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## Little Rock Convention "Best Ever"; '94 Class One of Largest in History



Ruth Pitts '63, Arthur '49 and Essie Coffee, and Elijah Pitts '60  
at the Convention Banquet

The 1994 National Alumni Convention, held April 6-10 at the Little Rock Hilton, was the "best ever", according to Alumni Director Winston Muldrew '50. "Our attendance was up, we sold out at the Banquet, and everyone was very much interested in what was going on, both at the Convention and on the campus," he continued.

A report from National Secretary Shirley Roland states, "The convention began with a great deal of excitement and anticipation. We were looking forward to all of the activities which had been planned for us, especially those which were to take

place on campus.

"Mrs. Yvonne Alexander was the presiding officer in the absence of Dr. De Lois Gibson, who was ill in Detroit at the time and passed away on April 8, during the Convention.

"It was really exciting to tour the new Multipurpose Complex and the campus. We also enjoyed hearing from the faculty and students about the special events and projects which are taking place in their departments.

"The 'Career Explosion' was wonderful. It gave the students a chance to interact with Philander Smith College graduates and others concerning their professions in a relaxed atmosphere.

"Two well-known Philanderians graced us with their presence and wisdom. Dr. Norman Handy, Jr. was our Luncheon speaker, and Mr. Elijah Pitts was our banquet speaker. Both gave us plenty of food for thought when they told us about the

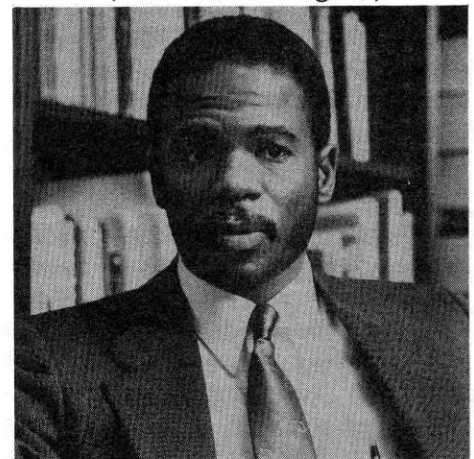
A warm breeze blew over the campus Saturday May 14 as excited seniors, part of one of the largest graduating classes in the College's history, according to Provost Dr. Crawford J. Mims, prepared for the College's 117th Graduation.

The Senior Breakfast was the scene of many tearful farewells as seniors bade goodbye to some of their classmates. Singing, photos of friends and fellow Greeks, and good food were all on the agenda.

At 10:30, a line of graduates more than a block long, made its way into Wesley Chapel for the Baccalaureate Service. The Chapel was completely filled by graduates and their families. The Baccalaureate Sermon, delivered by Dr. Jonathan D. Keaton '68, District Superintendent, Northern Illinois Conference, The United Methodist Church, Naperville, IL, concerned students taking responsibility for their actions.

Saturday evening, partly cloudy skies and perfect temperature and humidity were witness to the pomp and circum-

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Commencement Speaker  
Dr. Jon Michael Spencer

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# Communiqués

**Dr. Myer L. Titus '54,  
President**

I would like to extend special thanks to the Philanderians who attended the National Convention in Little Rock in April. Your dedication and interest shows that we are making, and can continue to make, a difference in the lives of our graduates.

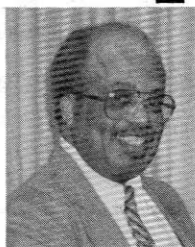
Those of you who visited the campus saw much that was not here when the Convention was last held in Little Rock. The new security fence is complete, and we have initiated closing hours to secure the campus. The new Multipurpose Complex is nearing completion, as is the building for the Division of Business and Economics. We have applied for grants to equip these facilities, but this in no way diminishes our need for your support.

Plans have been drawn up for the new Academic Building, which will be constructed at the northwest corner of 12th and Izard. The east elevation of the new building appears on page 8.

Your College is continually breaking old records and setting new ones: Enrollment, while it leveled off this year, is expected to increase next year; scholarships and endowment are at an all-time high; and we have new facilities nearing completion which will add greatly to the quality of life at Philander Smith College.

But this is not the time to rest on our laurels, to revel in our accomplishments. With an Arkansan in the White House, now is the time for the College to do everything it can to improve its facilities, quality of instruction, scholarships and endowment, and its image in the community. We ask your continuing help recruiting students and garnering grants and donations for the College.

We have received a great deal of media attention recently, particularly with the \$1.9 million grant made to the College by the Walton Family Foundation (p. 9) and a visit by UNCF Parade of Stars Founder Lou Rawls to the campus in February. But we can do more, we must do more to take advantage of our unique position at this time. The College has many challenges before it, but with the growing support of our loyal and dedicated alumni, I have no doubt we will arise to meet them. °



**Thelma Woolfolk  
'41, President,  
National Alumni  
Association**

When I accepted the Office of President of the Philander Smith College National Alumni Association, I did so because it was another opportunity for me to give something back to an institution that had helped me to establish an infrastructure upon which I would build my life. I also knew that I was not expected to carry out the job of the office on my own - that I would be able to call on many of the over 2,700 alumni who want to see Philander Smith College progress and grow as we move toward the 21st Century.

I am honored and grateful for your confidence in electing me as your President. I pledge, as I promised in my platform remarks, to help the organization to grow in numbers and strength. Your involvement in the Association, and your support of our efforts are requested and appreciated. What we accomplish during my term will depend on all of us working together toward the common goal of preserving the rich educational history of our school - Philander Smith College.

The theme of this year's convention, Genesis Revisited, gave us all an opportunity to reflect on our beginning at Philander Smith. It has made us aware of where we are, and conscious of how good it feels to be able to see the progress and contribute to its growth.

Each year throughout the United States, hundreds of millions of dollars in scholarships and grants go unclaimed because students either don't know about them, or are daunted by the task of sifting through the thousands of scholarships to find those for which they are qualified. I urge each of you to get a copy of the College Catalog, and familiarize yourself with the scholarship requirements. Make a pointed effort to communicate this information to the current students and prospective Philanderians in your area. The results will be a stronger Philander, and a brighter future for our young people.

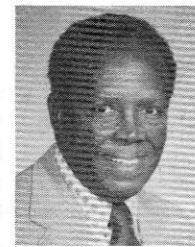
Be mindful there is much more to be done. I invite you to take part. °



**Winston Muldrew '50  
Director of Alumni  
Affairs**

The preparations surrounding the National Alumni Convention have left this office tired but pleased at the turnout and the active participation shown by all who attended.

The Alumni Office initiated plans in conjunction with the Office of the Dean of Students to attend the National Alumni Council meeting held in Greensboro, NC February 3-6. Carol Stewart was PSC's Miss Pre-Alumni, and represented the



**Alumni Director Winston Muldrew  
with Philander's Miss Pre-Alumni  
Carol Stewart and Eastern Region  
President Dr. Curtis Gillespie**

College at the Convention in competition in which she won Fourth Place. Sybil Bunn represented the College on behalf of UNCF.

Convention '94 Proceedings and the revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws will be mailed out to alumni chapters and at-large members over the summer.

Two alumni were nominated by the College for the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame: Dr. Myer L. Titus, PSC President, and Dr. George Hammons, Professor of Chemistry and Chairperson of the College's Chemistry Department. °

## The Philanderian

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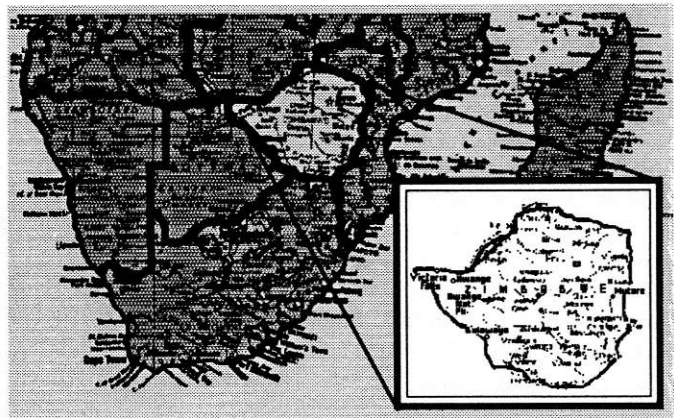
# Alumni News

## PRESIDENT VISITS AFRICA

(photographs by Myer L. Titus '54)

Dr. Myer L. Titus '54 visited Zimbabwe in southern Africa the third week of April for the dedication of Africa University, a

opportunity to see some of the wonders of the region, in addition to attending the dedication ceremonies for the University. The university becomes the third in the country after the University of Zimbabwe in



The entryway to Africa University is made of native stone.

school sponsored by the United Methodist Church. It is the first United Methodist Church-related university in Africa and the first private international university in Zimbabwe. 'Zimbabwe' means 'dwelling of a chief' in the Shona language. During Dr. Titus' 7-day stay, he had the

offers degree programs in three disciplines: theology, agriculture, and natural resources. There are plans to establish other faculties soon, according to Vice-Chancellor Dr. John Kurewa.

Harare and the National University of Science and Technology in Bulawayo. Africa University

academic cannot, having deliberately entered the political arena, claim immunity from counter-attack by political opponents, on the basis of academic freedom. An academic is not free to throw political mud at other people and then cry foul if the return throw is in the form of brick-



Dancers celebrated in a special ceremony at the Victoria Falls Hotel

Dr. Titus reported, "Robert Mugabe, the President of Zimbabwe was present at the dedication ceremonies, and delivered a most interesting address." His advice to the University was not to get academic freedom confused with politics. A local newspaper reported Mugabe as saying, 'An

bats. Nor is he free to break the law of the land.' President Mugabe recalled that in 1989 the Government set up a commission of inquiry into the establishment of a second university. The inquiry identified a niche for the participation of non-governmental organizations in the provision of post-secondary education in the country. He commended the board of directors, staff and management and students at Africa University for their hard work since it was granted university status almost three years ago. 'It is our hope that Africa University will function within the changing context in which all universities on this continent are operating,' he said.

Dr. Titus continued, "The wildlife and flowers are everywhere. We took a safari and saw things I never dreamed existed. This part of Africa was even more beauti-

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Wildlife was everywhere. This giraffe kept calmly feeding as the bus went by.

ful than I ever imagined."

"Victoria Falls is one of the seven natural wonders of the world," Dr. Titus said. "Just for comparison, Niagara Falls is 167 feet high. Victoria Falls is 355 feet high." Located halfway between the mouth and the source of the Zambezi River, Victoria Falls is one mile wide, and drops into a deep narrow chasm, with a 40-mile long canyon for its outlet. Dr. Titus observed, "The water falling sounded like thunder, and the mist created a natural rain forest in the canyon below the falls." °

## ZIMBABWE FACTS:

Zimbabwe, formerly Southern Rhodesia, is a landlocked country bordered by Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa, and Zambia. Zimbabwe gained full legal independence under black majority rule in 1980.

Most of Zimbabwe consists of a high plateau that traverses the country from southwest to northeast. These upland areas, mostly above 4,000 ft, are known as the Highveld, and occupy about 25% of the land. A mountainous and mineral-rich intrusion, called the Great Dyke, extends across it for about 300 miles, and is the source of Zimbabwe's principal mineral wealth. The Inyanga and Chimanimani mountains in the east are the home of Mount Inyangani, the nation's highest point. Most rain falls during the summer months (November to March), and is too variable from year to year for crop farming, except in the better-watered eastern highlands and Highveld.

The main river is the Zambezi, which has been dammed at Kariba to form the 172-mile long Lake Kariba, and provides abundant hydroelectric power for Zimbabwe and neighboring Zambia.

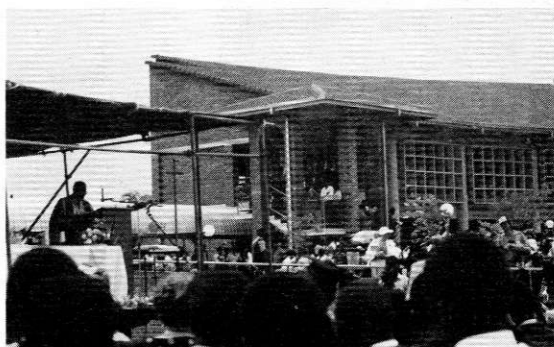
Black Africans constitute about 96% of Zimbabwe's indigenous population; about 3% are white, and another 1% are Asians and peoples of mixed racial origin known as Coloureds. Of the black majority, mostly Bantu, 75% belong to the Shona linguistic group, and are commonly referred to as Mashona; about 20% are members of the ethnically-related Ndebele-speaking tribes known as Matabele. Smaller black ethnic groups include the Sotho, Sena, and Tonga. More than 80% of all whites are urban dwellers, whereas 85% of all blacks are rural dwellers, and many live in overcrowded former tribal areas. Harare (formerly Salisbury) and Bulawayo, each with more than 400,000 inhabitants, are the largest cities.

English is the official language, and is used by most whites; Bantu languages are spoken by the black majority.

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The spectacular Victoria Falls is a major tourist attraction in Zimbabwe



Images  
of  
Africa





# Class Notes

Thomas A. Foster and his wife **Bernice Alexander Vinson Foster '35**, celebrated their sixty-second wedding anniversary on December 26. The occasion was marked by a reception held at the Hilton Hotel and Tower in San Francisco. Bernice is a retired clerk from the U.S. Postal Service and President of the Northern California Alumni Chapter. In the latter position, she was responsible for awarding freshman Kevin Hudson a \$500 scholarship from the Jones-Hilburn Scholarship Fund this past February.

**Bernice Shields Hayman '45** was recognized, along with other retired and current teachers, by the Pulaski Heights Lions Club at a banquet held February 14 at Baptist Medical Hospital's Gilbreath Center. Mrs. Hayman was selected for Excellence in Volunteer Service in the Pulaski County Public Schools for the 1993-94 school year, and received the Ward, Cundiff and Aaron Retired Teacher Recognition Hall of Fame Award.

**Dr. M. Joycelyn Elders '52** was awarded an honorary degree by the State University of New York at Stony Brook on May 15. An outspoken advocate on today's health care issues, she is one of three SUNY-SB 1994 honorees. Among her many honors, she received the National Education Association's Mary Futrell Award for Creative Leadership in Women's Rights in 1990, and honorary degrees from four other institutions, most recently Yale University in 1992. She also received, on May 27, an Honorary Doctor of Public Service degree from George Washington University in St. Louis.

**Mrs. Johnnie Reid '63** of Brinkley has reached her 93rd birthday, but that hasn't slowed her down. She is spearheading the effort to organize a PSC Alumni Chapter in Brinkley, Arkansas. Mrs. Reid received her Teacher Training Certificate from the College in 1925, and her Bachelor's degree in 1963, after marrying and raising



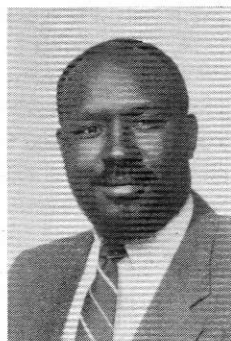
Mrs. Reid

eight children. She is a former member of Wesley Chapel. She pursued a career in teaching in Calhoun, St. Francis and Monroe Counties.

Her history with the College goes back to the days of US President Warren Harding, winning a Gold Medal in a 1921 Prize Declamation contest. She was elected a delegate in 1923 to the World Student Volunteer Convention, held in Indianapolis.

**Carmelita Smith '65** has been elected South Central Regional Director of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., for a two-year term. She is the second Regional Director from Arkansas. The South Central Region includes more than 3500 active members in 115 chapters in four states. Smith will serve on the Directorate. Alpha Kappa Alpha was founded on the campus of Howard University in 1908, the first Greek letter organization in the world for Black women. Carmelita is employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone as a manager.

**Rev. Charlie E. McAdoo '69**, since November 1988 the Pastor of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, and since 1989 PSC's College Minister, has been transferred to Hunter United Methodist Church on Romine Road in Little Rock. His first sermon will be delivered there on June 19. Rev. McAdoo said of his departure, "This is a step I make with two feelings in my heart - one, for the friends I will be leaving, and the other, for the opportunities God has set before me to minister to a new congregation. Though I will be across town, you can believe I will visit the campus, and will keep up with what's going on here."



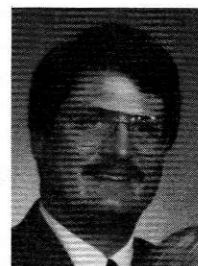
McAdoo

**Rosalyn Hill Scruggs '69** was presented the 1994 Arkansas Dietetic Technician of the Year Award on April 14. The award was presented by the Arkansas Dietetic Association in recognition of outstanding leadership. Rosalyn is employed as a Dietetic Technician at University

## NEW CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BEGUN

At the National Alumni Convention held in April, Dr. Titus met with the organization's officers and members, asking for their help in raising \$100,000 for capital improvements to the campus. This represents the alumni's portion of the \$900,000 which is needed to complete various construction projects currently underway. Dr. Titus estimates that \$300,000 is needed to finish the construction of the Multi-Purpose Complex and the building for the Division of Business and Economics; another \$300,000 will be needed to furnish and equip these facilities; and \$300,000 is needed to establish a maintenance endowment to operate these new facilities and keep them in good condition. Dr. Titus' request was approved by the officers and members of the Association.

To facilitate this fundraising activity, Mike Munson has joined the College as its Director of Development. Formerly with Blackstone and Associates, a Little Rock professional fundraising firm, Munson is familiar with the College - Blackstone is the firm which shaped and conducted the 1991 \$3 million Capital Campaign. Munson says he looks forward to working with the various departments of the College, and encourages all faculty, staff and alumni to "keep their eyes open" for opportunities for grants and other donations.



Munson

Following the Alumni Convention, Dr. Titus asked Munson to draft a plan of organization to raise these funds by the end of 1994. He presented this plan to Dr. Titus and the Board of Trustees at their May meeting, when the plan was unanimously adopted by the Board for immediate implementation. The Alumni Gifts portion of the campaign is scheduled to kick off in October of this year. Munson said of the effort, "When you are asked to serve on a local committee and to lend your much-needed financial support to this project, we, meaning Dr. Titus, Mrs. Woolfolk, Mr. Muldrew and myself, hope you will give it your careful consideration and your generous support."

For more information about the Capital Campaign, please contact Mr. Munson, in care of the College's Development Office, or call (501) 370-5270. °

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# In Memoriam

## Dr. De Lois Gibson '63 Educator, Alumni President

Attendees at the National Alumni Convention were shocked and saddened to learn of the death of Alumni President Dr. De Lois Gibson on Friday, April 9. She had been hospitalized with congestive heart failure for several weeks, and her condition deteriorated rapidly the week of April 2.

She was born September 13, 1940, to the late Urel and Veola Gibson, in the Millwood community in Little River County, Arkansas. She attended the Little River Co. Training School in Ashdown, and graduated with honors in 1959. A member of the Freeman Chapel C.M.E. Church choir, she also participated in CYF, the Usher Board, and other departments of the church and the Washington district.

She moved to Detroit in 1979, and united there with the St. John C.M.E. Church, remaining a faithful member until her death.

She received her B.A. from PSC in 1962, a Master of Education from the University of Arkansas - Fayetteville in 1969, a Doctor of Education from UA Fayetteville in 1972, and concluded post-doctoral studies in 1978.

In 1979, she moved from Fayetteville to Detroit, where she served as Associate Professor at the Detroit Institute of Technology, an instructor at Wayne County Community College, taught Business at Cass Technical High School, and, finally, was a counselor at Cass Tech.

De' loved life and living. Each day was actively spent. She loved to cook, especially "fancy things". She loved sewing and growing and arranging flowers. When her health began to weaken, her family suggested she slow down. She said, "Death will have to find me and catch me, I will not sit and wait for it."

She leaves a son and daughter-in-law, four grandchildren, three sisters, four brothers, two sisters-in-law, a brother-in-law, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.



Dr. Gibson

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**Louis Phillippe Amoureux '39**, the Treasurer for San Francisco Chapter of the National Alumni Association, died Nov. 23 in Oakland, CA after suffering an aneurysm. He was born in Nampa, ID in 1914, and moved to St. Louis as a child. He was a sergeant in the U.S. Army Troop Transport Quartermaster Corps in WWII, and was stationed in the Pacific. He began his career as a clerk in the U.S. Postal Service in St. Louis. He retired in 1986 with 41 years of federal service. At his death, he was on the executive board of the Oakland NAACP, a member of the Disabled American Veterans, and an honorary member of the Oglala Sioux tribe. He is survived by his son, two daughters, four grandchildren, and cousins in the St. Louis area.

**Geneva S. Lawson '42**, died sometime in the last year, as reported by the U.S. Post Office.

**Josephine K. Jetts '42** of Chicago died February 25. She was born in Dardanelle, Arkansas in 1920, the first of four children of Michael and Lucille Kelleybrew. She graduated from PSC with a major in Business administration. After graduation, she served in the Women's Army Corps at Fort Huachuca, AZ as a Staff Sergeant from 1943-45, where she met Levi Jett. They were married January 23, 1946 in Chicago, and had one daughter, LaVersa

Annette. Josephine was employed at the Veterans Administration for 10 years, and transferred to the Social Security Administration Office, from which she retired in 1979 with 35 years of service. A member of St. Mark United Methodist Church, she chaired the United Methodist Women, and served as a member of the Board of Harris YWCA, NAACP, UNCF, and the Partners in Retirement Group.

**Dovie Touchstone Patrick '43** died April 8, 1994, the Alumni Office has learned.

**Sylvia Victoria Tallier Caruth '45** died April 16, 1994 in Little Rock. A graduate of Little Rock Public Schools, she received a Master's Degree from Teachers' College/Columbia University in 1948. She retired from the Little Rock School System in 1983 with 43 years of service as a classroom teacher, principal and supervisor. In August of 1964, she was the first Black hired in an administrative capacity by the Little Rock School District. She was a Past President of Little Rock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta; a charter member of Little Rock Chapter of The Links, Inc.; Past President of the Little Rock Classroom Teachers Association; and a member of Alpha Kappa Mu National Honor Society. She is survived by two daughters, two grandsons, two sisters, and a host of other relatives, co-workers and friends.

**Annie Lee Holt '46** died February 8 in North Little Rock. A retired principal of the Pulaski County Special School District, she held a B.A. in Education from PSC and a Master's in School Administration from Michigan State University, along with other graduate studies. She taught in the Pulaski County Special School District for 25 years, and was the first black school administrator for that district. She was a member of Mount Zion Baptist Church, a member of Phi Delta Kappa, and had been awarded the Arkansas Certificate of Merit by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas. She was a member of numerous other church and civic organizations. Survivors are her husband, John W. Holt, a son, three sisters, and three grandsons.

**Cora Tippins Williams '48** died in



1993, the Alumni Office has learned.

**Louis Dennis '50** of Gary, IN died December 3. A football coach at Emerson High School until it closed in 1981, Dennis previously coached at Pulaski and Tolleston Junior High schools. He was a member of the Gary Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and the Gary Teachers Union. His coaching career at Emerson was hampered by declining enrollment and a lack of interest in the years before the school finally closed. Despite the obstacles, he continued to instill in his players a desire to overcome any odds. He is survived by his wife, Mary; a son, Michael; a daughter, Kathy, his mother, Catherine Rice, and a sister, Chiquita, both of Chicago.

**Lillian Erma Prichett Lane '50** of Chicago was laid to rest in services held April 7 at Faith United Methodist Church in Chicago. Born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri in 1928, she was the seventh of nine children of James and Sarah Prichett. She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church, where she served as Lay Speaker, Secretary of Mission Education for the Chicago Southern District, United Methodist Women District President, Vice President of the UMW for the Northern Illinois Conference, and a teacher for the West Gulf Regional School of Christian Mission. She leaves five sons, a sister, Dixie Cain, and a host of other relatives and friends.

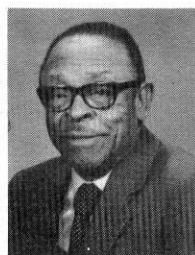
**Pauline Davis Webber '50** died September 21, 1993. The daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J.L. Davis, she was a native of Little Rock and a graduate of Dunbar High School. Reared in a Christian environment, she



**Webber**

united last with White Memorial United Methodist Church, where she served in the choir, the Beautification Committee, and the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee. She taught in the Arkansas Public Schools, and was Registrar/secretary at Jackson Theological Seminary from 1976 to June of 1993. Survivors include a son, two daughters, five grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

**William C. Williams '51** died Dec. 5, 1993, the Alumni Office has learned. He was born in Scott, Arkansas in 1915, and graduated from Nelson High School in Scott, Dunbar Junior College, and Johnson Business College. He was also the manager of Williams Accounting Agency, and for many years was the accountant for Dubisson Funeral Home.



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**Williams**

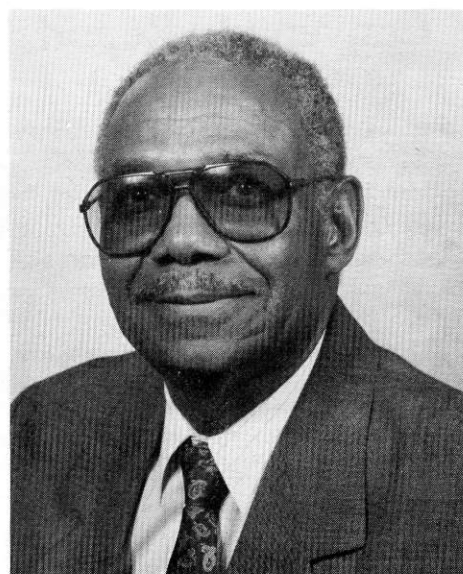
A staff sergeant, he served in the Pacific Theater in WWII. An instructor at Johnson Business School and a part-time teacher at Horace Mann High School, Shorter and Arkansas Baptist Colleges, he retired from the V.A. Hospital in 1965.

A member of the National and Arkansas Societies of Public Accountants, she was also a 33° Mason and a member of Plumblin Lodge #139, Mohammed Temple #34 and J.L.H. Smith Consistory #76, Prince Hall Affiliation of Arkansas. He served as Grand Secretary-Treasurer of the Masonic Relief Association of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Arkansas, and was a member of Adah Chapter #4 OES of the Royal Grand Chapter of PHA. He leaves a wife, Jewel, two foster daughters, and other relatives and friends.

**Mary Toombs Hubbard '53** died Nov. 30, 1993, the Alumni Office has learned.

**Dolan P. Falconer '54** died February 7, 1994. A resident of College Park, GA, he was born in 1927 in Shubuta, MS. He attended Harris High School in Meridian, MS and Okolona Junior College.

He joined the Air Force in 1943, and was honorably discharged in 1947. After leaving the Air Force, he continued his education, earning a B.A. from Philander and a Masters in Education from Tennessee State University. He was Head Basketball Coach and taught Health and Physical Education at Okolona Junior College, Riverside High School in Chattanooga, and Morris Brown College. He served the National Alumni Association as Eastern Region President in the mid-1980s. He is survived by his wife, Etta, two sons, one



**Falconer**

daughter, three sisters, a brother, and other relatives. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorials be made to PSC's Dolan Falconer Scholarship Fund.

**Osceola Jones '58** died February 28 in Little Rock. A member of First Liberty Hill Baptist Church, she was also a retired teacher in the Little Rock School District. She is survived by two sons, one daughter, a brother, a sister, and other relatives.

**Ernestine Alexander Wilson '58** died in 1993, the Alumni Office has learned.

**Willie H. Moore '60** died February 21 at his North Little Rock home. A member and Deacon of Mount Sinai Christian Church, he was a native of Scott, AR. During WWII he served his country and was awarded the Purple Heart, the American Theater Ribbon and the WWII Victory Medal. He retired from the Pulaski County Special School District, where he taught and served as a coach. He is survived by his wife, Lena G. Moore, two sons, five grandchildren, and a host of other relatives.

**William F. Finn '68** died June 23, 1993. He served as a classroom teacher for a number of years, was Vice-Principal of Bale Southwest Middle School, Principal of Booker Magnet School, and at his death, was Principal at Baseline Elementary. He

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## Convention Report

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journeys their lives have taken since leaving Philander Smith.

"Mrs. Jearlene Miller, President of the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex Chapter, and Past National Alumni President, was named our Distinguished Alumnus for 1994.

"The Constitution and Bylaws were revised, thanks to Judge Clifford Davis of



Rev. Norman Handy Jr. addresses the Luncheon

the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex Chapter.

"Our 1994-96 officers were installed.

They are:

President	Mrs. Thelma Woolfolk
Vice Pres.	Mrs. Shirley Roland
Secretary	Ms. Connie Cogshell
Financial Sec.	Dr. Eulah Peterson
Treasurer	Mr. Herman Davis

"The 1995 Convention will be in Memphis, TN, July 12-16. The national officers are looking forward to seeing you there."

- Shirley Roland, National Secretary °

## !! HELP !!

Shirley Roland, National Recording Secretary, stepped away from her car for two hours at a parking lot in downtown Dallas on April 23rd. She returned to find her car had been robbed, vandalized and set afire. All records of the 1994 National Alumni Convention, both written and tape recorded, were either stolen or destroyed in the fire, before they were copied or transcribed. Ms. Roland makes a plea to all alumni who attended the Convention to submit as complete a recollection as possible detailing their participation in the various committee and other meetings which were held at the Convention. President Woolfolk requests that all committee chairpersons please send copies of their reports to Shirley Roland, at

Your assistance is both greatly appreciated and of vital importance. °

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

As a cost-saving measure, the National Alumni Convention voted at the 1994 convention to publish The Philanderian TWICE yearly, rather than three times per year. The Philanderian will be delivered to all alumni on file in the Alumni Database.

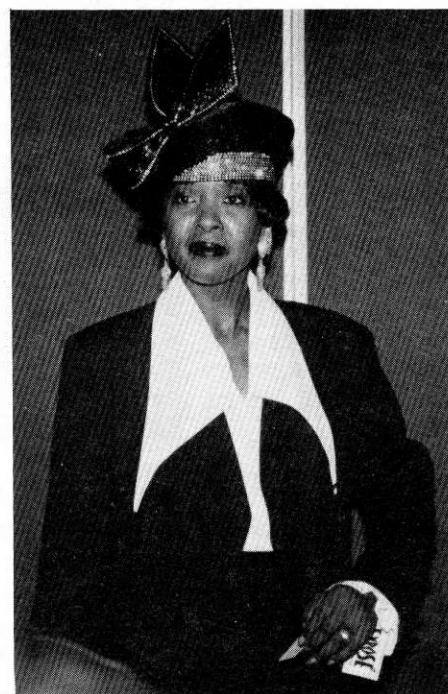
The next issue will be published in early November. Please submit articles prior to October 15.

## FASHION SHOW

The Luncheon Program at the National Convention included a Fashion Show. Models from Statements By Charlotte, coordinated by Sybil Bunn of "Fancy This", strutted their stuff before the gathering. Fashions for spring and summer entertained the more than 200 alumni and friends of the College who attended. Sparkles, beads, sequins, linens, cottons and silk adorned the beautiful suits, dresses and sportswear from Statements By Charlotte.

### Hats! Hats! Hats!

Black and white has always been at the center of a sophisticated look. The model below wore an outfit with pointed collars and a black vest in a white suit. The hat, by Jack McConnell, had a black and white brim with a bow on the front. The audience showed their appreciation of the Fashion Show with loud and frequent applause. °



This stylish outfit was modeled for Luncheon attendees during the Fashion Show. Hat by Jack McConnell.



The newly-formed PSC Vocal Ensemble performed at the Luncheon





**A LIGHT MOMENT:** Convention Coordinator Versie Winstead and husband Homer pose for a picture at the Convention during the Banquet on Saturday.



**ALUMNI PRESIDENTS AT CONVENTION:** (from left) Robert Nelson, Jearlene Miller, Dr. Myer L. Titus, Current President Thelma Woolfolk, Dr. Ozell Sutton, and Dr. Curtis Gillespie

#### Report by Connie Cogshell

The three-hour Career Explosion held at the Student Union on April 7 was well-attended by both students and alumni who were in town for the Convention. Students met with practitioners and potential mentors. Student participation in the event was at an all-time high.

Participating alumni included: Dr. Frances Harris, Jerome Muldrew, Gwen Zeigler, Atty. Gloria Dredd Haney, Patrick

Oliver, Ms. Toni Lairry, Rev. C.E. McAdoo, Harry Roberson, Sandra Lilly, Jesse Trice III, Jearlene Miller, and Charles Johnson.

Career fields represented included Medicine, Education, Law, Computer Science, Real Estate Development, Entrepreneurship, Ministry, Television and Radio, State and Local Government, Public Administration, Philanthropic Foundations, Judgeship, Corporate, Military Science, Banking, and Commercial and Industrial Development. °



## Panther Athletic Club Banquet

April 29, 1994

AT THE 11TH ANNUAL ATHLETIC BANQUET: (clockwise, from top left) Thereceivinglineincluded speaker Dr. Henry Williams, Superintendent of the Little Rock Public Schools; (top right) Matthew Summerville, Athletic Director, makes an announcement; (bottom right) Trophies on display; (lower left) Robert Nelson presents a trophy to Drill Team Sponsor Pat Proctor.



# 1994 Commencement

(Photos by Kelly Quinn)

## Commencement

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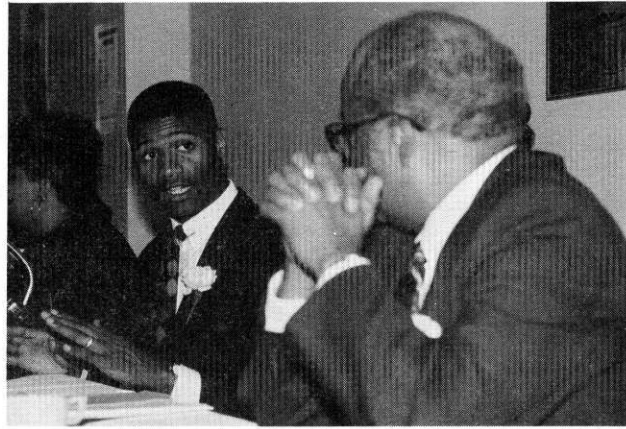
stance of the Commencement Exercises. The Address was delivered by Dr. Jon Michael Spencer, Associate Professor, for The Curriculum in African and Afro-American Studies, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. May, 1994 marks the 40th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Brown vs. Board of Education*. Spencer's address concerned the progress African Americans have made in the years since that decision and the obstacles which have yet to be overcome.

Also at the Commencement Exercises, three Honorary Doctor of Human Letters degrees were conferred. The recipients were: Rev. Chester R. Jones, District Superintendent of the Little Rock Conference of the United Methodist Church and brother of Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders; Larry W. Ross, a 1969 graduate of Philander Smith College and District Sales Manager for Southwestern Bell Telephone; and Rev. C. Dennis Edwards, Pastor of St. Mark Baptist Church.

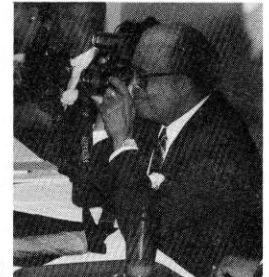
Rev. Jones served as Pastor of Little Rock's Hunter United Methodist Church from 1986 until June of 1993. He has served the Methodist Church as a Field Representative with the General Board of Global Ministries, and as an Ethnic Minority Local Church Consultant. He holds a Ph.D. from Drew University, Madison, NJ, and a Master of Divinity from Gammon Theological Seminary in Atlanta. He holds a B.A. in Religion and Philosophy from Baker University in Baldwin, KS.

Mr. Ross holds a Master of Science in Education from the University of Central Arkansas at Conway, and has done additional study at the University of Indiana's Bloomington School of Music. He is active in the community, serving Leach Chapel CME Church in a number of different capacities, and was for seventeen years a member of the Art Porter Trio. In 1988 he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Philander Smith College, and in 1989 received the Daisy Bates Award for Education.

Rev. Edwards has served St. Mark Baptist Church for 25 years. A member of the NAACP, the Greater Little Rock Urban League, and is a former member of



Dr. Titus and SGA President Jerrold McNeal chat during the Senior Breakfast. Below, Dr. Titus snaps a quick photo.

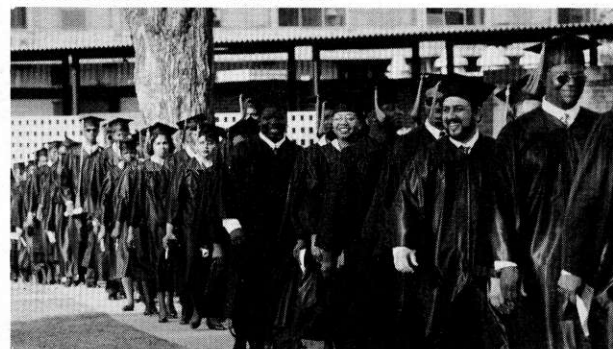


Dr. Jonathan D. Keaton '68, delivers the Baccalaureate Sermon

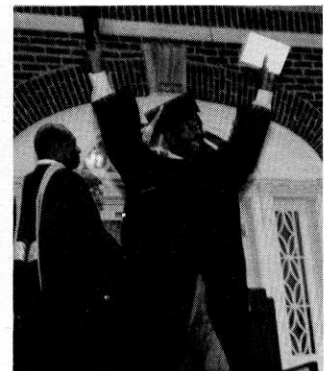


Seniors and faculty shake hands following the Baccalaureate Service.

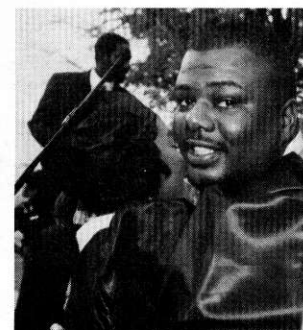
The line of graduates was more than a block long, as the largest class since 1966 made its way to the Commencement Exercises.



Some of the graduates at Commencement were more excited than others about finishing their education.

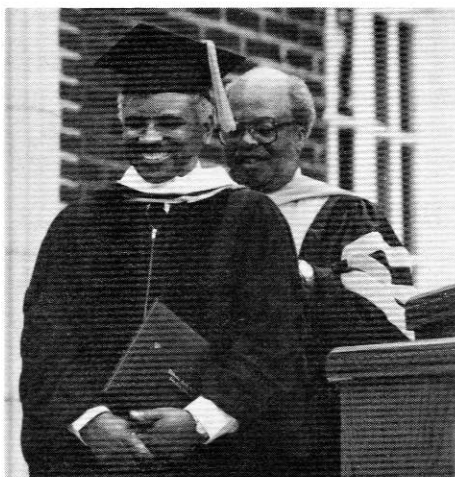


the Arkansas Pardons & Parole Board. Rev. Edwards has implemented programs such as the Crisis Closet; the Fish and Loaves Ministry; Unto Others, Inc., a non-profit which operates the Bread of Life Bookstore and the Cornerstone Child Development Center; "Paint Your Heart Out", a home painting program for the core of Little Rock; and missionary work in Malawi. °



Lots of hugs, and more than a few tears, were the order of the day.





**Rev. Chester R. Jones receives his Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters**

## Dr. Alphonse Robinson '39 Addresses Graduates

"As you are about to cross the threshold of training to the theatre of opportunity, first and foremost, carry with you the admonition of St. Paul's teaching, that 'I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.' (Phil. 4:13). This admonition is well-worth your pondering.

As you face life, you will be confronted with problems that you least expect. You will be called upon to solve these problems and make your imprint in the sands of time.

You have come upon the path that you now must take, and we encourage you with our love, patience and understanding.

Continue your quest in righting the evils and wrongs that we face today. Never fear to challenge the problems at hand. You will overcome them and they will be your springboard to personal achievement.

Your adult life is just beginning, and you can, and will, make it what you want it to be.

Trust in God, first.

Never forget the instructors at Philander who have given you nurturing and guidance through your educational years. Their leadership, kindness and love has given you impetus through these formative years of your life.

Approach this Commencement, today, as a "new beginning", and be assured, graduates, you will have a fruitful and successful life.

Again, to all of you, please accept my heartiest congratulations, and may God bless you!"

Sincerely, Dr. Alphonse Robinson '39 °

## 28-year Record Set as 119 Philanderians Graduate

The biggest PSC class graduating since 1966 tossed their hats in the air at the end of this year's 117th Commencement Exercises. The jump in the number of graduates is partly attributable to the growth in the College's Management Institute program, PSMI, which was responsible for more than 50 of the graduating class of 1994. The graduates were:

### Bachelor of Arts

Aaron, Deon Lamaw  
Abson, Alice Fogle \*  
Aburishah, Reda  
Akins, Henry Dale  
Al-Dhaheri, Mohamed \*\*  
Al-Dossary, Ali \*\*  
Al-Dossary, Hamad E. \*\*  
Al-Mansourei, Mohamed K. \*\*

Al-Mazrouei, Ahamed \*\*  
Al-Othman, Abdullaziz \*  
Al-Qubaisi, Saleh S.  
Allen, Marvin Dishongh  
Allen, Maxine Y. \*\*

Distinction in Field  
Cum Laude  
Anderson, Kenneth  
Wayne

Arberry, Shirley  
Arnold, Steven M. \*\*  
Bailey, Tina Cassandra \*\*  
Black, Carolyn L.  
Bonton, Ginger \*\*

Brooks, Royce A. Bullock \*  
Brown, Phyllis A.

Brown, Sean Allen  
Brown, Tiffany L. \*

Burks, Zachary R. III  
Bynum, Tyrone

Callaway, Janice Renee  
Carlock, Julia C.

Carlock, Louis Jr.  
Chapple, Beverly Ann \*

Childress, Gloria Butler \*  
Cleaver, Emanuel III \*\*

Comic, Lizzie B.  
Daniels, Dephanie

Deshannon  
Daniels, LaBridgette

Devoe-Cox, Jacquelyn  
Lavette

Dobbins, Albert L. Jr.  
Dutton, Amanda \*\*

Ficklin, Quintin Steve Sr.  
Fitzpatrick, Nadine

Ford, John Henry  
Distinction in Field  
Cum Laude  
Franklin, Betty Jean  
Gauss, Sheila Frances  
Gibson, Regina  
Hall, Lisa  
Hall, Tatia Janeen \*\*  
Hampton, Joyce Ann \*\*  
Handy-Lunon, Barbara \*\*

Harris, Brian Ebenga  
Harris, Charles E.  
Cum Laude

Harris, Phillip W.  
Harrison, Felicia Arnell  
Harrison, Robert E.

Hayes, Kimberly Karla \*  
Hope, Amanda Faye \*\*\*  
Iwuagwu, Chief Nathan

Cum Laude  
Jackson, Margaret  
Howard

Distinction in Field  
Magna Cum Laude  
Johnson, Brenda Joyce

Lunnie  
Distinction in Field  
Cum Laude

Johnson, Naomi  
Johnson, William J.  
Distinction in Field

Magna Cum Laude  
Jones, Jeanne Marie  
Jones, Myrtle Ann

Kelly-Cummings, Fredia  
\*\*  
Distinction in Field

Cum Laude  
Lambert, Kristi Yvonne  
Lee, Mary L.

Lee, Mickey Thomas \*  
Distinction in Field  
Summa Cum Laude

1st Rank in Class  
Lefear, Marilyn Lott  
Lewis, Dexter Calvin

Cum Laude  
Lorings, Arvene  
McAllister, John  
McFadden, Kimberlyn S.

\*\*  
McNeal, Jerrold A.  
Milton, Clara  
Morris, Evangeline  
Cornelia \*\*

Morris, Gloria Ann  
Morton, Pamela Denise  
Murry, Marcus Weldon

Neal, LaShan Y.  
Cum Laude  
Norman, Mark Kelly

Okanume, Theophilus  
Cum Laude  
Orick, Rodney Franklin

Palmer, Brenda Faye  
Person, Melonie B.  
Phillips, Tammy LaSha

Cum Laude  
Pruitt, Rosalyn B. \*\*  
Richard, Keisha Toinnette

Robertson, Andrea Michelle  
Cum Laude  
Saddler, Carolyn W.

Distinction in Field  
Magna Cum Laude  
Simmons, Tiffany

LaMonica  
Slater, Linda S.  
Distinction in Field

Cum Laude  
Smith, Temperlene  
Distinction in Field

Sorrells, Carl  
Stockstill, Sheila  
Stone, James Bruce

Distinction in Field  
Magna Cum Laude  
Stroud, Brian G.

Sullivan, James A. \*  
Swuson-Woods, Tonya  
Taylor, Craig L.

Cum Laude  
Taylor, Daniel Carol \*  
Taylor, Margaret Dean \*\*

Distinction in Field  
Magna Cum Laude  
Thomas, Gwendolyn

Thomason, Patricia Yvette  
Tuck, Elizabeth Ann  
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\* Summer, 1993 graduate  
\*\* Winter, 1994 graduate  
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# Campus News

## Fiscal Affairs

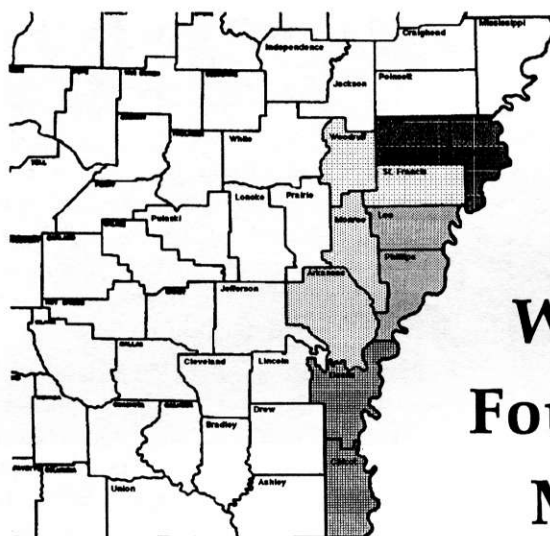
° College Receives \$1.9 Million Grant from Walton Family Foundation - to recruit students from the Arkansas Delta, train them as teachers, and return them to the Delta to teach in public schools. Grant application authored by Education Division Chair Dr. Loretta Davenport (see story on p. 11).

° Default Rate Lowest in 6 Years - percentage drops to nearly 25% in response to government requirements - dollar amount of defaults remains lowest of peer colleges (500-1500 students).

° Enrollment levels off after rising for five consecutive years - but more growth is expected in 1994-95 term, with 1000 FTE students expected by 1996-97. PSMI degree-completion program contributes more than 50 graduates to largest class since 1966.

° PSC approved to participate in Direct Student Loan Program - Philander is one of two schools in Arkansas selected for US Dept. of Education program beginning 1995-96. The program is designed to lower administrative costs and restructure the nation's student loan program. Students borrow directly from the federal government, which can borrow money at lower interest rates.

° The College's Educational Program was approved by the Black College Fund of the United Methodist Church on Feb-



## Arkansas Counties to Benefit from Walton Family Foundation \$1.9 Million Grant

ruary 25 - The BCF reviews the College every four years for continuing funding, which averages approximately \$600,000 per year.

° Wesley Chapel Recognizes College's Contributions - fundraiser held to help pay for medical treatment for Chantele Williams, who was diagnosed in 1993 with Lupus.

° Two Faculty Members Receive Doctorates - Dr. Annie W. Williams, from University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, and Dr. Ruixuan Mao, from the University of North Carolina.

° Dr. Titus Joins other UNCF Presidents in Honoring President Clinton on March 10 - Clinton presented with Dr. Frederick D. Patterson Award at UNCF Awards Banquet in New York City (see pp. 13-14)

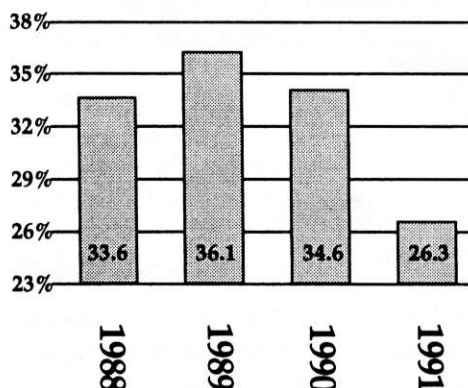
## Literary Club to Publish Student Works

Dr. Marinelle Ringer, Associate Professor of English, has announced that the College's Literary Club will publish a journal. The first issue of the as-yet-unnamed journal is tentatively scheduled for this fall. The work will contain student poetry, fiction, photography, and artwork. These young artists need your encouragement and support now. Financial contributions may be mailed to Dr. Ruby Burgess, Dean of Instruction. Shortly after its publication, the journal will be available for sale to alumni as a fundraising project for the Club.

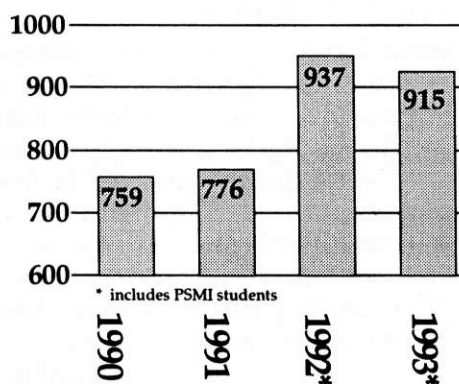
In addition to the efforts of the Literary Club, Dr. Ringer is working on a grant proposal to establish a creative-writing program leading to a major. °

## Graphically Speaking

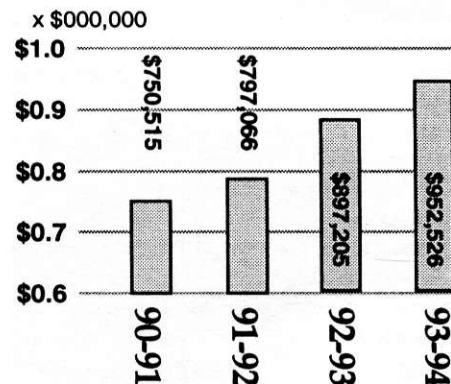
Student Default Rate, 1988-91



Fall Enrollment, 1990-93



Title III Grants, 1990-94





# Philologer Files

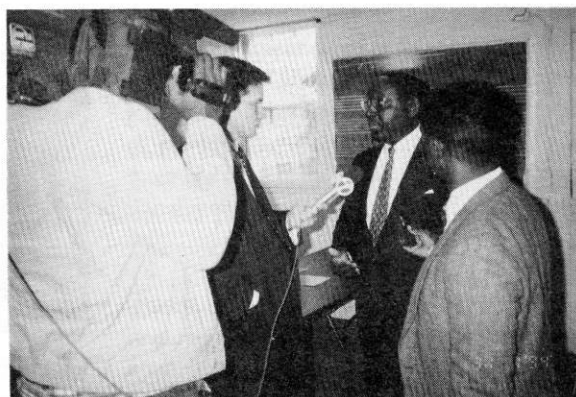
**phi'lo'lo'ger** (fə-LOL-o-jə r): 1. A lover of learning and literature. 2. The monthly Faculty/Staff Newsletter of Philander Smith College.

## WALTONS GRANT \$1.91 MIL

At a press conference held January 31, President Titus and Board of Trustees Chairman Sherman Tate announced the receipt by the College of a \$1,912,475 grant, authored by the College's Dr. Loretta Davenport, from the Walton Foundation for a Delta Scholarship Program. The program will recruit 25 students each year in 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997, graduating a total of 100 new teachers to serve ten counties in the Delta by 2001.

The scholarship program is open to college students majoring in Teacher Education. Students interested in the program should contact Dr. Loretta Davenport, the College's Administrator of the grant, at 370-5237 during regular business hours.

Board of Trustees Chairman Sherman Tate explains the College's mission and benefits to be derived from the Walton Foundation grant at the press conference held January 31.



## TELETHON BREAKS GOAL

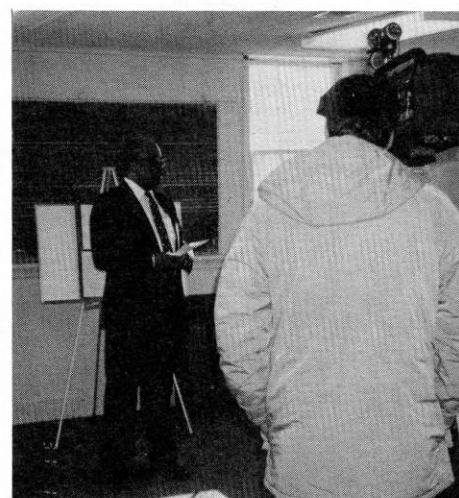
The UNCF Lou Rawls Parade of Stars Telethon, which aired on January 8, raised more than \$10 million nationally, and more than \$166,000 here in Arkansas, according to UNCF Director Sybil Bunn. "We are extremely pleased by the support we received from the people of Arkansas. Our goal was \$150,000, and our total Saturday night was \$166,279. I would like to thank all the people who worked so hard to help us raise this money," UNCF Director Sybil Bunn said. She concluded, "I want to remind people that, in honor of UNCF's 50th Anniversary, our goal for the 1994 Telethon will again be \$150,000."

## KRESGE GRANT SUBMITTED

The College has submitted a grant request to the Kresge Foundation to assist in equipping the new building for the Division of Business and Economics, which is under construction next to the new Multi-Purpose Complex. "Some of the items were cut out of the initial budget so the project would not exceed what we raised through the Capital Campaign," said President Titus. "We hope that the Kresge Foundation will review our grant and act on it quickly so we can determine what other needs we have," he added.

## GATES, SIGNS INSTALLED

Installation of gates for the campus security fence is now complete, according to Maintenance Director Henry Jemison. Signage was added in early April to the gates and to fence sections crossing closed streets to inform the public how to gain access to the campus and to prevent damage to the fence.



## President Titus opens the press conference to announce the Walton Grant

for a special appearance by UNCF Parade of Stars Telethon founder Lou Rawls. Dr. Titus issued a proclamation naming Friday as Lou Rawls Day at PSC, and UNCF Director Sybil Bunn presented him with a special plaque commemorating the visit. Rawls was in Little Rock for a concert at Robinson Center to benefit the NAACP's Fair Share Program.

## TITUS MEETS CLINTON

Dr. Titus was selected by his UNCF peers to present the UNCF's 50th Anniversary Dr. Frederick D. Patterson Award to President Clinton at the Sheraton Hotel and Towers in New York on March 10. The award honored Mr. Clinton for his contributions to Historically-Black Colleges and Universities (photo on p. 12).

## DRAMA DEPT. SCORES

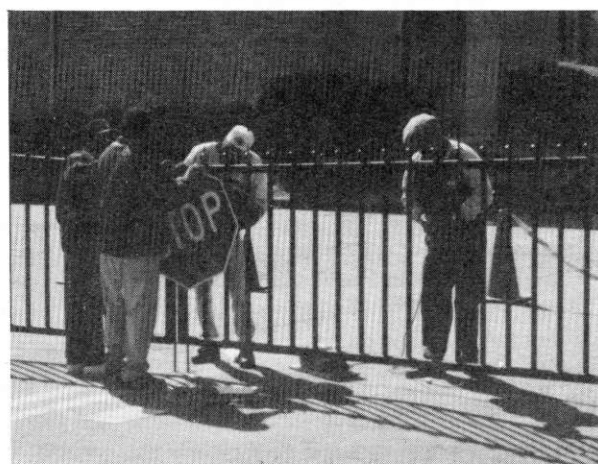
The two-year old Drama Department  
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## BCF VISIT ENDS

The quadrennial review visitation of the Commission of Black Colleges of the University Senate of the United Methodist Church was held Tuesday-Thursday, February 22-24. Dr. Crawford J. Mims, Provost and Executive Assistant to the President, says the College received a favorable report from the Review Team on the success of the College's educational programs.

## LOU RAWLS VISITS

The M.L. Harris Auditorium was packed with students and the press on Friday, February 25



Maintenance workers at the College install signage on the gates of the Campus Security Fence.

# Campus News



Dr. Titus shakes hands with President Clinton after the Dr. Frederick D. Patterson Awards Ceremony on March 10 (see story on p. 13)

## Philologer Files

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of Philander Smith College scored victories in competition held March 9-13 in Ft. Valley, GA. Student Sharon Campbell won the Extemporaneous Speaking award, and the Reader's Theater production, "Black to the Future", written by Director Angela Griffith, received an Excellent rating. The contest, sponsored by the National Academy of Dramatic and Speech Arts (NADSA), featured competitors from more than 20 colleges and universities.

## PANTHER BANQUET HELD - MIMS HONORED

The 11th Annual Awards Banquet, sponsored by the Panther Athletic Club of Philander Smith College, was held Friday, April 29 in the College's Cafeteria.

Mr. Robert Nelson, President of the Athletic Club, said, "We hold this banquet every year, to engender support for the College's athletic program, as well as to raise money for the scholarships. The College will be moving into a new gym this fall, and we want to be sure that it is as well-equipped as any college gym of its size in the state." Dr. Henry P. Williams, Superintendent of the Little Rock Public Schools, was the keynote speaker. Dr. Crawford J. Mims, Provost and Executive Assistant to the President, was the evening's honored guest, as he was recognized for his many years of service to the College and to the Athletic Program.

## WALKER TICKLES WESLEY

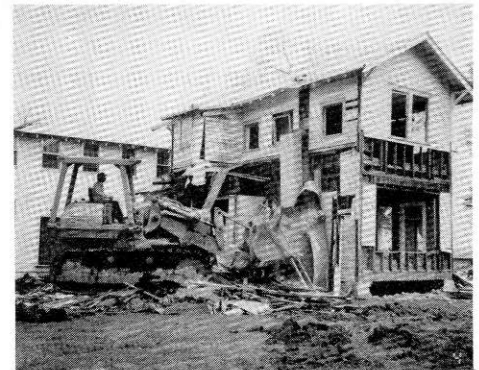
Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church

hosted pianist Anthony D. Walker Tuesday, March 29. Mr. Walker presented a concert of classical and gospel music, including selections by Chopin, Debussy and Liszt, and traditional Negro spirituals, including his own arrangements of "Go Down, Moses" and "There is a Balm in Gilead".

## NEW BUILDING PLANNED

The College received notice in October that \$2,000,000 has been reserved for the erection of a new academic building, under the College Facilities Loan Program of the United States Department of Education. President Titus said, "This new building will better enable us to reach our goal of serving 1,000 full-time students by the 1995-96 school year."

Business Manager Minnie Hatchett, who coordinated the application process in conjunction with alumna Dr. Emma McFarlin, said, "Some of the buildings we have are more than 50 years old, and it is not cost-effective to renovate them. The new building will house classrooms, office space and lecture halls."



**CRUNNNNCH!** The Upward Bound house at 1110 Izard fell under Lando Patton's front-end loader on April 4 to make way for the new Academic Building. The front part of the house was removed first (top), then the rear (middle), and finally the center section was pushed over (bottom).



**EAST ELEVATION**  
1/8" = 1'-0"  
NOTED EAST ELEVATION BEING CHG.

East elevation of the new Academic Building, to be located at 12th and Izard. Construction will begin in 1995.



# Chapter News

**Chicago Chapter** raised \$15,500 for UNCF via a pageant sponsored by the Chicago Inter-Alumni Council. PSC's contestant was First Runner-Up, winning a \$15,000 scholarship. The Chapter purchased a column in the Security Fence which now encloses the campus, and honored Dr. Titus on its annual River Boat Weekend Cruise. During this weekend, Chicago Chapter also contributed in excess of \$5000 for the Library, and later transported the law collection donation arranged by **Herman L. Davis '73**. A grant of \$600 was paid on behalf of a Chicago land student to continue their education at PSC. Transportation and a mini-grant was provided by Herman L. Davis and another source. Chapter members **Erma Jenkins '71** and **Jerri Conner '67** represented the Chicago Chapter and PSC on a PBS program which aired in March.

**Greater Little Rock Chapter** President Sandra Lilly released the following statement after the conclusion of the National Convention in April:

"Greetings Fellow Philanderians!

We have recently completed one of the most exciting and informative National Conventions ever! There were lots of things going on and plenty to do.

Our luncheon speaker, Dr. Norman Handy Jr. '61, was excellent. He spoke well on this year's theme "Genesis - Revisited". Buffalo Bills Assistant Head Coach Elijah Pitts expounded well on "Reflections of the Past" during our Banquet. Both functions were well attended.

The idea of the Faculty/Student forum was birthed at a meeting of the Little Rock Chapter, and brought to fruition during the convention with the approval and blessing of our past National President. Dr. De Lois Gibson. The Career Explosion was a great activity, according to the students as well as the participants. More than 250 students spent this time networking with the participants, questioning them about their various backgrounds. Very informative! There's more about the Career Explosion in this issue from coordinator Connie Cogshell.

Kudos to Dr. Myer L. Titus for allowing the Alumni to have "Our Day" on campus. Special thanks to Dr. Crawford Mims, our honorary alumnus, and the faculty and staff, i.e. Dr. Ruby Burgess and Dean Lane, for their assistance in making the day on

campus a success.

Special thanks again to all program coordinators: Mrs. Sybil Bunn, Ms. Connie Cogshell, Mr. Winston Muldrew, Mrs. Versie Winstead, the Pre-Alumni Council, SGA, Senior Class of '94, Greek organizations, etc. A special, heartfelt hug and a 'thank you' goes to our 1994 Convention Chairperson, Mrs. Versie Winstead. Mrs. Winstead was at the helm, providing leadership and guidance.

A special note to Greater Little Rock Chapter members: The new chapter officers for the August 1994-May 1996 term are as follows:

President	Rachel Myers Jones
1st Vice President	Sandra Lilly
2nd Vice President	Charles Doyle
Secretary	Yvonne Alexander
Financial Secretary	Carolyn Rand
Treasurer	Versie Winstead
Parliamentarian	Sybil Bunn
Chaplain	Rev. Joy Thornton

Thanks for all the support I received during my tenure as President of the Greater Little Rock Chapter."

**Kansas City Chapter** held its annual fundraiser last November at Centennial United Methodist Church. **Dorothy Hayes '51** chaired this activity, in which about 20 PSC alumni participated. The **KCMO Chapter** participated in March, for the fifth consecutive year, in the Annual Black College Fair. In addition, the Chapter provided more than \$300 in financial support to PSC.

**St. Louis Chapter** reports they again hosted the Collegiate Choir on March 20, and proceeds will be used to maintain the scholarship fund provided by that chapter. **Robbie Daniels '55**, received recognition for the outstanding drug prevention programs at her school. She is the Principal at Cupples Elementary. She and her team were invited to Chicago to present their program to representatives of school districts from around the country. **Sandra Mitchell '60**, a Business Education Teacher, was voted Teacher of the Year 93-94 at McCluer North High School. **Dr. Jimmie McCollum '70** recently was promoted from Resource Teacher to Vocational Adjustment Counselor, an administrative position formerly held by her husband **Dr. James McCollum '55**. **Charles Bumbry '57** and **Ernest Jacobs '53** participated in College Career Day, sponsored by AKA

Sorority and the St. Louis Consortium of Black Colleges and Universities Alumni Associations. St. Louis Mayor Freeman Bosley and his cabinet gave representatives from five charitable organizations permission to talk to City employees regarding payroll deductions. **Ernest Jacobs** represented UNCF in this effort. **Beatrice Strong '62** is an Area Coordinator for Special Education Instruction in St. Louis County. She is also a member of the Phoenix Group, comprised of 12 African American professional women who are dedicated to participating in and contributing to civic projects. They donated \$1000 to Forest Park Community College to establish a grant/loan program for students who need short-term financial assistance to finish college.

**Southwest Arkansas and Southeast Arkansas Chapters** have been recognized by the National Alumni Association. The Southwest chapter serves Arkadelphia, Hope, Hot Springs, Magnolia, Camden and Texarkana. The Southeast chapter serves Pine Bluff and Fordyce. The announcement was made by National Vice President Yvonne Alexander at the Convention.

Southwest Arkansas Chapter has elected the following slate of officers:

Rev. H.O. Gray	President
Herbert Scott	Vice President
Lille Thompson	Secretary
Carolyn Williams	Asst. Secretary
Abbie Cone	Treasurer

The renewal Charter fee and national dues for eleven members were sent to the National Financial Secretary. All members received financial cards. Rev. H.O. Gray and Lille Thompson attended the Awards Banquet in April, and the Chapter will meet again in September.

Southeast Arkansas Chapter has elected the following slate of officers:

Money A. Kirby	President
Carrol D. Forte	Vice President
Edward Green	Treasurer
Fin. Secretary	Shirley Green
Secretary	B. Jean Eason
Parliamentarian	Estella M. Forte

Their Board of Governors is made up of Mrs. M.A. Kirby, Nellie Simmons, Roosevelt Fraction, Carrol D. Forte, Money A. Kirby, and B. Jean Eason. They will receive their Charter before July 31. °

# Reports

## UNCF Office

**Sybil Bunn,  
Director**

I would like to offer a brief word of thanks to all the Philanderians who have helped support the United Negro College Fund during the past year. Our goal for 1994, the 50th Anniversary of the founding of UNCF, is \$150,000. The 50th Anniversary Dr. Frederick D. Patterson Awards Banquet will be held Nov. 5 at Robinson Center. Singer/ Actress Ruby Dee will be the speaker.



**At the March 10  
UNCF Banquet  
in New York:  
From left,  
Dr. Titus, Dr.  
Jeanetta Cole of  
Spelman Coll.,  
President  
Clinton,  
Cordell Wynn,  
Jonathan Bush,  
Michael H.  
Jordan**



## Class of 1994

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Washington-Ware, Jenise Lee \*

Magna Cum Laude

Washington, Rose M. \*\*

White-Owens, Gloria M.

Distinction in Field

Cum Laude

Williams, Carolyn Denise

Williams, Elgie L. \*

Williams, Linda G. \*

Summa Cum Laude

2nd Rank in Class

Williams, Pamela J.B.

Distinction in Field

Williams, Reginald J.

Williams, Samantha

Woodall, John Ray

Zachery, Katrinka

Bachelor of Science

Allison, Tricia Renee

Baldwin, Lisa

Edwards, Verla Y.

Distinction in Field

Magna Cum Laude

3rd Rank in Class

Nichols, Karisa E.

Cum Laude

Nichols, Karita E.

Cum Laude

Walker, Pamela J.

Doctor of Humane Letters (Honorary)

Rev. C. Dennis Edwards

Rev. Chester R. Jones

Larry W. Ross

## NEW MISS PSC CROWNED

(courtesy of The Panther)

On Saturday, April 23, the 33rd Annual Miss PSC Pageant was held in the M.L. Harris Auditorium. In a night filled with excitement and beauty, four of the college's brightest and most talented young women competed for the title of Miss PSC 1994-95. The theme of the evening was "Caribbean Fantasy".

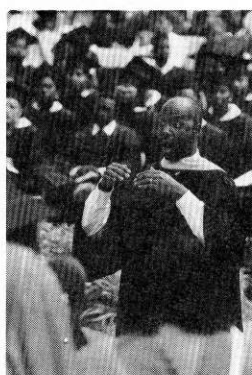
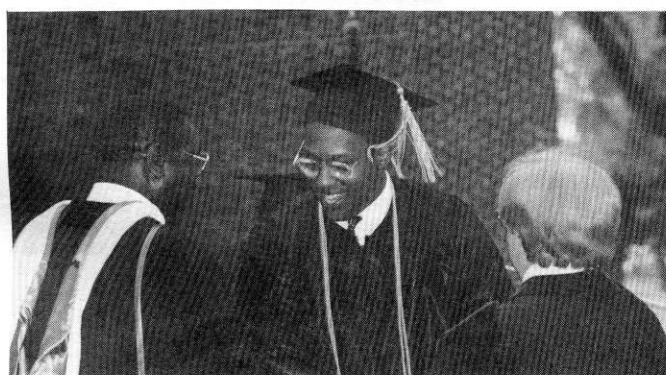
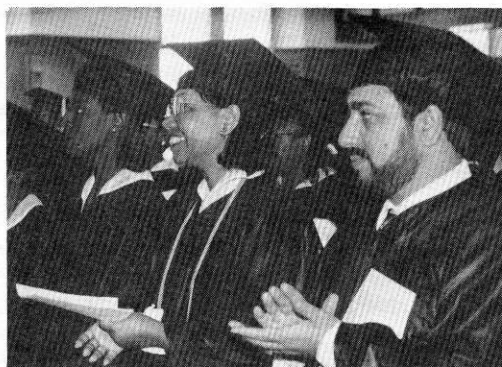
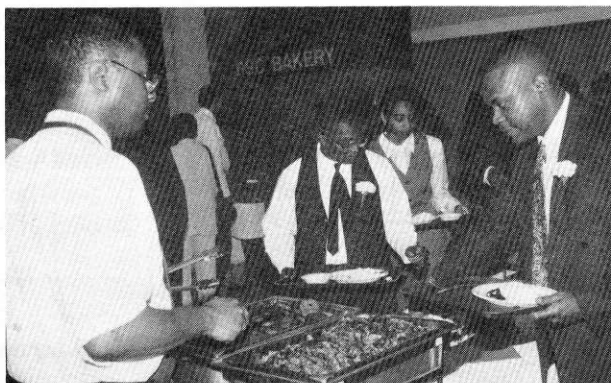


Chrystal Grandberry, Miss PSC '94-95

The contestants competed in seven categories during a preliminary interview and stage competition consisting of an opening number, casual attire, oratorical contest, talent competition, evening attire, and in the question and answer phase.

Audience and contestants alike waited patiently at the end of the evening as Dean of Students Vernon K. Lane announced the decision of the judges: Chrystal Grandberry of Memphis was crowned Miss PSC. Tasha Williams, LaTasha Gentry, and Genea' Gaddy were third, second and first-runners up, respectively, and received scholarships totalling \$1000; Genea' Gaddy was voted 'Miss Congeniality'. Chrystal received a \$1000 scholarship and room and board for the 1994-95 academic year. A 20-year-old Elementary Education major, she is a writer on the staff of The Panther, Miss Black and Gold '93-'94, and a member of the Collegiate Choir. She will represent the College in September at the Miss National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Pageant in Atlanta. °

## Commencement 1994



## McADOO REASSIGNED

Rev. Dr. C.E. McAdoo, pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church since November of 1988 and College Minister at PSC since January 1989, has been reassigned to Hunter UMC on Romine Road in Little Rock by Bishop Richard B. Wilke. The announcement was made at the 25th UMC Little Rock Annual Conference.

A native of Lebanon, TN, he has lived in Little Rock since 1965. A second-career pastor, he previously worked for local, state and federal governments, most recently as a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service. He is a Vietnam-era veteran. He is married to the former Gloria Dean Peyton, of Carlisle, AR. They have three children, LaRon, a 1994 Honors Graduate of UAPB, Charlie II, and Madra DeAnne. He is a member of Alpha Phi Omega and Phi Beta Sigma fraternities, and a Freemason. He is the author of "Soul Prince of Faith", published in 1990 by Backyard.

Dr. McAdoo graduated from Lebanon High School. In addition to his PSC B.A., he holds a Master of Divinity Degree from St. Paul's School of Theology, Kansas City, MO. He also has a diploma in Psychiatric Procedures from Brooke Medical Center/San Antonio, and a number of post-secondary certificates and awards. He traveled to the Holy Land as part of his training in the Academy of Preaching of the UMC, and is now a full member. In 1992, he was awarded the Doctor of Humane Letters by Philander Smith College, and was certified as a Director of Christian Education during the 1994 UMC Little Rock Annual Conference.

During his tenure at Wesley, a \$400,000 sanctuary renovation was completed. Further, a year-round Bible study program was initiated. Under his leadership, Wesley became involved with the High Expectations program, and with Links, Inc., Little Rock Chapter (a youth motivation program).

His work at the College made him a friend to many and pastor to the whole campus: With the support of the administration, faculty, staff and particularly the Departments of Student Services and Marketing/PR, he was able to revitalize the Student Christian Association, which now holds monthly bible study, semester

## In Memoriam

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was an active member of the Little Rock Association of Elementary Principals, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and the Little Rock Sickle Cell Association. He leaves his wife, Brenda, two sons, his parents, a sister, brother, and a host of other relatives and friends.

**Archie Johnson '71** passed Feb. 21, 1994 at Harris Hospital in Fort Worth, TX. Formerly a Shipping and Receiving Inspector for General Dynamics in Fort Worth, TX, he was employed beginning in 1993 as a security officer for Silver Star Security Company.

**Clyde Watson '71** died Dec. 4, 1993. He was a junior high school teacher in the Little Rock Public Schools, and worked with NYSP [National Youth Sports Program] during the summer at Philander.

**Tena Deloris Green '81** died December 18. A 1977 graduate of Eudora High School, she received her B.A. from PSC, and a Master of Business Education from Webster University. She also held an Associate's Degree in Information Management from the Community College of the Air Force in 1992. A devoted member of Rocky Mountain Baptist church, she was employed by Philander Smith College, Grady Public School, Southern Technical College and Southside Jr. High Public School in Jacksonville. She leaves to cherish her memory a son, her mother, a brother, two sisters, and other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. °

revivals, student crusades, and a Wednesday noon prayer circle. In 1989, he spearheaded the development of a B.A. program in Christian Education, which will be added to the curriculum this August.

His plans for Hunter include a double-focused ministry, including both community-based and world outreach. He seeks to develop at least five community-based ministries, including a Wednesday night 9PM Good News service; a drive-by Bible Study; the formation of special interest clubs; and continuing the ministries which support the UMC. His first Sunday at Hunter will be June 19. °

## Class Notes

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Hospital, which is a part of the U of A Medical Sciences Campus. Her position fills a vital role in the staff of the Clinical Nutrition department. Rosalyn received a B.S. in Foods and Nutrition at PSC under major professor Corrie J. Jarrett. Ms. Scruggs is the niece of Mrs. Willie Mae Shockley, a retired associate professor of Home Economics at PSC.

Mrs. Scruggs is the wife of George Scruggs, also a Philanderian. They are the proud parents of two daughters, Tami, 21, and Sherri, 17. Tami received a B.S. in Business Operation in 1993 from DeVry Institute of Technology in Kansas City, MO, and Sherri is a junior at Little Rock McClellan High School.

**Rev. Joy L. Thornton '74** has been reassigned from Hunter United Methodist Church.

**Elisha Maria Strayhorn '91** has received her Master of Arts Degree in Social Work from the University of Cincinnati's School of Social Work. °

## JOB NOTICES

Kirkman & Searing is an executive search firm in Vienna, VA, that has requested we post the following job notices:

**Vice President, Corporate Sales** for a large, highly-regarded financial services organization in the southeastern U.S. Responsibilities include performing financial needs analysis, providing internal and external customer service, developing and implementing strategic account plans, Marketing and New Product Development. Requires ability to thrive in a constantly-changing environment, excellent communications/presentation and interpersonal/negotiation skills, demonstrated leadership and strong analytical/professional selling skills, and the ability to meet high-volume production goals. A 4-year degree in Finance or Business with a minimum of 8+ years executive level sales experience with a financial services company, 5 years' experience in residential lending, and ability to meet customer needs are required. Attractive compensation and benefits package available.

**Sales Support Manager** for the same organization. Responsibilities include performing account analysis for segmentation project, internal and external customer service, assist Vice President/Corporate Sales with Strategic Account Planning, continue technology support project for same, coordinate sales training, Advisory Council, Monterey Housing Conference, and key customer events at MBA Annual Convention. Qualifications include ability to thrive in a constantly-changing environment, excellent communication/presentation and analytical skills, ability to function effectively as team leader and to effectively multi-task. A 4-year degree in Finance or Business, MBA preferred is required, with a minimum of 4 years' experience with a financial services company, preferably residential lending. Attractive compensation and benefits package available.

For more information on either of these positions, contact Vickie J. Moore or Connie Hudson at (703) 761-7020, or fax your résumé to (703) 761-7023. °



# Contributors

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