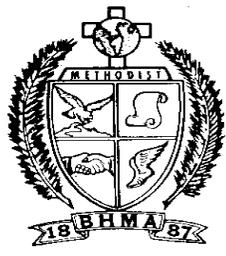


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Boylan-Haven-Mather Academy

Mather Alumni

National Alumni Association

From Our President

By **Bernadette Session ('72)**

Greetings Matherites!

These 2½ years have felt like a chastening rod as we trod the stony roads of the COVID pandemic. God willing, the worst is behind us and we are able to safely travel and enjoy our Grand Reunion 2022.

This will be BHMA's first time meeting in Jacksonville, FL, home of the Boylan Haven School prior to its closing and merging with Mather Academy in 1959. Their last national reunion was in 2009, and we welcome them as guests to our upcoming gathering.

While celebrating this part of our BHMA history, we can strengthen our legacy going forward. Our national association is fortunate to have our BHMA memorabilia archived and available by appointment for viewing at Claflin University. Our endowed scholarship is there as well. Donations to the scholarship fund benefit Claflin students, and project the legacy of BHMA into future educational opportunities. Expect updates on the endowment at the Grand Reunion's Saturday morning business meeting. A copy of the application is available on our website, and in this mailing.

The memorial gate, information panels and bench on the site in Camden, SC, where our school was once located, are also part of our BHMA legacy. The wooden bench on the site is damaged beyond repair. Funds are being raised to replace it with a composite bench.

If able, please consider donating to preserve our BHMA legacy.

If you're traveling to Jax from the Carolinas, arrangements are being made for a chartered bus. Contact Robynn for details: robymbinn@gmail.com.

And, by all means, join us in August, to celebrate what was once "the best school in the land!"

Fly on high, Mighty Eagles! ■

IT'S BACK ON!! 2022 Reunion Aug. 4-7

Meet in **JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA** – Home of "Boylan Haven"!

DEADLINES: July 4 (Reunion Registration) July 14 (Hotel Reservation)

Our 2022 Grand Reunion – originally scheduled for 2020 in Jacksonville, FL – will be held this year August 4-7 (Thursday through Sunday).

After postponements due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will meet in-person, adhering to strict health safety protocols.

Our headquarters will be the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Jacksonville Riverfront.

Costs are the same as before if paid by due date of July 4. The Reunion Registration



fee is \$250 (\$200 plus annual \$25 dues each for this year and last year). Late fees incur an extra \$35. Send check to: **Knorphe Byrd Jr., Treasurer, BHMA-NAA, P.O. Box 15303, Quinby, SC 29506.**

Single or double room rate is \$135 per night. Make reservations by July 14.

Jacksonville is where the Boylan Haven School was located before it merged with



Mather Academy in 1959. Named for "Haven" near Savannah, GA and "Boylan" in Jacksonville, it was at 1214 Jessie Street.

Please make travel plans now to join alumni in Jacksonville! ■

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Thurs.** – Check-in, Hospitality Suite
- **Fri.** – Hanna Park Beach Outing; St. Johns River Night Cruise
- **Sat.** – Morning: Alumni Bus. Mtg.
Afternoon: USS Orleck; Riverside Arts Market
Evening: Dinner/Dance
- **Sun.** – Worship & Departure

MATHER SCHOLARSHIP AT CLAFLIN UNIVERSITY



2022 Application Deadline: July 31

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