

METRO ALCORNITE

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THE MEMBERSHIP REPORT MARIAN MIXON

The Metro Jackson Alcorn Alumni Chapter is a diverse organization. It is comprised of graduates from the 1940's to 2003 each of whom have varying professions. The Metro-Jackson Alumni chapter can also boast of having four(4) former Miss Alcorns in the chapter.

Our current membership is 130 with 19 of those paying dues for the first time in over ten years or for the first time since the Jackson chapter was chartered. This is a signal that we are beginning to reap the benefits of our dedication to remaining the largest and continuously growing chapter in the Alcorn State University National Alumni Association.

Although our success has been tremendous, there is still much to be done. Our ultimate goal is to continue to increase membership. It is our current desire to have a membership of 200 by the 2005 Mid-winter conference and 500 by 2007 when we host the conference.

The Metro Jackson area encompasses the entire city of Jackson and the surrounding areas (Bolton, Brandon, Byram, Clinton, Edwards, Madison, Pearl, Pocahontas, Raymond, Ridgeland and Terry). This is a very large area to have a minute 130 members in the alumni chapter. Now that our area of coverage has been defined we have taken the responsibility of making sure

every Alcornite in our metro area is made aware of the alumni chapter, its purpose and goals. Our mission starts now, and will not be complete until every Alcornite and university supporter has been contacted and offered the opportunity to become a member of the Metro Jackson Alumni chapter.

We have also reestablished the Young Alcornite committee, which is chaired by Katalba Allen, Class of '97. The focus of this committee is to recruit recent graduates to become members of the chapter.

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Mark Your Calendars

- Monthly Meeting will be held on August 5, 2004, at 5:30 p.m., at the Clarion Ledger.
- JAM- August 16, 2004, at the Mississippi Museum of Art beginning at 5:30 p.m.

IT'S JAM TIME ALCORNITES

It's trash talking time once again as Jackson State, Alcorn and Mississippi Valley State come together to kick off the SWAC football season in Mississippi.

JAM will be held Monday, August 16, 2004, beginning

at 5:30 p.m. at the Mississippi Museum of Art. Raffle tickets will be \$1.00.

For more information you may contact chapter chairperson Maxine Simpson at (601) 372-3391.



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Ms. Allen and her committee have put together an impeccable plan for inspiring recent graduates to join the chapter, which will be discussed during our September 2004 meeting.

The following individuals have agreed to be contact representatives in the communities and schools by identifying and contacting new members as well as reclaiming previous members:

Bolton, Clinton & Edward - Marian Mixon (601) 925-0896 & Juanita Watts (601) 866-2492

Byram - Marian Mixon

Brandon & Pearl—Marian Mixon

Madison & Ridgeland— Charles & Shirley Christian (601) 605-8478

Raymond—Annie Herron (601) 857-2200 & Murlene Taylor (601)-948-4540

Terry—Talmadge Portis (601) 878-5258

North Jackson—Frances Mack (601)982-3071 & Karen Gates-Matlock (601) 977-0882

South Jackson—Delmer Stamps (601) 373-9657 & Carolyn Watkins (601) 372-4112

West Jackson— Arthetta Owens (601) 355-7392 & Mary Welch (601) 354-4801

It is our sincere hope that you join us in our efforts as Alcornites and strengthen the bond that will hold us together as a family oriented organization.

ALCORNITE MAKES MOVIE APPEARANCE

Jeremiah "J.J." Williamson, member of the Metro Jackson Alcorn Alumni Chapter made his silver screen debut in the Box Office Hit, "Johnson Family Vacation." J.J. plays the character of Cousin Bodie in the recently released hit, which features Cedric the Entertainer and Vanessa Williams.

J.J. has appeared on *Russell Simmons Def Comedy Jam*, *Showtime at the Apollo*, and *BET's Comic View*.

While at Alcorn J.J. was a member of the Sounds of Dyn-o-mite Marching Band and was an original charter member of Kappa Kappa Psi Band Fraternity.

J.J. is the son of education chairperson Exie Williamson.

Congratulations to J.J. and we wish you much success with your entertainment career.



Jeremiah Williamson

SIMPSON RETIRES FROM JACKSON STATE

The Metro Jackson Alcorn Alumni Chapter would like to congratulate Maxine Simpson on her recent retirement from Jackson State University after 32 years of service.

Maxine began her career with Jackson State immediately upon graduation from Alcorn in 1972. She worked in the College of Science, Engineering and Technology as a program coordinator for SCORE (Support for Continuous Re-

search Excellence), which is a Federal program funded by the National Institute of Health.

Maxine serves as corresponding secretary for the chapter and JAM chairperson.

Happy Retirement



Maxine Simpson



2004 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

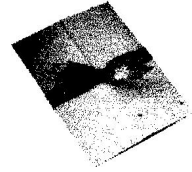
<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Sept. 4	at Grambling State	Grambling, LA	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 11	North Carolina A& T	Alcorn State	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 18	at Howard Univ.	Washington, D.C.	4:00 p.m.
<i>(Prince George's Classic @ FedEx Stadium –game will be played Eastern Time)</i>			
Sept. 25	Alabama State Univ.	Alcorn State	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 2	OPEN		
Oct. 9	at Prairie View A&M	Prairie View, TX	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 16	Texas Southern Univ.	Alcorn State	6:00 p.m.
<i>“Homecoming 2004”</i>			
Oct. 23	Southern University	Alcorn State	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 30	at Southeastern Louisiana	Hammond, LA	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 6	at Mississippi Valley State	Itta Bena, MS	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 13	at Alabama A&M University	Normal, AL	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 20	Jackson State Univ.	Jackson, MS	1:30 p.m.
<i>(Capital City Classic @ Memorial Stadium)</i>			
Dec. 11	SWAC Championship	Birmingham, AL	1:00 p.m.

****All home games in bold print**

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*Invitations, Programs, Booklets
Bridal Consultation and more....*

Taunya Smith, owner of Elite Printing Design and Planning, is proud to be a sponsor this quarter. Taunya has been operating her business since 1998 and specializes in printing for all occasions.

Some of the services she offers are: invitations, programs, booklets, brochures, table tents, bridal consultation and more.

Taunya works closely with each client to achieve a professional look they can be proud of.

Our sponsor is a 1993 graduate of Alcorn State University and has served as recording secretary, financial secretary, and vice-president of the Metro Jackson Alcorn Alumni Chapter.