



Montgomery County, Maryland Chapter

# CHATTER



National Hampton Alumni Association, Inc.

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"Marking 20 Years of Service in 2022"

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## From the Chapter President

## INTRODUCING ...



*This April brings about change in quite a few ways. For those who love warm weather the temperatures are heating up and summer is right around the corner. For those who love sports, basketball and hockey are in full swing with baseball season just getting started. And for those who love our Alma Mater the new leadership transition has been announced.*

*Dr. Harvey led Hampton University for 43 years and built it into the school we cherish and love. He now hands over the reigns to 3 Star General Darrell Williams who I am sure will continue the high standard of excellence we have become to expect.*

*In May it will be our turn at the Chapter level to choose leadership for the next few years. Please consider running for a position or volunteering for a role with MoCo Hamptonians. Be safe and take care!*

*Jonathan G...*  
Chapter President

**NEXT VIRTUAL**  
**Montgomery County**  
**Chapter Meeting**  
**11 AM, Saturday,**  
**April 23, 2022**



*Lt. Gen. Darrell K. Williams and Myra Richardson Williams, Class of 1983, The New President & First Lady of Hampton Univeristy*

## HELP MoCo CHAPTER RACE TO THE FINISH!

*Great News, Alumni!*

As of this March, nearly \$9,100 has been donated from to current and former chapter members to The Montgomery County Chapter NHAA scholarship endowment (though requested, there has been no further update from Hampton University)! An anonymous donor has committed to a dollar-to-dollar match of donations received up to \$12,500, equal to half the minimum \$25,000 required for our endowment. That leaves a \$3,400 balance to be raised over the next 5 months (February-June 2022) to meet our goal!

*Needless to say, your generous support is still needed!*

Most of you remember the chapter embarking on this effort in September 2020 to establish its first endowed scholarship to commemorate our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The two-year goal was to raise the minimum \$25,000 by July 1, 2022, roughly 5 months from now.

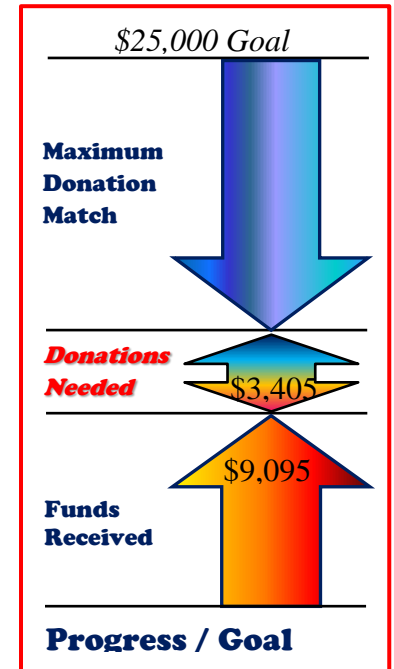
*We've almost there, alumni – let's get the job done!*

Twenty alumni and friends donating \$34/ month from February to June, or making a one-time donation of \$170, would do it! Consider sharing a RMD (required minimum distribution). However you decide to contribute, please dig deep and give what you can to help your chapter to reach this milestone!

Donate through the university website. That way it will automatically count toward your annual giving total. *Here's how!*

- **Step One:** Go to the [www.hamptonu.edu](http://www.hamptonu.edu) home page and select the "GIVE NOW" button
- **Step Two:** Select the "GIVE NOW" button at the top or on the lower part of the page
- **Step Three:** Select "GIVE Online" on the Ways to Give
- **Step Four:** Select the blue "OTHER" box
- **Step Five:** Go to "Selection of Designation of My Choice", scroll down in the window and select "Other Endowed Scholarship"
- **Step Six:** Enter the Name of Your scholarship. (enter "MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD CHAPTER NHAA PRESIDENTS ENDOWMENT" in the comment box)
- **Step Seven:** Enter complete donation payment info MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD CHAPTER NHAA PRESIDENTS ENDOWMENT

Please remember to email **Gwen Jones, Chapter Treasurer** at [gwendolyn\\_jones@verizon.net](mailto:gwendolyn_jones@verizon.net) with the donation amount(s) so we can track our progress. *So help MoCo Chapter race to the finish, alumni!*



*Jonathon Gunn*  
Jonathon Gunn 02' President

*Chapter Elections in May 2022*

*Join Up, Alumni & Friends!*

*Dues-paying Alumni!*

**Nominations are now open** for MoCo NHAA Chapter members for offices for the 2022-2023 academic year! Elections will be held at the May meeting so decide what position you are interested in or who you would like to nominate.

Nominations are currently open for the following officer positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Recording Secretary
- Assistant Recording Secretary
- Financial Secretary
- Chaplain

Send your nominations to [mcmdnhaa@gmail.com](mailto:mcmdnhaa@gmail.com) or make your nominations at the March or April meeting. MoCo Chapter needs your participation in its leadership to continue to grow!

Refer to the attachment about opportunities to serve with the Mid-Atlantic Region NHAA.

**COVID-19 Care**

Here are links with information about getting FREE rapid COVID-19 test kits and masks.

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/covid19/testing/rapid-tests.html>

<https://www.covidtests.gov/>

*Chapter Officers & Committee Chairs*

**Jonathon Gunn '02, President**

**Jonathan White '11, Vice President**

**Gwen Jones '80, Treasurer**

**Parliamentarian- VACANT**

**Mindy Golatt '96,**

**Daarel Bumette II '06**

**Tyren Sutton '04, Chaplain**

**Membership Chair**

**Recording Secretary**

**Gayle Washington '14,**

**Godfrey Maynor, Jr. '85,**

**Joye Saxon, '92,**

**Assistant Chaplain**

**Parents Club Liaison**

**Assistant Recording Secretary**

**Sonya Snedecor '95,**

**Arthur Jackson '12,**

**Budget Secretary- VACANT**

**Alumni Giving Chair**

**Scholarship Committee Chair,**

**Financial Secretary - VACANT**

**El-Tonya Duckworth '91,**

**Chatter E-newsletter Editor**

**Fund Raising Chair - VACANT**

**Student Recruitment Chair -**

**VACANT**



## Hampton U. Selects a New President!

**HAMPTON, Va. (April 13, 2022)** – U.S. Army retired Lt. Gen. Darrell K. Williams, a 1983 graduate of Hampton University, will serve as the institution's next president.

Williams, chosen president on March 30 by the university's Board of Trustees, brings four decades of proven success in leading complex military and commercial business enterprises, as well as nonprofit and academic leadership experience, Board of Trustees Chairman Wes Coleman said.

"Running a university is complex, as was made evident by the global pandemic. When President Harvey told us of his decision to retire, we knew we wanted to build upon what he has accomplished," said Coleman. "We embarked on a search for a proven strategic leader. The skills Lt. Gen. Williams is bringing to Hampton encompass what institutions of our size need. In a global world increasingly dependent on technology, this kind of strategic leadership expertise and knowledge can only help to move our institution forward over the coming decades."

Williams will succeed President William R. Harvey, who retires on June 30 after leading Hampton for 44 years.

Williams said he is honored to be chosen as Hampton's 13th president and is looking forward to "returning to serve."

"I love Hampton and bring a wealth of strategic leadership experiences, including management of large global organizations, as well as the academic and nonprofit experience necessary to successfully lead the university," Williams said. "I am thrilled to have been selected as the next president. I will work tirelessly with students, faculty, staff, alumni and the broader community to prepare our graduates for today and for the continuously evolving, technology-driven workforce of tomorrow."

Williams, of Alexandria, Virginia, is presently employed by Leidos, a Fortune 250 technology company, and serves as the Leidos United Kingdom vice president and managing director of the U.K. Ministry of Defense Logistics Commodities and Services Transformation (LCST) programme, providing global logistical support to U.K. military forces. Williams attributes his business and leadership roles at Leidos with helping to prepare him for this next exciting chapter at Hampton.

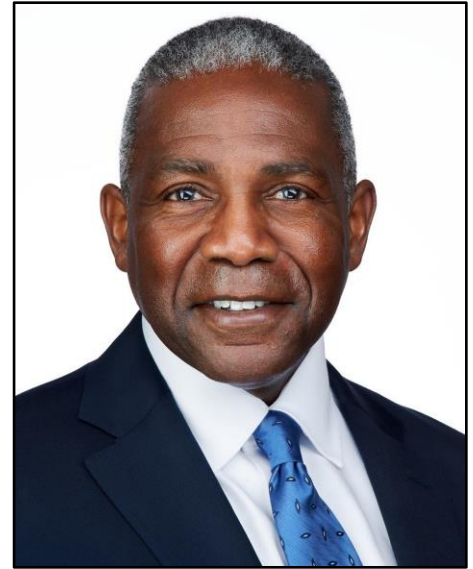
Williams retired from the U.S. Army in 2020 after 37 years of service. His last leadership position was as the first African American and 19th director of the Department of Defense's Defense Logistics Agency (DLA). He

oversaw a global workforce of over 26,000 civilian and military professionals. Under his watch, the DLA annually provided over \$40 billion in global logistical support to all U.S. military services, designated international partner and allied military services, and 42 U.S. government organizations and federal agencies. During the early stages of the pandemic, the DLA provided over \$1 billion in COVID-19 relief to the DoD and other federal agencies.

From 2015 to 2017, Williams led the Army Combined Arms Support Command and the Fort Lee, Virginia, military installation. There, he was responsible for Army Logistics University and the Professional Military Education and the training of thousands of Army logistics junior officer, warrant officer and non-commissioned officer students. Additionally, he led the installation's strategic engagement with the Richmond, Petersburg, Hopewell, and Colonial Heights communities, and he assured the welfare and safety of the over 25,000 students, staff and faculty, families, and support organizations.

Early in his career he served as a leadership and logistics instructor at Fort Lee and was named as an Army instructor of the year, one of his many awards.

Williams, a native of West Palm Beach, Florida, earned his bachelor's degree in 1983 at then-Hampton Institute. Williams also holds three graduate school degrees: a master's in business administration from Pennsylvania State University; a master's in military art and science from the Army Combined and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; and a master's in national security strategy (distinguished graduate) from the National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.



Selection process

Williams was chosen from almost 300 applicants. The Board of Trustees created a presidential search committee in January 2021, after Dr. Harvey announced his retirement. Storbeck Search of Diversified Search Group, a Media, Pennsylvania-based firm, led the university's initial selection process.

Based on a select set of competencies and through interviews, the applicants were narrowed to a pool of 15 and then three finalists. These three candidates were presented to the Board of Trustees. The board voted Williams as president at the end of March, and he accepted the position on April 8.

Personal life

Williams met his wife, Myra Richardson Williams, while attending Hampton. She also graduated from the university in 1983 with a bachelor's degree. The couple, married in 1987, will be the first president and first lady to both hold Hampton degrees.

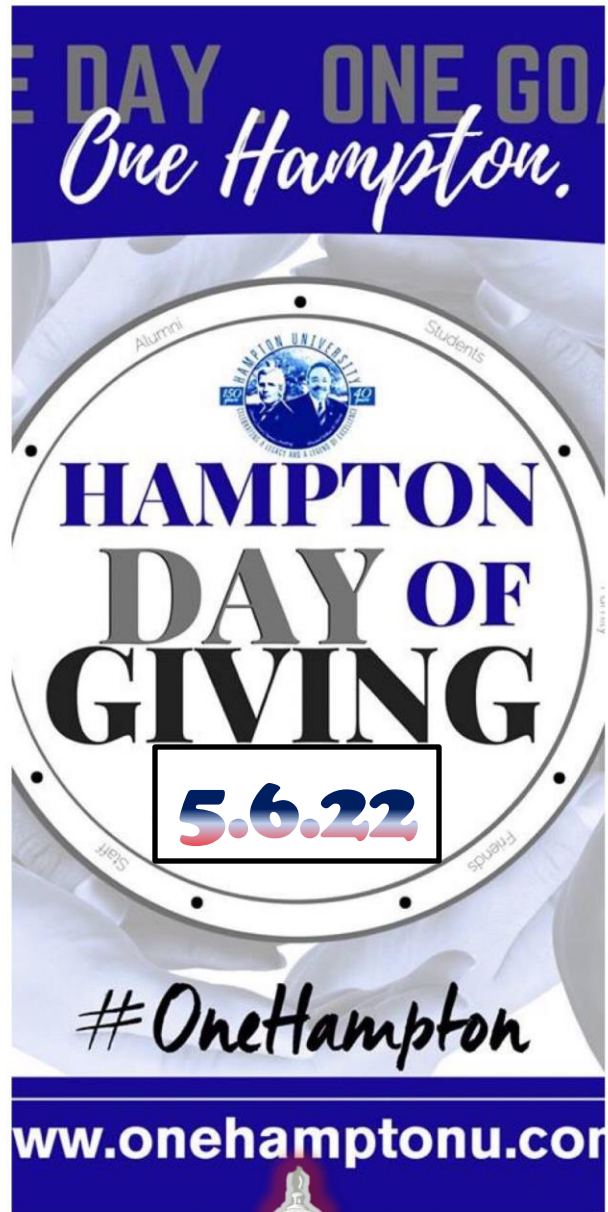
While a student, Williams was Mister Freshman 1979, a three-year Reserve Officer Training (ROTC) scholarship cadet, a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and senior class president. Myra Williams was a four-year member of the Hampton concert choir and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

The couple has two grown children. Daughter Jocelyn Williams Cooper and her husband, Gerron E. Cooper, reside in Springville, Virginia. Son Colin E. Williams is a lawyer and works in New York City.

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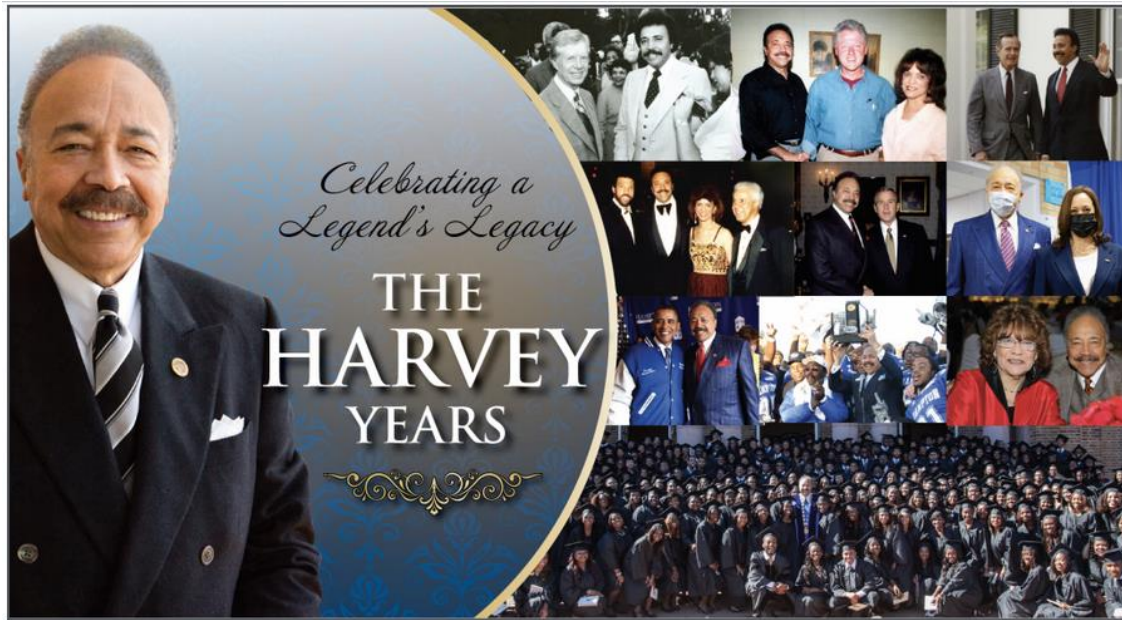


Scheduled Chapter Meeting & Activities

Date	Time	Location
<b>2022</b>		
4/23	11 AM	Chapter Meeting
5/6	11 AM	Annual Day of Giving
5/8	--	Commencement / Class Reunions
5/21	--	Chapter Meeting / Election of Officers
6/25	11 AM	2022-2023 Chapter Planning Meeting







Saturday, June 11, 2022

[\(follow this link to purchase tickets\)](#)

*April 2022 Chapter Membership*

	Name	Class Year		Name	Class Year
1	Edward "Troy" Bishop	1987	20	Toni Johnson-Conner ♀	1975
<b>2*</b>	Brian Brazil		21	Gwendolyn (Echols) Jones ♀	1980
<b>3</b>	L Brazil		<b>22</b>	Nicole Kimball	
<b>4</b>	Melanie Brown	1995	<b>23</b>	Elizabeth Perry	1997
<b>5</b>	Michelle Calhoun		24	Geoffrey Pierce ♀	1982
<b>6</b>	Kevin Bruton	2019	25	Karen Porter	1985
<b>7</b>	Carl Coleman		<b>26</b>	Clara Prather	
<b>8</b>	Dianna Coleman		27	William Robinson, M.D. ♂	
9	Phyllis Dores	1983	28	Joyé Saxon	1992
10	El-Tonya Duckworth	1997	<b>29</b>	Carolee Simmons	
11	Krista Forbes	1991	30	Sonya Snedecor	1995
12	Robin Ford	1984	31	Jacquelyn Sykes-Washington	1992
13	Mindy Golatt	1996	<b>32</b>	Shawne Thomas	1989
<b>14</b>	Jonathon Gunn	2002	33	Lisa Thompkins-Brown	
15	Janice Haith		34	Sharon Vaughn	1982
16	Ronald Harris II ♀	2002	35	Steven Vaughn	1981
17	Maurice Hill		36	Gayle Washington ♀	1974
<b>18</b>	Arthur Jackson ♀	1972	<b>37</b>	Sean David Waterman	
19	Gennith Johnson		<b>38</b>	Brian Wormley	

**\*BECOME A NEW DUES-PAYING CHAPTER MEMBER TODAY!**

# Come Out & Play Sunday Morning @



10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**Sunday, April 24, 2022**

20101 Century Boulevard, Gaithersburg MD

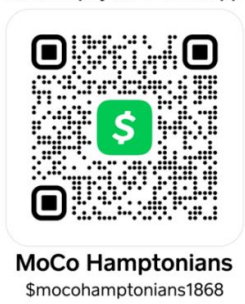
*Alumni & friends are invited to come swing into spring  
with good food, drink & company at the driving range.*

*Wear your best HU attire!*

**\$50 per Person**

*Purchase your tickets by Monday, April 18 via:*

Scan to pay with Cash App



Click here to go to EVENTBRITE

*or*

**MOCOGOLF**

*Proceeds benefit HU's One Day of Giving!*

Montgomery County, Maryland Chapter, National Hampton Alumni Association  
WINNER OF THE 2007, 2008, 2010 and 2011 NHAA PRESIDENT'S AWARDS  
WINNER OF THE 2013 and 2015 MERIT AWARDS

## 2021-2022 Membership Form

*Greetings Fellow Hampton Alum and Friends of the University!*

Help to grow our chapter by paying annual membership dues! Five dollars of your annual dues is sent to the university in your name. Alumni-giving success is measured not only by how much is given but also by how many give. *Can we count on you?*

Please renew your membership today. If you've never been a member, make this the year to join the Chapter. Watch for the monthly "Chatter" newsletter to see what members and the University are doing – social events, fundraisers and community service activities. You'll also have up-to-date information on the meeting schedule.

I look forward to seeing you at a meeting or the next Chapter event!

Name

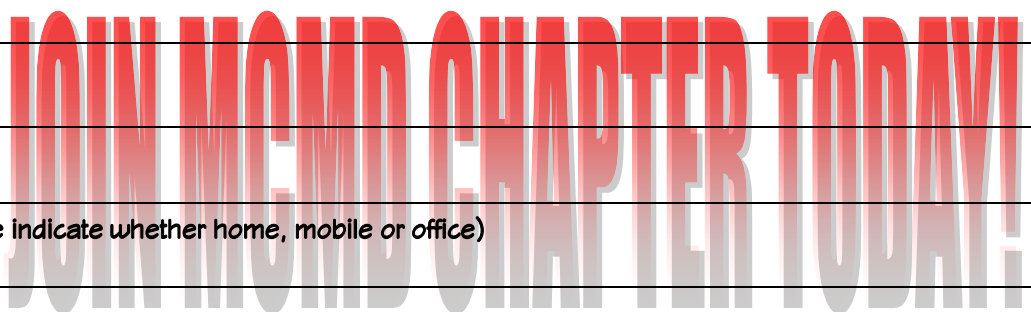
Graduation Year

Street

City, State & Zip Code

Preferred Phone (Please indicate whether home, mobile or office)

Email Address

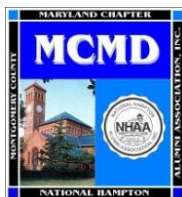


**CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP OPTION (through June 30, 2022)**

- Student Membership - *FREE* for 1 year following graduation
- Regular/Associate Membership - \$40 (Hampton Alum/Friend of HU)
- Contribution to the 2021-2022 Chapter Scholarship: (\$25 suggested) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes, I'll make a \$\_\_\_\_\_ (monthly) donation to the Chapter Scholarship Endowment*
- Contribution to Chapter operations : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MCMD Chapter is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit education organization**

Make the check payable to MCMD NHAA, Inc. and mail it along with this application to:



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Questions? Contact Membership Chair Mindy Golatt '96, [mgolatt@hotmail.com](mailto:mgolatt@hotmail.com) or 917-407-1505 (m).

Please include Chapter Giving Code **AACF** on all contributions to HU to earn Chapter credit.