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National President's Message

Foxes:

On behalf of the National Board, I would like to extend my gratitude to you for coming out and making our 18th Annual reunion a success. I also want to thank our friends and well wishers for their participation and patronage. To our good friends from the A. M. E. Zion Academy, Monrovia College, and Omega Football Association, we extend a special appreciation for your participation in our games. We are truly indebted to you. To our members and friends who did not get the chance to attend this year, we urge you to saddle up and get ready for next year when we will have the chance to do it again - this time grander.

After such a successful weekend together, it is only fair we get right back into the business of rebuilding

our Alma Mater and country. As you know, our work is unending for the future of an edu-



Alex Wonasue, MBA

cated generation lies with us. This new year gives us another opportunity to continue to advance our vision of a world class education for Liberia through the greatest high school - CWA. With such am-

bitious projects in the works and so little time left, we must act and act fast.

If you have noticed by now, each of our projects were carefully chosen based on how they may impact the quality of education offered at CWA. Each ultimately contributes to our core mission of improving and influencing the academic future of our dear Alma Mater. Based on the estimated number of CWA alumni in the United States, it is evident that we have the potential to achieve great things. Imagine if 500 of our thousands of alumni contribute the minimum of \$60.00 each during the course of this year, our dream of building the best high school in Liberia can be duly ignited. Please help us secure a future for our children, their generations and the place we all call home. ➡ Pg. 5

CWA Mourns a Great Loss - Mrs. Earnestine F. W. Smith

This is to announce the sudden home-going of Mrs. Earnestine F. W. Smith, Former President of the College of West Africa High School, Monrovia, Liberia.

Mrs. Smith, who had relocated to Liberia to help with the restoration of CWA, her beloved school, died on Monday, September 27th in Monrovia. She will truly be missed by all, especially for her tireless service and countless efforts to help restore CWA to its glory days.

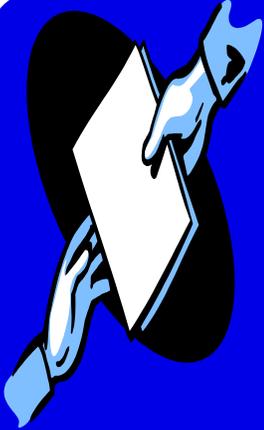
CWA-AA, USA Executive Board, through it's National President, is in contact with the President of CWA to ensure that CWA-AA, USA is represented and participates in the home-going of its own dear Mrs. Smith.

If you intend to travel to Liberia for the funeral services or would like to assist in any way, please contact the Association - www.cwaausa.org or via cwauspresident@yahoo.com.

CWA-AA, USA prays that God grants his "unmatched" comfort and peace to the family of Mrs. Smith (Gwendolyn and family) and that her soul rests in peace and light perpetual shines upon her.

Details re a proposed Memorial Service to honor Mrs. Smith will be posted soon. Visit us for more info at www.cwaausa.org.

“Giving Back” - A Special Message by Alex Wonasue



**Giving Back!
An Act of Benevolence.**

*Life's most
persistent and
urgent question is
“What are you doing
for others?”*

*~ Rev. Martin
Luther King, Jr.*

*“As it turned out,
we were privi-
leged benefactors
of other people's
generosity.”
~ Alex Wonasue*

Let's talk about giving back!

Every so often we talk about what is wrong with our country, how it should be, or how utterly pathetic it turned out to be after 160 plus years of independence. So less often do we speak about what we have done above and beyond to effect a change? Well, let's talk about it..

Every Sunday, we go to church and give offerings. Some of that offering goes to make payroll and overhead. Other times it is used to spread the gospel in far

places around the world. Sometimes it goes to build schools-like the College of West Africa. Those schools operate for many years and produce generations of individuals and families; even notable people like presidents. As it turned out, we were privileged benefactors of others people's generosity. If you are wondering what I am getting at, that privilege to attend one of the greatest schools in Liberia was just that - a privilege. CWA was built by people far removed from our clan. So, the question is of course, should it be seen as

a social and corporate responsibility to give back to an institution that has given so much?

Should it be mandatory or even a privilege to give of our money and time so that others can benefit like we did and become more to a country that so desperately needs it?

Is it our responsibility to ensure that the cycle of giving is carried on



CWA Receives NEW Gowns/Caps/Tassels

During the 2010 Crystal Awards Banquet in Maryland, the Association challenged its members present to make contributions toward purchasing new sets of graduation gowns and accessories for CWA. The plea for assistance to replace the tattered gowns of more than 30 years, came as a result of an urgent request made by Mr. Wiah, president

of CWA.

Although pledges are still forth-coming, the gowns were purchased and sent to Liberia in time for the Sept. graduation.

More information about the gowns, as well as graduation photos will be published on our website shortly.

The Association would like to thank the following persons for their contribution and pledges: Monroe P. Weeks, Alvin B. Hoff, the Nah Family, Maima Davies, Sangai Cooper, Edwin Lloyd, Augustina Davis, Ethan McKay, Rose mends-Cole, & the Class of '79 – Alanke! Thank You.

**Thanks also to Alumnus David A Garnett for advocating in this regard.*

Giving Back - Concludes

and that those to benefit from our goodwill will be tasked likewise? Individually, most of us will never be able to change a lot, if anything, in Liberia. But when you envision the change and connect the dots - you mean more to our success then you know. When you give CWA-AA, USA \$100 or \$60 a year, and 200 other persons do the same; we will have

\$12,000.00 – that could go towards any one of our projects (e.g., Science Lab, Bathroom Project, Technology Project, Scholarships, Music Education, etc).

In essence, we can blog all we want, we can leave comments on every social networking site, but we have not changed a thing until

we learn to give back to quality world-class education in Liberia.

Thanks for your time,
Alex

Got a story or commentary?

Send it to:
CWA_Publicaffairs@yahoo.com

Special Restroom Sanitary Project - by CWA-AA, USA



The students and staff restrooms at CWA are deplorable. Some students are leaving campus to use alternative restrooms and return to class.

- **See some current photos**

CWA-AA, USA Inc, says this is totally unsanitary and unacceptable. This could lead to inevitable sickness and an unhealthy/ disruptive learning environment. CWA-AA, USA needs your help!

Please look out for a complete workman presentation with professional estimates coming to your e-mail and on our website shortly.

New Platinum VISA Card - Making Honey Story

Have you ever wondered why bees make honey? Did you know that the recipe to make honey was originally meant for fly? Yes, Fly. A wise counselor once explained the story behind how bee came to be known as honey bee.

It's hard to believe that Fly was once privileged and the intended recipient of the secrets to produce honey. One day, as Fly's father came closer to his

days around, he summoned Fly to give him what would be his fame to glory- the recipe for making honey. The privileged Fly would not pay heed as his father explained. However, as the underprivileged Bee passed his window, he heard the advice and stopped to listen. While Fly fooled around and took for granted his father's advice, Bee listened carefully. After Fly's father demise, he knew not what

to do, he thought the privileged life would last forever.



Bee went on to execute what he had learned- making honey.... and this is how Bee became the wonderful Honey Bee. (Story courtesy to Counselor. I. Womasue).

The moral of the story... Foxes, don't be like Fly. You have a wonderful Association.

Platinum Card (Making Honey Story) - Concludes

One that have set the bar for all others. You have many first of it's kind benefits- like the CWA Logo credit cards, hotel discounts, insurance, and one of the most informative websites around. Your Association works hard every-day of the week to ensure we remain #1 and that our Alma Mater regains its place of glory.

Don't let this slip by without taking full advantage. Soon our competitors will catch on and may make better use of what we have

worked so hard for. Let's not wait for another association or entity to capitalize on our efforts and withdraw the benefits that CWA-AA, USA and CWA could be enjoying. Be a part of the Association today and help us take CWA and CWA-AA, USA to the next level.

DON'T BE LIKE FLY!

Don't wait any longer, get your personalized CWA-AA, USA VISA Credit Card Today!!!

18th Annual Reunion - A Recap!



The Washington Monument!

The 18th Annual Reunion was hosted by the Washington, DC Metro Area Chapter on May 28-31, 2010 in Washington, DC (Memorial Day Weekend).

The reunion was mostly a success due to a collective effort, as well as the re-shaping of some of our programs. We listened to your opinions and shaped our programs to mostly suit your entertainment tastes.

Friday – Welcome Bash:

Kahler Hall , Columbia, MD

DJ Ambrose Browne

We danced from 9:00 pm – 3:30 am.

Saturday – Sports/Family Day – Largo High School

Basketball – Foxes vs. AME Zion vs. Omega FA vs. Gator Boys vs. Russell Boys.

Game trophy was awarded to AME Zion Academy.

Soccer – CWA vs. Omega FA. Game ended in a 3 all draw. No trophy was awarded.

After Hoops Party – Renowned Crossroads Nightclub, MD. Folks were entertained by a live reggae band from England. It was truly an international exposure!

Sunday, Crystal Eagle Award Banquet – Martin’s Crosswind..

MC – Alum Monroe P. Weeks

Music – Alum Alvin B. Hoff

An elegant evening with nice food and drinks. Our honorees were alums who have served/serving in the US Armed Forces.

- Visit our website for photos & Info.

**The sacrificial service you render the people of the United States is highly valued, and also makes our stay here as a people safe and possible. We cannot thank you enough” ~ Alex Wonasue*

CWA-AA, USA Honors Alumni in the US Armed Forces

At the 2010 Annual CWA-AA, USA Crystal Eagle Award Banquet, CWA-AA, USA honored alum serving/served in the United States Armed Forces.

The colorful program, which coincided with the National Memorial Day Spirit, was held in the Maryland Ballroom at the renowned Martin’s Crosswind in Maryland.

Alums honored/recognized at

the event include:

Mr. Maxwell Duncan, Mr. Jesse Kingg, Mr. Edwin Lloyd, Jr., Mr. Felix P. Gbee, and Ms. Joyce Shelton

Special thanks and congratulations to our honorees for their indelible services rendered to the people of the United States.

Visit us online to review complete photo and bio.



More news and updates from our local chapters and for clubs.



CWA-AA, USA Inc. Chapter News

As the saying goes, everything happens big in Texas! The Dallas Branch of the TX Chapter recently elected its new corp. of officers. The branch’s new leader is Alumnus Christie Sherman.

The National President and TX Chapter President both congratulated Mr. Sherman

and his team for taking this bold step to help the chapter/association and ultimately CWA.

In more news, the Minnesota Chapter also elected new corps. of officers to run the affairs of the chapter for the next two years. The chapter’s new president is Alumnus

Henry Dolopei. The President/ Board sent a message of congratulations to Mr. Dolopei and his new team.

The Georgia and the Carolinas Chapter (revamping) is planning to conduct a series of small events to help revitalize the chapter – contact j_kama@yahoo.com.

* Looking for volunteers to help!!!

Qualls E. J. Stevens, DO MBA Contributes to CWA!

On September 6, 2010, alumnus Qualls E. J. Stevens, DO MBA (a Board Certified—Neurological and Fellowship Trained Spine Surgeon) made a contribution of \$1000.00 to the Alumni Association for the Teacher/Student Sponsorship Program. Dr. Stevens, who expressed his satisfaction with CWA-AA, USA’s management of the scholarship program, donated the money in honor of his father (**Parent Legacy**).

Dr. Stevens has pledged to make annual contributions to this fund to ensure that deserving

students are afforded quality education at CWA.

CWA-AA, USA National President, Mr. Alex T. Wonasue, a friend of Dr. Stevens, thanked him for his highly appreciated contribution to the Association and wished him the best in his future endeavors and his quest to save lives.

This is the second largest single contribution by an individual alumnus to the Association in recent years. Mr. Wonasue assured Dr. Stevens that the contribution will be used for its intended purpose and that Dr.

Stevens himself will participate in its implementation. Mr. Wonasue then called on other alumni in the United States and abroad to follow the exemplary foot step of Dr. Stevens, as well as other classes to join in the global effort to restore CWA academically and structurally.

Many thanks to all former and current contributors to the Association for your contributions (in cash or service); your contribution to this great effort is much needed.

Please view the list of projects on our websites and see how you can help to make a difference at CWA.



Dr. Q. Stevens

Give and it shall be given unto you. ... For with the same measure that you mete with, it shall be measured to you again.”

~ Jesus Christ

President’s Message Concludes

Already we have been successful in rebuilding our Association. We are working through class and individuals to make our Association like no other. In light of this, I want to personally commend the class of '71, '77, '79, '85, '86, '88, and '90 for their active participation and/or expressed intend to collaborate with the National Association to give back. Congratulations to the Class of '80 upon their 30th Anniversary this month. We would also like to congratulate

and thank the class of '85 and '90 who recently hosted their class reunions and committed to sponsor one of the Association projects. It is our hope that others will follow suit with the understanding that union strong starts today and success is only sure because we, as a proud group of alums realize that giving back is more than a choice, but rather a duty.

As I conclude, I want to extend my sympathy to the daughter and

family of our greatest influence—Mrs. Earnestine Smith. Mrs. Smith left her home in the United States and made CWA and Liberia her home until her passing. This act is far more than any of us will ever be able to duplicate.

I want to encourage you to join us to honor her memories by giving back to CWA, so that her dreams of educating generations of Liberians can continue.

Respectfully, Alex Wonasue

Share Your Story - Wedding, Graduation, Birth, Class Reunions...

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

A special Congratulations to alumnus John W. McClain, Jr., '64 and Elimu Kajunju, Esq, for purchasing Life Membership within the Association.

Life membership is a perennial passion!!! The National President thanks our new life members and encourage others to become Life members.

CONDOLENCES!!!

A Special Condolences.

To the families of Mrs. Earnestine F. W. Smith (Former President of CWA-AA, USA); Jurudoe Harris - Martin; Barbara Benson & Mai Brownell; Florida Kweekeh; David Dover Kpomakpor; and all other diseased alums. Be comforted!!!

GRADUATION!!!!

Congratulations and best wishes to alumna Paulette Diggs and alumnus Richard Howe who just received their MBA Degrees in Finance and Administration.

Fellow Foxes, CWA-AA, USA wishes you all the best in your professional endeavors.

Class Reunions!!!

Congratulations to the following classes who just celebrated a milestone reunion: Class of 1980 (30 Years); Class of 1985 (25 years); and Class of 1990 (20 years).

CWA-AA Salutes You!!!

**CWA-AA,
USA Website
Get; Facelift/
Updates!!!**



Volunteers—Thank You!

CWA-AA, USA would like to thank the following volunteers for their recent services/assistance to CWA.

Mr. Edwin Brewer and daughter, alumna Nduwornee Hallie – who took 6 boxes of graduation gowns/caps/tassels to Monrovia (on behalf of CWA-AA, USA).

Mr. Eugene Cheeks—transported the boxes of gowns to New Jersey (at no costs to CWA-AA).
All other volunteers—Thank You!!!

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*“Though a thousand fall, Let not Africa be given up.” ~
Melville B. Cox*

About the College of West Africa

The College of West Africa (CWA) is an United Methodist Institution. Its establishment was realized through the vision of Mr. Melville B. Cox of Maine, USA, who was the first Methodist missionary to Liberia.

CWA, established in the 1800's, is one of the oldest academic institution in Liberia, dating back as far as the founding of Liberia itself.

CWA has served as “academic” home to several thousand secondary and post secondary students of Liberia and other countries (including presidents and vice presidents of Liberia).

Like many academic institutions in Liberia, the civil crisis of the 1990's had its toll on CWA—leaving it shattered (academically and structurally). However, the alumni of CWA are working diligently to help restore CWA to its glory days!

Visit us at our new address:

[Http://www.cwaaausa.org](http://www.cwaaausa.org)

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CWA-AA, USA STUDENT/TEACHER SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The CWA-AA, USA Deserving Student/Teacher Sponsorship Program is designed to help provide scholarships and books for needy and performing students at CWA, as well as incentives for all teachers at CWA.

The program is well on its way. Please get 100% involved in this process and be an angel for a deserving student at CWA and/or help CWA maintain qualified teachers to carry on its legacy.

CWA-AA, USA in collaboration with CWA has opened a separate account (Wachovia Bank) for this project and will publicly list names of all contributors and their contributions for proper accountability and a smooth running of this program. Please refer to our website for more information about this program

and / or contact
CWA_PublicAffairs@yahoo.com.

This program is the framework for most of our current operations. We will need your financial and moral support in order for this program to succeed.



Celebration of Scholarships!!!

We would like to thank all those who have contributed to this program thus far - including some of

the established classes and clubs.

Leave a legacy for yourself, your class and/or your family!

There are several other key projects that have been spear-headed by the new administration that you could contribute to.

If you need more information about this program and the other projects, we can mail you a catalogue with details about the program or you can read more on our website. Please contact:

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