



MORRIS COLLEGE NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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From the Desk of the President
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Greetings Alumni:

As we begin with the MCNAA 2020-2021 year, we are expecting a great and successful year. With your support, we can achieve our goals for this year. As stated previously, we have faced several challenges due to the current COVID-19 Pandemic. We are praying that we will be able to continue our 2020 – 2021 agenda. Below are some highlights for the outgoing and incoming year:

- Despite the challenges, through the efforts of the MCNAA giving, Alumni, and Chapters, we ended the year with donating \$189,929 (to-date).
- As we move forward with the Morris College National Alumni Association in supporting our Alma Mater, we ask for your support in our efforts of fundraising, recruitment, online giving, monthly \$19.08 giving, increasing membership, reactivating chapters, and engaging of class agents.
- We are pleased to say that the Morris College Hornets Class of 2020 will have Commencement August 8, 2020, on campus. However, family and friends will be limited.
- One key activity for the coming year is MCNAA Elections. For clarity, those who met the 2020 Election Requirements have the option of being considered for the 2021 Election.
- From the Office of Student Affairs, 491 Freshmen have committed to attend Morris College this Fall. Currently, there is not an actual count of how many have enrolled for the Fall Semester.
- Dr. Stagers and his staff are continuing to work on the infrastructure and ensuring that Morris College is prepared for the 2020 – 2021 Academic School Year. As part of this plan, online classes will be available, and classroom configurations will adhere to social distancing guidelines. Students and staff will be required to wear masks in class and at events on campus.
- Thanks to all who participated in the May 2020 MCNAA Survey. The feedback was insightful and useful. The Survey Committee is summarizing the results and actions to share with you.
- Thanks to all who participated in the Altoya Felder-Deas Recognition Project.
- The Executive Committee has some other exciting things that we are working on and will share these in the near future.

I hope to see you at the next and 1st MCNAA Business Meeting of the New Year on September 19, 2020. The meeting will be held from 10am – 1pm. I pray that you and your family continue to be safe during this critical time and “let us remember, not to forget,” our dear Alma Mater Morris College.

Sincerely,

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