



The Communicator

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CONGRATULATIONS to all of the SHSAA, Inc. 2006 Scholarship Recipients

The Scholarship Committee met at Alumni Headquarters in Clinton, North Carolina, on Saturday, May 27th, to interview scholarship applicants. Those committee persons attending the meeting were as follows: Ronald "Cup" Brewington (Clinton), Sallye Chestnutt (Atlanta, serving in Shanette Chestnutt's place), Peggy Devane (Chair), Peggy Garnett (Fayetteville), Jacinta Handon (Washington and Co-Chair), Freddie Lee (Baltimore), and Peggy Odom (Raleigh). Ten applicants were interviewed and afterwards much discussion ensued to determine who would receive the coveted scholarships. Here are the students who were awarded the scholarships:

Brian Sampson - Clinton High School - \$6,000. - Attending A&T State University
Sasha Underwood - Clinton High School - \$6,000 - Attending UNC-Greensboro
Leah Holden - Southeast Raleigh High School. \$500 - East Carolina University
Kendra Phillips - Clinton High School - \$1,000 - Attending A&T State University (Academic)
Shameika Faircloth - Clinton High School \$500 - Attending Elizabeth City State

40th Class Reunion Scheduled

The Sampson High School Class of 1966 will celebrate their 40th class reunion on June 23-24, 2006, at Royal Lane Park in Clinton, North Carolina. A picnic on Friday, June 23rd and a banquet on Saturday, June 24th, is planned at the Bellamy Center, also located at Royal Lane Park.



SHSAA, Inc. Reunion Announcement

The SHSAA, Inc. Thirty-Fourth Annual Alumni Reunion is being hosted by the Clinton Chapter in Clinton, North Carolina, from August 11th through 13th, 2006.

Clinton High School Grad Breaks Record

Willie Parker, Pittsburgh Steeler, who was on the winning Super Bowl team and also broke a Super Bowl record by running a 75 yards touchdown, is from Clinton, North Carolina and attended Clinton High School. His run was 1 yard longer than Marcus Allen's touchdown run for the Los Angeles Raiders against Washington in 1984. Willie also played football at UNC-Chapel Hill. He rushed for 1,329 yards (11.8 yards per carry) and 20 touchdowns as a junior, leading the Clinton Dark Horses to the state 2-A State Championship. Congratulations Willie!!

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

Greetings Everyone!

It is a great honor and pleasure to connect with you via this year's first publication of our Newsletter, "The Communicator." Hopefully this will be merely one avenue for me to speak to our SHSAA, Inc. members and convey to you how the Executive Board and I are working to make our great organization even better.

Since the Board's inception, almost a year ago, much progress has been made in making SHSAA, Inc. more **effective**, **efficient**, and **exciting**! First of all, we have chosen a logo for our organization. It is on the masthead of this Newsletter. This logo will be used on our organization's letterhead, advertising material, and signs, and the emblem will help to better identify and distinguish our organization from others. We want our organization to stand out and our recognition factor to be automatic. Shortly, people will know us by our logo as well as our name.

Aiding in the transition of former Committee Chairpersons and members to new ones, I distributed Committee Charges to each Committee Chairperson in order to help in the process of setting goals for each Committee. Several committees have already begun contacting their members and setting their goals for the fiscal year.



The Constitution and By-laws Committee has worked vigorously and will present proposed amendments at least 30 days prior to the August Board meeting for members to vote on. This Committee has worked very hard to make our Constitution current and contemporary so that it will reflect the time in which we live and will incorporate our current policies that have not yet been amended into the Constitution. The Finance Committee has agreed upon certain guidelines that pertain to reimbursements, payments, and record-keeping procedures. The Membership Committee has come up with some ingenious ideas to recruit new members. They will be selling T-shirts at the August Reunion that display our new logo and will also recruit new members as they sell the T-shirts. The Scholarship Committee has interviewed all of the Scholarship candidates and has chosen 5 new scholarship recipients. The Phase Two Committee continues to focus on the renovation and rehabilitation of the Alumni Headquarters. A "Clean-Up" day was held by the Committee on Saturday, May 20th, and it was a great success. So you can see that for the most part, our Committees are on the move and working very hard.

Two new Committee Chairpersons have been appointed since October, Macerine Brooks for Miscellaneous Affairs (Benevolence) and Walter Smith for the Social Committee. The Social Committee is responsible for the educational and social programs of our organization. I am hoping that it can execute at least one educational and one social program per year. I'd like to see our organization present educational topics that will benefit their lives. A social program, like a luncheon for youth with a prominent member of our organization, (like Mayor Gwendolyn Faison for example), would be a wonderful way to draw younger people into our organization and to mentor them at the same time. I still need to appoint a chairperson of the Fundraising Committee, so if anyone is interested in becoming the chairperson of this committee, please contact me.

Another area where I feel that our organization is making great strides is in our communication. I have e-mail addresses for several of the members that I use to convey pertinent information and our Corresponding Secretary distributes any correspondence that I send via fax or U.S. mail and forwards it to those who do not have e-mail. The goal is to disperse pertinent information to the appropriate people in a timely manner. I sincerely hope that I am meeting this goal.

Other areas where we have been busy include our consult with an attorney to review all of our important documents. We have received guidance from the attorney and are contemplating our next step. The Phase Two Committee has solicited funds from the Sampson County Board of Commissioners for the second year in a row. Last year the Committee received \$5,000.00 and we hope to increase that amount this year.

All in all, the entire Executive Board and the committees are working hard to make the SHSAA, Inc. the best that it can be. The best is yet to come. Godspeed!

Rose Williams, SHSAA, Inc., National President

Kudos to 2005-2006 Staff Employee of The Year

PEGGY DEVANE, SHSAA, INC. SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRPERSON and former Fayetteville Chapter President, was awarded the 2005-2006 Staff Employee of The Year at Fayetteville State University. She received \$750.00, her own personal parking space for a year, lunch in the Dining Hall, free home basketball game tickets, and a plaque.

In Memoriam

Mr. Leroy Knox, Life Member – Member of Connecticut Chapter, husband of Joyce Knox (Life Member #107 & President of Connecticut Chapter) brother-in-law of member, Faye Faison (LM #74) Ola Sanders, Lilly Stokes, and Hattie Boykin (LM #213).

Mr. Knox was co-host for the Connecticut Chapter and a volunteer piano player for several of our SHSAA, inc. Sunday Vespers

Mr. Chester Perry, Life Member # 57
14355 SW 268 Terrace
Naranja, FL 33032

Doug Moseley - husband of Gracey Pugh Moseley

Haywood "Hunchie" Faison, III - Clinton Chapter. Nephew of Clinton Chapter Members Helen and Lank Faison

Benevolence



David Clavon (recovering from surgery), Life Member # 199

Daniel E. Haddock (recovering from surgery) Life Member # 109 -- Fayetteville Chapter

Eliza V. Robinson (very ill) - Life Member # 99 - Clinton Chapter

Helen Faison, Membership Chairperson – recuperating from surgery - Clinton Chapter

Willie Best, of the Greater Atlanta chapter is recuperating from recent surgery.

Alton Rich, of the Washington Metropolitan chapter is recuperating from recent surgery.

Coach Jacobs Inducted Into the Sampson County Sports Club Hall of Fame

WILLIE D. JACOBS, SAMPSON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1949, was one of five inductees into the Sampson County Sports Club Hall of Fame on November 8, 2005. Coach Jacobs was honored for his work and dedication to the athletic and character development of young students in the Clinton City School system and the community-at-large. The event was held in Prestage Hall at the Sampson County Agri-Expo Center. Coach Jacobs was introduced by Dr. Jesse Williams, who expressed his appreciation and efforts of Coach Jacobs. Bill was accompanied at the ceremonial banquet by his wife Charity, their children Daphne and Billy and grandchildren Emerald and Price Holman. They were supported by nearly one hundred friends and well-wishers. During his induction speech Dr. Williams gave some of the highlight of Coach Jacobs' career including:



1. Coached boys and girls tennis from 1959- 1974.
2. Consistently had high ranking players in State Tennis Tournaments while competing against AA-AAA size schools.
3. Had seven tennis players to play on the college level in the CIAA Conference including one female.
4. Inaugurated the tennis program at Clinton High School which he led from 1970 until 1974.
5. Captain Sampson Training School football team for 1947 and 1948.
6. Defensive line coach at Sampson High School, 1956-1978; Eastern Football Champions – NCHSAC – 1954 – team yielded only thirteen points during season; 1968 State Co-Champions of NCHSAC
7. Only Black coach for Boys Varsity Basketball at Clinton High School from 1972-1984; 1972 – J.V. Basketball Champions – Southeastern AAA Conference; 1977 – Tournament Champions – East Central Conference AAA

Willie Jacobs has been an active and loyal member of SHSAA, Inc. since its inception. He served as business manager, member of Phase One Housing Committee, Reunion Planning Committee, Clinton Chapter Representative on the Scholarship Committee, and he was also the recipient of the Ram Recognition Award in 1997.

We salute Mr. Willie Jacobs for being inducted into the Sampson County Sports Club Hall of Fame and on all of his accomplishments!

NATIONAL SHSAA, INC. PRESIDENT ADMITTED TO THE U.S. SUPREME COURT BAR

ROSE WILLIAMS, NATIONAL PRESIDENT FOR THE SAMPSON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, Incorporated, was duly sworn and admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court Bar, in Washington, DC, on Monday, May 15, 2006. Rose was among twenty-seven attorneys from South Carolina who were accepted to present cases in front of the Court. Prior to admission, Rose was required to present a *Certificate of Good Standing* that also showed that she is an active member of the South Carolina Bar. Justice Jean Toal, South Carolina Supreme Court Justice, moved for the South Carolina delegation's admission to the Court and U.S. Supreme Court Justice, Judge Roberts, accepted Justice Toal's motion.



The trip for the admittees was sponsored by the South Carolina Women Lawyer's Association. During the trip, Rose attended a dinner for the delegation at the *Old Ebbitts Grill*, and also met South Carolina Senator Lindsay Graham at a reception that he sponsored for constituents.

Rose was accompanied to the swearing-in by her parents, Raymond and Maggie Williams. She stated that "it was a most marvelous occasion and I am happy that my parents could be with me on this important and memorable day in my legal career."

Originally from Clinton, North Carolina, Rose has resided in Columbia, South Carolina for 7 years. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and received her Juris Doctor from Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, in 1999. She is employed by the Office of General Counsel at the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control where she practices administrative and environmental law.

2005-2007 – SHSAA Officers

Rose Williams, President
 Edith McDougald, Vice-President
 Dawn D. Ballard, Recording Secretary
 Dr. George White, Treasurer
 *Nadyne Wilds-Gilbert, Financial Secretary
 Margaret Rich, Corresponding Secretary
 Maggie W. Williams, Business Manager
 Doris Butler, Parliamentarian & Sergeant-at-Arms

* C. Reginald Oates resigned and Ms Wilds-Gilbert is our new Financial Secretary, approved for appointment by the SHSAA, Inc. Executive Board at the 2006 Spring Board Meeting held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on April 29, 2006.

CLEAN UP OF ALUMNI HEADQUARTERS A GREAT SUCCESS



MEMBERS OF THE SHSAA, INC. PHASE TWO COMMITTEE, the community, and 27 Tarheel Challenge Cadets all participated in a cleaning up of Alumni Headquarters on Saturday, May 20th. The Clean-up Day was a great success! To the Committee's surprise, all of the Tarheel Challenge participants were girls. But guess what? They all worked just as hard (if not harder) than any boy. Several Clinton Chapter members and a couple of the Fayetteville Chapter members came out to help as well. The day, even though it started out with rain, soon became sunny and more work was done than was even imagined could be accomplished in one day. Thanks to everyone who participated!

Participants were:

Charles R. Brewington
 William A. Rich
 Bill Laslett
 Maggie Williams
 Peggy Devane
 Raymond Williams
 Kenneth Watson
 William E. "Bud" Jacobs
 Lee Byam
 Shirley McKoy
 James McKoy
 James Jeffers
 Janice Aderinto
 Johnny Pridgen
 Roy M. Bass
 Kendra Morgan
 Chelsea Anderson
 Alice Watson
 Robert L. Brown, Sr.
 Yasheeka Edwards
 Helen Faison

Brittni Williams
 Rebecca Isenhardt
 Angela Holmes
 Steafnie Swinton
 Jordon Mossler
 Monique Irvin
 Allison McManus
 Jessica Miles
 Danielle McFadden
 Jalessa Roberts
 Shakenia Grant
 Lydia Nash
 Ashley Kidd
 Brittany Bradley
 Bobbie S. Ashford
 Mattie M. Murphy
 Sadie S. Lee

Shelton McCallop
 Gale Sampson
 Graham Faison
 Chelsee Anderson
 Sunshine Buford
 Brittany Massey
 E.R. Mason
 Alice P. Watson
 Rose Williams
 Robert Bennett
 Lank Faison
 LeAnn Stouffer
 Marie Sealey
 Carmen Gonzalez
 Jennifer Nunez
 Zachary Aderinto
 Irene Hill-Thomas
 Cadets Anderson, Bradley, Edwards, and Kidd
 Cadets McFadden, Mussler, Swinton, and Spaulding



EVELYN MORRISSEY RECEIVED HER DOCTORAL OF MINISTRY from United Theological Seminary on December 16, 2005, with a concentration in Christian Education. Congratulations to Dr. Morrissey on her achievement!

Sampson County Chapter of North Carolina Central Alumni Assoc., Inc.

PRESENTS

HOOD MEMORIAL & WILLIS CREEK DRAMA GUILD

IN A GOSPEL PLAY

“WHO PROMISED YOU TOMORROW”

STARRING THE RECORDING ARTISTS:

Rev. Frederick Hendley, as Cole

Sister Donna Newkirk, as Mama Ray

Where: Sampson Middle School auditorium, Clinton, North Carolina

When: Saturday June 24th, 2006 @ 6PM

Call - Thomas Faison 910-592-5402 or Marion Phillips 910-592-3592



ADVANCE TICKETS - \$15.00

CHILDREN UNDER 12 - \$8.00

AT THE DOOR - \$18.00

GROUPS OF 25 AND UP - \$12.00

CONGRATULATIONS

Winners of the Phase Two Fundraiser Raffle that was held in Atlantic City, NJ, on April 29, 2006

Clarence Newkirk
Nadyne Wilds-Gilbert
Theodore Thomas
Mary Brown
Beverly Sanders

They each won \$2,500.00!!!!!!

SAY CHEESE!



If anyone has any old pictures of the school or an alumnus that you want put on the website OR with an article in the Newsletter, please send them to:

The SHSAA Newsletter
P.O. Box 7751
Columbia, SC 29202-7751

Or email to: shsaanewsletter@classygraphics.com

Please state the name of the person and/or the location of the picture, and the date the picture was taken.
THANKS!!

The deadline for article submissions to the next Newsletter is September 8, 2006!
Send your articles to shsaanewsletter@classygraphics.com or to the Newsletter address above.

Put Your Old Cell Phones To Good Use!

SHSAA, Inc. Phase II Committee and Phones 4 Charity

are holding a Cellular Phone Drive
June through August 12, 2006

Your cellular phone donation can help generate much needed funds for the renovation of SHSAA, Inc. Alumni Headquarters! That old cell phone can be used at a women's shelter or an elderly care facility for 911 call capabilities. **The SHSAA, Inc.** will receive a monetary donation for each used cell phone donated.



Collection bins will be located at Alumni Headquarters during registration for the 2006 Reunion; or please mail your phone to:

Maggie Williams, Business Manager
614 Winfrey Street
Clinton, NC 28328

For large donations, please call **910/592-6287** to make arrangements for pickup.

Your donation is tax-deductible. Donation receipts can be mailed to you if you request it.

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The deadline for articles for the next
Newsletter is September 8, 2006!

Working together is the key to on-going success!!!