

Scottie B. Beverly
John A. Fowler
July 1944 - 85

Janice S. Warwick
"1944"

"Widely Smead"
"1944-1985"
Fred L. Lander III

**Forty-First Reunion
of
DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1944**

Choyce B. Christian
Mary Long

Elsie Watson

"Meet" Seet



George W. Ford Sr. "85"
Erma Elizabeth Barnett
Sylvester O. Hicks

July 26 - 28, 1985
Sheraton Inn
Route 29 Expressway & Oddfellows Road
Lynchburg, VA

breakfast guest - 7.00
 - 12.00
 Banquet guest - 3.00
 tour

Dunbar High School Class of 1944

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| ✓ 1. Fred L. Lander, III 65. | 35. Edith J. Haywood |
| ✓ 2. Elaine C. Watson 7+84+ | 36. Charlene M. Gregg No |
| ✓ 3. Carolyn Langhorne - \$65.00 + 67+ | 37. Theresa M. Cousins |
| 4. Phyllis Jones | ✓ 38. Janice Warwick - \$65.00 |
| 5. Arrie Brewster | 39. Gloria T. Thomas |
| 6. Willie L. Davis | ✓ 40. Elizabeth Wilkinson - \$65.00 + 48 |
| ✓ 7. Marion W. McEachin - \$77.00 | ✓ 41. Alice Y. Snead - \$65.00 + 43. + 12 + 19 |
| ✓ 8. Carolyn Brown - \$65.00 | ✓ 42. George W. Ford, Sr. 12 + 65+ |
| ✓ 9. Emma E. Barnett 195.00 + 60 | 43. James Morris, Jr. No |
| 846-3357 10. Lillie R. Butler 97 Felonia Avenue 24504 | 44. Rev. Russell Morris |
| ✓ 11. Sarah A. Jones - 45.00 + 20 | 45. Mr. Charles Morton |
| ✓ 12. Annie B. Bentley 65+ | 46. Mrs. Rosa Griffin No |
| 13. Fannie B. Perry | 47. Mrs. Daisy D. Hooper No |
| 14. Mary W. Scruggs 108+ | ✓ 48. Mrs. Sylvester J. Hicks - \$65.00 + 19 |
| ✓ 15. Amanda B. Hunting \$35.00 + 30. + 22 + 12 | 49. Mrs. Bertha M. Johnson |
| ✓ 16. Scottie B. Bevley 84+ | 50. Mrs. Celeste O. Calloway No |
| 17. Dorothy B. Ramphrey | ? 51. Mrs. Sallie R. Verse 65 + 60 |
| 18. Eugertha C. Rice No | 52. Mrs. Sara T. McDonald No |
| ✓ 19. Zaida C. Edley 77+ | 53. Mr. Henry Williams |
| 20. Evora D. Short | 54. Mrs. Edna H. Burton |
| 21. Elsie E. Mabry | |
| ✓ 22. Frances H. Bowman \$30 + 35.00 + 12 | |
| ✓ 23. Juanita H. Sleet 72+ | |
| ✓ 24. Odell J. Thomas 65+ | |
| ✓ 25. Mildred J. Shelton 65+ | |
| ✓ 26. Choyce B. Christian \$77 (husband - banquet) | |
| 27. Lorraine Elaine Rosser Robinton No | |
| 28. Clara C. Parker | |
| 29. Annie Bell | |
| 30. Alfred Davies | |
| 31. Lillie May Wood Merchant | |
| 32. Patrick H. Walker, Jr. | |
| ✓ 33. John Fowler 65+ | |
| 34. James Cheatham | |

June 23 - 253.00
 84
 337.00

WELCOME

. . . to a reunion of Dunbar's finest -- the Class of 1944. Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Virginia Union University, told us at our commencement that an essential for us if the height of power is to be realized is a "refinding of the fundamentals". After forty-one years, we are sort of fundamental. This weekend, let's find ourselves. We'll renew old friendships, remember the "good times," note the changes, pledge to stay in contact, and enjoy!

REUNION COMMITTEE

Carolyn Payne Langhorne, Chairperson
Elaine Chafin Watson, Co-Chairperson
Carolyn G. Brown, Secretary
George W. Ford, Treasurer

Emma Davis Barnett
Scottie Brown Bevley
Frances Hargrove Bowman
Choyce Banks Christian
Sylvester Johnson Hicks
Amanda Booker Hunting
Sarah Anderson Jones
Charles Morton
Mildred Johnson Shelton
Alice York Snead
Janice Sandifer Warwick
Elizabeth P. Wilkinson



ABOUT THE PAST

We are the results of a segregated school system which housed its black high school in a building on the corner of 12th and Polk Streets in Lynchburg, Virginia, named Dunbar High School. Its doors were opened in 1923; three members of its initial faculty who also taught us, Mrs. Amy P. Jordon, Miss Dorothy Lomax, and Mr. Norvell O. White, were invited to share in our reunion.

Twenty-one years after this beginning (1944), Dunbar High School graduated 60 students, according to the Commencement program. The newspaper reported 70 graduates of the "Dunbar Negro High School." Four more of us were graduated during the summer, and six young men who were in the armed services were listed on our class night program.

Its officers were:

President	Fred Leonard Lander, III
Vice-President	Elaine Lillian Chafin
Secretary	Carolyn May Payne
Assistant Secretary	Phyllis Warwick Fisher
Treasurer	Arris Doris Elliott
Business Manager	Willis Lee Davis

The valedictorian was Willis Lee Davis; the salutatorian, Marion Lorraine White.

Colors were blue and white; flower was a red rose.
(Well, we were in World War II.)

We were fortunate to share Mr. Clarence W. Seay as our principal. He remained in this position until his retirement in 1968. He then served as City Councilman and Vice Mayor. He died in 1982.

Our first reunion, the 20th, was held June 6-9, 1964 with fun at Ford Acres and attendance at graduation exercises.

The big integration (?) took place in 1970. For one year, Dunbar housed 9th and 10th grade students who were sent to E. C. Glass for their junior and senior years. The Dunbar complex was now 5 buildings. Black teachers were transferred to other schools so that there would be a "proper" quota in each school and so that the Black power structure would deteriorate.

The building that we knew as Dunbar High School was demolished on July 2, 1979.

The motto of this great school, however, is "Looking forward not backward." So let's move on.



ABOUT THE PRESENT

ACTIVITIES

Friday, July 26, 1985 - Sheraton - Suite

Registration 7 p.m.

Hospitality and
Get Acquainted 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 27, 1985 Sheraton

Breakfast together 9 a.m.

*Slide-Tape
"The Dunbar Story..." 10 a.m.

Bus Tour 11 a.m.

*Class Picture at the
Dunbar Memorial 11: 15 a.m.

Banquet 6 - 8 p.m.

Dance 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Sunday, July 28, 1985

Worship together at Court Street Baptist Church
Assemble at the front steps at 10:30 a.m.

*After our building was torn down, a committee was appointed by the Lynchburg School Board to prepare a memorial to honor the outstanding contributions of Dunbar High School. Two members of the Class of 1944, Carolyn Brown and Elaine Chafin Watson, were members of this committee. The physical memorial now stands where our building stood, and we will take our picture there. It was designed by a Dunbar alumnus, Gerald Butler. Members of the committee thought that we needed more than a physical memorial, but the School Board would only fund the physical one. The Virginia Foundation for the Humanities funded a study of "the effects of integration on black high schools in the south;" thus, the slide-tape presentation called "The Dunbar Story."

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DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIAL



At the rear of the memorial is a quote from C. W. Seay:

The successful school and its community are inseparable. The school is the community and the community is the school. All who knew and loved Dunbar High School admired its "quest for excellence" and its positive approach to public understanding. Both were factors in mutual respect and reciprocal action without which there could be no educational growth or development. Long live the Dunbar experience! Honor to its sons and daughters!

and the motto:

Looking forward not backward.