quarterly newsletter and web site, the memory of SMA is continued year after year. Our alumni reunion held each year on the former grounds of the academy... "The Hill"... brings together more than 100+ former cadets and is the highpoint of our annual activities.

Preserving The Heritage

Goal \$750,000

The TRUTH is that TAPS is played each year for nearly 50 SMA Cadets. The youngest of the SMA graduates, from the last class of 1976, are now in their fifties; this means that most, if not all, "Old Boys" will be gone in a few more decades! As the number of living alumni decreases, so does the opportunity to fund alumni association efforts. At a cost of approximately \$40,000 per year the ability to operate the Alumni Association Office and maintain the Museum, along with its Memorial Wall, produce and distribute the quarterly newsletter and maintain the web site, diminishes due to a steady decline in membership dues and donations received.

The Legacy Fund's first priority is to ensure that the memories, traditions and alumni efforts of the former Staunton Military Academy are carried in perpetuity. To ensure that this becomes reality, we need your financial support. Our goal of \$750,000 will help provide the funds that are needed each year to assure the preservation of our SMA heritage.



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As a second goal the alumni board has set out to raise an additional \$750,000 to provide scholarships and program support for programs such as the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL) at Mary Baldwin College, that exhibit Truth, Duty and Honor.

Now occupying the former SMA campus, VWIL is a "premier leadership program for young women." The female Corps of Cadets is organized according to military structure, and its comprehensive leadership development program has flourished and is considered a model for leadership education – whether coeducational or single-sex – nationwide. The VWIL program has a proven track record of producing military and civilian leaders around the globe including notable graduates such as Kristy (Wheeler) Tannehill, VWIL '01, Major, USAF Reserve and Mei-Ling (Fye) Guarino, VWIL '05, Captain USA.

Since its inception in 1993 more than 330 young women have graduated from the VWIL program with many starting careers in military service. To date the SMA Alumni Association has donated in excess of \$250,000 in scholarships and program support for these talented leaders of tomorrow.



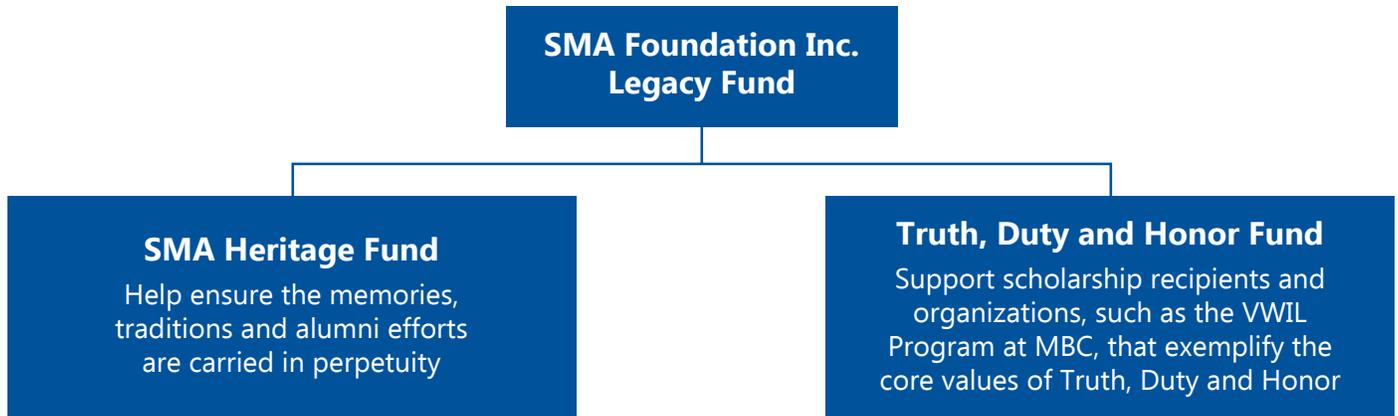
Mei-Ling (Fye) Guarino
VWIL 2005



Kristy (Wheeler) Tannehill
VWIL 2001

Our DUTY is to achieve the goal of raising \$1.5 Million to fund these two important initiatives. With your support we can maintain our heritage and fulfill our legacy into the future.

Gift Giving Opportunities



Gifts to SMA Heritage Fund and The Truth, Duty and Honor Fund or the establishment of your own named fund or entity are all tax deductible.



Endow a Scholarship or Program Fund in Your Name

- Legacy Fund
- Memorial Wall
- Alumni Office
- Museum
- Alumni Office Secretary Chair
- Museum Curator Chair
- Kable Hall Courtyard (Major Howie Display)



Can We Count On YOUR Support?

Strategic Ways to Make Your Gift

All gifts to the SMA Foundation/Legacy Fund are tax deductible and can include cash, securities, personal property, real estate, insurance policies, partnership and business interests, and planned giving. We have enlisted the assistance of a professional financial planning firm that possesses the knowledge and expertise to advise you on the benefits of gift planning. The firm has experts in the fields of estate planning, wills and trusts.

In HONOR of gifting alumni, the SMAAA Board has instituted the following program of recognition:

Levels of Gifting	Recognition Designation Levels and Gifts
\$1,000 +	Sergeant First Class
\$5,000 +	Sergeant Major
\$10,000 +	Lieutenant
\$25,000 +	Captain
\$50,000 +	First Captain
\$100,000 +	The Kable Society Membership *1
\$250,000 +	Naming Right Opportunities (*noted previously)

Sergeant First Class through **Lieutenant** contributors will receive a certificate noting your contribution.

Captain and **First Captain** will receive a framed certificate noting your contribution and a choice of a small gift as a token of our appreciation.

- *1 - The Kable Society Membership** includes the following:
- Framed certificate noting your contribution
 - A small gift as a token of appreciation
 - Lifetime membership in the SMA Alumni Association
 - Waived registration fee for annual reunion
 - Specialized-Periodic updates on the progress of the SMA Foundation Legacy Fund Gift Giving Campaign
 - Invitation to a special event celebrating the completion of the Legacy Fund Campaign

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