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President Walters on the COVID_19 Challenge at Tougaloo

As President of Tougaloo College, it is my utmost pleasure to thank you once again from the depths of my heart for your continued engagement in this institution. Without a doubt, we are living through an unprecedented global situation. As we move through this challenging and uncertain time of dealing with COVID-19, I wanted to let you know that Tougaloo College continues to thrive thanks to the prayers and generosity of alumni and friends who believe that this special place matters.

Our students, faculty and staff clearly understand that we are in this together, and Tougaloo College has the best interest of all of our community members at heart. Our students, faculty and staff have stepped up to the challenge of learning, teaching and working remotely. We remain committed to cultivating success for our students and ensuring that they end the semester strong. While we have had to postpone some of our events that are near and dear to us, we will reassemble in large groups when it is safe to do so.

I am very grateful for the many telephone calls, emails, texts and financial support received from alumni who expressed concern about their alma mater. I am also grateful to the officers of TCNAA and alumni chapters who participated in the quarterly videoconference calls. You continue to demonstrate your commitment to building a stronger Tougaloo. Thank you for all you do to advance our beloved Tougaloo forward.

One of the College's greatest challenges for moving forward is having adequate financial support to increase scholarships for our students and to make upgrades to our aging facilities. Scholarships are life-changing and they create for our students pathways to futures that would otherwise be unreachable. Several of our older facilities need major upgrades. The conditions of our buildings are clear indicators of investment and opportunity. Our ability to recruit, retain and graduate students depends on offering more scholarships and having learning spaces that foster student success.

To address these critical challenges, I am asking alumni to unite with me around these competing priorities—a clarion call for action. We are grateful for the support received from alumni individuals and chapters towards helping us address our aging facilities; however, now, more than ever, we need the unwavering support of alumni. Please consider, today, giving a gift to the 1869 Annual Fund or the fund of your choice before June 30, 2020.



The TAB can be viewed online at <https://tcnaa.org/tab> and downloaded at <https://tcnaa.org/tab/Spring2020tab.pdf>

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As you reflect back on your experiences here, consider the spiritual, social, and academic foundations that Tougaloo helped you build. Help ensure that our students, tomorrow's leaders, are afforded the same transformative experiences.

Before I close, allow me to share some other good news. The College recently established a Student Emergency Fund to assist students with unexpected needs (e.g., financial, travel, food insecurities, technology, etc.). We are grateful for the contributions received and seek ongoing support. To contribute, please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement.

The West County Line Road project is progressing. The project manager's update, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, indicated that the project is scheduled for completion by October 2020. As we learn more information, an update will be provided. An architect has been selected to commence work on The Mansion expected to be completed in fall 2021. The Office of

Institutional Advancement is working to identify needed funds for furnishings that will complete The Mansion's interior. There will be various naming opportunities to leave your legacy. Expect information from Vice President Sandra Hodge. She can be contacted at shodge@tougaloo.edu or 601-977-7920.

In the spirit of preserving and advancing excellence, we look forward to the continued support and engagement of our permanent investors—our alumni. Thank you for your passion, support and all you do to ensure that we are building a stronger Tougaloo College.

We are Tougaloo,



Carmen J. Walters, Ph.D. President



New Board of Trustee Officers, from left: Mr. David Meier, Vice-chairman, Ms. Mavis James 71, Treasurer, Dr. Blonden Davis, Secretary, Mr. Edmund Hughes '85, Chairman

From the Desk of the Tougaloo College Board of Trustees' Chairman

Hello Fellow Alums,

First, I must say it is both an honor and privilege to serve as the chairman of the board of trustees of our illustrious institution. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Wesley F. Prater for his years serving as board chairman and his continued dedication as a trustee emeritus.

I can only say at this point that we are living in interesting times. COVID-19 has fundamentally changed how the world,

this nation and our beloved Tougaloo College operates. As you know, the nation has basically shut down. However, our mission to educate the next generation of eaglets has not and will not stop. The academic semester continues with online courses.

The board has been meeting on a regular basis to discuss the impact to the college. Our next full board meeting is Friday, May 1, 2020.

Our focus is fairly straightforward. We need to increase enrollment, increase fundraising, improve our infrastructure and find innovative ways to develop our land in a manner that enhances the prior three items.

Each of us plays a role in this process. We all know a student who would benefit from the Tougaloo experience. Encourage those individuals to attend Tougaloo College. We all can give back something financially to our alma mater. No gift is too big or too small.

In closing, lend your support to President Carmen J. Walters. In a short ten months, she has had to lead our school through uncharted territory.

Thank you for your continued support of our beloved Eagle Queen, Tougaloo College.

Edmond E. Hughes, Jr.
Board Chair
Tougaloo College Class 1985

2019 Hall of Fame Wrap Up

Ro'chelle Williams '14

The Tougaloo College National Alumni Association Hall of Fame Committee is moving forward as planned. Last year's Hall of Fame was a success as we inducted five phenomenal honorees, and we raised \$56,680.00 for the association. We look forward to honoring five more outstanding Tougalooians this fall. The committee thanks each of its supporters, and we anticipate another successful Hall of Fame Ceremony this year. Hall of Fame Inductees will be announced once the nomination process has concluded



Dr. Albert Bazar Britton, Jr. '43



Ms. Carolyn Walker Henderson '66



Dr. Delores Bolden Stamps '68



Dr. Earnestine Willis '72



Dr. John Veasley '79

Board of Directors Chairwoman Message

Fellow Tougalooians:

During these unprecedented times, it is reassuring to witness the unwavering support of alumni. The Board and the Executive Committee of TCNAA continue to join efforts in collaboration with the college, ensuring that our institution remains viable and sustainable during



the uncharted territory of COVID-19 and beyond. Although the shadow of uncertainty looms over all of the HBCUs, many of which are tuition and alumni support driven, Tougalooians continue to dig deep, step up recruitment efforts, and support our institution. Our collective efforts have and will continue to make a difference!

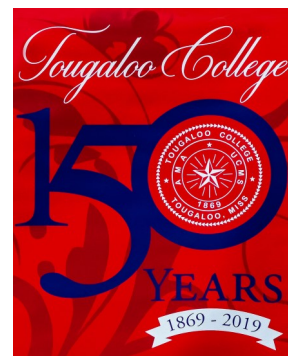
We all believe that this situation is temporary and not our new normal. Although our whole paradigm has shifted, it's amaz

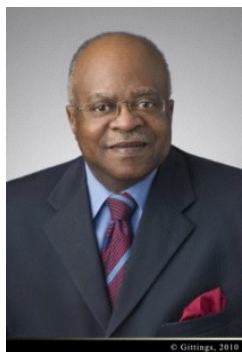
ing how we have made the necessary adjustments and forged ahead, conducting more phone calls, Zoom meetings, video conferences, text messages, and e-mails to get the job done! We are engaging more alumni and making every effort to keep everyone in the loop. Transparency is our goal!

Tougaloo College is "that special place." Let us always be reminded that our institution is a staple locally, nationally, and internationally. Our alumni have and continue to play a pivotal role in charting the course in first-time African American risks and accomplishments. After 150 years of longevity, excellence, pride and boldness on these hallowed grounds, we will not stand down! Let's continue to support Tougaloo College "where history meets the future!"

Tougaloo Proud!

Joyce Small Delk, '72 MPA





The President's Board Report

Fellow Alumni,

Public Safety

Under direction from President Carmen J. Walters, all college and alumni-sponsored events as well as large on and off-campus gatherings, including events sponsored by any registered student organizations, are postponed until further notice. In addition, Tougaloo College has postponed all baccalaureate and commencement activities. Public health officials recommend drastically limiting nonessential travel and all large gatherings.

As the coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to develop and impact our communities, the Tougaloo College National Alumni Association (TCNAA) decided to postpone all alumni association events until further notice. We took this proactive measure out of consideration for the health and well-being of our alumni, constituents, and campus community. We continue to work closely with campus leadership to determine next steps as the situation evolves.

On April 23, 2020, Tougaloo College served as a state testing site for COVID-19 as part of the state's efforts to control and alleviate the virus.

Commencement Weekend 2020

The Commencement Steering Committee met April 22, 2020 to discuss and recommend a date to celebrate the achievements of the distinguished graduating Class of 2020. The finalized date and keynote speaker will be announced soon. Congratulations graduates on reaching this significant milestone in your educational journey!

Institutional Advancement

The Office of Institutional Advancement was relocated to the Edward Blackmon, Jr. Administration Building to ensure effective operations and collaboration among administration.

Under the direction of Sandra Hodge, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, the College established a Student Emergency Fund to assist students should they encounter any unforeseen needs due to financial hardship.

The College offers a variety of ways to give. Give your gift to the Eagle Queen online or in the form of checks, credit cards, money orders, stocks and securities or other assets.

TCNAA Board of Directors and Alumni Body Meeting

The Board of Directors' Meeting will be held via Zoom at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2020. The Alumni Annual Spring Meeting will be held via Zoom at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2020. Ro'chelle Williams will serve as the moderator.

Alumni House Renovation

Erskine Brown, Assistant Vice President for Facilities Management, is reviewing the proposals for renovations to the alumni house that were provided by Kellie Menogan. Mr. Brown will draft a current scope of work and create a bid review for contractors to submit new bids for the work needed. Upon receipt of the bids, Mr. Brown will meet with the Blue-Ribbon Committee to discuss them, which will include the request for new commodes in the bathrooms as part of the plumbing scope.

Nomination and Election Committee

On April 7, 2020, the Nomination and Election Committee requested that the election for Alumnus of the Year and Alumni Representative to the College's Board of Trustees be postponed until August 1, 2020 or until the statewide shelter-in-place order is lifted. The Executive Committee voted to approve the recommendation of the committee and the results were submitted to Joyce Delk, Chair of the Board of Directors of TCNAA.

I am making an official announcement that I will not seek reelection as President of the TCNAA. I appreciate and have been humbled by the support received during my term.

We are a **TEAM** (Together Everyone Achieves More)!

Yours for Tougaloo,

David E. Miller, Esq.



From the Office of Alumni Relations

Doris Bridgeman '69

I Am Tougaloo! You Are Tougaloo! We Are Tougaloo!!!

“Count Down to June 30, 2020”

As we count down to our fiscal year end and official end of our Sesquicentennial Celebration on June 30, 2020, there is still time to support our beloved Tougaloo College with our financial resources. For 150 years, alumni have created and supported scholarships to ensure that the College is able to build on our foundation as it continues to keep doors open for its students. Each year we rely on the participation of our alumni because our gifts are Tougaloo's lifeline. The College wouldn't be what it is today without this ongoing support.

It is not the size of the gift, but the number of alumni who give that matters most. U.S. News & World Report and other publications look at alumni giving percentages to help determine national rankings for colleges and universities. As the percentage of alumni who give increases, the stronger Tougaloo's reputation becomes.

Please give and encourage your classmates to give to this year's campaign at some level; while helping to raise the percentage of alumni donors who support our beloved Alma Mater.

A Special Salute...

2019-2020 Reunion Agents | Tougaloo Ambassadors :

1950	Dr. H.T. Drake	htdrake@att.net
1955	Dr. & Mrs. Edgar & Inez Smith	esmithahec@aol.com
1960	Mrs. Melverline Brown	ashopiece@aol.com
1960	Mrs. Annie Pope	Mea57@sbcglobal.net
1965	Mr. Frank Matthews	ag120@aol.com
1970	Mr. Stanley Weakley	stanweak@hotmail.com
1970	Dr. Gwendolyn Prater	gspencerprater@aol.com
1970	Mrs. Mary H. Coleman	marycoleman0746@gmail.com
1975	Rev. Archie Smith	archieSmith@allstate.com
1975	Mr. Lucas Watson	watsonlucas@yahoo.com
1980	Ms. Virgie Seltzer	vmseltzer@gmail.com
1985	Mrs. Vallee` Adams Rolle`	Vallee.adams@icloud.com
1985	Ms. Monique Sneed	moniquesneed@bellsouth.net
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1990	Ms. Jacqueline D. Slater	momxs2_9599@yahoo.com
1990	Mrs. Demetria Howard-White	dwhite@tougaloo.edu
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2010	Mrs. Brittney Robinson Mosley	brittney.gmosley@gmail.com
2010	Mrs. Teresa Fulgham McCarty	tamccarty12@gmail.com
2015	Ms. Kisa Harris	kisakharris@aol.com
2015	Ms. Diva Whalen	dwhalen@live.com
2019	Ms. Raegan Kelly Johnson	johnson.raegan97@gmail.com
2019	Ms. Akira Nicole Black	akirablack4@gmail.com

Here's how you can help: Make a gift by June 30, 2020...

Mail donation to:

Tougaloo College
Division of Institutional Advancement
500 W. County Line Road
Tougaloo, MS 39174

Give Online: <https://app.mobilecause.com/f/17m3/n?vid=7flkn>

Encourage fellow alumni to make a gift whether celebrating a special year or not; every year is a reunion year!

Financial Report:

Totals as of April 27, 2020 - \$672,514.35 of our \$1,226.200 alumni giving goal (54.85%) | 514 donors of our 1,500 alumni goal (34%)

To date, our reunion classes (0s and 5s) have raised more than \$100,000 toward the alumni goal; I salute each of them and share their information in the event you would like to support the College by giving a gift in honor of your class.

For additional information on supporting Tougaloo College, please contact Institutional Advancement – 601-977-7871 or shodge@tougaloo.edu.

Gold Class – 1970

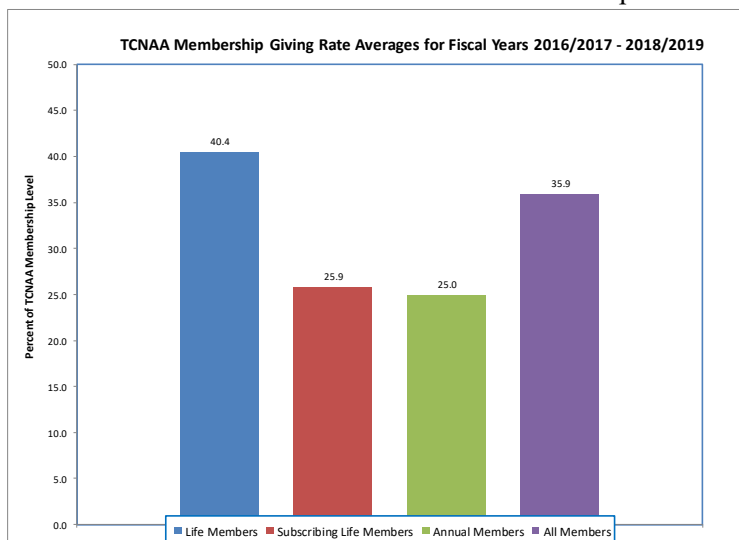
Silver Class

TCNAA Membership Donations Rates

Elane Coleman '70

One of the 6 pillars of the mission of the Tougaloo College National Association, Incorporated is "Encouraging alumni to raise and/or make contributions annually to the Tougaloo College Annual Giving Fund." Across all institutions, research shows that there is a general presumption that alumni giving increases where membership based alumni associations are present. Therefore, the TCNAA Membership Committee undertook the task of determining what percent of it's members donated to the college on a regular basis. The expectation, based on several published reports was that the number of members donating would be greater than the number of non-members.

Data was obtained and analyzed from giving reports for the last three fiscal years (FY2016/2017—FY2018/19) . Information on the dollar amount of donations was not provided.



ed and was sought for this study, only the number of donors. The analysis consisted of counting the number of TCNAA members that were found on the donor list. Here are the results presented graphically in the chart above. Note: The current fiscal year's data was included since FY2019-2020 does not end until June 30, 2020.

Based on the data the average rate of giving for all TCNAA members (Life + Subscribing Life + Annual) over the full 3 year period was 35.9%. Over the same period the rates were 40.4%, 25.9% and 25.0% for Life, Subscribing Life and Annual members respectively. The average number of TCNAA members by level over this period was 351 Life, 91 Subscribing Life and 58 Annual members. Also, the data revealed that 87 TCNAA members made donations each year from FY 016/17 through FY 2018/19. One member alumni has made a donation each year since graduating in 2017. There were nine local chapters that made donations each year over that period. The 87 donors represent 33.6% of the total 258 3-year donors.

Pre-Alumni Council Special Thanks

I am writing in a humble attempt to express my sincere gratitude to members of the Tougaloo College National Alumni Association for your unconditional support of the Pre-Alumni Council (PAC) during the academic school year of 2019-2020. It was because of incredible individuals like you that we were able to accomplish so much within this time. The success and growth of the Pre-Alumni Council will only continue forward from here because of you.

We were able to take twenty active students of the council to the United Negro College Fund's 74th Leadership Conference in Charlotte, NC. As a result of a very successful year, the Tougaloo College PAC received awards for President of the Year, Advisor of the Year, and Best Scrapbook of the Year. We ended this year with a total of 55 members. Although we were not able to continue our great events because of the pandemic, we look forward to continuing the legacy and mission of our esteemed organization during this upcoming fall semester. Thank you for being the ideal example of what it means to give back and support the place from whence you came. Please know how much the council truly values and appreciates your help. Thank you again for your generosity and support.

I also have attached a video created by a current student who was afforded the opportunity to attend this year's conference.

<https://youtu.be/DweHCiq86PU>

With thanks,

Vanetta Brownlow

Pre-Alumni Council President

74th National Alumni Council - 62nd National Pre-Alumni Council Leadership Conference Report

Charlotte, North Carolina
February 5-9, 2020

Doris Griffith Bridgeman, PAC Advisor
Vanetta Brownlow, PAC President
Joyce Delk, TCNAA Board Chair
Atty. David Miller, TCNAA President

National Alumni Council (NAC) New Tougaloo Officers:

*Southwest Regional Representative - Joyce Delk '72

*Western Regional Representative - Michael Cleveland '17

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National Pre- Alumni Council New Officer:

*LaShon Webb '21, Vice President

NPAC Awards

*Advisor of the Year - Doris Griffith Bridgeman '69

*PAC President of the Year - Vanetta Brownlow '21

*PAC Scrapbook Award – Enleyona Weir '21

*Ambassador of the Year: Tougaloo College – Tier 2
UNCF Member Institution Torch Award sponsored by Bank of America

*Outstanding Alumnus/Hall of Honors - Dr. Brigetta K. Turner '82

*Outstanding Young Alumnus - Ro'chelle Williams '14

*Miss Tougaloo UNCF, Destinee Bledsoe '21 represented Tougaloo in the National Miss UNCF Coronation.

*Tougaloo seniors Houston Sneed and Whitney Proby participated in the Project STAY (Students Transitioning to Alumni Every Year) Graduation Ceremony and were inducted into the National Alumni Council.



The National Alumni Council (NAC) United Negro College Fund (UNCF) Outstanding Young Alumni Award

The NAC Scholarship Committee requests that each member institution designates a recipient to receive the Outstanding Young Alumni Award at the annual NAC-NPAC Leadership Conference. Once NAC places a “Call for Nominations” for honorees, TCNAA will send a “Call for Nominations” form to each active chapter to submit a nominee. To ensure transparency and equity beginning with this year’s Tougaloo honoree, the process will be aligned with our current “Call for Nominations” and will fall under the auspices of the Nomination Committee.

The following criteria must be considered when making your nomination:

- Nominee must be a member of TCNAA or an Alumni Chapter
- Nominees must have earned their degrees within the past ten years
- Nominees must demonstrate their support of Tougaloo College, TCNAA and the UNCF
- Nominees must be a former member of the Pre-Alumni Council or a current member of an Inter-Alumni Council



Chapter News

Chicago Tougaloo Alumni Chapter

Willie L. Lewis, Jr. '72, President

Spring 2019

The Chicago Tougaloo Alumni Chapter was honored to host the Tougaloo Concert Choir as one of the stops on their Spring 2020 Tour. The choir arrived on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 and was met at the hotel by our alumni hosts Dr. Diana Grant Burke, Mrs. Rose Small Ramey, and Mr. Willie L. Lewis, Jr., where they were provided a lunch in the hotel's dining area. It was a very spirit-filled gathering of students along with alumni, two of which were former choir members: Mrs. Ramsey and Mr. Lewis. Later that evening, the choir performed at St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church, one of Chicago's historic African American Catholic churches, which was founded 128 years ago. Many of the Chicago-area alumni attended the concert. Afterwards, the alumni had dinner in the church dining room with the choir members and were hosted by Zeta Phi Beta, Zeta Tau Zeta Graduate Chapter courtesy of Dr. Diana Grant Burke and the church culinary team. Mrs. Annie Rose Pope was our facilitator for this concert.



The next day, Thursday, March 5, 2020, the choir spent the morning at Southland College Prep founded by our Tougaloo Trustee Dr. Blondean Davis. Tougaloo's choir director, Dr. Twyner, gave a master class in choral music and auditioned students for the Tougaloo Music Department. The Tougaloo choir members enjoyed a lunch with students, alumni and administrators of the school. Dr. Twyner visited Bloom Township High School, where he met with students and faculty in the music department, under the directorship of alumna Mrs. Joan Harod Reed, and he repeated what he had done at Southland College Prep by teaching a master class and auditioning students for Tougaloo. After a full day of interacting with students, the choir prepared for their evening concert at the New Faith Baptist Church International in Matteson, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago, where they were joined by the choirs of both schools.

The Chicago Tougaloo Alumni Chapter would like to thank the following members for spearheading this wonderful two days of sharing with the Tougaloo Concert Choir: Dr. Diana



Grant Burke, Mrs. Rose Small Ramey, Mrs. Annie Rose Polk, Mrs. Latoya Fountain Washington, Mrs. Evon Grant Nixon, Mrs. Joan Harod Reed, Mr. John Williams, and our Tougaloo Trustee Dr. Blondean Davis along with her staff at Southland College Prep. We also would like to thank our Chicago-area chapter members and alumni who supported this effort. Without their support and encouragement, we would not have been able to accomplish what we did. "Tougaloo, Eagle Queen, We Love Thee."



Tougaloo College Houston Area Alumni Chapter has been busy!!!

Under the leadership of Houston Area Alumni Chapter president Emleigh Mitchell, the Houston Chapter has been busy with multiple college fairs, the annual holiday social and the Perry Lee Homes Annual Bike Give Away sponsored by TCNAA Trustee, Marion Tresvant.



Above: A collage of photos from the 2019 Christmas Social

2019 Christmas Social was a HUGE success. A heart-felt thanks goes to the Christmas Social Committee: Shirley Evans, Teresa McCoy, Felisha Stiff, and Emleigh Mitchell. Thank you also to Umekei and Zurich Smith for allowing the chapter to host our Christmas Social at your location: US Dentistry, Umekei Smith, DDS, 3264 South Loop West, Houston, TX 77025



Above: A collage of photos from the PerryLee Homes Health Bike Give Away Sponsored by TCNAA Trustee, Marion Tresvant



College Fair and Career Readiness hosted by AKA Mu Kappa Omega Chapter, Saturday, January 25, 2020 at Willowridge High School. Thank you alums for representing Tougaloo College. You ROCK!!!!!!!!!!!!!! David Miller, Frances Whiteurst, Teresa McCoy, Felisha Stiff, Shirley Evans and Kandra Marshall.

Royal High School College Fair



On Friday, February 28th, alums Beverly Miller and Rev. Marvin Love attended the College and Career Day at Royal High School!

Working hard for the 'Loo. Our Alums are pictured with Royal High School Principal, Mr. Runners and Assistant Principal, Mrs. Watts.



The Black Life Studies Club College Fair

The Black Life Studies Club at Houston Community College-SW Stafford Campus hosted its college

fair on the Thursday, February 27th.

Thank you, alumnus Michael Ayers, for inviting the Houston Area Alumni Chapter to be a part of the fair!

Thank you and big shout out to alumni members, Marjorie Course, Beverly Miller, Rev. Marvin Love, Dawana Taylor, and Michael Ayers for representing our chapter.



The Thurgood Marshall College Fund College Fair

The Thurgood Marshall College Fund launched a nationwide campaign, "I Love My HBCU" month, to honor historically black colleges and universities

and to show the pride that HBCU students, faculty and alumni exemplify. In 2012, the organization began the process to formally establish the month of March each year as a period to increase awareness and appreciation of HBCUs in the United States and to unite HBCU communities nationwide.

Showing their HBCU love for Tougaloo College and the Houston Area Alumni Chapter are alums, David Miller, Raven Elliot, Marvin Love, and Paul Scott. The fair was held at South Early College High School in Houston.

Keeping the Tougaloo ties strong, the chapter had a little fun bowling during the month of February. Thanks to chapter vice president, Felisha Stiff for organizing this entertaining and competitive event.

Upcoming for Houston

The 28th Annual "A Night of Jazz and a Touch of R&B" event. This year's event will be held virtually. Be on the lookout for the date and time. All alumni are encouraged attend.

MATAC's (Memphis Area Tougaloo Alumni Chapter) Impact and Commitment

For many years, the Memphis Chapter has demonstrated the level of commitment of our members and our sense of purpose! We invite all Memphis Area Alumni to get INVOLVED, VOLUNTEER and SUPPORT the CHAPTER! Joining the chapter encourages continued success for our students and support for the college.

Check out MATAC's Happenings!

The Tougaloo Choir under the direction of Dr. Karl Twyner performed in the Memphis Area on February 7 - February 8, 2020. The amazing group sang at several local high schools, including Memphis Business Academy, Soulsville Charter School and Central High School and also at Brown Baptist Church located in Southaven, MS. MATAC was very proud to participate in the events as the choir gave the gifts of song, kindness, and presence to the Memphis area.

The Tougaloo Office of Recruitment, directed by Mr. Paul Scott, also visited several area schools and impressed the students with important information about choosing Tougaloo as their college of choice.



Our Christmas Mixer was a HIT! MATAC enjoyed an afternoon of fellowship with students, alumni, Choir Director Karl Twyner and friends hosted by Davelyn Lackey '90, owner of the Flava Shack Seafood Restaurant in Olive Branch, MS. Check out Davelyn's website at www.flavashackseafood.com.

MATAC's Annual Membership Drive was held on March 7, 2020 at the home of Garrick Florence in Horn Lake, MS. The Membership Drive was a great success! We're pleased to welcome our newest members: Alfred Applewhite, Roshunda Applewhite, Frankietta Godwin, LaToya Green, Hope Huey, Roger Huey and Loretta Jackson-Hayes!! Currently, we have 31 paid chapter members for 2019-2020. MATAC is on the MOVE!

The Memphis Area Alumni Chapter partnered with the Washington Area Alumni Chapter to provide a series of discussions during the current environment of uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 Pandemic. The panelists participating in the discussions are Tougaloo alumni and staff. Our chapters are committed to being responsive to the needs of alumni as the situation evolves.

The first panel discussion held on April 11, 2020 focused on current medical updates, mental health and psychological trauma, and the public health implications of this disease in the African American Community.

The second panel discussion will be held on May 3, 2020 and will focus on exercising our faith in God while understanding scientific truths.

COMING SOON ---- THE LOO'S GOT TALENT!! (A VIRTUAL TALENT COMPETITION)
JUNE 20, 2020



Due to the social distancing environment, MATAC's signature event, The Bluff City Summer Soulstice Affair, has been canceled for June 20, 2020. To stay true to our commitment of giving back to the college and students, MATAC will present a Virtual Talent Show Competition, "The Loo's Got Talent!" The event is billed to be a fun and engaging way to get Tougaloo Alumni and Friends to help us raise funds for our Dear Eagle Queen! We are inviting alumni and friends to join us by sharing your talents!

New Orleans Area Tougaloo Alumni Chapter

Freddi Williams Evans '77

The New Orleans Area Tougaloo College Alumni Chapter participated in the 3rd Annual HBCU Fair, "Putting Education First," sponsored by the Q.U.E.E.N.S, Inc. on March 6th. Mr. Paul Scott, Tougaloo College Recruitment Representative, joined alumnae Freddi Williams Evans at the Algiers Westbank Regional Library to answer questions about the college from prospective students as well as parents and staff from local schools.



Row 1, left: Mr. Paul Scott, Tougaloo Recruitment Representative, with representatives from other colleges and organizations.

Washington Area Tougaloo Alumni Chapter (WATAC) News and Update – Spring 2020

Kathy Mosley '72

As we look back at December 2019, one might describe it as the end of the "Era of great social gatherings." During that time, the Washington Area Tougaloo Alumni Chapter gathered to celebrate as family with its annual Christmas holiday festivities. To usher in the holiday season, chapter members, friends and alums spanning three generations were treated to the best pot luck ever, games, and music by "Beyond the Divide."

In February, The Gaylord at National Harbor was the site for the Alfred Street Baptist Church College Fair, where recruiters from Tougaloo, the WATAC team, and area alums met with thousands of college-bound students in hopes of making them future eaglets.

In early March, both Dr. Patricia Cole, Hope Goins, Esq. and Gregory Johnson, Esq. accompanied President Carmen J. Walters to the annual UNCF Gala. The purpose of the gala is to raise funds for the UNCF that support scholarships and internships for students who attend member institutions.

We did not know what a joyful blessing we were in store for when we agreed to host the internationally acclaimed Tougaloo College Concert Choir, under the direction of Dr. Karl Twyner. In spite of transportation challenges, the choir remained steadfast, immovable and vigilant, keeping a robust schedule in the DMV, which began as featured guests during the evening service at Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA. Then, the next day, they provided all the music for the morning service at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Washington, DC.

In line with the choir's busy schedule, their next appearance



was at 3:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon at the National City Christian Church, where they performed a full concert that was simply wonderful and outstanding! The eaglets soared through the breezes and propelled us even higher.

The perfect finale for the weekend was a trip to the National Museum of African-American History and Culture, where Tougaloo's history and legacy has its own forever place!

WATAC thanks alumni, friends and sponsors for 27 consecutive years of Mississippi on the Potomac, which sponsors student scholarships.

The third week in July, MOTP gave us a means to demonstrate our sustained love for Tougaloo, honor our ancestors and lift up our future. In these unprecedented times, we now have an opportunity to re-invent our friend-and fund-raising efforts. In the meantime, STAY WOKE, Shelter-in-Place, Wash Your Hands and VOTE!





Greetings Tougaloo College Alumni!

The Eagle Queen and TCNAA are partnering to engage you on social media.

It's time for the Eagle Roll Call!

1. Take a photo of yourself wearing your Tougaloo gear.
2. Use Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to post your photo, along with your name, graduation year, major and career title.
3. Use the hashtag #EagleRollCall

We look forward to learning more about how you are impacting the world.

Represent the Loo today!

We are Tougaloo!



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TCNAA Membership Committee Update

Joyce Small Delk '72, MPA, TCNAA Membership Chair

Thank you for your continued commitment to the mission of the Tougaloo College National Alumni Association. I would like to extend a special thanks to our local alumni chapter presidents who lead by example and encourage their members to join and become involved. Our levels of membership have continued to accelerate, as reflected through a steady increase during the past four years. Life and Sub-Life, by far, have shown the highest levels of increase. Our young alumni are becoming more and more engaged. This reflects that Tougalooians are aligned with our goals to support the college and our students.

As we move forward, Tougaloo College and our students need us more than ever. These uncharted waters of COVID 19 have significantly affected them both. While you may not realize the impact that a strong alumni association may have during perilous times as these, please know collectively we can make a difference. We need your assistance in helping to galvanize other alumni and encourage them to be more proactive and supportive.

Overall, TCNAA members are consistent supporters of the college. We all know that the number of alumni donors, not the amount of the contribution, makes the difference when we

reach out to foundations and corporations for donations. A mere \$25 is all that it takes to become a member of TCNAA for one year, and ideally these funds should be remitted at the beginning of each fiscal year, July 1st. Membership in TCNAA affords each member a 10% discount at the college bookstore. We all like college paraphernalia and saving a few dollars does help. We also encourage you to continue your Sub-Life payments and your Life Memberships, both of which are on an upward trend!

In order to provide more proficient services to our TCNAA membership, beginning July 1, 2020 all applications must be submitted through our online portal at: <https://tcnaa.org/membership>. A new integrated online application/payment will go live on or before July 1, 2020. Membership numbers will be assigned by the system for every current and past member in the membership database. A link will be posted on the website where ID numbers can be requested as well as updating individuals contact information. A valid email address will be required to process these requests. This new secure system will operate seamlessly on the front end and facilitate greater efficiency and labor saving on backend processing of membership information management.

I would be remiss if I did not extend a special thanks to Vicki Patterson-Davidson, PhD, TCNAA Administrative Assistant and Elane Coleman, TCNAA Web Administrator and Editor who have worked diligently with Doris Bridgeman, Director of Alumni Relations to ensure the accuracy of membership information and maintain our data base.

AKAs and Alphas Celebrate 70 Years on the Campus of Tougaloo College

Initiates of Gamma Omicron Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and Gamma Upsilon Chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity returned to Tougaloo College during the 2019 Founders' Weekend to celebrate 70 years of contributing to the very fabric that makes up Tougaloo College.

Gamma Upsilon was chartered on February 27, 1949 and Gamma Omicron was chartered on April 23, 1949. Both have the distinct honor of being the first undergraduate Greek chapters within their organizations to be chartered on college campuses in the state of Mississippi.



During the weekend, the AKAs and Alphas were busy rekindling friendships and continuing the business of serving mankind. Both organizations hosted separate welcome events, attended the annual TCNAA Hall of Fame event, Founders' Convocation and came together to enjoy the Tailgate Picnic.

The culminating event for the AKAs was a Sunday brunch honoring the Gamma Omicron charter members. The keynote speaker was Tougaloo College President, Dr. Carmen Walters, also a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. One major initiative that took place was a book drive that benefited three schools in the Jackson Public School System: Dawson Elementary, Raines Elementary and Powell Middle. Another initiative was the announcement of the \$75 thousand scholarship endowment named in honor of Dr. Ernestine Holloway, a former Tougaloo College Dean of Students and an initiate of Gamma Omicron Chapter.



In Memoriam (You Are Remembered)



Remembering. Mr. Hiawatha Douglas. You made this world a better place just by being in it.

1940s

Mr. Hiawatha Douglas '48

Ms. Luvenia Locke '49

1950s

Mrs. Dixie Perryman Wheaton '58

Mr. Richard Evans '59

Mrs. Luella Mae Bender Johnson Tapo '59

1960s

Rev. Eddie Irions, Sr. '60

Mrs. Jerrodean Davis Martin Ashby '64

Mrs. Fredna "Freddie" Jenkins Hinkle '65

Mrs. Bobbie L. Easterling Gray '68

Rev. Dr. Willie Roy Rogers, Sr. '68

Mr. Johnny E. Magee '69

Mr. Willie Mayfield '69

1970s

Mr. Joseph Powell '73

Mr. Robert L. (Goo) Moore '74

Mrs. Sandra Murray Nimox '77

Mrs. Rose Rundles Smith '77

Mr. Ricky Williams '79

2010s

Mr. Anthony Pierre Blackmore '10

Tougaloo Prep, Daniel Hands & Former Tougaloo College Students

Ms. Mary Helen Allen, Former student

Mr. Marvin Franklin, Former Tougaloo student

The Honorable Houston Patton, Tougaloo Preparatory High School graduate

Mrs. Violet Estelle Williams, Daniel Hand/Tougaloo Preparatory High School 1950 graduate

Mr. Wayne Walters, beloved husband of Tougaloo College President, Dr. Carmen Walters

TCNAA Presents the Commemorative Tougaloo Luggage Tags

Description: Lenticular printed (dual images on the front of the tag, contact information space on the back), 4.25 inch x 2.5 inch, plastic luggage tag. The tag comes with a 5.75 inch loop strap. The tag's distinctive design makes it ideal for identifying your luggage, gym bag, brief case, backpack, laptop bag, golf bag and many more personal items.



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Front – Image 2

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Thank You for Supporting Tougaloo College



**Tougaloo College Bulldog Athletic Booster Club Application
2020-2021**

Become a part of the winning team!!

(Please print)

Name(s) _____ Shirt Size _____

Address _____

Telephone numbers:

Home () _____ - _____ Work () _____ - _____ Cell () _____ - _____

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Athlete's Name #1 _____

(If applicable) #2 _____

Sport: *(please indicate athlete's # from above, if available)*

☐ Baseball ☐ Golf ☐ Cheerleading ☐ Track
☐ Basketball ☐ Tennis ☐ Cross Country ☐ Dance Team

Areas of Interest:

☐ Fundraising ☐ Special Events ☐ Concessions

Please indicate other areas of interest or talents: _____

Membership Levels *(check one)*:

☐ \$25-regular membership with a Tougaloo athletic tee shirt

☐ \$50-silver membership with a Tougaloo athletic tee shirt and free admission to basketball games

☐ \$100-gold membership with a Tougaloo athletic knit shirt, free admission to all athletic games, reserved seating.

☐ \$125-executive membership includes gold membership plus membership in the Tougaloo College National Alumni Association.

(Make checks payable to Tougaloo College Bulldog Athletic Booster Club)

Mail To:

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P.O. Box 10755
Jackson, MS 39289
Tel# (601)594-8313

Join instantly online at: <https://tougalooboosterclub.org/>

TOUGALOO COLLEGE | TAX TIPS | TYPES OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Tougaloo College accepts three types of contributions: cash, noncash, and in-kind

Cash contributions include payments made by cash, check, electronic funds transfer, online payment service, debit card, credit card, payroll deduction, or transfer of a gift card redeemable for cash;

Noncash contributions are property with no restriction placed on them. This includes publicly traded stock, clothing, wine collections, art, jewelry, antiques, collectible, automobiles, boats, recreational vehicles, and even your home. The amount of your deduction is generally the donated property's "fair market value". The job of determining worth is the responsibility of the donor;

In-kind contributions are gifts of tangible goods or services that alleviate costs to Tougaloo College. Examples of in-kind gifts include:

- Goods like computers, software, furniture, and office equipment.
- Services such as meeting space, photocopy and mail services, and administrative/financial support.
- Expertise like legal, tax, or business advice, marketing and website development, and strategic planning.

TOUGALOO COLLEGE | TAX TIPS | IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

What is or is not an in-kind gift to the College can be a point of confusion.

In-kind contributions are gifts of tangible goods or services that alleviate costs to Tougaloo College and can be used to advance Tougaloo's mission.

Examples of in-kind gifts include:

- Goods like computers, software, furniture, and office equipment;
- Services such as meeting space, photocopy and mail services, an administrative/financial support;
- Expertise like legal, tax, or business advice, marketing and website development, and strategic planning.

Please note that such contributed services cannot be counted as a gift and do not qualify as a charitable tax deduction to the donor. However, a donor of services may be able to deduct expenses incurred while performing said services. In such cases, please consult with a trusted tax advisor.

Contributions that may be mistaken for in-kind include:

- Tuition and/or related educational costs for an identified needy or worthy student;
- Direct scholarships to identified students; Travel expenses to and from official Tougaloo College events; Value of your time and/or services;

- Personal expenses incurred while volunteering.

This important information is from the Office of Institutional Advancement.

TOUGALOO'S TAX TIPS | CONTRIBUTIONS TO COVER STUDENTS' EXPENSES

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According to IRS Publication 526, contributions earmarked for a particular student are not charitable contributions, and therefore not tax deductible. "You can't deduct contributions to specific individuals, including contributions to individuals who are needy or worthy. You can't deduct these contributions even if you make them to a qualified organization for the benefit of a specific person. But you can deduct a contribution to a qualified organization that helps needy or worthy individuals if you don't indicate that your contribution is for a specific person." If you have further questions, please contact your trusted tax advisor.

TOUGALOO COLLEGE | TAX TIPS | END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

The calendar fiscal year ends at 11:59 pm on **Tuesday, December 31**. In order for your gift to be considered a 2020 tax year gift, it must be made, received, and/or postmarked by Thursday, December 31.

Hand delivered gifts: For gifts that are hand delivered to Tougaloo College, the delivery date is the date we actually receive the gift. Hand delivered gifts must be received by December 18, 2020. Tougaloo College will close about December 18, 2020 for the Winter Break.

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Gifts Sent by Check: The IRS considers a charitable gift made by check complete at the time the check is delivered or mailed, and the postmark is the evidence of the gift date.

Please mail contributions to Tougaloo College, Office of Institutional Advancement, 500 West County Line Road, Tougaloo, MS 39174. Gifts delivered by overnight courier, e.g., Federal Express, UPS, and others, are deemed to have been made when they are delivered.

Thank you for continued support.

Questions? Contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at 601-977-4458.

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