Johnson Wins J.C. Smith Award

Janie Mae Johnson, an employee at Johnson C. Smith for the past 27 years, has been honored as the first "Sara Stewart Distinguished Award" recipient. Johnson was honored during the University's Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day, June 23.

The award is named after Sara Stewart who worked at JCSU for 24 years before passing away in 1981. At the time of her death, she was the University's Director of Personnel. The JCSU Board of Trustees established the award to be given annually to a support staff member for

exemplary service.

Johnson told the gathering of University officials, faculty and support staff that she was honored and overwhelmed." President Robert Albright presented Mrs. Johnson a plaque and a cash award of \$500. He praised Johnson's professionalism, dedication and pride for her

Mrs. Johnson is a member of Gethsemane A.M.E. Zion Church. She has one daughter: Thomasena Moore and four grandchildren: Bernard, Angela,



Wanda L. Sloan is a 1989 graduate of Livingstone College. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sloan earned a BS in accounting from the college. While at Livingstone, Sloan was a 1987 Academic All-American, a Julia B. Duncan Player, a member of Phi Beta Lambda and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Sloan now plans to attend graduate school after which her goal is to open an accounting firm.

Smith Alumni **Begin Meetings**

The Charlotte chapter of the Johnson C. Smith University Alumni Association will begin its operational year on July 12 with its monthly meeting on the university's campus in conference rooms B and C. at 7:30 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting

will include Homecoming '89, the scholarship fund, the alumni million dollar campaign and Summerfest.

The chapter's annual member-ship drive will begin very soon and all alumni are encouraged to join the local chapter and support Johnson C. Smith.

The newly elected officers of the Charlotte alumni chapter are: Andrew Ladd, president; Joni Mills, first vice president; Annette Wright, second vice president; Leander Rogers, recording secretary; Norris Wilson, corresponding secretary; Glenda Pyant, treasurer; Harold Winston, parliamentarian; Fran Farrer-Bradley, sgt.-atarms; and at-large board members: Archie Haywood, Clyde Brown and Calvin Banks.

NCNB Gives To South's Schools

PALM BEACH, FL - NCNB Corp. recently announced a \$2 million gift to the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) to support the board's initiatives to improve public schools throughout the South.

The "investment in the future of our children" was announced by NCNB Chairman Hugh McColl at the SREB's annual meeting in Palm Beach.

NCNB, the South's largest banking organization, will provide \$1 million for a Leadership Academy to help school officials set improved student performance goals, develop measurable objectives and implement plans to achieve results. NCNB also will provide \$1 million in awards to schools or school dis-

tricts that develop model plans. Earlier this year, McColl challenged business and community leaders to support the region's school systems, which he said had become "distressingly below average." calling the situation "a drag on economic development and a blight on the region's quality of life," McColl said the problem stemmed from historical under-investment in primary and secondary public education throughout the South.

JCSU English Professor and daughter of Sara Stewart, Mrs. Deanna Highe, thanked the University for recognizing her mother's commitment and love for her work and the University. President Albright also presented certificates and pins for five and ten years of service to the University. Two retirees were also honored: Mrs. Anne C. Lee, Curriculum Center Librarian and Mr. C. R. (Dick) Nichols, Lirector of Institutional Research and Planning.



Janie Mae Johnson

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