Havier University's Black Student Association
presents

The 29th Annual
Antonio Johnson
Scholarship Banquet

"Antonio Johnson:
His Foundation, Our Aspirations"

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James and Caroline Duff Banquet Center







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Welcome to this year's Antonio Johnson Scholarship Gala. This banquet is one of the highlight programs of Xavier's academic year. In it we recognize the gifts and talents of Xavier students and reflect on the legacy of leadership of Antonio Johnson for whom this banquet is named. Tonight we honor more than 12 students who have excelled at Xavier in the classroom, in positions of leadership and in their contributions to the community. While only one student receives the Antonio Johnson scholarship—a much-coveted full scholarship—all have made our community a richer place.

It is an honor and privilege to work closely with so many of you. Your willingness to give of yourself and your ability to juggle the many competing demands of being an involved student leader is impressive. Most importantly, I am grateful for your contribution of time and talents. In each of you, I see a bright future of promise. Enjoy this evening, relish the contributions of so many, relax and have fun. You've earned it!

Sincerely,

Ronald A. Slepitza, Ph.D.

Vice President for Student Development

## In Remembrance

Antonio Johnson was born Oct. 30, 1953, to Clarence and Roberta Johnson. He grew up in the Walnut Hills area and attended Roger Bacon High School.

Antonio began his academic career at Xavier University in June of 1971. While majoring in urban studies, he participated in the school band and was an active member of St. Andrews Roman Catholic Church. Johnson worked hard and dedicated his time to the black student association as president, earning him the respect of the Xavier campus and the adjoining communities. He stressed the importance of minority independence, strength and development.

Johnson single-handedly organized and implemented activities for Black Awareness Month in February 1976. Unfortunately, he was unable to see the results of his hard work because he died on Feb. 8, 1976, at age 22. Johnson is remembered as a caring, compassionate, confident and articulate individual who was dedicated to the principles of social change and justice.

Each year, the black student association keeps his memory alive through the Antonio Johnson Scholarship Banquet. A scholarship is presented to an African-American junior for his or her academic excellence, leadership, contribution to the black student association and community service. Johnson's sister, Wanda Jones, said, "School was his life; it is a great honor to have a scholarship in his name."

## Antonio Johnson Scholarship Award Past Recipients

2004	Simone Harris	1996	Kelie Roberts	1988	Linwood Riddick III
2003	Natasha Hamilton	1995	Aarionne L. Farmer	1987	Jacqueline Nash
2002	Justin H. Hardy	1994	Shauna A. Starks	1986	Margaret A. Gooden
2001	Janelle E. Hines	1993	Cherie L. Beal	1985	Boaz Jackson
2000	Ameerah S. Khalifa	1992	Sharon Y. Richardson		James Thomas
1999	Aric Hassel	1991	Kenrick S. Richardson	1984	Julie I. Graves
1998	Natasha L. Collins	1990	Jhules A. Clark		Benetta Roper
1997	Damianne C. Scott	1989	Lea C. Williams	1983	Pamela D. Smith
					Teresa L. West

## Master of Geremonies Dameon Alexander



I was born in Cleveland and moved to Washington, D.C, when I was very young. I attended public schools until I was introduced to the Jesuits by attending Gonzaga College High School. My professional experience is marked with a variety of professional work from NBC News, Procter & Gamble, banking, the cable television industry, political campaigns...let's just say I was a bit lost and a bit of a jack-of-all trades. The most interesting fact about me, though, is my walk with God. Even though I learned in an environment conducive to religious inquiry in high school, my many benighted questions steered me away from a sincere faith in God. Thus, while a freshman undergraduate student at Xavier, I could have been classified as a practical atheist.

Through exhausting myself with independent historical, archeological, racial and religious studies, and any other study I could get my mind on, I discovered what I believe to be the absolute truth: God exists. However, the relationship I have developed with God has evolved into a journey contradicting societal norms. In the eyes of some, my experiences could be classified as real failures. I have been unemployed, I have been denied admission into several graduate programs and I have been financially broke. Facetiously, I had a bachelor's degree throughout these trials. Yet, after God illuminated me and rejuvenated my indwelling spirit, I can now testify that my failures were leaps towards ultimate success; a place in eternity.

## Keynote Speaker John Haysbert



John Haysbert is a native Cincinnatian who lived in Chicago through some of his impressionable years. He is a Withrow High School alumnus, who holds a B.A. with honors and his M.B.A. from Xavier University. Haysbert was also a 1999-2000 Antonio Johnson Scholar.

Hasbert's professional experience includes operation management of a small real estate investment group, commercial actor and jingle writer for companies and products such as McDonald's, Wendy's, Kroger, Folgers, Kings Island, Cintas and University Hospital, just to name a few.

He is the business integration manager at Cinergy where he integrates business strategies for the company's workforce diversity initiatives. He has held various

positions within Cinergy in areas of facilities, meter reading, accounting, customer service, corporate security and human resources. Haysbert is married to Robyn (Mayfield) Haysbert, and they have two children, Carmel and Travis.

Haysbert is actively involved within the community adding value on the HR advisory and adult workforce services board at the Greater Cincinnati Urban League, in addition to the Southwest Ohio Career Resource Youth Council, Cinergy's Political Action Committee, Great Oaks Business Partnership Council, East Walnut Hills Assembly, Electric Employee Assistance Advisory Board, as well as once holding a vice presidency with the American Association of Blacks in Energy, Cincinnati chapter.

Haysbert's purpose in life is to have *influence* and *impact* on those around him based on learning that *grace* is an opportunity to experience *life* in a way that one can understand: "It's not all about you."

# Entertainment The Philip Paul Trio



Philip Paul, a native New Yorker, came to Cincinnati in 1951 to join the Tiny Bradshaw Band at the famous Cotton Club. Paul recorded with Tiny Bradshaw at King Records where he began a long, historic stay as a session drummer for King artists such as Little Willie John ("Fever"), Hank Ballard & The Midnighters ("Twist"), Freddie King ("Hideway") and Charles Brown ("Please Come Home for Christmas"). He has recorded on more than 350 records.

Paul, along with pianist Sam Jackson and upright bass player Ed Conley, have played together for more than 25 years. Known as The Philip Paul Trio, they have played both locally and nationally.

#### Antonio Johnson Scholarship Banquet Dameon Alexander, Master of Geremonies

## Program

Prelude	The Philip Paul Trio
Student's Welcome	Christal Crosby
	Antonio Johnson Scholarship Committee Co-Chair
President's Welcome	Michael J. Graham, S.J.
	Xavier University President
Remembering Antonio Johnson	Willie Payton, Jr.
	Black Student Association President
Invocation	Cecelia Towns
	First-Year Student
~ [7]	Dinner ~
	ne Philip Paul Trio
Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Dameon Alexander
Keynote Address	John Haysbert
	Business Integration Manager, Cinergy Corporation
~ Award P	resentations ~
	Adrian Schiess Director for the Office of Student Success and Retention
Outstanding Sophomore Award	Raven Curry
	Junior
Outstanding Senior Award	
	Graduate Assistant, Office of Multicultural Affairs
Outstanding Service Award	Erin Hughes
	Junior

BSA Committee of the Year Award	
Administrative Staff Award	Ron Slepitza Vice President for Student Development
Faculty Support Award	Princess Moody Sophomore
Antonio Johnson Leadership Award	Hope Orono First-Year Student
Antonio Johnson Scholar Awards	Roger Fortin Academic Vice President and Provost
	Janice Walker Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
Benjamin J. Allen Alumni Award	
Antonio Johnson FACS Multicultural Runner-up Awa	ardTekeia Auster Assistant Director, Office of Multicultural Affairs
	Cynthia Brown The FACS Group, Director of Human Resources and Diversity
Antonio Johnson Scholarship Award	Thomas Kennealy, S.J.  Associate Dean, of Arts and Sciences and College of Social Sciences Chair, University Scholarship Committee
	Simone Harris 2004 Antonio Johnson Scholarship Recipient
Closing Acknowledgments/Remarks	Rachel Bonds  Antonio Johnson Scholarship Committee Co-Chair  Paul James  Director,  Office of Multicultural Affairs
Benediction	Dominique Foster Sophomore

#### Antonio Johnson Scholarship Finalists 2005

### Erin Hughes



Erin Hughes is a junior at Xavier University majoring in early childhood education. She aspires to be a future educator in hopes of enhancing as many young minds as possible.

A native of Toledo, Ohio, Hughes graduated from Central Catholic High School in 2001. She was the only African-American student in her graduating senior class to receive an honors diploma. She was a four-year member of the National Honor Society and graduated *summa cum laude* with a 4.2 cumulative GPA. Due to her academic excellence, she was awarded a scholarship by Charles P. Gallagher to attend the University. Hughes has been the recipient of numerous scholarships, including the Xavier University Pacesetter Scholarship, Weninger Scholarship and Xavier University Academic Scholarship.

While at Xavier, Hughes has been able to maintain an 18-hour course load while still remaining on the dean's list. Outside of class time, she actively volunteers in her community. During the Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays she prepares and delivers food baskets to the elderly and needy families. Hughes has also volunteered at a local battered women and children's shelter in Cincinnati. She has served as a mentor and tutor for students in the Cincinnati Public School system and is a member of the *Antonio Johnson Scholarship Gala committee*.

Upon graduating in the spring of 2006, Hughes is attending graduate school to receive her Master's of Education in Counseling. She would like to teach first grade in an inner city school to give back to her community.

### Mellissa King



Mellissa L. King was born August 30, 1984, in Sacramento, Calif. She is the daughter of Theodore King, Michelle Fisher and step-father Anthony Fisher, and is the beloved sister of Omar J. Simpson. King is a junior marketing major and psychology minor at Xavier.

Upon her inception to Xavier, King showed her dedication and drive when she walked on to the women's basketball team for the 2002-2003 season. In that same year, she received honors as an athletic scholar and an Antonio Johnson scholar.

King has also been involved in the black student association since her freshman year. She has served on the cultural committee (2002-2003), the Antonio Johnson Scholarship committee (2003-2004) and, with an "emphasis on excellence," sits

alongside her best friends and colleagues on the black student association's executive board as executive treasurer. She has been a member of the student government association's student activities council, and serves on the University's africana studies minor committee and the women's club soccer team. She is also the parliamentarian for the Rho Xi chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

When she's not on campus or working, King enjoys mentoring and tutoring the youth of Cincinnati. Her community service involvement includes mentoring and tutoring at the Cincinnati Glad House, South Evanston Elementary, the Cincinnati Drop-In Center, and Habitat for Humanity.

Upon graduation, King plans to pursue an M.B.A. in marketing or international business. Her philosophy of life is, "Excellence is the essence of caring more than others think is wise, risking more than others think is safe, dreaming more than others think is practical, and expecting more than others think is possible."

## LaNighta Sales



LaNighta Sales is a junior from Brownsville, Pa., studying advertising communications and general business. She has been an active black student association member for the past three years and sits on the board of elections. In the past, Sales has served as legislative secretary on the black student association's executive board is and a member of the Antonio Johnson Scholarship Gala planning committee. She is the president of Students Committed to Christ, an organization dedicated to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. Within this organization, she sits as the chair of its 3rd annual leadership conference planning committee. She is a member of the legacy fund committee where she serves as the chair of the advertising sub-committee.

While balancing these leadership positions and her academics, she is also a student assistant at the Williams College of Business, an advisor of the Young

Adult Power Hour (YAPH) and an usher at the James Temple Church of God in Christ. For her first year, she served as a mentor in the office of multicultural affairs' smooth transition program. Throughout her time at Xavier she has been recognized as an Antonio Johnson Scholar and received a Weninger Scholarship upon admittance to the University. She has participated and planned many conferences and events around campus that promote leadership and spiritual growth. Upon graduation, Sales plans to obtain her M.B.A. at a prestigious university in the Washington, D.C., area and pursue a career as an account executive at an advertising agency. Sales' ultimate goal in life is to please God in everything that she does, always remembering that without Him she would not be who she is or where she is today.

#### Ciffany Samuels



Tiffany Samuels, a native of Cincinnati, is double-majoring in marketing and entrepreneurial studies. Since freshman year, Samuels has been an active member of the black student association. During her freshman year, she served on the community service committee. During her sophomore year, she served on the leadership committee, community service committee, and the board of elections. She now serves as the executive secretary of the black student association. In addition, she is a member of the marketing club. She has volunteered as a tutor to student athletes at Woodward High School and has participated in several campus-wide community service projects, such as Community Action Day and the Crosstown Helpout.

In addition to campus and community involvement, academic achievement has always been a priority for Samuels. She is a Weninger Scholar and an Antonio

Johnson Scholar. She has been on the Williams College of Business dean's list for five consecutive semesters. She has been awarded the Robert G. Kluener Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award, and has also been nominated for the United States Achievement Academy's National Collegiate Minority Leadership Award and induction to the Mortar Board Honor Society. For the past two summers, she has maintained a successful internship with Coca-Cola Enterprises. Upon graduation, Samuels plans to pursue an M.B.A. with a concentration in accounting, and open her own business consulting and marketing firm.

#### Shurrell LaRon Suttles



Shurrell LaRon Suttles is the daughter of Durrell and Yvonne Suttles and sister to Shivonne and Shannon. She was born and raised in Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and is a junior nursing major at the University.

While at Xavier, Suttles has embarked on a path of excellence. She has been actively involved in the black student association, serving as a member of the community service and Antonio Johnson Scholarship Gala planning committees during her first year. She also held offices within the executive board for the past two years, serving as the executive secretary during her sophomore year and is working as the legislative vice president. Suttles is committed to serving the Xavier community through her work as a resident assistant and a certified peer tutor for anatomy and physiology, microbiology and pathophysiology courses. Through a summer service internship sponsored by Xavier, Suttles

worked at Healthy Moms and Babes to educate the Greater Cincinnati community about teen pregnancy and prevention. Growing as a role model, she has served as a mentor to incoming students through the office of multicultural affairs' smooth transitions program. Suttles also serves as a student dispatcher and clerical assistant in the office of campus police.

Suttles has been the recipient of several accolades, including *Antonio Johnson Scholar* and *First-Year Student of the Year* awards offered annually at the Antonio Johnson Scholarship Gala. Other recognitions include *Outstanding Tutor Award*, Student Support Services' *Scholar Award*, and *the National Collegiate Minority Leadership Award*. She is also a Weninger scholar and a Western Southern nursing scholarship recipient. Most recently, Suttles has been offered membership into Xavier's D'Artagnan chapter of mortar board and into the honor society of nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International.

Her future plans include pursing a career in the advanced practice field of midwifery.

#### Antonio Johnson Scholars

The following African-American students are being honored because they have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and above.

Ashley E. Allen Allison M. Anthony Tejai L. Beulah Rachel D. Bonds Ashley Y. Brailsford Kesi T. Brock Jenelle E. Brown Corey K. Burton Barbra N. Butler Maria D. Buttrom Willie Byrd Justine S. Casselle Loren Colbert Chimi W. Culler Raven A. Curry Sheena R. Daniels Shonda N. Daniels Alexis D. Day Miranda P. DeJarnette Mina B. Devine Bianca M. Doster Brandy I. Dunlap Devan M. Durrett J'Nelle M. Easley

Keli N. Edwards Laura A. Evans Megan A. Finneran Lauren N. Ford Mae-gan D. Gault Iames I. Gibson Kevona C. Gullett Chazelle A. Haile Tracy R. Hall Correll L. Hammond Simone F. Harris Corey R. Hawthorne Jomaile R. Holland LaToya P. Holman Iewel I. Hopson Asia M. Howell Erin T. Hughes Audia N. Iames Amanda M. Jones Omari A. Jones-Nelson Mercedez M. Joyce Abigail B. Keys Mellissa L. King Gregory S. Kyser

Elena M. Lebasie Tiesha A. Lewis Nicole Love Ianelle L. Ludaway Papa M. Mbenque Lawrence I. McCullough, II Candace D. McDonald Jaime D. McKinney Tamara C. Miller Chavon D. Mitchell Demetrius I. Moorer Keenithy L. Morris, Jr. Sawwiri K. Mukasa Aghanwi B. Ndefru Latania J. Nicholson Ashleigh M. Odom Emmanuel A. Ofori Jordan S. Olinger Adeleke A. Oni Hope A. Orono Latisha A. Owen Latova S. Page Aisha J. Patton Regina M. Perez

Shannon Pierce Saeed Posey Amanda L. Powell Brandy M. Pruett Brandon K. Rice Sheena C. Robison Ioshua I. Ross Lanighta A. Sales Tiffany Samuels Jennifer L. Schehr Reginald L. Staples Ianell R. Sterrett Blair A. Suttles Shurrell L. Suttles Ayana J. Thomas Cecelia M. Towns Nicole Wells Kami P. Wilkerson Alan D. Williams Ianika N. Wilson Allicia S. Woods Iasmin S. Watson-El Maya C. Webb Melissa L. White

#### Antonio Johnson Non-Traditional Scholars

The following non-traditional African–American students are being honored because they have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above. They also have completed at least 12 credit hours as of Tall 2004.

Angela Barber-Joiner Kimberly Brock Melonie Brooks Sharon Brown Rodney Carter Simone Christian Tammy Corn Marie Davis Cheya Dixon Victoria Evans Jamie Gause George Harris Marilyn Hedges Adrienne Henley Bret Isaac Virainia James Daniel Johnson
Darlene Johnson
Kesha Kasuyi
Yvonne Niles
Jeanne Pope
Jacquetta Ray
Elisabeth Sanford
Pamela Smith

Shadom Stewart Audra Sweeney Courtney Thatcher Brian Thornton Perry Wiggins, IV Angela Winkfield

#### Antonio Johnson Scholars Dean's List

## Congratulations to the following students who were on the dean's list during the 2004 academic year.

Ashley Allen
Tejai L. Beulah
Christina K. Bolden
Ashley Y. Brailsford
Kesi T.Brock
Maria D. Buttrom
Willie Byrd
Laura F. Carnaghi
Lena D. Davie
Alexis D. Day
Mina B. Devine
Sarah E. Doherty
Brandly J. Dunlap
Devan M.Durrett
J'Nelle M. Easley
Kari L. Edmonds
Keli N. Edwards
Latoya A. Evans

Elizabeth G. Ford
James J. Gibson
Tracey R. Hall
Simone F. Harris
Corey R. Hawthrone
Jomaile R. Holland
Erin T. Hughes
Shikira M. Jones
Abigail B. Keys
Wanda D. Kidd
Latoya S. King
Juenethia L. Kinnebrew
Nicole Love
Ian L. McCullough, II
Candace D. McDonald
Jaime D. McKinney
Tamara C. Miller
Chavon D. Mitchell

Latania I. Nicholson Ashleigh M. Odom Nedra A. Okwu Latisha A. Owens LaToya S. Page Brandon K. Rice Cherie N. Rivers Taryn M. Roberts Lanighta A. Sales Tiffany Samuels Jennifer L. Schehr Ciara A. Staunton Blair A. Suttles Shurrell L. Suttles Eileen G. Turner Kami P. Wilkerson Alan B. Williams Ianika N. Wilson

## Antonio Johnson Non-Traditional Scholars Dean's List

Congratulations to the following students who were on the dean's list during the 2004 academic year.

Lisa C. Davis Emmett L. Gladden Shawna Harris Mark E. Johnson Leslie A. Johnson Jeanna R. Jones Sonja Leach Pauline Phillips

#### History of the Black Student Association

During the 1960s, Xavier University, along with many other American universities, experienced racial strife. African-American students attending Xavier in the '60s wanted privileges and opportunities similar to those of their white counterparts. In 1969, the University recognized the need and created the urban affairs office, which was designed to assist African-American students in their pursuit of higher education.

In conjunction with the urban affairs office, the black student association, formerly called the Afro-American student association, was formed to help meet the needs of African-American students. Ken Blackwell, Tony Davis, Wes Turner, Barbara Milon, Alicia Coggins and Amelia Tucker were the pioneers of this organization.

The organization continues to commit itself to meeting the unique needs of African-American students at Xavier, and it serves as an integral lifeline that supports academic excellence, involved leadership and service to the community.

#### Black Student Association

On behalf of the black student association, I would like to thank each of you for supporting the 29th Annual Antonio Johnson Scholarship Banquet. We are glad to have the opportunity to commemorate the life of Antonio Johnson and his contributions to Xavier University. In addition to celebrating his memory, this is a celebration of outstanding achievements by African-American students and the recognition of support from staff, faculty and alumni of the black student association.

I am thrilled about this year's banquet as this is the product of a dream shared by our two wonderful chairs, Rachel Bonds and Christal Crosby. Along with their committee, they have raised the bar to celebrate the legacy of Antonio Johnson. This night celebrates the best and brightest that the African-American community here at Xavier University has to offer. The scholarship has come a long way since its humble beginnings, from \$1,500 to full tuition, room and board, fees and books.

As the president of the black student association, it is my pleasure to work with the outstanding leaders and scholars within the organization. The executive board and committees have worked diligently to make sure that there was "an emphasis on excellence" in everything we did this year. Each of you helped to make this year a true reflection of Antonio Johnson's vision through your commitment and dedication to our prestigious organization.

So, thank you to each of you in attendance this evening, and enjoy the Antonio Johnson Banquet: "His Foundations, Our Aspirations."

~Willie R. Payton Jr.

#### Antonio Johnson Scholarship Committee



Front Row: Christal Crosby, Rachel Bonds, Justine Casselle Middle Row: Mina Devine, Erin Hughes, Nicole Love, Bianca Doster, Monique Simpson, Jordan Olinger, Melissa Kopriva, Tonya Dawson (Graduate assistant) Back Row: Paul James (Advisor)



Front Row: Brandi Pruett, Princess Moody, Teresa Hamilton (Secretary)
Back Row: Ashley Welch, LaToya Bennett, Erica Clayton, Aaron Parker,
Ashley Jackson, Maya Nilavar, Tekeia Auster (Advisor)

Not Pictured: Aisha Patton, Raven Curry

## Antonio Johnson Planning Committee Chairs

On behalf of the 29th Annual Antonio Johnson Scholarship Gala planning committee, I would like to welcome you to Xavier University's premier celebration of African-American leadership and scholastic achievement.

This year's committee went above and beyond its call in planning events that emphasized excellence. Our fall event, *Relive the Renaissance*, showcased the Harlem Renaissance, a time of African-American intellectual and artistic evolution. In the same way that we reminisced about this significant period in our history, we remember tonight the legacy left by Antonio Johnson. It is upon his foundation we stand as we honor the outstanding members of the Xavier community; their aspirations will undoubtedly impact the future of Xavier University as Antonio Johnson has impacted us.

My experience as co-chair of this outstanding committee has been, without a doubt, one that I will always cherish. I would like to thank all who have helped us in the successful planning of this banquet. Enjoy your evening!

~Rachel Doreen Bonds

On behalf of the 2004-2005 planning committee, I would like to express my gratitude for your support of the 29th Annual Antonio Johnson Scholarship Banquet. Serving as a member of the committee for two years, and as co-chair, I am privileged to be part of this event that recognizes my peers and the best Xavier has to offer. Each year, the committee has the opportunity to etch its mark in the natural progression the Antonio Johnson Banquet always seems to take. And this year is no exception. This year's theme, "Antonio Johnson: His Foundation, Our Aspirations," speaks to Antonio Johnson's initiative and commitment to excellence. His distinct foundation continues to motivate students to higher heights of academic achievement and service. This evening we honor the accomplishments of those who embody excellence and aspire to new levels of achievement.

This year's event is a summation of the hard work, dedication and contributions of many. I am grateful for everyone who has made this event possible. This has been one of the most memorable and rewarding experiences of my college career. Thanks for allowing me the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

~Christal Coretta Crosby

#### Black Student Association Executive Board 2004-2005



Front Row: Stephani Welch, Tekeia Auster (Advisor) Middle Row: Dominique Foster, Mellissa King, Tiffany Samuels, Shurrell Suttles Back Row: Marius Martin, Willie Payton Jr., Courtney Block, Paul James (Advisor)

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Stephanie Welch
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Paul James and Tekeia Auster



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