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The Late Martha Mason Hill
1911 – 1985

The Martha Mason Hill Memorial Foundation (MMHMF) was established by the descendents of the late Martha M. Hill to carry on her legacy and spirit. Read her biographical sketch on page 3.

2002 MMHMF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Congratulations to Miss JaVonda Tucker, a graduate of Matoaca High School, who received this year's award. She will attend Virginia State University this fall, and will major in criminal law. Rev. Harold Braxton, member of the Board of Directors, presented the award during the Matoaca High School Awards Banquet held at the Children's Home of Virginia Baptist in May.

ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE GOSPEL SERVICE DONATES NEARLY $3000.00 TO MMHMF

(Article on Page 3)

Left to right: Maj Bruce Jones, Service Chaplain
Mrs. Alberta Stith, MMHMF President
Ltc Theodore Henderson, Retired Chaplain

ANNUAL PROGRAM SET FOR SEPTEMBER 28TH

This year's program is on Saturday, September 28th, 4 p.m., at **Union Branch Baptist Church**, Chesterfield, VA. The Program Committee is planning another wonderful program for your enjoyment. WE INVITE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY TO COME OUT AND SUPPORT THE EVENT, and bring family and friends for what promises to be a very special afternoon of entertainment and fellowship. Dinner will be served immediately following the program.

For more information, contact Program Committee Co-chairs Trudy and Judy Stephenson at (804) 590-1493. We appreciate your support.

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From The Desk Of The Chairman

Dear Friends:

All the positive responses we received from readers of our first newsletter published a year ago were very encouraging. We hope you enjoy this issue as well. In this edition I particularly want to call your attention to the list of other scholarships students may be eligible to apply for (see pages 6 and 7). There are a significant number of scholarships available for students to go to college, and we encourage students to explore all their options. Please pass this information on to others. This issue of our newsletter also contains information about MMHMF scholars, and Foundation activities and events. I hope you will continue sharing your views about the Foundation with us. Contact information is listed on page 10 of this edition, or you may contact me directly at the email address listed below.

This has been a very good year for MMHMF thus far. We experienced significant growth. New committees were formed, and more volunteers have signed on to help. On a sad note, the death of Dr. Garnett Mack last September was a tremendous loss to the community. Dr. Mack was instrumental in helping the founders establish MMHMF; and he subsequently agreed to serve on the first Board of Directors, where he continued to provide valuable input. He was truly a blessing to all of us, and he is greatly missed at MMHMF.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I thank the following:

1.) All our supporters for donating their time and money in support of Foundation programs and activities, and for their continued encouragement.

2.) All new volunteers – Board member, Mrs. Gwendolyn Davis for graciously consenting to fill the seat on the Board of Directors vacated by the death of Dr. Mack; Mr. Garrett Mason, who is co-chairing the newly formed Fundraising Sub-Committee (part of the Finance Committee), along with Mrs. Arlene Moore, who, in addition, is a vital member of the Program Committee; and Ms. Marilyn George for agreeing to be a part of the Fundraising Subcommittee as well.

3.) The Andrews Air Force Base (AAFB) Gospel Service for designating the offering collected on 16 June 2002. The generous donation of nearly $3000.00 is a great boost for our fundraising effort this year, practically assuring that we will surpass last year's total donations of $8900.00.

4.) The Program, Scholarship, Fundraising and Executive Committees for all the work they have done on behalf of the Foundation this past year. Significant progress occurred this year because of their input.

I am more confident that MMHMF will be able to continually carry on the legacy of the great person for whom the Foundation was established, Mrs. Martha Mason Hill. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to be a part of an organization dedicated to perpetuating her memory and her spirit through community service programs.

The Program Committee works hard each year to present quality programs for our enjoyment that pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Hill; and her family takes the time to prepare wonderful meals to serve after the program. PLEASE ATTEND, and help make this year's program on Saturday, September 28th, 4:00 pm, at Union Branch Baptist Church, Chesterfield, VA, a huge success. Bring as many people as you can to support this very worthy event.

Thanks again for your continued interest and support of the Foundation.

James H. Stith
Email: JHStith@aol.com

Students Need More Math And Science Courses

"In order to be competitive in college admissions and the job market, students need math and science. Today's and tomorrow's good jobs will go to those with problem-solving, math, and computational skills."

This message was delivered by Dr. James H. Stith, Vice President for Resources, American Institute of Physics (AIP), in an address given at the annual summer meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers at the Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, in August of this year.

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MMHMF Board of Directors meets twice a year, in May and in September. The next meeting is September 28, 2002, 9:00 a.m., at Union Grove Baptist Church. The meeting is open to the public

The Foundation welcomes all questions, comments and suggestions. Write or Email us at:

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MMHMF thanks all those listed above, and those who contributed to the offering taking at the Annual Program last September. We apologize if any names of donors were inadvertently omitted from the above list. Please contact us at the address on page 11 with those names, and they will appear in our next publication.

About The Foundation

Incorporated in the state of Maryland in 1999, Martha Mason Hill Memorial Foundation (MMHMF) is a non-profit, public foundation, established in memory of the late Martha Mason Hill by her descendants. The Foundation is exempt from federal tax under section 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501 (c) (3).

MMHMF is governed by a Board of Directors that meets twice a year. The Board oversees the following five standing committees: Executive, Scholarship, Program, Finance (made up of the Fundraising and the Financial Management Sub-Committees) and Outreach.

PURPOSE – Our mission is to carry on the legacy and spirit of the late Martha Mason Hill by encouraging and supporting young people in pursuit of their college education. Currently, scholarships and projects benefit residents of Chesterfield County, Virginia.

We awarded our fourth scholarship in May of this year, and we supported and sponsored a number of projects in the community. However, there is a great deal more we can do to prepare our youth for the challenges ahead.

You can make a difference! It is only through your **tax-deductible** contributions that the Foundation can continue serving the community. Helping our young people achieve their educational goals will help to create a better world for everyone.

Andrews Air Force Base Gospel Service Donates To MMHMF

The service designates one Sunday offering every other month to selected nonprofit service organizations. Supporting charitable community-based organizations that use the bulk of donations to directly benefit worthy causes is a high priority for the Service. The Foundation was given the offering collected on Sunday, June 16, 2002, in the amount of $2,779.89.

Ltc Henderson, the Chaplain at that time, decided to make the contribution after reading our newsletter and talking with the President of MMHMF about the Foundation's history, mission and goals. He was moved by the story of the late Mrs. Hill, in particular, her Christian spirit that translated into her desire to help others in of spite her very modest means; and by her determination to lay the foundation for a better future for her children. He commends the Foundation for honoring her memory through it's work in the community. The current Chaplain, Maj Jones, concurs with Chaplain Henderson, and is delighted that the Service contributed to MMHMF. Maj Jones expressed great admiration for the Foundation and its namesake, and considers the efforts of both well worth emulating. MMHMF greatly appreciates the kind words and the very generous donation.

Biographical Sketch Of The Foundation's Namesake

The story of the late Martha Mason Hill is that of many extraordinary African American women of her era who, in spite of their circumstances, managed to help their children rise to a better place in life. Many others were beneficiaries of her selflessness as well. She was often heard singing one of her favorite songs, "This Little Light of Mine", the words of which accurately described her life.

She was a native of Chesterfield County Virginia, and the daughter of the late Beverly Archer Mason and Eva Haskins Mason. She was married to the late Thomas E. Hill with whom she had seven daughters. A devoted Christian, she was a life-long member of Union Grove Baptist Church where she was a member of the Usher and Auxiliary Board, the Pulpit Hospitality Society, the Deaconess Ministry, and Union Grove King David Lodge #233.

She practiced her faith, and was a very nurturing person whose kindness and consideration towards others knew no bounds. We will never know the full extent of her philanthropic work, for she was not prone to publicize or boast about her good deeds. We do know, however, that her loving and caring ways had a lasting impact on many people. She was admired and respected by all who knew her.

Among her many fine qualities was her strong belief in the value of education. She was honored at Virginia State University for ensuring that all 7 of her daughters attended the University, where she worked for 40 years as a housekeeper. Her family hopes to continue her legacy through the Foundation.

HAPPENINGS

A Warm Welcome To New Volunteers Without our volunteers, the Foundation could not function. We could not afford to compensate for the services of even one member of the Board or Committees, many of whom were already very busy with a host of other involvements when they signed on to help run the Foundation. We are blessed to have these extraordinary people helping.

New Board Member At this year's spring meeting, the Board of Directors appointed **Mrs. Gwendolyn Davis** to complete the term of **Dr. Garnett Mack**, who passed away last fall. Mrs. Davis is a retired educator, Chesterfield County Schools. MMHMF is very grateful to Mrs. Davis for volunteering her time and talent to help run the Foundation.

Fundraising Committee Formed MMHMF thanks **Mr. Garrett Mason** and **Mrs. Arlene Moore** for volunteering to Co-Chair the Fundraising Committee**. Ms. Marilyn George** also graciously agreed to serve on the committee. **Mrs. Alberta Stith** is participating as a representative of the Executive Committee.

This committee has a tremendous responsibility, but given the energy, enthusiasm and dedication of the members, great things will be accomplished. The first project, publishing a cookbook, is in progress. See the Cookbook Preparation article below for further information.

More Volunteers Needed Our newly formed **OUTREACH COMMITTEE** needs volunteers. The committee is responsible for targeting community projects for Foundation involvement. Preferably, projects will be in collaboration with other organizations. The committee will also be responsible for planning and implementing projects.

In addition, the **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE** needs more volunteers. We are also seeking individuals with **legal**, **marketing** and **financial planning** expertise to advise the Foundation.

PLEASE HELP US HELP OUR YOUTH. BECOME A VOLUNTEER. Contact Alberta, J. Stith, ajhstith@aol.com, (301)-390-5914 if you are willing to lend a hand in any way.

MMHMF Chair Addresses Students On April 12, 2002, James Stith spoke to science students at Matoaca High School, Ettrick, VA, and math and science students at Virginia State University. The topic of his address at Matoaca was **"What It Takes To Be A Scientist."** Students took an active role in the discussion. His presentation to students at Virginia State was entitled, **"Lessons From Life: What You Don't Learn in Graduate School."** Both addresses were well received by the students.

Cookbook Preparation The Fundraising Committee is putting together a heritage cookbook to benefit the endowment fund. We are collecting favorite recipes from family and friends. The book will also be a way of preserving family recipes and facts for future generations to enjoy. Though the deadline for submitting recipes has passed, we will accept late entries. You may send as many recipes as you like. Please submit them right away. For recipe forms, or for further information contact us at the Foundation at the address listed on page 11.

BUILDING THE MMHMF ENDOWMENT FUND

To Continue The Work Of MMHMF Indefinitely

The Foundation hopes to provide support for students going to college for many generations to come. Building and investing a substantial endowment fund is key to accomplishing this. **Your continued contributions are a great help.** Though the decline in interest rates over the last several months has greatly reduced our investment income, donations have increased, and we now have a Fundraising Committee to develop strategies and work on projects. The generous donation from Andrews AFB was a tremendous boost to the fund.

100% of your donations go to support scholarships and other programs to encourage students to go to college. For more information about the endowment fund, please contact Alberta J. Stith at (301) 390-5914 or ajhstith@aol.com. To contribute, see page 11.

2001 Donations

Up to $25

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$ 25 - $50

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Matoaca High And School Board Say Thanks

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June 24, 2002

Martha Mason Hill Memorial Foundation
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Dr. Harold Braxton:

Thank you so much for awarding a scholarship to a member of the Class of 2002 and for attending out Senior Awards Ceremony, on May 30th. Your financial support award to this student will help to make college possible.

As a result of the generosity of yourself, other organization/groups and colleges/universities, scholarship awards for the Class of 2002 totaled approximately $293,000.

Again, thank you for your support and interest in our students.

Sincerely,

Melloney W. A. Johnson
Guidance Coordinator

Board Member Attends Business And Community Partners Appreciation Breakfast

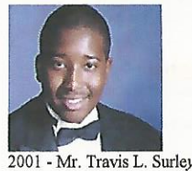
Each year the School Board and the Superintendent hosts the breakfast to recognize individuals, organizations and businesses in the community that support schools. This is the second year the Foundation was invited. MMHMF is grateful to **Mr. Lawrence Mason, Jr.**, member of the Board of Directors, who represented the Foundation both years. This year the breakfast was held at John Tyler Community College, and Dr. Marshall W. Smith, University President, delivered the keynote address.

MMHMF Scholar News

The Foundation follows the progress of scholarship recipients. At the end of the first year in college, recipients are asked to let us know how they are doing. Their statements are presented in this newsletter. A copy of the letter submitted by Mr. Travis Surley, the 2001 recipient, is printed below.

We are delighted to announce that all three past recipients (shown below) are still pursuing their undergraduate degree, and are doing quite well. We are extremely proud of them, as we are of all those who are going on to pursue their education beyond high school. They obviously appreciate the proven value of receiving a higher education, which is at the core of the mission of MMHMF. **Congratulations to all, and we encourage everyone to keep up the good work!** We regret not being able to provide financial help to all these students at this time; however, as the Foundation's resources grow, we do plan to assist an increasing number of students.

Former Scholarship Recipients



2001 - Mr. Travis L. Surley

Travis wrote:

"Hello, my name is Travis L. Surley. I really enjoyed my freshman year at the Virginia Commonwealth University. I've grown a lot this first year, due mostly to the fact that I realized that college is very different from high school. In college I discovered that I had more freedom than high school. A person might think that this freedom, would have caused me to study less than in high school, but it did the exact opposite. Instead, the new sense of freedom gave me a sense of responsibility; and I believe that it is this sense of responsibility that is shaping my future. I've also learned that college is what the student makes it. If a student goes in playing around and not studying, college will be very hard. But if the student goes in and takes it seriously by studying, doing the assigned work, and work that may not be assigned, college will be easier. Through these values I, have also acquired a new and different work ethic than I had in high school. I feel I was very successful in high school as far as my grades and being involved in various activities, and I plan to be even more successful in college. I pray that every person that reads this newsletter, whether they know me or not, will be proud of me someday. I plan to do big things in my community, and eventually in the world. I am now looking toward my future with excitement because of my first year college experience, and I hope that everyone will continue to pray for me. I would like to thank the Martha Mason Hill Memorial Scholarship Foundation for their contribution to my education and future. I would also like to let them know that I appreciate them, and will show that I was a very worthy candidate for their scholarship. Their generosity will never go unrecognized by me or God. I love you and God bless you all".

2000 – Miss Chara Moore

Chara is doing very well at the University of Virginia. She is in her 3rd year, majoring in Sociology with a concentration in pre-law and has a GPA of 3.53. She was inducted into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and does community service at the University with the Big Sibling Program and Circle K International. She is working at the Bank of America this summer.

1999 – Mr. Dwight Brown, Jr.

Dwight began his college career in 1999 at James Madison University (JMU). He is a second semester junior, majoring in accounting at JMU. He has been actively involved in a number of campus activities, including the Tau Kappa Fraternity. Dwight also works part-time.

2003 Scholarship

The application will be available by the end of January 2003. For additional information, contact Ms. Jan Hatchette at (804) 590-1492, jhatchet@richmond.edu; or Dr. Adrienne Stith at (301) 210-7799, astith@nas.

Other Scholarship Opportunities Available

MMHMF cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information below. Check the individual websites listed for verification.

Ron Brown Scholarships--Go to: http://www.RonBrown.org. The award: Leadership, community service, all fields. The deadline is unusually in January. This is one of most prestigious scholarships and it's very, very competitive. Details at website.

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship--Go to: http://www.JackieRobinson.org. The award: $6,000 per year. Number of winners about 100. It's renewable. Academic merit, leadership, community service, all fields. Deadline is usually in April. Details at website.

Project Excellence Scholarships--Go to: http://www.project-excellence.com. The award: $4,000 or higher (to full tuition). Number of winners: at least 600. Academic merit, leadership, community service, all fields. Deadline: Feb. 1. Details at website.

United College Fund Scholarships--Go to: http://www.uncf.org/programs. The UNCF is one of our major scholarship gateways. The award amounts vary, and there are a great many under different names and requirements. (Grandmet, Duracell, for example). The deadline is usually December. Details at website.

Kodak Scholarships--Go to: http://www.kodak.com/US/en/motion/programs/student/scholarship.shtml. The award: varying amounts to $5,000. Number of awards: Varies. For those studying in film/cinematography at U.S. colleges. Details at website.

Coca-Cola Scholars Scholarships--Go to: http://www.coca-colascholars.org/. This is a major competition with hundreds of over 250 awards going to "scholars," with academic, leadership, and talent qualities. Amount is from $4,000 to $20,000. You can apply on-line. The deadline is October 31.

ARMY ROTC Scholarships--(for Historically Black Colleges). Go to: http://www.usarotc.com/index.htm. Students must enroll in the Army ROTC at HBCU. Award amount to full-tuition. Many awards. Must have minimum 920 on SAT or 19 ACT score. Deadline is November 15. Details at website.

National Association of Hispanic Journalist-- Go to: http://www.nahj.org/student.html. Awards from $1000 - $5000. Students interested in journalism as a career can apply. Deadline is Feb 28th. See web site for application and information.

Gates Millennium Scholarships--Go to: http://www.gmsp.org/SOW4/ To promote academic excellence and to provide an opportunity for thousands of outstanding students with significant financial need. Scholarship covers room, board and tuition for at least 1,000 high school students a year. Material for 2002-2003 will be available November 2001. See website for details. Deadline: March 15.

NSBE Scholarships (National Society of Black Engineers)--Go to: http://www.nsbe.org/scholarships. Awards generally range from $1,500 to $3,000 for members of NSBE. Number of awards varies. Primarily for engineering students, and those in related discipline. Deadlines vary. See website for details.

NACME Scholarships--(National Action Council For Minorities in Engineering. Go to: http://www.nacme.org/sch_index.html. The award amounts to $20,000, and many are awarded. This is our major engineering scholarship gateway. You must be an engineering student. The deadline is usually in February. Go to the website for details, or contact from aid officials at your college.

American Institute Of Certified Public Accountants Scholarships (AICPA)- For undergraduates studying accounting at a U.S. college with at least 30 credits completed. Awards up to $5,000 with about 300 winners annually. Deadline is in July. For GPA requirements and details. go to: **http://www.aicpa.org/members/div/career/mini/smas.htm.**

Developmental Fund for Black Students in Science and Technology Scholarships- Award amount is $2,000 and renewable. Several scholarships granted. This is for science or engineering students at HBCUs. Deadline for applying is: June 15. For details, go to: **http://www.ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/dlhinson/dfb_sch.htm.**

Ambassadorial Scholarships--Go to: **http://www.rotary.org/foundation/education/amb_scho/**. This is the prestigious "rotary" organization scholarship for students who can speak another language and want to study abroad in the "host" country of that language. Award amounts are from $10,000 to $23,000 for a 3 month to full year of study abroad. You should have completed at least 2 years of college work.

Ronald McDonald House Charities and the United Negro College Fund Students must be studying at a HBCU which is a member of the UNCF. The award is from $1,000 to full tuition. Approx. 60 students are selected. The deadline is April 1. For details, go to: **http://www.mcdonalds.com/countries/usa/community/education/scholarships/index.html**

Other Scholarship Opportunities cont'd…

Xerox Technology Minority Scholarship--Go to: http://www.xerox.com and type in "Scholarship" in the search engine. This is a good scholarship for strong minority scholarships for students studying in areas like chemistry, engineering, physics, and "tech" areas. The award amount is up to $4,000 for undergraduates and more for graduate students. The deadline is Sept. 15. Go to web location for details.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarships--Go to: http://www.akaeaf.org/scholarshipprogram.html. The above link is to the Chicago headquarters and that gateway of scholarships. Note that there are over 700 AKA Chapters, and you would be wise to contact sorors at local locations. Scholarship opportunities abound. The deadline at AKA headquarters is Feb.15. Applications (at the website) must be sent between Dec. 1st and January 30th each year. *Editor's note: all of our Greeks (listed in our BlackExcel college guide) offer scholarships, and you should tap your local chapters.

NCAA Scholarships--(National Collegiate Athletic Association)- Go to: **http://www.ncaa.org/about/scholarships.html**. This is the major NCAA sports association of student-athletes. Awards are given in all sports categories, amounts from $3,000 to $12,500. Awards are also available for sports related study (like sports journalism). Deadlines vary, as do the number of awards each year.

National Alliance for Excellence Scholarships—Go to: **http://www.excellence.org/programs.html**. The student competitors can be seniors or already in college. They must submit an application that can include recommendations (academics), art (slides), dance (tapes), photographs, or other materials that point to talent and achievement in all areas. The awards are for a minimum of one year, and over 100 are granted. Applications can be submitted at any time. The selection process is ongoing. Go to the website.

Harry S. Truman Scholarship--Go to: **http://www.truman.gov**. The is one of the most prestigious scholarships, shaped for students who intend to pursue a career targeted to public service or government. Graduate study should be a goal, with a portion of the funds directed there. You must be at least a junior, and your college must nominate you. A "nomination" package must be created. The awards can reach as high as $30,000 over the years. Generally about 80 students are selected. The deadline is February 1st. Go to website for details.

National Association of Black Journalists--Go to: **http://www.nabj.org/html/studentsvcs.html.** NABJ offers 10 $2.500 scholarships. Students should be attending a four-year University, and must present three letters of recommendation from a school adviser, dean or a faculty member, and also a 500-800 word article on a Black journalist. Must be majoring in journalism-print, photography, radio or television. One of those should be a career goal. Deadline is March 31. Go to website for details.

Society of Women Engineer Scholarships—Go to: **http://www.swe.org/SWE/StudentServices/Scholarship/brochure.html**. Target women who are majoring in engineering or computer science. Awards are from $200 to $5,000, and at least 90 are granted. The deadline for students already in college is February 1st but is May 15 for high school seniors entering an "accredited" program.

American Institute of Architects Minority Disadvantaged Scholarship-Go to: http://www.e-architect.com/institute/scholar.html. This is a scholarship for minority students enrolling in architecture programs. Awards are from $500 to $3,000. Generally 20 students are selected. Deadline is December 6. Go to website for details.

The Ventures Scholars Program--This program identifies high school students from traditionally underrepresented groups and provides them with recognition and information that will increase their chances of entering careers in medicine and the allied health professions, engineering, mathematics and science-based careers. This is accomplished by partnering with a consortium of undergraduate and professional institutions and associations nationwide, and providing opportunities for these institutions to recruit, enroll, and prepare targeted students for these professions. You are invited to visit the website **(www.ventureschola r.org/scholarship_org.html)** for more information about the program, or use the contact information shown below.

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Children Learn What They Live

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If a child lives with criticism, he learns to condemn.
If a child lives with hostility, he learns to fight.
If a child lives with ridicule, he learns to be shy.
If a child lives with shame, he learns to feel guilty.
If a child lives with tolerance, he learns to be patient.
If a child lives with encouragement, he learns confidence.

If a child lives with praise, he learns to appreciate.
If a child lives with fairness, he learns justice.
If a child lives with security, he learns to have faith.
If a child lives with approval, he learns to like himself.
If a child lives with acceptance and friendship,
he learns to find love in the world.