

Chapter of the Month: Valdosta-Lowndes Alumni Chapter, Valdosta, GA



Chapter Officers



President: Jeremiah Lawton
Vice President: Melinda McMillian

Secretary: Corrie Hunter-Marable
Treasurer: Margaret Jordan

About the Chapter: Valdosta-Lowndes Alumni Chapter was established around 1999, and currently has 15 dedicated members. The chapter meets at 5:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the South GA Regional Library, Julia Drive, Valdosta, GA. However, due to the coronavirus, the chapter is currently meeting by teleconference. The chapter supports the areas of Valdosta, Quitman, Homerville and Swainsboro, GA and High Springs, FL. Chapter members regularly participate in National fundraising activities, business meetings and annual planning conferences. Members of the chapter have served on the membership committee and as a member of the Board of Directors.

Chapter Awards/Recognitions: Valdosta-Lowndes Chapter is a small chapter but supports the National Alumni Association in many ways. The chapter was recognized by Albany State National Alumni Association (ASUNAA) as the chapter of the year in 2015 and 2017 and was recognized for hosting ASUNAA Annual Planning Conference in 2013. Chapter member Evelyn Morrison is a new honoree of the ASU Hall of Fame.

Scholarships/Awards: The chapter has given more than \$5,700 to Albany State University (ASU) Foundation for Need Based Scholarships and has given \$2,600 directly to students in scholarships. Local scholarships are also given annually by the alumni chapter when applications are received from area students.

Student Recruitment: The chapter participates annually at area high school recruitments several times a year by visiting schools and sharing information about ASU with opportunities to complete the application process. The chapter partners with Kappa Eta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority in bringing students to ASU Campus Visitation Days.

Community Service Projects: Community service activities for the chapter have included: Annual participation in M.L. King Celebration; Donation of canned goods, Donated and volunteered as servers with 100 Black Men at a Salvation Army Community Thanksgiving Dinner; Co-sponsored several trips for ASU Campus Visitation for local high school students; Participated in ASU 2019 Student Move in Day; and Sponsored ASU Roundup for recruiting area alums.

Fundraising Activities: Fundraising efforts over the past four years have consisted of donations from chapter members.

Vision for ASU

Valdosta-Lowndes Alumni Chapter's Vision for ASU includes, but is not limited to, initiating plans for increased academic courses and enrollment. We also see an increase in alumni financial support for Albany State University.