



Alumni News

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Message from the President

Hello Fellow Alumni,



As you know we took off two months during the summer for rest and relaxation in hopes to rejuvenate more interest in our Alumni Chapter. We have sent out two mailers to those known addresses we had in an effort to get more individuals involved with

the chapter. Thus far we have not sparked any interest.

Last quarter, I shared with you my name, which is Horace E. Calahan, but I didn't share with you anything about my home town. I am a native of Camden, Arkansas, queen city of the Ouachita River. I graduated from Lafayette High School in 1962 and entered AM&N in September 1962 and graduated in May 1966. After graduation, I was drafted into the military and was allowed to join the United States Air Force which brought me to Austin, Texas. I am a graduate of two Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), namely, AM&N and Prairie View A & M Universities. As an alumnus of these historically Black institutions of higher learning, I feel that we have a responsibility to support them as much as we can and am hopeful that you feel the same.

Please come, join our efforts and help us to fulfill our vision as a chapter. Thank you for your commitment and May God bless each of you.

H. Ed Calahan, President

Local Chapter Update



Congratulations to alumnus **Helen Louise Fleming**, who completed her Ed.D in Educational Administration at the University of Texas in Austin. Being a dedicated educator, Dr. Fleming-Johnson authored a well received dissertation titled: The Unintended -Consequences of High Stakes Testing, an insightful look at the impacts of the No Child Left Behind Act on children of Color. She is also a graduate of UAPB where she received a Bachelor degree in Biology, and Prairie View A&M University where she received a Masters Degree in Education Administration. Helen has worked as an educator in school systems in states of New York, Arkansas and Texas. Helen is currently the Director of the Comprehensive Program at Kealing Middle School. Dr. Fleming is a native of Forrest City, Arkansas and her Parents were honored by UAPB for having children at UAPB/AM&N for 19 continuous years. All eight of them graduated from UAPB with Bachelors degrees. **Dr. Fleming** is the wife of alum Andrew Johnson, past president of the UAPB/AM&N Alumni Chapter.

They have two children Andrew Rafael of Austin, TX and Rev. Heather Louise of Austin, TX /Atlanta, GA. They have one granddaughter Nozomi Ann. Helen and Andrew are active members at the David Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. In her spare time, Helen designs and sells jewelry.

Congratulations Levi Bullock.

Levi was selected and honored by the St. David Hospital Organization as their Outstanding **Employee of the Month**. Besides being recognized by the leadership and peers, the brother got his own parking space for an entire month. **Levi** we are proud of your accomplishments.



University Campus Updates



Chancellor Davis welcomes and appreciates your interest in this 1890 Land Grant

Institution with experience in problem solving for Arkansas and the Nation since 1873. I encourage you to visit our on-line pages where you will find a variety of information on our programs and services.

If you're planning to visit UAPB, you will want to see the Multi-disciplinary Research Center, the Aquaculture/Fisheries campus, and the 1,000 plus acres of research farm lands. Of interest also is a tour of the community development project which includes small business assistance as well as construction and rehabilitation of single family dwellings. You will want to visit to the KEEPERS OF THE SPIRIT historical exhibit and other events at the Hathaway-Howard Fine Arts Center.

UAPB 2006 Homecoming

The **Austin Alumni Chapter** was well represented at this year's homecoming activity. In attendance was **Levi Bullock**, **Willie Everett** and his wife **Dinah**. Willie presented the chapter's contribution as well as a personal contribution from him and his wife. Levi Bullock's sister Carol, of the Milwaukee Chapter, sang at the assembly. The great news is that the Mighty Lions won.



Levi sister Carol Sings



Levi Bullock



Willie Everett



Jackson, Whitmore, Cason, Green, Thrower, Bullock

Go Mighty Lions



LIONS SECURE FIRST-EVER DIVISION CROWN, HEAD TO SWAC CHAMPIONSHIP

Mike Marzelli, staff reporter of The Pine Bluff Commercial, wrote: For the first time in school history, the Arkansas-Pine Bluff Golden Lions are heading to the Southwestern Athletic Conference championship game. UAPB Lions will take to Legion Field in Birmingham, Ala. on Dec. 16 against Alabama A&M for the first outright college football championship in the history of the city of Pine Bluff.

In a season filled with adversity at every turn, UAPB had an answer for every doubter, bounced back from every injury and made every play that seemingly couldn't be made. Saturday night's 45-20 victory over Southern University will go down in the history books as the win that clinched UAPB's first-ever SWAC Western Division title, but in the grand scheme of football history in Pine Bluff it was so much more. The game will be televised on ESPNU.

It was UAPB's first win over the Jaguars since rejoining the SWAC in 1997, and was also the Lions' most lopsided victory over a Southern team since 1939, but most importantly it set a new high-water mark for Golden Lion football.



WILLIAM E. O'BRYANT BELL TOWER

Standing majestically in the center of the quadrangle, the William E. O'Bryant Bell Tower was constructed in 1947 during the administration of Dr. L. A. Davis, Sr. The Tower stands as a symbol of the **unity**, **loyalty** and **pride** of the university family. A large bell which had been moved from the old Branch Normal campus in 1929 was installed in the tower belfry when the tower was constructed. The Carillon Bells (chimes), which can be heard throughout the campus each day, were added in 1949. The tower was designed by "Wild Bill" Lee, Director of Trade. **Alexander A. Mazique**, an instructor in brick masonry, and the students provided the labor to build the tower. The alumni under the leadership of Dr. O'Bryant sponsored the idea and provided the funds for the majority of the cost. The tower was renovated and the surrounding brick plaza was added in 1999. In 2002, the entire quadrangle was given a face lift. The **Bell Tower** is the rallying point of the entire UAPB campus.

National Overview



According to the **National Alumni News-Letter** the **18th Annual National Alumni Summer Conference** in Milwaukee, Wisconsin was a marvelous success. Kudos to the Milwaukee Alumni Chapter for doing such a great job in hosting the conference. Unfortunately, we were unable to attend. However, the 2007 summer conference will be hosted by the Washington, DC Chapter in the Nation's Capitol. We are certainly planning now to get information about the dates so that our chapter will be represented. Austin there is a request for host of the **2008** and **2009** conferences. **Is this something we would like to consider?** Let us, hear from you.

Recruitment



Fellow Alumni the mighty Lions need your support. Please join our efforts in supporting the university as she continues to provide an excellent education to young men and women of this country.

Sign up today!

Austin AM&N/UAPB Alumni Chapter:
www.austin-uapb-alumni.org/index.html

We Need Your Support

Our Meeting Place

The **Austin Chapter** of the **AM&N/UAPB Alumni Association** would like to invite you to join in our efforts in supporting our Alma Mater. We meet every **second Saturday** at the **Agape Baptist Church**, 7801 North Lamar Blvd. Bldg. F-15 at **1:00 P.M.** in the "**Centre**" Building Complex.

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I pray that all had a wonderful **Thanksgiving Holiday**. We wish you all a **Blessed Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year**