



MITCHELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Planning Your Legacy

The 1852 Circle

The Fifth Horse

A Mitchell Legacy Story

When the world was young and the soil still red with promise, four horses thundered across the hills of North Carolina. One carried War, another whispered Pestilence, a third brought Famine, and a fourth shadowed with Death.

But on a quiet patch of Iredell County land in 1852, a fifth horse was saddled. She carried knowledge and vision, purpose and possibility. Not a symbol of the end - but of what's next.

Her name was Mitchell.

The horses of adversity scoffed.

"You won't last," they said.

But Mitchell was built to endure.

- She persisted through War when the cannon smoke cleared and the classrooms filled again.
- She overcame Pestilence with lantern-lit lessons and front porch lectures.
- She sustained herself through Famine with a community that gave more when it had less.
- And she transcended Death with legacy—because every life she touched lived on in another.

Now, over 170 years later, the Fifth Horse still runs.

Not away from challenge,

but toward it.

And with your help, she'll keep
carrying the mission forward –
one student, one generation, one
legacy at a time.

Join The 1852 Circle.

Because some things are built to last forever.

About The 1852 Circle



**Honoring the Legacy.
Securing the Future.**

The idea for *The Fifth Horse* was inspired by beloved Mitchell history professor Mr. Bill Moose, author of *A History of Mitchell Community College* and recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine:

"You are part of a College that has survived over 170 years of war, pestilence, famine, and death—and we wish you the same good luck."

From that single sentence, a legacy story was born.

These words remind us that **Mitchell has stood firm through every era of change and challenge.** In honor of that spirit, we imagined a *Fifth Horse*—a symbol not of destruction, but of hope, knowledge, and purpose. A horse that carries our mission forward.

The 1852 Circle helps keep that mission in motion.

Named for the year Mitchell was founded, The 1852 Circle honors those who shape our future with generosity and intention.

By including Mitchell in your estate plans, you join The 1852 Circle and help fuel our Fifth Horse as it carries forward a mission of education, community, and opportunity that began more than 170 years ago.



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Leaving a Legacy of Impact

Legacy giving is more than a financial decision—it's a deeply personal expression of hope and commitment to the future.

As a member of The 1852 Circle, your legacy ensures:

Support for What Matters Most

Opportunities for students who might not otherwise be able to attend college

Pathways to Self-Sufficiency

Credentials that lead to fulfilling careers, stronger families, and a thriving community

Stronger Programs and Classrooms

High-quality instruction, tools, and spaces that foster student success

A Secure Future for Mitchell

Reliable, lasting support that empowers long-term planning, growth, and innovation



"Mitchell changed my life, and now I believe I can help change the lives of others."



"We love Mitchell and can't think of a more integral part of our community. We feel our estate gift will make a huge difference here, directly benefiting local students."

- Jim and Lisa Eversole

Be remembered for making a difference.

For more information about planned giving, please contact us at:

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Mitchell Community College and the Foundation are registered 501(c)3 nonprofits.

- *Mitchell's Federal Tax ID: 56-1048429*
- *The Foundation and Endowment for Excellence's Federal Tax ID: 56-1961239*

Benefits of The 1852 Circle

As a valued member of The 1852 Circle, you will be honored for your enduring commitment to Mitchell Community College through:

Exclusive Recognition

- A place of honor in The 1852 Circle
- Heritage Plaque
- Distinguished 1852 Circle lapel pin
- Commemorative copy of *A History of Mitchell Community College*
- President's Circle Dinner Invite

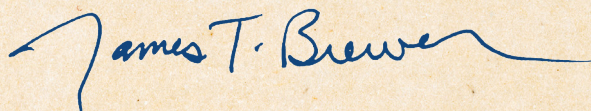
Public Acknowledgment

- Listing in the College's Annual Report
- Recognition on our website
- Optional legacy spotlight on our digital media platforms

With Sincere Appreciation

The story of Mitchell has always been written by people like you—those who give, believe, and invest in others. Thank you for considering a legacy gift that will keep our mission strong for generations to come.

Dr. James T. Brewer



President, Mitchell Community College



Let's Begin the Conversation

If you're ready to take the next step or want to learn more, we'd be honored to connect with you.

Please check any that apply:

- ☐ *I would like more information about including Mitchell Community College in my estate plans.*
- ☐ *I have already included Mitchell Community College in my estate plans.*
- ☐ *Please contact me to discuss current giving opportunities that align with my values.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

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☐ *Please contact me by phone*

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Other comments:



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