



4th Quarter DMV Area Chapter Newsletter (Oct-Dec 2020)



DMV Area Chapter Officers (2021-2022)

First, thank you for the opportunity to continue to serve as the Marching 100 (M100) Alumni Band Association (ABA) DMV Area Chapter President for the new calendar year. Our new leadership team will continue to focus on, and 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”

We continue to make updates to our DMV Area Chapter M100 Alumni Band Association (ABA) Website. Keep checking out our chapter updates as we continue to negotiate through this COVID-19 Pandemic:

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

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**

or

Cash App Account - \$DMVAreaM100ABA

Thank You for support in advance!!!

M100 ABA DMV Area Chapter t-shirts are still available, and 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/paypalme/DMVAreaM100ABA), as well as our, DMV Area Chapter Cash App Username, **\$DMVAreaM100ABA**.





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Please specify the number of t-shirts you are purchasing and the size(s). We currently have **L (7 remaining)** and **XL (5 remaining)**. In addition, please provide your updated contact information to our DMV Area Chapter Secretary Andrea 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.

On **03 Oct 20**, the DMV Area Chapter leadership participated in FAMU’s 133rd Virtual Birthday Celebration and continued to support the FAMU Founder’s Day Fundraiser Campaign sponsored by the FAMU National Alumni Association (NAA) Washington DC Chapter.

Chapter ‘Spotlight’



George **“Ralph”** Quillet, *Fall '66*

Our DMV Area Treasurer, George **“Ralph”** Quillet, *Fall '66*, from Fort Pierce, FL played in the Florida All-State High School Band (Southern District). He was one of the first two (2) graduates of Lincoln Park Academy to join & play in FAMU’s Incomparable Marching Band!!!

He enjoyed the guidance of Dr. William Patrick Foster, John H. Daniels, Lenard C. Bowie (**M100**), Gilbert Cleckley & Howard Knight (**Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc**), Charles Hobbs and Samuel Washington (Army ROTC), which led to his success at FAMU and his career.



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His academic endeavors produced a Bachelor of Science degree, from FAMU; a Master of Education degree, from Georgia Southern University; post-graduate work (ABD), from Cleveland State University; a graduation certificate, from the US Army Command and General Staff College; the Charter Life Underwriter (CLU) designation and the Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow (LUTCF) designation, from the American College of Financial Services; and five Information Technology certificates from George Mason University.

He was privileged to have worked in the East Cleveland, Ohio Public School System; to have been an Assistant Professor at Drexel University, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; to have served in various locations worldwide as a Commissioned Officer in the US Army; to have served clients in the insurance industry in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Washington, DC, metropolitan areas; to have professionally prepared income tax returns as a Registered Tax Return Preparer; and to have been a computer technician as a Microsoft Registered Refurbisher.



At Saint Andrew's Church, in Cleveland, Ohio, with Fr. Austin R. Cooper as rector, he served as an usher and a member of the Vestry. At Saint Luke's Church (Germantown), in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with Fr. Charles Poindexter as rector, he sang tenor in the Saint Cecilia's Choir under the direction of Dr. John Dangerfield Cooper as choirmaster and served on the altar as a Lay Eucharistic Minister and Sub-Deacon. He was also a Church School teacher, a member of the Vestry, and the representative to Diocesan Council. For the Diocese of Pennsylvania, he served on the Diocesan Committee on Spirituality. At Saint George's Church, in Washington, DC, with Fr. Vincent P. Harris as rector, he served on the altar as an acolyte and a Lay Eucharistic Minister with Mr. James Aston Ross.

He pursued Holy Orders through the Diocese of Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Washington, and after four years of specialized study at the School of Spiritual Science, was ordained Minister of Spiritual Science by the National Spiritual Science Center of Washington, DC, Inc., and became empowered to officiate weddings and funerals, to comfort the sick in hospitals, to minister to the imprisoned and to impart spiritual guidance wherever requested.

He also served on the National Spiritual Science Center's Board of Directors for over twelve years and taught at the School of Spiritual Science.

He was initiated into the Ancient and Mystical Order of Rosae Crucis (the Rosicrucians). He practiced the Art of Purification through Light with Sukyo Mahikari and embraced Nichiren Buddhism with Soka Gakkai International.

He served as Chaplain for a public **Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.**, memorial service that was held in the historic Rankin Chapel on the campus of Howard University, in Washington, DC.



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In the Masonic Order, He was elevated to the 32nd Degree and was admitted to the Mystic Shrine (Prince Hall Affiliate). Mr. Clayton Pearson (deceased), of Anniston, Alabama, supported his advancement through the houses.

He provided leadership to the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA) as president of the Prince Georges', Maryland local chapter, and as moderator in the Leadership in Life Institute (LILI). For the FAMU National Alumni Association, he served as president of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Chapter, vice president and scholarship chair of the Washington, DC Chapter and business manager of the Northeast Region.

Marching 100 1966 Freshman Class

- **Drum Majors (3):**
 - George Collier (Savannah GA)
 - Willie J. Cooper (Orlando, FL)
 - Adam J. Richardson (Tampa, FL)
- **Trombones (5):**
 - Ronald King (Charleston Heights, SC)
 - Frank "Chicken Hawk" Williams (Sarasota, FL)
 - Paul "New York Bopper" Saunders (Freeport, NY)
 - O'Hara Hannah (Tallahassee, FL)
 - Isaiah "Ike" Hodrick (Milton, FL)
- **Baritones (4):**
 - Samuel McCreary (Pensacola, FL)
 - Charles Walker (Augusta, GA)
 - Murva "Dumb-Dumb" Nicholas (Theodore, AL)
 - Joel "Joe Blow" Stirrup (Miami, FL)
- **Tubas (2):**
 - Harrell Buggs (Jacksonville, FL)
 - Charlie Kennebrew (Jacksonville, FL)

- **French Horn (1):**
 - Rudolph Tyson (Greenville, NC)
- **Clarinets (8):**
 - George "Ralph" Quillet (Fort Peirce, FL)
 - Neal "Roday" Harris (Plant City, FL)
 - Ronald "Sarj" Sarjeant (Jacksonville, FL)
 - Allen Gilbert (Stuart, FL)
 - Emmanuel Boyd (Ocala, FL)
 - Leon Deaderick (Nashville, TN)
 - Ronald "Duckman" Griffin (Cocoa, FL)
 - Spencer Phillips (Birmingham, AL)





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➤ **Trumpets (10):**

- Harry **“Maynard”** Ferguson (Fort Pierce, FL)
- Johnny Elmore (Safety Harbor, FL)
- Johnny Bell (Fort Lauderdale, FL)
- Leonard Stradford (Pritchard, AL)
- Ben Hooks (Plant City, FL)
- Jerome Pemberton (Tallahassee, FL)
- George Den (Fort Lauderdale, FL)
- Benjamin **“Gentle Ben”** Johnson (Key West, FL)
- Larry Cook (Toledo, OH)
- Arvis **“Tex”** Smith (Houston, Texas)

➤ **Percussion (7):**

- Richmond **“Jazzy Freshman”** Myrick (Tampa, FL)
- Warren **“Louie”** Duncan (Jacksonville, FL)
- Patrick Arnold (Chattanooga, TN)
- Charles **“Nicky”** Martin (Jacksonville, FL)
- Jack White (Jacksonville, FL)
- Guy **“Tom-Tom”** Hayes (Largo, FL)
- Leonard **“Belly Roll”** Moore (Plant City, FL)

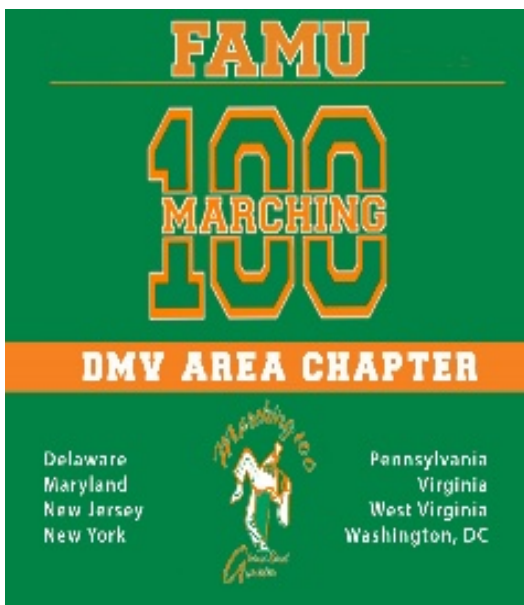
➤ **Saxophones (10):**

- George Edwards (Chattanooga, TN)
- Ronald Nathan (Sanford, FL)
- Alonzo **“Buzzard”** Samuels (Miami, FL)
- Lon McAllister (Houston, TX)
- Melvin Mayweather (Morton, MS)
- Antonio McQuay (Tampa, FL)
- Ronald Hooks (Birmingham, AL)
- Phineas Johnson (Phoenix City, AL)
- Lewis Moore (Jacksonville, FL)
- Edgar Grant (Quincy, FL)

On **11 Nov 20**, the DMV Area Chapter participated in the **“Salute to Veterans”** event that paid tribute to the honorees of the **2020 BG (Ret.) Leroy C. Bell Military Leadership Legacy Award** sponsored by the FAMU NAA Washington DC Chapter.



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DMV Area Chapter Elections

On **15 Nov 20**, the DMV Area Chapter elections culminated for the **2021-2022** calendar years here are the results:

President - Jeramy "**Greyhound**" Green, *Fall '84*

VP - Larry "**Lemonhead**" Rentz, *Fall '87*

Secretary - Andrea "**Madame**" Turk, *Fall '87*

Treasurer - George "**Ralph**" Quillet, *Fall '66*

Parliamentarian - Sharon "**Ms. Buckwheat**" Finney, *Fall '83*

Chaplain - Anthony "**Youngin**" Mingo, *Fall '07*

***NOTE: Anthony did not have a band name, so we took the privilege of assigning him one as the youngest on our chapter Executive Board.**

On behalf of the DMV Area Chapter leadership, we would like to thank everyone, who participated in the election process and we look forward to continuing our work during the upcoming calendar year.

Minding Our Business

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the growing need to find other ways to shop to fulfill household and business needs, in August 2020 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 to include entrepreneurs from all chapters
3. Business Name
4. Business Information Link

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](https://www.georgequillet.com/)
3. **Sharon Finney - L&S Enterprise, LLC** <https://lsenderprise.org>



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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>

Milestones & Key Events

➤ 4th Quarter (Oct-Dec):

- Official Ballots Distributed to DMV Area Chapter Alumni & Associate Band Members;
 - 01 Oct 20
- FAMU vs. NCCU;
 - 03 Oct 20 - **CANCELLED**
- Deadline to Request Paper Ballot;
 - 10 Oct 20
- FAMU vs. NC A&T;
 - 17 Oct 20 - **CANCELLED**
- Morgan St vs. FAMU;
 - 24 Oct 20 - **CANCELLED**
- FAMU vs. Delaware St;
 - 31 Oct 20 - **CANCELLED**
- FAMU vs. UCF;
 - 07 Nov 20 - **CANCELLED**
- DMV Area Chapter Officer Voting;
 - 07 Nov 20 - 01 Dec 20.
- Deadline to Pay Dues in order to be Eligible to Vote;
 - 12 Nov 20

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- Deadline to receive Mail-In Ballots;
 - 13 Nov 20
- FAMU vs. Howard;
 - 14 Nov 20 - **CANCELLED**
- M100 DMV Area Chapter Electronic Ballot Submission Deadline;
 - 14 Nov 20
- Election Results shared & Run-Offs (If necessary) Announced;
 - 15 Nov 20
- FAMU vs. BCC;
 - 21 Nov 20 - **CANCELLED**
- DMV Area Chapter Transition Meeting;
 - 12 Dec 20
- DMV Area 4th Quarter Newsletter Distribution;
 - 14 Dec 20



2021-2022 Calendar Year Officers from left to right:
 Jeramy Green, President; Andrea Turk, Secretary; George Quillet, Treasurer; Anthony Mingo, Chaplain; Larry Rentz, Vice President; Sharon Finney, Parliamentarian (virtual on tablet)