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Albany State University
NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

FOUNDER'S DAY LUNCHEON

April 6, 2018 | 12.30 p.m. | ASU East Campus | Student Center Ballrooms



ASC Class of 1968

May 4

Around-the-Clock Hospitality Room—Albany Hilton Garden Inn

2:00 p.m. Reception – L. Orene Hall Building

6:00 p.m. 50th Class Reunion Dinner/Dance
Stonebridge Country Club, Albany, GA

May 5

9:00 a.m. Commencement – James H. Gray Civic Center

1:00 p.m. Class Luncheon & Meeting – L. Orene Hall Building

7:00 p.m. Chat & Chew – The Bridge House

May 6

10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Mount Zion Baptist Church, Albany, GA



April 2, 2018

Dear Alumni and Supporters:

It is indeed an honor to recognize our historical institution, Albany State University's one hundred fifteenth Founder's Day Celebration. This year's theme: "United for One ASU: Then. Now. Forever." is undeniably rich in the fulfillment of its promise and mission since its inception in 1903 by its founder, Dr. Joseph W. Holley.

The Albany State University National Alumni Association sincerely appreciates this very fine, forward-thinking institution. Our organization is proud of the remarkable life force that Albany State University has become for the Southwest Georgia community—serving as a beacon of hope and inspiration, now evolving as an international catalyst on the global stage. Albany State University's founder's extraordinary vision and foresight one hundred fifteen years ago remains totally entrenched in FOREVER—moving this highly esteemed university to soaring heights in social justice and commanding economic parity for all.

Albany State University encompasses a historical past anchored in duty, honor, empowerment and inclusion. It is a heritage so steeped in uncompromising commitment to intellectual, outstanding service and unparalleled leadership—marching this fine institution ever forward— "Then. Now. and Forever."

We, the Alumni, do indeed have a past to cherish, a present to honor, and a future to uphold.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "William Johnson".

William Johnson
President



April 6, 2018

Greetings Alumni and Supporters,

Today we observe the 115th anniversary of the founding of Albany State University, and I am honored to celebrate with each of you today. Founder's Day is a time to look back on a treasured past and look onward to an impactful future.

This year's theme is "United for One ASU: Then, Now and Forever." When Dr. Joseph Winthrop Holley established the Albany Bible and Manual Training Institute in 1903, he created a path for educational excellence that did not exist for all students. Dr. Holley's legacy, as a visionary and advocate for higher education continues to inspire us. Many of you joining us today are the beneficiaries of Dr. Holley's endeavors. Whether your collegiate journey includes the halls of the Albany Bible and Manual Training Institute, the classrooms of Albany State College and others present were connected as students and supporters of Albany State University – no matter the time or path, alumni are the critical blocks in the foundation of this university.

Albany State University remains firmly planted as a place where critical thinking and scholarship are nurtured and diversity in all aspects is continually celebrated. Founder's Day is an opportunity for us to celebrate the best of who we are, and recognize that those traits continue to be passed on from one ASU generation to the next.

A strong alumni base is key for any university to grow and strive. Thank you for your continued support by giving of your time and your treasures. I'm encouraged by what I have seen so far – amazing students, hard-working faculty and staff and invested alums like you.

Thank you for joining us for this momentous occasion.

Best regards,

Marion Fedrick
Interim President



About the Speaker

Mr. Dale L. Bell

Mr. Bell was born and reared in Tampa, Florida. He accepted a football scholarship at Albany State College (University) in 1964. In addition to playing football, he participated in several campus life activities, which included the college student newspaper (editor) and senior class president of 1968.

While at Albany State College, Bell was recruited by International Business Machine Corporation (IBM) prior to graduation. He began his thirty-two-year career with IBM at the Kennedy Space Center (KSC). As a member of IBM's non-technical support team, Bell participated in the activities of the United States Space program and the efforts which led to the U.S. moon landing in July 1969.

After a year at KSC, Mr. Bell entered the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. He returned to KSC in 1971 and continued his employment as an IBM financial analyst. In 1974, he transferred to New York, where he advanced to the level of middle management. After eighteen years in management, he accepted a position as a business consultant, representing IBM at other Fortune 500 Companies.

While living in New Rochelle, New York, Mr. Bell attended Grace Baptist Church in Mount Vernon, New York, where he was active in the Deacon Ministry. Currently, he is a member of Macedonia Baptist Church in Melbourne, Florida.

Bell is an advocate for prostate cancer education and is a nineteen-year survivor. Also, he is certified by the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Bell's travels have taken him throughout Europe, Asia, Africa, and the South Pacific and numerous domestic cities.

He is married to the former Henrimae Henderson of Cordele, Georgia, and they currently reside in Indialantic, Florida, and Cordele, Georgia.

Founder's Day Luncheon Programme

Mrs. Hildry Thomas Branch, Presiding
1st Vice Chairperson, ASC Class of 1968 Reunion
United for One ASU: Then. Now. Forever.

Music.....ASU Faculty Jazz Band

Welcome.....Mrs. Roe Helen LaSane Gaiter
ASC Class of 1968

Greetings.....Mr. William Johnson, President
ASU National Alumni Association

Mrs. Marion Fedrick, Interim President
Albany State University

Invocation/Grace.....Mrs. Doris White Milledge
ASC Class of 1968

~Lunch~

Introduction of Speaker.....Dr. Joanne Davis Taylor
ASC Class of 1968

Selection.....Mrs. Carolyn Kelley Wilson
ASC Class of 1968

Reflections.....Mr. Dale L. Bell
2nd Vice Chairperson, ASC Class of 1968 Reunion

Remarks / Announcements.....Dr. John Culbreath
Chairperson, ASC Class of 1968 Reunion

Benediction.....Mrs. Milledge
ASC Class of 1968

Alma Mater.....Audience

Alma Mater

by Gladys Ward McCullough Sapp, '46

Albany State, we dearly love you
Whose walls are inscribed with knowledge so true.
So solidly built on this foundation,
A union of work and inspiration.
Teacher for those who strive for success;
To thee we give praises above all the rest.

Thy jubilant colors of blue and gold
We'll ever honor, ever behold;
Thy name is an anchor upon life's sea.
And sailing, we put our trust in thee.
In thee, dear school, we see all the best;
To thee we give praises above all the rest.

Albany State University National Alumni Association

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June 21-23, 2018

Atlanta Evergreen Marriott Conference Resort
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Registration Fee: \$175 + \$3 a day for parking (deadline May 30, 2018)
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Deadline for room reservation: May 30, 2018
Double—\$149 per day Suite—\$200 per day

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