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## PVAMU NAA 2012 Moving Forward



Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends:

I pray that you had a very Merry Christmas and are enjoying a Happy New Year. As President of your National Alumni Association (NAA) I would like to thank all those alumni who have become financial, Annual or Life Membership. The new members will add to the current base of Annual and Life Members to help ensure that NAA continues to meet its mission of perpetuating our University by giving back of our time, talents, and treasures to future alumni. The New Year brings new opportunities for each of us to become more involved with the support of our Alma Mater. If you are not involved in a student Mentorship program on

any level, please get involved. Future and current Prairie View students need your support and time.

In December, I attended the first NAA chapters' sponsorship of a "Conversation with the Prairie View A&M Foundation (PVAMF)". The meeting was sponsored by the Houston, Johnson Space Center and PV Nurses Chapters. The Foundation's President, Roy Perry and several trustees provided information regarding the Stadium project.

The NAA and PVAMF leadership has met with the University officials to discuss the loss of several degrees and how to prevent any additional loss of programs. I am concerned about all degree plans being offered by our Alma Mater. Our plan going forward is to assure University Day at the 2012 Convention will provide attendees with status of all of our programs. Our increased NAA Membership will also increase our support of Scholarships. One of my

goals for the NAA is to be able to offer full scholarships, if necessary for those programs which may be at risk. We have too many "Traditionally Bypassed" individuals that have the capability to perform but lack the financial support walking the streets to be losing programs due to low graduation rate. This month we are hosting another Membership event in the Houston area, Foundation Room at the House of Blues with the TSU NAA. We are building strong relationships with other State supported HBCU's. In addition, I will be in visiting the Atlanta Metro Chapter. The Fort Worth Chapter team is working hard to have the Convention package finalized by the February Board meeting. Once again welcome to 2012.

Lynn Morris  
President  
PVAMU NAA

## PVAMU Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

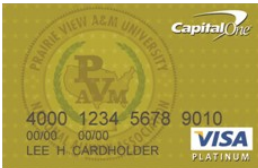
The PVAMU Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will take place Saturday, February 4, 2012 at Prairie View in the Willie A. Tempton, Sr. Memorial Student Center Ballroom at 12:30pm. There will be ten honorees, inducted into the Hall of Fame. Ban-

quet tickets are \$75 per individual. Commemorative Souvenir Booklet AD Rates: Full Page black & white \$200; Half Page black & white \$100; One Quarter Page black & white \$50: Patron/Business Card AD (actual business card) \$20. For

more details contact Ms. Laura J. Collins, Chairman Executive Committee, [collins-laura@att.net](mailto:collins-laura@att.net)). Proceeds from the event provide financial support for PVAMU student athletes.

**NAA Business Partners****PVAMU Athletics**

**Life Members**  
20% Discount  
Basketball Season Tickets

**Capital One**

The Prairie View A&M University National Alumni Association Capital One Credit Card is the perfect way for Prairie View Alumni, family members, and friends to give back when making purchases. Capital One will give \$50 to PVAMU NAA with your first purchase. Get your Official NAA Capital One Card today!  
Apply on-line:  
[www.CardLabconnect.com/pvamunaa](http://www.CardLabconnect.com/pvamunaa)

**My Plates**

The PVAMU Official Texas Plates are available for Prairie View Alumni to purchase now. The proceeds from all sales benefit Prairie View students scholarship fund. To order go to:  
[www.myplates.com](http://www.myplates.com)

**PVAMU NAA & TSU NAA Houston House of Blues Event**

Prairie View A&M University and Texas Southern National Alumni Associations will be partnering with the Foundation Room at the House of Blues, January 14, 2012, 6pm – 9pm for Happy Hour which includes complimentary appetizers and drink specials; first 150 guests to arrive will receive one ticket to the Bun B concert in the Music Hall immediately following the Happy Hour.

Foundation Room will offer special incentives to alumni that sign up for membership during the happy hour; dress code enforced. For a limited time, *Prairie*

*View and Texas Southern* alumni will have the opportunity to purchase a Young Professional Membership to the exclusive, member-only Foundation Room at House of Blues Houston at a special price. The membership includes one touch personal concierge service, advance concert notification for House of Blues tickets, quarterly premium hosted bar member appreciation events, monthly gourmet dinners and themed parties, complimentary access to live entertainment in the Foundation Room, weekly email updates on upcoming concerts and member

events, 20% discount at House of Blues Company Store, 10% discount on Food and Beverage in the Foundation Room and in House of Blues, 5% discount on special event Food and Beverage minimums (parties of 20 or more), access to VIP tables at House of Blues concerts, and discounted valet parking. Group memberships also available; to purchase your young professional foundation room membership please contact Krystan Lachance at 832.667.7794 or email [krystanlachance@livenation.com](mailto:krystanlachance@livenation.com)

**Fort Worth Chapter Hosts Convention July 25-28, 2012**

Ft. Worth Chapter Golf Tournament 2011

The PVAMU NAA Fort Worth Chapter will host the 38th National Alumni Association Convention, July 25-28, 2012. Mrs. Betty Senegal, Convention Chair has been working diligently to help plan a memorable week of productivity and camaraderie for alums to enjoy. The activity schedule will be pre-

sented for final approval during the February 2012 Board of Directors Meeting. The Fort Worth Chapter will showcase the best their city has to offer, the host hotel, Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa is located downtown at 1701 Commerce, Fort Worth, Texas 76102.

Room Rates: \$109 per/night (rate does not include parking). Reserve your hotel accommodations early, rooms are limited use promotion code: **PVG118A** :  
<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/>

[StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1111152758&key=345DC](http://StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1111152758&key=345DC) or call the hotel direct: 817.335.7000 ask for the **Prairie View National Alumni Association Convention** rate. Convention Registration is \$300, payment options include check, credit card and paypal. Payment installments will also be available. Registration includes: Opening Reception; Panther and President's Luncheons, Awards Dinner and Dance. For the most current information about the 2012 Convention keynote speakers, activity schedule, and registration visit the website: [www.pvualumni.org](http://www.pvualumni.org).

## National Alumni Association Chapter News

### Atlanta Weekend Pass Hosting Our Presidents January 2012



The PVAMU NAA Atlanta Metro Alumni Chapter will begin the new year with several activities, appealing to a variety of participants. On January 26, 2012 the Chapter will participate in the Spring College Fair at Southwest Dekalb High School. The Chapter will also begin accepting applications for its Fall 2012 Book Scholarships from incoming Freshmen to graduating Seniors. In addition, the "Atlanta Weekend Pass"

will include activities welcoming University President Dr. George C. Wright and NAA President Lynn Morris to Atlanta, January 27 -29, 2012. Activities will begin Friday, January 27th, the Presidents will be the Atlanta Chapter's special invited guests to the 8th Annual HBCU Alumni Gala at the Fox Theatre. The Gala is a combined effort of all the historically black colleges and univer-

sities alumni chapters in the Atlanta area. The evening includes dinner and dancing. Saturday, January 28, 2012 the 10th Annual Honda Battle of the Bands will take place in the Georgia Dome. The Chapter will be present to show our love and support for the Marching Storm.

The weekend will conclude Sunday, January 29th, with Sunday Brunch in honor of the Presidents, they will address all guest of the most effective ways to enhance our University and become more effective as Alumni. For more information about the Atlanta Metro Chapter, "Friend" us on Facebook at "PVAMU ATLANTA", or visit our website, [www.pvamuatl.org](http://www.pvamuatl.org) or email: [pvmuatl1@yahoo.com](mailto:pvmuatl1@yahoo.com).

### Los Angeles Chapter 2011 Holiday Meeting and Social



The Los Angeles Chapter of the PVAMUNAA

hosted their 2011 Holiday Meeting and Christmas Social on Saturday, December 3, 2011. The event took place at a local cafe that supports the alumni, Tisket A Tasket Catering & Cafe. President Herb Sims started the morning with the regular alumni meeting from 9:00-10:00am, im-

mediately after the fun began. The Christmas Party included fantastic food, fun and gift exchange, which was a lot of fun for everyone. We really had a great time together. For more information about the Los Angeles Chapter visit website: [pvualumni.org/Chapters](http://pvualumni.org/Chapters).

Save The Date  
January 25-28, 2012  
38th National Convention  
Register on-line:  
[www.pvualumni.org](http://www.pvualumni.org)

**Fort Worth Chapter  
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**Sheraton Hotel & Spa**  
1701 Commerce St.  
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Room Rates:  
\$109 per/night  
\* Parking not included  
Room Reservations:  
817-335-7000  
Promo Code: **PVG18A**

**Registration will  
begin soon!**

\$300 Member Regular

\$350 Non-Member  
&

Late Registration  
Pay on-line:

[www.pvualumni.org](http://www.pvualumni.org)

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