



The Battering Ram

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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 19, 2018
Founder's Day

October 20, 2018
Homecoming

January 12, 2019
Winter Board Meeting
Charlotte

April 13, 2019
Annual Membership
Meeting
Winston-Salem

Miss and Mr. Alumni 2018-2019



It is with great pleasure that the Miss and Mr. Alumni Committee announces the winners of the 2018 Miss and Mr. Alumni Contest.

Miss WSSU Alumni 2018 is Cherone Johnson '84. She is a member of the Charlotte-QC Rams Chapter.

Mr. WSSU Alumni 2018 is Mr. Anthony Pace '76. He is a member of the DC Metro Chapter.

Miss and Mr. Alumni are looking forward to serving Winston-Salem State University. Please greet our new alumni queen and king. They will both be available during homecoming.

Congratulations also to the other contestants:

Attendant 1 - Renee Coleman Alexander '91

Attendant 2 - Audrey Brown '91

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As God has guided the work of a tremendously supportive cast in making the 2017-18 year a success, I give Him and the team a huge thank you! I am grateful for His ultimate leadership in my life, as well as blessing me with the opportunity to lead in the capacity of President. It is my esteemed honor to do so, representing this grand university and the principles that it was founded upon.

At WSSU, we believe colleges and universities must take responsibility for ensuring that students receive access to the opportunities needed to prepare them for the demands of the 21st century. Congratulations to Cherone Austin Johnson – Miss Alumni, Anthony L. Pace – Mr. Alumni, Renee Coleman Alexander, and Audrey Brown. You played an important role in raising funds to allow us to provide scholarships to academically promising but financially needy students. I am grateful to all alumni, friends and business partners who contributed to our campaign.

People with a liberal education are able to think about and view the world from several different perspectives. It gives you a strong sense of personal and social responsibilities that are important in all spheres of life. WSSU National Alumni Association Hall of Distinction was established to recognize and honor individuals who have demonstrated distinguished professional accomplishments, outstanding character, community service and a commitment to our university. Congratulations to the 2018 Inductees: Cheryl Brooks Akuma '77, Valeria Clark Edwards '78, Thomas Monteiro '61, and Lillie M. Walters '70.

We must remain faithful and unwavering in our call to serve. We must continue to grow our financial membership and support our alma mater.

Please become a member or remain a financial member of the Association and contribute to our WSSU National Alumni Scholarship Endowment annually. The Association seeks to engage all alumni and Ram supporters. We are "Linked Together in Unity, Serving Together with Purpose."

Sincerely,

Victor L. Bruinton '82
National President

CHAPTER NEWS

ATLANTA

New officers for 2018-2020

President - Veronica Carter Jackson

Vice President - Murdock Williams

Secretary - Wanda Smith

Treasurer - Cheryl Brooks Akuma

SALISBURY/ROWAN

We celebrated our one-year anniversary of being chartered. At our celebration we were fortunate to have rising junior Jaylen Brown, 2018-2019 WSSU SGA Chief of Staff. Jaylen spoke on issues regarding current students and how he can assist with engaging local high school seniors.

On May 8 we participated in a community outreach program at the Salisbury VA Medical Center. We provided bingo gifts and snack bags for the veterans.

WSSU'S Facebook page shined the light on Mother's Day and featured 3 young ladies that are mothers from the Salisbury area. These young ladies will be members of our chapter.



WSSU NURSING GALA



To purchase tickets or tables of 10, go to <https://www.paypal.me/wssunurse gala>

To purchase your tax-deductible full page color ad, please contact Dr Clifton Kenon at kenoncj@wssu.edu



WSSU HOMECOMING 2018 NAA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY – OCTOBER 18

Miss and Mr. Alumni Tea and Reception
2:30 P.M.
The Hawthorne Inn & Conference Center



FRIDAY – OCTOBER 19

Alumni Check-in/Registration
11:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Carolina Hall Courtyard, WSSU Campus



Alumni Hall of Distinction and Crowning Ceremonies
7:00 P.M.
Embassy Suites, Gaines Ballroom



Alumni Homecoming Kickoff Party - The Royal Ram Soiree
9:30 P.M.

Featuring DJ Cleve, Cash Bar - \$25.00 in advance / more at the door.
Marriott Hotel, Hearn Ballroom

<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/winston-salem-state-university-national-alumni-association-17759159970> .

SATURDAY – OCTOBER 20

35+ Grand Finale Party
10 P.M. to 2 A. M.

Featuring DJ Energizer, Cash Bar - \$20.00 in advance / more at the door.
Benton Convention Center, Winston Ballroom



LEGENDARY Party - Hosted by Bdaht & Sport Odie
11 P.M. to 2 A.M. - Embassy Suites, Pavilion
In partnership with WSSUNAA and Fab 5

FRIENDS III Party
11 P.M. to 2:00 A.M. - BB&T Ballpark, Hospitality Suite
In partnership with WSSUNAA and Ros3wood Marketing LLC

CLASS REUNION CONTACTS

Class Year	Anniversary	Contacts	Contact Information
1958	60	Theresa Snuggs	tsnuggs@ymail.com or 301-773-9127
1963	55	James R. Jarrell	jrj70@hotmail.com
1968	50	Lewis Turner Annetta Russell Payne	lturn1231@aol.com 336-6671-0913
1973	45	Greg Squires	gregorysquires@gmail.com
1978	40	Donald R. Henderson	hrdonald@gmail.com
1983	35	Myra Waddell	waddellm@wssu.edu
1988	30	Cassandra H. Black	cassandra.lblack3@gmail.com
1993	25	Chief Patricia Norris	norrispd@wssu.edu
1998	20	Tafoya Hubbard	tafoya_hubbard@yahoo.com
2003	15	Marcus Huitt	Mhuitt@yahoo.com
2008	10	Terrell Stephens Haven Powell	robertstephens0116@gmail.com; havenliz86@gmail.com
2013	5	Austin Grier	grierav@wssu.edu



Homecoming
10.20.18



TIME TO RENEW MEMBERSHIPS

Regular members, it's time to renew your association membership. THANK YOU for your continued support!

Our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30

BUILDING DEDICATED TO LATE WALTER MARSHALL '65



Walter Marshall was a crusader for justice and a champion of the African American community for all of his extraordinary life. Walter was a 1965 graduate of Winston-Salem State University and N.C. A&T State University. He taught children with learning disabilities for several years. His experience in the classroom influenced his decision to make education a paramount issue in his life. He helped to push the local school system to desegregate and later took the helm of the local NAACP chapter.

Marshall was elected to the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education in the 1980's; he left the school board after his appointment to the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, where he served until his death.

Walter was never afraid to stand up for what was right even if it meant standing alone. Because of his steadfast personality, he was able to convince some of the most conservative commissioners to do what was right in the interest of bettering the community. His motto was that government's main job was to support those people who were in the dawn of life (babies) and those who were in the twilight of life (the elderly).

Walter Marshall's legacy will forever be remembered in the community. An athletic scholarship was named in his honor at WSSU for athletes that needed extra help to meet their financial obligations. He was also honored by having the Forsyth County Social Services Building named in his honor.

His accomplishments in his life truly depicted the WSSU motto: *"Enter to learn, Depart to serve."*

Walter is survived by his wife, Paulette, two children, Krista and Malcolm; three grandchildren: Ashanti, Ahmani and Khouri; and scores of friends and admirers.

In Memoriam



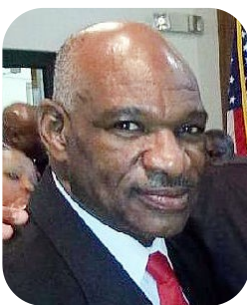
Jimmice Hart Jones
Class of 1982



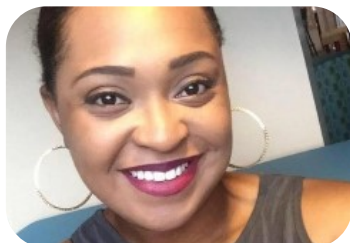
**Robert "Bobby"
Lonnell Giles**



Willie Rogers
Class of 1970



James A. Griffin, Jr.
Class of 1975



Faith Webber
Class of 2016

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Deadline dates for the four
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<u>Issue</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Winter	December 1
Spring	March 1
Summer	June 1
Fall	September 1

ASSOCIATION LOCK BOX

Please mail ALL membership dues and
associated documentation ONLY to the
Association lock box. If dues are mailed to
the campus address, the process of
receiving, posing, and receipting the
information is delayed.

Dues and all other monies should be mailed
to:

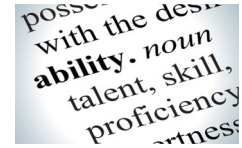
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Ability

is what you're capable of doing.



Motivation

determines what you do.



Attitude

determines how well you do it.

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