



3rd Quarter DMV Area Chapter Newsletter (Jul-Sept 2020)



First, thank you again for the opportunity to serve as the Marching 100 (M100) Alumni Band Association (ABA) DMV Area Chapter President for the 2020 calendar year (CY). Our chapter continues to support our mission to:

‘make sure the association actively assist, enthusiastically support, and aggressively promote the Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (FAMU) Band Program and the university through all reasonable and appropriate means.’

3rd Quarter Highlights

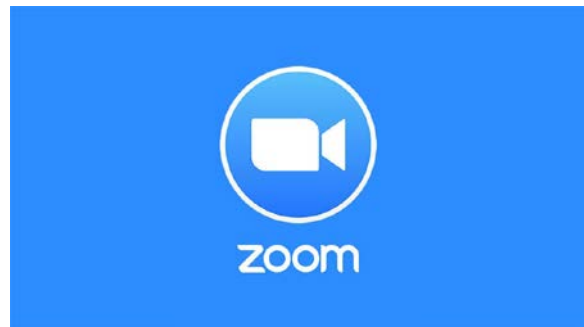
As we continue to navigate the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, our goal is to do as much as possible to continue our support for the **M100** and, more specifically, the students from the eight (8) states, in the DMV Area, who are current members of the Marching Band.

The **M100** ABA Membership Drive or ‘Early Bird’ Drive ended, on **30 Jun 20**, and the current cost for membership renewal is \$80.00. The reason why the membership renewal price is lower than the usual is because this price does **NOT** include the standard

‘Homecoming Package’ that has included the following items in the past:

- **Homecoming Ticket(s)**
- **Homecoming T-shirt & Souvenir(s)**

We highly *encourage* every member to renew their membership via the **M100** ABA National Website: <https://www.marching100alumni.com/>



Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the DMV Area Chapter began holding our chapter meeting(s), via zoom, in **July 2020**. The zoom link is sent out by our DMV Area Chapter Secretary Andrea **“Madame”** Turk, **Fall ‘87**, via e-mail, to **ALL** of our DMV Area Chapter Alumni & Associate Band Members prior to each meeting. Again, our **chapter meeting(s) occur on the 2nd Saturday of each month**. For more information pertaining to how any former member of the **Marching 100** can get engaged/involved with our monthly chapter meetings, please contact any of the DMV Area Chapter Executive Counsel (EC) Member(s) at **M100ABA.DMVAREA@gmail.com**.

On **13 Jul 20**, the chapter EC reached out to Dr. Shelby **“Chip”** Chipman, **Fall ‘82**, in order ask for the names of current **M100** students who are from the DMV Area. This request was a result of the DMV Area Chapter engaging in a discussion concerning fundraising efforts to provide **M100** students, from the DMV Area, with book scholarships for the up-coming Fall 20 Semester.



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As many of you may know, a lot of the textbooks are rented via *Amazon*, and students can get access to them either electronically or by having the book shipped to them with the understanding that they will return them at the end of the semester. The DMV Area Chapter's goal was to raise at least \$1,000 in order to distribute those funds to eligible **M100** students; the funds raised would contribute to at least one (1) book voucher... the number of vouchers awarded would depend on the number of eligible DMV Area **M100** students.



Our *Founder* of the **M100**, *Dr. William P. Foster*, was no stranger to looking-out for and supporting the '*heartbeat*' of our beloved **M100** - The Students!!!

FAMU National Alumni Association/Fairfax County Virginia Partnership

Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, in partnership with the Florida A&M University National Alumni Association, hosted a '*Virtual Career Fair*' on **14 Jul 20** for technologists to interview with fifteen (15) leading, **HIRING** tech companies in Northern Virginia such as *Amazon Web Services, Microsoft, General Dynamic Information Technology, CVG and more (offering 3000+ job opportunities combined)*. Some marketing and sales positions were also featured as well.

Rattlers had an opportunity to make meaningful connections, with companies, in order to get their *feet in the door* of dream jobs. The virtual career fair was open to local and non-local residents, so all professionals in the tech industry were welcomed to attend. Technologists with security clearances were strongly encouraged to apply. Registration for the Virtual Career Fair | Work in Northern VA was as follows:

<https://workinnorthernvirginia.com/virtual-tech-fair/>

On the behalf of the DMV Area Chapter, I want to take this opportunity extend a heart-felt '*SHOUT-OUT*' to Andrea "*Madame*" Turk, *Fall '87*, for putting in the extra time to update our chapter information, on the **M100** ABA National Website.





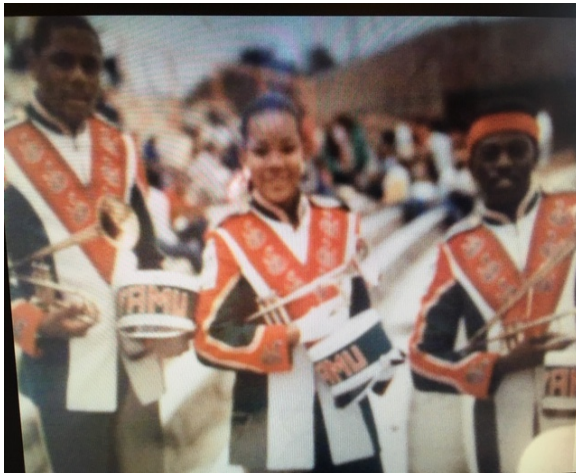
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Special Feature - Trumpet Freshman Class



Screamin Demons, Hollywood Hoods, Fall '84

* Missing from the above picture is:
Mark Johnson & Carlos Williams



(Left to Right)

1. Mark *"Purple-Eyes"* Johnson, *Fall '84*
2. Veronica *"State-of-Shock"* Johnson, *Fall '84*
3. Carlos *"Gumby"* Williams, *Fall '84*

We've made a lot of updates, loaded some pictures and **'ALL'** of our chapter meeting minutes and quarterly newsletters. The chapter **'Bylaws'** have been up-loaded, on the **M100** ABA Website with the newest (2019) version. Keep checking out our chapter updates as we continue to navigate through this COVID-19 Pandemic:

<https://www.marching100alumni.com/dmvchapter/>

We continue to take orders, so all **M100** ABA DMV Area Chapter Alumni & Associate Band Members can purchase chapter t-shirts for \$20.00. If you are not in the immediate area, the cost is \$25.00 per t-shirt, which includes shipping costs. Purchases can be made via our DMV Area Chapter PayPal Account, [paypal.me/DMVAreaM100ABA](https://www.paypal.com/dmvariam100aba), as well as our, DMV Area Chapter Cash App Username, **\$DMVAreaM100ABA**.

Please specify the number of t-shirts and the size(s) you'd like. We currently have: **M (1)**, **L (8)** or **XL (5)**. In addition, please provide your updated contact information to our DMV Area Chapter Secretary Andrea **"Madame"** Turk, *Fall '87*, at M100ABA.DMVAREA@gmail.com. Our secretary will ensure that your updated information is added to our master DMV Area Chapter Roster.





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Minding Our Business

In an effort to support our own, the DMV Area Chapter launched the 'Minding Our Business' campaign in August to support M100 Alumni & Associate Band Member Business Owners:

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the growing need to find other ways to shop to fulfill household and business needs, the DMV Area Chapter started highlighting those **M100** Alumni & Associate Band Members who have their own businesses. This initiative is called the '*Minding our Business*' campaign and if any FAMU **M100** ABA Alumni or Associate Band Member would like to have his/her business highlighted please send us the following information:

1. Member Name
2. Affiliated Chapter
 - a. Our goal is to have our National **M100** ABA pick up this initiative and share it with the Association
3. Business Name
4. Business Information Link

Here is the flyer for your reference/information:
<https://www.marching100alumni.com/resources/Documents/M100%20ABA%20DMVArea%20Business%20Owners.pdf>. This flyer is also located on the DMV Area's section on the National M100 ABA Website.

Currently, we have three (3) DMV Area Chapter Alumni & Associate Business Owners:

1. **Terri Seymore Green - Artsy Girl Creations by Terri**
<https://artsygirlcreationsbyterri.com/>
2. **George Quillet - GRQ Enterprises**
[George Quillet's Business Card.bmp](#)
3. **Sharon Finney - L&S Enterprise, LLC**
<https://lsenderprise.org>

Chapter 'Spotlight'



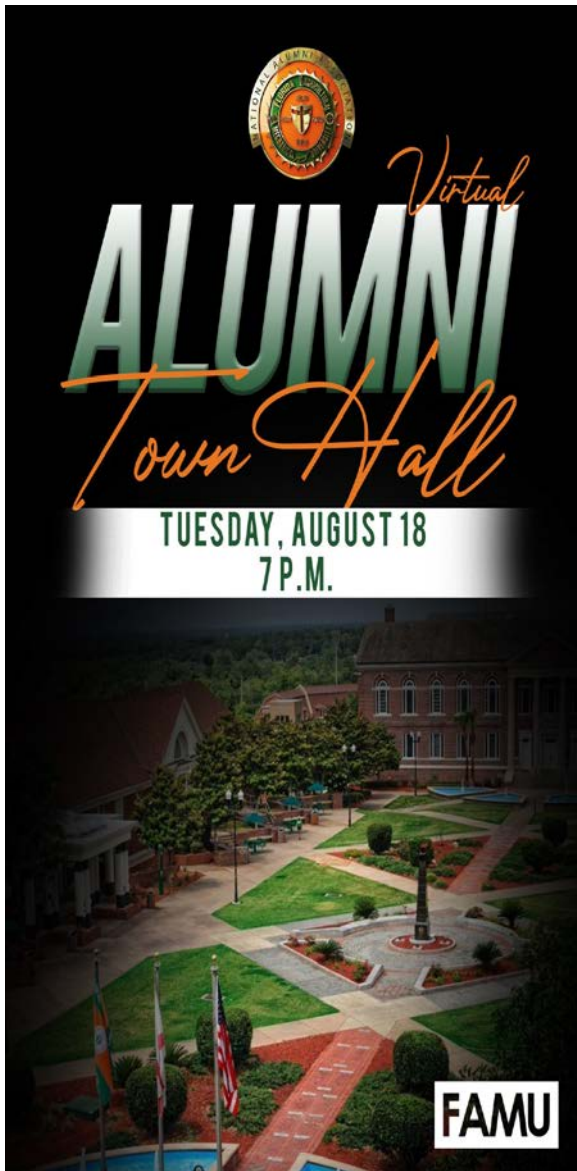
Our DMV Area Chapter Treasurer, Lyonel *"Thundercat"* Myrthil, *Fall '98*, a *2003* graduate of the School of Business and Industry's 5-year MBA Program, is pursuing a Master's in Leadership, from Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business in Washington, DC.

Currently, he serves as the Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) of Counterterrorism/Crisis Response and Management at the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He is also responsible for the Joint Terrorism Task Force and serves as the On-Scene Commander for the SWAT Team.

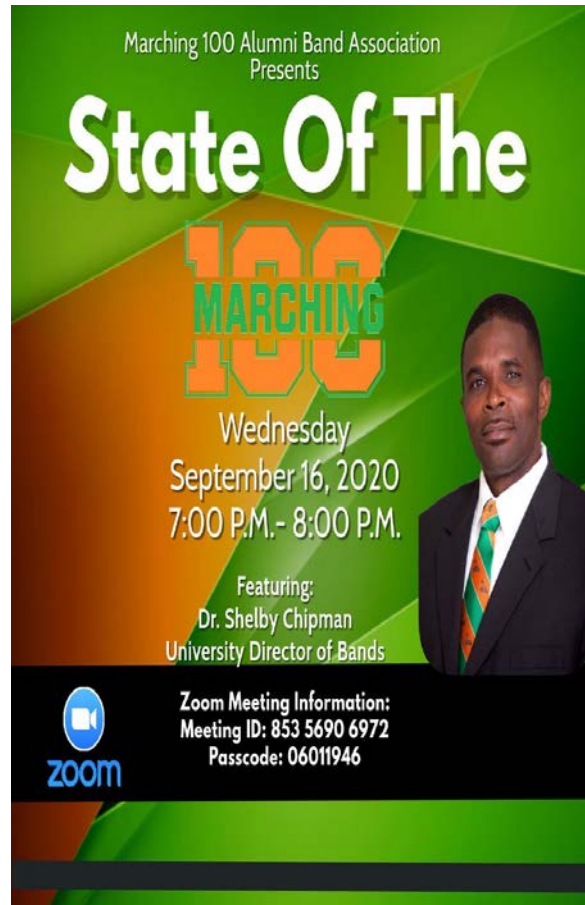


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On *18 Aug 20*, we participated in the ‘*virtual*’ Alumni Town Hall, hosted by the FAMU National Alumni Association (NAA), with the President of FAMU.



On *12 Sept 20*, we participated in the ‘*State of the M100*’ zoom meeting featuring Dr. Shelby Chipman, FAMU Director of Bands.



In July, August & September, the **M100** ABA Executive Board met via **Zoom** in order to plan for, participate & execute up-coming **2020** Calendar Year (CY) *milestones* and *key events*.



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Summer Transportation Internship Program for Diverse Groups (STIPDG)

The Department of Transportation (DOT) has opportunities for *Students* and *Recent Graduates*. The **STIPDG** provides a unique summer opportunity for college/university students to gain valuable professional experience and skills to complement student's academic pursuits.

STIPDG is a paid internship program that aims to mentor and cultivate tomorrow's transportation leaders by providing students with hands-on experience and on-the-job training while working on current transportation-related topics and issues.

STIPDG is open to all qualified candidates without regard to their race, gender, color, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, age, physical or mental disability, veteran status, or any other characteristic prohibited by state or local law. An important focus of the program is providing opportunities to qualified candidates from groups that have been underrepresented in transportation such as women, persons with disabilities, as well as other diverse groups.

STIPDG is open to all candidates based on the eligibility requirements below and based on the merit and completeness of the student's application. Additional information on the application process, eligibility, and benefits can be found on the **STIPDG** application [site](#).

Prospective candidates must:

1. Be a U.S. Citizen.
2. Be currently enrolled in degree-granting programs of study at accredited U.S. institutions of higher education recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.
3. Undergraduate applicants must be *juniors or seniors for the upcoming Fall Semester*. Undergraduate applicants from Junior, Tribal, or Community Colleges *must have completed their first year*.
4. Be enrolled in the *upcoming Fall Semester*, if a graduate student.
5. Law students must be *entering their second or third year of law school in the upcoming Fall Semester*.
6. A candidate scheduled to graduate during the Spring or Summer Semesters of this academic year *are not eligible* for consideration for the **STIPDG** unless: (1) they have been accepted for graduate school enrollment; (2) they have been accepted for enrollment at an institution of higher education; or (3) their acceptance is pending.
7. A former **STIPDG** intern may apply *but will not necessarily receive* preferential consideration.
8. A candidate will be evaluated based on the "completeness" of the application and the Required Documents listed below. *Priority will be given to those with GPA's of 3.0 or better* (for the Major and/or Cumulative).
9. Be available and able to participate through the duration of the 10-week program.
10. Submit a completed application, to the webpage listed above, by the associated deadline.



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Upon acceptance into the program, participants are required to go through *employment eligibility verification* and a *background investigation* to determine suitability to work for U.S. DOT. Participants will also be required to sign a Code of Conduct and a Participant Agreement. Any **M100** students that are interested in the *STIPDG* Program should go to the following link:

<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/careers/stipdg.cfm>

Fort Bragg Memorial Stadium 'Renovation' Project



Bottom Line Up Front (BLUF) – the approval of the Fort Bragg Memorial Stadium Renovation Project has enabled FAMU to operate the stadium in **2021 & beyond**. The DMV Area Chapter EC encourages each Alumni & Associate Band Member to participate in the President, FAMU National Alumni Association's (NAA), Inc. following message:

Rattler Nation,

Let's please send a thank you note to the following Leon County and Tallahassee City Commissioners (Friends of FAMU), *who voted for the \$10 million allocation to FAMU to support the Bragg Memorial Stadium renovation.*

All Commissioners, except Dozier, Jackson & Desloge, supported the funding.

Here are the *email addresses of the supporting Commissioners:*

John.Dailey@talgov.com

Dianne.Williams-Cox@talgov.com (alumna)

Curtis.Richardson@talgov.com

Elaine.Bryant@talgov.com (alumna)

Jeremy.Matlow@talgov.com

maddoxn@leoncountyfl.gov (Nick Maddox)

Proctorb@leoncountyfl.gov (Bill Proctor)

lindleym@leoncountyfl.gov (Mary Ann Lindley)

minorr@leoncountyfl.gov (Rick Minor)

Again, *spread the word* to other FAMU Alumni Band Members...without this initiative, our beloved **M100** would not have been able to perform in home games held at Fort Bragg Memorial Stadium.

Due to the ongoing spread of **COVID-19**, some in-person events/activities/milestones, on the next page, may have been suspended or cancelled but we decided to include them for your situational awareness (SA) anyway...enjoy!



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Chapter 'FUNDRAISER' Emergency Student Support Fund

The DMV Area Chapter of the FAMU **M100** ABA is now taking donations, in support of **M100** band students, from the DMV Area: **Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington D.C., and West Virginia.**

This chapter initiative will allow us to provide a **broad** range of support, for **M100** band students, and doesn't limit the chapter to only providing help with textbooks.

Please, send your Donations to the following:

PayPal Account -
[paypal.me/DMVAreaM100ABA](https://www.paypal.me/DMVAreaM100ABA)

or

Cash App Account - \$DMVAreaM100ABA

Thank You for support in advance!!!



Milestones & Key Events

➤ 3rd Quarter (Jul-Sep):

- *M100 ABA DMV Area Chapter Position Descriptions Distribution;*
✓ **31 Aug 20.**
- *Albany State vs. FAMU;*
✓ **06 Sept 20 - Postpone (TBD).**
- *FAMU vs. Jackson State;*
✓ **12 Sep 20 - Postpone (TBD).**
- *DMV Area Chapter Nominations Open;*
✓ **15 Sep 20.**
- *S.C. State vs. FAMU;*
✓ **19 Sep 20 - Postpone (TBD).**
- *DMV Area Chapter Nominations Closed;*
✓ **23 Sep 20.**
- *Norfolk St vs. FAMU;*
✓ **26 Sep 20 - Postpone (TBD).**
- *Deadline for Nominees to Accept or Decline Nominations;*
✓ **30 Sep 20.**
- *DMV Area 3rd Quarter Newsletter Distribution;*
✓ **30 Sep 20.**



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➤ 4th Quarter (Oct-Dec):

- Official Ballots Distributed to DMV Area Chapter Alumni & Associate Band Members;
 - 01 Oct 20.
- FAMU vs. NCCU;
 - 03 Oct 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- Deadline to Request Paper Ballot;
 - 10 Oct 20.
- FAMU vs. NC A&T;
 - 17 Oct 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- Morgan St vs. FAMU;
 - 24 Oct 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- FAMU vs. Delaware St;
 - 31 Oct 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- FAMU vs. UCF;
 - 07 Nov 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- DMV Area Chapter Officer Voting;
 - 01 Oct 20 - 14 Nov 20.
- Deadline to Pay Dues in order to be Eligible to Vote;
 - 12 Nov 20.
- Deadline to receive Mail-In Ballots;
 - 13 Nov 20.
- FAMU vs. Howard;
 - 14 Nov 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- M100 DMV Area Chapter Electronic Ballot Submission Deadline;
 - 14 Nov 20.

➤ 4th Quarter (Oct-Dec) - Continued:

- Election Results shared & Run-Offs (If necessary) Announced;
 - 15 Nov 20.
- FAMU vs. BCC;
 - 21 Nov 20 - **Postpone (TBD)**.
- DMV Area 4th Quarter Newsletter Distribution;
 - 01 Dec 20.
- DMV Area Chapter Transition Meeting;
 - 12 Dec 20.

DMV Area Chapter Officers:

President - Jeramy "Greyhound" Green, Fall '84

VP - Larry "Lemonhead" Rentz, Fall '87

Secretary - Andrea "Madame" Turk, Fall '87

Treasurer - Lyonel "Thundercat" Myrthil, Fall '98

