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## Dr. Kevin Johnson

DIRECTOR

As the summer kicks in, take a moment to reflect on the accomplishments of SCGC this past year. Once again, we have performed for various audiences and venues all the while, maintaining our mission, which is to amaze and inspire. In this issue, we will take a look at some new faces of the Spelman College Glee Club, as well as a glance back at the year.

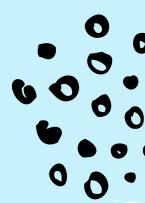


### Cora L. Evans

PRESIDENT

month has been an eventful one for the Spelman College Glee Club, as we welcomed a new executive board, said goodbye to the class of 2017, and began preparing for the new class of 2021! I expect for the upcoming year to be full of new opportunities and exciting changes for the Glee Club. A few of our other members and myself spent the beginning of this summer break abroad. I am extremely grateful for this opportunity to learn about a culture so different from my own; However, I did miss singing at commencement with my Glee Club sisters. I am honored to be the president for the 2017 2018 school year and I plan to uphold the Glee Club's proud history, and embrace the changes needed to remain energized to ensure that we continue to amaze and inspire

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



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#### **Greetings Sisters,**

It is an honor and a privilege to take on the role as the point of contact between Spelman College Glee Club Alumnae and current members for this 2017-2018 year. Serving as the Alumnae Liaison, I plan to maintain a healthy relationship by planning events, releasing the anticipated Resonance, and keeping in contact with each of you as best as I can.

A little about me is that I am a Sophomore Political Science major and a proud member of the Soprano 2 section. I enjoy reading, writing, and watching Romantic Comedies on Netflix in my free time, among other activities. I also have a pretty vivid background in photography and journalism, and I hope to express that with Resonance.

As summer approaches, I would like to become more familiar with you all as I share your stories and achievements in the newsletters. From our recent graduates, to our seasoned sisters, I am eager to hear the amazing accomplishments you have and I encourage you to not be hesitant in contacting me about them, as I am sure your sisters will enjoy reading them. Thank you in advance for your support!

Best.

Daphne Joseph '20

Alumnae Liaison







CURRENT STUDENTS

### CORA EVANS







**HELLO FROM MOROCCO** 

President of SCGC and Senior, Cora Evans enjoys her summer studying abroad with several of her fellow Spelman sisters. Evans very willingly shared her experience and will be spending the rest of her summer interning.

My name is Cora Evans, I am a rising senior Environmental Science Major and also the 2017 -2018 Spelman College Glee Club president. For 2 weeks myself and 30 of my Spelman sisters spent 2 weeks in Morocco learning about Moroccan Culture and Arabic. We traveled to Rabat. Marrakesh, Tangier, and Casablanca and got to see so many beautiful sites, people, and ate a lot of amazing food. Our days consisted of class, scavenger hunts around the city, round table discussions with local students, trips to the beach, and lots of photo-shoots. I was able to build great relationships with so many new people. In the words of my Spelman sister we started the trip as strangers and ended like sisters, and for this reason this was an experience that I will never forget.





#### ALUMNAF

### THE DOBBS GIRLS



**DIAMOND DAUGHTER DOBBS** The Dobbs Girls, treasured alumnae of Spelman College and the Spelman College Glee Club, are pictured here with their parents and children. From left to right are Mr. Dobbs; Irene Dobbs Jackson, class of '29; Juliet Dobbs Blackburn, class of '31; Millicent Dobbs Jordan, class of '33; Josephine Dobbs Clement, class of '37; Mattiwilda Dobbs Janzon, class of '46: June Dobbs Butts, class of '48; and Mrs. Dobbs.

This month, I am sure that you all will be pleased to read about the Dobbs Girls, notable alumnae of Spelman College. Thanks to Diamond Daughter, Mrs. June Dobbs Butts, class of '48, I was able to learn about the amazing contributions of these six sisters who all graduated from Spelman College and contributed their talents to the beloved Spelman College Glee Club. Also, this month, Mrs. Dobbs Butts celebrated her 89th birthday on June 11th!

"For almost one year exactly I've been living in Johns Creek, Georgia, in a newly-created township broken off from Duluth, Georgia.

I was born in Atlanta and attended school from first grade within the private Black educational system known as Atlanta University. I graduated from Spelman and was President of the 1948 Senior Class. I finished along with Christine King (Farris) and her celebrated brother, Dr. Martin Luther King. (He and I had skipped 12th grade to enter college in the war effort program of student scholarship acceleration.)

I was the 6th Dobbs sister to graduate from Spelman College. This record (set by the Guinness Book of Records) was later equaled but not surpassed by another set of Spelman sisters.

Among my five older sisters who graduated from Spelman, three were valedictorians and I was within the "Top Ten". Another three of my sisters taught on the faculty at Spelman at various times. Mattiwilda was given an honorary doctorate degree by Spelman after a distinguished international career in opera. I didn't get to teach at Spelman, but taught "on loan" from CDC (Centers for Disease Control) at Morehouse College, Morehouse School of Medicine and the ITC (Interdenominational Theological Center)."

1 Glee Sister Cassie Davis narrated the Christmas Carol Preview Concert. 2 The Spelman College Glee Club performed at the Annual Easter Service.









3 The SCGC class of 2017 offered season's greetings at the annual **Christmas Carol** Brunch. 4 Former President Dr. Johnetta B. Cole introduced the Glee Club at the National Museum of American History during Spring Tour. 5 SCGC performed at the 90th Annual Christmas Carol alongside alumnae and MCGC.



## RETROSPECTIVE LOOKING BACK AT THE YEAR



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