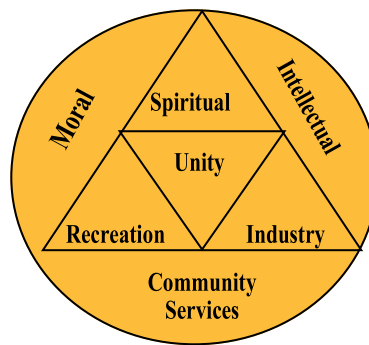


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Scholarship Recipients

Jeremy Moore graduated from University of Southern Mississippi 2017 with a degree in music education. Marquita Gray graduate from the University of Alabama in 2014 with a Bachelor of Science degree. These are truly success stories of money well spent. Congratulations!!!!!!

In President Obama's words: "Every single one of you has something that you're good at. Every single one of you has something to offer. And you have a responsibility to yourself to discover what that is. That's the opportunity an education can provide." It's important to stay in school to develop and nurture the skills that

could one day be the bases of your future career.

The most common reason for nearly 1.2 million student ages 15 to 24 to drop out of high school before reaching their senior year is lack of interest. That is alarming, especially when considering the consequences it leads to.

The work force is becoming increasingly more competitive, and without a minimum of a high school education, the opportunity for upward mobility is slim. No matter what you want to do with your life,

you'll need an education to do it. You cannot drop out of school and just drop into a good job. Your future rest on the mindset and decisions you make today.

Best Regards,

Peggy J. Rogers, President

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Recent Events At COCO

April

02 - T. J. Straight Ministries held services for the Quarter at 10:00 a.m. The pastor is Rev. Eddie Tubbs & Speaker Prophet T. J. Straight. All services are open to the public. 5:30 p.m. an evening with Mr. Johnnie Brown and The Golden Gates Quartets.

08 - Carl Skinner repast was held at the Center.

14 - Medical Forum & Fair, co-sponsored by the Columbus-Lowndes Chapter of the Links Physicians attending were Dr. McKibben, Dr. Lott, Dr. Walker, and OCH Administrator, Mr. Richard Hilton. The program was moderated by Mr. Christopher Taylor. Wellness Connection offered a reduction in initial fee to first 20 peoples signing up. Thanks to Mr. Eddie Myles

15 - ABC tutoring in grades K-12 at the Center. Students worked on journal Writing, Mathematics and Language Arts. Special thanks to our teachers., Mrs. Noble and Ms. Cannon.

22- COCO monthly meeting was held at 3:00 p.m.

24 -29 - T. J. Straight Ministries revival was held.

30- Rev. Bonner Retirement Celebration was held. Congratulations!

May

21 - ABC Tutoring program. Students did journal writing and Reading

27- COCO monthly meeting was held .

Below - Group preparing to leave for Washington, D.C. on enrichment trip.



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June

03- Flea Market and Awards Program at 6 p.m. honoring all donors. Presentations made to winners of the David & Irene Rogers Memorial Scholarships. They were Alexie Rose Williams and Serria McKinley. \$500.00 each were presented by the Rogers Family. Below are winners and parents. Congratulations!!!!

10 - Johnson, Bush, Davis & Hollingshed Family Reunion



fellowship at the Center

17- ABC Tutoring program 9-12 p.m.

10-21 - ABC members attended an Enrichment trip to Washington D.C. Visiting the African American Museum returning by way of Atlanta, GA visiting Six Flags Amusement Park and Spelman College. Below is the group in front of Cosby Hall at Spelman College..



24 - COCO monthly meeting was held at 3:00 p.m. Officers were elected for the 2018 are Peggy Rogers,, President, Orlando Trainer,

Vice President, Emma Randle, Secretary, Christine Kelly, Assistant Secretary, James Little, Treasurer, Elex Lowery, Assistant Treasurer and Ethel Shine, Parliamentarian.

New and Renewed Members

Jade Johnson, Rosemary Cooper, Tiffany Kelly, Carolyn Jean Dailey, Talisha Calmes. Khole Calmes, Alfred Kyle Carter, Bessie Cannon, Zoriah Lee, Lachesha Young, Seneitric Lowery, Yasmine Gandy, Marilyn Trainer, Orlando Trainer, Katie Trainer, Kelsey Trainer, Kasey Trainer, Lance Trainer, Darrel Crawford, Armetta Carford, Carolyn Jackson, and Andrew Jackson

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Organization dues are \$30.00,

and Child dues are \$5.00.

Calendar of Up Coming Events ¹⁵ **Ju-**

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02- T. J. Straight ministries worship services 3:30 P.M.
(each Sunday during the quarter).

03-04 - Bardwell Family Reunion

15 - ABC Tutoring Program at 9:00 A.M.

22- COCO Monthly Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

August ;

19 - ABC Tutoring Program 9:00 a.m.

26 - COCO regular monthly meeting at 3:00 p.m.

September

19- ABC Tutoring Program 9:00 a.m.

26 - COCO meeting at 3 p.m.

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