



“Shaw University Bears Alumni Repeats as Tournament Champions!”

2010 Tournament Results

The 8th Annual HBCU Co-ed Softball Tournament was played on Saturday, May 22nd, 2010 at Parrish Womble Park in Holly Springs, North Carolina. This tournament was hosted by the local Triangle Alumni Chapters of Elizabeth City State University, Hampton University, Morgan State University, North Carolina A&T State University, North Carolina Central University, Saint Augustine’s College, Shaw University, and Winston Salem State University.

The Tournament started at 9:30 with Committee member Ms. Mona Bowden addressed the participants with welcomes, introductions and many thanks to the sponsors of the tournament. Nathaniel Hines, the Chaplain of North Carolina A&T’s Alumni Chapter, provided the Tournament’s opening prayer.

Quarterfinals: 2009 Finalists Advances...

The Tournament began at 9:45 with the North Carolina Central Eagles defeating the Hampton Pirates 15-4. The Shaw Bears – 2009 defending champions – took on the Morgan State Bears (whose roster was supplemented by volunteers from other HBCU participants), and won handily, 19-6. At 11:00, the Winston Salem State Rams defeated the St. Augustine’s Falcons 17-5, and last year’s runner-up Elizabeth City State Vikings defeated the North Carolina A&T Aggies 17-12.

Semifinals: Shaw and ECSU Destined For A Rematch...

The semifinals started at 12:30 with Shaw defeating North Carolina Central 18-2, while Elizabeth City State continued their strong play by defeating Winston Salem State, 21-8. The consolation games were played at 2:00, with Morgan State squeaking past Hampton 9-8, and North Carolina A&T defeating St. Augustine’s 21-9.

Final: History Repeats?

At 3:30, Mr. Parrish Womble, former mayor of Holly Springs, threw out the first pitch before the championship game – a rematch between last year’s finalists Shaw and Elizabeth City State. In the championship game, the Vikings scored two runs in the top of the 1st inning and the Bears scored two runs in the bottom to tie the game. The Vikings scored two runs in the top of the 2nd inning and the Bears scored two runs in the bottom of 2nd to tie the game once again. The Bears scored four runs in the 5th and

six runs in the 6th, while the Vikings went scoreless in the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th innings. Down by ten runs, the Vikings tried to make a comeback by getting their leadoff hitter on base, but could not string together enough hits and only scored one run in the top of the 7th inning to be defeated by a score of 14 to 5.

The Shaw University Bears were crowned **2010 Triangle HBCU Alumni Coed Softball Tournament Champions** and the ECSU Vikings were named Tournament Runners-up.

Teams took lunch in between games, enjoying the variety of country cooking provided by Prince Chapel Church and CocoCrissi Tropical Icees. The participating schools also had tents with tables set up to provide the attendees information on their respective schools.

Thanks to all the volunteers for making this event possible. Thanks to Crescent State Bank for their continued financial support and thanks to the vendors for coming out and supporting us this year. And a very special thanks goes to Mr. Gerald Honeyblue, owner of Gee Wiz Screenprinting - **he graciously donated the jerseys for all eight softball teams participating in the tournament.** Please support and patronize his business, for he truly supports his community. Thanks to all the alumni, family and friends who came out and supported both their school and the tournament. We look forward to a bigger and better tournament next year, stay tuned!

Please see the 2010 Triangle HBCU Alumni Coed Softball Tournament photos at http://nccueagles.smugmug.com/gallery/12376158_LnoXu/1/884658543_dGbqn and tournament bracket below:

WINNERS BRACKET			
NCCU	15		
GAME 1	9:30 AM	NCCU	2
Hampton U.	4		
Morgan State	6	GAME 5	12:30 PM
		Shaw U.	14
GAME 2	9:30 AM	Shaw U.	18
Shaw U.	19		
		GAME 9	3:30 PM
WSSU	17		Shaw U.
GAME 3	11:00 AM	WSSU	8
St. Aug.	5		
		GAME 6	12:30 PM
NCA&TSU	12	ECSU	5
GAME 4	11:00 AM	ECSU	21
ECSU	17		
			STANDINGS
			Shaw U 3 - 0
			ECSU 2 - 1
			MSU 1 - 1
			NCA&TSU 1 - 1
			NCCU 1 - 1
			WSSU 1 - 1
			HU 0 - 0
			SAC 0 - 0
COMPLIMENTARY BRACKET			
Hampton U.	8		
GAME 7	2:00 PM	Morgan State	
Morgan State	9		
St. Aug.	9		
GAME 8	2:00 PM	NCA&TSU	
NCA&TSU	21		
Note: Times are subject to change.			