

Community A.M.E. Zion Church Scholarships

‘Acquiring Understanding Through Education’ was the theme of the Ninth Annual Jennie T. Kemp Memorial Scholarship Awards Program held April 26, at the Community A. M. E. Zion Church in Vancouver. The event and awards are in honor of the former First Lady of Community A. M. E. Zion Church, the late Sister Jennie T. Kemp.

Sister Jennie had a passion for education and African-American history. Forty-nine (49) individuals pursuing a degree or advanced vocational training at various colleges and universities across the United States have received financial assistance from the combined efforts of the scholarship committee members and faithful supporters of the Jennie T. Kemp Scholarship Fund.

Also, the scholarship committee has made donations to a number of HBCUs and other colleges around the country.

The highlight of the evening was the



Sis. Debra Streeter, Treasurer; Sis. Sylvia Harris, Sis. Gail Thomas, Secretary; Sis. Pamela Etheridge, 2015 Awards Recipient; Sis. Doris Ann Smith, Chairperson; The Rev. J. W. ‘Matt’ Hennessee, Pastor of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church in Portland, Oregon; Sis. Kymbreanna L. Elliott, 2015 Awards Recipient; The Rev. Robert F. Kemp, Presiding Elder of the A. M. E. Zion Church Cascade District; Bro. Ronald K. Kemp, son of the late Sister Jennie T. Kemp; and Rev. Joyce M. Smith, Pastor of Community A.M.E. Zion Church in Vancouver, WA.



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From left, scholarship winner Sis. Pamela Etheridge; the Rev. Robert F. Kemp and scholarship winner Kymbreanna L. Elliott.

address of Rev. J. W. ‘Matt’ Hennessee, “Where Will We Find You?” (Subtitle: “Where Will God Find Us”) – Luke 2:45-50.

Winners were Kymbreanna L. Elliott, a junior at Seattle Pacific University in Seattle, and Sis. Pamela Etheridge, the granddaughter of Rev. Nellie B. Thompson and Rev. Odell H. Thompson the founders of Pauline Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church in Salem, Oregon. She is pursuing a degree in Counseling for Drug and Alcohol.

You can mail your tax deductible contributions (checks or money orders) to the following address:

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Harriet Tubman Wins \$20 Vote

By Donovan M. Smith
Of *The Skanner News*

Famed abolitionist Harriet Tubman came out victorious in an online poll that garnered over 600,000 votes to have a woman replace President Andrew Jackson on the \$20 bill.

Tubman edged out former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt, receiving just over 7,000 more votes in the two month campaign started by grassroots non-profit Women on 20s.

“Our paper bills are like pocket monuments to great figures in our history,” says Women On 20s Executive Director Susan Ades Stone. “Our work won’t be done until we’re holding a Harriet \$20 bill in our hands in time for the centennial of women’s suffrage in 2020.”

More than a dozen other women were in the running including: Shirley Chisholm, the first African-American woman elected to Congress; civil rights icon, Rosa Parks; Barbara Johnson, the first Black woman from the Deep South elected to the US House of Representatives; and Sojourner Truth, another noted abolitionist of 1800s.

Upon the May 12 announcement of Harriet as the majority favorite, organizers from Women on 20s posted a video online urging

President Obama to direct Treasury Secretary Jack Lew to begin the process of replacing Jackson’s image on the currency.

Last year, before the campaign to update the twenty, Obama called the idea to put a woman on an American dollar “a pretty good idea.”

Jackson, the country’s 7th president, a former militia-man, and slave-owner, has graced the 20 dollar bill since 1928—about a century after his death.

The bill has undergone a slew of changes since its inception in 1861.

Other characters—real and fictitious—that have graced the face of the 20 include: Lady Liberty; Pocahontas; founding father Alexander Hamilton; President James Garfield and even the current face of the \$1 bill, George Washington.

Women on 20s is urging the public to keep up the momentum by sending Obama messages of support for the cause using the hashtag: #DearMrPresident.

Organization founder Barbara Ortiz Howard says the value of this change goes beyond money.

“Our work is not over but our triumph is that the simple truth that women deserve to be valued more in our culture was heard and echoed by young and old, not only across the country, but around the world.”

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