

BTWAA Newsletter

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Note From The President



Greetings: Fellow Booker T. Washington High School Alumni Association of Dallas, Inc., members, as we embark upon the closing of our fiscal year, do we feel that our job was done well? We gave as generously as we could to families during the holiday season. We were attentive to alumni during illness and families of our deceased members during their time of sorrow. We strive to emulate our School Creed by "conducting ourselves in a way that will be complementary to our school and community." Be blessed as we enjoy our break.

From the Desk of President

Mary Bennett



Announcement

Thirty-one applications were received for the 2012-2013 Scholarship from the following schools: Bishop Dunn Catholic School, Booker T. Washington High School for the Visual and Performing Arts, Justin F. Kimball High School, Lincoln High School, James Madison High School, and W. W. Samuel High School. The interviews were conducted on Saturday, May 11, 2013 at the Old Mill Inn. Twenty-one students with their parent or guardian and five members of the Scholarship Committee attended the Annual Scholarship Luncheon.

During the introduction period, many were amazed and delighted to learn a student from James Madison had been a four year member of the Dallas Police Explore Program. Since age 14, he has been riding with the Dallas Police on patrol and learning about policing in Dallas. He plans to attend Eastfield Community College to obtain the required college credits to become a Dallas Police Officer. The applicants also included relatives of Dorothy Cooper and Mary Stewart.

Demosthenes Sherman, James Madison High School is the 2013 recipient of the Booker T. Washington High School Alumni Association of Dallas, Inc. \$2,000 Scholarship. I do have certificates for Association members who paid the \$100 scholarship obligation and copies of the contributions made to the scholarship fund by members for distribution.

The Scholarship Committee members are: Mary Bennett, Florine Brewer, Fannie Curry, Herndon Douglas, James C. Harrison, Josephine Henderson, Richard Manson and Christene Y. Walker

Talmadge Molett Jacques, Chair



2011-2012 BTWAA of Dallas, Inc. High School Scholarship Applicants



BTWAA Officers Swearing-In 2011



Officers (L-R): Hebert Thompson; James C. Harrison (*Vice-President*);
Christene Roberson-Walker (*Secretary*); Buckney Wayne Terrell (*Historian*);
Jessie Walker (*Assistant Secretary*); Gloria Young (*Parliamentarian*); Richard Manson (*Treasurer*)



Candice Nicole Curtis – Granddaughter Of Marshall Curtis, received her Bachelor's Degree in Journalism & Public Relations. She is currently employed at 'Wolfgang Puck Organization' as an Event Coordinator.

Alana Curtis – Granddaughter of Marshall Curtis is now in her Senior year at 'Howard University' seeking a degree in 'Media Relations' while working for an on-campus radio station.

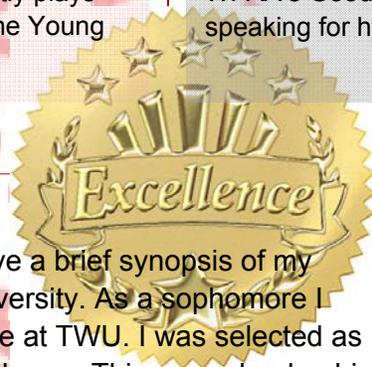
Lemon Archey – Grandson of Marshall Curtis is a Professional Model and TV Actor. He currently plays the role of "Mason" on the TV soap opera "The Young and The Restless".

SPECIAL
RECOGNITION

Jamaurea Fucuals – 5 yr. old Great-grandson of Gloria (Fucuals) Young, graduated from the Meadows E School of DeSoto, Texas on May 28, 2013.

Jacbo Fucuals – 12 yr. old Great-grandson of Gloria (Fucuals) Young, was a Junior Lifeguard this summer for the City of DeSoto, Texas.

Jalen Drayer – Grandson of Etta E. Parker, graduated from St. Phillip's School and this year is attending Bishop Dunne Catholic School. He has also been on WFAA's Good Morning Texas and radio station K104 speaking for his St. Phillip's class.



I would like to take this opportunity to give a brief synopsis of my sophomore year at Texas Woman's University. As a sophomore I became more involved with residence life at TWU. I was selected as a Resident Assistant to 30 incoming freshman. This was a leadership role with great responsibility. At the end of the year, I was nominated RA of the year by my peers, and supervisors. I was also chosen to attend a day long excursion to view the campuses of University of Texas at Tyler, and Stephen F. Austin University to help find new ways to modernize the campus of TWU. Lastly, I served as the Secretary of Omega Rho Alpha English Honor Society. I am proud to say that I completed my second year on the Dean's List. On August 1st, I will be applying to the nursing schools of Texas Woman's University, and Tarleton State University.

I am grateful my great grandparents made sure that the five Gilmore children attended Booker T Washington Technical High School in the early 50's and 60's under Principal Dr. John Leslie Patton. This tradition continued with my sister Jalissa who graduated from Booker T Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts in 2006 under interim principal, Dr. Leon King.

Having graduated from Bishop Dunne High School in 2011, I applied and was selected for the college scholarship from Booker T. Washington Alumni Association. I will always be thankful for the trust and interest you have shown in me and my future.



Jyrah Knight



Sick and Shut-in

Lord Jesus, may your healing power be made evident by sending forth your ministering, medical and surgical angels, to tend to all the sick and shut-in. Please send forth your Holy Spirit and fill them with your love, light, peace and joy. Come Holy Spirit and transform them into the child of God that you intended them to be.

The 2013 BTWAA dearly departed:

- **Shirley Toliver**
- **Raymond Williams**
- **Amatullah Abdulkaaliq**
- **Kennie Mays**
- **Jo Ollie Williams Newsome**

May they rest in peace.



Words of Wisdom

"Mental Attitude"

The U.S. Constitution doesn't guarantee happiness, only the pursuit of it. You have to catch up with it yourself.

Benjamin Franklin



When you say a situation or person is hopeless, you are slamming the door in the face of God.

Charles Allen



Life is essentially a series of events to be lived through rather than intellectual riddles to be played with and solved. Courage is worth ten times more than any answers that claim to be total.

George A. Buttrick



Patience is the art of hoping.

Vauvenargues

Kingdom Builders' Prayer Institute

HEALING SCRIPTURES



Exodus 15:26	Mark 11:23-24
Exodus 23:25	Mark 16:18
Deuteronomy 7:15	John 10:10
Deuteronomy 28:1-14,61	Romans 4:17-20
Deuteronomy 30:19-20	Romans 8:11
Joshua 21:45	II Corinthians 10:5-6
I Kings 8:56	Galatians 3:13
Psalms 91:16	Ephesians 6:10-17
Psalms 103:3	Philippians 1:6
Psalms 107:20	Philippians 2:13
Proverbs 4:20-22	Hebrews 10:23
Isaiah 41:10	Hebrews 10:35
Isaiah 53:4-5	Hebrews 11:11
Jeremiah 1:12	Hebrews 13:8
Jeremiah 30:17	James 5:14-15
Matthew 8:17	I Peter 2:24
Matthew 18:18-19	I John 5:14-15
Matthew 21:21	Revelation 12:11

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Christian Ways To Reduce Stress

1. Say "No," to projects/activities that won't fit into your time schedule, or that will compromise your mental health.
2. Sit on your ego. Talk less and listen more. Remember, it's not always about you.
3. Recognize the importance of unconditional love.
4. Develop a forgiving attitude (most people are doing the best they can).
5. Remember that the shortest bridge between despair and hope is often a good "Thank you Jesus!"



2013 – 10th Annual BTWAA Athletes Memorial Walk



1st Row (L-R): Jerry Sillemon; Harold Don Smith; Atwell West; Fred Walker; Cassie Richie; Myrtis Davis Lacy; Rudy Luckie; James Vicks; Ollie Vicks; Bessie Richie; Shelia Houston; Robert Spencer

2nd Row: Perry Roquemore; Galen Ollison; Johnny Mac Brown; Thomas McGee; Luther Farris, Sr.; Billy Moore; J'ayla Vicks

3rd Row: Luther Farris, Sr.; Ray A. Steward; Arthur Moore

Not Shown: Richard Manson (Photographer); Marie Moore Hamilton; John Alpine Smith; Wesley Crawford, Shirley Hinson Woods; Robert Woods



Class of 1965 (A Family Affair): James Vicks (Class of 1965); Ollie Vicks (wife); J'ayla Vicks (son)



Class of 1968: Shirley Hinson Woods and Robert Woods (BTWAA Charter Members)



Class of 1960: Shelia Houston; Fred Walker; Myrtis Davis

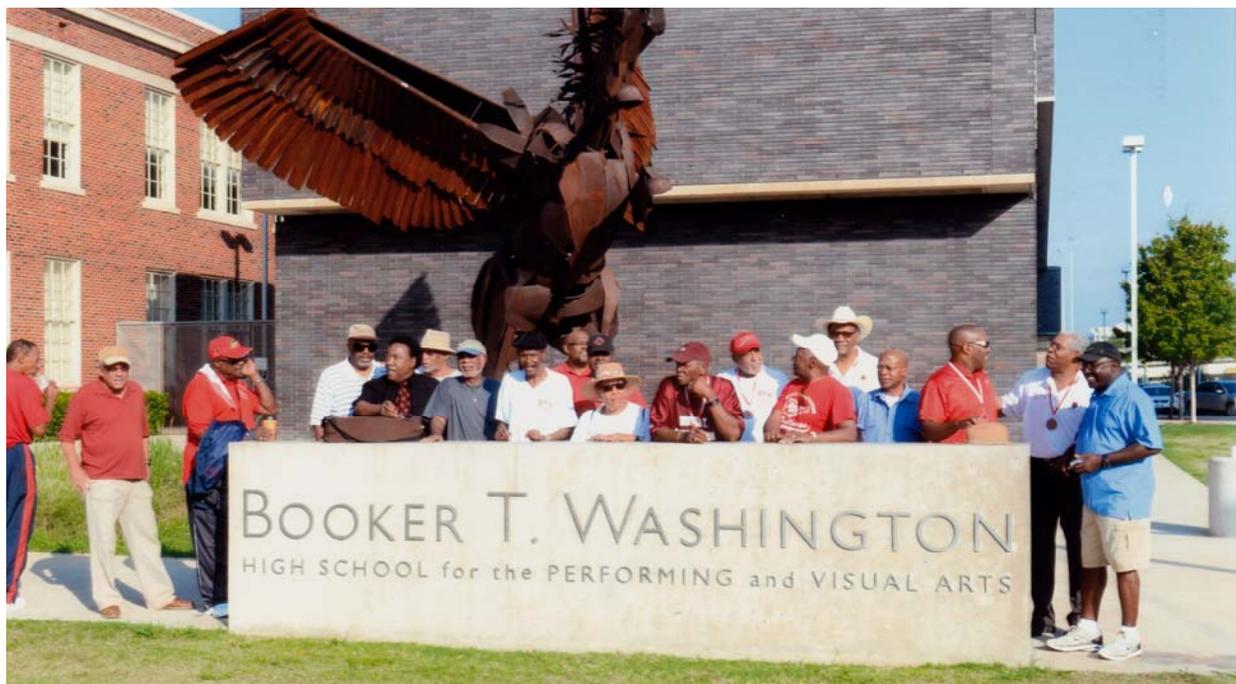
Note: On September 7, 2013, the BTW Class of 1968 celebrated their 45th class reunion banquet at the Crown Plaza Hotel. It was with a memorable gathering of classmates and faculty member, Mrs. Janet Thomas along with her husband Mr. Robert Thomas.

Many of those who came and participated in the reunion banquet also expressed a willingness to connect with more alumni graduates. By all accounts, the reunion banquet was an enormous success. The turnout was tremendous.

We would like to encourage all former BTW students to register with the BTW Alumni Association.



2012 – 9th Annual BTW Memorial Walk



2011 – 2013 BTWAA Members (Not all shown)



Seated L-R: Gloria McCoy; Myrtle Floyd; Gloria Young; Christene Walker; Josephine Henderson; Erma Parker;
Talmadge Jacques

2nd Row: Patricia Cooper; Willie Martin; Ruby Terrell; Franceal Haynes; Mary Toles; Mattie Clay; Kathryn Williams

3rd Row: Raymond Williams; Jessie Walker; Fannie Curry; Buckney Terrell; Gwendolyn Goss

4th Row: Fred Walker; Clarence Clay; Charles Wilson; John Edwards; James C. Harrison; Arthur Moore;
L.C. Cooper; James A. Harrison



2011 – 2013 BTWAA Officers and Committee Chairs

Officers

Present	Mary Bennett
Vice President	James C. Harrison
Secretary	Christene Y. Walker
Assistant Secretary	Jessie Walker
Treasurer	Richard Manson
Chaplin	Gwen Goss
Historian	Buckney Terrell
Parliamentarian	Gloria Young

Committee Chairs

Teller	James C. Harrison & L. C. Cooper
Bobby Benjamin/ Love & Care	Fannie Curry
Program	Gloria McCoy
Reuben Sweeney Memorial Scholarship	Talmadge Jacques
Activities Directors	Gloria Young & James C. Harrison
Adverstising/Marketing	Richard Manson
Sunshine	Ruby Terrell
Souvenirs	Florine Brewer
Photography	Richard Manson & Robert Lane
Newsletter	L. C. Cooper

BTWAA Charter Members - Remembrance

The BTWAA acknowledges the memory of the following charter members that helped create the foundation of this organization. We take this time to bestow the honor and recognition they richly deserve. They will always be remembered:

- Bobby Benjamin '59
- Sadye Dupree Gee '38
- Myrtle Alexander Floyd '50
- Mae Frances Moody Forward '54
- William Fuller '60
- Harrell E. Holly '59
- Willie Hutchinson '62
- Billie Joyce Jones '54
- Marion 'Jap' Jones '42
- James Kyles '55
- Clyde O. Mays, Jr. '64
- Frances Richardson Pendegraft '58
- Georgia Richardson Pennie '59
- William Phifer '56
- Albert Record '57
- Vernon Smith '56
- Hubert Spivey '58
- Reuben Sweeney, Jr. '60
- Charles Edwin Vienn, Sr. '58
- Welton Washington '54
- Donald R. Woodard '60
- Shirley Toliver Williams '56



Birthdays



July (Ruby – Passion)

Juanita Benson Jackson	7/1
Gwendolyn Johnson Chance	7/3
Mary Thomas Bennett	7/7
Gloria McCoy	7/8
Luther O. Farris, Sr.	7/11
Cecil Brown	7/11
Shirley Hinson Woods	7/17
Bryant David Blair	7/18
Marlene Mathis Teal	7/21
Clarence Clay	7/26
Flo Gardner Davis	7/26
Carolyn Hill Morris	7/29



October (Opal – Purity)

Bertha “Pat” Waters	10/2
Patricia Cooper	10/7
Charlotte Burton	10/8
Ruby J. Samuel Terrell	10/8
Kathryn M. Williams	10/15
William Blair, Jr.	10/17
Fannie Curry	10/18
Wilma Henderson Phifer	10/18
Jessie Lawrence Walker	10/21
Emma Morris Parker	10/30
Charles A. Richard	10/31
Delores Staton	10/31
Galen Ollison	10/31

August (Peridot – Dignity)

Fred Walker	8/15
Audrey Dee Wedgeworth	8/19
William Bell	8/19
Robert Spencer	8/24
Lottie M. Burns	8/30

November (Topaz – Hope)

Ternesia Taylor	11/01
Joe William Moody	11/04
Buckney W. Terrell	11/05
William Herron	11/06
Helen Emory Hurd	11/09
Mary M. Smith	11/13
Angus Greenwood, Jr.	11/22
Carol Anderson	11/23
Shelia Sauls	11/23
L. C. “Archie” Cooper	11/25
John A. Edwards	11/27
Jackie Roberson Taylor	11/30

September (Sapphire – Clarity)

Herbert Thompson	9/1
Robert L. Lane	9/1
Wesley K. Marshall	9/7
Carol Johnson	9/8
Iria Ganious	9/8
Richard Manson	9/13
Billie Hazel Pugh	9/24
Maxine Britt Johnson	9/25

December (Blue Zircon – Strength)

Sybil Hawkins	12/03
Josephine Henderson	12/10
Raymond T. Roberson	12/13
Dorothy Johnson Jones	12/13
Florine Brewer	12/26
Geneva Nealy Johnson	12/31



Association Meeting Schedule

October 5, 2013
November 2, 2013
December 7, 2013

January 4, 2014
February 1, 2014
March 1, 2014

April 5, 2014
May 3, 2014
June 7, 2014

July & August, 2014 Vacation Months – No Meeting

Place: Center for Community Cooperation
2900 Live Oak St
Dallas, Texas 75204
Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

News Letter Committee

L. C. Cooper - Editor/Writer/Coordinator
Gloria McCoy - Managing Editor/Proof Reader/Layout
Josephine Henderson - Writer Coordinator/Info Coordinator
Richard Manson – Photographer
Christine Walker-Meshack – Member at Large
Robert Spencer – Technical Advisor
Mary Bennett - Member at Large

We welcome any feedback or suggestions @ BTWWAA – P. O. Box 226901 – Dallas, TX 75222-6901

Humor (Church Bulletins – WordingBloopers):

- The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
- The Associate Minister introduced the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours!"
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM in the basement. Please use the back door.

Trivia

- What famous African-American botanist, scientist, educator and inventor is most well known for his work involving the peanut?
A. Booker T. Washington B. Alex Haley
C. George W. Carver D. Benjamin Banneker
- What NFL team won 17 consecutive Opening Day games?
A. Patriots B. Steelers C. 49ers D. Cowboys
- Who was the first African American Nobel Peace Prize winner?
A. Martin Luther King, Jr. B. Ralph Bunche
C. Nelson Mandela D. Albert John Lutuli



ALAMA MATER

*Booker T., of thee we sing:
Love und praise to thee we bring.
Guide us ever in thy Path;
Teach us justice to our task.*

*Gray and Crimson we adore,
Hail the Bulldogs evermore.
Oceans, seas and mountains high,
N'er will cause our love to die,*

FIGHT SONG

*Dear Ole Booker T., we love You
You are always goad and true-
You have always led us through,
And we shall always be true blue!
Dear Ole Booker T. !!*

SCHOOL CREED

I believe in scholarship that is consistent with my ability.

I believe in cooperating with all things that are good and worthwhile. I will respect the tradition of my school; I will at all times conduct myself in a way that will be complimentary to my school and my community.

I believe in thinking for myself, weighing carefully all things that I hear, read, and see and I resolve to practice and defend the democratic way of life both in my conduct with others and in the operation of our government.



Booker T. Washington High School Alumni Association of Dallas, Inc.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

NAME _____
First Maiden Last

SPOUSE'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ APT # _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

CLASS YEAR _____ SPOUSE'S _____

E.MAIL ADDRESS _____

BIRTHDAY _____ SPOUSE'S _____
(Computer will not record if year is missing)

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$30.00 CASH M.O. CK
(Please circle method of payment)

TOTAL AMOUNT FOR MEMBER & SPOUSE: \$50.00
(Spouse must be a former BTW Dallas student)

MEMBERSHIP GOOD FOR 1 YEAR (JUNE 1 - MAY 30)

DATE RECETVED _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: *BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
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