

**Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University Alumni Association, Incorporated**

January 15, 2018

TO: Chapter Presidents, National Alumni Board Members and Alumni

FROM: AAMU National Alumni Awards Committee

SUBJECT: **2018 AAMU Alumni Awards Nominations**

It is the duty of the Awards Committee of the AAMU Alumni Association, Incorporated, to solicit nominations for the Association's annual awards. Your input is being solicited for the awards process. Please review the attached Awards Information and the 2018 Official Awards Nomination Form. Nominations may be submitted by chapters and/or individuals in good financial standing with the national alumni association.

All nominations must be e-mailed to [aamualumniawards@gmail.com](mailto:aamualumniawards@gmail.com) by 12:00 midnight Saturday, March 3, 2018 to be eligible for consideration. Also, please adhere to the following instructions when submitting nomination packages:

- All nominations/information must be submitted as a Microsoft Word or Adobe .pdf document, one page, outlining the nominee or chapter accomplishments that have enhanced the programs of the University/Alumni Association and the students.
- Resumes', CV's, articles, etc, will not be included in the voting package.
- Please do not send chapter activity pictures.
- Include a digital photo of the nominee .jpg or a comparable format.
- Awards are for activities completed **January 1, 2017 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017** by nominees and chapters. Please only include those activities that cover this time period.

If there are questions, contact the Awards Committee at [aamualumniawards@gmail.com](mailto:aamualumniawards@gmail.com) or at (202) 439-6131. It is the committee's intent to reach alumni electronically via email through the Council of President's, National Alumni Association, Inc. website at [www.aamualumni.org](http://www.aamualumni.org), AAMU University website at [www.aamu.edu](http://www.aamu.edu) or hard copy (only upon request). The Awards Committee's goal is 100% participation from the Association's chapters and members.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Respectfully submitted,

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Leticia Drakeford  
Annie White  
Richetta A. Wilkerson

## AWARDS INFORMATION

*It shall be the duty of this committee to develop criteria for evaluating nominees in each category at the Annual Meeting upon the advice and consent of the Board of Directors. The committee shall notify recipients of the awards and give the date and time of the presentations. The following awards shall be presented by this committee:*

**THE ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR AWARD** is presented to an alumnus who has made significant achievements in his/her profession, community, and church, and has continuously given support to the Alumni Association and to Alabama A&M University. The recipient of this award shall be given a plaque, complimentary hotel accommodations, registration, and complimentary tickets to all affairs for the recipient and a guest during the Founder's Celebration.

**THE ELOISE STERRS AWARD** is a service award for an alumnus who is best able to bridge the gap between alumni and the student body at Alabama A&M University.

**THE PRICE, HOUSE, GIBBS CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** is presented to a chapter for significant achievement while fulfilling the objectives of the Association during the year. The Chapter Report for the last fiscal year should accompany this nomination, along with a listing of the activities/accomplishments of the Chapter since the report was compiled.

**THE ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY AWARD OF MERIT** is presented to a non-alumnus for significant service to the University. Nominations may be made by chapters, the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, and the University President.

**THE THOMAS M. ELMORE AWARD** is presented to the region and regional vice president whose region makes the most significant progress while fulfilling the objectives of the Association during the year. Nominations shall be made by the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee after discussion of the yearly reports of local chapters/regions.

**THE ARTHUR PILLAR AWARD** is presented to an alumnus within the region who has single-handedly done the most in improving that region while fulfilling the objectives of the Association. Nominations may be made by any chapter within the region or by the Board of Directors.

**THE MAMIE LABON FOSTER AWARD** is presented to a nominee who is best able to create a harmonious relationship among the University family (students, staff, and faculty) at Alabama A&M University. Recipients should **NOT** be members of the Foster family or staff members at the University.

**THE WILLIAM HOOPER COUNCIL SERVICE AWARD** is presented to an individual who has contributed the most to the successful operation of the Chapter during the last year. The actions of the recipient should be noteworthy in that he or she went beyond the call of duty in support of the local chapter, the National Association and Alabama A&M University. **Only financially active members can be nominated for this award by an active Chapter.**

**THE ALEASE S. SIMS LEADERSHIP AWARD** is a service award presented to any AAMU Alumni Association, Inc., national or local chapter officer or committee chair who is doing an outstanding job of providing leadership that contributes to the growth/progress of the Association, chapter and/or the University. The contributions should far exceed those of other officers and leaders. The person should not be anyone who receives compensation related to service to the Association or the University. This award may also be given to a student leader at AAMU who truly exemplifies the motto, "Service is Sovereignty." The award carries with it a plaque/certificate and a check for two hundred dollars (\$200.00). [Note: The Association is asked to contribute a minimum of two hundred dollars annually to this award. Members/friends are also encouraged to contribute.] Nominations for the award should be submitted annually to the Alumni Association Awards Committee.

**THE GEORGIA S. VALRIE STUDENT SERVICE AWARD** is a service award presented to a student who works untiringly in the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs to assist the office staff in accomplishing their many efforts to provide quality service to AAMU, the Association, chapters and individual members. **The Director of Development and Alumni Affairs, assisted by the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs staff**, will select the recipient of this award and submit the name to the Board for recognition at the Annual Awards Luncheon. The Board has the right to approve recognition of a maximum of two students per year. The award carries with it a plaque/certificate and a check for one hundred dollars (\$100.00). [Note: The Association is asked to contribute a minimum of one hundred dollars annually to this award. Members/friends are also encouraged to contribute.]

**OFFICIAL AWARDS NOMINATION FORM**  
All entries must be e-postmarked by 12:00 midnight March 3, 2018

**AWARDS CATEGORIES: Check One**

- ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR**  
 **ELOISE STERRS AWARD**  
 **PRICE, HOUSE, GIBBS CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**  
 **ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY AWARD OF MERIT**  
 **THOMAS M. ELMORE AWARD**  
 **ARTHUR PILLAR AWARD**  
 **MAMIE LABON FOSTER AWARD**  
 **WILLIAM HOOPER COUNCILL SERVICE AWARD**  
 **ALEASE S. SIMS LEADERSHIP AWARD**  
 **GEORGIA S. VALRIE STUDENT SERVICE AWARD**

(NOTE: Please answer each question completely. Attach justification to Nomination Form; Resumes **will not** be accepted in lieu of completing this form).

**I. Nominating Body (Check one) SELF \_\_\_ CHAPTER \_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_**

- A. Name of Person/Chapter Submitting Nomination \_\_\_\_\_  
B. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
C. City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
D. Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Nominee Information**

- A. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
B. Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
C. City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
D. Phone Number: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Email address \_\_\_\_\_  
F. Profession \_\_\_\_\_  
G. Company/Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
H. Year of Graduation or Departure from AAMU \_\_\_\_\_  
I. Degree(s) Earned & Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Biographical Sketch of Nominee (You may use one additional sheet.)**

- Not to exceed two pages.