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NATIONAL PRESIDENT MESSAGE



Greetings Dillard/Goldsboro Alumni & Friends

Homecoming 2023 was a huge success despite the rain. I want to commend the two homecoming Queen contestants Dr. Sadie Carter (Triangle Chapter) and Takiyah Mozingo (Goldsboro Chapter) for their tremendous fund-raising efforts. Congratulations to Dr. Carter, the winner raising over 28 thousand dollars. I am looking forward to the 2024 homecoming King/Queen contest.

With every homecoming we learn and adjust to make your next years' experience better. Thank you to the individuals who volunteered their time to assist with each event. We cannot do the things we do without you. We are already planning for an exciting 2024 homecoming, so be on the lookout for announcements from that committee.

It is getting time to renew your membership. I believe each chapter will have significant growth and more individuals will become active members in the chapters and in the national efforts. As I enter my 6th and final year as President of this great organization, I want to make sure my successor has all the necessary things in place to exceed the things accomplished during my tenure. Thank you again to all the people that work tirelessly to make this organization operate. Keep your eyes open for new things on the horizon and as I always say (Together We Can).

Gary Packer, National President
Dillard/Goldsboro Alumni & Friends Inc.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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NEWS AND UPDATES



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The National Communications Committee is excited to present to our Alumni & Friends Highlights from Homecoming 2023. This is the first edition devoted solely to reflect and reminisce on the events and activities that took place during our Homecoming Celebration. We sincerely hope that everyone that attended Homecoming 2023 enjoyed themselves and we hope to see everyone in May 2024. For those who were unable to attend, hopefully these highlights will get you excited about attending in the future. We continue to solicit Alumni & Friends to purchase ad space in future newsletters. Please contact dgafcommunication@gmail.com for more information about placing an ad. Lastly, September 1st kicks off the fiscal year for Dillard/Goldsboro Alumni & Friends, Inc. We highly encourage Alumni & Friends, Inc. to join today. Any questions about membership please email dgafmembership@gmail.com

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The Scholarship Awards Program was held Thursday, May 25, 2023 in the Goldsboro High School auditorium. During the program 27 high school seniors were awarded a scholarship. The National Scholarship Committee continues to solicit the support of Alumni & Friends to continue awarding funds to students. If you or someone you know are interested in becoming a donor please contact Patricia Burden, National Scholarship Chairperson patburden47@gmail.com



DILLARD GOLDSBORO ALUMNI AND FRIENDS 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS





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Alumni and Friends who plan to join the organization are asked to join at the beginning of the fiscal year in order to take full advantage of the membership benefits and to actively support the mission and vision of our beloved founder, Dr. Hugh Victor Brown. All National Members, should be affiliated with a local chapter. The chapter does not have to be in your immediate area in order to connect. If you are not affilaited with a local chapter our committeee can help to make the connection. We want all of our National Members to stay connected, be engaged, and involved in our organization.

This fiscal year the organization will officially be transitioning from the paper ticket to a Membership Card. The card will be the texture and size of a credit card. Members who have already received their ticket will receive their membership card from your chapter president. Alumni and Friends who join on or after December 1st will receive both the ticket and membership card. The goal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year will be to officially phase out the paper ticket.

If there are any questions please email dgafmembership@gmail.com

JOIN US...

DILLARD/GOLDSBORO ALUMNI & FRIENDS, INC.

ABOUT US: Nonprofit organization providing services for youth and adults. Primary focus is to provide scholarships to high school students, tutoring, mentoring, and activities that unite people with our organization to foster productive partnerships and citizenship. ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Despite the pandemic we have continued to award scholarships to high school students. In 2021, we awarded \$39,000 in scholarships. We continued our partnership with Wayne Community College to now offer courses in the Neal A. Stitt Building, and added new computer lab for student and community use. QUESTIONS: dgafmembership@gmail.com

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Annual National Membership: \$75.00 Paypal: natdgafincinfo@gmail.com Mail: DGAF, Inc., Attn: Financial Secretary, P.O. Box 1051, Goldsboro, NC 27533

Dues collection period begins in September of each year

ATLANTA CHAPTER

Contact: LaTerrie Ward Harris, Presid Email: aprillove1955@yahoo.com Meetings: 3rd Saturday of each month via Zoom Goal: To grow awareness of the DGAF and membership in the Metro Atlanta area.

Accomplishments: Hosted a successful National Board

meeting in Atlanta a few months after becoming a chapter. Raised the highest amount for National Organization in the Double Good popcorn fundraiser

GREATER CHARLOTTE CHAPTER

Email: apcanty71@gmail.com Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7 p.m. via Zoom Goals: To increase local/national membership and continue

to raise money to support the Scholarship Program.

GOLDSBORO CHAPTER
Contact: Raymond Smith, Jr.
Email: smithboe16@gmail.com Meetings: 3rd Saturday of each month @ 5:00 p.m. via

Goals: To restart our after school program Accomplishments: We have held the Queen/King National Title for the last 5 or 6 years (maybe longer).

RALEIGH/TRIANGLE CHAPTER

Email: hornzofgnc@aol.com Meetings: 4th Wednesday of each month @6:30 p.m. via Zoom
Accomplishments: The Triangle Chapter donated to the

ove Thy Neighbor Christmas Challenge to assist families through the holiday season. We are manning concession stands at the PNC Arena to earn money to further support our community efforts. In 2022, we will issue our first scholarship to a high school senior in our area.

WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAPTER

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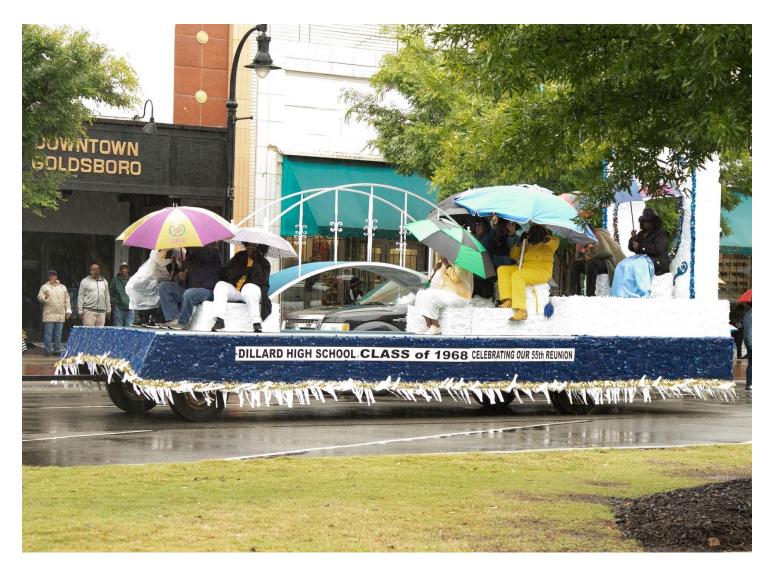
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The homecoming committee took the task of planning and executing the 68th Homecoming Celebration very seriously. We met bi-weekly for hours to ensure that a great time would be had by all who attended regardless of your age.. We hope everyone who was able to attend enjoyed every aspect of the weekend. As we continue to work on planning this annual event we welcome all Alumni & Friends to spread the word "There's no place like home." We hope to see you again for Homecoming 2024!











The King/Queens' Reception was held immediately following the Scholarship Awards Program at the National Headquarters/H.V. Brown Fellowship Hall.. Congratulations to the 2023 Queen Sadie Johnson Carter, Dillard High School Class of 1968 (Triangle Chapter). Takiyah Mozingo, Goldsboro High School Class of 2002 (Goldsboro Chapter) was runner up. Both ladies and their supporters did a fantastic job fundraising. We look forward to the next group of king or queen contestants. If you or someone you know are interested please contact your local chapter president.

















HOMECOMING

The **Pre Dawn Dance** was held at 2:00 a.m. in H.V. Brown Hall. Music was provided by DJ E. Finesse.









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The **Alumni Parade** was held Saturday, May 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in Downtown Goldsboro. Despite the rain, Alumni & Friends showed up and a great time was had by all.











HOMECOMING

The **Alumni and Community Picnic** was held immediately following the parade at 12:00 p.m. on the grounds of the H. V. Brown Building. The Alumni Picnic is for members only and the Community Picnic was free and open to the public.











An **Alumni Day Party** was held 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the H. V. Brown Hall. The day party was a new event hosted by the organization open to alumni and friends 21 years old and older.











HOMECOMING

The annual **Young at Heart Dance** featuring Old School, Hip Hop, GoGo, and Reggae Music was held Saturday, May 27, 2023 at 9:00 p.m. in the H.V. Brown Hall. Music was provided by Superstar DJ Slice.



















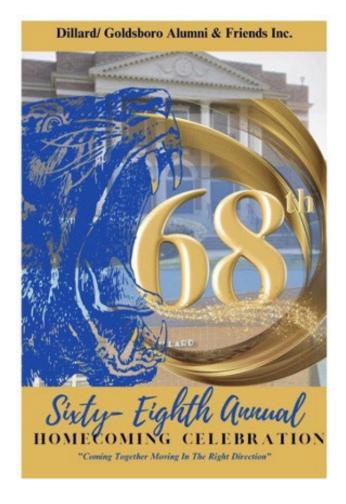


HOMECOMING

Homecoming 2023 Official Photo Album

Below you will find a link to the 2023 Album. This link will allow alumni and friends to view and order the album. The album is \$150.00 without a discount. If a discount is available when viewing alumni and friends should take advantage of discount codes provided by the vendor. If you have any questions or concerns please call 919-330-9217.

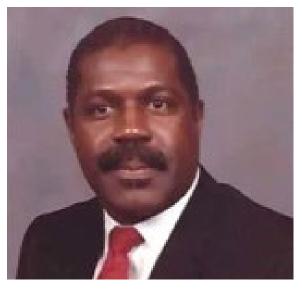
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The Atlanta Chapter would like to thank Winston and Willette Ward Barnes (pictured on left) for their personal contribution of \$3000.00 to the Raise the Roof Campaign during the Dillard/Goldsboro Alumni & Friends Annual Homecoming Celebration.



CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Mr. Bobby Ray Bryant November 27, 1949 - May 4, 2023 Obituary as posted on Scarborough & Hargett Celebration of Life Center, Inc. Website

The passing of Mr. Bobby Ray Bryant, age 73, on Thursday, May 4, 2023, at his home, is being announced by his loving and devoted wife of 51 years, Ella Bryant. He was born on November 27, 1949, in Wayne County to his parents, Ivey and Penny Bryant.

Along with his wife Ella, Bobby leaves to cherish his memory his one daughter, Tiffany L. Coston; three sisters, Shirley Bryant, Valerie Braithwaite and Frances Locus; two grandchildren; extended family members, his church family and dear friends, all of whom will truly miss him.

Services to celebrate the life of Mr. Bobby Ray Bryant will take place on Friday, May 12, 2023, at Markham Chapel Baptist

Church, 3630 Old Chapel Hill Road, Durham, North Carolina 27707; Visitation 12:00 noon, Service 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Bobby Ray Bryant will be laid to rest in Glennview Memorial Park.

Mr. Bobby Ray Bryant was a charter member of the Triangle Chapter. A member of the Dillard High Class of 1968, Bobby was such an important cornerstone of the Triangle Chapter. His commanding voice of wisdom and calming presence has helped to guide the organization from the beginning. Bobby was a faithful member and dedicated to assisting the Triangle Chapter and the national organization in any way he could.

Ms. Diane Reid George October 12, 1951 - May 28, 2023 Obituary as posted byJ.B. Rhodes Funeral & Cremations of Goldsboro Website

Goldsboro - Ms. Diane R. George, 71, completed her earthly assignment for a heavenly assignment on Sunday, May 28, 2023 at Duke Raleigh Hospital, Raleigh, NC. The celebration of her life will be held on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at 1:00pm with a viewing from 12:30pm to 12:55pm at Goldsboro-Raleigh District Assembly, 211 West Hooks River Road, Goldsboro, NC. There will be a chapel viewing held on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm at J.B. Rhodes Funeral Home & Cremations, 1701 Wayne Memorial Drive, Goldsboro, NC. She will be laid to rest at Wayne Memorial Park, 2925 US Hwy 117 South, Dudley, NC.

She was born on October 12, 1951 in Wayne County, NC. Services of caring compassionate and distinguished class entrusted to J.B. Rhodes Funeral & Cremations of Goldsboro.



Diane was a longtime devoted and active member of the organization. She will forever be remembered for her longtime support of the organization. Diane was a member of the Dillard High School Class of 1969 and the Goldsboro Chapter.



Mr. Cecil Nathaniel McKeithan August 10, 1944 - June 3, 2023 Obituary as posted by J.B. Rhodes Funeral & Cremations of Goldsboro Website

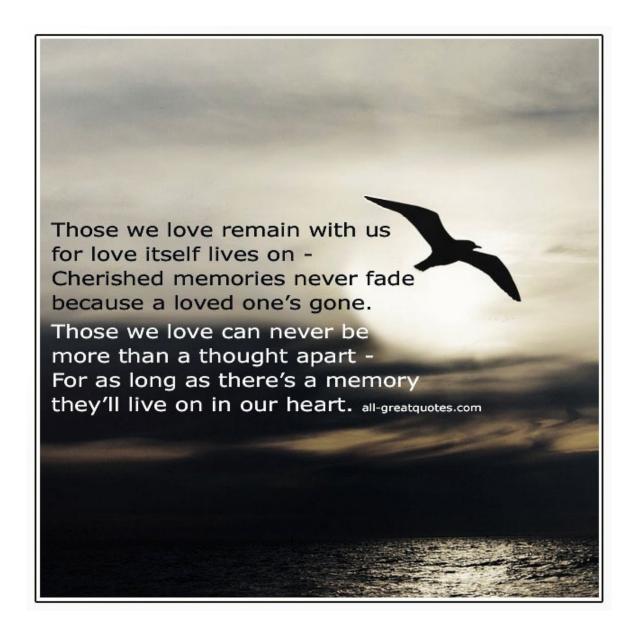
Georgia - Mr. Cecil N. McKeithan, 78, completed his earthly walk of life on Saturday, June 3, 2023 at the Emory Decatur Hospital, Decatur, GA. There will be a Memorial Celebration held on Saturday, June 10, 2023 at 3:00pm Dillard Goldsboro Alumni Building (HV Brown Hall), 801 Poplar Street, Goldsboro, NC.

He was born on August 10, 1944 in Wayne County, NC to Charles McKeithan and Margaret Henderson McKeithan. He is survived by his son, Cleveland McKeithan; his brothers: Cleveland (Stephanie) McKithan and Robert (Elaine) McKeithan; and a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

The family is receiving friends at the home of his brother, Cleveland McKithan.

Services of caring compassionate and distinguished class entrusted to J.B. Rhodes Funeral & Cremations of Goldsboro.

Cecil was a member of Dillard High School Class of 1962. He was an active and involved member of the organization for many years. Cecil was a member of the Atlanta Chapter. He will be remembered for his support of the organization and high level knowledge of the organization's history including the Constitution and Bylaws.



BLUE & GOLD

Dear Alumni & Friends:

The National Communication Committee would like to introduce you to the newsletter: Dillard/ Goldsboro Quarterly "Catch the Pride." We are planning to release the Newsletter quarterly on the dates listed below. We are writing to inform you of the process to submit ads for the Dillard/Goldsboro Quarterly "Catch the Pride. You will also see below the prices for the various size ads and hope that you will utilize the form to submit ads for the newsletter.

Your ad may be used to solicit patronage for your personal businesses or to give birthday or anniversary shout-outs to loved ones and friends. Individual classes may also use the ads to highlight their anniversaries, memorialize classmates or for newsworthy events/activities being sponsored by the individual classes. We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to advertise in the Dillard/Goldsboro Quarterly "Catch the Pride".

The Dillard/Goldsboro Quarterly "Catch the Pride" is scheduled to be released on the following dates with designated deadlines for submissions:

October 2022 submission deadline 10/1/22 April 2023 (Pre-Homecoming) submission deadline 4/1/23 July 2023 (Pre-Homecoming) submission deadline 7/1/23

Ad Sizes and Prices are as follows.

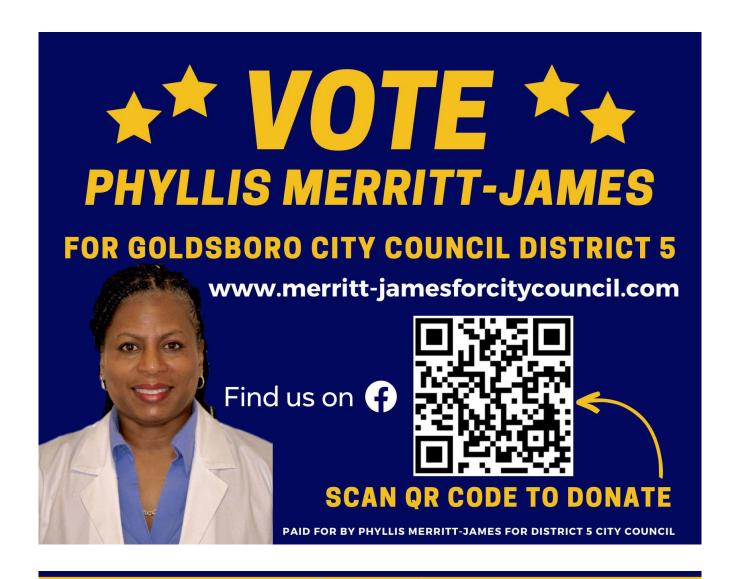
Full Page - \$100.00 Half Page - \$75.00 Quarter Page - \$50.00 Eighth Page/Business Card - \$25.00

Please utilize the link below to submit your ad and payment. bit.ly/DGAFNewsletterAd
Please note that the ad you purchase will be for the date you select on the form. You are more than welcome to select as many dates as you desire. You will just need to fill out a separate payment with the designated payment for each ad.

We want these ads to be utilized to promote and highlight businesses as well as be utilized for personal announcements, memorials, etc. Thanks in advance for your support.

Questions Email: dgafcommunication@gmail.com

DGAF, Inc. National Communication Committee





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EDUCATION/BACKGROUND

Goldsboro High School Class of 1983 UNC Chapel Hill Class of Class of 1987

-Bachelors of Science in Nursing
 East Carolina University Class of 1995

-Masters of Science in Nursing UNC Chapel Hill 2003

-Post Masters Family Nurse Practitioner Certification

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

1995- Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society (ECU Nursing)
2000- Nurse Excellence Award (Wayne Memorial Hospital)

PUBLIC SERVICE

1998- MEMBER WAYNE ACTION TEAM FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH (WATCH)

1998- CO-CHAIRPERSON OF ADULT SUBCOMMITTEE FOR HEALTHY BEHAVIORS TASK FORCE

1998- TEAM LEADER FOR AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION HEART WALK

2018- PRECINCT 11 PAST VICE CHAIR WAYNE COUNTY DEMICRATIC PARTY

2018- POLL OBSERVER. BLS AND ACLS INSTRUCTOR

2020- PRECEPTOR FOR DOCTORATE OF NURSING PROGRAMS UNC WILMINGTON AND LENOIR RHYNE UNIVERSITY

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Faith White of Southeast
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this year's chapter
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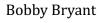
Members of the class of 1968 who passed away between May of 2022 and May of 2023



Until We Meet Again

We think about you always, We talk about you still, You have never been forgotten, And you never will. We hold you close with our heart, And there you will remain. To walk and guide us through our lives. Until we meet again

Julia Mae Rich Black



Richard Wilson

Robert Becton



Sandra Shields



Edna Faye Smith Lyons



Audrey Braswell Raseeb





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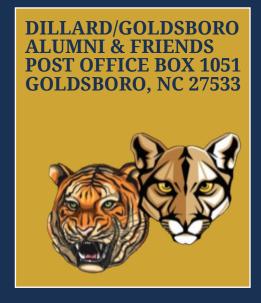
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There are several ways to stay connected with DGAF, Inc. Please consider one or more of the ways listed below.

- 1. Become a member by way of a local chapter or directly through the national organization. National dues are \$75 and can be paid via Pay-Pal or by mail. PayPal: natdgafincinfo@gmail.com be sure to include your name, phone number, email, and mailing address in the notes section. Mail to: DGAF, Inc., Attention: Financial Secretary, P. O. Box 1051, Goldsboro, NC 27533
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