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# MARTHA MASON HILL MEMORIAL FOUNDATION



## NEWSLETTER

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### TAKE HOME BOOKS WERE DELIVERED TO SCHOOLS IN MAY AND JUNE 2014

*Over 600 books were delivered to three schools, two elementary and an after school program. The books were gifts to students to read over the summer. Outreach members and school staffers placed the books on display, and students were invited to "shop" for the books that interested them. This project is always very popular.*



Pictured, left to right, are Outreach Committee members Felecia Mason and Sarah Cheatham, Matoaca Middle School West Principal Wayne Carter, Vice Principal Gayle Sutton and Barbara Crews.



Matoaca Middle School Principal Wayne Carter mingles with a group of students arriving to inspect the large selection of books delivered to the school.



*Selecting their books is a serious matter for these middle school students!*



Matoaca Middle School students are shown holding the books they chose to take home for summer reading. See page 12.



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FROM THE DESK OF THE CHAIRMAN



Dear Friends,

It has been fifteen years since the Foundation in partnership with you began the journey to improve and increase the educational opportunities for the youth of lower Chesterfield County. We marvel at our success, but are ever cognizant of the fact that the journey has just begun and much work remains. At times, the end goal appears illusive, changing shape or becoming immune to current tactics or antidotes. Issues that we thought had been addressed or problems thought solved, re-emerge, stronger, or more resistant.

Years ago, one of my mentors said: "The problem with education is that problems don't stay solved". I have come to believe that our "fix it" approach is a major contributor to why problems don't stay solved. We want to fix the student, or fix the teacher, or fix the school. It is almost as if we want to change the spark plugs without tuning the engine and then expect the car to run smoothly and efficiently.

A current initiative is to focus on student testing and to use the results of that testing as an indicator of student learning and teacher quality. While it has been well established that teacher quality has a high correlation with student learning, the causal link is less clear. We do know that there are many indicators of a good school system where all students learn and many are high achievers. A significant indicator is that where parents, teachers, administrators, and community have a strong partnership, each working collaboratively to ensure the success of all students, students perform well.

With your support, MMHMF has tried to be a strong community partner, providing support to local schools and students, highlighting the accomplishments of students and honoring individuals who make a difference in the lives of the community. We are proud of and applaud the group of dedicated citizens who have given us guidance and provided sweat and other equity to facilitate our success.

On behalf of the Board, I thank each of you for your continued support and pledge to continue trying to make a difference in the lives of our young.

Sincerely,

James H. Stith

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**FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Saturday, May 24, 2014  
 Children's Home of Virginia Baptists  
 South Chesterfield, Virginia

**2013 VOLUNTEERS HONORED**

MMHMF could not do all that we manage to accomplish in a year's time without the services of "MANY HANDS". The following individuals helped our members the following projects and programs: awards program; food booth; golf tournament; care packages for college students; administrative and other document preparation and distribution; fundraising; and school supplies drive.

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Some of the 2013 Volunteers



Dr. James Stith making a presentation to Dr. Bailey

Guest Speaker: DR. SHERYL D. BAILEY  
 Deputy Chesterfield County Administrator, Management Services

It was indeed a pleasure to have Dr. Bailey speak to the audience of over one hundred and thirty. She had very kind words to say about Martha Mason Hill and the work the Foundation is doing to carry on her legacy and spirit. The research findings and the statistics Dr. Bailey cited reinforced Mrs. Hill's belief and thus that of the Foundation that getting an education is important, and higher education is a means to a better life. By all accounts, her message was enlightening, enjoyable and exactly what we needed to hear.

Mistress of Ceremonies was Mrs. Belinda Northington. Mrs. Inga Henry was the soloist. Foundation member, Felecia Mason, was the photographer and videographer. Dinner was catered by Board Member, Garrett Mason, who was also responsible for the beautiful tables and room decorations. The celebration was a very memorable occasion.

**2013 DONATIONS**

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**Central Parke at Victoria Falls - Laurel, MD**

*2014 marks the fifth year this wonderful Maryland community has donated a large quantity of school supplies to the MMHMF Back to School Drive.*



It is difficult to express to the generous residents of Victoria Falls just how grateful we are to them for caring enough about the students we support to again provide an abundance of supplies for them. Thanks to this wonderful community, MMHMF will have an ample supply of items for our second delivery in January. The schools the Foundation has chosen to help have expressed a need for supplies, particularly during the second half of the school year. These schools have high percentages of students from low income families.

Long-time supporters of MMHMF, Bernie and Maria Elena Khoury, summer residents of the community (they reside in Boyton Beach, FL the remainder of the year), initiated the drive. Being able to count on this contribution has been a tremendous help to our outreach program.

To learn more about Central Parke at Victoria Falls, visit their website, <http://www.55places.com/maryland/communities/central-parke-victoria-falls>.



**SPECIAL THANKS TO COMMUNITY PARTNERS,  
ETTRICK NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS FOUNDATION (ENBF)**

ENBF gave MMHMF a \$5,000 grant in February, 2014 to fund projects at Ettrick Elementary and Matoaca Middle Schools. Like the Foundation, ENBF is dedicated to fulfilling unmet community needs. We are pleased to join forces to support projects that benefit students in schools with high numbers of students from low income families. Nancy Ross, ENBF Vice President, met with MMHMF officials earlier this year to discuss joint efforts. See the article and pictures at the bottom of **page 12**

**WINNERS OF THE 2013 RAFFLE**

Dr. Andrea Stith, Boulder, CO - \$300	Shirley. Baugh NY -Croton, NY - \$150	Judy Stephenson - S. Chesterfield, VA - \$50
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**Annual Awards Program**

Recognizing: **2014 VOLUNTEERS**  
2014 Scholarships to:

**ALEASIA M. RICHARDSON & KENNETH E. WILSON**

2014 Education Award: **BRUCE S. FOSTER, SR.**

**Board of Directors Recognition Award: LAWRENCE MASON JR.**

Remarks by

**THE HONORABLE JAMES M. HOLLAND**, Chairman, Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors

Saturday, September 27, 2014, 3:00 pm at Union Grove Baptist Church, 19111 Church Road, South Chesterfield, Virginia. Master of Ceremonies: Amigo Wade, Esquire. A reception immediately follows the program.

POC: [Trudy Stephenson, 804 590-1493 or ajhstith@msn.com](mailto:TrudyStephenson@msn.com).

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**THE HONORABLE JAMES M. HOLLAND**



Mr. Holland was elected in November 2007 to a four-year term as Dale Magisterial District supervisor in Chesterfield County, Virginia, and was re-elected to a second term in 2011.

He is a professor of accounting and an advisor at Virginia Commonwealth University (2000-present) and is president of Holland & Company, CPA, providing management and tax advisory services (1993-present). He is also a partner with the accounting firm Holland and Brown, LLP.

He retired from Philip Morris USA and Philip Morris International in 2007 after a 27-year corporate career as an accountant, including 21 years with Philip Morris (1986-2007) and 6 years with Dow Chemical Corporation USA (1980-1986) as well as 6 years with Northwood University, Midland, Michigan, where he was a professor of accounting (1980-1986).

Jim is a U. S. Army veteran (1972-1974) and served at Fort Bragg, North Carolina with the 118 Military Police Company, 18<sup>th</sup> Airborne Corps.

He graduated from North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina in 1980, earning his M.B.A., and earned his Bachelor of Science degree and certification as a Public Accountant from Fayetteville State University in Fayetteville, North Carolina in 1979.

He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Virginia Society of C.P.A.s, the Richmond Chapter of C.P.A.s and the Institute of Management Accountants.

Community service has been a hallmark of Jim's adult life. In October 2013, he was appointed by Governor McDonnell to serve on the Virginia Board of Accountancy.

He was also appointed by Governor Mark Warner as vice chairman, Board of Commissioners, Virginia Public School Authority from 2002-2008; and has volunteered his service over the years to the Chesterfield County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Task Force (chairman); the Chesterfield County Friends of the Library (Board of Directors member), Garfield Childs Memorial Fund (treasurer); PTA, Richmond District Board (director); PTA, Chesterfield County District (vice president); Manchester High Band Boosters (treasurer) and Spanish Immersion Committee; VSCPA Federal Taxation Committee; FBC Preschool Academy and Longwood College Business College Advisory Board, among others.

He is active in the First Baptist Church, Centralia, where he serves as a deacon and Sunday school teacher.

He and his wife, Judith, have two children, James Matthew and Jessica Marie, both graduates of Chesterfield County schools and recent graduates of North Carolina State University.

### KENNETH EDWARD WILSON 2014 MMHMF SCHOLAR



Kenneth graduated from Cosby High School, Midlothian, VA, in June 2014. He is attending Hampton University, Hampton, Virginia, where he is planning a course of study in business administration. Kenneth was admitted to the Hampton University Five-Year MBA Program.

**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/ORGANIZATIONS:**

- National Society of High School Scholars
- DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America, which is a high school club focused on business and marketing)
- Spanish Club
- Varsity Basketball Team
- Fashion Club
- FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)
- Junior Varsity Basketball Team

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

- Young Diplomat Program at Hampton University
- National Young Leaders Conference
- Brown Grove Baptist Church Men’s Choir Drummer
- Brown Grove Baptist Church Youth Ministry Leader
- Brown Grove Baptist Church Children’s Choir Drummer
- New Life Baptist Church Angel Food Drive Volunteer
- Brown Grove Baptist Church Feed the Homeless Project Volunteer
- Boys Scouts of America

**CERTIFICATION:**

- National Professional Certification in Customer Service

**HOBBIES:**

Kenneth enjoys playing the guitar and drums, playing basketball, listening to music, reading, and writing music. He enjoys the computer (has fundamental IT skills) and plays video games. He focuses on healthy eating and staying fit by working out daily.

Kenneth describes himself as a self-motivated, hard- working student who is organized, a good listener, works well with others and has strong verbal communication skills. With these traits , he is destined to success!

Congratulations to Kenneth for having the wisdom to make the right choices while in high school, and for his many accomplishments. Best wishes to him for continued success. Martha Mason Hill would certainly be very pleased that he was chosen to receive the scholarship bearing her name. We also congratulate his parents for providing the guidance so crucial to helping him become the person he is today.

### 2014 GOLF TOURNAMENT

The nice weather, great food, good fellowship and lively music made for a wonderful day for the group of nineteen golfers and Foundation volunteers on hand to manage the day. Five of the golfers came all the way from Maryland and eleven of the nineteen golfers were VA Birdies. The late Sam Gilliam was a member of the Club.



**Samuel A. Gilliam Memorial Open Golf Tournament  
Chesdin Landing Golf Course**

**COMMITTEE:** Garrett Mason, Tommy Anderson, James Stith, Alberta Stith **CATERER:** Garrett Mason

**PHOTOGRAPHER:** Sonya Felecia Mason

**BENEFACTORS** - GARRETT MASON CATERING, S. CHESTERFIELD, VA; SHIRLEY BAUGH, CROTON-ON-HUDSON, NY; DELORES GILLIAM FAMILY, ABERDEEN, MD; DR. & MRS. JAMES H. STITH, MITCHELLVILLE, MD

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**ALEASIA MARIE RICHARDSON  
2014 MMHMF SCHOLAR**



Aleasia graduated with honors from James River High School, Midlothian, VA, in June 2014. She maintained a 3.5 or higher GPA, remaining on the Distinguished Dean's List for four consecutive years at James River High. She is attending Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia, where she is pursuing a course of study in nursing.

**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- National Honor's Society
- National Beta Honor Society
- Sigma Pi Sigma (National Physics Honor Society)

**SCHOOLS ACTIVITIES/CLUBS:**

- Kick-Off Mentor for Freshman Students
- Captain of Color Guard for Honor Band
- Peer Facilitator

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

- Volunteer at Ashland Nursing Home
- Volunteer at Camp Baker
- Children's Church Aide and Usher at Shiloh Baptist Church, S. Chesterfield

**CERTIFICATION:**

- Safe Serving (Culinary)
- CPR (Red Cross)

**HOBBIES:**

Aleasia enjoys helping others, music and reading.

As long as she can remember, Aleasia has loved and has wanted to work with children. She began babysitting for members of her family at a young age and for children in the neighborhood when she was older. She didn't know specifically what, but she always knew she wanted a career in a field that worked with children. When her mom, a geriatric nurse, would ask what she wanted to study in college, Aleasia's response would be: "something with children."

In high school, she found enjoyment in science. Enrolling in anatomy and physiology, she became interested in the subject. She then developed a passion for the human body and how it functions. Her interest in the human body and watching her mother care for patients as a registered nurse, Aleasia became interested in the profession. She wanted to become a pediatric nurse practitioner. She plans to attain a bachelor's degree in nursing and subsequently a master's degree.

Congratulations to Aleasia on her many accomplishments and best wishes to her for continued success. We applaud her mother for providing the guidance so crucial to helping her become a great student, citizen, volunteer and mentor. These are traits the late Martha Mason Hill valued and would certainly be very pleased to present a scholarship that bears her name to this fine young lady.

### 2010 MMHMF SCHOLAR RANDOLPH E. BROWN

A 2014 Graduate, Magna Cum Laude, of North Carolina A & T



Randolph Brown recently graduated, Magna Cum Laude, from North Carolina A&T, with a Bachelor's in Accounting. He was a Dowdy Scholar, which resulted in him obtaining a full scholarship. He will be attending Michigan State University in the fall to obtain his Master's in Accountancy with a focus in Taxation. His goal is to start off working for a public accounting firm.

During Randolph's tenure at A&T, he was able to experience numerous events. He was inducted into several honor societies (i.e. Beta Alpha Psi, Beta Gamma Sigma), travelled for spring break (Mardi Gras in New Orleans), and participated in several case studies (KPMG and Deloitte). Randolph also served as a mentor in his sophomore and junior years for incoming freshman through the university Honor's program. Randolph served as president of the university's chapter for the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA) and Treasurer for the Senior Class Council in Student Government Association. He also had the opportunity to participate in MLT, a program designed to build leaders and leadership skills and prepare them for success in corporate America. As a member, he travelled to Credit Suisse (New York City), Deloitte University (Dallas, TX), Disney World (Orlando, FL), and Booz Allen Hamilton (Washington, DC) for leadership retreats throughout the year.

He wants to thank the Martha Mason Hill Scholarship Foundation for all their support, prayers, and care packages

I have been extremely blessed to have the experience I had at North Carolina A&T State University. I have been able to participate in many activities I honestly did not know were available to me before my freshman year. I interned with two established companies in John Deere, where I learned about corporate accounting, and JPMorgan Chase, where I was introduced to the banking industry. MLT is a leadership training program, geared toward students interested in entering the business field. The program brings together some of the brightest minority students around America for quarterly conferences and helps introduce them to representatives in the banking, accounting, marketing, and overall business industries. I was also able to travel extensively and participate in several business seminars while also having fun. Some of the places I visited included: Moline, IL; New York, NY; Charlotte, NC; Washington, DC; Atlanta, GA; Orlando, FL; Dallas, TX; and Phoenix, AZ. Also, I was able to network with several professionals within the accounting profession, such as: KPMG, Deloitte & Touche, Ernst & Young, Dixon-Hughes Goodman, and other nationally recognized and internationally recognized firms.

While at A&T, I was also very active in extracurricular activities. I held several leadership positions, such as Fundraising Chairperson for the National Society of Black Engineers, President of the National Association of Black Accountants, SGA Senator for the School of Business and Economics, and SGA Senior Class Treasurer. I was also inducted into several honor societies (Alpha Lambda Delta, Golden Key, Beta Gamma Sigma, and Beta Alpha Psi).

I graduated from A&T on May 10, 2014, and feel I left my mark on the university and vice versa. In August I will begin my one-year Master's program at Michigan State University. I will be studying accounting, with a concentration in taxation.

I would like to sincerely thank the Martha Mason Hill Foundation for all their support, including the care packages (which really came in handy during late night study sessions, etc.), scholarship money, prayers, and encouraging words. You all have been a great support system and I truly appreciate it.



A family photo taken at the Foundation's anniversary banquet in May. Left to right are Randolph's: grandmother, Josephine Brown; parents, Randolph M. & Charry E. Brown; brother, Kendall; and Randolph. Present but not in the photograph are his maternal grandparents, Claiborne & Alcenier Edwards.

### OUTREACH 2013 - 2014

#### READING PROGRAM AT HARROWGATE ELEMENTARY

A group of readers representing the Foundation, led by the MMHMF Outreach Committee, traveled to the school in Chesterfield County the last Friday of every month during the school year to participate in this program that is organized by the school, September 2013 – May, 2014. The group of readers varied each month. Participants, finding it a very rewarding experience, look forward to reading to students in grades K through 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students enjoy the experience as well. Readers can always count on lots of smiles and hugs from students; this alone makes the time well spent.



Outreach Committee member, George Henderson (right) reads to students at a Friday reading session at Harrowgate.



Outreach Committee member, Ann Henderson (left) reads to students at a Friday reading session at Harrowgate.



Outreach member Ann Henderson (center), Pat Woodfolk (right) and Pat's niece (left) Fontaine Lexis Bland at Harrowgate for December reading.



MMHMF readers gathered after another successful session at Harrowgate. Left to right Felecia Mason, Sarah Cheatham, Ann Henderson, Joyce Cosby and Pat Woodfolk.



Board member, Dr. Willie Lewis entertaining his reading group at Harrowgate Elementary.



Sarah Cheatham, Board member, puts her years of elementary and middle school experience to work!



Pat Woodfolk, Outreach Committee member, engages her group in a discussion about the book she read to them.



Felecia Mason, Outreach Committee member, managed to gather the entire class, not just her group, to pose for this picture.

### MMHMF SPONSORED BREAKFAST FOR ETRICK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SOL (Standards of Learning) Prep Workshop For Students Taking the Exams and Their Parents

Caterer: Garrett Mason, Member of MMHMF Board of Directors



Tonya Ruffin, member of the school staff directs Ann Henderson, MMHMF Outreach Committee Chairperson.



Left to right: Ann Henderson, V. Principal Stacy Hamilton and Garrett Mason.



Garrett (right) oversees food service.



Alfred Mason, Jr., brother of Garrett and a loyal MMHMF volunteer, serves young students.



VA State University students who helped run the workshop

### MMHMF FEBRUARY 2014, "CARE PACKAGES" FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS PREPARE CARE PACKAGES



Left to right: Rev. Dr. Harold Braxton, Board member and George Henderson.



Left to right: Ann Henderson, Outreach Chair, Stephen Harris and Gabriel Harris.

### 2013 GOLF TOURNAMENT Saturday, September 14, 2013, Disputanta, VA



#### Inaugural Samuel A. Gilliam Memorial Open Golf Tournament Prince George Golf Course 2013

Heartfelt thanks to those listed below whose contributions combined to make this tournament a huge success! Special thanks to the Virginia Birdies, the event golfers, organizers and director. The late Sam Gilliam, an avid golfer, was a Virginia Birdie.

**DIRECTOR:** - VA Birdie, Ted Cabral; **ORGANIZERS:** Ted Cabral, the VA Birdies & MMHMF Members: Garrett Mason, Dr. Willie Lewis, Alberta Stith and Alyssa Stith. **CATERER:** Garrett Mason, **PHOTOGRAPHER:** Sonya Felecia Mason.

**BENEFACTORS** --Garrett Mason, Caterer & Family, S. Chesterfield, VA, Shirley Baugh & Family, Croton-On-Hudson, NY, Delores Gilliam & Family, Aberdeen, MD, Dr. & Mrs. James H. Stith, Mitchellville, MD.

**HOLE SPONSORS** - Joan Christian (Martin Luther King, Jr.) Mlk Commemoration Committee), Bowie, MD, Joy Hatchette & Family, Owens Mills, MD; George & Annie Henderson, Ettrick, VA; Lewis H. Johnson Jr., S. Chesterfield, VA, Photos By Sonya Felecia Mason, S. Chesterfield, VA; Melvin & Dinah Moore, Mt. Vernon, NY; Children & Grandchildren of Wendell & Doris Stephenson; Denise & Leslie Stevens, Richmond, VA; Carita Tomplins & Family, Alexandria, VA; The VA Birdies (REMOVE); Dr. Adrienne Stith-Butler, Laurel, MD, Dr. Andrea Stith, Boulder, CO, & Alyssa Stith, Mitchellville, MD; The Virginia Birdies.

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### 2014 EDUCATION SERVICE AWARD **BRUCE S. FOSTER, SR.**



Bruce S. Foster has been a resident of Chesterfield County since graduating from Virginia State College in 1973. He is married to his childhood sweetheart, Rose Reed Foster and they have

two children, Bruce Jr. of Austin, Texas and Adrienne of Hopewell, Va.

Early on in his childhood, a favorite teacher made a lasting impact on him. She mentored him and they developed a special bond. At her encouragement and upon feeling the nudge of the Holy Spirit, he decided that he wanted to become a teacher of children. In 1969, after graduating from St. Clare Walker High School in Middlesex County, Va., Mr. Foster attended Virginia State College where he received a B.S. in Elementary and Middle School Education in 1973. He also received a Full Math certification after completing a battery of classes for graduate studies at Virginia State. He worked and lived his last three (3) years in the campus hospital where he served as Ward Attendant. Bruce also pledged Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated during his college senior year.

Mr. Foster began his teaching career in the Chesterfield County School System in 1973 where he served as an educator until his retirement in 2009. He first taught Math at Chester Middle School for two (2) years. For the next 15 years, he taught Math, English, and Science at Matoaca Middle School to include honors classes. He later transferred to the Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Center, a holding facility for youth waiting to go before a judge to have their cases heard and judged in a court of law. There, he taught youth ages 18 and below under the "No Child Left Behind" Law. Additionally, Mr. Foster has served as Math Department Head, a Trainer for other teachers, mentored new or less seasoned teachers, and had one college student to complete her Student Teaching Requirement under him. He has also assisted the Juvenile Detention School Principal in administration duties. Mr. Foster received "Teacher of the Year" in 1974 as a first year teacher at Chester Middle School and again in 2005 at the Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Center. During his many years of teaching, he was and continues to be highly thought of, sought out, and respected by his administrators, peers, parents and students. He has received many laudatory comments and praises from parents and students whose lives he has impacted. Many students still remember him for his "To act is easy, to think is hard" and "Work is not a curse it is a prerogative of intelligence" writing exercises in their

earlier school years.

Mr. Foster has made significant contributions toward the spiritual, educational and overall well-being of young people. Shortly after graduating from Virginia State College, he worked and lived at the Children's Home of Virginia Baptists, Incorporated. It was there that he first began to develop and demonstrate his love for children. For three (3) years, under the directorship of Mrs. Janice Mack, Mr. Foster had the opportunity to teach, mentor, discipline and care for young teenage boys. As their House Father, he served as a father figure and role model for the boys at the facility. He also drove the Baptist Children's Home van and transported and escorted the children to outings, church and other activities. He also chaperoned events and activities at the Children's Home.

Mr. Foster tutored young people at his own home, in their homes, for after school hours in public school and for Upward Bound Programs at Virginia State University. He was a math tutor for afternoon tutorial programs for Matoaca Middle School students conducted at the Multipurpose Building on the grounds of Building on the grounds of the Children's Home of Virginia Baptists, Inc. He has tutored children at church and conversed with students and parents over the phone regarding homework and math assignments. Mr. Foster has served as a mediator in an effort to ease tension or resolve conflict between parent and child.

Mr. Foster also served as Boy Scoutmaster for Troop 139 in Chesterfield County (Union Grove Baptist Church) and as an Assistant Boy Scoutmaster for Troop 139 in Chesterfield County (Baptist Children's Home). In this capacity, Mr. Foster trained boy leaders to run the troop by providing direction, coaching, and support.

Mr. Foster is an active member of Shiloh Baptist Church where he has been a member for over 25 years. As a member, he has served in numerous capacities to include Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and member of the Trustee Ministry; Member, Building Committee; Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer; Member, Finance Ministry; Member, Pastor's Search Committee; Member, Advisory Council; Member, Sanctuary Choir and Male Chorus; Member, Youth Ministry; and Teacher, Vacation Bible School and Sunday School. He

was instrumental in reinstating Youth Sunday School classes for youths at Shiloh during a period when youth were not attending. He once rented a big screen television so that he and his junior Sunday School students could enjoy viewing pastor-approved videos at Shiloh over a weekend. Additionally, he has taken his junior Sunday School students to Maymont Park and South Park Mall in Colonial Heights for fellowship designed church field trips. He personally purchased gifts, trinkets and incentivized tokens for his students at Christmas and on other occasions. He also sponsored Honor Roll Field Trips for Matoaca Middle School as a teacher and Department Head. As a member of the Youth Ministry he assisted in planning, coordinating and carrying out youth activities He acted as chaperone, assisted with sleepovers, and transported youth to events such as Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, and Eagle Eyrie. He has provided school supplies, games, food and other items for church sponsored school supply drives, Fall Festival, lock-ins, angel trees and other outreach programs in support of youth. Mr. Foster received the Shiloh Baptist Church School "Teacher of the Year" for 2008-2009 for outstanding service and many certificates for teaching, caring and watching over his class. Mr. Foster was the recipient of the Shiloh Baptist Church "Father of the Year" Award in 1999 for an exemplary role as Father, Teacher and Counselor to many youth within the community and for dedication and loyal commitment to the church.

Mr. Foster serves as a board member for and contributor to the James Alexander Gayle Memorial Scholarship Fund, Incorporated. The Scholarship Fund, created in 1976 by the late Dr. Garnett Mack, an English professor at Virginia State University and a Deacon at Shiloh Baptist Church, is kept active by his wife, Deaconess Janice Mack. Its purpose is to give scholarships to Shiloh Baptist Church youth who attend an accredited college after graduation from high school.

There is no doubt that Mr. Foster could have excelled in the area of administration, but he has always professed that God called him to teach children. For over 36 years, he has taught, mentored, counseled and watched children develop in to productive men and women in much the same way his favorite teacher did for him as a youngster.



### Family News



**William Brown, Jr.**, son of Arlene Moore and the late William Brown, Sr., and grandson of Henrietta Mason, earned a B.S. degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing from Strayer University this Spring. William is the great-nephew of Martha Mason Hill.



**Javonte ("Woo") D. Green "Woo"**, is the son of Jeffery Mason & Maxine Green, lived with Alfred and Kim Mason since the age of 12, grandson of the late Alfred Sr. and Sandra Mason, great-grandson of the late Lucy Mason Cain who was the sister of the late Martha Mason Hill. Excelling in all sports through high school, Woo received a full athletic scholarship to Radford College, Radford, VA, where he is now a senior and a star basketball player for the College. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice next year, he hopes to plan professional basketball. To learn more about this very accomplished young man, visit our website at mmhmf.org.



**Gabriel Harris**, son of the late Billy and Gilda Harris, grandson of Sarah Cheatham, and great grandson of Martha Mason Hill. Gabriel studied Chinese in Taiwan this past summer. Gabriel writes, " I had the life-changing experience of studying Chinese in Taiwan this past summer. I was able to completely immerse into the Chinese language from dawn until dusk. I didn't only receive instruction from the classroom, but just about everywhere from the zoo to the local coffee shop. Everywhere people were willing to help in the process of learning Chinese. All the while it was nearly impossible for me not to become entranced with the local culture. I spent most of my time in the city of Taipei. By making friends with local Taiwanese and other students from abroad studying, we set out to discover as much as we could about the food, architecture and history of the Taiwan. I am now pursuing a major in Asian Studies concentrating in Chinese with plans to head back to Asia for more studies. The knowledge and experience has ingrained a deep love and respect for integrating language studies with the foreign communities they are expressed in.



**Crystal Jones**, daughter of Carlisa Stephenson, granddaughter of Wendell and Doris Hill Stephenson, and the great-granddaughter of Martha Mason Hill. Crystal received a practical nursing diploma in June, 2014 from Centura College, Chesterfield, Virginia.



**Raven Mason**, is the daughter of Alfred and Kim Mason, granddaughter of the late Alfred Sr. and Sandra Mason, great-granddaughter of the late Lucy Mason Cain who was the sister of the late Martha Mason Hill. Raven received an Associate's Degree from Southside Virginia Community College while still in high school, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in psychology from Radford College, Radford, VA in 2013. She is currently in graduate school at the College and plans to continue her studies after graduation. She plans to earn a Ph.D. in psychology. Visit our website, mmhmf.org, to read more about a remarkable young lady and her many accomplishments



**Alfred ("Tre") M. Mason III**, is the son of Alfred and Kim Mason, granddaughter of the late Alfred Sr. and Sandra Mason, great-granddaughter of the late Lucy Mason Cain who was the sister of the late Martha Mason Hill. After earning a Career Studies Certificate in High Performance Technology and Advanced Manufacturing Technology, he graduated from high school with honors and Advanced Studies Diploma. Tre entered Radford College, Radford, VA in 2012 where is currently pursuing a degree in media studies with a minor in advertising. Log into our website, mmhmf.org, to read more about Tre and his interests.

**Jhane Carr**, daughter of Ericka and Gores Carr and granddaughter of Erna Gilliam-Robinson. Jhane is a 2012 graduate of Matoaca High School and is entering her 2nd year at Norfolk State University. Her major is Kinology. She is the great-granddaughter of Erner V. Mason Gilliam.

**Rev. Marvin Leon Gilliam, Jr.**, son of Rev. Marvin and Mrs. (Patricia) Gilliam Sr. He was ordained at Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church in Richmond, VA on May 4, 2014 and received a Master of Divinity degree from Virginia Union University Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology on May 10th. He is the grandson of Mrs. Erner V. Mason Gilliam.

**Charles W. Robinson, Jr.**, son of Erna Gilliam-Robinson. Charles graduated from Virginia College in Richmond Virginia on August 2, 2014. He received a Diploma in Culinary Arts and has accepted a Chef's position at Foode Restaurant, Fredericksburg, VA. He is the grandson of Erner V. Mason Gilliam.

### OUTREACH 2013 - 2014

#### ***Dedicated to helping all students achieve academic success***

Since 1998, the MMHMF Foundation has continued to honor the guiding principles of its namesake by promoting a quality education for all children. Over the years, through numerous outreach activities, projects, scholarship, grants and donations, members have worked diligently to assure that area children are offered every opportunity to achieve academic success.

The Outreach Committee operates in keeping with the goals and objectives of the Foundation. Members are constantly planning and exploring ways the Foundation's services and donations can be most effective in providing the support students and schools need. Schools which are identified as Title I schools take priority in services provided. Ettrick and Harrowgate Elementary Schools have been our adopted Schools for years. However, services are provided to students attending Matoaca Middle School and Matoaca High School when requested. The majority of students attending the two elementary schools receive federally subsidized free/reduced lunches. Periodically the committee members meet with school personnel to discuss ways the Foundation can best serve their students.

#### **Projects:**

School supplies are donated each year by Foundation members, friends of the foundation and local churches. In August and September the supplies were assorted and delivered to the schools the second week of September. This activity was repeated in Mid-January and February for the same two elementary schools. Students receiving tutorial services Achievers Plus Program that meets daily at Virginia Baptist Home for Children also received school supplies in October and February.

Harrowgate Elementary has implemented a "First Book/Senior Readers Program". Beginning in September 2012 volunteers were invited to read to students in grades Pre-K, K, and first. Students are assembled in small groups in their classroom for this reading activity. The volunteer reader reads a book, completes the follow-up activity with students and then presents each student a copy of the book they read. Foundation members participated in each of the (8) eight 2013-2014 reading sessions. Foundation members and others in the community participating in this program are looking forward to reading this school year. The Foundation is continuing to recruit volunteers to help.

In October, December and March, students in the Achievers Plus Program received snacks and school supplies.

In January and February the committee prepared and mailed or delivered CARE packages to college students

In February, the Ettrick Neighborhood and Business Foundation partnered with the Foundation to provide field trips for students attending Ettrick Elementary School who were unable to pay for scheduled trips. In addition to field trips, funds were given to Matoaca Middle School in order to buy classroom supplies, books and other materials needed by students during the 2013-2014 school years.

Funds were given to Ettrick Elementary School to help purchase lunches for students who could not afford to pay.

The Foundation also funded an SOL Parent/School breakfast on April 27, 2014. This activity consisted of a meet and greets for parents, students, staff, and Foundation members during the breakfast period. The remaining part of the morning consisted of workshops and issues dealing with SOL testing.

The Outreach Committee and the MMHMF were recognized at the Business and Community Partners appreciation breakfast held on March 28, 2014 for our partnership with the school system. The event was sponsored by Chesterfield County and Virginia Credit Union. Two Outreach Committee members attended the program.

On May 28, 2014 the Foundation sponsored the scholarship breakfast for seniors, their parents, scholarship presenters, and school staff who work with seniors at Matoaca High School... The breakfast was catered by Foundation member, Mr. Garrett Mason.

In June, the Outreach Committee provided over 600 books to Ettrick and Harrowgate Elementary Schools, and Matoaca Middle School for summer reading. The books were delivered to the schools and students were allowed to select a book of their choice to take home, read and keep.

The Outreach Committee prepared and donated over 150 certificates to Union Grove Baptist and Shiloh Baptist churches for the students attending Vacation Bible School. Their leaders and volunteers were also recognized.

The Committee met on August 12, 2014 to discuss and outline outreach programs and activities for September 2014 through August 2015. If you are interested in serving on this "committee with an educational purpose", contact any member of the Foundation.