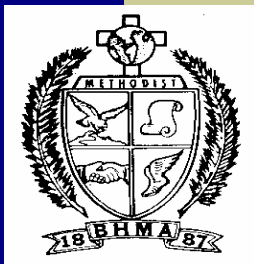


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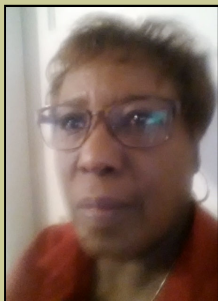


Boylan Haven-Mather Academy

Mather Alumni

National Alumni Association

From Our President



Eloise Moore Bishop ('65)

It is with honor and pride that I serve as the Mather National Alumni Association president for the 2016-2018 term. I look forward to working with the amazing Board members and moving towards the goals of the Association.

The Atlanta Reunion was AWESOME. Some were first-time attendees, some were "regulars", others were occasional attendees; the combination made this reunion memorable, enjoyable and left us making plans to attend the Charleston 2018 reunion.

KUDOS to all of you who participated in the Claflin Endowment Challenge that was initiated by the Class of 1965.

The Challenge was for each class to raise \$500. The classes in attendance accepted the challenge; the final total was \$2,300. The Endowment is now viable, and additions make possible more and larger awards for the scholarship recipients. Our continued involvement will help perpetuate the memory of Mather and "Pay It Forward".

Please continue to visit the website for updates. ■

Atlanta Reunion Draws Newcomers

Atlanta proved to be an alumni magnet, attracting new attendees from many class years.

Joining the regulars were additional students from the 1962, 1964, 1966, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1977 and 1980 classes.

We kept busy with a bowling outing, combo karaoke/dance party, lively business meeting (during which '64 alumna Helena Huntley Tidwell showed an artist's rendering of Browning Hall for eventual display at Claflin), bus tour of Black Atlanta history spots, fun All-White-Attire Banquet, and Sunday morning worship service.

Alumni honored attending seniors who have come to reunions consistently: **Charlie Dannelly** ('44), **Rayford Harris** ('47), **Hester Moye** ('48), **Henrietta Pope** ('45), **Alethia Porter** ('51), and **Vernell Hayes Wright** ('52). They also honored two former 1970s teachers who were present: **Barbara Brooks** and **Carlene Triplett**. ■

Next Reunion: CHARLESTON, SC!



August 2-5, 2018

MEMORIAL SITE TO BE PRESERVED



A developer building apartments on the BHMA property says the Mather Memorial Site will be preserved as a "pocket park." Read more in links on our website.

Rally Raises \$2,300 for Scholarship Endowment

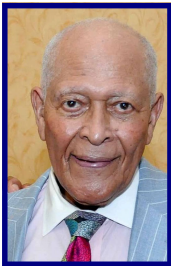


Members of the Class of 1965 present a symbolic check for \$530 to Claflin University rep **Vernonica M. Cohen** (second from left), Associate Vice President for Major and Planned Gifts, during the BHMA 2016 Reunion's Saturday business meeting in Atlanta. The class raised the amount this year as a challenge to other class years. A rally by other classes during the meeting and the banquet that night brought the total Reunion donation to \$2,300. Claflin has awarded the first BHMA Alumni Memorial Scholarship of \$1,400 to its first recipient. Others shown are (l-r) **Jeronell White Bradley**, **Eloise Moore Bishop** and **Daphne Jones Graves-Smith**. ■

Class Years at the BHMA 2016 Grand Reunion in Atlanta, GA

(Recognize anybody?)

See more photos on our website at www.mathernaa.org



Class of 1944



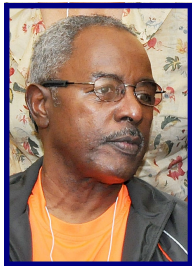
Classes of 1947 and 1945



Class of 1948



Classes of 1951 and 1952



Class of 1961



Class of 1962



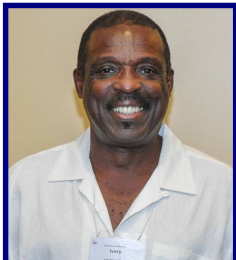
Class of 1964



Class of 1965



Class of 1966



Class of 1968



Class of 1969



Class of 1970



Class of 1971



Class of 1972



Class of 1973



Class of 1974



Class of 1975



Class of 1977



Class of 1980

BHMANAA 2016-2018 Officers

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