# THE MARCHING 100 MONITOR

The monthly newsletter for the Marching 100 Alumni Band Association. Inc.



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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Family! Another successful, fun-filled Homecoming is in the books. A big thank you goes out to all who participated, donated, and volunteered. Your contributions and assistance helped to make Homecoming 2023 a success.

Florida Classic weekend is coming soon. Please be sure to check out the Florida Classic section of this newsletter for more information about the weekend's events.

Congratulations to the FAMU Football team for clinching the SWAC East Division title! More information about the upcoming SWAC Championship Game will be forthcoming.

As always, let's continue to support our Association and the FAMU Bands.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Evans, National President Marching 100 Alumni Band Association, Inc.

# HOMECOMING 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

Homecoming 2023 was a fun, successful one! We hope that all who attended had a wonderful time on the highest of seven hills in Tallahassee!

A big thanks goes out to the Homecoming Committee members:

Lori Wilson - Chair Kimberly Evans Earl Kimbrough Linda Bates Peterson Sandra LaMarr William Gilmore Nina Reyes-Williams Camye White Shalonda Graham Judy Johnson Kendall Sirmons Anthony Mingo Sandra Atkins Jacquelyn Crutchfield Cheri Lee Carl Bryant Michael Reynolds Emmanuel Brown Meschelle Long Lynn Hatter Jeremy Green

> Larry Rentz Ray Nelson









### 2023 FLORIDA CLASSIC UPDATES

Florida Classic Game Saturday, November 18, 2023 3:30 PM

#### \*Weather\*

The weather prediction for the daytime is cloudy skies with a high of 79 F and evening low of 60 F.

#### \*Tickets\*

We are <u>sold out</u> of Florida Classic tickets. If you bought tickets from the Association, please check your email (including spam) for your tickets. <u>Please accept your tickets as soon as possible and save your tickets on your phone through either Apple Wallet or Google Wallet.</u> Service will be unstable near the stadium. If you did not receive them, please contact Cicely Whigham at abaexecutiveyp@marching100alumni.com.

#### \*Camping World Stadium Reminders\*

The clear bag policy will be in effect and magnetometers will be used for security. On game day, all stadium parking lots are manned and reserved for permit parking, recreational vehicles, chartered buses, and disabled parking. Parking lots open at 8 a.m. on game day. Fans are encouraged to use the City of Orlando's downtown shuttle service on game day if they do not have a parking permit.

Access the A to Z guide at <a href="https://floridaclassic.org/a-z-guide/">https://floridaclassic.org/a-z-guide/</a> for further information on everything related to the stadium and game day.

#### \*M100ABA Tailgate\*

Date: Sat. November 18, 2023 Time: 11AM to 2:00 PM

The location will be in the RV Lot #3, at the corner of Rio Grande Ave and W. South St. Look for the signs directing you to the tailgate. The tailgate will be free to Marching 100 Alumni only. The price will be \$5.00 for guests age 4 and up and \$3.00 for guests ages 3 and under. The food and refreshments will be available on a first come, first served basis.

\*The tailgate committee is in need of drinks and ice\*. If you would like to donate drinks or ice, please email Kimberly Evans at abapresident@marching100alumni.com or Cicely Whigham at abaexecutivevp@marching100alumni.com.

#### \*Merchandise\*

There will be a pop up store at the tailgate with Marching 100 Alumni merchandise. Only credit card payments will be accepted.

# 2024 WINTER MEETING & JAZZ CONCERT

Mark your calendars! The 2024 Winter Meeting & Jazz Concert will be held on March 8-10, 2024, in Jacksonville, FL. Please visit <a href="www.marching100alumni.com/Winter-Meeting">www.marching100alumni.com/Winter-Meeting</a> for more information and ticket purchases.



#### 2023 UPCOMING EVENTS

November 16th: M100ABA Executive Board Meeting

November 18th: M100ABA Florida Classic Tailgate

November 18th: Florida Classic game(FAMU vs. B-CU)

December 2nd: SWAC Championship
Game (Bragg Stadium)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM THE M100ABA!

We would like to wish a special Happy Birthday to all of our Marching 100 Alumni who are born in the month of November. May you all be blessed with many, many more.



# MEMBERSHIP & FUNDRAISING NEWS



10 on the 10th is a way for you to give back without causing a lot of strain on your wallets. Each month on the 10th day, we are asking that you go to <a href="https://www.marching100alumni.com/10-on-the-10th-Fundraiser">https://www.marching100alumni.com/10-on-the-10th-Fundraiser</a> and donate \$10 to the Association. The funds will go towards support of the FAMU Bands and its students.

Corporate Matching Dollars

Many of you work for employers who support 501(c)(3) organizations and offer corporate matching gift programs. These corporations are enthusiastic about contributing to their community.

This support offers optimal and impactful benefits to organizations such as the Marching 100 Alumni Band Association, Inc.

In our effort to support the FAMU band programs, we are asking you to contact your respective Human Resources department to inquire if there is a matching gift program, and if so, request the funding requirements. This act is a viable way to donate at no additional cost to you.

Membership dues for the 2023-2024 fiscal year are as follows:

Regular Dues: \$100

Subscribing Life Dues: \$325 (annually for four years)

Life Membership Dues: \$1,000 (one-time payment)

Your membership dues assist in providing scholarships, book vouchers, and in-kind gifts to the FAMU Bands. Please go to www.marching100alumni.com/membership and join/renew your membership today.

For more information about M100ABA Membership, please contact our membership chair, Nina Reyes-Williams at (678) 572-7404.

