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legacy of
George P. Phenix High School
Class of 1968!



Sheriff B. J. Roberts

Welcome fellow alumni of
George Phenix High!
This is a special time to
remember the past and celebrate the future.
I hope you enjoy the reunion!

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Welcome

Velcome to the fourth annual George P. Phenix High School Alumni Association Legacy Reception Dinner and Dance. This weekend marks the beginning of an extraordinary period in the history of the Alumni Association. Today we will induct four more classmates as Distinguished Alumni. In August we will dedicate the new Phenix School and in September we will help open the school doors to 1300 students as the next generation of Phenix Alumni.

The Alumni Association has pledged our support as mentors, speakers, volunteers, and PTA members to insure that this school has the resources to be a school of excellence. We encourage all alumnae to do what you can to support the school.

The Alumni Association is creating a Phenix Scholarship Fund. The criteria is being established but we hope to award our first scholarships in May 2011 to deserving high school students.

Your Alumni Association continues to grow and this year we have over 110 paid members. We hope that you enjoy the Legacy Reception, the annual cookout, and the social opportunities throughout the year, but we would also like you to consider becoming a member of the Phenix High School Alumni Association by paying the \$35.00 annual dues or donating money to the scholarship fund.

Sit back and enjoy the program. Say hello to old friends as we remember the past and embrace the future of our new school.

THE PHENIX LEGACY LIVES ON

The History of George P. Phenix High School

George P. Phenix moved to Hampton, Virginia in 1904 to teach at today's Hampton University. His exemplary service at the Institute earned him immediate notice and promotion. In 1908 he rose to the position of Vice-principal. He further earned the responsibility of overseeing the Institute's summer-school program. In 1928, Phenix



succeeded Dr. James Gregg as principal of Hampton Institute. Dr. Phenix saw the need to have equal education for Black students and campaigned tirelessly to raise funds to construct a new K-12 school on campus. The school was under construction when Dr. Phenix died in 1930. Dr. Phenix was the first to use the title president. In 1931 the new school opened on campus and was named the George P. Phenix Training School in his honor. Ian Ross became the first principal of the school. This was the only high school black students could attend at the time. Mr. G. W. Stephenson became the sixth principal in 1954 and served until 1966. In 1962 the City of Hampton opened a new predominately black high school on LaSalle Avenue to replace the school on Hampton's

campus and the school was named George P. Phenix High School to carry on his legacy. In 1968 the Hampton City School Board, due to integration re-named Phenix to Pembroke High School. Pembroke closed in 1980. However the Phenix Plus 50 Alumni refused to allow the legacy to die. The Alumni Association gathered over 700 names on a petition to the Hampton School Board to name a new proposed school after George P. Phenix. Today's Phenix Alumni Association is strong as ever and will help dedicate a new Phenix School, scheduled to open in September 2010.



The Phenix Legacy Oral Histories

Become a part of the Phenix Legacy Living History.

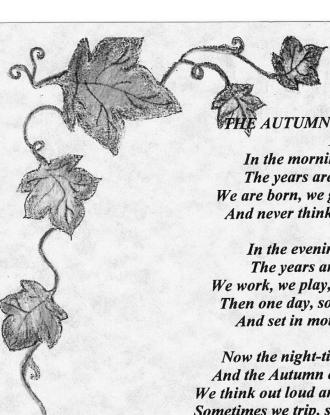
Now is the time to record your precious memories to video tape to document your time at Phenix and growing up in Hampton.

How did you survive and excel? We want to know.

Local alumnae can contact Calvin Pearson to schedule your appointment.

Call 757-380-1319 or email calvinpearson@verizon.net





THE AUTUMN OF OUR LIVES

In the morning of our lives
The years are like summer.
We are born, we grow, we stand tall
And never think that we will fall.

In the evening of our lives
The years are like spring.
We work, we play, we dance, we sing.
Then one day, some doubts appear
And set in motion bits of fear.

Now the night-time years are here
And the Autumn of our lives is clear.
We think out loud and sometimes mumble
Sometimes we trip, sometimes we stumble.
Sometimes we wait for help from others
As they smile and call us, "Dad and Mother..."
For things we used to do for one another.

But Lord, we can't, so now we see
Just what our Autumn years will be.
We hope we've enriched the lives we've touched
And they understand we love them so much.
Our Autumn years are getting shorter
And we wish we could stay longer.
As we think of all that we have done
We pray You're pleased with the race we've run.

Now we pray to have strength and courage And our loved ones near, Then we won't worry and we won't fear, Now that the Autumn of our lives is here.

Written by Joyce BrownWilkins (for The Golden Agers)

Class of 1953





We Celebrate the Naming of a New Phenix School

The name of George P. Phenix has stood for educational excellence since the first George P. Phenix Training School was opened on the campus of Hampton Institute in 1931. From that early beginning, generations of graduates have gone on to become leaders of yesterday and today. It was that Phenix Pirate Pride that taught us we could be anything we set our minds to be. We became teachers, doctors, nurses, lawyers, scientist, engineers and politicians. And many became housewives, domestic workers, civic leaders, and community organizers.

We were taught it was not what you did, but how well you did it. It all began in 1931 with the first class graduating in 1932. It ended in 1968 with the last graduating class. In the fifties the Supreme Court said the we had the right to equal educational facilities. But they would not come soon. In the sixties we went to war again for a freedom that America was still not ready to grant us. The Civil Rights movement was taking hold and the Civil Rights Act was approved, yet in 1968 our dear alma mater was closed due to integration. In 2008, forty years after the Phenix High School on LaSalle Avenue was closed, your Phenix Alumni petitioned the Hampton School Board to name a new school after George P. Phenix. Although it would not be another high school, any school would reestablish our connection to the past to welcome in a new generations of Phenix Alumni.

In 2009, our request was granted as George P. Phenix was selected to be honored by naming a new school after him. The school board decided that the proposed kindergarten and elementary school children should have a voice in selecting the school colors and mascot. Although we preferred the maroon and gray, and pirate, the students selected maroon and gray, and a panther as their mascot. We have a school we can call our own and the legacy of George P. Phenix lives on. The new Phenix School is scheduled to open in September 2010.



George P. Phenix School

~ Program ~

4:00 P.M. Meet and Greet, Find Seat

4:30

Welcome Calvin Pearson, President, Alumni Association

The Occasion Louis Johnson, Class of 1963

Invocation Pastor Walter Jones, Class of 1960

World Victory Church & Life Center

Musical Selection Maestro Henry Wilson

and the Sounds of Phenix

~~ Dinner ~~

Musical Performance Indigo - Bethel High School Male A Cappella

Ensemble

Do You Remember When? Carmen Neal, Class of 1968

Recognizing Reunion Classes

High School Reflections Olivia James Cherry, Class of 1946

Introduction of Speaker Jo Shuler, Class of 1960

Keynote Speaker The Honorable Judge Bonnie L. Jones

Presentation Distinguished

Alumni Awards

Madeline Barnes, Class of 1958

Distinguished Alumni Committee

Honoring deceased teachers

classmates and administrators

Brenda Fletcher Johnson, Class of 1968

Edwardine Travis Whitehead, Class of 1967

Singing of the Alma Mater

Closing Remarks

Benediction Pastor Walter Jones, Class of 1960

Enjoy the rest evening with DJ MR FLEX -757-298-5831

~ MENU ~

Garden Tossed Salad with Ranch and Italian Dressings

Chicken Marsala Breast of Chicken with a Rich Marsala Demi Glace and Mushrooms

> Chef's Choice of Starch Chef's Choice of Vegetable Warm Rolls and Butter

Chocolate Layer Cake Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea

Keynote Speaker

The Honorable Judge Bonnie L. Jones



The Honorable Bonnie. L Jones attended Phenix High School on LaSalle Avenue before graduating from Pembroke High when the school name was changed. Judge Jones was appointed Judge of the Hampton Circuit Court in March 2009. She also served as Judge in General District Court in Hampton from 1996 until her appointment to the Circuit Court. Before becoming a judge, she had been a member of the Hampton law firm McDermott, Roe & Jones. Judge Jones is a graduate of Lincoln University in Pennsylvania and North Carolina University School of Law. In addition to being and adjunct professor at the College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe School of Law, she has taught law related courses at Thomas Nelson Community College, Hampton Roads Regional Academy of Criminal Justice and Hampton University. She serves on numerous committees and is a big supporter of Drug Court where she served on the planning committee and is now a Drug Court Advisory Committee Member.

2010 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

Hugh Harrell, III



Class of 1962

Hugh has ancestors who were Nottoway, Chickahominy, Pamunkey, Mattaponi, Cherokee, African and Irish. His heritage led him to -found the Weyanoke Association for Red-Black History and Culture. The Association specializes in researching, collecting and disseminating information about peoples of African and Native descent, with particular emphasis on where the two histories and culture Converge. The Weyanoke Association has been existence since 1992. Hugh is also a singer and co-founder of Legacy of Weyanoke, and a cappella vocal ensemble specializing in the music and stories of African Diaspora. He has toured with major performing organizations to North America, South America, the Caribbean, rica, Asia, Europe, Italy, Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay. He has performed the role of Remus in Scott Joplin's Opera TREEMONISHA, and Solomon in the improvisational jazz Opera SOLOMON AND SHEBA. He played the lead role in of Basile in William Grant's opera A BAYOU LEGEND, he played the role of Peter for the Virginia Opera production of PORGY AND BESS. Hugh has also performed with Handel's Messiah as a soloist with the Phenix High School Choir and Hampton Institute Choir.

Linwood D. Harper Class of 1965



Butch as he is affectionately known, has excelled at creating opportunities through sports to foster an environment for the youth to succeed. He believes that it is important to be a role model for the many youth who do not have a father figure at home. In 1982 he -founded the Aberdeen Athletic Association that started out with one team and ten kids. The program has grown to include 5 football teams, 5 cheerleading squads, 20 basketball teams and 6 baseball teams. The program now is known as Deen Ball Sports, Inc. and has over 100 coaches and 600-700 kids every year. The Athletic Association tales anyone who shows an interest in a sport regardless of their ability to pay the registration fee or who can afford the proper equipment Mr. Harper for the past twenty-five years has also served as Youth Director for the Boo Williams AAU Program for boys and girls from ages 11 to 19. Every year dozens of athletes receive college scholarships. The program has produced two number one draft selections for the National Basketball Association and numerous professional basketball and football players. For the past fourteen years Mr. Harper has served as a member of the Hampton School Board and enthusiastically voted to support the naming of a new school after George P. Phenix. Mr. Harper has spent the past twentyeight years getting students involved in sports so that they can become better citizens.

2010 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

After graduating from Phenix, Ms. Johnson received her B. S. Degree in Pre-Med with concentration in Chemistry in 1975. She began her professional career as an analytical chemist and instrument engineer for Dow in Midland, Michigan. She then decided to go to law school and received her J. D from the College of William and Mary in 1984. Ms. Johnson is a trial lawyer for Paul Hastings in Washington D. C., specializing in the representation of management in labor and employment litigation. Ms. Johnson's current practice involves litigation in a number of areas, including civil rights discrimination claims in federal and state court, class and collective actions, whistleblower retaliation claims, wage and hour claims, public law (municipalities and schools), hospital law, breach of contract claims, premises liability, environmental racism, drug testing, business tort, and employment arbitrations. She also represents employers before state and federal agencies, including the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Texas Commission on Human Rights, The District of Columbia Human Rights Commission, the Department of Labor, and the Department of Justice. Ms. Johnson routinely assists employers with workplace investigations, implementing affirmative action plans and diversity programs, and day to day employment law issues.

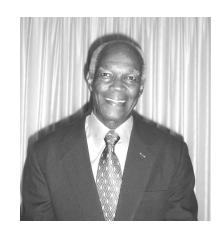
Barbara L. Johnson Class of 1968



After graduating from Phenix he attended Florida A&M University, graduating with honors in Health and Physical Education. After teaching in the Hampton City School system for one year, Charles received his Masters of Arts Degree in School Administration from Hampton University in 1970 and became an Instructional Supervisor. He was selected to establish and then serve as the first Student Activities Director with Hampton City Schools.

Mr. Wynder was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, United States Army in 1964. Subsequently, serving in numerous leadership and supervisory roles, one being the first black aide de Camp to the Deputy Commanding General US Army Communications Zone Europe. He concluded his military career with the rank of Colonel, US Army; the first Phenix alumni of any military service to achieve the grade of 06 with a December 12, 1982 Date of Rank. As a single parent, he and his three children were selected as the Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) Family of the Year, representing 22 TRADOC installations throughout the United States. His community work ranges from Boy Scout Troop Leader to District Chairman; vestry member of his church; volunteer and Board of Directors, Peninsula Habitat for Humanity; volunteer, Court Appointed Special Advocate for Youth; Board Member, Williamsburg James City County Community Services Board and Big Brothers – Big Sisters volunteer. He competes at the National Veterans Administration's Golden Age Games in Indianapolis, Indiana, and each year is a multiple golden medal winner.

Charles A. Wynder Class of 1959



Congratulations Barbara L. Johnson Distinguished Phenix High School Alumni 2010



Your Husband J. Michael Payne, Brother Sam and Sister Rose, Aunt Lou and Uncle Bill



We would like to commend the Alumni Association for upholding the legacy and storied history of George P. Phenix High School

Congratulations to Paul Hastings Partner Barbara L. Johnson...



Barbara L. Johnson Class of 1968

...and to the other award recipients

Hugh Harrell III Class of 1962

Charles A. Wynder

Linwood "Butch" Harper Class of 1965

Class of 1959



Greetings

From

Celestine Mitchell Harris Seattle, Washington

Class of 1950

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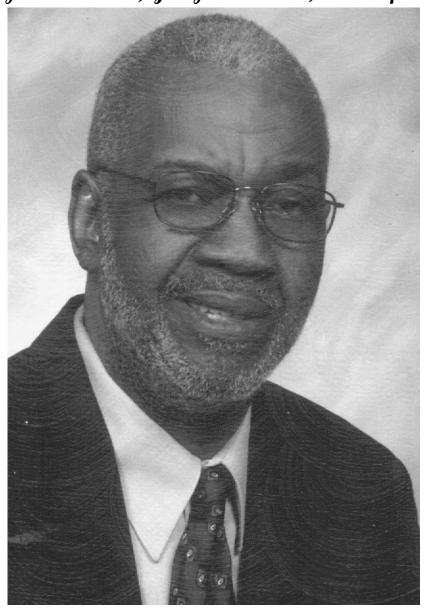
Class of 1950 is Celebrating their 60th Anniversary.

Go Forth, Work, Strive and Succeed.

Congratulations to all Distinguished Alumni and Keep the Phenix Legacy Alive.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO THE 2010 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

FROM
Rogers H. Ward, George P. Phenix, Class of 1952



Atlanta, Georgia

REMEMBERING THE "BABY" PIRATES



Class of 1957

Mr. G. W. Stevenson, Principal Elizabeth Jordan, Elizabeth Hines, and Thelma Boyd Class Sponsors

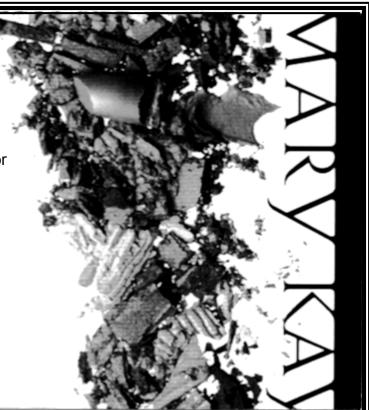
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Our National Hero

First Lieutenant Ruppert Leon Sargent



Ruppert Leon Sargent born on January 6, 1938, in Hampton, Virginia, First Lieutenant Sargent enlisted in the Army in January 1959. After graduating from George P. Phenix High School in 1956, he completed two years of college at Hampton Institute prior to entering the military. Sargent was a United States Army officer and a recipient of America's highest military decoration—the Medal of Honor—for his actions in the Vietnam War. He is the only Medal of Honor recipient who was born and raised in Hampton, Virginia. He is buried in the Hampton National cemetery. He died on March 15, 1967 at the age of 29.





Ruppert Leon Sargent Administration Building Dedicated by City of Hampton October 5, 2002.

Lieutenant Sargent's official Medal of Honor citation reads:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. While leading a platoon of Company B, 1st Lt. Sargent was investigating a reported Viet Cong meeting house and weapons cache. A tunnel entrance which 1st Lt. Sargent observed was booby trapped. He tried to destroy the booby trap and blow the cover from the tunnel using hand grenades, but this attempt was not successful. He and his demolition man moved in to destroy the booby trap and cover which flushed a Viet Cong soldier from the tunnel, who was immediately killed by the nearby platoon sergeant. 1st Lt. Sargent, the platoon sergeant, and a forward observer moved toward the tunnel entrance. As they approached, another Viet Cong emerged and threw 2 hand grenades that landed in the midst of the group. 1st Lt. Sargent fired hand grenades. He was mortally wounded, and his 2 companions were the 2 grenades. He was mortally wounded, and his 2 companions were lightly wounded when the grenades exploded. By his courageous and selfless act of exceptional heroism, he saved the lives of the platoon sergeant and forward observer and prevented the injury or death of several other nearby comrades. 1st Lt. Sargent's actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military services and reflect great credit upon himself and the U.S. Army.

Congratulations

Class of 1950

In Memory of

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Courtney, Sr.

Ernest D. Courtney, Sr.

Thank You For Your Contribution. The following classmates contributed money so that less fortunate classmates could attend today's Legacy Reception. Hattie McKinney Banks, Joan Burwell, Celestine & Rudy Carter, Loretta & Leroy Connelly, Beatrice & Ernest Courtney, Sr., Reba Diggs, Princess Facen, Lionel Findley, Thelma Forte, Dorothy & Alfred Garner, Patricia Gross, Frank & Deloris Mathis, Jr., Rosilyn & John Melvin, William H. Minns, III, Ernest L. Richardson, Jr., Albert Robinson, Knox W. Tull, Jr., Dr. Terry Whitaker, Rev. Willie & Rev. Mary Wilson, Ethel Woolfolk

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Previously Honored Distinguished Alumni

Class of 2007

Dr. Mary Christian - Dr. Christian served her community and the Commonwealth of Virginia for over fifty years. Dr. Christian started her professional career as a teacher at Aberdeen Elementary School in Hampton, Virginia. For more than 25 years, Dr. Christian was a professor at Hampton University in the School of Education. She then was elected to the House of Delegates and retired after 18 years of service.

Lionel Hope - At Phenix he was an avid athlete who was quarterback of the 1941 and 1942 State Football Championship teams, Captain of the basketball team, and a pivotal track team member. During his career he worked as an auditor for the District of Columbia; and Management Analyst for University of the District of Columbia. He entered politics and was elected to the Alexandria City Council in 1982, and became the City's first Black Vice Mayor.

Lillian Epps Johnson – A graduate from Phenix High in 1948, she earned a MA in Nursing from St. Philip School of Nursing at the Medical College of Virginia in 1952. Mrs. Johnson retired from Langley Air Force Base Hospital in 1987 after 32 years of faithful service. Mrs. Johnson was the first civilian employee to receive the Congressional Award for Exemplary Service to the Public and the Community and received the Outstanding Civilian Nurse and Federal Women of the Year awards.

Wilbert L. Lovett Sr. – He was Guidance Counselor and taught Physical Education and Biology and coached football at Phenix High School. Served as Athletic Director, Assistant Principal, and was the first Black Principal appointed to serve at Hampton High School. Was also principal at Bethel High School. He was instrumental in starting the Upward Bound Program at Hampton Institute for at risk students in high school and he started the National Teachers of Education Seminar at Hampton Institute.

Dana Nottingham – Dana was an outstanding tennis player at Phenix and earned a Masters in City Planning from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1977. He currently is the Executive Director of the Miami Florida — Downtown Development Authority. From 1996 to 2002 Dana was the founder and president of Nottingham & Associates, a consultant firm specializing in real estate, economic development and community building. From 1989 to 1996 Mr. Nottingham was a real estate executive Vice-president for the Walt — Disney Company.

Irving Peddrew, III - A Phenix 1953 graduate, Irving was the first African-American to be allowed to enroll at Virginia Tech. His success opened the door so that others could follow. On March 29, 2003, Irving L. Peddrew III and Charlie L. Yates were guests when Virginia Tech dedicated the Peddrew-Yates Residence Hall in honor of their achievements as and the first African-American to enroll and graduate from Virginia Tech.

Class of 2007

Leonard H. Powell - He is a widely respected national and international motivational and inspirational speaker. For over 25 years he served as an internal and external organizational development consultant. He is president of Powell and Reese, Inc. Management Consultants specializing in *Energizing the Human Potential* in Organizations. He is founder of the Powell Foundation, an organization designed to improve life in communities.

B. J. Roberts - A 1968 graduate of Phenix High, Sheriff Roberts began his law enforcement career as a patrolman on the Newport News Police Force. He then launched a 19-year career with Hampton University's Campus Police, rising to the rank of the Director of Police and Public Safety until 1992, at which time he was elected the first African-American constitutional officer and Sheriff for the City of Hampton.

Ruppert Leon Sargent (Posthoumsly) — A graduate of Phenix High School, he completed two years of college at Hampton Institute before entering the military. In 1967 in Viet Nam, 1st Lt. Ruppert Sargent valiantly gave his life by throwing himself on two grenades to save the lives of his fellow soldiers. In 2002 the City of Hampton dedicated the new administration building the Ruppert Leon Sargent Administration Building in his honor.

Mildred Smith - A graduate of the Dixie Hospital Nursing Program, she began her career at Hampton General Hospital. In 1963 she led a sit-in of the segregated cafeteria and was fired. She fought her battle all the way to the Supreme Court and won. Her victory eventually integrated all services of the hospital. She worked as a Supervisor at Whitaker Hospital before retiring from the VA Medical Center.

Raymond Washington – A 1954 graduate, earned his MS in Education from Indiana University. He began teaching in 1961 and rose to Assistant Superintendent in Hampton in 1976. In 1991 he was appointed the first Black Superintendent of Hampton City Schools and remained until he retired in 1994. His legacy was implementing programs for low achieving and gifted students.

Class of 2008

Jean Wooden Cunningham - Jean began her professional career as a junior high school teacher in Prince George County, Virginia. After a year, Jean relocated to New York and began working for IBM. After law school Jean began her legal career as a labor attorney with a three year stint with the Ford Motor Company and then continued her legal career with Reynolds Metals Company and Alcoa. She rose in the corporate ranks to the position of vice president and retired as vice president of human resources from Integris Metals. In 1986, Jean was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates, 71st House District and served with distinction until 1998, always running unopposed. Among her numerous awards and public service includes Co-Chair, Governor Warner's PASS Initiative; Outstanding Legislator Award Virginia Interfaith Center; NAACP Lifetime Achievement Award

Class of 2008

Lillie Mae Johnson Jones - Lillie Mae (1950) was the president of her high school class and graduated from Dixie Hospital School of Practical Nursing in 1958. She retired from Langley AFB Hospital in 1994 where she was often recognized as the Civilian of the Quarter. She served as chairperson for the Licensed Practical Nurse group. She was instrumental in the hospital receiving an outstanding rating from the Air Force Health Services Management Inspection Team. She was selected as the 1st Tactical Fighter Wig Surgeon Civilian of the Year. Ms. Jones served 2 terms as the President of the Phenix Plus 50 Group and served two terms as the President of Phenix Alumni Association. She has been recognized by the Hampton Alumnae Chapter; Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and citations from Zion and Queen Street Baptist Church.

Dr. Sarah E. (Price) Moten - Sarah is a 1960 graduate of Phenix High School and received her B. S. Degree from Hampton Institute, a Masters Degree from George Washington University and a Doctorate from Clark Atlanta University. Since 1982 she has had a distinguished career with the Federal Government. In 1982 she was a Country Director for the Unites States Peace Corps serving in Africa. She then held positions with the United States Department of Health and Human Resources; United States Department of State; the National Council of Negro Women; International Affairs Consultant, National Security Council; and currently works for the United States Agency for International Development – Africa Bureau. Her diverse career included being the Chief US Negotiator, Japan, for the return of refugees to Cambodia and Nicaragua.

Dr. Terry M. Whittaker - Terry (1968) was a student athlete at Phenix in the class room and on the basketball court and football field. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Whittaker received a master's degree from the University of Minnesota. He joined the University of Delaware in 1983 and has risen from director, to assistant dean of the Lerner College of Business and Economics; Assistant Dean for Professional Development; Assistant Dean in the Academic and Professional Development Center, to the current Assistant Provost for Student Diversity and Success in 2003. He chaired the Delaware United Fund Educational Division for five years and the NAACP, and he supports the local Y. H. Thomas Community Center. He is currently pursuing his doctorate degree from the University of Delaware.

Walter T. "Fuzzy" Ward (Posthumously) - Fuzzy (1957) received a B/S. Degree from Hampton Institute and a Masters from Manhattan College. Walter was best known for his great athletic skills in basketball. He played for the Baby Pirates at Phenix from 1952-1957. It was there he gained much popularity and fame for being the best all time player in the history of the school. At Hampton Institute he broke the all-time scoring record. He was drafted by the Detroit Pistons and the Washington Capitols to play professional basketball, but was required to accept the military draft. He served in the U.S. Army where he played basketball and was a one-man scoring machine. After his tour of duty he played in the nationally acclaimed Rucker Professional Basketball Tournament in New York, and the Eastern Professional Basketball League.

Class of 2009

Mark W. Clark, MD MPH - Dr. Clark, class of 1967 was known at Phenix High School as a studious person who was excelling in all that he was aspiring to do academically. When Dr Clark had completed most of his studies in Cardio Vascular Medicine, he came to the peninsula area and joined the staff at Newport News General Hospital in addition to other hospitals in this area. His reputation and status as a Cardio-Vascular Surgeon and his ability to therapeutically manage cardiac pathology had preceded him. The other physicians and nurses spoke highly of this well renowned cardiologist who would be coming from MCV in Richmond, VA. He brought a wealth of knowledge and advancement to the Newport News Hospital that helped elevate the level of health care practice and service to the Southeast Community. His Cardiology Team in addition to himself were, Dr V Francis, and Dr. D Ridley. They were a team of highly specialized physicians who all seemed to be well prepared and fluent in their practice of cardiovascular medicine. His Educational accomplishments includes Columbia University – 1970 – Bachelor of Arts; Harvard University; Doctor of Medicine and Masters in Public Health; Massachusetts Gen Hospital, Senior Assistant Resident, Medical College of Virginia, Cardiology Fellow. The designation of Fellow of The American College of Cardiology (FACC) represents recognition of high professional achievement in a cardiovascular subspecialty.

Mr. Rudy Langford - Mr. Langford has a diverse professional career, having worked as an adjudicator and accountant, General Accounting Office; Clerk, Circuit Court and Department of Corrections, Washington, DC Government; and Postmaster and Lecturer, Hampton University. He worked for ten (10) years with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during the Civil Rights Movement, working directly under Hosea Williams, 1958-1968. Also, he worked in three presidential campaigns, Robert Kennedy, Jimmy Carter, and William "Bill" Clinton. Mr. Langford has demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities, serving as President of: the State Coalition for Justice for Civil Rights, the Hampton Tenants' Association, and the Coalition for Good Government. He is founder of over sixteen (16) Civic Organizations, 1985-2005 and holds membership in the NAACP, SCLC, Urban League and Rainbow Coalition. Mr. Langford is sometimes deemed as controversial in his activism. However, he may also be perceived as an "unsung hero." This is because of his many acts of kindness, compassion and assistance, especially with the youth and senior citizens in the community. He willingly accepts this responsibility, but these services are largely unknown by the general public.

Knox W. Tull, Jr. - Mr. Tull, class of 1962, attended Hampton Institute where he spent two years. He then transferred to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor where he received the BS degree in Civil Engineering in 1967. He received the MS degree in Civil Engineering in 1972 from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta. He has completed the Owner/President Management Program (OPM31) at the Harvard Business School in Boston, MA. Prior to forming his company, Knox worked as a bridge engineer in California and as a structural engineer in Washington, DC and Atlanta, GA. He has also served on the faculties of Howard University and the University of the District of Columbia. Knox is the President and CEO of Jackson and Tull an engineering and technology company founded in 1974 and based in the Washington, DC area. A noteworthy project is providing construction inspection services for the rehabilitation of the Manhattan Bridge in New York City. J&T has evolved into a 250-person, primarily aerospace company with offices in Albuquerque, NM; Houston, TX and Los Angeles, CA. The company provides engineering services and builds satellite instruments for NASA, the Air Force and other customers. A noteworthy project is the Hubble Space Telescope. J&T is a family business. Brenda Temple Tull is an officer and manager. Mossi is the Chief Operating Officer (COO). Nzinga, Kimathi and Hatshepsitu are managers and engineers.

G. P. Phenix High School Alumni Association

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Alma Mater

Our strong band can ne'er be broken Formed in Phenix High Far surpassing wealth unspoken Sealed by friendship's tie

Dear Ole Phenix, Dear Ole Phenix Deep graven on each heart, Shall be found unwavering true When we from life shall part.

High school life at best is passing, Gliding swiftly by, Then let us pledge in word and deed Our love for Phenix High.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE

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