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May 2013



The Tassel

Annual Founder's Breakfast set for October 17, 2013



Annual Founder's Breakfast attendees from 2012.

The Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund **Annual Founder's Breakfast** will be held at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17, 2013 at the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church (located at 3400 Beatties Ford Road). This year's celebration will be hosted by Founder John T.

Crawford and will mark the 30th anniversary of the fund.

Since 1983, over 700 students have received support.

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Interns **Needed for** Summer and

Fall Semesters "We have a lot to celebrate this year," says Crawford. "We've come a long way since that first year when we awarded 16 scholarships totaling over \$19,000."

Crawford is on a personal mission to grow the endowment to \$5 million. He has never been bashful about asking anyone for support to help young people whom he envisions as America's future. This year, he hopes to provide scholarships for up to 100 recipients ranging from \$500 - \$3,400. The fund is managed by Foundation For The Carolinas.

"Having access to an education is life-changing. I never want it said that I didn't do my best to provide opportunities for our Charlotte kids who need it most!"

For more information on the Annual Founder's Breakfast sponsorship packages or purchasing tables, please contact Faith Triggs at 704-572-7987.

If you are interested in serving as a CHASF Intern in the areas of community relations, public relations, social media, alumni services or would like to discuss creating an internship opportunity, please contact Director of Development Faith Triggs at 704-572-7987.

CHASF Advisory Board elect new members

The Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund welcomes four new members to its Advisory Board including Donna Green with the CHA Resident Advisory Council; Dr. Arthur Jackson, UNC Charlotte Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; Cheryl Robinson, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) Counseling Specialist; and Marcia Simpon, Civc Leader

Each new member will serve a two-year term as they replace outgoing members Lucy Brown, CHA Resident Advisory Council; Ann Blakeney Clark, CMS Assistant Superintendent; Steve Burgess, Merrill Lynch; Marilyn Richards, United Negro College Fund; and Kristi Walters, Parker-Poe.

"I am excited to work with our new members and owe a debt of gratitude to those whose service has ended," stated Jenene Seymour, CHASF Board Chair. "As we celebrate 30 years of providing scholarships to over 700 students, I can't tell you how hard this board works to ensure the success of these children as well as supporting the growth of our endowment."

These new members join the current board including: CHASF Founder, John T. Crawford; Vice Chair, Ward Davis, Bell, Davis and Pitt, P.A.; Past Chair, John D. Richards, Wells Fargo Advisors; Secretary, Mary Alice Katon, Communities In Schools; Dr.

Marcia Conston, Central Piedmont Community
College; Phyllis Gill, Providence Day School; Lynn
Leary, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated; Mario
Roberts, American Equity Mortgage; Cecil Stodghill,
Providence Day School; Skip Tappy, Hood Hargett &
Associates; Richard Van Dyke, Civic Leader; Sheila
Weaver, CHASF Selection Committee; and Brenda
Wilson, Bank of America.

CHASF Alumni Spotlight: Bria E. Graham

Name: Bria E. Graham.

CHASF College and Class: North Carolina A & T, Class of

2015.

Job: Research Assistant for the agribusiness Department of the Agricultural and Environmental School.

Favorite CHASF memory?

My favorite CHASF memory was when I received my scholarship, and walking across the stage at the ceremony.



Bria E. Graham

Who do you admire most and why?

I admire myself the most because I am at a point in my life where I have so many opportunities and I am willing to do whatever it takes to be successful.

What's your favorite food?

I don't have a particular food that I favor, but I like anything spicy.

What type of music do you like?

Indie, Indie rock, Urban, Pop, some Country, Acoustic, Jazz, Reggae, and everything else that sounds good to my ears.

What's your favorite movie or TV show?

Sponge Bob, Adventure Time and Eve's Bayou.

What's the last good book you read?

The Power of Positive Thinking.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?

Cape Verde: because the people, scenery, culture and the climate is beautiful

Where do you volunteer?

My grandma's house, her friend's house, church, Urban Ministries of Greensboro, YMCA, and around my school (NCAT).

What are your favorite hobbies?

Helping others, learning, dancing, fashion design, cooking, and spending time with my mother.

What do you hope to achieve over the next 5 - 10 years?

Since I'm an Agriculture Education / Agriscience Major, I would like to travel the world teaching underprivileged countries about natural resources and bio-disposable products. I want to also better the water supply and cultivation in other countries.

What's the best advice you ever received? Be yourself, and let others follow.

Favorite quote and who said it?

"Failure is not an option." - Gene Kranz (Apollo 13)

CHASF Alumni News

For more information on the Alumni Association or to get involved, please contact Ladreon Hare: 704-651-4449 or email at ladreonhare@att.net.

Speakers' Bureau

The Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund changes lives and if you have an event where you'd like to hear from our Founder, students or alumni, please contact us and we'd be glad to have someone come out to address your group.

For more information please contact: Faith Triggs, Director of Development: 704-572-7987 or email.

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