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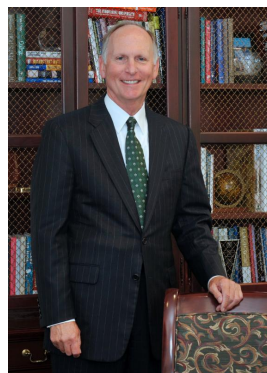
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September 2014



The Tassel

UNCC Chancellor Dr. Philip Dubois to address Annual Founder's Breakfast



Dr. Philip Dubois

Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund Founder John T. Crawford will host his Annual Breakfast on Thursday, Oct. 16, 2014 from 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. This year's fundraiser will feature Keynote Speaker Dr. Philip Dubois, Chancellor of UNC Charlotte. CHASF Alumni Speaker Dr. LaToya Walker, M.D. will also share remarks. The event returns to the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 3400 Beatties Ford Road in Charlotte. For

information on sponsorships and tickets, please contact Faith Triggs at 704-572-7987.

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**Awards Day: Scholars receive
\$162,000!**

The 31st Annual Awards and Recognition Ceremony attracted more than 500 guests to the Ebenezer

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Annual
Awards Day:**

Baptist Church honoring 10 graduates and 89 recipients. Scholars received \$162,000 in funding.

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Dr. Brian Hemphill, president of West Virginia State University and a new CHASF partner provided the keynote address and emphasized that recipients can be successful as long as they work hard and commit to their dreams. Presentations by Donors Jim and Mary Lou Babb (James G. Babb Jr. Scholarship founded by Bob Culbertson), and Dr. Julie Lerner Levine (Samuel Lerner Scholarship to honor her father) were also featured.

Weds., Sept. 24, - 7 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 27, - 7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 3, - 10 a.m.
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The CHASF Alumni Association recognized the Freedom School Partners with their 2014 Trailblazer Award. CHASF Scholar Destinee Green received special honors from the Public Housing Authorities Directors Association and was awarded the National HD Supply Company Scholarship worth \$5,000. Currently, she is a freshman at UNC Charlotte.

After the ceremony, guests enjoyed a buffet dinner and desserts to celebrate their achievements!



CHASF graduates & recipients during the 31st Awards Day.



Dr. Julie Lerner Levine with Samuel Lerner Scholarship Recipient Sharisse Berry.

Belk employees provide knowledge & scholarships



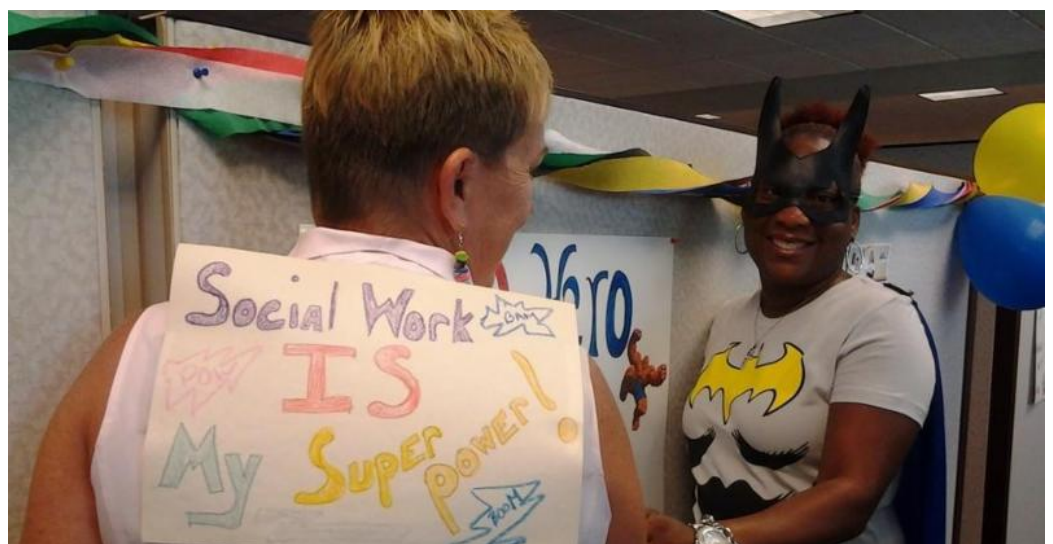
CHASF Scholars tour the Belk headquarters in Charlotte as guests of several Belk employee groups.

Belk employees coordinated the Third Annual "Day-in-the-Life at Belk" where a dozen Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund recipients spent a half-day at the headquarters meeting with professionals and learning the secrets of corporate success.

The in-depth session covered professional and educational skills needed for careers in senior management, accounting, human resources, social media, retail marketing, design legal services and sales at Belk. Participants learned to coordinate proper attire for business and social events, practiced job interviewing techniques, networking and the benefits of a college degree to enhance their career choices..

Before the event ended, the Black Employees Resource Group, the Women's Leadership Network and the Community Outreach Committee donated \$2,000 to the Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund.

Community Link promotes Sheila Weaver





CHASF Alumna Sheila Weaver (right) and a co-worker in their "super-power" costumes serving Community Link.

Serving the community is a natural part of the ethics of the Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund family and good works always pay off! CHASF Alumna and Selection Committee Chair Sheila Weaver is proof and was recently promoted to a Social Worker position with Community Link. This local non-profit provides home ownership and financial literacy services to families and individuals in our community including veterans and the homeless.

Sheila was a volunteer with Community Link and enjoyed helping the organization achieve their mission. She was pleasantly surprised when it was suggested that she consider joining the staff. Once hired, she quickly received a promotion. "Someone at the agency recommended me for the position," Sheila said. "I am humble to have received this position and grateful my character and works speak for me!"

Hughes inducted into West Meck Hall of Fame

Charlotte Police Officer Ray Hughes, an active member of the CHASF Alumni Association, was recently inducted into the West Meck High School Hall of Fame on August 21. The criteria for selection included academics, athletics and giving back to the school and community. Ray graduated in 1987 from West Meck and played varsity football, basketball and baseball all four years. He received all conference and all state honors in all three sports.

Ray played in the "86" Shrine Bowl in Charlotte and has been the West Meck School Resource Officer for 14 years. Also, he served as a football and baseball coach at the school and mentors students who were members of his Right Moves for Youth Boys and Girls group. Two years ago, they named the Female and Male athletes of the year in his honor: the "Ray Hughes" award.



Officer Ray Hughes (center) receives induction into West Meck Hall of Fame.

"It's been a blessing to me to have my family and friends share these moments," Ray said. "I am so proud of my two daughters, Ashley Mitchell and Marae Hughes who introduced me at the Hall of Fame ceremony."

The Charlotte Housing Authority Scholarship Fund changes lives and if you have an event where you'd like to hear from our Founder, students or alumni, please contact us and we can schedule someone to address your group.

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