Hope your 2019 is off to a fantastic start!

As I basked in the Clemson spirit in Santa Clara witnessing our Clemson Tigers win the national championship, I heard Coach Swinney say in his interview, “We were not chasing the national championship, we were focused on being the best we could be every day.” Chasing excellence yielded perfection for Clemson Football this year.

As we relentlessly pursue excellence in science, we may not have national championships, but we will have a tremendous positive impact as we tackle tomorrow’s greatest scientific challenges and prepare the next generation of scientists.

Thank you for being such a big part of the education, research and experience that happens across our University every day. Thank you for giving back with your time, energy and resources. To the Class of 2019 and others, past and future, please know your discipline and majors, and some people in Clemson and Science for the first time. THINK BIG for your future and the generations to follow.

Your support funds world-class facilities and research endeavors that are the cornerstones of what makes our College of Science one of the best in the world. We consistently strive to be one of the most special places for students to further their education and passion for science. Our Tigers are among the best and, together, we can make an even greater impact.

As we look back at 2018 — What a Year! — I am reminded of that image of Coach Swinney and our student athletes locked arm-in-arm as they took the field. Join us academically, arm-in-arm, as we collectively focus on advancing SCIENCE.

Go Tigers!

Perfect in every way

The Clemson Tigers stand 15-0 after their national championship victory over Alabama. This is the first team in the modern era to go 15-0, securing the 2018-2019 team the title of “greatest college football team of all time.” The Tigers crushed the vaunted Alabama Crimson Tide 44-16 on Jan. 7 in Santa Clara, California. True-freshman quarterback Trevor Lawrence led the charge, playing with a calm and maturity well beyond his years.

As today’s student leaders, Clemson’s ODK members are forging the future in a variety of ways

The Clemson Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), which includes 30 members from the College of Science, sells and distributes about 2,000 honor stoles each academic year. The profits benefit the campus and external organizations in extraordinary ways.

Clemson researchers work with citizen-scientists to better understand diversity of rattlesnake venom

The discovery that Mojave Rattlesnakes have multiple venom types that are more widespread than previously believed requires a large research collaboration between principal investigators, students and almost 100 citizen-scientists in five laboratories across the United States and Mexico. The research was published in Scientific Reports.

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