“IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR”

MAY 6, 1983

6:30 p.m.

Honoring: Charles “Doc” Glass, Sr.

Supported By: The Glass Family
Helen “Mrs. G.”
Charlene “Leenie”
Dorothy “Polly”
Charles, Jr. “Tuffy”
Helen “Kitty”
Friends & Guests

North Shore Hilton Hotel
Grand Ballroom
WELCOME

The Steering Committee is pleased that you are able to join us this evening. We have come to say thank you to a man and his family that have meant something special to all of us. He and his family have deep roots in the Evanston community and, specifically, to many classes of Northwestern and National College graduates.

The Glass family, through their love and generosity, have shared their home and family with most of us. This sharing provided a haven and a stabilizing influence that contributed, along with many other things, to the success of many of us gathered here tonight. We come together in love and fellowship to acknowledge and pay tribute to them, surrounded by their friends, for a contribution to our lives that cannot be measured.

As each of us returns to his/her home and position in this life, we think that each of us will profit if we share a part of us in a similar manner that Doc and Helen Glass have shared their home, their family, their love, and their dignity with us.

“Doc” and Mrs. “G” — We Love You, We Sincerely Thank You. You Are And We Are Glad!
THE PROGRAM

Registration
Cocktails - 6:30 p.m.
Dinner Seating - 7:30 p.m.
The Invocation
The Reverend Hycel B. Taylor
Pastor
Second Baptist Church of Evanston

DINNER
Welcome Statement
Moment of Silence
Introduction of Steering Committee
Symposium Announcement
Guest Speakers
Introductions
Presentations
Remarks
The Benediction
The Reverend Hycel B. Taylor
Reunion Dance

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Lift every voice and sing,
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise High as the
list’ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of faith that the dark
past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present
has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast’ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to place
for which our fathers signed?
We have come over away that with tears
has been watered
We have come, treading our path thro’
the blood of the slaughtered;
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last,
Where the white gleam of our bright star
is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far
on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might,
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray,
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God,
where we met Thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the
world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God, True to our native land.
CHARLES "DOC" GLASS

"Doc" was born in Atlanta and moved to Evanston at a fairly early age. During his adult life he has remained in Evanston as an active community member for a number of reasons such as he married a native Evanstonian and started and raised a family in the community. One of the more important aspects of remaining in Evanston were the educational opportunities afforded. It is his vital interest in education that has brought all of us together here this evening.

It was approximately 26 years ago that "Doc" introduced himself to and congratulated Wilmer Fowler at the Big Ten Track Championships at Dyche Stadium. To quote "Doc," "Nobody came to congratulate Wilmer except the fellas in the race when he won the 100 and 220 yard dashes, so I came down and introduced myself." Back then there wasn't much of a social life for black students, so he knew they needed all the attention they could get. After talking at length with Wilmer, he invited him to his home. Fowler accepted and promptly asked if he could bring a few more young black student athletes who were attending Northwestern. It was at that time that "Doc" decided to open his home to students and athletes and to become a part of Northwestern's informal recruiting system by providing a needed link between the young people's homes and their collegiate life. Since then, "Doc" has been an unofficial, voluntary member of the Northwestern University Athletic Department. Through the years, "Doc" has helped NU coaches recruit players including former football coach Alex Agase, with whom he grew up. Alex was once moved to call "Doc" the most important black man in Evanston.

The recruiting experience has taught "Doc" that the fatherly approach is the key method when talking with young athletes. He has attempted and succeeded at showing the students and athletes a different side of Northwestern. He doesn’t talk to them about their athletic ability, but talks to them about life and what a degree from Northwestern University can mean in the future. He has always stressed academics as an important twin to athletic performance.

During some of our tenures in Evanston at Northwestern or National College, "Doc's" home was the only center for social life for us. We came to study, sing, dance, play cards, watch TV, talk, discuss various current and personal problems/issues and job opportunities. Last, but not least, a home cooked meal was always available from Mrs. Glass. This migration of black student athletes into the Evanston community raised the curiosity of then head football coach, Ara Parsegian. Ara became acquainted with "Doc" and learned of his philosophy of education and his "home away from home." Later, Ara asked "Doc" if he would talk with some prospective black high school seniors being recruited by Northwestern. "Doc" has been talking to recruits and graduates ever since. He has always presented the facts of life openly and honestly while encouraging the young people to make their own decisions. Over the years he has related and interacted well with parents, reassuring them that Northwestern and Evanston were positive and safe places for their offspring to matriculate.

The success stories are many. We have come and we have gone, but most of us maintain contact and often come home to visit either personally or by phone. "Doc" takes pride in the success of his "children" and the guidance he has been able to provide. Everything he did was from the heart since he was not on the University payroll and his volunteer work sprang from a passion for helping young black students succeed at Northwestern and National College over the years.

He has been a friend, an advisor, and a surrogate father. His reward has been to watch the young students go on in life capable of handling problems and succeeding in their endeavors. He has drawn his satisfaction from looking at all of the pictures of the youngsters that he has helped to recruit and getting letters and calls from them relating how their families and careers are progressing. It has made him realize how worthwhile his help has been and provided all of the joy that he required for some of the trials and tribulations that he endured.

So "Doc," we have come together to say thank you, from all of us, for those contributions that have helped each and every one of us prepare for the challenges of life. We hope that we have made you proud of us because we sure are proud of you and wish you and "our family" the very best.
CHARLES “DOC” GLASS SCHOLARSHIP

The Steering Committee intent is to establish a living scholarship fund in the spirit of “Doc’s” commitment and dedication to the black student athlete at Northwestern University. The scholarship fund is designed to meet some of the needs of the non-tendered (partially funded) athlete, male or female, especially in the non-revenue generating sports. The scholarship will be administered by an executor named by the Steering Committee and under its direction. The scholarship is designed in a two-tiered format.

Tier 1: The scholarship award will be targeted to the non-tendered or partially tendered athlete—male or female—especially those participating in a non-revenue generating sport and selected by the scholarship executor.

Tier 2: In the event there is no award winner in the Tier 1 category, the award will be targeted to the academically promising black student in a specific and designated major.

The scholarship is intended to free up the student from his/her educational loan or college workstudy obligation. The scholarship is established as a Gift Account. As such, it allows contributions to be mailed directly to the account through the University.

We have come this evening to honor Doc and his family with our presence. However, we can continue to honor Doc and his contribution to our individual successes through continuing gifts to the scholarship fund. The Steering Committee thanks you for your current and continuing support.
Weekend Activities

Saturday, May 7, 1983
10:00 a.m. Depart Hotel for Dyche Stadium
10:30 – 12:30 p.m. Spring Football Game
12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch at Norris Center
2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Campus Tour
4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Symposium with current N.U. Students — John Evans Alumni Center
(See Dr. Norman Comer for participation information)
6:00 – p.m. Return to Hotel

Sunday, May 8, 1983
10:00 – 12:00 (noon), Open Buffet Brunch (Reservations Required)
and 2:00 p.m.