Linnette Y. Franklyn-Brown

ELITE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC.

charitable nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization

Educating The Elite To Elevate In Excellence



Passionately Pursuing Purpose

CHARITY AWARD GALA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

4:00PM

UFW POST 65 E MERRICK RD, VALLEY STREAM, NY 11580



Keynote Speaker, Young Entrepreneur

Chelsea Graham, Founder of Ray George Interiors



Special Guest, Gospel Recording Artist

Trevelle Clarke-Whyne

Linnette Y Franklyn-Brown Elite Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
is a charitable nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that is motivated to continue a legacy that will honor and remember the love and inspirations of Linnette Y. Franklyn-Brown by aiding in the manifestation of the dreams of eligible alums Of Elite Scholars Christian Academy who are seeking to further their education and fulfill their divine purpose through college scholarships, education/life mentorship and career/entrepreneurship programs.



Paula Mills
CEO/President



Chrishnah Mills
Vice President



Joanna Cayenne
Treasurer



Patricia Brewington
Secretary

PROGRAM

~COCKTAIL HOUR~

CO-MASTER OF CEREMONIES.....*Pastor Anthony Mills & Chrishnah Mills*

WELCOME.....*Paula Mills, CEO/Founder*

OPENING PRAYER .....*Pastor Anthony Mills*

WORSHIP AND PRAISE .....*Trevelle Clarke-Whyne, Gospel Artist*

HOW THE JOURNEY BEGAN (ESCA).....*Paula Mills, CEO/Founder*

OUR FOUNDING JOURNEY..... Patricia Brewington & Board Members

~MEMORIAL RECOGNITION AWARD~

IN LOVING MEMORY.....*Pastor Bobby -How Great Thou Art*

INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER.....*Pastor Anthony Mills*

KEYNOTE SPEAKER.....*Chelsea Graham, Ray George Interiors*

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

ELITE SCHOLARSHIP.....*Qeon Cayenne* & Angelique Brewington

BEAUTY FOR ASHES SCHOLARSHIP..... Delena Pierre

~LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE AWARD~

Valley Stream Baptist Church
Stefanie Straker-*Quality Stars, NY*
Yolanda "Pebbles" Brewer-*Wise Girlz, Inc*
Forest Road School-VS District 30

SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES.....*Joanna Cayenne, Treasurer*

THANK YOU..... *Paula Mills, CEO/Founder*

~DINNER IS SERVED~

2023-24 Elite Scholarship Awardees

The Elite Scholarship provides support at a collegiate level to alums of Elite Scholars Christian Academy



Angelique Brewington

Angelique Brewington is a freshman at Oberlin College & Conservatory in Oberlin, Ohio pursuing a double degree in french horn performance at the conservatory and an undeclared major at the college of arts and science. Angelique is devoted to her musical studies and believes playing music enables her to express her personality and emotions. In the words of Maya Angelou....."Music was my refuge. I could crawl into the space between the notes and curl my back to loneliness." Angelique hopes to become a studio artist and record orchestral music for Hollywood movie soundtracks.



Qeon Cayenne

Qeon Cayenne is a freshman at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York. He's enrolled in the Games and Emerging Media program, pursuing his long-held dream to be on the creative side of the games industry. Throughout high school, his love for gaming increased as he played leisurely and progressively developed into an interest in turning concepts, stories, and designs into playable video games.

2023-24 Beauty for Ashes Scholarship Awardee

The "Beauty for Ashes" Scholarship support students who show financial need and academic promise, have overcome obstacles, and who contribute to their community.

Delena Pierre

My name is Delena Pierre and I'm a first-generation immigr and a first-generation college student. My family origins stem from Trinidad and Tobago. I am currently a first-year student at Carnegie Mellon University. I plan to declare a major in International Relations and Political Science with an additional major in Human-Computer Interaction. My past, present, and future work aims to create equity for people that share my identities.



Chelsea Graham, Ray George Interiors



Chelsea Graham, a dedicated Interior Designer hailing from Long Island, New York, is the founder of Ray George Interiors, a design and decorating company with a profound mission rooted in a family legacy. The company's name pays homage to Chelsea's late grandfather, a skilled carpenter and custom furniture maker whose craftsmanship and passion for building inspired her journey into the world of design.

Establishing Ray George Interiors in 2017 while completing her Interior Design Diploma studies, Chelsea's commitment to preserving her grandfather's legacy became the driving force behind her entrepreneurial venture. The decision to start the business a year after her grandfather's passing, during which she cared for him amid his battle with Alzheimer's, underscores her deep connection to his life's work.

Chelsea's upbringing, infused with Caribbean influences, adds a unique cultural perspective to her design approach. As a small black-owned design firm, Ray George Interiors fosters diversity and inclusivity in the field. Chelsea's background as an African American woman in a traditionally underrepresented industry fuels her commitment to creating spaces that resonate with a broader community.

The mission of Ray George Interiors is to craft curated luxury spaces tailored to the unique lifestyles of clients, reflecting the way they live, work, and play. Chelsea's childhood love for Interior Design, coupled with her determination to overcome cultural barriers, propels her business to offer one-of-a-kind luxury designs within clients' budgets.

Through Ray George Interiors, Chelsea Graham aspires to make a lasting impact not only in the world of design but also in the broader community by promoting inclusivity, celebrating cultural diversity, and bringing a fresh perspective to the industry.

www.RayGeorgeInteriors.com

Valley Stream Baptist Church

Dr. Sherby E. Clarke, *Pastor*

Associate Pastors: *Pastor Anthony Mills & Pastor O'Neil Hutchinson*



Joining a church can mean many things to many people. Some seek out God and community when they feel they have lost their way, or are seeking a deeper purpose, or are looking for a way to connect to their family and cultural identity. But it is our belief that the Church, at its core, is about finding love and beauty through God and God's work.

At Valley Stream Baptist Church, we inspire individuals of all ages and backgrounds to bring the Lord Almighty into their lives at every moment - moments of joy, moments of despair, and even those moments in between. We are committed to the teachings of Jesus Christ, and are here to spread His message with loving patience and kindness. We are dedicated to the service of God and all his people, and our goal is to inspire you through the holiness of our dwelling and our services. We invite you to become a part of our growing congregation.

WEEKLY SERVICES DAY & TIME

ONLINE WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM @ 7:30PM & YOUTUBE @ 8:00PM

FAMILY BIBLE HOUR SUNDAYS @ 9:00AM

CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 10:00AM

IN-PERSON SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE @ 11:00AM

* ALL SUNDAY MEETINGS WILL ALSO BE LIVE-STREAMED VIA ZOOM & YOUTUBE

www.ValleyStreamBaptistChurch.com

Stefanie Straker, Quality StarsNY



Stefanie Straker has worked in early childhood education since 2001. She served as an educational director at a childcare center for five years, and has experience teaching children ranging from toddlers to pre-kindergarten and first grade. In addition to serving in teaching and administrative roles, Stefanie also worked for the New York Early Childhood Professional Development Institute as an early childhood coach and a facilitator for teachers involved in the NYC Pre-K For All initiative. She is currently pursuing her doctorate in educational psychology while working at QUALITYstarsNY, and is excited to be making an innovate contribution to the changing dynamic of pre-kindergarten education.

QUALITYstarsNY is New York State's Quality Rating and Improvement System for early childhood programs. Since its inception, QUALITYstarsNY has focused its evidence-based practices to ensure young children in participating programs have access to excellence and, their families can trust the level of quality in the programs they choose.

QUALITYstarsNY utilizes Quality Improvement Specialists (QI Specialists) with expertise in early childhood education and program administration to provide guidance and direction to early childhood programs and providers through the QUALITYstarsNY Quality Improvement Planning process. When a program joins QUALITYstarsNY, they are partnered with a QI Specialist who provides individualized support throughout every aspect of the work.

Classroom materials and furnishings, professional development opportunities, assessment, and a wide range of resources are made available to all QUALITYstarsNY participants to help programs earn higher star ratings and sustain high quality over time.

www.QualityStarsNY.com

Yolanda “Pebbles” Brewer, Wise Girlz, Inc.



Wise Girlz Inc. is a 501c3 Nonprofit Organization. Well-Informed Sisters Empowerment is our proverb! Learning, Quality of Life, Personal, Spiritual and Community Development is one of our exciting goals; We serve by helping girls/women, families in the communities we are based in through outreach. Hunger Relief through our "Happy Full" service is an effort we make by giving Grocery Gift Cards to families in need; Opportunities like Externship, Volunteerism, and Housing, Job Resources are offered.

Our first gathering began June 5, 2015, organized by our founder and CEO of Wise Girlz Inc., Pebbles Brewer. This was the introduction of what Wise Girlz was about and aspiring to be, along with learning, personal and spiritual development teaching and fun exercises. Our mission began being geared toward young women ages: 18-30, (not limited to) in efforts to encourage, inspire and enlighten them with wisdom keys via the gospel of Jesus Christ. We believe that it is essential for young women in their early adulthood receive healthy guidance, whether they are in college, working or a parent. Proverbs 9:9 says: Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning. Each young lady receives guidance through our Quarterly & Annual Empowerment Sessions, along with special gifts and awards for college students. Following completed sessions, we call the ladies to action for our seasonal community outreach; in efforts to inspire charitable thinking and selflessness. We make efforts to provide feminine hygiene and total hygiene relief to people in need. Our organization collaborates with local businesses, nonprofits, churches/ministries or venues in the states we are established in to have a mobile place for girls/women and families to pick-up their relief bags. This endeavor helps create a prospective future for our girls to become positive examples for the next generation of Wise Girlz. We plan to make a difference in the world, with like-minded individuals that love and care for others as we do.

www.WiseGirlz.com

Forest Road School-VS District 30

Dr. Alison Bruno, Principal ~ Dara Haynesworth, Assistant Principal



At Forest Road your child is our priority. We strive to be partners with our families and share a common belief that all students can, and will learn. We value the contributions and ideas shared by our stakeholders and maintain a focus on solution-oriented discussions. It is expected that you will be an advocate for your child and help us to design a successful learning path while they are in our care. Communication and collaboration are the keys to success, so we look forward to working together to make Forest Road a special place for all students to learn and grow.

Our centrally-located beautiful community of the Mill Brook in Valley Stream services students in Pre-K through Grade 6, and we are also currently home to the district's self-contained special education programs. We offer a rigorous Next Generation aligned curriculum with a focus on differentiated instruction, support, and enrichment opportunities. Our staff works diligently to ensure each student receives a quality education with priorities focused on individual growth, social-emotional development, and safety.

Our children and staff are supported by an outstanding group of classroom teachers and specialists in the areas of Reading, Math, ESL, Speech and Language, Enrichment/Quest and Special Education. We maintain an emphasis on Physical Education and over wellness, as well as providing instruction in both Music and Art.

www.ValleyStream30.com

Elite Scholars Christian Academy

Paula Mills, *Founder/Principal*



Elite Scholars Christian Academy, originally founded in 2008 as Little Genius Preschool Academy is committed to creating a well-rounded, comprehensive instructional program that's designed to promote social, academic, physical and moral growth needed for the children to become elite scholars who will be prepared for their transition to Kindergarten. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential.

We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

Our curriculum consist of the Core Knowledge Preschool Sequence which is a set of model guidelines describing fundamental competencies and specific knowledge that can provide a solid, coherent foundation for later learning in kindergarten and beyond. In our current system, disadvantaged children especially suffer from low expectations that often translate into "waiting until they are ready" and watered-down curricula.

The Preschool Sequence is intended to guide the planning of experiences and activities for preschool children by offering a coherent progression of skills and knowledge in the following areas:

•Physical Well-Being and Motor Development • Autonomy and Social Skills Approaches to Learning
• Emerging Literacy Skills in Reading • Writing Knowledge Acquisition and Cognitive Development
• Mathematical Reasoning and Number Sense. • Work Habits Language. • Oral Language • Poems
• Fingerplays and Songs • Movement and Coordination Social and Emotional Development
• Storybook Reading and Storytelling

www.EliteScholarsChristianAcademy.com

Elite Scholars Training Academy

Paula Mills, *Professional Development Specialist Early Childhood and School Age*

We are an online educational platform that helps professionals and aspiring individuals to succeed in their goals. We offer a variety of professional development courses that meets the OCFS training requirements.

www.elitescholarschristianacademy.com/elitescholarstrainingacademy

Elite Storytime Adventure

Paula Mills, *Children's Book Narrator*



Join us on an exciting story adventure as we explore the pages of wonderful children's book that enables children to use their imaginations to explore people, places, times, and events beyond their own experiences. LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN! 📖

www.youtube.com/@elitestorytimeadventure

Anointed Vessels Ministries

Paula Mills, *Founder/Songwriter* ~ Pastor Anthony Mills, *Minister/Songwriter*









www.AnointedVesselsMusicGroup.com

Babb!e

Chrishnah Mills, *Founder*

Ubuntu is an African Zulu philosophy that states *"I am because we are".* Connecting with yourself gives you the strength and desire to care for others, connecting with others gives you the resources and support you need to sustain yourself. This philosophy of using these connections to grow individually and universally is the foundation for our organization's goals.

In order to help forge these connections, our mission here at Babb!e is to take all the different languages we speak like insecurity, guilt, apathy, ignorance or fear and translate it into one we can all understand... love. We strive to take the power of love and turn it into tangible action through drives for people in need, the sharing of resources and coalescing a community of empathetic changemakers.

If you would like to follow our journey, check us out on Instagram **@babble.chrish**! You can also support our upcoming Spread the Warmth drive where we hand out care packages to community members in need.



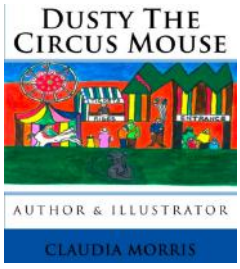
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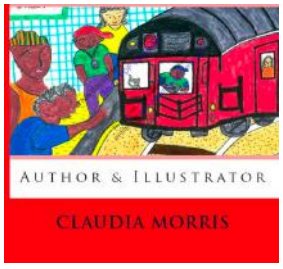
Dr. Claudia Morris, *Founder*

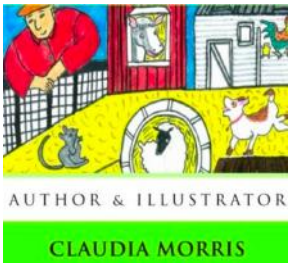


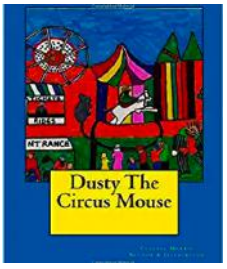
The “Read for Life Foundation” is dedicated to provide the necessary resources that will support every child to read early and well. Thereby, reaching his or her full potential in school and life. The Foundation will serve families, schools, and communities in the USA, and other countries by providing proven data-driven, programs and tools to help nurture a child's development from birth through third grade and the literacy milestone. This will help to foster essential early literacy, math, and social-emotional skills. Read for Life Foundation” was launched to fulfill my commitment for social change in improving the reading ability of young children.

The goal is to participate in eliminating the Literacy Gap between the reading ability of children with reading deficiencies and their peers who are able to read fluently. My mission is to work towards accomplishing my dream that one day all children will have the opportunity to become life-long readers and learners. The objective is to empower families and communities to foster the love of reading because it becomes the gateway to literacy and successful citizens.









www.readforlifeonline.com

Paradise Salon & Spa Suites

Karen Lovell-Gocoul, *Founder*

Paradise Salon & Spa Suites is the best way to operate a salon. The Salon concept has been revolutionized from the open floor plan concept and is being replaced with Upscale Suites. No more sharing a communal space and sharing your profits. Instead, you will have your own Suite, be your own boss and your clients will receive their services in the privacy of your Suite. You will be able to operate and grow your business, as you desire, to any capacity you envision.

Paradise Salon & Spa Suites offer upscale fully equipped and semi-furnished Salon Suites for independent contractors. We allow the opportunity for an experienced beauty professionals to be an entrepreneur, owning and operating his/her business on a smaller scale. We help you by minimizing the large investment capital requirements and risk of opening and operating a salon. It is our belief that ENTREPRENEURSHIP is for anyone with a dream, passion and tenacity to shine on their own.

OUR MISSION:

Our mission is to provide welcoming upscale and comfortable salon suites allowing experienced beauty professionals to be successful while maximizing their profits.

https://www.paradisesalonsuites.com/index.php

JTV Bespoke Gifts & Party Decor

Joanna Cayenne, Theresa Steers & Vincent Cayenne, *Founders*

Creating memorable events JTV Bespoke Gifts & Party Decor is your one stop shop for party decorations and personalized gifts. With a talent for actualizing a theme or concept, JTV can bring your imagination into an event space crafting balloon garlands, arches and table-scapes. We take your party to the next level.

Instagram @ jtv_novelty

HomeSmart Cross Island Real Estate, LLC

Arthur Brisco, ABR, BPO, CBR, GRI, SFR, Notary Public



Principal Broker of HomeSmart CrossIsland, where we specialize in residential and commercial real estate in the Queens, Brooklyn and Long Island area for over twenty five years. Over this period I notably became an industry leader through my services and assisting people from all walks of life realizing the American dream. I am also an advocate in the community assisting home owners with foreclosure bail out, relocation, property management and rentals. I was recently recognized and received a citation from the Nassau County Executive Office for my significant contribution to the enhancement of our region and betterment of our residents.

www.homesmartcrossisland.com

Memorabilia Merch



https://www.elitescholarschristianacademy.com/memorabilia-merch



Ordinary Angels is a heartwarming film based on the true story of a hairdresser who rallies her community to save the life of a young girl. The film is a reminder that acts of kindness can make a huge difference. When a woman hears about a local girl with a serious medical issue, she sets out to rally her community to help. With the power of faith, hope, and love, these ordinary people come together.

Ordinary Angels is a story of hope, inspiration, and the power of community. This is a must-see film for anyone who needs a reminder that there is still good in the world. It is a heartwarming and inspiring story that will leave you feeling uplifted and hopeful.

Anointed Vessels Music Group
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SPECIAL PRIVATE PREPREMIERE MOVIE DAY

REGAL LYNBROOK THEATER
321 Merrick Rd, Lynbrook, NY 11563

Sunday
2.18.2024

Start at
3:30pm - 6:30pm

$25.00 per person

PORTION OF THE PROCEED WILL GO TO THE LYFB ELITE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

PURCHASE TICKET DEADLINE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY, 11, 2024



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