



ALPHA KAPPA MU

NEWSLETTER

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“The scholar is the delegated intellect.
He is MAN THINKING.”

– Ralph Waldo Emerson
“The American Scholar”

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Dr. Mollie Bell Brown Appointed The Executive Secretary-Treasurer of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society



Dr. Mollie B. Brown, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Mollie Brown, a retired dean of the College of Business at Albany State University (ASU) in Georgia, was appointed to the position of Executive Secretary-Treasurer of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society at the organization's 2008 National Convention. The convention was held at North Carolina A & T State University in Greensboro.

Dr. Brown, a native Albanian, was inducted into ASU's Alpha Iota Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society in 1964. Upon graduation from ASU with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1965, she was named the assistant chapter advisor of Alpha Kappa Mu with Mrs. Eddene W. Johnson. She was employed at the university as Secretary to the Director of Admissions and Records in 1965.

She received a Master of Business Education degree in 1970 and a Ph.D. in 1976 from Georgia State University. She served as an educator and administrator at ASU for more than 39 years. In addition, she served as Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs during her tenure at the university. When Mrs. Johnson retired from ASU, Dr. Brown became the principal advisor for the Alpha Kappa Mu chapter and served until she retired in 2003. The late Mrs. Adrienne Morton Turner, who had served as assistant advisor with Dr. Brown, was named principal advisor for the Alpha Iota chapter.

For Alpha Kappa Mu, she has served as a regional director, president, convention secretary, and a member of the Executive Council. In addition to her new position, she currently serves as the historian and the organization's representative to the American Council of Honor Societies (ACHS).

Dr. Brown is a life member of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and a Silver Life Member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). She also holds membership in Utilis Matronae Club and Third Kiokee Baptist Church.

Dr. Ontario Windsor and Latreskle Schofield, the present advisors to the chapter at ASU, and several honor students from the university attended the convention in Greensboro.

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60th National Convention

(11th Biennial Meeting)

April 1- 4, 2009

Theme: “Looking Beyond the Past for Future Change”

Greetings Alpha Kappa Muans:

AKMuans at **Kappa Upsilon Chapter** (Alcorn State University) and **Mu Delta Chapter** (Mississippi Valley State University) invite you to join us for the 60th National Convention in Natchez, Mississippi, April 1- 4, 2009.

The Natchez –Eola Hotel, Natchez, Mississippi is the convention hotel. The convention site is located in the picturesque riverfront town of Natchez, Mississippi. Several events will take place on the beautiful campus of Alcorn State University (ASU) which is situated in Alcorn State, Mississippi located in rural Southwest Mississippi. ASU is known as the “Campus of Excellence” and is the nation's first state approved land-grant institution of higher education for African Americans.

Mississippi Valley State University (MVSU), the co-host for the convention, is located in Itta Bena, Mississippi, the Center of the Mississippi Delta. MVSU is known as the “Valley of Scholars”.

HOTEL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

The Eola Hotel's telephone numbers are 1-866-445-3652 or (601) 445-6000. After March 1, 2009, reservations will be taken upon space availability and at the regular house rate.

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Dr. Ann Harris Elected President of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society At The National Convention

Dr. Ann Harris, professor of English and head of the Department of Languages, Literature, and Philosophy at Lincoln University of Missouri, was elected President of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society at the organization's 2008 National Convention. The convention was held at North Carolina A & T State University in Greensboro.

Since 2003, she has served as the advisor to the Alpha Gamma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu at the university. Several honor students from the university attended the convention also and served on various convention committees.

Dr. Harris received her M.A. in Creative Writing and her Ph.D. in African American Literature from the University of Missouri – Columbia. She has taught at Lincoln University since 1990, where she also serves as co-director of the Honors Program.

Dr. Harris is a native of Jefferson City, Missouri. She is a life member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, and a member of the Board of the Missouri Association for Social Welfare (MASW). She also holds membership in the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), College Language Association (CLA), The Toni Morrison Society, the Cole County Historical Society, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

Executive Secretary-Treasurer's Greetings

GREETINGS!! In these challenging economic times, my wish for the year 2009 is that each of you will be blessed with an overwhelming abundance of peace, health, patience, and happiness.

60TH NATIONAL CONVENTION AND 11TH BIENNIAL MEETING April 1-4, 2009

We thank Alcorn State University (Alcorn, Mississippi) and Mississippi Valley State University (Itta Bena, Mississippi) for agreeing to host the Convention.

GORE-CRAWFORD SCHOLARSHIP

Please continue to place one of your members in competition for this award. The application packet is always mailed to each advisor. The 2009 winners will be announced at the Convention in Mississippi. In addition, please note, as found in the Gore-Crawford Scholarship documents, the recipient **MUST BE PRESENT AT THE CONVENTION** (during the convention year) **IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE AWARD**. Both of our 2008 winners enrolled in graduate/professional schools this year, and they received the scholarship money.

NATIONAL NEWSLETTER

Please submit news to assist in making the publication of the **NEWSLETTER** possible. Do get your news to Mrs. Barbara Golphin, Director of Public Relations. Please email chapter news, articles, poetry, etc. to BLMGO3@bellsouth.net.

FISCAL YEAR

Please be reminded that our Fiscal Year goes from March 1 of year xx to February 28 of year xx. Any paperwork {received for inductions held, grand taxes (dues) paid, chapter taxes, etc.} after February 28 will be credited to your records for the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year.

Let us know how we can help each other to do a better job!!!

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**** Newsletter Deadline Set ****

Please submit your articles and photographs to the e-mail address

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Thursday, October 15, 2009.



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(Tennessee State University)
Nashville, Tennessee, November, 1937
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THANK YOU!!! GRACIAS! MERCI!

Dr. Ann W. Morris
For an Illustrious Tenure - 21 Years
As the Executive Secretary-Treasurer
of Alpha Kappa Mu
National Honor Society

Recipients of the 2008 Gore-Crawford Scholarships Announced

Two Alpha Kappa Muans have been selected as recipients of the George W. Gore, Jr./Thomas J. Crawford, Jr. scholarships. They are: Hali A. Chambers of the Beta Tau Upsilon Chapter at Tuskegee University and June D. Streets of the Mu Epsilon Chapter at Voorhees College.

Ms. Chambers will pursue her studies at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology in Chicago, Illinois. She plans to become an expert on behavioral issues pertaining to the people in organizations and businesses.

Ms. Streets' career goals are to become a nurse/midwife. She will attend either Georgetown University or the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston. Each Muan will receive a \$2,000 scholarship. The scholarships are named in honor of Dr. George W. Gore Jr., founder, and Thomas Crawford, Jr., Executive Secretary-Treasurer emeritus. Both individuals are deceased.



Albany State University, the Alpha Iota Chapter – 26 Inductees

The Alpha Iota Chapter At Albany State University Inducts Twenty-Six Students

The Alpha Iota Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, located on the campus of Albany State University in Georgia, increased its membership by 26 during recent induction ceremonies.

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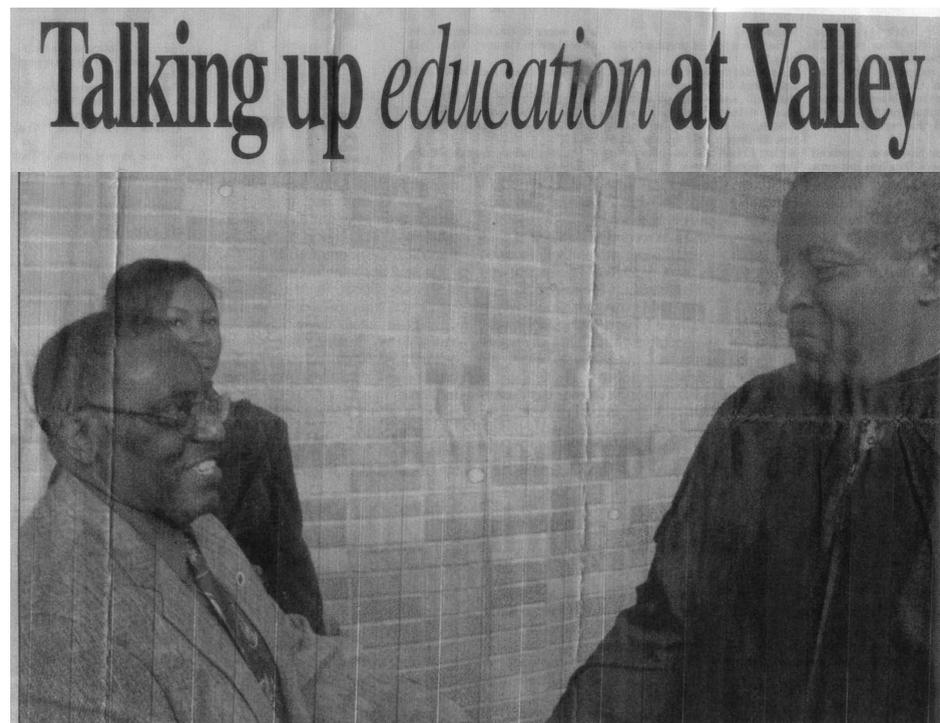
The induction ceremonies were conducted by Knarquelya O'Neal, president and Yoshana Jones, vice president. Other program participants included Dwayne Golden and Nikki Lyons.

The new members inducted included: Ashley Bell, a political science major from Columbus, GA; Terri Benton, a political science major from Macon, GA; Adrienne Bowman, a psychology major from Hephzibah, GA; Divisha Bradley, an accounting major from Shellman, GA; Brittany Clardy, a criminal justice major from Achworth, GA; Tracy Edwards, a psychology major from Albany, GA; Candice Hardwick, a biology major from East Point, GA; Shamika Harp, a marketing major from Jonesboro, GA; Alycia Hunter, a political science major from Decatur, GA; Jessica Johnson, a marketing major from Marietta, GA; Robinette King, a biology major from Albany, GA; Shakevia Lovett, a management and business information systems major from Homestead, FL.

Additional new members included: Tia McCloud, an accounting major from Newnan, GA; Ashley Mount, a marketing major from Newnan, GA; Britney Muhammad, a nursing major from Atlanta, GA; Lakeesha Oliver, a management major from Eastman, GA; De'Andria Owens, a psychology major from Kennesaw, GA; Ashley Powell, an early childhood education major from Hinesville, GA; Ashley Register, a management major from Tifton, GA; Cristy Statham, an accounting major from Fort Valley, GA; Jasmine Sykes, a marketing major from Riverdale, GA; Brittany Turner, an early childhood education major from Cordele, GA; Kindria Watkins, an accounting major from Atlanta, GA; Jessica Whatley, a middle grades education major from Forysth, GA; LaToya Williams, an English major from Columbus, GA; and Valeria Wyatt, a management major from Decatur, GA.

The new members bring the membership of the Alpha Iota Chapter to 58. Other members include Knarquelya O'Neal, Yoshana Jones, Seychel Kinney, Herschel Willoughby, Jovan Prather, Thelma Odom, Mercedes Wilkinson, Britney Brinson, Antonio Buddington, D'Angelo Burks, Michelle Carlton, Trisha Cooper, Coravious Cowart, Hannah Cunningham, David Darby, Latrona Davis, Crystal Freeman, Dwayne Golden, Shonta Golden, Candice Hardeman, Keisha Harvey, Dominique Lane, Tyquitta Lloyd, Nikki Lyons, Danielle McKinley, ReeJade Mitchell, Monifa Montique, Davoy Murray, Michael Scott, Chereese Shaw, Erica Williams, and Rosa Wright.

Dr. Ontario S. Wooden and Miss Latreskle Schofeld serve as advisor and co-advisor, respectively.



Lawrence Horn, left, and Victor McTeer shake hands after the Founder's Day Convocation at Mississippi Valley State University Thursday. McTeer, a Greenville attorney, was the featured speaker at the annual program.

Attorney: Black schools will be key in producing state's leaders

By CHARLIE SMITH
Staff Writer

Victor McTeer has heard all the excuses for not attending college.
No. 1: I need to stay home and take care of mama.
"No, mama wants you to go away to college so you can really take care of her," McTeer said.
No. 2: I can't afford it.
"I don't care," McTeer said. "Go find the money. Borrow it. Beg for it. Call my wife."
No. 3: I want to make money now.
Attending college for even one month increases earning potential relative to a high school graduate, McTeer said — "and if you graduate, you've hit the jackpot."
McTeer, a Greenville attorney, was the featured speaker at MVSU's Founder's Week Convocation Thursday.
And he was serious about calling his wife for scholarship money. His family is the largest individual donor in the history of

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Mississippi Valley State University, having given more than \$500,000 to the school.

McTeer said it amazes him that people keep asking him and his family why they donate so much to historically black universities, including MVSU.

African-American institutions have always had to do more with less, he said. He wants to show young people that they can succeed, even if they start with less.

"They will need a college education to do that, though, he said.

"We are fast approaching the time when a worker without a college degree has no future," McTeer said.

He says Mississippi's historically black universities will produce

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skilled leaders who will move the community and state forward.

"This is a time when you of the Valley can use your courage and your inventiveness to provide direction," McTeer said.

Seeing the generosity of Osceola McCarty, an 87-year-old washer-woman who donated \$150,000 to the University of Southern Missis-

sippi in 1995, inspired McTeer to give.

"It was that moment that my family decided no matter what we had done, it's not enough," he said.

Interim MVSU President Dr. Roy Hudson said McTeer was honored Thursday "not for Valley and not for me but for the young people who will benefit from his generosity and the generosity of his family."

The students mean a lot to McTeer.

He has argued before the U.S. Supreme Court and won big tobacco settlement cases, but he said those achievements don't compare in his mind to an experience at a gas station in Greenwood.

A young man in a suit whom McTeer did not recognize approached him. The man told McTeer that 10 years before one of his scholarships allowed him to attend Valley.

"That was my proudest moment," McTeer said.

TIDBITS: The Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS) and the Washington Internship Institute (WII) announce that all inducted student members of the ACHS societies are eligible to receive a \$500 merit-based scholarship for the ACHS/WII Internship Program in Washington, D.C. Interested students can apply online at www.WIIC.org.

Dr. Kimberly Smith, advisor to the Alpha Iota Chapter at Albany State University, recently received a \$500 grant for a pilot project on "Social Responsibility: The Power of the Association of College Honor Societies to Make a Difference-A Chapter Leadership Project."

Dr. Darrell Johnson was inducted as an Honorary Member at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. He is the Dean of Extended University Programs (EUP). The primary mission of EUP is to extend educational opportunities to learners who are otherwise unable to attend the University's Kalamazoo campus to earn degrees or participate in noncredit programs. Dr. Johnson is also the founder and principal of D. D. Johnson and Associates, L.L.C., a multidimensional training and consulting agency.

**Pictorial Highlights of the 59th National Convention of Alpha Kappa Mu National Honor Society
North Carolina A & T State University Greensboro, North Carolina
April 3-5, 2008**

