



NAME

Alison Hamilton '92, '95

RESIDENCE

North Myrtle Beach

DEGREE

B.S., Business Administration; M.B.A.

OCCUPATION

Financial Advisor

BIOGRAPHY

Alison Jean Hamilton '92, '95 earned her B.S. in business administration with an option in economics and her M.B.A. at Winthrop. As a Winthrop student, she attended a summer course at the Université de Caen in France. She is a financial advisor, working with her father, Haden, and a business finance teaching associate at Coastal Carolina University. Originally from Charlotte, North Carolina, Hamilton lived in Rock Hill for 20 years before moving to North Myrtle Beach in 2005.



Active in her community, Hamilton serves as the president of the Rotary Club of Myrtle Beach. She was named Rotarian of the Year 2018-19 for the Rotary Club of Myrtle Beach and District 7770 Membership Rotarian of the Year 2018-19 for excelling in her role as Membership Chair. She is a graduate of Leadership Grand Strand Class XXXVI. She is also a member of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce and the Grand Strand Running Club. She has been involved in North Strand Helping Hand, Carolina Improv Company, the Grand Strand Masters swim team and has served on the board of Freedom Readers. Hamilton currently serves on the Membership Committee for the Dunes Golf and Beach Club, the Coastal Carolina University Finance and Economics Advisory Board and the Coastal Educational Foundation's Coastal Planned Giving Advisory Council, which supports Coastal Carolina University.

In 2019, Hamilton became an Alumni Chapter Leader for the Winthrop Alumni Association Myrtle Beach Chapter. Fellow alumnae Amber Shubrick '10, '12 and Ashlea Sovetts '13 serve as Chapter Leaders with her. The Myrtle Beach Alumni Chapter is a growing source of camaraderie and support for Winthrop alumni. Hamilton is a member of the Winthrop Women's Coalition and the D.B. Johnson Society. She often travels to Winthrop for Homecoming, reunions, sporting events, etc. She proudly wears her garnet and gold on Fridays in support of Winthrop.

Hamilton is blessed to have both her parents still alive, healthy, married to each other and living close by in North Myrtle Beach. Her mother, Brenda Hewitt Hamilton, is a proud Winthrop Eagle as well, Class of 1977.

In her spare time, Hamilton enjoys running, hiking, camping, gardening, canning and freezing, and acting.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT

On November 14, 1964 two young Rock Hill High School sweethearts eloped. They had no idea what they were getting into. Haden Hamilton was a recent graduate of Wake Forest. Brenda Hewitt Hamilton had completed two years at Winthrop. They moved to Charlotte to begin their life together. Brenda's doctor told her that if they wanted to start a family they needed to do so sooner not later. They decided to postpone any further education in favor of having a family. My parents had two children, me and my younger sister Stephanie.

My sister and I were very familiar with Rock Hill and Winthrop. Both sets of our grandparents lived in Rock Hill. We were driven past Winthrop when we travelled from one grandparent's house to the other. In fact, one set of my grandparents lived on Winthrop Drive.

In 1976 my parents were in a position to have my mother return to college. My mother, my sister and I went to live with my grandparents for two summers while our mother completed her degree. I remember my mother taking me to Ida Jane Dacus library. I was mesmerized. I told my mother then that I was going to attend Winthrop.



My name is Alison Jean Hamilton. I am a double eagle, classes of '92 and '95. My Business Administration degree is from Winthrop College and my MBA is from Winthrop University. I am excited to be your alumni association candidate.

I love Winthrop. I am one of six family members, plus 2 in-laws, who attended Winthrop. I bleed garnet and give gold. I left Rock Hill and moved to Myrtle Beach in 2005. While I love the coast, I really miss Winthrop. I started a Winthrop University Alumni Association Chapter at the beach. I love any opportunity to spend time with and serve my Winthrop Alumni.

Go Eagles!