# Friends of Moses Hall, Inc.

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## The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

#### **LEADERSHIP BIOS**

## Diane E. Baxter, Descendant

President, Friends of Moses Hall, Inc.

President, The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

Diane Baxter's genealogy journey began as an elementary school assignment. Years later, it led her to the discovery of the Morningstar Tabernacle No 88 Moses Cemetery where her great grandparents, James and Annie Coates, are resting peacefully in unmarked graves.

A native Washingtonian, Diane matriculated through the DC Public Schools to Howard University, receiving her BA in 1972 and a MBA in 1974. She retired from Lockheed Martin after 38 years of increasing responsibilities and 24 years in management.

Diane spends most of her time as a collector of many things, researching her own family roots while offering support to others and weekly bowling. She met her husband, Lamont S. Baxter, in a Bowling Center, and they celebrated their 40th anniversary in 2022.

She is a Trustee at Gethsemane Baptist Church, Washington DC, where her Great Grandfather, James Harvey, was the Founder and Pastor in 1912.

Diane is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Incorporated, the Emanons, Incorporated, the Monumental Women for the Arts Chapter of the Society, Incorporated, and the Progressive Ministry.

## Alexandra Jones-Malone, Ph.D., RPA

Vice President, Friends of Moses Hall, Inc. Trustee, The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

Alexandra Jones is the Founder and President of Jones Archaeology Consulting. She completed her Ph.D. in Historical Archaeology at the University of California, Berkeley in 2010. Her work focuses on African diaspora archaeology, community archaeology and archaeology outreach. Jones has been an archaeology educator for more than 16 years focused on making archaeological knowledge accessible to all. She also worked for the PBS television show Time Team America as the Archaeology Field School Director, where she directed field schools for junior high and high school students. Her current research projects are the Estate Little Princess Archaeological Project in St. Croix, USVI and the Morningstar Tabernacle No.88 Moses Cemetery in Cabin John, MD. Dr. Jones serves as the President-Elect for the Society of Black Archaeologists, the current President of the St. Croix Archaeological Society, an Academic Trustee for the Archaeological Institute of America and she serves as the Chair for the U.S. Cultural Property Advisory Committee for the Unites States, appointed by President Biden.

#### Eileen McGuckian

Secretary, Friends of Moses Hall, Inc. Secretary, The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

A historian and preservationist, Eileen McGuckian has served as president of Montgomery Preservation, Inc. and the Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites; as incorporator for Peerless Rockville and Higgins Cemetery and Rockville Cemetery Associations; and as project director for Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory and MCCI-Revisited.

Eileen earned a B.A. at the University of Maryland, after which she taught high school history in Montgomery County. Her post-graduate work included a M.L.A. from Western Maryland College and a M. Phil. from The George Washington University.

For 35 years, she led Peerless Rockville to document, restore, and preserve historic sites in Rockville, including Montrose School, Dawson Farmhouse, Baptist Cemetery, the Red Brick Courthouse, and Frieda's Cottage. She is the author of six publications on Rockville history topics, including Rockville: Portrait of a City (2001).

Eileen lives in Rockville with husband Phil Cantelon and has two daughters and three grandchildren, all of whom have patiently shared her interest in historic burial sites.

# **Charlotte Troup Leighton**

Treasurer, Friends of Moses Hall, Inc.

Charlotte Troup Leighton is a commercial real estate industry professional with over 25 years of experience. Charlotte is a member of the Advisory Board for Urban Land Institute (ULI) Washington and is also active in a number of commercial real estate industry organizations.

In addition to her professional life, Charlotte is a dedicated community leader and volunteer. For the past 15 years, Charlotte has served as a member of the Lombardi Women committee in support of breast cancer research at Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center. She also serves as a Co-Vice President for Cabin John Citizens Association (CJCA) and has spent much of the last several years engaging community leaders, public officials, subject matter experts, and stakeholders to minimize property and environmental impacts to Cabin John from Maryland's proposed I-495 and I-270 Beltway expansion project. Charlotte is a founding member of the Friends of Moses Hall and helped lead efforts to raise awareness about the endangered historic Morningstar Moses No. 88 Cemetery and Hall.

# **Carol S. Rubin**

Board Member, Friends of Moses Hall, Inc.

Carol S. Rubin has a long history of serving Montgomery County. She worked as principal counsel in the Office of the General Counsel at M-NCPPC for 13 years providing legal support to the Montgomery County Planning Department, the Montgomery County Department of Parks, and the Planning Board, advising on development applications and master plans, and issues related to land use and real estate transactions and development. She was appointed to the

Planning Board in 2021, and has since retired. From 2018 until serving on the Board, Rubin served as the special projects manager coordinating the Commission's response to the Maryland Department of Transportation, State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) I-495 & I-270 Managed Lanes Study. In the 1990s, Rubin served in many capacities as an Assistant County Attorney, including as the primary business liaison and County Executive designee for legal matters and property acquisition for the Silver Spring Redevelopment project. Rubin lives in Kensington and holds a law degree and B.A. from the University of Maryland.

Rubin brings a great deal of general management experience, excellent coordination and leadership skills, and knowledge of both real estate development and environmental impact analysis to the Friends of Moses Hall Board.

## Dr. Charles W. Harris, Descendant

Vice President, The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

Dr. Charles Harris received his undergraduate education at what is now the University of the District of Columbia, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology in 1972. He received a Master of Arts degree in Theology at Saint Mary's Seminary and University in 1992, and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Howard University in 1996. Additionally, he has studied at the former Baltimore Hebrew College.

He worked for the State of Maryland for nearly 32 years before retiring in 2008; and was employed at the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR). He has served on numerous boards, i.e., Maryland Advisory Council for People with Disabilities, DLLR Aids Advisory Committee; and in 1997, he created the Ashland Community Development Corporation, a 501 (C) 3, where he served as Chief Executive Officer until he retired in 2020.

# Montgomery C. Crawford, Descendant

Treasurer, The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

Montgomery Crawford is a native Washingtonian and descendant of the Crawford and Harris families. His grandparents are George and Irene Crawford who lived on Seven Locks Road in Cabin John, MD. Montgomery's father married the daughter of Peter Carter and Estelle Harris of Rock Springs. Shortly after Montgomery was born his family moved to Washington, DC where he attended DC Public Schools.

Montgomery studied architectural engineering and urban planning at Washington Technical Institute and earned an Associate Degree. He also studied architectural design at Hampton Institute, Hampton, VA. While attending school Montgomery worked part-time as an engineering tech for a transportation consultant, and the DC Department of Highway and Bridge Design. His wide-ranging experience also included METRO REDLINE underground station construction draftsman and track inspector for the Northeast Corridor AMTRAK Improvement project. Montgomery also worked with several MEP consultants developing tenant lease spaces.

Montgomery relocated to Houston, Texas after his wife accepted a new position. There he was employed by the Harris County Houston Texas Architectural and Engineering Department as a commercial plan reviewer.

Montgomery enjoys traveling, photography, cycling, billiards, music, sports, and plays. He have been married 34 years to his wife Alfreda Crawford.

# Austin E. White, Descendant

Trustee, The Board of Trustees of Morningstar Tabernacle Number 88, Incorporated

An avid golfer and lifelong Cabin John resident, Austin White grew up cleaning the Morningstar Moses hall alongside Mary (Crawford) White, his grandmother. He has several family members buried in the cemetery, including his father Rodney White, Sr. Mr. White and his family have been active volunteers in community clean-up efforts at the Morningstar Tabernacle No. 88 Moses Cemetery and Hall site over the years.