

COMMUNITY CLUB 44th ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY 2005 - 2006



Senior Class Leader Agate Tilmanis with her class.

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PROGRAM

Welcome - Kim Costner Moore

Invocation - Rev. Roger Gench

Recognition of Middle School Graduates - Mary Cousins, Grade 8 Class Leader

Recognition of Junior High School Graduates - Karen Mills, Grade 9 Class Leader

Recognition of Senior High School Graduates - Agate Tilmanis, Grade 12 Class Leader

Emmanuel Anamelechi (Banneker) - Dan Rathbun
 Lyndsay Briscoe (WMST Charter) - Sarah Haug
 Jenna Chaplin-Brown - Lyndsay Johnson
 Gerri Cherry (WMST Charter) - Emily Turner
 Lauren Chisholm (Banneker) -
 Rodney Coleman (Accotink) - Alex Macensky
 Jasmine Gooding (Banneker) - Jean Card
 Musa Jawara (Dunbar) - Beth Osborne
 Aroni Johnson (Coolidge) - Jill Golden

Darren Kittrell (Wilson) - Malinda Brent
 Brandon Loving (Woodson) - April Greener
 Gregory Miller (Banneker) - Paul Dornan
 Anita Obodo (Banneker) - Josh Hartman
 Jonathan Peterson (Dunbar) - Marina Myhre
 Nadiath Saibou (School w/o Walls) - Amy Gillespie
 Jessica Spells (Coolidge) - Wes Bornhorst
 Chinaemeze Ukaegbu (Banneker) - Pam Hostetler

Senior Class Reflections - various 12th-grade student/tutor pairs (Some reflections are included in the back of the program.)

Members of the Class of 2006 have been accepted by the following schools: Ball State (IN), Bowie State, Univ. of California-Berkley, Clark Atlanta, Cleveland State, Delaware State, Univ. of the District of Columbia, Drexel, Fayetteville State, Gibbs College, Hampton U. (VA) Univ. of Houston, Howard, Johnson C. Smith, U. of Maryland Eastern Shore, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, New York Institute of Technology, Norfolk State, North Carolina A&T, Penn State, U. of Pittsburgh, Prairie View A&M (TX), Prince George's County Community College, Princeton, Rutgers, Shaw, Southeastern, Syracuse, Temple & Temple (Honors Program), Texas Southern, Trinity (DC), Tuskegee, Virginia State, Winston Salem State, Xavier (LA).

Recognition of Bruce Davie Memorial Scholarship recipients - presented by Ann Davie to Gerri Cherry, Jasmine Gooding, Gregory Miller, Anita Obodo, and Nadiath Saibou.

FTC Trust/Allen Gould Assn/New Futures Scholarship - presented by Tom Karr to Lyndsay Briscoe

Recognition of College Students and Visiting Alumni - Kim Costner Moore

Presentation of Academic Achievement Awards - Kim Costner Moore

Grade	1 st Advisory Most Improved/ Highest GPA	2 nd Advisory Most Improved/ Highest GPA	3 rd Advisory Most Improved/ Highest GPA
K-7	Elisa Rodriguez/Elisa Rodriguez	Angie Moten/Angie Moten	NA/ChinyereUkaegbu
8 th	NA/Marshall Patton	Akudo Ukaegbu/Jaden Gooding	Jaden Gooding/Jaden Gooding
9 th	LaGretta Robinson/ Bre'Anna James	Aaron Penny/ Bre'Anna James	Christopher D'Angelo/ Bre'Anna James
10 th	Odinga Johnson/Natasha Dupee	Natasha Dupee/Brittany Fisher	Apryl Sadler/ Brittany Fisher
11 th	Stephanie Gibson/ Alexis Johnson	Dashawn Montgomery/ Olutosin Ogunyale	Ernest Thompkins/ Yasmine Saibou
12 th	Emmanuel Anamalechi/ Gregory Miller	Lyndsay Briscoe/ Gregory Miller	Jessica Spells/ Gregory Miller

Recognition of Stay-in-School Scholars - Class Leaders will ask student/tutor pairs to stand.

Mercedes Allen (Francis) - Mark Sabath
Emmanuel Anamelechi (Banneker) - Dan Rathbun
Lyndsay Briscoe (WMST Charter) - Sarah Haug
Lonnisha Butler (McKinley Tech) - Laura Krapsho
Brittany Capers (Dunbar) - Sharon Groves
Gerri Cherry (WMST Charter) - Emily Turner
Lauren Chisholm (Banneker) -
Jeremy Chriss (Young America Works) - Sarah Pheasant
Gregory Cole (Booker T. Washington) - Tom Karr
Rodney Coleman (Accotink Academy) - Alex Macensky
Christopher D'Angelo (Deal) - Benjamin Finder
Aysha Davis (Jefferson) -
Nigel Draper (Deal) - Dwight Jefferson
Natasha Dupee (School Without Walls) - Tanya Walker
Tristan Dupee (School Without Walls) - Virginia Ebbert
Amina Evans (School w/o Walls) - Amy Conroy
Stephanie Gibson (Banneker) - Jolene Jesse
Jasmine Gooding (Banneker) - Jean Card
Miles Gwira (Banneker) - Nansy Mathews
Charmaine Hickman (Coolidge) - Lamont Noble
Kendall Holley (H.D. Woodson) - Chris Fenton
Kendrick Holley (M.M. Washington) - Jeff Olson
Bre'Anna James (Paul) - Porter Montgomery

Alexis Johnson (School Without Walls) - Barbara Sloan
James Johnson (Coolidge) - Mindy Tracy
Odinga Johnson (Coolidge) - Mike Olander
McKindria Letsinger (School w/o Walls) - Leslie Sinclair
Hanae Lyons (Francis) - Miriam Dewhurst
Synthia McLeod (Potomac) - John Yoder
Gregory Miller (Banneker) - Paul Dornan
Dashawn Montgomery (Suitland) - Dianne Rankin
Anita Obodo (Banneker) - Josh Hartman
Nnamdi Obodo (Banneker) -
Olutosin Ogunyale (KIMA) - Betty Monkman
Candice Parker (McKinley Tech) - Kim Lowery
Aaron Penny (Cesar Chavez) - Paola Zuluaga
LaGretta Robinson (Friendly) - Sally Winthrop
Natasha Rodreguez (School w/o Walls) - Sharmila Khare
Nadiath Saibou (School w/o Walls) - Amy Gillespie
Yasmine Saibou (McKinley Tech) - Molly Strzelecki
Taara Savage-El (School w/o Walls) - Kate Konschnik
Jessica Spells (Coolidge) - Wes Bornhorst
Chiedeber Ukaegbu (Banneker) - Christine Stamper
Chinaemeze Ukaegbu (Banneker) - Pam Hotstetler
Jasmine Wardrick (Jefferson) - Lindsay Johnson
Aniysa Wilson (Jefferson) - Karin Lohman

Tutor of the Year Award - Presented by Susie Campbell to Brendolyn McCarty-Jones

Brendolyn joins these former Tutors of the Year: Dianne Rankin, Lucyle Mace, Jenean McKay, Betty Monkman, Bill McAfee, Ken Campbell, Paul Dornan, Tom Bodine, Serena Williams, Aaron Estis, Susan Portney, Stacy Taylor, Lori Lewis, Dale Robinson-Anglin, Laura Railing, Tommy Leenhouts, Cecelia Waldeck, Tom Karr, Julian Blair, Melfi Penn, Kim Costner Moore, Susannah Harris, and Susie Campbell.

Volunteer Appreciation by Kim Costner Moore - Volunteers work hard to keep other Community Club programs running smoothly. We'd like to thank the following people for their extra efforts:

*Brad Green and Susan Danewitz provide IT support that has really improved our recordkeeping for attendance and scholarships.

*Christine Stamper, Karin Lohman and Sharon Groves were enthusiastic, energetic coordinators of Camp this year.

*Becky Marquis conducted new tutor orientation sessions.

*Mary Cousins, Kate Konschnik, Mark Morelli, Jennie O'Flanagan, and Leslie Sinclair have spent many hours working with the six Community Club students selected to participate in a Young Leaders Summit in Cape Town.

*Dan Horner, Malinda Brent, Karin Lohman, Stephanie Price, Dianne Rankin conducted a great Tutor Workshop in February.

We would also like to acknowledge those volunteers who will not be returning in the fall. We don't have a complete list of your names, but some of you whom we will miss are Dan Horner, Agate Tilmanis, Susan Danewitz, and Malinda Brent.

Remembrance of Jesse McNeal by Paul Dornan (Please see the back page of this program for the full text of Paul's remarks.)

Recognition of Director Kim Costner Moore and Chaplain Tara Spuhler McCabe - Susannah Harris

Benediction - Chaplain Tara Spuhler McCabe

Reception - Prepared by NYAPC staff. Immediately following Program (5th Floor).

2005-06 COMMUNITY CLUB STUDENTS

Grades 1-7 - Class Leader Stephanie Price

Imani Allen (7th) - Becky Marquis
Mariama Bah (7th) - Harriet Segar
Lonnell Butler (7th) - Troy Peters
Frank Graves (7th) - Marcin Skomial
Jovan Hill (1st) - John McCabe
Jordi Hobbs (7th) - Keshav Baggan

Gerald McFadden (6th) - Sarah Peterson
Angie Moten (6th) - Yolanda Crittendon
Chinwe Obodo (6th) - Ellie Murcia
Elisa Rodriguez (7th) - Christina Hertzler
D'Ante Thompson (7th) - Rob Carlson
Chinyere Ukaegbu (7th) - Regina Thomas

Grade 8 - Class Leader Mary Cousins

Jaden Gooding (Paul) - Jessica Burt
Patrick McCall (Hardy) - Donny Campbell
Marshall Patton (Kramer) - Andrea Spring

Akudo Ukaegbu (Takoma) - Cecelia Waldeck
Kenneth Whack (Hardy) - Christian Hinrichs

Grade 9 - Class Leader Karen Mills

Mercedes Allen (Francis) - Mark Sabath
Kortne Beamon (Wilson) - Kathleen Dufresne
Aysha Davis (Jefferson) -
Christopher D'Angelo (Deal) - Benjamin Finder
Nigel Draper (Deal) - Dwight Jefferson
Amina Evans (School w/o Walls) - Amy Conroy
Charmaine Hickman (Coolidge) - Lamont Noble
Reginald Hobbs II (Deal) - Erin Hogarty
Bre'Anna James (Paul) - Porter Montgomery
Royda Johnson (Coolidge) - Mark Morelli

Ricardo Lightbourn (McKinley Tech) - Javier Barker
Hanae Lyons (Francis) - Miriam Dewhurst
Alexis Obodo (Jefferson) - Lisa Schnell, Kim Webster
Aaron Penny (Cesar Chavez) - Paola Zuluaga
LaGretta Robinson (Friendly) - Sally Winthrop
Angela Thomas (Jefferson) - Nydia Coleman
Louis Tinsley (Wilson) - Jennifer Kiiru
Taylor Walls (McKinley Tech) - Megumi Fujita
Aniysa Wilson (Jefferson) - Karin Lohman

Grade 10 - Class Leader Jon Fleming

Brittany Capers (Dunbar) - Sharon Groves
Jeremy Chriss (Young America Works) - Sarah Pheasant
Natasha Dupee (School Without Walls) - Tanya Walker
Brittany Fisher (School w/o Walls) - Leslie Burdette
Zataunia Heard (McKinley Tech) - Katherine Ott
Odinga Johnson (Coolidge) - Mike Olander

Phillip McCall (Wilson) - Scott Weaver
Nathan Mungo (Friendship-Edison) - Sumit Dasgupta
Nnamdi Obodo (Banneker) - Michael Dako
Candice Parker (McKinley Tech) - Kim Lowery
Apryl Sadler - Barry Tindall
Stephon Summers - Clark Weaver

Grade 11 - Class Leader Debbie Woods

Elauntanyce Beamon (Wilson) - Sandra Pedroarias
Dajah Blackwell (New School for Enterprise) - Markita Brooks
Lonnisha Butler (McKinley Tech) - Laura Krapsho
Gregory Cole (Booker T. Washington) - Tom Karr
Damany Daniels (Wilson) - Sally Bockh
Malcolm Davis (Parkmont) - Rob Bisi
Tristan Dupee (School Without Walls) - Virginia Ebbert
Deonte Gay (Coolidge) - Stephanie Caccomo
Stephanie Gibson (Banneker) - Jolene Jesse
Miles Gwira (Banneker) - Nansy Mathews
Trivera Heard (Banneker) - Katina Kypridakas
Kendall Holley (Woodson) - Chris Fenton
Kendrick Holley (M.M. Washington) - Jeff Olson
Samantha Hopkins (WMST) - Cathy Moscatelli
Alexis Johnson (School Without Walls) - Barbara Sloan

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Fantine Patton (WMST) - Sally Stanfield
Natasha Rodriguez (School w/o Walls) - Sharmila Khare
Whitney Royal (McKinley Tech) - Moira Mack
Yasmine Saibou (McKinley Tech) - Molly Strzelecki
Taara Savage-El (School w/o Walls) - Kate Konschnik
Ashley Scarboro - Evelyn Queen
Arnetta Thomas (School w/o Walls) - David Gutman
Ernest Thompkins (Eastern) - Becky Brittain
Courtney Thornton (School Without Walls) - Kelley Mesa
Chidiebue Ukaegbu (Banneker) - Jeff St. Onge

COMMUNITY CLUB VOLUNTEERS

Regular Substitutes and Math/Science Zone Staff: Susan Danewitz, Carole Philip, Robert Coontz, Dan Horner, Eric Bucsela, Bill McAfee, Kristen Jensen, Jessica Hoel, Pat Murray

Student Coordinator: Brendolyn McCarty-Jones

Volunteer Coordinator: Susannah Harris

Database/Systems Support: Brad Green

Pre-Study Hall Food: Ken Campbell

Student Staff: Musa Jawara, Aroni Johnson, Odinga Johnson, Royda Johnson, Darren Kittrell, Jonathan Peterson, David Walton

Librarians: Susan Thompson and Sheila Besse

Core Council: Kim Costner Moore, Pat Murray, Agate Tilmanis, Debbie Woods, Jon Fleming, Karen Mills, Stephanie Price, Susie Campbell, Brendolyn McCarty-Jones, Paul Dornan, Tara Spuhler McCabe, Susannah Harris, Susan Danewitz, Dan Horner, Mary Cousins, Barbara Tschida, Tom Karr and Amy Gillespie.

CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENTS

Hassan Abdul-Aziz - Texas Southern (Nursing)	Christian Henderson - NC A&T
Ashley Allen - Ohio State	Shannon Henderson - Morgan State (Education)
Monique Alleyne - Florida A&M	Antonio Jackson - Virginia Union (Criminology)
Kesha Beidleman - NC A&T (Veterinary Science)	Hayman Johnson - NC A&T (Physical Therapy)
Alicia Blair - NC A&T (Music Education)	Jamelle Johnson - NC A&T (Industrial Engineering)
Anitta Blair - Tuskegee University	Dion Logan - Montgomery College
Jillian Blair - Temple (Environmental Sci/Math)	Wayne Logan - Army Training
Jordan Blair - Florida A&M	Michael Loving - Lincoln University
Kwame Brown - NC A&T (Chemistry)	Ephraim Nicolls - Hampton (Broadcast Journalism)
Kevin Butler - Hampton (Sociology)	Titilayo Ogunyale - U. of Pittsburgh (Sociology)
Tochi Chukwu - Temple	Shannon Parker - Temple (Criminal Justice)
Franklin Davis - Ohio State (Political Science)	Daniel Philip - Bowie State (Broadcast Journalism)
Kimberly Eddings - Ohio State ((Political Science)	Chatoya Rush - Delaware State
Rashad Farrow - NC A&T (Landscape Architecture)	Alexis Tinsley - Montgomery College (Nursing)
Anthony Garnett - North Hampton (Radio/TV)	LaShawn Washington - Bowie State (Nursing)
Kaylisha Gross - MD-Eastern Shore (Social Work)	Jon Washington - Univ. of Pittsburgh (Music)
Randy Harper - Morehouse College	Nehanda Wheeler - Fordham
Shannon Hawkins - Penn State (Hotel/Rest. Mgmt)	

2006 COLLEGE GRADUATES

Justin Ajose - Goucher College (Communications)	Chin Chukwu - Rutgers (Pharmacy)
Sheree Bass - Mountain State (Nursing)	Stella Chukwu - Spelman
Lavie Bass Turner - Salisbury State (MSW)	Paula Spruill - Virginia Tech (Industrial/Systems Eng.)

COMMUNITY CLUB-RELATED COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Graduates of Community Club who have gone onto college have received over \$158,000 in Club-related scholarships alone in the last two years (2004-05 and 2005-06). We are very proud of our graduates' success and extremely pleased that we can continue to support their accomplishments.

<u>Scholarship Program</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Community Club Scholarships	\$ 29,647
Bruce Davie Memorial	7,000
Free the Children Trust	28,112
Allen Gould/New Futures	18,000
<u>Henderson Trust</u>	<u>75,209</u>
Total	\$158,078

COLLEGE GRADUATES AND THEIR TUTORS

LaRon Adams (Drexel 95) - Ruth Bouvier
Jennifer Ajose (Bennett 98) - Fran Gilleece
Dontrell Anderson (Winston Salem St. 97) - Steve McCool
Jevai Bass (Morgan St. 00, American 03) - Joyce Suydam
Lavie Bass (Glenville St. 03) - Julie Cronin, Shelley Swann,
Bronwen Macro, Tarsha Bennett
William Baucom (VA State 84, Bowie St. 95) - Ron Skarka
Roslyn Belk (St. Augustine 00) - Tommye Leenhouts
John Bennett (Virginia St.) - Ed Winterbottom
Tarsha Bennett (George Mason 91) - Barbara Martin
Danielle Billups (UDC) - Lori Lewis
Laticia Blair (UDC) - Elise Gibson
Dion Briscoe (Morehouse 97) - Tim Lynch
Markita Brooks (Bennett 02) - Kurtis Brown, Greg Montes,
Flecha Organ
Melissa Calhoun (NC A&T 95) - Alan Yu
Donny Campbell (Morgan St. 98) - Bryant Monroe
Janice Champion-Brown () -
Marlen Clemmons (Hampton 98) - Ellen Harrison, Brent
Chisholm
Michael Colbert (Lincoln 91) - Harvey Galper
Charletta Coney (Delaware St. 96) - Pat Walther
Robert Cooper (Howard 93) - Robin Kelley
Melissa Daniel (Wentworth Inst of Tech 02) - Beth Fricke
Imani Damali-Catie (Morgan St. 98) - Diana Harris
Ronald Davis (NC A&T 92) - Chase Maddy
Victoria Davis (VA State 92) - Matthew and Dierdre Daly
Qiana Dean (Howard 01) - Dan Horner
Tricia Diaz (MD-ES 98) - Robin Duncan, Lori Goodman
Erinn Dumas (Virginia St. 05) -
Kia DuPree (Hampton) - Cindy Herrera
Janice Champion Dutch (Houston Baptist 93) - Dianne Rankin
Nicole Edwards (Syracuse 05) -
Marc Fitzgerald (U of MD 93) - Bill Webb
Robert Ford (Hampton 89) - Deb Furmanchik
Phillip Frazier (Wisc-GB 94, Wisc 96) - Robert Ford
Nateeka Freeman (U of MD-BC 97) - Lori Hunter
Rashel Freeman (NC A&T 89) - Jenean McKay
Andrea Gambrill (Trinity 96) - Ginny Kibler, Lynn Guelzow
Aisha Garrett (Morris Brown) - Amy Verone
Diane Gillespie (American 74) - Margaret Martin
Natleen Green (Norfolk St. 97) - Elizabeth Drye
Daria Hall (Spelman 03) - Michelle Dallafior, Sandy Criscione,
Kit Gray, Lauren Jones
Nakia Harried (U of MD-ES 00) - Kevin Jones
Phillip Haughton (UDC 00) - Oscar Armstrong, Kate Kelley, Bob
Feinberg
Tim Hill (UDC 97) - David McCarthy
Millicent Holbert (Morgan St. 96) - Talita Middleton
Gwendolyn Holcomb (Penn St. 96) - Constance Pierce
Rashad Holloway (Cheyney St. 02) - Brinton Bohling
Stephanie Holmes (NY Inst of Tech 00) - Charles Flickner
Eric Hylton (Morehouse 90) - Fran Hunt, Cindy Fausold
Richard Jackson (AL State 82/OSU 83) - Jerry/Mary Spatz
Dava Johnson (Trinity 03) - Debbie Woods
Latonya Johnson (Trinity) - Chris Coker, Susan Casey,
Donna Giver Johnston, Janice Mitnick
Sashia Jones (Bowie St. 95) - Kathy Brown
Shanti Jones (U of MD-ES 96) - Ari Brose, Geraldine Burt,
John Harte, David Kleeman
Chaundra Jordan (Bowie St.) - Susan Sonnesyn Brooks,
Leslie Corkern
Charles Kelly (Fisk 70) - Mary Prothro
Janell Kelly (Howard 97) - John Tapogna, Deirdre Daly
Darlene Lane (U of MD 98) - Janice Washington
Chaiko Lewis (Trinity 01) - Lisa Frye
Keira Lewis (Morgan St. 96) - Laura Bachurski
Michelle McCray (U of MD-ES 00) - Jenny Luray
Melinda McDonald (Tennessee St. 95) - Lori Lewis
Lori McLaughlin (Howard 93) - Aaron Estis
Corey Means (U of MD-ES 00) - Ken Campbell
Sharnell Montgomery (Bennett 97) - Joanie Amick Kelly
Madiana Mustapha (Middlebury 00) - Cynthia Phillips
Angela Norman (G'town 91) - Leona Agouridis, Nancy
Chambers
Janelle Ollivierre-Spraggins (U of MD 00) - Stig Hammond, Joan
Kelly
Flecha Organ (Johnson C. Smith 92) - Betty Monkman
Roberta Organ (Spelman 96) - Dan Williams
Reggi Parker (Anderson-Broaddus 98) - Tom Dunlap
Theresa Perry (UDC 89, G'town 94) - Brendolyn McCarty-Jones
Deanna Pollard (Ithaca 00) - Tony Swain, Ginger Cook,
Winnie Stachelberg
Chekesha Roberts (Clark 98) - Lee Hurwitz, Jennifer Collins
Petra Rolle (UDC 02) - Stig Hammond, Lee Corydon
Derwin Ross (Clark 93) - Wendy Erlanger
Rodriguez Ross (Florida St. 94) - Bill Davis
Sergio Rozzelle (Lincoln 91) - Bill Davis
Tamar Shaw (Howard 95) - Michael Delaney, Leslie Hornig
Dennis Smith (Norfolk 85) - Mary Spatz
Latonya Smith (Morgan St. 00) - Chris Cooper
Gary Stanley (Livingstone 91) - Tom Bodine
Sherisse Steward (UNC 00) - Polly Rich
Kristie Taylor (American 01) - Dianne Williams, Laurie
Ballenger
Vannie Taylor (Lincoln, Howard 04, DDS) - John Smith
William Taylor (Marietta 70, 75, PhD) - Keith Martin
Sarita Thomas (Morgan St. 01) - Matt Benjamin, Theresa LaRue,
Elizabeth Freid
Sherell Turner (Norfolk St. 95) - Chip Gardiner
Vanetrice Turner (UNC 98) - Lynn Reddy
Shiree Wharton (Elizabeth City) - Susan Yoder Torres
Doris Williams (Howard 84) - Nina Holloway
Portia Williams (Corcoran 02) - Paula Hirschhoff, Ari Brose
Sean Williams (Bowie St. 98) - Brendolyn McCarty-Jones
Yasha Williams (Hampton 95) - Scott Feldstein
Allen Wilson (VMI 84) - Dennis Anderson

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO
HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO COMMUNITY CLUB**

The Community Club would like to thank the following individuals and entities for their gracious financial gifts to the Club. The New York Avenue Foundation combines many individual contributions for which we do not have individual donor names but to whom we are nonetheless immensely grateful. The Congregation of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church has been a steadfast source of financial as well as physical and volunteer support for Community Club for all of its 44 years. This year's contributors:

Gil Anderson	Betty Monkman
David Hartford	Harry Moore
Elizabeth and George Holmes	National Multi-Housing Council
Daniel Horner	New York Avenue Foundation
Pam Hostetler	New York Avenue Presbyterian Church
Jenean McKay	Jeffrey and Lynda Somerville

How to give to Community Club: Checks can be made out to either "The New York Avenue Foundation" or to "The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church" and will be placed directly into the Community Club account so long as you specify "Community Club" in the memo line.

We also encourage tutors and friends to take advantage of matching programs that some employers in the Washington Area manage. If your firm has such a program and you would like Community Club to benefit from it, please contact Paul Dornan at (703) 971-9047. He can help you with the paperwork that most of these programs require.

Finally, the tutors and students of Community Club would like to take this opportunity to thank the steady and sure service of the staff of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church to Community Club. The Club simply would not happen without their constant and friendly work on our behalf:

Pastor Roger J. Gench	Evelyn McMillan
Chaplain Tara Spuhler McCabe	Pierre Moye
Rev. Mark Jennings	Raymond Newman
Emily Jackson	Kathryn Smith
Ben Knotts	David Smoot
Valerie McCray	Mary Weithers

SENIOR CLASS MEMORIES

Gerri Cherri

As I remember, it all started back in November of 2003 when I met my previous tutor named Elizabeth. At the beginning, I convinced myself that I didn't need a tutor. I thought tutors were for those who were failing. Since I made straight A's in school, I just knew I was too good to have a tutor. But my mother made me get one anyway. Since I did well in school, Elizabeth and I did a lot of studying, having social time, and preparing me for High School. By the end of the school year, Elizabeth was assigned a new job outside of Washington, DC and could no longer be my tutor. It was very hard for her to break the news to me. It was like we became best friends within that short period of time. I felt like I had lost my friend forever.

That following year as I entered High School without Elizabeth, I had to face the reality of being assigned a new tutor. The thought of meeting someone new was challenging for me. I wasn't the type of person who was up for meeting new people. I would rather keep to the same person instead of being open to new possibilities. The only thing that went through my head was, "Is she going to be as outgoing as Elizabeth?" My main concern was the thought of us having bad chemistry. I soon had to get over my fear, for I knew that Elizabeth would only want the best for me. Slowly but shortly, she arrived, a former track runner just as I once used to be. Her name was Emily. For some odd reason, we connected that very same day. We talked about everything- school, relationship, and shopping. We also had something in common, this was Emily's first time tutoring at Community Club and this was my first time having a new tutor. I took time to inform her of how Community Club works, and she caught on very quickly. As the year of 2005 passed by, Emily and I had a good time getting to know each other.

Now came the year of 2006, and we both were going through a lot of hardship and pressure. Emily and I were applying to schools at the exact same time. Emily was applying to law school while I was applying to college. As patient and consistent as we were, we both got accepted to the schools of our choice: Trinity College and the University of Pennsylvania Law School. We both enjoy traveling. During our time together, Emily had the opportunity to visit Israel for a week in honor of a wedding, and I will soon be accompanying five other students to Cape Town South Africa this coming July. While the years have passed us by, our memories will be cherished forever. Knowing that we will continue our journey through life at different institutions, we wish each other the best of luck no matter what. I have come to love being tutored here at Community Club and meeting a new friends like Emily and Elizabeth.

Tutor Amy Gillespie on her student Nadiath Saibou

I began working with Nadiath Saibou at the beginning of the 2005-06 school year. Although our pairing was new for this academic year, Nadiath has been a faithful member of Community Club throughout her high school career.

When I met Nadiath, I was immediately struck by her poise and grace. She is a young lady with innate self-confidence and great fashion sense! I came to know Nadiath as a bright and motivated student. She attended one of the city's most academically challenging high schools, School Without Walls, and took an advanced French class at Howard University. Her pre-calculus homework regularly challenged both of us; Thursday nights often found us sitting with another tutor in the Math Zone.

Nadiath recently played an integral role on a mock trial team that took second prize among 32 teams in a city-wide competition. I attended one of the trials—held before a real judge in a real courtroom at D.C. Superior Court—and can attest to her success. She ably presented an opening argument, a direct examination of a witness, and cross-examination of a witness. She was individually recognized as a top advocate in the competition.

Nadiath has a strong sense of community service. She has volunteered above and beyond the 100 hours of community service required by her school. She chose a particularly challenging form of service: speaking one-on-one to her peers about AIDS and how to avoid it. This winter she also participated as a panelist at a church-wide

forum on youth violence at New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. These forms of service required risk-taking and self-confidence. These qualities, in addition to her academic ability, study skills, organizational skills, and strong sense of determination, demonstrate to me that she will be a success in college and in the professional world.

Lyndsay Briscoe on Tutor Sarah Haug

My name is Lyndsay Briscoe, I am a 17 year old senior at Washington, Math, Science and Technology Public Charter School in SE DC. I have been a member of the Community Club since 2004 with tutor Sarah Haug. I have enjoyed my years at the Community Club. I have met so many people here and made some lasting friendships. Sarah has really made a positive difference in my life, showing me how important having an education can be. Sarah is also really good at giving advice, she helps me with decisions on school, home, and boys (well sometimes about boys). I will really miss Sarah coming to the community club on Thursday evenings and sitting with my friends in the back at the big table and talking about what we have done since the last Thursday we were here. I really want to thank Ms. Agate for being such a great class leader and keeping us on track with report cards, meetings, and scholarships.

Sarah Haug on Lyndsay Briscoe

I came to Community Club in February 2004, looking for a challenge and a way to meet new people and learn a bit about the city which I had recently moved to. Lyndsay had been coming to Community Club for a few weeks, waiting for a tutor to be assigned to her.

Although we seem rather different on the surface - I am quiet, introverted, and cautious, and Lyndsay is forever optimistic, outgoing, and ready to talk on any topic which comes up - we hit it off right away. We found that we both are curious about people and life, have a love of travel, and an adventurous spirit. We spent many Thursday nights not only muddling through physics and geometry homework, but also learning about each other's lives and interests.

Lyndsay's adventurous spirit will take her to her first-choice college, Clark Atlanta University, this fall where she will study Mass Media Arts. I couldn't be more excited for her. Through Community Club, Lyndsay has become more than my student; she is also my friend and I wish her all the best in her next adventure.

Tutor Paul Dornan on Greg Miller

I am Paul Dornan, and I have been Greg Miller's tutor for the last two years. Greg is a fairly private person, and I guess that I am, too, so I can't say we've had too many heart-to-heart talks over the last two years. I can witness, though, to Greg's gentle friendliness, his quiet competence, peaceful self-confidence and a common sense that are quite rare in a high school student. In a few words, he is smart, he knows he's smart, but he never flouts his intelligence. His genuine modesty is the beginning of wisdom. It has been an honor and pleasure to be his tutor.

I wish I could have helped Greg more, but, to tell the truth, he far exceeds my abilities in math and science, the classes for which he brought the most homework. (Occasionally, he would bring English or history homework just to keep my spirits up). As a result, I was left to join the chorus of adults that already includes his beloved parents, his older brothers and his teachers at Banneker, cheering him on from success to success.

Greg, I wish you every good thing as you move to the other coast. May every success be yours at Berkeley and beyond. And, remember, there will always be one more friend rooting you on from 3,000 miles away.

AN APPRECIATION OF JESSE MCNEAL

Jesse McNeal served the New York Avenue congregation loyally and well for 32 years, from 1972 until 2004. During that time, he sat at the front desk nearly every Thursday evening during the school year. I count that to be about 1,152 evenings, and, if you would accept that 100 students and 100 tutors walked by his desk every Thursday night, that would be about 230,000 people passing just for Community Club. And that would be about 230,000 “Hi, Jesses” and 230,000 “Goodnight, Jesses”. You see, everyone, tutors and students alike, said hello and goodnight to Jesse. He quite simply was well-loved. Maybe it was because he greeted every student and every adult as the individual he or she was. Or maybe it was because he was such a constant presence. Or maybe it was because he so infrequently got flustered, no matter how great the provocation.

Now, Jesse was no softie. Believe me, in 32 years at the front desk at New York Avenue, Jesse had seen it all, and he kept a close eye on his watch. One thing that I noticed over the years was that some kids were drawn to him. One of my students in Community Club, who had had some hard times during his teens, certainly shared more of himself with Jesse than he did with me. Another former student in the club in the early years later returned to the church and was active as a Deacon. He had also had some hard times. In both instances, Jesse or I would ask the other, “Have you seen our friend?”, and that would get the conversation rolling. I at least knew that, if Jesse hadn’t seen them, they weren’t to be seen.

When Jesse returned from his first amputation several years ago, he displayed the same graciousness that he had always shown before. There was no self-pity. There was no anger--just the same welcoming Jesse. It was clear that he treasured life, and we treasured him.

I can imagine Jesse sitting by St. Peter’s gate, and, as the saints pass through, they’ll be saying, “Hi, Jesse” and “Goodnight, Jesse.”

Thank you, Jesse.