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THE CHATTER



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From the Chapter President

Greetings My Fellow Alumni!

We celebrate this month of LOVE and our pride in our rich history as African Americans. We should reflect and celebrate our history not only during February but each day we are fortunate to be alive!

Show your love and bring a fellow alum to our meeting on February 14. We are still accepting memberships. Dues paid now are good through June 30, 2009.

Even though the weather is cold, soon it will be Spring and time to think about planning our annual picnic. It's scheduled for Saturday, July 11. Planning – that's where you come in. We need help from you. Interested? Contact Amy Grier.

In these trying economic times, we need to think out of the box to continue to raise money for our Chapter projects especially for our scholarship fund. It's important to be able to help keep our future leaders in school. Our 2009-2010 scholarship application process is

about to get underway. If you know any student in Montgomery or Prince George's County who will be a continuing student in the next school year, please let us know so that we can get information to them. Contact Jim Marshall or any other committee member.

It's time to begin formulating the 2009-2010 ballot of officers. Are you up to the challenge of joining the team to lead and represent our Chapter for the next academic year? I encourage each of you to give this some serious thought. Need additional information? I'll be happy to answer any questions you might have. It's a wonderful chance to work on behalf of your "Home by the Sea" and network with alumni from different Chapters.

We need your input and fresh ideas to keep our Chapter among the best in the association. In other words, we still need you. So much to do...come join the fun!

See you on the 14th!

In the Hampton Spirit!

Possibilities Unlimited,
Toni '75

Save the Date!
Saturday, March 28
One Day Regional Meeting

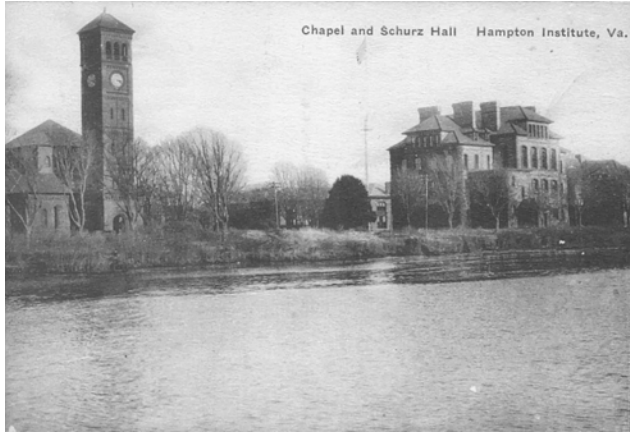
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[MCMD Chapter Meeting](#)

Join us on

Date: Saturday, Feb 14
Time: 11 o'clock a.m.
Place: Rockville Library
21 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, MD 20850

Calling Your **HAMPTON** Memories
for the 2009-2010
Pirates of Hampton Roads Calendar!



Thanks to all who helped make our first edition a success! We are now seeking other alumni from all generations to share fond memories of HNHU with present and future alumni. Email art_jacks@yahoo.com for more information!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

The Color Purple

The Social Committee is looking for a group of 20 or more members and friends interested in attending *The Color Purple* in July at the Kennedy Center. Tickets will be approximately \$78.00. If you are interested please contact Gayle Washington (gaylew@earthlink.net) to be added to the list. Please RSVP by Feb 20th so a date can be decided for the group.

Silent Auction

The Chapter still has auction items available from the December silent auction. Some items will be available at the Chapter meeting on Saturday. Remaining items include a chocolate basket (\$20), baker's basket (\$5), three dish towels (\$3). Suggested prices or best offer. Please contact Amy via email for a complete list and pictures.

Amy Grier, VP and Social Committee Chair
grierla25@yahoo.com

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

It's difficult to deal with the "why" of joining the Montgomery County, MD Chapter of the National Hampton Alumni Association, Inc., but it's important to think about it.

Anyone can "love" a person. We benefit from an individual's love in several ways. But it's very special when we can "love" an institution. After all, what are we talking about...buildings, trees, grass... and memories? Yes, it's all that and more because those four or five or six years were the best years of our lives. They were the foundation of our being, and we can't divorce ourselves from the institution called Hampton.

As members, we perpetuate Hampton by recruiting students and providing scholarships to select students. We want them to enjoy, and yes, endure all things, good and bad, that we went through. It was good for us, and we hope that it will be good for them too.

Our monthly meetings at 11 a.m. are the culmination of good planning. We usually meet for an hour and a half, alternating between the second and third Saturdays of the month. Meeting sites are convenient to most members at some point during the year.

At meetings, committees report on how your money is being spent, how to raise money for our scholarship fund, our student recruitment efforts, alumni giving, and events to enrich our community. And of course we report on our membership. The Chatter and Web site are our public face.

We come together to share our love of Hampton and work for the benefit of the NHAA. We get a special feeling when we see each member contribute their special skills, funds and enthusiasm to the work of the Chapter. We are rewarded with a feeling of community—that whether we were at Hampton in 1950 or 2007, we share a special bond and a common interest.

We invite new Hamptonians, and those of you who have not yet renewed your membership, to join us. Let us make you feel good through our enthusiasm and camaraderie. We are again striving to reach 100 members this year. We were short by three memberships last year, and we only need about 20 members now. Please join your fellow Hampton alumni in "loving" our institution and ...letting our lives do the singing!

Earl F. Simmons, Class of 1966
Membership Chair

THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA CHAPTER OF THE
NATIONAL HAMPTON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Cordially Invites You to Our

30th Anniversary Dinner Dance and Masquerade Ball

The theme for this event is...

"Yes We Can, Yes We Did, Yes We Will - Thirty Years and Still Counting"



Saturday, March 21, 2009

The Club at Andrews Air Force Base
Arnold Avenue Building 1889
Andrews AFB, MD US

7:00PM

Tickets are \$65 and are selling fast.

Proceeds will benefit Hampton University

The event will feature dinner, a silent auction and music by DJ Pumpin' Pete. Bring a healthy appetite, money to spend, and dancing shoes because we are going to have a great time while raising money for Hampton University.

Formal attire required.

Please note that masks will be provided - but feel free to bring your own!

For more information or to purchase tickets please contact
Lani Shaw at lpshaw05@yahoo.com or Joe Briggs at tweetiehu@hotmail.com



Montgomery County, Maryland Chapter
National Hampton Alumni Association

You're invited to join your local Hampton Alumni chapter

WINNER OF THE 2007 AND 2008 NHAA PRESIDENT'S AWARD!

2008-2009 Membership

Yes! Sign me up! I want to stay connected to my "Home by the Sea"

Name

Graduation year

Street

City, State & Zip code

Home phone

Office phone

Cell phone

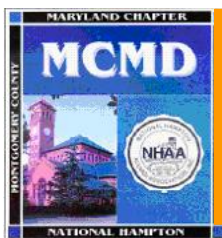
Email address

WHICH COMMITTEE WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT?

- Social Recruitment Membership Public Relations Budget
 Scholarship Parents' Club Alumni Giving Courtesy and Recognition

CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP:

- Student Membership - FREE for 1 year after graduation
 Regular Membership - \$35
 Associate Membership - \$35
 Honorary & Emeritus Membership - FREE (50 years since graduation)
Contributions to MCMD Chapter Scholarship Fund: \$25 (suggested)



Make check payable to: **MCMD NHAA, Inc.** (Montgomery County MD Chapter NHAA, Inc.), and mail along with this application to:

MCMD NHAA, Inc.
P.O. Box 3334
Gaithersburg, MD 20885-3334

Questions? Contact Membership Chair, Earl Simmons
earl_simmons@nlm.nih.gov; 301-622-0659

Stay informed: www.hamptonu.edu/alumni/nhaa/chapters/mcmd/

Calendar of Events

DATE	TIME	Chapter Meetings
2009		
Feb 14	11 A.M.	Rockville Library
March 21	11 A.M.	Rockville Library
April 11	11 A.M.	Rockville Library
May 16	11 A.M.	Rockville Library

DATE	TIME	Activities
2009		
February	TBA	Annual Black History Month event
Mar 9 - 14		Men's Basketball/MEAC Tournament
Mar 18 - 20		Black Family Conference at Hampton Univ
Mar 27 - 29		MCMD Chapter hosts MAR Conference
Apr 3		High School Day at Hampton University
May 8 - 10		Alumni Reunion Weekend
June	TBA	Chapter Leadership Retreat
July 11	TBA	Annual Chapter Picnic

Chapter Meeting Location

Rockville Library
21 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, MD 20850
240-777-0140

OUR CONDOLENCES

The MCMD Chapter offers condolences to John Trent, Janice Ray Trent and their family as they mourn the loss of their father and father-in-law, Earl Trent, Sr.

Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

SAVE THE DATE

It's official! Our Chapter is hosting a one day regional meeting on Saturday, March 28, 2009. We are finalizing the location now. You don't have to be affiliated with a Chapter. All alumni are encouraged to attend, to network and participate. *Guest facilitator is Dr. Edna Ragin, Class of 1971, Chairman of the School of Business at North Carolina A&T.* The cost is \$50 per person and includes continental breakfast and lunch.

We need your help to make this event a success. Can we count on you to help with registration, to take photos, to prepare name tags, etc.? Contact a committee member for additional information – Sonya, Larry, Janice, Arthur, El-Tonya or Toni.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Investigate this opportunity for your daughter

Starting this Fall, Running Start will launch an exciting political internship program for college women from across the country. Our selected Fellows will intern on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, and participate in a political seminar where they will learn the nuts and bolts of politics and the importance of running for elected office.

www.runningstartonline.org

Attention Parents: **Looking for a summer job or internship for your child?**

Below are links to a Federal clearinghouse for internships in the Federal government and the list of internship opportunities in the D.C. Office of Planning.

<http://www.makingthedifference.org/federalinternships/directory>

<http://planning.dc.gov/planning/cwp/view,a,3,q,642666.asp>

HELPING HAMPTON GROW

Roster 2008 - 2009

Lavern Hamlin Allen** - 1956
Roberta Finney Atkinson – 1962
Eric Bailey – 1979
George Braxton^ - 1961
Jeremy Broussard^ - 1999
Ethelwyn Caples-Willis** - 1942
Alexander Chalmers** – 1950
Dianna Babb Coleman - 1981
Thurman Davis – 1960
Phyllis Does – 1983
Gwendolyn Echols-Jones – 1980
Robin Ford – 1984
Jonathan Gunn^ - 2002
James Guyton*
Leroy Hedgepeth** - 1953
Herbert Jackson – 1955
Courtney Dunbar Jones^ - 2000
Curtis Langford** - 1952
Rita Lee – 1995
Lillian Martin Long** - 1957
Lisa Smith Miller – 1987
Adrian Nelson, Sr. – 1957
Kent Owen – 1978
Delores Brown Reese** - 1953
William Robinson – 1964
Carolee Simmons - 1969
Richard Smith** - 1957
Annie Lewis Taylor – 1962
Reshenda Thompson – 1995
Steven Vaughn - 1981
Ronnie Watkins^ – 1977
Marie Whitaker – 1966
Fred Willis** - 1943
Kawania Howerton Wooten^ - 1988

Lonita Claggett Allen^ - 1985
Alfred Bailey** – 1952
Sharon Broady Vaughn – 1982
Michelle Brown Calhoun – 1975
Alethea Burt** – 1953
Kaye Craft – 1973
Carl Coleman - 1980
Loretta White Davis – 1962
Gloria Deyo** - 1952
El-Tonya Duckworth – 1997
Krystal Curtis Evans^ - 2006
Eunice Sears Frazier^ - 1955 and 1965
Alvergia Guyton*
John Hawkins IV^ - 2000
Arthur Holmes** - 1952
Toni Johnson-Conner – 1975
Russell Jones^ – 2000
Tiffani Bailey Lash^ - 2002
Russell Manns^ - 1990
James Marshall, Jr.** - 1953
Erin Mitchell^ - 2000
Tonia Nelson – 1983
Barbara Newton Purdie^ - 1968
Letitia Robinson^ - 1993
Lenora Sherard – 1965
Earl Simmons – 1966
Sonya Snedecor - 1995
Twinnetta Potter Taylor - 1992
Audrey Vaughan - 1965
Gayle Washington – 1974
Arthur Whitaker – 1965
Clarice Wilkins – 1975
Sheryl Green Wilson^ - 1985
Fred Yette - 1981

^New Member
**Emeritus
*Associate Member

Updated as of 1/16/09

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