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## AAHAA Becomes Official Chapter



The African American Highlander Alumni Association has a new name. The Radford University Black Alumni Chapter was officially voted in as Radford's first

"affinity-based" chapter at the annual Alumni Association meeting held during Homecoming weekend. It is the only chapter of the Alumni Association that is not based on geography, but rather kinship.

The presentation was well received and set a standard for others to follow. As an official chapter, the RUBAC now has the same rights and privileges as all of the city-based chapters. Please view the [Alumni Chapter Handbook](#) for additional information on the structure and responsibilities of a chapter.

Elections for chapter leadership will be held next year in the fall during Black Alumni Weekend. The floor will be open for nominations in the spring via the chapter website. Please have a few individuals in mind to nominate and also consider whether you would like to take a role in leading this ground-breaking chapter. The president or representative of the chapter will have a seat on the Alumni Association Board.

We would like to give a special thanks to all of those who participated in the process of having AAHAA recognized as a chapter, including Richard Tillies, II ('01) who created and delivered the meeting presentation; Monica Hunter ('93, '95) for her tireless efforts working on behalf of AAHAA through the Office of Multicultural and International Student Services; and R. David Horton ('90), Director of the Office of Alumni Affairs for his endless support. We would also like to thank all of you who have contributed to this effort by supporting AAHAA through your e-mails, survey participation, reading the newsletter and your attendance of Black Alumni Weekend. None of this would be possible without you.

## Spotlight on Kiah Campbell

### Kiah Campbell, Class of 2006

**Address:** Salem, VA

**Degrees:** M.S. in Counselor Education; B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies from Old Dominion University

**Occupation:** Area Coordinator

**Job Location:** Salem, VA

**Employer:** Roanoke College

**Years in Position:** 4 months

**How did your time at Radford prepare you for**

**this position?:** I was a resident director in Muse Hall. That enabled me to experience many unique student interactions which in turn prepared me to be an effective Area Coordinator.

**Professional or Civic Memberships and Affiliations:** NRHH

**Professional of Civic Accolades:** Advisor of the Month (September 2005)

**Spouse:** Brian Campbell

If you would like to be featured in this section, please complete the Newsletter Spotlight form in the "[Forms](#)" section of the website.

# Second Time's A Charm

Once again, Black Alumni Weekend was an absolute success. Over one hundred alumni attended the weekend's events, ranging from representatives of the class of 2006 to the class of 1976. Take a look at our weekend in pictures.



“Greatness occurs when your children love you, when your critics respect you and when you have peace of mind.”

*Quincy Jones (1933—).*



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Just call the special MVP telephone number at 1-800-441-1114 when making reservations and give our MVP # (00164340).

A special MVP website will also be provided to ease the reservation process. Check our website at [www.radfordblackalumni.com/benefits2.html](http://www.radfordblackalumni.com/benefits2.html) for information.

# What's Happening in 2007?

The newest chapter of the Alumni Association is busy organizing events to keep everyone in touch. The proposed schedule of events for 2007 is listed below. Please keep in mind that these events, with the exception of Busch Gardens and Black Alumni Weekend, are tentative and we welcome suggestions for events and activities.

Further information and official notices of these and any other events will be posted on our website and sent either via e-mail or U.S. mail. Please check the website often for more details.

• FEBRUARY 17, 2007  
BLACK HISTORY MONTH RECEPTION,  
HARRISON MUSEUM OF AFRICAN  
AMERICAN CULTURE, ROANOKE, VA

• JUNE 9, 2007  
DAY AT BUSCH GARDENS,  
WILLIAMSBURG, VA

• JULY 28, 2007 - NIGHT ON  
BROADWAY  
SEE "THE LION KING" AT  
CHARLOTTE'S BLUMENTHAL  
CENTER

• SEPTEMBER 28-30, 2007  
BLACK ALUMNI WEEKEND,  
RADFORD, VA

• DECEMBER 1, 2007  
HOLIDAY PARTY, CHARLOTTE, NC

Join us at Busch Gardens on June 9, 2007! Visit our website at [www.radfordblackalumni.com/events2.html](http://www.radfordblackalumni.com/events2.html) to purchase tickets.

*"On the Move" is a new page on our website that will highlight alumni who have received promotions or made job or career changes. You may visit this page at [www.radfordblackalumni.com/onthemove.html](http://www.radfordblackalumni.com/onthemove.html).*

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If you have photos or information that you would like included in the RUBAC News, please e-mail Teri Wheaton at [teri@radfordblackalumni.com](mailto:teri@radfordblackalumni.com). The newsletter will be posted each quarter.

The RUBAC News can be sent via U.S. mail if you wish to receive a hardcopy. Please send an e-mail making your wishes known.



## **Other Notes . . .**

- ***Please do not forget to participate in our online surveys. Your opinion really does matter!***
- ***If you have questions regarding our new affiliation with the Alumni Association, please contact David Horton, Director of Alumni Affairs, at [rhorton@radford.edu](mailto:rhorton@radford.edu).***
- ***Visit [www.radfordblackalumni.com/events2.html](http://www.radfordblackalumni.com/events2.html) to see our Purpose and Mission Statement or a copy of the presentation given at the annual Alumni Association meeting.***