



ALPHA KAPPA MU NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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

- Ralph Waldo Emerson
“The American Scholar”

A Special Thank You to our 65th National Convention Hosts



Ms. Penny Speas, Advisor, Alpha Epsilon (Bennett) Chapter; and
Dr. Todd Redd, Advisor, Gamma Tau (NC A&T) Chapter



Dr. Ginger Redd, Co-Advisor, Gamma Tau (NC A&T) Chapter; and
Mrs. Sandra Williamson, Director, Region I (North Carolina)

Spring 2019 Induction at Stillman College

(submitted by Dr. Josiah Sampson, Faculty Advisor)

On March 7, 2019, at 5 p.m. in the Stinson Auditorium of Stillman College, the Alpha Upsilon Chapter, founded in 1956, held its Spring 2019 Induction Ceremony. Ten inductees, living by the motto ‘Knowledge is Power’ joined this laudable society.



Pictured from left to right are Dr. Debra Bass (Co-Advisor), Brandon Wood, Tabitha S. Robinson, Alexandria N. Williams, Catherine Wells, Martravious T. Stallworth, Joscelyn J. Rue, Justus A. Martin, Kelvin Hyché, Dasia B. Howell-Colley, Dr. Josiah J. Sampson, III (Co-Advisor) and Micah C.J. May (not pictured.)

Convention Reflections

65th National Convention (16th Biennial Meeting)

March 28-30, 2019



Congratulations to our newly installed officers:

Ms. Barbara Golphin, Director-Region V (Georgia, South Carolina); Dr. Cynthia Smith (Alabama A&M University), Director-Region IV (Alabama, Florida); Dr. Veronica Adams Yon (Florida A&M University), National President-Elect; Ms. Joy Jefferson-Yager (Florida A&M University), National Vice President Elect



Congratulations to our Award Winners:

Dr. Cynthia Smith, President's Award; Mrs. Sandra Williamson, Regional Director Award; and Dr. Veronica Adams Yon, Outstanding Advisor Award.

We appreciate your dedicated service to Alpha Kappa Mu.



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65th National Convention Participants

Mu Epsilon (Voorhees College) Chapter Inducts 26

(submitted by Dr. Leland C. Barrows, Faculty Advisor)

The spring 2019 induction ceremony of the Mu Epsilon Chapter took place on April 18 at 11:00 a.m. in the Lawrence Auditorium of historic Massachusetts Hall. It was conducted by Chapter President, Mr. LeRon Furtick, a senior in Business Administration; Chapter Vice President, Ms. Alysha La'nae Linder, a senior in Sports Management; and Chapter Secretary, Mr. Donovan Joe, a senior in Emergency Management. The Greetings/Occasion address was delivered by Dr. Tywana Chenault, Assistant Professor of Psychology at Voorhees College and Chairperson of the Department of Humanities, Education, and Social Science, herself a 2000 Voorhees College graduate. The Commentary was delivered by Mr. Derrick Smoot, a US Army veteran and founder and CEO of WAWG, an Atlanta based company. He is a 2008 graduate of Voorhees College.

Following the singing of the Alpha Kappa Mu Hymn, the ceremony was concluded by two short addresses, the first by the President of Voorhees College, Dr. W. Franklin Evans; the second by Dr. Ronnie Hopkins, Professor of English and Provost of Voorhees College. Both speakers congratulated the inductees for their excellent academic records and wished them well for the future.

Chauncey Devanté Aiken, Junior, Sports Management; Michael Dwayne Barnes, Senior, Emergency Management; Shakaria Samone Bethea, Junior, Biology; Carolyn Bryant, Senior, Organizational Management; Raven J. Cunningham, Junior, Organizational Management; Veronica Anita Cunningham, Senior, Interdisciplinary Studies; Akayshia Charmel Unique Donaldson, Junior, Mass Communications; Shanoa Ashley Donaldson, Senior, Business Administration; Christina Marie Donovan, Junior, Mass Communications; Dawn Cheryl Freeman, Junior, Biology; Denise Celestine Freeman, Junior, Biology; Aleathia Rosalé Marquela Greene, Junior, Criminal Justice; Shiloh Tavia Grovner, Junior, Business Administration; Infiniti Paradise Harrison, Junior, Emergency Management; Tameia Shakaila Janea Haynes, Senior, Biology; David Lee James III Junior, Computer Science; Janice Marie Lawton, Senior, Sociology; Kirsten Kelli Littles, Junior, Theological Studies; Kathy Mack-Watson, Senior, Organizational Management; Marissa Danyelle McCreary, Senior, Business Administration; Omar Taikeem Odom, Junior, Computer Science; Shani Lashawn Pinckney, Senior, Child Development; Joel J. Rivera Orta, Junior, Sports Management; Renée Simmons-Campbell, Senior, Organizational Management; Jaslynn O'Nisha Tate, Junior, Criminal Justice; Randi Williams, Senior, Child Development


KENT STATE
 UNIVERSITY
 Mu Mu Chapter
 of Alpha Kappa Mu,
 Induction Ceremony



65th National Convention

Day 1 @ Bennett College

Opening Session with Honorary Induction (Dr. Phyllis Dawkins, Bennett College President), Moderated Panel Discussion (with Raven Quattlebaum, Kadrien Wilson, Jamal Averett, and Travis Jackson), International Civil Rights Center and Museum Tour, George E. Loder-John W. Riley Cultural Event (featuring the Bennett College Choir and the Bennett Players)







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PRESS RELEASE

FAMU English Professor Elected President of National Honor Society



Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, Inc. recently elected Veronica Adams Yon, Ph.D., associate professor of English, as its next national president. The appointment is effective August 1, 2019, and took place in Greensboro, NC during the Society's 65th Convention, which was co-hosted by Bennett College and North Carolina A&T State University.

"I am extremely honored to have been selected to lead Alpha Kappa Mu through its next era of promoting and recognizing academic excellence," stated Yon.

Founded in 1937 by Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., who became the fifth president of Florida A&M University, Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society celebrates the academic achievements of juniors, seniors, and graduate students in all disciplines. It is the first honor society at an Historically Black College and University (HBCU) to be admitted to the Association of College Honor Societies and is often considered the HBCU's Phi Beta Kappa, although the Society has now grown in size and scope to establish sixty-seven (67) chapters and induct over 93,000 members nationwide.

Yon holds a bachelor's degree in English from Spelman College and master's and doctorate degrees in English from the Florida State University. Since her arrival at FAMU, she has worked diligently to assist students in reaching their fullest academic potential. In addition to coordinating the University's college preparatory English program (2002-2003), directing the Composition Studies program (2002-2005), and serving as interim chair of the English Department (2007), she also secured approximately 1.5 million dollars in Title III grants to open and operate the FAMU

Character, Scholarship, Citizenship, Service, and Leadership

Alpha Kappa Mu is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS)

Writing Resource Center (2003-2012). As the WRC's founding director (2003-2016) and the coordinator of Tutorial Support Services (2016), she supervised and mentored undergraduate as well as graduate student tutors and presented numerous campus workshops on the writing process and tutoring techniques.

Always one to connect with students, Dr. Yon graciously accepted the position as faculty advisor of the Kappa Iota (FAMU) Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society in 2008, following the retirement of advisor and speech professor Adeline Evans, Ph.D. In this position, she has guided hundreds of students through society inductions, community service projects, scholarship and graduate school applications, and scholarly presentations.

Yon was named FAMU "Teacher of the Year" in 2009, AKM Director of Public Relations in 2013, and most recently received the 2019 "Outstanding Advisor" Award from AKM as well as the "#WriteOnFAMU Teacher of the Year" Award from the University's Quality Enhancement Program.

According to Mollie B. Brown, Ph.D., Executive Secretary-Treasurer of Alpha Kappa Mu, "Dr. Yon is a proven leader" and "the right person, in the right place to serve as the 23rd National President of the 82nd year old organization. We look forward to her leadership."



Graduate Receives Two Degrees

Congratulations to summa cum laude graduate Hans Supre on receiving two degrees from Florida A&M University: a Bachelor of Science in Psychology AND a Bachelor of Science in Health Science with a concentration in Pre-Occupational Therapy. Mr. Supre has received a FAMU Graduate Feeder Program Fellowship to pursue a Master of Public Health degree at Florida State University. He was inducted into the Kappa Iota (FAMU) Chapter of AKM in the fall of 2017. Mr. Supre, we are proud of you!



Hans Supre displaying his psychology & health science degrees from Florida A&M University

AKM Needs Your Information



Please send original poems, scholarly activities, chapter news, reflections, successes, etc. to veronica.yon@famuedu.

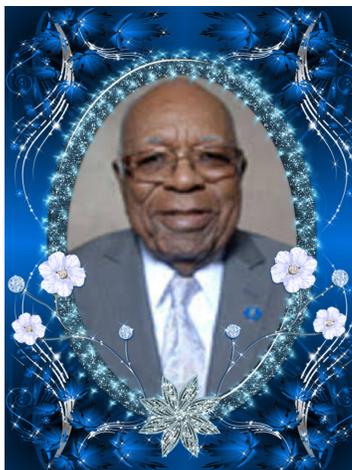
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Thank you!

In Memoriam

We pay tribute to the following AKMuans who have passed away.

Dr. Alvin Blount, Jr.
North Carolina A&T State University
February 18, 1922 - January 6, 2017



Dr. Blount was inducted into Alpha Kappa Mu at North Carolina A&T State University in 1942. He was the first African American in North Carolina to be certified by the American College of Abdominal Surgeons (1957) and the first black surgeon admitted to the medical staff of Cone Hospital (1964). He received countless awards, including the Order of the

Leaf Pine, the highest honor that can be granted to a civilian in the State of North Carolina.

Dr. Virginia Caples
Alabama A&M University
January 24, 1946 - February 19, 2018



Dr. Caples was an accomplished professional who, with her husband, owned five radio stations, ranging from Hip Hop/Rhythm and Blues to Gospel, Inspirational, and Talk; together, they created the Broadcast One Corporation. At Alabama A&M University, she provided more than thirty-eight years in various capacities, including Provost and

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Interim President (two times), and Distinguished University Professor.

We thank the above Alpha Kappa Muans for their dedicated service to our beloved organization.

“Lord, bless your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, and where life is everlasting.”

Gore W. Gore, Jr./Thomas J. Crawford Scholarship

Congratulation to our 2019-2020 Gore-Crawford Scholars:

Tyler C. Binion

Chapter: Alpha Epsilon, Bennett College

Major: Business Administration

Advisor: Mrs. Penny H. Speas

Scholar Tyler has applied to Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee, and Duke University in Durham, North Carolina

Kintress Watson

Chapter: Alpha Beta Tau, The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

Major: Forensic Chemistry

Advisor: Mrs. Sheena Meadows

Scholar Kintress has applied to George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, and the University of New Haven in West Haven, Connecticut.



Application packets for the George W. Gore/Thomas J. Crawford are due on February 14, 2019. To obtain an application and other information, visit our website: www.alphakappamu.org. Only one nomination per chapter is allowed.

GEAR UP

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	Satin Jacket 2XL	\$64
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	Coaches Jacket 3XL	\$58
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	Sweatshirt 3XL	\$10
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	Polo shirt S-XL	\$40
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In the Spotlight

Valedictorian of Criminal Justice

AKMuan Angel Lii was recently awarded valedictorian of the graduating class of 2019 in the Criminal Justice program at Florida A&M University. According to Ms. Lii, "I was shocked but also happy to know that my hard work paid off!"

Lii was inducted into the Kappa Iota (FAMU) Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu in the fall of 2018 and received her Bachelor of Criminal Justice degree with a minor in Pre-law on May 3, 2019. She has been accepted into the Florida State University (FSU) College of Law and will begin her studies in the fall. "I am very grateful to my husband and daughter who supported me all the way," Lii stated. Congratulations and best wishes for continued success!



Angel Lii, Valedictorian of Criminal Justice Program,
Florida A&M University

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-Yearly Membership - \$10 Undergraduate;
\$15 Graduate/Alumni

-Life Membership - \$300 (over a three year period)

For more details, contact your chapter's advisor. If you are no longer enrolled, you may send your fees directly to the National Office (Dr. Mollie Brown, our Executive Secretary-Treasurer, mbs03bs@mchsi.com).

65th National Convention

Day 2 @ North Carolina A&T State University

Second General Session, Conference Photo, Luncheon (with speaker Tracey McCain of WFMY News), Banquet (with speaker Dr. Sharrelle Barber, Drexel University)





Returning Advisor:

Dr. Geoffrey Jahwara Giddings
Kappa Tau Chapter, Central State University, Wilberforce, OH

New Advisors:

Dr. Rhonda Westry and Dr. Cynthia Steele
Kappa Omicron Chapter, Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL

Tevin Middleton
Kappa Rho Chapter, Paine College, Augusta, GA

Dr. Coreen Jackson
Phi Beta Tau Chapter, Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN

Reinstated Chapter:

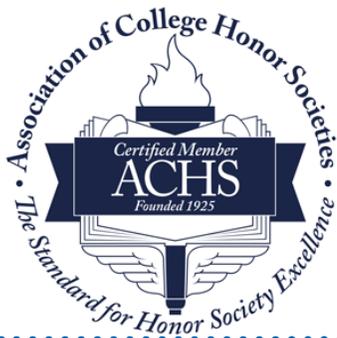
Kappa Upsilon Chapter, Alcorn State University, Alcorn, MS

Honorary Members:

Dr. Coreen Jackson, Phi Beta Tau Chapter, Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN
Dr. Reginald Ellis, Kappa Iota Chapter, Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, FL
Dr. Darius Young, Kappa Iota Chapter, Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, FL
Dr. Phyllis Worthy Dawkins, Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Bennett College, Greensboro, NC



Alpha Kappa Mu: An ACHS-Certified Honor Society



“Membership in a certified, credible honor society provides prospective employers with instant verification of exemplary performance and achievement, distinguishing members from competing job applicants at a glance. In fact, the US Government’s Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers incoming federal employees a two level pay grade increase for ‘Superior Academic Achievement’ which can be obtained through membership in ACHS-certified honor societies.” (Source: <http://achsnatl.org>)

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