



DEAR FRIENDS & SUPPORTERS,

The Path Forward Begins with a Journey Back —Looking Back to Move Forward

I've heard it said that "yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift – that's why we call it the present." We are told to keep it moving and not to put too much emphasis on the past. However, I believe that the past has a valuable place in our present and future. The past is where our life lessons, schools of hard knocks, victories and life long relationships resonate. So it is that the path *forward* begins with a journey back. You didn't get where you are today by yourself. As you journey back for a moment do you remember?

Someone proclaiming you can make it * Someone giving you a gift * Someone sharing his/her wisdom and knowledge * Someone taking a chance on you or pushing you in the limelight * Someone asking about your future plans and offering advice* Someone taking the time to listen * Someone introducing you to your life's calling * Someone telling you about a job opportunity* Someone giving you a few dollars when you were low * Someone emphasizing education * Someone giving you a scholarship * Someone taking the time to review your college essay or application * Someone pushing you to excel * Someone who exposed you to something new and different* Someone tutoring you or letting you study with him/her * Someone showing you how to work a problem * Someone sending you a college care package just when you needed it * Someone making a difference in your life * Someone igniting a fire for learning in your soul * Someone setting high expectations for you * Someone offering words of encouragement * Someone mentoring you or who just took time with you...

Who do you remember? Who was that someone or organization that helped you? Close your eyes and reflect for a moment. Now, pray that all of our youth will get a chance to encounter that special someone in their lifetime. Next, write a check to show your support for LEAP Forward, Inc.

Why?

We strive to be that special "someone" hoping to make lasting encounters that inspire, encourage and support our youth. Your financial support in 2011 will allow YOU to sow into the future of the next generation. Thank you! *Rhonda Thomas, Founder and President LEAP Forward, Inc.*

Notable Events In 2010

February – Participation at Black Engineers of the Year Award , Baltimore, Maryland

February—Engineering Day at the National Building Museum, Washington D.C.

March – Attended the National Society of Black Engineers Conference – Toronto, Canada



March—It's OK (Opportunity Knocks) presentation at Delta (DST) Luncheon.

April—Patriots Technology Summit at Bowie High School Bowie, Maryland

April- Youth Empowerment Forum 2010

May-Calvert High Senior Awards Ceremony

July—Scholarship Reception held and 14 Scholarships awarded, Prince Frederick, Maryland

August—Support Provided to the Back to School Blessings Program (Providing school supplies)

October—Established the Pamela Offer Memorial and the Andrew Goodrich Memorial Scholarship

October – USA Science Festival on the Washington Mall, Washington D.C.

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2010 Pamela Offer and Dr. Andrew Goodrich Memorial Scholarships



Pamela Renee Offer was a 1982 graduate Calvert High School, Pamela had a GREAT love and desire for education. Her matriculation extended to the Charles County Community College, and the University of Maryland University College where she earned B.S. and M.S. degrees. Proving that a good education leads to a worth while life, Pamela excelled in her 25 year career at the FBI, Census Bureau and the Commander Navy Installation Command.

Andrew L. Goodrich Ph.D., of Memphis, Tennessee, was a jazz musician, educator and early civil rights activist. Dr. Goodrich often performed on Beale Street and developed lifelong friendships with musicians such as B.B. King, Phineas Newborn, Hank Crawford, Maurice White, Emerson Able and others. He attended and was a member of the Manassas High School Band in Memphis, TN. He received a music scholarship to attend *Tennessee State University* where he performed with the famed "Aristocrat of Bands" marching band and with their college jazz band, *The TSU Collegians*. One of the highlights of his musical career was performing with Cannonball and Nat Adderly along with *poet Langston Hughes* in the first "Jazz and Poetry" concert at Fisk University in 1958. He performed at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and also at the White House. Dr. Goodrich was not only a very talented and outstanding alto saxophonist but he was an educator. He worked as a public school music teacher for fifteen years in Memphis and Nashville, Tennessee.



Pamela Offer Memorial Scholarship Recipient

Dr. Andrew Goodrich Memorial Scholarship Recipient



Sharnice Long

Calvert High School
Howard University
English

"I want to be able to give back to society what it has given to me. When people hear my name, I want them to be able say, "she is the girl that went to HU and became a great leader of some sort." College will help me boost my confidence and further my education, also while being a lesson to some other children one day. After my years of education, I believe that I will be able to help out and make society better."



Devin Harrington

Baltimore Polytechnic
Institute
Virginia State University
Vocal Music Education

"I will be the first in my family to attend college. I plan on becoming a college music professor and teaching others the same gift that was taught to me. Music is an universal art that helps bring people together by breaking racial barriers and delivering sounds of glory. One day I hope to create my own scholarship for young adults that are not financially able..."





2010 Wallace Lorenzo Leeper Memorial Scholarship



LEAP Forward administers the Wallace Lorenzo Leeper Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship honors the memory of one of the most outstanding counselors who served at Calvert High School in Calvert County, MD. His dedication and devotion to young people framed many lives. He worked tirelessly to support students and provided an extremely personal touch to counseling. Approximately 20 professionals from the County owe their engineering and technical career paths to Mr. Leeper. We honor his memory with the following scholarship recipients:



Shanice Fenwick

Great Mills High School

York College

Sociology

"A life without a college education is analogous to an individual without a health insurance policy. Both are investments now for a payoff later or when needed. I will pursue both a bachelor's and master's degree in social work." My education will help me to help others improve their lives in significant ways that will benefit our community."



Breanna Harrod

Patuxent High School

University of Maryland

Psychology and Accounting

"After completing my years of higher education, I will contribute my experience that I have learned by helping people with their problems because I will be a licensed psychologist." I will help them to feel better about themselves and work with them to overcome any obstacles they may have that is hindering them. I want to accomplish something with my life and better myself so that I will be able to say that I am better than what I used to be... My parents are my role models and I respect everything they have to say."



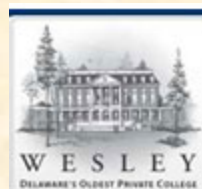
Dai Quan Garner

Calvert High School

Wesley College

Exercise Science

"I have been athletic and competitive all of my life. I enjoy playing all sports particularly football, basketball, and track and field. I am certain that I can overcome or at least learn to deal with any unexpected situations thrown my way...I want to pursue a career that will allow me to bless others with my knowledge and accomplishments through my education.."



Marcus Holland-Combs

Huntingtown High School

University of Maryland

Communications and Business Administration

"A great philosopher once said 'the measure of who we are is what we do with what we have.' I plan to accomplish my lifelong goal (s) and venture into the entertainment industry primarily through singing, with journalism being my back-up plan. I hope that through these lessons, I can be the best that I know I can be and continue to strive and do everything in my power to not only bring awareness but to be a role model to the future generation."



2010 Wallace Lorenzo Leeper Memorial Scholarship Recipients



Anitra Brooks

Calvert High School

Frostburg College

Biology

"I have known that I am destined to become a trauma surgeon. I respond well to pressure, handle crisis well, and have developed an enormous amount of patience in my young life. In addition, I have an undying passion for the medical sciences. Combining all of my passions and interests along with my desire to save lives would be a perfect way for me to contribute to society."



Caira Cartwright

Home Schooled

St. Mary's College of Maryland

Biology and Music

"I play piano and have also taken a special interest in science. I plan to become a Biomedical Engineer to create and develop new medical technologies that help people. I am also fascinated by biology and the study of the human body. I have a great passion for merging my love for science."



St. Mary's College of Maryland
at Historic St. Mary's City



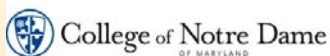
Keiva Cole

Baltimore Polytechnic Institute

College of Notre Dame of Maryland

Forensic Psychology

"I was a member of the Ingenuity Project, which is a program that has a more rigorous curriculum than my school's regular one. In the future I plan to study in the field of psychology with a focus in forensics. My goal after college is to possibly work for an intelligence organization such as the CIA or FBI. I plan on researching and receiving a PhD in this field."



Monica Dureja

Northern High School

George Washington University

Biology/Pre-Medicine

"Helen Keller stated 'Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, ambition inspired, and success achieved.'" In my quest to become the best I can be by giving back to society, I have decided to pursue the career of an oncologist. I believe I will be an asset to the field of medicine."



2010 Wallace Lorenzo Leeper Memorial Scholarship Recipients



Ashley Madariaga

Northern High School
Engineering/Photography
College of Southern Maryland

“After years of higher education, striving to master in the field of engineering, I would have my contribution to society be the satisfaction in helping people in today’s world and creating new openings for people, and new ways of seeing the world in others eyes. I have shown the most improvement to myself and others around me by not letting my struggles get me down and constantly working at my



Crystal Trice

Calvert High School
Stevenson University
Nursing and Psychology

“One thing about my life situation is that the many experiences I have endured have helped me to grow and learn extraordinary things about myself. Education was always very important to me. It was always in my nature to be attentive in school and to strive to achieve. Right now, school is my job, and my grades are my paycheck. My drive is education and I am intent on succeeding in everything I do.”



“We have got to work to save our children and do it with full respect for the fact that if we do not no one else is going to do it.” The Late Dr. Dorothy Height

“Education is the origin of all success and the beacon of possibilities.” Dr. Lonnie Bunch III

“It doesn’t matter what people tell you-deep down inside of yourself YOU MUST KNOW that all things are possible.” Cicely Tyson

President Obama has set a national goal to once again lead the world in college completion by 2020.

Food for Thought

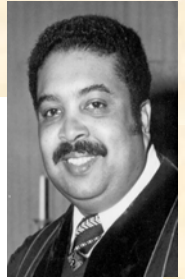
Supreme Court Justice Sotomayor

“My brother and I grew up in the projects. But through my mother’s emphasis on education, we are living wonderful, full lives, liberated from the shackles of poverty.”

Surgeon General Dr. Regina Benjamin

“We often need somebody to push us just a little beyond our comfort zone to make us better and to encourage us.”

2010 Rev. Charles Lee Sr. Memorial Scholarship Recipients



Reverend Charles H. Lee, Sr. graduated from Carver High School in Milledgeville, Georgia. He attended Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia and graduated from Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He later received his Bachelor of Divinity and Masters of Theology Degrees from the Interdenominational Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia. As a student, he served as a Methodist Student Organizer and Coordinator at Texas Southern University. Additionally, he was a leader in the First Student Sit-in Demonstration west of the Mississippi and a leader of civil rights groups throughout the southern area of the United States serving as a leader in the Selma to Montgomery march for students at the Interdenominational Theological Center. After the signing of the 1964 Civil Rights Law, he was instrumental with other students during the summer in integrating eating facilities at Milledgeville State Hospital. Scholastically, Rev. Lee was listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities and was a Crusade Scholar. It is with great pleasure that LEAP Forward, Inc. sponsors this scholarship in the name and memory of Rev. Charles H. Lee, Sr.



Jasmine Adams

Northern High School

Georgetown University

Government and
Sociology

"Everything is only as secure as its foundation. I aspire to be a politician and a college education will add a lawyer to the foundation that I must have to become a lawyer, then a politician, and then the President of the United States. Education has been a vital part of my living, and is indeed the lifeline that will enrich my life for years to come.



Kyle Hutzler

Huntingtown High School

Yale University

Economics/International
Affairs

"For each scholarship that I have applied to... I have looked at them not as awards but as investments. Your investment will be used to obtain a world-class education that will integrate management and economics. I vow to do all that I can to enable this nation to fulfill its enduring promise as a beacon of freedom and opportunity.

Yale University

Hey College Students—How's It Going?

We asked our Scholarship recipients and college students how things were going! Here are a few of their responses:



My college semester went well. I decided to change my major from Civil Engineering to Computer Engineering because I felt that the future classes (Physics, EMCH, etc.) in Civil would become VERY challenging and probably affect my GPA. So far, in this new major I have chosen, it is actually fun. In my CMPSCI class, we have already created a program that after answering a few questions (that we programmed it to ask) the program will say "Hi". In conclusion, my semester was smooth, challenging, and different at the same time. Jay

MY FALL SEMESTER WENT VERY WELL! IT WAS A LOT OF WORK BUT I MADE IT THROUGH. I'M VERY HOPEFUL ABOUT THE NEW YEAR AND MY REMAINING SEMESTERS, AND I FEEL LIKE I AM GETTING BETTER AT COLLEGE WITH EACH SEMESTER. I WAS SO THANKFUL FOR THE LEAP SCHOLARSHIP, IT HELPED ME TREMENDOUSLY WITH TEXTBOOK EXPENSES. I HOPE YOU HAD A NICE CHRISTMAS AND WILL ENJOY A BRAND NEW YEAR! THANKS FOR CHECKING IN WITH ME. CIARA.

2010 was an extremely busy year for me. I transferred from Washington College at the beginning of this year (Fall 2010) and am now attending Lincoln Memorial University in Tennessee. I absolutely love it down here and I am happy that I have found a university that I feel is a fit for me! I am still on the Pre-Med track, and have decided that I want to one day become a Pediatric Oncologist. I am applying to the Summer Medical/Dental Education Program; it is a 6-week program that takes place at a medical school this upcoming summer. I will be able to take rigorous science classes and even have an interview with the Director of Admissions for the medical school. This would be an amazing opportunity for me and I pray that I am selected for it. Kelsey

Fall semester was great! Living in DC is quite the experience and I am taking full advantage of it. Although, George Washington has been a slap in the face compared to Northern High School. I did not do as well as I had hoped, but hopefully this semester goes much smoother as I learned from my mistakes of the past semester. Today is my second day of classes for the spring semester (GW starts early :() but so far so good! Hope all is well and thank you again for everything--books are ridiculously expensive! Good luck with scholarship season again, as it is quickly approaching (which I must get to working on also!). Monica

I AM DOING FINE. MY FIRST SEMESTER OF COLLEGE WAS CHALLENGING BUT I MANAGED TO PULL THROUGH. MY GPA WAS 3.25 THIS SEMESTER BUT I PLAN TO IMPROVE THAT NEXT SEMESTER. I WILL BE TAKING 5 CLASSES NEXT SEMESTER AND I'M SURE THOSE WILL KEEP ME BUSY. THANKS FOR CHECKING UP ON ME AND I HOPE EVERYTHING IS GOING WELL WITH YOU ALSO. PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP ME IN YOUR PRAYERS AND THANKS FOR EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. BRENNA

THIS IS MY LAST SEMESTER AT THE



COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND. I WILL HAVE MY ASSOCIATES IN COMMUNICATIONS IN THE SPRING. I AM STILL TRYING TO GET INTO A FOUR YEAR. I AM FOCUSING ON GETTING INTO MORGAN STATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS. I AM DOING WELL AT CSM. I WORK AND GO TO SCHOOL FULL TIME. I HAVE AN AVERAGE GPA OF 3.6. Jasmine



School is going well I am meeting new people and trying to stay focused on my studies with so many other activities to do! Anitra

I am happy to say that I have had a fantastic first semester. I've met many great and interesting people with whom I have already forged close friendships. Academically, I enjoyed all of my first semester classes, which were introductory microeconomics, readings in American literature, conversational Spanish, US leadership and international order, and current topics in science. I ended the semester with 1 B+ and 3 A's (the science class is year-long). My extracurricular activities are varied and interesting. I'm a member of the Federalist Party, one of the school's debating societies and the student investment group. I was elected the Freshmen Member of the Board of the Black Men's Union - this Christmas we helped raise and buy \$1300 worth of toys for the children at Yale-New Haven Hospital. Kyle

Hope all is well. This semester went really well. It was definitely the hardest so far, but I am happy to say that I made it through and with 3 A's and 2 B's. I am still keeping up with extracurricular at Georgetown as well. Thanks for checking on me and I look forward to speaking with you soon. Jasmine

My first year is going along well. First semester I had a 3.43 GPA and made the Dean's List. I'm looking to improve on that this semester (well what is left in the last 8 weeks). Engineering is great. I feel like it's so revered, the population of engineers on my campus is astounding, and I'm just happy to be a part of that! Malcolm

Students Participate in Patriot Center Technology Summit



LEAP Forward sponsored a trip to Bowie High School to participate in the Patriot Center Annual Technology Summit. Twenty-five (25) students participated in workshops, exhibits, and demonstrations. They also received encouraging words from Rear Admiral Wray, who promised to be a technology buddy to the youth in attendance (for the rest of their lives) if they send a letter with their goals, plans and dreams. Mr. Johnson and Dr. Taylor told the kids how to be successful. Three key words: Goal, Plan, and Work. You have to have a goal or a dream. You need a plan. You have to work real hard. Study! Read!



Calvert County Students



Computer Building Competition



Energy Jeopardy



Water Robots



Guest Speaker Rear Admiral Robert O. Wray, Jr.

Other Speakers: Mr. Clarence Johnson, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense and Dr. Jarris Louis Taylor Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for the Strategic Diversity Integration

Toronto, Canada - Engineering Marvel—The CN Tower



Billed as the world's tallest free-standing structure at 1,815 ft tall, the CN Tower in Toronto, Canada, dominates the Toronto Skyline. It has the world's tallest observatory deck with a revolving restaurant at the top. The CN tower was built in 1976 by Canadian National. It was recently nominated for the modern wonders of the world.



Dedication of the Wilson Ennis Youth Facility

Submitted by Wilson Ennis, Jr. LEAP Forward Board Member



ANOTHER BLACK HISTORY MOMENT IN CALVERT COUNTY



Wilson E. Ennis Sr., was a husband, father, teacher, coach and mentor. Wilson Ennis, husband to Mary Ennis and father to six daughters and five sons, graduated from Maryland State University (now University of Maryland Eastern Shore) and began teaching school in Calvert County's all black school system in the late 1950's. He taught in the Calvert County school system until the 1980s,

where he took his skill to Our Lady Star of the Sea School in Solomon's, Md. Wilson ended his career at St. Mary's Ryken of Leonardtown, Md., where he taught until his death in 1990. Wilson Ennis believed that education was the key to the success of young men and women's future and the real key to black people's freedom and growth in America. He dedicated his life to education and the youth of Southern Maryland. Wilson was best known for his work with children in the field of coaching and youth athletics.

Wilson began his coaching career at Brook High School when he began his teaching career. He coached the JV Basketball team while his friend and neighbor, Wallace Lorenzo Leeper, coached the Varsity Team. These two men would go on to leave an unforgettable mark on Calvert County. LEAP Forward Inc. was named in honor of Mr. Leeper.

Wilson went on to start and coach Calvert County's first Park and recreation Basketball Program in 1968. It was the only team in Calvert, so the team played at Southern High School in Anne Arundel County. In 1967 Wilson coached one of Calvert County first Park and Recreation's football team. These teams also played in Anne Arundel County until Calvert built its programs. During Wilson Ennis' life, he coached football, basketball and track at five schools in Calvert and St. Mary's Counties. Wilson Ennis' greatest coaching accomplishment came from coaching track and field at Calvert Senior High School.

As the track and field coach at Calvert Senior High School, Wilson Ennis won a State Championship in 1979. Wilson's track and field teams became so successful they were given the name, "The Calvert Express." While coaching at Calvert, Wilson had the pleasure of coaching one of the most talented young athletes in Calvert County's History, John Parker. In 1982 Coach Ennis, John Parker and the Calvert Express went on to win a second State Championship. Wilson Ennis became the first coach in Calvert County to win Two State Championships. At this State meet, John Parker set the record for the 200 meter for Class 2A. That record still stands today.

Coach Ennis became a mentor to John and even helped him to get into college. John Parker became a businessman in Calvert County, opening and running several sport facilities in Southern Maryland. In the fall of 2010, John Parker and his business associates opened a much needed sport facility in Calvert County. The facility is an indoor facility that serves the youth of Calvert. In November of 2010 John dedicated the facility to his former coach and mentor by naming it the Wilson Ennis Clubhouse. The facility has indoor basketball, tennis, volleyball, football and soccer. I have been ask, "Wilson is that your sports facility?" I proudly say no, "That sports facility belongs to John Parker and he dedicated and named it after my Dad."



Mr. Wilson Ennis, Jr.

Mrs. Wilson Ennis, Sr.

Mr. John Parker (left to right)



Scholarship Reception 2010—Reflections

The LEAP Forward Scholarship Program was held on July 11, 2010 at Mt. Olive United Methodist Church in Prince Frederick, MD. The program was led by Rhonda Thomas (LEAP Forward Founder/President) and William Lee (Coordinator of the Rev. Charles Lee Memorial Scholarship). Invocation was provided by Pastor Roland Barnes of Carroll Western United Methodist Church. Rhonda provided a brief history of the organization noting that since 1998 seventy-seven (77) scholarships have been awarded in the community.

Words of encouragement and lesson learned were shared by the 2009 scholarship recipient, Michelle Brooks, a 2010 graduate of Bowie State University (3.86 Magna Cum Laude). The keynote address was delivered by VaShawn Gross, who serves as Calvert's Huntingtown High Athletic Director, Educator and Coach. Gross provided a rousing message encouraging the students to do their best, don't fear change, and to be leaders. He also advised the audience to PLAN AHEAD which means to **p**redetermine a plan of action, **l**ay out goals, **a**djust priorities, **n**otify key personnel, **a**llow time for acceptance, **h**ead into action, **e**xpect problems, **a**lso point out your successes and **d**aily review your plans.

Devin Harrington (vocal) and Caira Cartwright (piano) both 2010 award recipients delivered two outstanding musical performances. Harrington was President of the Choir and a member of the Scholar Band at Baltimore Polytechnic Institute. Cartwright has won numerous piano competitions including the Music Teacher's Association of Southern Maryland Piano Competition. The LEAP Forward poem was rendered by Dorien Minor, a student at Barstow Elementary School.

Fourteen (14) scholarship awards were presented to students from Calvert, Huntingtown, Northern, and Patuxent High Schools and, Baltimore Polytechnic Institute and the homeschooled environment. Personal remarks were provided from each recipient. Two (2) \$1000.00 tuition scholarships and twelve (12) \$500.00 book scholarships were awarded.

Kelvin Offer and his Mother, Carolyn Offer presented the Pamela Offer Memorial Scholarship. Memorial acknowledgement of the Rev. Charles Lee, Sr. was provided by his son William Lee, Mrs. Charles Lee, Sr. and other family members. Memorial acknowledgement of Dr. Andrew Goodrich was provided by Thomas who acknowledged the donation from Allstate Insurance agent, Eric Goodrich. A personal greeting was relayed to the recipients from Mrs. Wallace Leeper (Peggy) who could not attend. Board Members Wilhemina Greene, Conrad White, and Timothy Morsell presented the Wallace Leeper Scholarships.

Closing remarks and prayers were provided by Pastor Patricia Berry of Mt. Olive United Methodist Church. We are so appreciative to Mt. Olive United Methodist Church for the use of their facilities! Students, parents, friends and financial supporters then enjoyed good food, art, and fellowship. The reception was catered by Board Member Maurice Irvine. LEAP Forward acknowledges the One Line Art Pieces provided to the students by Sir Shadow of New York!



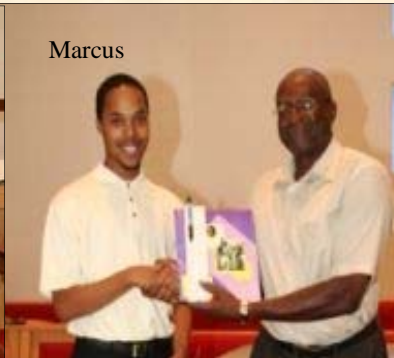


2010 Scholarship Reception - Picture Album

Photos courtesy of Mr. Vernon (Butch) Jones



Pastor Barnes and Tyler Austin



Marcus



Supporters Mr. & Mrs. Finch



Ciara's performance



Ashley



Shanice and Dad



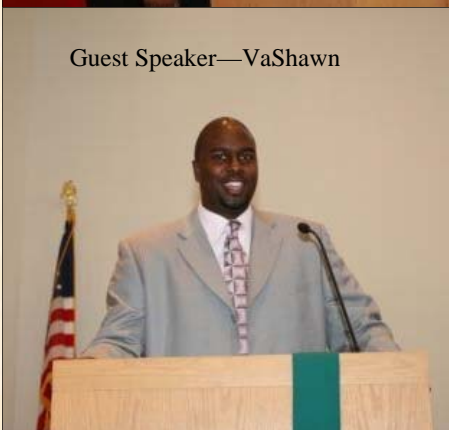
Devin singing



Pastor Berry—Mt. Olive Church



Board Members



Guest Speaker—VaShawn



The Lee Family



The Offer Family



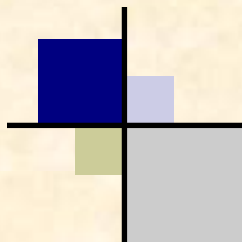
Scholarship Applications 2011 - Deadline April 2, 2011

Greetings Applicants!

Launching Educational Assistance Programs Forward, Inc. (LEAP Forward, Inc.) is a non-profit organization that administers the Wallace Leeper Memorial Scholarship and the Rev. Charles Lee, Sr. Memorial Scholarship.

The Leeper Scholarship awards a one-time book scholarship (minimum \$500.00) to deserving disadvantaged minority students from the local Southern Maryland areas. High school seniors may apply.

The Lee Scholarship awards a \$1000.00 scholarship to deserving disadvantaged minority students from the Washington Metropolitan areas. Current college and high school students may apply. **Additionally, past recipients are eligible to reapply for this award.**



For Scholarship Applications

Please Visit

www.leapforwardinc.org/News.html

and

The **2011 Calvert Local Scholarships Application** allows Calvert County students the opportunity to apply for **26 local scholarships** using one application form. To access the Guidelines, Provider List, and the 2011 Calvert LSA form; please go to www.somdcn.org, then click on the Calvert LSA tab. Download and print the Guidelines and Provider List and, then, download the 2011 Calvert LSA fillable PDF form. Complete online, print and follow instructions for the Calvert LSA Mail-In Packet. Any questions, please contact Sonia K. Wagner at skwfinaid@comcast.net ”

2010 Contributors—THANK YOU So Much for your time, talents and \$\$!

Ronald Clark

Mary Ann Bell

Yvonne Wills

Wilson Ennis

Yamilee Dambreville

Mrs. Peggy Leeper

Ruth Young

Howard Kent

Natalie Ogletree

Marcus Henson

Missy Brown

Keith Rawlings

Grace Parker

Nathan Lovett, Jr.

Annestan Boyd

Gregory Woods (Largest Contributor!)

Pamela Berry

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Rhonda Thomas

Teresa Gross

Monroe Henson

Vincent Allen

Courtney D. Thomas

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Doreen Hicks

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Alice Thomas

Clinton Jones

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Tammie and Paul Owens

James Savoy

Beatrice Brown

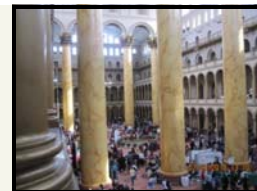
Mt. Olive UM Church

Carroll Western UM Church

LEAP Forward Supports Engineering Day at the National Building Museum

Every year to commence Engineering Week, an Engineering Day Event is held at the National Building Museum. Numerous hands-on demonstrations and exhibits highlight this event.

Meet an Astronaut! Build a Boat!



College Tour 2011

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- African American Young Men - High School Juniors and Seniors
- Serious about attending college—GPA at least 2.5
- Can present PSAT or SAT/ACT scores
- Considering an Out-of-State University



Obtain Applications at www.leapforwardinc.org (NEWS page)

WHAT: Tennessee State University Homecoming Event November 10-13, 2011

WHY: Exposing You to a Taste of College Life

Tour the Campus, attend Homecoming Events: Pep Rally, Parade, Football Game. Visit other college campuses in the area (FISK University, MEHARRY Medical College and VANDERBILT University)

Accommodations—The Sheraton Music City Hotel, Nashville, TN

Air Travel—Southwest Airlines

All travel and accommodations expenses paid by LEAP Forward

Students responsible for meals and some activities (Estimate \$75-\$100.00)

LEAP Forward reserves the right to cancel based on availability of funding.

Who Is LEAP Forward, Inc.?

Organized officially in 2001, LEAP Forward, Inc. is a non-profit organization that seeks to accomplish the following:

- Expose youth to math and science careers with an emphasis on engineering;
- Provide educational financial assistance to economically disadvantaged youth through scholarships;
- Expose youth to technical careers options through seminars, exhibits and industry tours;
- Introduce college life through college visits and tours;
- Advocate admission, financial aid, considerations;
- Assist in preparing necessary documentation to pursue post secondary education or vocational training; and
- Introduce youth to technical professionals who can encourage, inspire and foster dreams.



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Or rthomas@leapforwardinc.org

OUR CORE VALUES

Our Core Values: **Excellence, Dedication, and Commitment.** We believe:

Excellence should be displayed in all we do and that all youth can achieve excellence when given an opportunity to learn and grow.

Dedication to our youth is necessary to meet their needs.

Commitment embraces commitment and, as we make deposits in the lives of youth, they will commit to society.

Accomplishments/News

- ◆ Since 1998 LEAP Forward has provided 77 scholarships to disadvantaged youth pursuing a college education.
- ◆ Conducted a vigorous outreach program to educate and expose youth to STEM and cultural opportunities (engineering summer camps, conferences, presentations, engineering day activities, technology summits, museums, and more).
- ◆ Escorted students to colleges/universities to interface with collegiate students and experience college life.
- ◆ Provided networking for graduates eager to enter the workforce.



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Word of Encouragement— Poem: FEAR NOT

FEAR is one of the biggest hindrance in our lives when it comes to going after our dreams and goals. FEAR! I've heard it explained as **False Evidence Appearing Real**. It's the uncertainty of life and not knowing the unknown that causes us to FEAR. For certain, as you pursue your dreams and goals, there will be stumbling blocks along the way, but that is no reason not to try. You have to get out of the gate and just start running toward all the wonderful things you desire. Pursuing your education is a good foundation to success. When you do your best and depend on what you do know and what is certain—things will work out just right. Don't let FEAR stop you from achieving! Don't let FEAR stop your from accomplishing your dreams and God's plan. To quote General Colin Powell—*"It can be done."*

FEAR NOT

Fear Not appears in the bible more than any other phrase
Because fear has lived in the hearts of men every since the bible days
Fear has its retributions, it stops you from achieving
But fear is really nothing more than simply not believing

Fear is the absence of faith, and faith is what we need
A little bit that could even fit in a tiny mustard seed
But on the topic of fear, we all should understand
Why God said only fear Him and do as He commands

He's given us the power to do most anything
And all He asks us in return is to worship Him as King
He's given us the free will so that we could make a choice
To follow His commandments or just ignore His voice

But we live our lives in constant fear that things might turn out wrong
Then our resolve is weakened instead of being strong
Fear causes us to even doubt the things within our hearts
It smothers our ambitions and makes us afraid to start

We hesitate to do the things we know we should complete
Then nothing gets accomplished but failure and defeat
We are always looking for the things to insure that we succeed
But often fail to realize we have all that we need

And so I say to you and me, "Fear not, don't be afraid"
Our life's success foundation already has been laid
But it takes true commitment to make our purpose clear
And faith that speaks the total truth to rid our lives of fear

FEAR NOT (continued)

So let's be bold and unafraid to do what God commands
The only true success will come by following God's plan
God's plan for us is happiness though sometimes we shed tears
But what He does not want for us is living life in fear

Fear not brothers and sisters, your deliverance is made
But you will never see it if you go through life afraid
So don't worry about falling down, if you do— get up again
Remember winners never really quit, and quitters never win

There may be people all around you who appear to have it all
Their possessions might seem bountiful while yours seem to be small
But don't give into envy—you don't know the road they trod
Or disappointments they may have suffered Or their relationship with God

You don't know how many times they tried and failed along the way
Or experiences that got them to where they are today
The message here is one of faith that God will see you through
He's not concerned about what you have but more about what you do

Just make sure that the things you do are pleasing in God's sight
And never fear what lies ahead if you are living right

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