

Winter 2018

**THE MIGHTY  
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Boylan Haven-Mather Academy

# Mather Alumni

National Alumni Association

## From Our President



**Eloise Moore Bishop ('65)**

Tempus Fugit! Time flies. Two years have passed since we gathered in Atlanta. Since that time, changes have taken place: some good, some not so good, and some unbelievable; but, we remain steadfast in our mission to keep the legacy of BHMA alive.

The Executive Committee has finalized the plans for our 2018 Reunion in the "Holy City" of Charleston, SC. Let's make this one of the best reunions ever! Make plans today to attend. Tweet, access Instagram, Facebook Messenger, LinkedIn, Vimeo, Email, text, or call -- as many classmates and friends as you can -- and tell them to meet you in Charleston.

At our last reunion, we challenged each class in attendance to match a goal for the Mather Scholarship Endowment at Claflin University in Orangeburg, SC. Let's try to exceed the \$2,300 total from 2016. All contributions are tax-deductible. Please consider a memorial to the BHMA Endowment or a BHMA Legacy contribution.

As always, I hope this message finds you well, and it is my hope to see you all in Charleston. ■

## National Reunion: August 2-5, 2018

# Come...CHARLESTON...with us!



Ever think about classmates from your Mather schooldays? They've probably thought about you too.

Get a chance to see some of them at the BHMA National Alumni Association's **2018 National Reunion** in Charleston, SC — our second time reuniting there.

Back in 2010, this city drew more alumni than any where else we've met.

Attracting everyone this year will be new activities: a **Card Party**, **Gullah Tour**, and a **Dinner Cruise** that will replace Saturday's traditional indoor sit-down ballroom banquet.

And on Sunday, we will worship at "Mother" **Emanuel AME Church**, that denomination's oldest in the Southeast, and where nine parishioners were killed in a hate crime that made national news in 2015.

### DEADLINE: JUNE 8

#### Reunion Registration & Hotel Reservation

Reserve your spot so you won't miss your old friends at the Reunion.

See details in the enclosed information and send the Registration fees and form to our Treasurer. Contact the hotel to reserve rooms. This information is also on our website.

We hope to see you Thursday through Sunday, Aug. 2-5, in Charleston! ■

### Doubletree by Hilton Hotel North Charleston — Convention Center



#### CLASSES IN REUNION

1948 (70 yrs.)

1958 (60 yrs.)

1968 (50 yrs.)

1978 (40 yrs.)

**Plus all other Classes:  
Years ending in**

**0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9**

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- **BOWLING:** Fri.



- **CARD PARTY:** Fri.



- **BUSINESS MTG:** Sat.



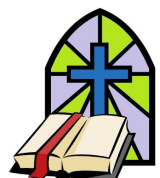
- **GULLAH TOUR:** Sat.



- **DINNER CRUISE:** Sat.



- **EMANUEL AME CHURCH SERVICE:** Sun.





# If 2016 in Atlanta was like this, imagine 2018 in Charleston!

See complete 2016 photo gallery on our website at [www.mathernaa.org](http://www.mathernaa.org)



**BOWLING**



**BUS TOUR OF HISTORIC BLACK ATLANTA**



**SALUTE TO SENIOR ALUMNI ATTENDING**



**PHOTOGRAPHING FRIENDS**



**BUSINESS MEETING**

## Support the Mather Scholarship at Claflin University!



A photo of the first recipient, Starre Carr, is seen behind Claflin University representative Veronica M. Cohen (right photo) during an update at the Saturday business meeting. Later (left photo), BHMA Class of 1965 members present Ms. Cohen a check symbolizing \$350 raised by that class in 2016.

The annual scholarship needs continuous funding. The more we increase our initial \$23,000 endowment (made in 2012), the larger the scholarship award and the more Education majors we can help. Ms. Carr's scholarship was \$1,400.

To donate, see details on our website.



**REMEMBERING**



**HOSPITALITY ROOM**

### BHMANAA 2016-2018 Officers

**President** — Eloise Moore Bishop ('65)

**1st VP** — Bernadette Session ('72)

**2nd VP** — Celeste Bradley ('75)

**Treasurer** — Knorphe Byrd ('73)

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**Recording Sec'y** — Lynne Thomas ('74)

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