



Six Strategic

Initiatives For KC

1. Regain Accreditation
2. Achieve Fiscal Stability
3. Develop Academic Program Distinctiveness
4. Develop a Department of Enrollment Management
5. Develop a Quality Student-Centered Living and Learning Environment
6. Establish New Relationships and Strengthen Former Ones Among Key Constituents

(Click the following for KC's Strategic Brochure)

[KC Strategic Initiatives 2015.pdf](#)



Dr. Horace A. Judson

Dear KC Family and Friends:

Congratulations and thank you, are the first words I must say to each of you. Why?, you may ask. My answers are many.

When I reflect on the past six months, I am reminded of a quote referenced in the Bible, shared as an African Proverb and often quoted by John Heywood: "Many hands make light work."

A few days after I accepted the appointment as Interim President, I realized that we faced many

BEAUTIFICATION DAY

On July 24, KC Staff spear-headed a campus clean-up effort. It was an overwhelming success. Alumni from the Knoxville Alumni and Chattanooga Alumni Chapters were on hand to assist with this arduous task.

A special thanks goes to the 27 volunteers; those who donated funds to purchase paint and paint brushes; box lunches and water for all volunteer workers; and to Patricia Jones for spear-heading the project.

VOLUNTEERS

Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Hodges
Rev. & Mrs. Leroy Griffith
and grandson - from a
Presbyterian Church in
Chattanooga
Ceil Sheahan (AARP-
Knoxville)

KC STUDENTS

Lionel Hodges
Ken Prince
Chris Price

KC ALUMNI

Nazeem Stuart '08 Molly Kelso '93
Harold E. Dennard, Sr. '67
He came up from
Birmingham, helped cut tree
limbs

daunting challenges but none were insurmountable. The most immediate challenge was to reacquire a valuable asset which would greatly benefit the Work Program; and to do so in less than six months.

At the end of February, I announced that repurchasing the Pilot Gas Station was our highest priority because of the looming deadline. There were a few who disagreed with me. But as John Heywood also states, "those who agree with us may not be right, but we admire their astuteness".

Many of you stepped forward to share in addressing that formidable challenge. And because you did, on August 16th, the Pilot Station returned to the KC fold becoming an important part of the KC Work Program once again.

My humble thanks and appreciation go to many individuals in the KCNAA and on the KC Board of Trustees, as well as alumni who shared in our vision and promptly acted. First, I will start by thanking both Evit Smith, KCNAA Representative on the KC Board, and Ardia Cunningham, KCNAA Vice President of Fundraising, for leading the initiative, for their conviction and stamina, and for enlisting others in the process.

Reverend Dr. James Reese stepped forward to help bring the Project to a successful conclusion. KCNAA, under the leadership of C. Virginia Fields, along with her Executive Council, accepted responsibility as the lead organization to ensure the success of the initiative. A special thanks to Alfred Williams, also KCNAA, for the

Darboe '10, along with three
friends

Robert Minter

Ernest McDuffy '73

FACULTY/STAFF

Dr. Walter Williams

Jim Burnett

Raleigh Wynn

Lloyd Mason

Vernell Gray

Steve Brown

Patricia Jones

Cleveland Bullard

Ellison Roberts

SUMMARY

Your volunteer efforts significantly improved the appearance of the front part of the campus.

Mr. Hodges and crew will continue the cleanup as an ongoing effort, including painting/smoothing out the benches. He is contacting companies in Chattanooga to assist with this project (i.e., seeking funds, supplies, etc.).

(Coordinator: Patricia Jones)

significant role he played; and to Attorney Julian Blackshear, an Honorary KCEan of the Nashville Alumni Chapter, for the legal guidance he provided throughout the process. This project brought together alumni, young and old, and friends of Knoxville College.

Henry Ford once said: "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

Now that the base is re-energizing and a solid team of leaders and supporters is forming, I am confident that we are ready for our highest priority: To achieve accreditation and transform Knoxville College into a 21st century Institution.


I attached a copy of our Strategic Initiatives for your perusal. The Board of Trustees and I continue to refine this important document as we move forward by achieving additional milestones on the path to securing the next 135 years for Knoxville College.

Our fund-raising and friend-raising efforts have just begun. I am counting on each of you to join us and remain steadfast as we continue our commitment of heavy lifting on the pathway to success.

Many thanks to everyone and continue to pray for Knoxville College.

Sincerely,

Horace A. Judson, Ph.D.



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President

"Let There Be Light"

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