

# THE MARCHING 100 MONITOR

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

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Marching 100 Family & Happy Easter! Our 2023-2024 membership drive is off to a great start. Thanks to all who have joined/renewed their M100ABA membership. By becoming an active member, you will be making a lasting financial contribution to the Association as well as showing your support and dedication to the FAMU Bands.

Plans are underway for the 2023 Orange Blossom Classic Weekend. The M100ABA has game tickets available for purchase (next to the Marching 100 band section). Please refer to the Orange Blossom Classic section of our newsletter for more information.

Thank you for your continuous support of the M100ABA and the FAMU Bands!

Sincerely,

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

# MARCHING 100 SHINES AT THE ANNUAL FAMU SPRING PREVIEW

The Marching 100 performed in front of more than 3,000 future Rattlers and parents at the annual FAMU Spring Preview. Prospective band students also had the opportunity to meet with members of the FAMU Band Staff and the Marching 100 to learn more about the history of the band, admission requirements, the Marching 100 Summer Band Camp, and band scholarship opportunities.



## 2023 ORANGE BLOSSOM CLASSIC UPDATE

Tickets for the 2023 Orange Blossom Classic Game are now available. The seats are located in section 149 (next to the band). Please visit <https://www.marching100alumni.com/event-5228008> and purchase your tickets today!

The host hotel for the Orange Blossom Classic is the Hampton Inn Hallandale Beach Aventura. The address is: 1000 S Federal Hwy, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009

Phone: (954) 874-1111

The room rate is \$179/night and includes a complimentary breakfast buffet, complimentary self-parking, and complimentary high-speed internet access.



## 2ND ANNUAL FAMU WINDBAND FESTIVAL

The 2nd Annual FAMU WindBand Festival will be held on April 14th -15th on the campus of Florida A&M University. Each participating high school concert/symphonic band will have the opportunity to present a 30 to 40 minute performance, a rehearsal clinic with an invited clinician, and much more. The public is welcome to attend.

**FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY**  
**WINDBAND FESTIVAL**  
April 14-15, 2023  
Lee Hall Auditorium, Tallahassee, FL

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CONN-SELMER & VISIT TALLAHASSEE

**REGISTERED BANDS**

 Prof. Richard Clary Regional Wind Band Conductor, Florida State University	 Dr. Julian E. White Retired Director, Florida A&M University	 Dr. Rebecca Phillips Director of Bands, Colorado State University	 Dr. John Southall Director of Bands, Indian River State College	 Dr. Kevin Sedatole Director of Bands, Michigan State University
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Lincoln High School, Tallahassee, FL  
James S. Rickards High School, Tallahassee, FL  
Miramar High School, Miramar, FL  
Druid Hills High School, Atlanta, GA  
Highlands Middle School, Jacksonville, FL  
Gaither High School, Tampa, FL  
Leon High School, Tallahassee, FL  
Midtown High School, Atlanta, GA

FAMU DRS, Tallahassee, FL  
Faith's Place, West Palm Beach, FL  
Heritage High School, Palm Bay, FL  
River Springs Middle School, Crawfordville, FL  
Hoke County High School, Raeford, NC  
Minor High School, Adamsville, AL  
A. Crawford Mosley High School, Lynn Haven, FL  
Miami Northwestern High School, Miami, FL

Festival Host: Dr. Shelby Chipman  
For Additional Information Please Contact Festival Coordinator  
Mr. Darryl Baker @ darryl.baker@famuedu

## FAMILY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

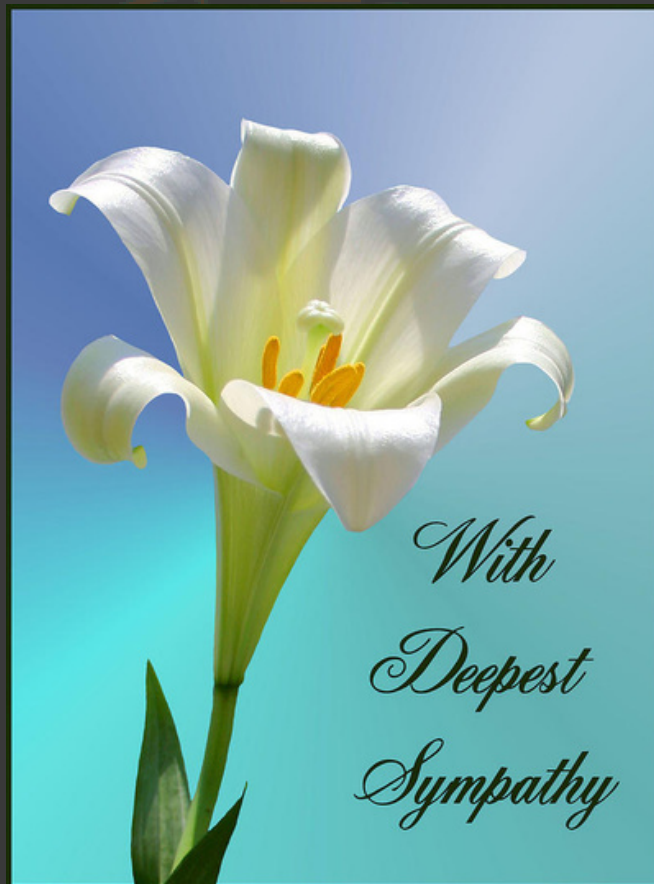
Our heartfelt condolences go out to the families of our fallen Marching 100 brothers:

Willie J. Williams (Fall '61, Trombone), longtime Florida music educator

Dr. Danny B. Davis (Fall '61, Saxophone), former director of bands at Alabama State University & Central State University

Kofi P. Hemmingway (Fall '88, Trombone), former Voice of Bragg, student athlete, media personality, and minister

Please keep our 1st M100ABA President & Founder, Victor R. Gaines, in your thoughts and prayers as he mourns the loss of his mother-in-law.



## M100ABA MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

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

Early Bird Dues: \$75 (until June 30th)

Regular Dues: \$100 (beginning July 1st)

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](http://www.marching100alumni.com/membership) and join/renew your membership today. The first 100 people to join/renew their membership will receive a free M100ABA computer/laptop bag!

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

## 2023 UPCOMING EVENTS

April 10th: Last Day for Summer Band Camp Scholarship Applications

April 10th: 10 on the 10th Monthly Fundraiser

April 14th-15th: 2nd Annual FAMU WindBand Festival

April 20th: M100ABA Executive Board Meeting

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM THE M100ABA!

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



**STEP BY STEP**  
How to Renew your M100ABA Membership

- 01 Sign into the webpage.
- 02 Click on your name on the top of the webpage.
- 03 At the end of the Membership Level line, click on "Change".
- 04 Pick the level you would like to change to and complete your transaction.

[www.marching100alumni.com](http://www.marching100alumni.com)

## M100ABA FUNDRAISING NEWS



### 10 on the 10th Monthly Fundraiser

Ten on the 10th is a way for you to give without causing a lot of strain on your wallets. We are asking you to go to <https://www.marching100alumni.com/10-on-the-10th-Fundraiser> and subscribe to donate \$10 monthly to the Association. The funds will support 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.

## MARCHING 100 SUMMER BAND CAMP INFORMATION



Registration is open for the best Summer Band Camp in the country!

The Marching "100" Summer Band Camp is a very comprehensive band camp. It offers middle and high school students the opportunity to improve their music proficiency and marching concepts, play in small chamber groups and jazz ensembles, and perform in a concert band. For more information about the 2023 summer band camp, please go to [www.cvent.me/oB9BED](https://www.cvent.me/oB9BED). Please spread the word to all interested students and parents.

The M100ABA is still accepting applications for summer band camp scholarships. Deadline for all scholarship application submissions is Monday, April 10, 2023.