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Greetings,
With each passing day,
it never ceases to amaze me the amount of progress we have made at Johnson C. Smith University as we focus on being Charlotte’s Premier Independent Urban University. From a successful 2nd Annual Arch of Triumph Gala benefitting our scholarship fund to the Belk Foundation’s substantial gift for our retail management program, JCSU is shining brightly in the Charlotte community. Our students are stellar in their own right—original thinkers with a passion for success and no fear of professional limitations. Faculty’s commitment to applied research and innovative teaching methods, as well as staff support, ensure that our students have every opportunity to excel academically and that their “Smith Experience” will be one they cherish for a lifetime.

Smith is on a journey to greatness and with continued support of alumni and friends we will reach this destination. One important stop along the way is civic engagement. JCSU’s partnerships with community organizations will expand exponentially. To illustrate, we hosted the Rubin-King Initiative, a cultural dialog between the Jewish and African American community. In addition, our inaugural Foster Care Conference brought human service professionals and young people who have aged-out of foster care together for dynamic workshops and panel discussions.

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Class of 2010 Commencement: A Family Affair

By Benny L. Smith, APR, MMC, Public Relations Director

When Rasheedah Alexander’s daughter, R’Ameerah, told her that she was not interested in continuing her freshman year at Anderson University, she made her daughter a promise — continue to pursue a degree somewhere and the mother would go back to college.

“My daughter reminded me that I didn’t finish college, so she assumed it would be fine for her to stop as well,” Alexander said. “So I told myself that I had to get on it. I couldn’t argue with that.” The mother then secretly applied for enrollment to Johnson C. Smith University during the spring 2007 semester without telling her daughter. Her daughter decided to enroll at JCSU in the fall of that same year after taking summer classes.

“I think I told her a couple of days before registration that I was going to be a student at Smith as well,” Rasheedah said.

The two didn’t just complete their degrees. Both finished with honors and earned the highest grade point averages in their departments. Daughter R’Ameerah said she didn’t like going to school with her mom at first, but that she quickly passed and she was “fine with it.” Actually, it helped both of them because the daughter’s strength is math and the mother’s strength is English.

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She told the graduates they should find their passion, commit to reason, reject false pride, be optimistic, and work to advance human progress.

Rice, now a political science professor at Stanford University, recalled romping around the JCSU campus as a young girl while her father, the late Rev. John Wesley Rice, attended a minister’s conference. Rice’s father is a 1946 graduate of JCSU.

JCSU President Dr. Ronald L. Carter and JCSU Board of Trustees Chairman Parran Foster presented Dr. Rice with the honorary Doctorate of Laws degree before she spoke to the large crowd. Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Postsecondary Education Dr. Leonard L. Haynes III also received a Doctorate of Humane Letters.

“Johnson C. Smith University has made a lot of progress,” Dr. Rice told her audience, “but I think it’s kept the same heart and soul.” She said that after graduating, many students focus just on landing a job or going to graduate school and their dreams are left aside dwindling. She told them to find their passions and vigorously go after them.

“I don’t mean any old thing that interests you, or something you could or might do,” she said. “But that one unique calling that you can’t do without.” Rice spoke of her own early aspirations to become a concert pianist. But after realizing that her talents were limited, she discovered Russian studies, which eventually led her to the highest levels of government. She compared her passion
for Russian studies to finding love: “I couldn’t explain it, but it felt right.”

“Your passion may be hard to spot,” she told the graduates. “But keep an open mind and keep searching.”

After her speech, she received a thunderous applause from the hundreds of attendees and steadily watched as each graduate walked across the outside stage to get their degree.

In addition to the Alexanders receiving their degrees, there was another JCSU family connection that most of the audience didn’t know was unfolding before their eyes. JCSU English professor, Dr. Maxine Funderburk Moore, watched as her grandson, Charles Donaldson, a fifth-generation student who has matriculated through JCSU going back to 1877 when his great great great grandfather, Louis Benjamin Funderburk, graduated. He was followed by William Funderburk who finished in 1915, then Dr. Maxine Funderburk Moore who finished in 1965, Moore’s daughter, who is also Donaldson’s mother (Monique Donaldson) attended JCSU but because there were no programs in her particular major she had to transfer.

“Out family has always been Smith grounded,” Dr. Moore said. “We all knew that when we finished high school, JCSU was next. Once we attend JCSU, we knew that we had the needed tools to go anywhere we wanted to in life.”

Q City Memo.com contributed to this story.
The Johnson C. Smith family wishes to thank everyone who took part in the 2nd annual Arch of Triumph Gala. The outpouring of generosity will benefit the JCSU Fund which raises needed funds for scholarships, teaching and learning initiatives, and programs vital to providing a quality educational experience to JCSU students. This year’s gala raised over $200,000 and nearly 800 guests were in attendance.

We also would like to extend a special Thank You to our presenting sponsor, Wachovia, a Wells Fargo Company, as well as to our gold, silver, bronze and table sponsors for their phenomenal support.

Again, we appreciate your continued support of Johnson C. Smith University and look forward to seeing everyone next year at the 3rd annual Arch of Triumph Gala on April 16, 2011.
**JCSU President Hires and Promotes Staff**

Dr. Helen Taylor Caldwell
Dean of College of Professional Studies

JCSU named Dr. Helen Taylor Caldwell as the dean of the College of Professional Studies in February 2010. Her permanent appointment came eight months after she was appointed interim dean of the program in 2009. Dr. Caldwell is currently an associate professor of social work and served as the previous faculty senate leader.

As the dean of the College of Professional Studies, Dr. Caldwell joins the Council of Deans and the Administrative Council. The College of Professional Studies includes the following: health and human performance, business administration and economics, education, and social work. Dr. Caldwell earned a master’s in social work from Rutgers University and a Ph.D. in urban higher education from Jackson State University.

Dr. Caldwell now serves as chief administrative officer of the College of Professional Studies and provides overall supervision and direction to the myriad of functions performed within the college. She reports to the president.

**Rexon Campbell Executive Assistant to the President**

Rexon Campbell, formerly FDJ Inc. business development and training director, has replaced Cathy Hurd as the new executive assistant to the president for administration. Campbell has worked most of his career in the hospitality/food service industry leading positions with FDY, Inc., Livingston College, and Darden Restaurants. He also served as a hotel & restaurant management instructor at Katherine Gibbs College in New York.

**Cathy Hurd Associated Dean of the Metropolitan College**

Cathy Hurd, formerly executive assistant to the president for administration, has been promoted to the position of associate dean of the Metropolitan College. She brings to the position a registrar and human resource manager background. Her primary responsibility in the new position will be to build its academic program, assist and hire staff with the college, recruit students, maintain student records, coordinate registration and other engaging adult learner activities. Hurd has worked with the University since January 2009.

She obtained her undergraduate degree in business management from Coker College. She also earned a Master of Science in Higher Education administration from Capella University. Hurd continues to pursue a post-masters certificate in enrollment management as well as a Ph.D. in higher education administration from Capella University. Hurd is a native of Smithfield, Va.

**Gregory Harris Chief of Police**

Chief Gregory Harris, a full-time instructor and faculty member in the criminal justice department at South Carolina State University officially began on February 15, 2010. JCSU made the announcement Thursday, February 4, 2010, during a special meet and greet session which was well-attended by faculty, staff, students, and the Charlotte community.

Chief Harris brings nearly 21 years of domestic, international, public, private and government management expertise to JCSU. He has served as chief of police for the second largest Division I university police department in the state of South Carolina and special agent senior/hotline agent for the Georgia Bureau of Investigations. He was the director of state and private law enforcement agencies of various sizes in cities such as Atlanta, Ga; Marietta, Ga; Columbus, Ga; Orangeburg, S.C. and Clemson, S.C. Chief Harris also directed security efforts for a parking venue during the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games and managed security operations at the 2007 democratic presidential Debate held at South Carolina State University.

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When John Cureton first walked on the Johnson C. Smith University campus, it was the beginning of a wonderful relationship that thrives to this day. He came to JCSU from Oxford, N.C., where he was the only child of parents who believed in the value of education. His mother was a graduate of Bennett College in Greensboro and served as an elementary school teacher in their hometown. His father graduated from A&T State University and owned and operated his own business for 50 years in Oxford.

Mr. Cureton remembers Oxford as “a vibrant, dynamic little town, principally known for tobacco warehouses. It was a lively place to grow up, with an almost even mix of black and white people. I received a good education at the Mary Potter Academy, a Presbyterian boarding school with kids from all over the world.”

He committed to JCSU at an early age through his trips to Charlotte to visit his father’s three sisters who studied at the University. “Charlotte was already like my second home, and my aunts kept Smith close to my heart during my growing-up years.”

At JCSU, Mr. Cureton was greatly influenced by one of his professors, Dr. John Low, who taught psychology and was dedicated to serving mankind. Upon graduation in 1960, Mr. Cureton went to work at the New York State Department of Mental Hygiene as a social worker. He pursued a National Institute of Mental Health scholarship and attended graduate school in psychiatric social work at the University of Pennsylvania, after taking courses in social work at the University of Pennsylvania, after taking courses in psychiatric social work, for companies such as Philco-Ford Corporation, Schenectady Corporation, Heublein, Incorporated, and United States Tobacco, Incorporated.

In August 1963, Mr. Cureton made what he calls “the best move of my life,” when he married Carolyn Bethea from South Carolina. They traveled the world over and lived in big cities from New York to Connecticut, but they visited the Carolinas every chance they got. A son and his family live in East Norwich, Pa., and a daughter and her family live in Peachtree City, Ga. “We settled in Cary and are making the transition to retirement, but we’re far too busy with our church, organizations and memberships to think of ourselves as truly retired.”

He and his wife are glad to be closer to Charlotte now. They enjoy visiting the campus. “My instructors and professors were warm and available to students. It wasn’t like they talked down to us, but they were open to questions and conversations. It was a participatory learning environment and I cherished that. Under Dr. Carter’s leadership, I feel that the University will continue to flourish. It’s a beautiful place to visit and we really have fun at football and basketball games too.”

Mr. Cureton is quite busy with many organizations, especially his fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi, and his local chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen. Members of the Airmen clubs are interested in aviation and in introducing students to the disciplines of engineering, science and math. One can’t imagine a better person to inspire young people to pursue the kind of education that allows them to fulfill their interests and their dreams, the kind of education that he found at Johnson C. Smith University.
JCSU Makes Top 100 Degree Producers Ranking

Johnson C. Smith University has secured a high ranking in Degree Rates in Higher Education Magazine’s 2009 “Top 100 Degree Producers” for African American undergraduates majoring in computer science and information systems. JCSU ranked 16th among the top degree producers in the nation, according to a study published in a recent edition of Degree Rates in Higher Education. According to the Degree Rates’ website, institutions that are “Top Degree Producers” are ranked according to the total number of degrees awarded to minority students in all disciplines as well as specific disciplines. Data from the United States Department of Education is used to compile the results.

JCSU Introduces New YouTube Channel

Johnson C. Smith University has an official YouTube channel – JohnsonCSmithU! The channel is collaboration between the JCSU public relations department and the James R. Duke Memorial Library. JohnsonCSmithU is a place to display campus events, lectures, and to share with the world all the opportunities that JCSU has to offer.

Among the videos available on the site include: the new JCSU branded commercial with comments from our students and faculty, an excerpt from Chattie Hattie’s talk about education – a YouTube site that showcases work by students from universities including Morehouse, Spelman, and Stanford among many others. These videos will be educational and fun as well as a great way for JCSU students to show their creative abilities.

As the site expands, CSU will join YouTube Edu – a YouTube site that showcases work from universities including Morehouse, UNCG, and Stanford among many others. The site is available at http://www.youtube.com/user/JohnsonCSmithU. Remember to subscribe to keep up with events!

JCSU STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

JCSU SENIOR RECEIVES STUDENT SERVICE & LEADERSHIP AWARD

Briana Fisher, senior criminology major, received a $500 cash award at the annual Distinguished Partners Organization’s gala on October 10, 2009. She was nominated by Dr. Antonia Mead, Dr. Ruth L. Greene is the Honors College’s university advisor for this award.

As a student in the Robert L. Albright Honors College, Fisher has served on the Judicial Board at JCSU. She was the recipient of the 2008 and 2009 W.T. Morris Scholarship. She is a member of Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society, Pi Gamma Mu Honor Society, and Phi Chi Honors Society.

To learn more about the Distinguished Partners Organization, visit http://www.distinguishedpartners.org/

JCSU STUDENT WINS POSTER CONTEST

Michelle Jackson, a junior biology-chemistry major from Denver, Colorado, recently was awarded first place for her poster presentation at the Historically Black Colleges and Universities – Undergraduate Program (HBCU-UP) National Research Conference. The competition was held October 29 – November 1, 2009, in Washington, D.C. Michelle completed her research at the University of Virginia last summer, and competed with 360 undergraduate student presenters from approximately 75 HBCU-UP programs across the country. Michelle’s presentation “Investigating Factor Deficiency and Platelet Function Using Sonoranhemostasy: Study of Patients with Congestion Disorders” earned her first place in the technology and engineering division for her research in biomedical engineering. Please join the College of STEM in congratulating Michelle on her accomplishment.

JCSU SENIOR RECEIVES VANGUARD AWARD

Junior and senior Student Support Services students participated in an essay contest sponsored by Vanguard. The students wrote about healthcare in relationship to their particular majors. Out of the submissions received by James Saunders, Director of Student Support Services, Jessica Jones, a senior majoring in social work from Washington, D.C., was unanimously selected winner. Jones’ essay argued that healthcare reform will bring about a better United States through the provision of affordable high quality health coverage.

“Vanguard is pleased to support the high-achieving students of our neighbor, JCSU, because we believe that today’s students are tomorrow’s leaders,” said Kassandria Timothy, Vanguard Retail Regional Services. Jones was presented a $350 award. Vanguard’s community outreach team offers this award yearly.

JCSU FRATERNITY WINS CIAA STEP SHOW

Congratulations to JCSU’s Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc! The chapter’s step team was the fraternity winner of the annual CIAA Step Show. After hours of practicing their precision moves, the team rose to the occasion beating four step teams from other CIAA colleges and universities. The team also won the 2009 JCSU Homecoming Step Show and the S.C. Upstate Homecoming Step Show earlier this year. Go Golden Bulls!

TWO JCSU STUDENTS AWARDED SHIROPOLY/RICHARDSON TRUSTEE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

Ariana Fisher, senior criminology major, and Marie Avery, senior biology-chemistry major, were selected for the University of Michigan Summer Research Program: Jermaine Gassaway, Erica Hilton, Jermaine Gassaway, Erica Hilton, received $3,000 for the 2010-2011 academic year.

Psychology Major Selected for Summer Research Program

Monique Kelly, psychology major, was selected for the University of Michigan Summer Research Program. The UMich Internship Program consists of learning technical data processing components and participation in The 1 Summer Program of Quantitative Methods of Social Research. Kelly also will complete a research project that will result in a poster presentation at a regional conference.

Students are assigned two mentors: a data processor and a member of the UMich faculty. Mentor assignments are customized based on the information students shared during their application and interview process. Previously, three psychology students who participated in this program were later accepted into Ph.D. programs at UMICH after graduating from JCSU.

WILLIAMS HONORED WITH COMMUNITY IMPACT STUDENT AWARD

NC Campus Compact honored Johnson C. Smith University student Devon’s Williams with its Community Impact Student Award. During the NC Campus Compact conference, Williams presided over a workshop entitled, “Why Students Should Learn Chess,” Williams’ workshop explained how teaching chess to children can help them become more analytical, patient and focused at an early age.

NCCompact is a coalition of 42 universities and colleges in North Carolina, joining almost 1,220 institutions nationwide that are dedicated to promoting community service, civic engagement, and service-learning in higher education. Elon University serves as the host and fiscal agent. JCSU has been a member since 2003. The yearly Community Impact Student Awards recognizes students for providing significant, innovative contributions to campus-based efforts to address community needs.

This year’s conference, held at Western Carolina University, welcomed members of JCSU’s SGA and NC ACT Scholars Program: Jermaine Gassaway, Erica Hilton, Mecia Moore, Angela Hames, Daisha Barnes, Mikki Stevens, Marie Avery, and Williams, JCSU staff members, Ms. Sherrill Hampton and Ms. Angela Jeter, accompanied the students. Congratulations Devon’s on a job well done!
Johson C. Smith softball finished the season 18-23 overall and third in the CIAA. Men’s team finished in eighth with a 101-over, 389 points for third place at the 2010 CIAA Men’s Golf Championships. Johnson C. Smith University head track and field coach Leonard Graham took home second place with 87 points for third place at the 2010 CIAA Indoor Track and Field Championships at the Irving Complex.

Women’s Tennis

The Golden Bulls closed their season at 20-6 overall (9-3 in the conference), and finals runner-up in the CIAA Championships. Senior Jaer Harrett (Minn., Minn.) and junior Tara Brezen (Baltimore, Md.) were selected to the All-CIAA team, while freshman Samantha Barnes (Hampton, Va.) and junior Tyra Breaux (Baltimore, Md.) were named CIAA Rookie of the Year.

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Women’s Track and Field

The Johnson C. Smith University women’s outdoor track and field team recorded 145 points for third place at the 2010 CIAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Women’s Track and Field Coach of the Year

Lennox Graham Named CIAA Indoor Women’s Track and Field Coach of the Year

GRAHAM WAS CIAA WOMEN’S OUTDOOR COACH OF THE YEAR LAST SEASON

The Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, in conjunction with the CIAA Track and Field Coaches Association, has released its picks for CIAA Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field Coaches of the Year. Johnson C. Smith University head track and field coach Leonard Graham received 2010 Women’s Indoor Track and Field Coach of the Year honors. This is his second consecutive yearly award for Graham, last season he was named CIAA Women’s Outdoor Track and Field Coach of the Year.

Green (50.29, PB) represented well with a second place finish to Danny Davis of the University of South Carolina in the 400m hurdles event. Green remains at the top of the CIAA II rankings in the event.

The 4x400m quartet of Winston Brown (40.48), Alkins Ming (45.99), Jamille Callum (47.99) and Leford Green (45.66) ran their second school record for the 2010 season finishing sixth in the college men’s event in 3:07.90. They returned to place sixth in the college men’s championships of America 4x400m final.

Select members of the Johnson C. Smith University women’s outdoor track and field team competed in extraordinary fashion at the 2010 Penn Relays. The team included:

- Nikki Boston (Junior, graduating this year) 400m Hurdlers
- Rosemarie Curry (Sophomore) 100m
- Shermaine Williams (Junior) 100m
- Xahnn-Georgia Reid (Sophomore) 4x100m
- Monique Kelly (Sophomore) 4x100m
- LaCesia Tyler (Junior) 4x100m alternate

Bostrom aggravated her ankle condition and was unable to compete in the 400m hurdles. She placed 50th in her event in a time of 67.75 seconds. In the sprint hurdles, Curry experienced difficulty at the first hurdle and did not finish (DNF) the event. Williams qualified for the Championship of America final in the sprint hurdles for the second consecutive year recording 13.33 (SB). She returned to place eighth in the final in the final in 13.69 seconds.

The 4x100m relay team of Rosemarie Curry (St. Andrew, Jamaica), Shermaine Williams (St. Andrew, Jamaica), Xahnn-Georgia Reid (Clarendon, Jamaica), and Monique Kelly (St. Andrew, Jamaica) won their heat in 46.07 seconds smashing the school record. The team placed 24th overall among all participating universities and colleges. The team times them third in the NCIIA Division II national rankings behind Lincoln (Missouri) and Abilene Christian.

JCSU President Dr. Ronald L. Carter volunteered their time and effort to help build a playground at the Pawtucket Elementary School on Moores Chapel Road. This is one of many community service projects the Department of Athletics and their student-athletes have participated in this year. Johnson C. Smith Cares about the well-being of local youth in hopes that they will have a brighter future. This dedicated effort demonstrated to the students of Pawtucket Elementary the principle behind coming together and teamwork. The Golden Bulls want to show the community of Charlotte we value the significance of giving back.

Pawtucket Elementary School is located in west Charlotte on Moores Chapel Road. Home to approximately 225 students, Pawtucket has 12 classes in kindergarten through 5th grade.

“Dr. Ronald Carter has taken the University to another level by putting an emphasis on community service,” said Director of Athletics Stephen Joyner. “Our department is devoted to ensuring that our student-athletes participate in projects such as these in hopes of making a difference in a person’s life.”

University faculty/staff and student-athletes provided their services from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.

2010 JCSU Football Schedule

09/11 Virginia Tech 7:30 PM Charlotte, N.C.
09/18 Florida A&M 7:00 PM Winston-Salem, N.C.
09/25 North Carolina A&T 7:00 PM Greensboro, N.C.
10/2 Morgan State 7:00 PM Baltimore, Md.
10/9 Norfolk State 7:00 PM Baltimore, Md.
10/16 Delaware State 7:00 PM Dover, Del.
11/06 Howard 7:00 PM College Park, Md.
11/13 Morgan State 7:00 PM Baltimore, Md.
11/19 Delaware State 7:00 PM Dover, Del.
11/24 Howard 7:00 PM College Park, Md.
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Community Participates in Inaugural Foster Care Conference
Johnson C. Smith University hosted its Inaugural Foster Care Conference in conjunction with Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services Division of Youth and Family Services. This year’s theme was “Great Expectations.”

More than 200 individuals attended. They included nonprofit organizations, community leaders, human service workers, public officials, and foster care initiative ambassadors. Anne Holton, former First Lady of Virginia, delivered the keynote address. Holton also is a former family court judge and founder of the “For Keeps Initiative” – Connecting Older Youth to Families.

“The purpose of this conference is to bring together and engage community membership to educate, problem solve and forge partnerships to address issues facing children who are aging-out of foster care as it pertains to promoting independence, self-sufficiency and development,” said Dr. Ronald L. Carter, Johnson C. Smith University president. “We tagged our inaugural conference “Great Expectations” because we certainly have the greatest of expectations that collectively we can and will make a difference in the lives of these youth.”

Attendees had networking opportunities and the chance to participate in panel discussions. This event was supported by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

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FACULTY & STAFF

STEM Center Awarded Grant

The University received a $420,000 congressionally-directed grant from Congress after Congressman Mel Watt brought the idea to their attention. The recent congressional grant now brings the total amount to more than $7,000,000 in committed federal funds to help JCSU’s Homeland Security, Technology, Science, Technology and Engineering and Mathematics Center (HIST-STEM).

The new Undergraduate Research Center for Electronic and Cybersecurity Security will train computer science and engineering faculty along with students in telecommunications systems, security and disaster recovery. Both also will research electronic imaging technologies, electronic and cyber security system architecture design, analysis for optimum performance, data mining and analysis as related to national security.

JCSU PR and Local Design Agency Win Five Advertising Awards

Johnson C. Smith University and SetCommunicate1, an educational brand marketing firm in Charlotte, won five top national honors from The Higher Education Marketing Report 25th annual educational advertising awards.

JCSU Faculty & Staff Achievements

“We are excited to get these awards because it supports the University’s image of becoming Charlotte’s Premier Independent University,” said JCSU public relations director, Benny Smith.

The following includes a list of awards won:

- Silver Award for the Johnson C. Smith University “Charlotte’s Premier Independent Urban University” Brand Image Advertisement.
- Bronze Award for the Johnson C. Smith University “The Arch of Triumph” Gala and Awards Logos.
- Bronze Award for the Johnson C. Smith University Admissions Student Recruitment “Live on Your Growing Edge” College Fair Tabletop Brochure.
- Merit Award for the Johnson C. Smith University Advancement “Culture of Success” 2008 President’s Report.
- Merit Award for the Johnson C. Smith University Advancement “Special Community Engagement BULLETIN Magazine.”

The Higher Education Marketing Report is a national publication for higher education professionals. JCSU offers a quality liberal arts education, diverse staff and student body. It also offers a teaching mission with an emphasis on faculty research and service to highly-talented and motivated students.

Community Participates in Inaugural Foster Care Conference

Johnson C. Smith University hosted its Inaugural Foster Care Conference in conjunction with Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services Division of Youth and Family Services. This year’s theme was “Great Expectations.”

More than 200 individuals attended. They included nonprofit organizations, community leaders, human service workers, public officials, and foster care initiative ambassadors. Anne Holton, former First Lady of Virginia, delivered the keynote address. Holton also is a former family court judge and founder of the “For Keeps Initiative” – Connecting Older Youth to Families.

“The purpose of this conference is to bring together and engage community membership to educate, problem solve and forge partnerships to address issues facing children who are aging-out of foster care as it pertains to promoting independence, self-sufficiency and development,” said Dr. Ronald L. Carter, Johnson C. Smith University president. “We tagged our inaugural conference “Great Expectations” because we certainly have the greatest of expectations that collectively we can and will make a difference in the lives of these youth.”

Attendees had networking opportunities and the chance to participate in panel discussions. This event was supported by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

2010 Service Awards

5 Years of Service
- Mr. Steven Aycock
- Ms. Alexis Bibbs
- Mr. Timothy Botic
- Mr. Quintus Brown
- Ms. Yovonna Brown
- Ms. Elizabeth Coathen
- Ms. Sandra Chamberlain
- Ms. Vernika Foster
- Dr. Inthubolsai Gopinath
- Ms. Leslie Gutierrez
- Ms. Kelly Harris
- Ms. Bridgette Johnson
- Mr. Otis Johnson
- Ms. Rommie Johnson
- Mr. Robert King
- Ms. Amy Lohberger
- Ms. Laura McLean
- Ms. Dawn McNeil
- Dr. Antonio Mead
- Ms. Crystal Raful
- Mr. Rodney Redcliff
- Ms. Rasheda Sykes
- Mr. Michael West

10 Years of Service
- Ms. Cathy Jones
- Mr. Hassan Kirkland
- Dr. Gregory Thompson

20 Years of Service
- Dr. Maghy Artua
- Dr. Carole Drew
- Dr. Bruce Ford

5 Years of Service
- Mr. James Catherson
- Dr. Sunday Nolhi
- Mr. Peramal Thamanah

35 Years of Service
- Mr. Joseph Majors

40 Years of Service
- Ms. Carolyn Smith
- Dr. N. V. Desai

5 Years of Service
- Ms. Catherine Moore

90 Years of Service
- Ms. Darlene Moore

TREND WORKER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
- Tom Neuss

2010 DISTINGUISHED AWARD WINNERS

PAR EXCELLENCE TEACHING AWARD
- Otis Johnson

SARA STEWART DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
- Barbara Allen

MOSES S. BELTON DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
- Barbara Willa

SIT LUX AWARD
- Dr. Liviusa Uku

LONNIE T. PARKER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
- Tom Neuss

RETIRED
- Dr. Eugene Henneman
- Mr. Moses Jones

20 Years of Service
- Dr. Jeffery Ford
- Ms. reinhardt G. Griffin
- Laura Mclean
- Nancy Parker
- Barbara Willa

FRANCES J. SMITH DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
- Miss Barbara Willa

JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY 21
Reunion Weekend 2010 was a great success. JCSU will celebrate the reunion classes ending with ‘1 and ‘6, along with the Golden Anniversary class of 1961 and Silver Anniversary Class of 1986 on May 6, 2011.

Annually, JCSU recognizes the five-year cumulative giving totals for reunion classes. We recognize the reunion classes’ total giving over the previous five years. Totals include the money alumni gave the University and money received as a result of their efforts. The class of 1960 raised $151,771.13 over the last five years. Congratulations for all your hard work!

The support of our alumni donors makes possible the significant accomplishments of JCSU. We extend our sincerest gratitude for every generous gift represented.

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James and Shirley Green at the 2nd Annual Arch of Triumph Gala.

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thought their relationship was doomed. Yet, flattered by his honesty, she accepted his

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business administration at temple University.

1973, James completed his master degree in

School District.

Carolina. they enjoy family, traveling and

Cancer Control training and Development. She

positions culminating as national director of

Shirley began working for the american Cancer

positions before retiring in 1995. he worked in

a systems engineer and held management

their second child, James Jr. was born in 1975.

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leadership and service in several roles and capacities for the state of South Carolina.

Carolina Ivory fortune (72) was a recipient of the

Oder of the Palmetto, South Carolina’s highest
civilian honor for service, by Governor Mark Sanford on April 10, 2010. Mr. Foster

was recognized for his many years of diligence,
determination, persistence, leadership and service in several roles and capacities for the state of South Carolina.

Gwendoline Young fortune (98) announces the publication of her third historical novel, “Weaving the Journey: Nont and the Great Grand.” a 21st century family saga.

Clayton M. Richardson (92) received the

Algeron Sydney Sullivan Community Award for outstanding community service and volunteerism at the May 1, 2010, commencement ceremony at Coker College in Hartsville, S.C.

Virginia Peterkin (67) was presented the

Human Rights Award by the Church Women United, Columbia area. She received the

award for leadership service as a mentor and social activist in Human Rights and Human

Development.

Valencia R. Covington MD (78) was recognized by P/R/E magazine, as one of the 51 most powerful African American women in Charlotte/Mecklenburg. She is the medical
director in C.W. Williams Community Health Center Inc., a federally qualified health center that provides comprehensive health care to underserved individuals located in Charlotte, N.C.

Anthony Holliman ('93) was selected to serve as South Carolina State University’s vice president for Institutional Advancement. He will provide leadership and expertise for South Carolina State University’s Office of Alumni Relations, Office of Development, Office of University Relations and Marketing, and Board of Visitors, and serves as the executive director of the S.C. State Education Foundation.

Gloria Swindler Boute ('80) received the 2010 College of Education’s Research Award at the University of South Carolina. Annually, the College of Education recognizes a recipient for outstanding research and scholarship. She is the first person of color to receive this award.

J. Herbert Nelson II (’81) has been named the new director of public witness for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Washington Office. The Presbyterian Washington Office is the public policy information and advocacy office of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

James Ely III (’78) has been promoted to the position of vice president, Customer Development - CVS for Johnson & Johnson Consumer Sector’s Sales & Logistics Company. He was most recently the senior director, sales strategy for Johnson & Johnson’s Baby Global Business Unit.

Winston B. Craig (79) was named visiting scholar for student affairs at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

Christa Terrell (’97) has accepted the position of vice president of public relations & communications for the Arts & Science Council. In this position, Christa will oversee strategic efforts to support and advance the cultural sector, extend the reach of the ASC brand, grow appreciation, increase participation and support for the arts and cultural endeavors in Charlotte-Mecklenburg.

Ralon Mitchell (’99) was selected and recognized as a Modern-Day Technology Leader at the 24th Annual Black Engineer of the Year Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Global Competitiveness Conference. Modern-Day Technology Leaders are men and women of color who are demonstrating outstanding performance and will shape the future course of engineering, science, and technology.

A. Nicki Washington (’00) released a book “Peepled for Success: What Every Parent Should Know about the College Application Process.” The book is not just for parents who have current seniors, but is applicable for any parent with a high school student.

Krista Terrill (’97) has accepted the position of vice president of public relations & communications for the Arts & Science Council. In this position, Krista will oversee strategic efforts to support and advance the cultural sector, extend the reach of the ASC brand, grow appreciation, increase participation and support for the arts and cultural endeavors in Charlotte-Mecklenburg.

Stephen Joyner, Jr. (’89) graduated with an M.D. degree from Wake Forest University School of Medicine. She will be returning to Charlotte to join the Family Medicine residency at Carolinas Medical Center.

De’Shodric Quandreal Boler (’95) received a Master of Business Administration from Winthrop University, Rock Hill S.C.

Anita Smith (’09) was named the recipient of her school’s basketball coach at Winston-Salem State University.

Stephen Joyner, Jr. (’01) graduated from the University of Michigan’s School of Social Work. She entered the field of human services with a minor in interprofessional practice.

Nina Ekeck (’04) received a Master of Business Administration, Executive MBA Program, at Winthrop University, Rock Hill, S.C.

Nichole L. Johnson (’86) graduated with an M.D. degree from Wake Forest University School of Medicine. She will be returning to Charlotte to join the Family Medicine residency at Carolinas Medical Center.

Couresa Gibson (’07) has been admitted to the doctoral program in literary studies with a concentration in twentieth-century African American studies at Purdue University. She is also a contributing author for an upcoming book, “Great Lives from History: African Americans,” scheduled to be released in 2011 by the Salem Press.

Zena M. Conway (’08) received her Master of Arts in mass communication arts graphic design & production from Howard University.

Crystal Gavin (’08) received her Master of Social Work from the University Of Michigan School Of Social Work. Her concentration was management of human services with a minor in interprofessional practice.
Dr. Carter Named Man of the Year

The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women Clubs of Charlotte named Dr. Ronald L. Carter Man of the Year at their 3rd Founders’ Day luncheon. Dr. Carter has more than 30 years experience in academia both in the United States and Africa. He also has a strong commitment to community engagement.

According to the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women Clubs of Charlotte website, their mission is to promote and protect the interests of African-American business and professional women; serve as a bridge, through scholarships, for young people to enter the profession; improve the quality of life in local and global communities; and foster fellowship. Their national program focuses on health, education, community engagement.

The Clinton, N.C. native completed her doctorate degree in literature and criticism at Indiana University of Pennsylvania in August 2003. She received her Bachelor of Arts in English and her Master of Arts in multicultural literature at East Carolina University. Her doctoral dissertation is entitled, “Shattered Silence and Restored Souls: Bearing Witness and Testifying to Trauma and Truth” in the Narratives of Black Vietnam Veterans.”

JCSU Grant Writers Honored

The Office of Government Sponsored Programs and Applied Research (GSPAR) and the Office of Institutional Advancement recently held its annual Grantee Recognition Ceremony. Faculty and staff were honored for their successful grant writing within the public and private sectors. Dr. Carter presented plaques for the following awards:

- Grantperson of the Year Awards – In appreciation for their leadership in grant writing during Academic Year 2008-2009 – Dr. Ronald L. Carter
- Rising Star Grantee – In recognition of their inaugural success with proposal development during academic year 2008-2009 – Dr. Peggy Lide
- Golden Jockey Award – Recognizes faculty or professional staff’s government effort, not only in their research, scholarship, and public service but also in “paying attention to the administrative aspects of the grant process.” This award is presented in recognition of an individual’s devotion to exemplary grant management – Dr. Martha Gamble Hall
- Awards for Title III Programs Directors – This award is recognized for continued stewardship and management of Title III Program activities during the years 2008-2009. Recipients: Magdy Attia, Ph.D.; Andrew “Andy” Berry; Diane Bowles, Ph.D.; Coyia Curry; Wanda Ehrhardt, Ph.D.; Adelleh Eubanks, Ph.D; Gerald Hector; Donald Mager, Ph.D.; Antonia Mead, Ph.D.; John Norris; Kelli Ramey; Virginia Rowe-Anderdon; Stacey Sanford-Lyons; Keisha Talbott; Gregory Thompson, Ph.D.; Margaret Watson; Christopher Weise, Ph.D.
- Twenty student research scholars presented their posters during the award ceremony. Each scholar was recognized and received a $50.00 JCSU bookstore voucher.

Assistant Professor of English Dr. Sharon D. Raynor has been named the Johnson C. Smith Mort University Professor for 2010-2013.

This prestigious honor was given based on her demonstrated expertise in literature, effective and dedicated teaching, inspirational influence among students and peers, significant research activities which advance the art and science of teaching, and service to the University.

The three-year appointment carries with it course-release time and a travel and research stipend. In previous years, Dr. Raynor served as the interim director of the Honors College (2008-2009) and the department chair of English and foreign languages at Johnson C. Smith University (2005-2008) and as a lecturer in the English department at East Carolina University (1997-2004).

Dr. Ronald L. Carter

Dr. Sharon Raynor

Greetings Fellow Alumni, The Executive Board of the National Alumni Association of Johnson C. Smith University extends our sincere thanks to our alumni family for your participation and support of the goals of the University and the NAA.

The celebration of the 14th Anniversary of the Founding of Johnson C. Smith University was highlighted with the 2nd Arch of Triumph Gala. Our alumni awardees were Bertha M. Rodgers (54) and Perri Norman (92). Congratulations! Alumni participation and support of this event were outstanding.

To the members of the JCSU Class of 2010, congratulations on achieving this milestone. We welcome you with open arms and encourage you to become affiliated with an alumni chapter in your area. As you embark upon your chosen careers, remember that the students of Johnson C. Smith University need your support and encouragement as they pursue their degrees.

As we conclude this fiscal year, you are reminded that alumni giving and participation remain key factors for the University’s ranking by various national organizations. We encourage you to make your contributions before the end of the fiscal year – June 30, 2010. We are counting on each of you to achieve the 2009/2010 alumni giving goal of $1,020,000 and 26% alumni participation. Thanks go out to the classes in reunion for your outstanding attendance and contributions during reunion weekend. We are on target to meet the alumni giving goal, but the challenge is also to meet the alumni participation goal.

The NAA Executive Committee continues to meet monthly on projects and activities designed to support the reunions and alumni. These efforts include:

- Securing contractual hotel accommodations at the Marriott City Center for the CIAA Tournament.
- Providing continuous hospitality for alumni and friends during Homecoming and CIAA events.
- Representing the NAA at various Major Donor and Community and JCSU Functions.
- Assuming responsibility for Alumni Registration during Homecoming.
- Participating in Chapter sponsored programs.
- Reviving the selection of a NAA Homecoming Queen participation in the parade. Queen is selected from financial chapters.
- In the process of reviving the JCSU Regions.

Your Executive Board remains focused on our goals and mandates required by our constitution. We solicit your individual and chapter input and ideas that will further enhance the growth and viability of the NAA and JCSU. We renew our request for volunteers to assist us with the development of a JCSU NAA web site.

Chapters are reminded to continue to provide the NAA and the Office of Alumni Affairs with updates and schedules of your chapter activities. Chapters’ annual reporting requirements as outlined in the constitution also are required.

Your support to Dr. Carter and the University goals and objectives for the continued growth of Johnson C. Smith University is very much appreciated.

We thank you for your confidence in our leadership and welcome your continued support of the JCSU National Alumni Association. Very truly yours, James A. Gaither-President
SAVE THESE DATES!

The 144th Founders’ Day Celebration
April 16-17, 2011

Third Annual Arch of Triumph Gala
Saturday, April 16, 2011
6:30 p.m.
Charlotte Convention Center
Dinner, Dancing and Awards Ceremony
Tickets: $150 per person
Proceeds benefit the JCSU Fund

Founders’ Day Convocation
Sunday, April 17, 2011
2:00 p.m.
Jane M. Smith Memorial Church

Homecoming 2010
October 22-24, 2010
Johnson C. Smith University vs.
St. Augustine's College
Irwin Belk Complex

For additional information, visit www.jcsu.edu