

# Rattler Times

"Membership First, FAMU Forever!"



## **Bowling Night**

On February 6, 2016, the Leon County Chapter hosted an alumni social at Galimore Lanes

The first of many anticipated social events, the event was filled with fun, food and fellowship. With a lane dedicated to children, this family event was enjoyed by old, new and future alumni!



### **4 X 400 CHALLENGE**

Being first isn't easy! Our Goal-400 members by April 4, 2016



#### FAMU FOOD PANTRY

Bring a nonperishable item each meeting.



# NATIONAL CONVENTION

May 25 - 29, 2016 Tampa, FL



## **VP** George Cotton

The VP of University Advancement & Executive Director FAMU Foundation will Speak at the February meeting.



#### LTC Gregory Clark

The President of the FAMU National Alumni Association presented his agenda at January meeting.

#### Membership Card Redesign Input Wanted





### National Alumni President

1st 90 Days, Finances, Branding & More.

On Tuesday, January 19, 2016, FAMU National Alumni Association President LTC Gregory Clark spoke to a packed house. During the meeting Clark presented his first 90-day plan where he outlined how he was going to hit the ground running by making sure that he has the right people in place to be successful. He has planned meetings with the foundation to take a hard-look at finances ensuring that alumni money is making money and not just sitting there. His goal is to improve our return on investments. Additionally, Clark mentioned how the reorganization really hurt us and addressed the need for full-time support. He asked for alumni to be patient while they rework the process to augment the shortcomings. "If we want to continue to grow, then we need to make some hard decisions to afford this. Dues amount may have to be addressed to put a full-time person in place."



Clark closed the forum by advertising the FAMU NAA convention in Tampa, Florida Memorial Day weekend. There are plans to have the BOG Chair or representative to attend the 1st breakfast to discuss the performance based metrics, Dr. Mangum to give a State of the University Address while all action items will be at the forefront of the meeting. A State of the Association Address will be presented at the inauguration luncheon and the distinguished alumni awards gala will bestow the highest honor to deserving alumnus. A Tampa chapter sponsored party will follow the life membership reception while church will be held in the ballroom with an offering to benefit the retention scholarship.

### **CHAPTER PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES 2016 EXECUTIVE BOARD**

President: Victor R. Gaines, Vice-president: Alan Williams, Recording Secretary: Tiffani Singleton Davis, Financial Secretary: Leila Thompson , Asst. Secretary: Attania Jean-Funny, Treasurer: Mike Hannah, Parliamentarian: W. Earl Kimbrough II, Chaplain: Rev. Ralph Wilson, Past President: James Moran

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Young Alumni Network: Briana Golar, Membership: Sabrina Demps, Hospitality: Kayana Gaines, Government Relations: Dazzree Thomas and Lorenzo Howard, VL Elkins Scholarship: Sharon Walker, Website: Kiah Graham and LaVita Sherman, Volunteer Corps: Tangela Crawford, Courtesy: Ann Floyd, Athletics Liaison: Angela Suggs, Designs: Alvin A. Davis





# Members At Work

## "Membership First"

## Pictured Below: Officers Recruit at Rattler Basketball Games



We have unofficially passed the 100-member mark for this year's membership drive! We had 65 memberships going into January, and our most recent mail-out netted us another 65 checks. Additional payments were received at our last meeting and at other events!

### Let's keep pushing!



## "Stuffing Party"



On January 9, 2016, chapter members folded and stuffed and mailed almost 1,000 letters and emailed over 2,000 m e m b e r s i n o u r distribution list.

President Gaines would like to thank Tangela Crawford, Attania Jean-Funny, Sabrina Demps, Dazzree Thomas and Executive Board for all of their hard work!



FAMU Athletics invites you to purchase tickets today. Group reservations available upon request.

PREMIUM PACKAGE

Court Side Club: \$40

Complimentary Food Complimentary Beverages Stage Access Family 4 Pack: \$25
4 Game Tickets
4 Hot Dogs
4 Drinks

Court Side Seats: \$20

Kids & Non-FAMU Students: \$5

FAMU Students w/ID: FRE

