



January 2021 Chapter of the Month - Atlanta Metropolitan Alumni Chapter



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About the Chapter: The Atlanta Metropolitan Alumni Chapter was organized in 1957 by Mr. Jerome Guy with Mr. Davey Gibson as President. The chapter mainly serves the Atlanta area proper which includes but is not limited to Fulton, Douglas, Gwinnett, Cobb, Clayton, Henry, and Fayette Counties in Georgia. The chapter currently has 56 active members. Prior to the Pandemic, the meeting dates and times were set for 10:30am on the Second Saturdays of each month at the Evelyn Lowery Library on Cascade Road in Atlanta, GA. Currently, meetings are now held by Zoom Conferencing on the same days and times each month.

Chapter Awards/Recognitions: The chapter and members have received various awards over the past years to include the following: Lifetime Achievement Awards: Ms. Betty Neal (2014); Mrs. Edith Humphries (2018) and Mr. Willie Fussell (2018). In 1977 the Atlanta Metro Chapter hosted the First Annual National Alumni Association Planning Conference and served as a Co-Host with Dekalb Alumni Chapter for the National Conference in 1981. In 2002 the Chapter was recognized as the National Alumni Chapter of the Year. In 2008 the Atlanta Chapter hosted the National Conference and was recognized in 2015 for supporting the Institute for the Black Male at ASU under Mr. Antonio Leroy.

Student Recruitment: During 2019 the chapter recruited 157 students to attend ASU as incoming Freshmen. The chapter covered the cost of Tour Bus rental for recruits to tour the ASU Campus, and regularly supports and attends Career Fairs at Atlanta Area High Schools, Atlanta Area Malls, and other venues. 2000 to Present - Atlanta Chapter hosted Welcome to the Family Luncheons for New ASU Students recruited and accepted from the Atlanta Area.

Community Service Activities: The Chapter completes annual Food Drives during Thanksgiving and Christmas under the auspices of the Georgia DFAC; .Hosted Welcome to the Family for new ASU students recruited and served as mentors to students invited to the Welcome to the Family Recruitment Initiative. Additionally, 17 Atlanta Chapter members supported the Atlanta Women's Shelter in Southwest Atlanta with food, clothing, and other necessities.

Fundraising Activities/Scholarships: The Chapter's fundraising activities include Annual Scholarship Luncheon and Tours and Bus Excursions. The chapter sponsors the Davey Gibson Emergency Scholarship Fund Awards of \$500.00 annually to recipients of 4—5 students who write letters of request for the award. The Scholarship is awarded annually unless other additional emergency needs arise for a student. Atlanta Chapter also contributed \$10,000 toward the Rams in the Roses Campaign for the Marching Rams Show Band to perform in the Rose Bowl Parade

Atlanta Metro Alumni Chapter's Vision for ASU

The Atlanta Metropolitan ASU Alumni Chapter wants Albany State University to be the Number One HBCU of its size and service area in the Nation. The Atlanta Chapter also is on the path to becoming the "Premier Chapter" (in the words of our President, Dr. Pritchett!) on the National Alumni Roster to make sure that we have the same vision, funds, and support to help our Alma Mater toward that goal. To do so, recruitment and finances are crucial. All efforts of the Atlanta Rams focus toward those two areas. A goal of our Chapter is to have all members become Life Members.