

The mission and purpose of the African American Cultural Society, Inc. is to preserve and perpetuate the cultural heritage of African Americans through educational, artistic, intellectual and social activities and services deemed to be in the interests of the entire community.

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Until June 2021**

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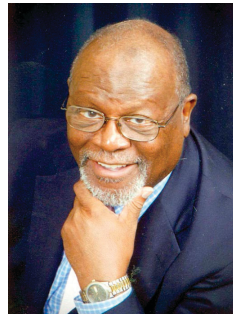
**Membership Enrollment
for July 2020 - June 2021**

**In progress -
Send a check today!**

From President Joe Matthews...

Hello AACS family!

The last few weeks have produced milestones at AACS in response to challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic. The major one is a new way to conduct our mission programs and meetings.



I am happy to say that we have had two events that were successful, based on membership feedback. The first was the video recorded Juneteenth Celebration, which aired on both our social media platform and our website on June 20th. We had planned to air it on Friday, June 19th

but ran into Murphy's law, which unfortunately says that anything that can go wrong, will go wrong.

Despite the delay, the Juneteenth Celebration was a successful event, with members proudly sending the video link for viewing to family and friends, near and far. Thank you AACS members! Also, my heartfelt thanks to the Cultural Committee, chaired by new member, **Salima NDulu, Meshella Woods**, Curator, Project Manager and Technician, and contributors **Imani Kinshasa, Bill and Eileen Hopson, Barbara Solomon, Ralph Lightfoot**, and others. Also, thanks to Board Chair **Edmund Pinto** for his Juneteenth remarks.

The second success was the airing of our June General Membership Meeting, on Saturday June 27th. I thought that it was a good idea and time to update our membership on what is happening at AACS during this COVID-19 pandemic. I know that many are suffering with cabin fever.

My feeling is that we will be in this situation for a while. As a result, we will be conducting many more

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AACS Salutes Vanessa Lynn James-Foxe

Vanessa James-Foxe has been chairperson of our Ways and Means Committee for many years, providing leadership for consistently successful events. Vanessa now is retiring as the committee's chair but is continuing as a committed committee member.



Before moving to Palm Coast, Vanessa was a life-long resident of Yonkers, NY. She was baptized, confirmed and communicant of Mt. Carmel RC Church and a graduate of Groton High School.

For nineteen years, Vanessa was employed part time as Supervisor for Yonkers Park and Recreation Conservation, providing structured recreational opportunities to inner city youth. She was the first Black female member of Local #3 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and obtained the status of Electrical Journeyman. She worked twenty-two years maintaining streetlights, traffic lights, and associated control devices in NYC.

In early 2009, Vanessa retired from I.B.E.W. with twenty-nine years in good standing and moved to Florida. Her hobbies now include bowling, crafting, and sewing. Also, she has been Recording Secretary of I.B.E.W. Central Florida Retirees. She and husband Jay Foxe, a retired correction officer, have been AACS Family Household members for many years.

Vanessa is proud of her son William Jacobs, an Army staff sergeant and recruiting officer, his wife Diane, and grandson Tavon, who live in Illinois. AACS is proud and extremely fortunate to have had Vanessa serve as a committee chair and to have her continue as a highly active AACS member!

From President Joe Matthews continued...

meetings using this medium and technology. As we get more familiar conducting meetings like this, we will be more comfortable.

Our summer hiatus has begun this month and moves through August. We will continue to update and send out information on what is happening.

Usually, the first annual event celebrated when we come back after the summer break is the Family and Friends Appreciation Cookout. This year it was scheduled for September 5th.

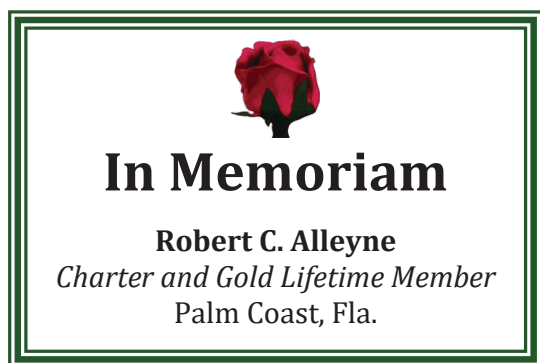
However, due to the current situation, the Ways and Means Committee, has decided to reschedule the Cookout to May 2021. The exact date will be announced at a future time.

The Ways and Means Committee is again conducting the Stay-at-Home Tea fundraiser this year. You should have received your notification and hopefully you have already or will support AACS with a donation.

Also, along the lines of support is the renewal of your annual membership for the new fiscal year starting this month. I want to thank you in advance for your support with a Tea campaign donation, as well as your membership dues payment.

In closing, please call AACS if you need someone to talk to, which may help you during this difficult time. I have asked our Chaplain, Mr. Bill Hopson, to be available to make calls or visits to members that might need or want a comforting word.

As always "It Takes a Village".



All About Juneteenth 2020...

The link to the video of this year's celebration is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qR9jT53hgtE>

AACS Silver Lifetime Member **Jeroline D. McCarthy** is a columnist with the *Daytona Times* newspaper. Jerry also is our past *Scribe* editor. Use the following link to access her wonderful report of the event.

<https://daytonatimes.com/2020/06/26/juneteenth-event-celebrates-cultural-expressions-of-african-american-history/?fbclid>

JUNETEENTH EVENT CELEBRATES CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

June 26, 2020



JEROLINE D. MCCARTHY

The virtual 2020 Juneteenth celebration was a platform of an interactive presentation video, weighing in on the cultural expressions of African American history.

General Membership Meetings

Regular monthly meetings for members and visitors are held at 11 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month at The Cultural Center, except for the months of July and August.

We miss you and thank you for your continued support! Retrieve and view our virtual June AACS General Membership Meeting using the following link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jfjyzge3o_M&feature=youtu.be



Lifetime Membership

Congratulations to the following persons who have become Lifetime Members.

~ Gold ~

Lynda Baten Rosa Lee Griffin

~ Gold Subscribing ~

Joseph Matthews Stephanie R. Matthews

~ Silver ~

Myra Middleton-Valentine

Gold memberships cost \$5,000, payable in \$500 annual installments. Silver memberships cost \$2,500, payable in \$250 annual installments.

AACS Credits are accepted with one credit equal to one dollar.

New Members...

Many thanks to the following members for recently joining the African American Cultural Society and helping to accomplish its mission: **Rachel Haynes, Steven Haynes, Henry Johnson, Carrie Moorman, John Paul Scully and Kelly E. Scully.**

In the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, AACS' membership reached a near-record level of 345 persons, including two corporate members.

Expectations are that AACS will continue to grow by attracting and retaining members of the community who deeply appreciate the following reasons to join:

AACS educates and interprets

our rich African American culture.

AACS owns the beautiful Cultural Center property for the community to hold meetings and events.

AACS evidences our concern for our youth

by offering training, programs, and relevant activities.

AACS perpetuates our culture

through the visual and performing arts.

AACS provides exciting experiences

with study groups, lectures, trips, and social events.

AACS is an extended family

to explore new ventures and develop hidden talents.

AACS promotes pride

and demonstrates our relevance in the community.

Happy August Birthday!

Each of the following members is wished a healthy and joyful birthday!



Annette P. Agard (31), Cynthia A. Bachoo (22), Zanah Banks, Logean B. Billups (14), Walter R. Boone Sr. (10), Rhenda R. Brodnax (11), Erma Brooks (26), Ira H. Brown Ph.D. (25), James J. Callender (6), Beverly Chandler (15), Leroy E. Clark (20), William H. Couch (1), Claudia J. Davis (23), Harry D. Davis (21), Dr. Robenia Gary (12), Lawrence Green (20), Lionel Holder (17), Shirley Matthews Horne (4), Anita Jackson (21), Marc Jefferies II (7), Alberto Jones (29), Gertrude Laws (17), Ralph E. Lightfoot (3), Jerusha L. Logan (15), Joyce McLaren (10), Miriam Krause McLean (5), Alfred D. Phillips (5), Dorothy G. Robinson (11), Thelma J. Trahan (27), Blanche Valentine (21), Cedric Wiggins (1), and Christien S. Williams (7).



Candidates Needed...

Please consider becoming a candidate to serve as AACS Director, First Vice President, Recording Secretary or Treasurer. Each position to be filled by election in November has a three-year term starting January 2021. Duties of each position are stipulated in the AACS Bylaws.

As usual, each candidate must complete an application and be nominated by a petition signed by four AACS members. If you wish to be a candidate, please complete the application form in this edition and mail it to the Nominating and Election Committee.



The drawing of prizes for both June and July 2020 was made in June since routinely there is no General Membership meeting in July.

Congratulations to the winners in June: Nazoer Armon, **Loretta Bryant** (Quarterly Prize), **Alton Dempsey**, Cynthia George, and **Victor Krause**. The July winners are **Clarence Brodnax**, Joyce Gary, and **Barbara Solomon**.

The next prize drawings, for August and September 2020, will be made at the General Membership Meeting on September 26.

Per the Club's annual prize schedule, a total of 44 drawings now remain through March 2021 for prizes ranging from \$100 to \$1,000.

Thanks for your strong response, this is a year to remember with all 224 numbers sold to support AACS during this difficult period!

We Are AACs!



Our commitment of participation as a corporate, lifetime or annual member for July 2020 thru June 2021 is making a difference!

Brenda M. Andrews, David J. Arrington, Michelle R. Arrington, Cynthia A. Bachoo, Calvin Baker, Sr., Kizzie L. Barksdale, Emery Barksdale, Richard P. Barnes, Lynda Baten, Gloria L. Benjamin, June N. Bethel, Elwood F. Billups, Logean B. Billups, Cecile Mauge Boone, Walter R. Boone, Alzie D. Bostic, Kurt R. Bottoms, Patricia A. Bottoms, Doris H. Boyd, Clarence W. Brodnax, Rhenda R. Brodnax, Erma Brooks, Alvin L. Brown, Eugenia L. Brown, Loretta Bryant, Carmen Yvette Bynum, Reginald T. Bynum, James J. Callender, Lynnette Callender, Dora M. Campbell, Morris R. Carter, Albert Cunningham, Joan H. Dabney, Eric Dangerfield, Claudia J. Davis, Matthew Davis, Harry D. Davis, Lucy G. Davis, Hedy Davis, Alton Dempsey, Jackie Dempsey, Annie S. Eversley, Geraldine A. Finley, Marjorie Gaines, Dr. Lawrence E. Gary, Dr. Robenia Gary, Mamie R. Godfrey, Vincent Godfrey, William H. Godfrey, Barbara J. Goss, Erol Grant, Sheila Grant, Ethel Green, Lawrence Green, James C. Griffin, Rosa Lee Griffin, Rachel Haynes, Steven Haynes, Ray Henderson, Sondra Henderson, Michael Herndon, Valerie Herndon, Berthrum T. Hinds, Shirley L. Hinds, James Hinson, Lionel Holder, Eileen D. Hopson, William K. Hopson, Daniel Isaac, Verna C. Jackson, Shirley R. Jacob, JoAnn Jacobs, Destine Jefferies, Dr. Lasherica Jefferies, Marc Jefferies, Marc Jefferies II, Howard P. Jennings, Mary Jennings, Angela Johnson, Orlando Johnson, Henry Johnson, Robbie A. Johnson, Beverly Johnson, Clement Johnson, Alberto Jones, Sylvia Jones, John W. Jordan, Leila B. Jordan, Dr. Kwando M. Kinshasa, Imani Kinshasa, Victor R. Krause, Jean Lanier, Lycurgus (Bob) Lanier, Dr. Jeanne Lea, Elva S. Lee, James T. Lee, Agnes C. Lightfoot, Ralph E. Lightfoot, Dr. John T. Larkins, Patricia M. Larkins, Ernestine H. Logan, Stephanie E. Matthews, Joseph Matthews, Anna Mauge', Ada McCain, Jeroline D. McCarthy, Louis P. McCarthy, Loretta S. McCray, Eleanor H. McDaniel, Gina Barclay McLaughlin, James McLaughlin, John L. Mills, Carrie Moorman, Holsey Moorman, Mildred O'Bryan, Karen Ottley, Ellen M. Parker, Catherine A. Pearson, John Pearson, Maxine Pearson, Wanda J. Phillips, William Phillips, Edmund G. Pinto, Ethel Pinto, Sheila C. Platt, Herman L. Price, John Reid, Seconia Reid, Anthony L. Richards, Vivian Richardson, Ethel Riley, Joyce Roach, Eugene Roberson, Merritt A. Robertson, Faith Robinson, Mary Rogers-Grantham, Angelica Schlieper, Reinhold Schlieper, John Paul Scully, Kelly E. Scully, Gail Seeney, William L. Seeney, James M. Sharpe, Mavis E. Smith, Henry L. Smith, Theodora Smith, Elvia Smith, Anne S. Smith, Douglas M. Smith, James E. Snow, Gladys Spann, Johnie Spann, Ida V. St. Hill, Cassandra A. Stephenson, Ronald W. Stephenson, Jean M. Tanner, B. Audrey Thompson, Carolyn Timus, Dr. Chester T. Trahan, Thelma J. Trahan, Dr. Myra Middleton Valentine, Foster L. Vestal, Earsel Wallace, Ezekiel Walters, Norma O. Walters, Sharon M. Waring, Muriel Weems, James Wheeler, Jeanette B. Wheeler, Harriett Whiting, Robert W. Whiting, Cedric Wiggins, Janis Wiggins, Janice C. Williams, Col. G. Henry Williams, Emma D. Wilson, Howard D. Wilson, Marilyn S. Wilson and Meshella E. Woods.

Please pay annual dues as soon as possible for AACs to pay its bills during the pandemic.

Use the form on page 5 and send a check today for \$50 if you are a Young Adult Member (Age 18 to 34), for \$100 if you are an Adult Member, or for \$150 if you are Family Household Members living at the same address. Dues may be paid online without extra fees at AACSpC.eventbrite.com.

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AACS Activities

Cultural Center Building

Office Hours 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. (V)

200 Club Number Enrollment

Completed

New Members Only Reception

Wednesday, October 14 @ 11 a.m. [T]

Pompano Beach Excursion

May 5-6, 2021 [T]

Cultural Film Presentations

No presentations in July and August

Dance Classes

Tuesdays 4:30-6 p.m.
postponed until further notice

General Membership Meetings

Saturday, September 26 @ 11 a.m. (V)

Membership Dues Reenrollment

In-progress

Juneteenth Celebration

Completed

Washington, D.C. Museum Trip

June 14 - 19, 2021 [T]

Pyramid Players Golf Tournament

Saturday, April 10, 2021 [T]

An Afternoon with A. Peter Bailey

Saturday, September 26 [V]

Membership Directory Photo Session

postponed until further notice

Annual Member Appreciation Cookout

Saturday, September 12 [C]
Saturday, May 22, 2021 [T]

[C] Cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic

[O] Online Video

[T] Tentative

(V) Virtual (remote) activity



Application for AACCS Officer or Director Position

Primary Info:

1. Position applied for: _____
 2. Full legal name: _____
 3. Residential Address: _____
 4. Mailing Home Address: _____
 5. Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 6. Email Address: _____
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Education:

7. HS Graduate: ☒ or GED Graduate: ☐ circle post year HS education: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Work Experience:

8. Job Title(s): _____
Employer(s): _____

The number and titles of employees you've supervised:

9. Your name, if different from present: _____
10. Have you ever been convicted of a Felony?: Yes ☐ No ☒

Other Experience Beneficial for the position applying for:

References (Optional):

- a. Name: _____ Phone: _____
- a. Name: _____ Phone: _____
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Applicant's Signature:

Date

(Please return this form to Nominating and Election Committee)



OFFICIAL NOMINATION PETITION

The undersigned, “Members In Good Standing” Nominate:

Name: _____

for the office of: _____
(Print)

1. Name: _____
(Print) (Signature)

2. Name: _____
(Print) (Signature)

3. Name: _____
(Print) (Signature)

4. Name: _____
(Print) (Signature)

I, _____ ACCEPT THIS NOMINATION
(Nominee)

FOR THE OFFICE OF: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Please return this form to the Nominating And Election Committee)



Apple Pecan Pound Cake

1 lb unsalted butter, 2 cups granulated sugar,
4 eggs, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 teaspoon lemon
flavoring, 3 cups all-purpose flour,
½ teaspoon nutmeg, ½ teaspoon cinnamon,
1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon salt,
2 cups chopped pecans, 2 cups apples
(peeled, cored, and diced).

Preheat oven to 375° F.

Combine flour, nutmeg, cinnamon, baking powder
and salt; set aside. In a large bowl, mix butter, sugar,
eggs, vanilla and lemon until thoroughly combined.

Gradually add flour mixture until smooth.

Fold in apples and pecans.

Pour into a greased 10" Bundt pan.

Bake for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until cake tests done.

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Where: In the Comfort of Your Home

Time: Morning, Noon, or Night

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