



National Association of Black Suppliers Scholarship Fund

## 2016 Annual Report

#### The 28th NABS Scholarship Fund Luncheon



Letter from the Chairperson

The NABS Scholarship Fund 28th Annual Luncheon was a celebration to remember! We came together to celebrate some of our founding NABS members, past presidents and 14 very ambitious high school seniors.

The Luncheon took place at the Henry Autograph Hotel, Dearborn, MI on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at which \$70,000 in scholarships was awarded to Detroit Metropolitan and Texas area African American High School Seniors pursuing careers in the automotive industries.

Our theme was "Make your Mark – Leave a Legacy" and our Keynote Speaker was Dave Bing, Founder and Chairman, Bing Youth Institute.



Dave Bing, Keynote Speaker



NABS Trade Association Founders pictured with Rhonda Walker, WDIV News Anchor, Top row: Roderick Rickman, Joseph Anderson, Dave Bing, Rhonda Walker, Jeanette Abraham, John James, George Hill, Ronald E. Hall, Jr. Bottom row: Dr. William Pickard, Leon Tupper, Michael Guthrie, Sid Taylor, Carlton Guthrie and David Barfield

On behalf of the NABS Scholarship Fund Board I would like to thank the following Sponsors: Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing NA Inc., General Motors Company, Delphi Corporation, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Detroit Chassis, LLC, James Group International, JMA Global, LLC, Global Automotive Alliance and others.

Without your support many of these students would not have the opportunity to attend the Universities of their choice; and for that we say Thank You!!!

We are proud of our scholars and we appreciate the opportunity to partner with you as an investor in the next generation.

Jeanette M. Abraham, Chairperson NABS Scholarship Fund Board

2016 Luncheon Fast Facts	
200	Supporters
\$ 70,000	Scholarships Awarded
4	Multiple Year
6	Special Recognition
4	Trendsetters

#### In This Issue...

2016 Scholarship Awards Luncheon 2016 NABS Sponsors

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2017 Scholarship Awards Luncheon 2017 Calendar of Events Thank You 2016 Sponsors...



Toyota Motor North America, Inc, Alan Williams, Sr. Mgr. Quality Promotion, Chuck Gulash, Sr. Exec. Engineer Vehicle Performance Division, Jeanette M. Abraham, CEO, JMA Global and NABS Scholarship Fund Board Chair, Yvette Williams, Specialist Materials Engineering Division, Rhonda Walker, WDIV News Anchor, Bruce Brownlee, General Manager External Affairs. Bottom: James Thomas, Sr. Engineer Body Design Trim, Christian Williams, Buyer Purchasing and Earnest Cleary, Engineer Body Design seats.

## <u>Scholars Circle</u>



DIVERSITY | INCLUSION **One Time Scholars Circle** 

#### Presidents Circle





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#### Circle of Friends









Your generosity is making the difference.

Graduation The NABS Scholarship Fund Retrospective

28th Annual Awards Luncheon Since inception, 188 students have been awarded

- **\$1.2 Million** in scholarships. More than 1,000 contributors
- 4,600 applications reviewed
- 3,250 review hours
- More than 1,350 interview hours
- Invaluable mentoring hours

### Universities / Colleges:

Andrew University Arizona State University Bowling Green University Central State University Cornell University Duke University Eastern University Florida A&M University Grand Valley University Hampton University Hope College Howard University Jackson State University Kalamazoo College

Kentucky State University Kettering University Lawrence Technical University Massachusetts Institute of Technology Michigan Institute of Aviation & Tech. Michigan State University Morehouse College North Carolina A&T Northwood University Oakland University Oakwood University Purdue University Robert Morris University Siena Heights University



Cameron Lavergne pictured with Martin Lavergne (her father)

Spelman College Southern University Syracuse University Tennessee State University Texas Southern University Texas Technical University Trinity University University of Cincinnati University of Michigan University of Texas - San Antonio Wayne State University Wentworth University Western Michigan University

## 2016 NABS Scholars



Yvette Williams, Alan Williams, Jeanette M. Abraham, Cameron Lavergne, NABS Scholar, Chuck Gulash, Rhonda Walker, Bruce Brownlee. Bottom: James Thomas, Christian Williams, and Earnest Cleary.



Jeanette M.
Abraham,
Rhonda Walker,
Laurelle Smith
Pollyette Lenear,
Program
Mgr. Supplier
Diversity, GM,
and Alexia
Arthur, NABS
Scholar and
Jennifer Good

Top: Hunter
Thornhill,
Pollyette
Lenear, Jeanette
Abraham,
Chadelle
Richardson,
Rhonda Walker.
Bottom: Keviyan
Richardson,
Bernard





Jeanette M.
Abraham,
D'errah
Richardson,
NABS Scholar,
Rhonda Walker
and John E.
Taylor, Sr. Mgr.
Supplier Diversity
Development,
Delphi,
Corporation

Top: Rhonda Walker, WDIV News Anchor and Jeanette M. Abraham, Bottom: Rolanda Heard, Rolanda's title..., Jennifer Good, Arika Tolbert, Mr. Tolbert, Mrs. Tolbert and Arielle Tolbert





Congratulations! Scholars!



Jeanette M. Abraham, Diante' Hill and Rhonda Walker. Bottom: Micah Know, Johnny Toliver IV, Charles Perkins, Sr., Olivia Perikins and Joshua Knox.



# The 29<sup>th</sup> NABS Scholarship Awards Luncheon Wednesday, May 10, 2017 The Henry Autograph Collection, Dearborn, MI

NABS Scholarship Fund Board (from left to right): Linda J. Ratliff-Watkins, Rhonda A. Glover Jeanette M. Abraham, Michael J. Guthrie, and Amanda L. Ward

#### Calendar of Events

Date	Event	
10/14/16	Scholarship Applications Available	
3/03/17	Scholarship Application Deadline	
4/03/17	Student Interview Process Begins	
4/14/17	Complete Selection Process	
4/24/17	Scholarship Recipients Notified	
5/10/17 29th Annual Scholarship Luncheon		
7/20/17	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Float Your Boat	
8/05/17	11th Annual Student Retreat &	
	Stakeholders Luncheon	

#### NABS Scholarship Fund Board Members

Jeanette M. Abraham, Chair, President/CEO, JMA Global, LLC

Michael Guthrie, Chairman Emeritus President/CEO, Detroit Chassis, LLC

Rhonda A. Glover, Board Secretary Executive Director, NABS Scholarship Fund

Amanda L. Ward, Scholarship Fund Board Treasurer Assurance Associate, Plante & Moran, PLLC

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