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Dear Friends:

It is with Golden Lion pride that we express our sincere appreciation for your support of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB) by attending the 2nd Annual Chancellor's Scholarship Gala. Prior to the pandemic, we transformed one of our major fundraisers into an event that supports a broader range of students through scholarships, which ultimately results in student success. As we partake in this year's Scholarship Gala, we also commemorate our 150th year of excellence as we reflect on our "Mission, Milestones, and Memories!" What better way to celebrate 150 years than coming together to raise scholarship funds that will benefit the future of our students! So thank you for your outstanding support.



As you are aware, scholarships are essential to the development and enhancement of our students at UAPB. They are critical to the quantity and quality of the students we recruit as well as the overall success of our student population. Therefore, we want to ensure that we continue to provide opportunity and access to well deserving students through scholarships. For more than 30 years, we have hosted a major fundraiser that highlights the creative talents of our students while raising funds that directly benefit them. The proceeds from the Chancellor's Scholarship Gala, however, are collected to benefit our students through scholarships that will assist in our recruitment efforts, retention, and overall student success.

Tonight, we are also honoring individuals who by their selfless acts and generosity to mankind exemplify pride, courage, and leadership. We salute and commend them for their outstanding achievements, accomplishments, contributions, and for setting the standard for our students to follow. And you, our audience, are the quintessence of pride in your support. Your presence tonight signifies your commitment to the institution through your contribution to the advancement of higher education and assisting in broadening the learning experiences of our students through scholarship.

Once again, thank you for sharing this evening with us and for your role in contributing to the success of this event. We hope that you will have a pleasant experience and enjoy the evening.

Sincerely,

Laurence B. Alexander, J.D., Ph.D.

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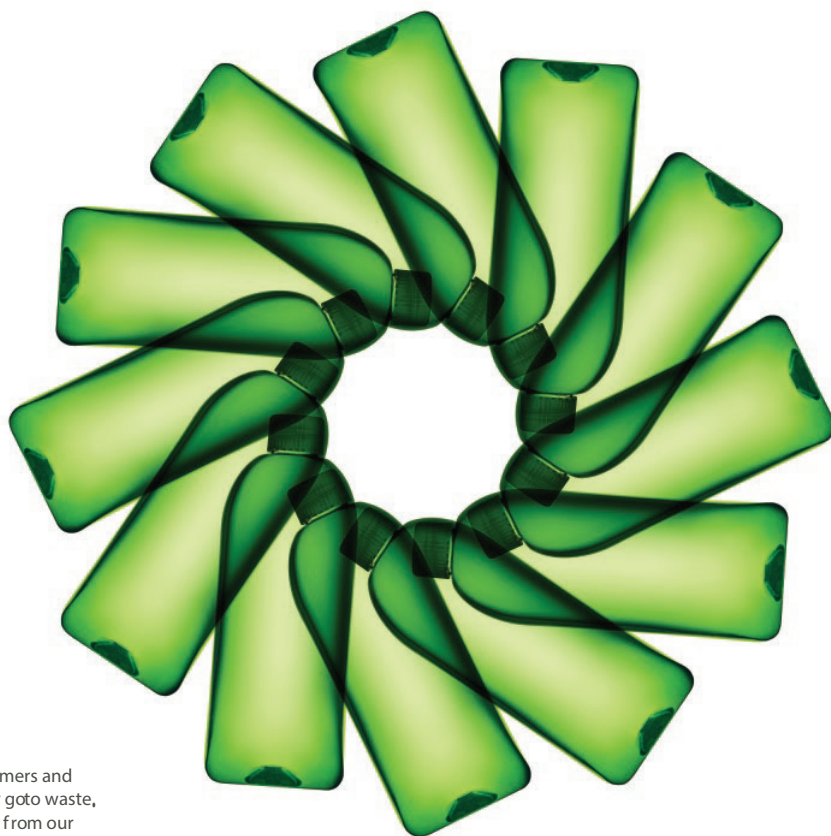
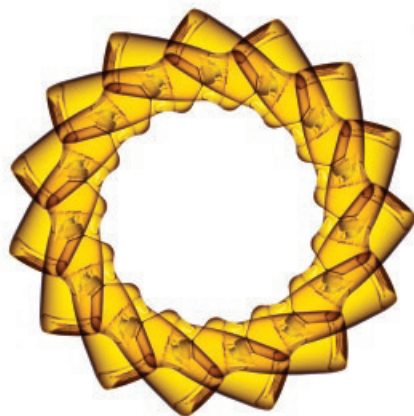
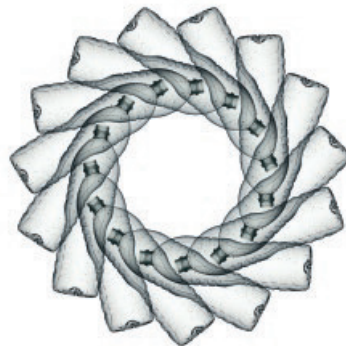
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History of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

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The Beginning of Branch Normal

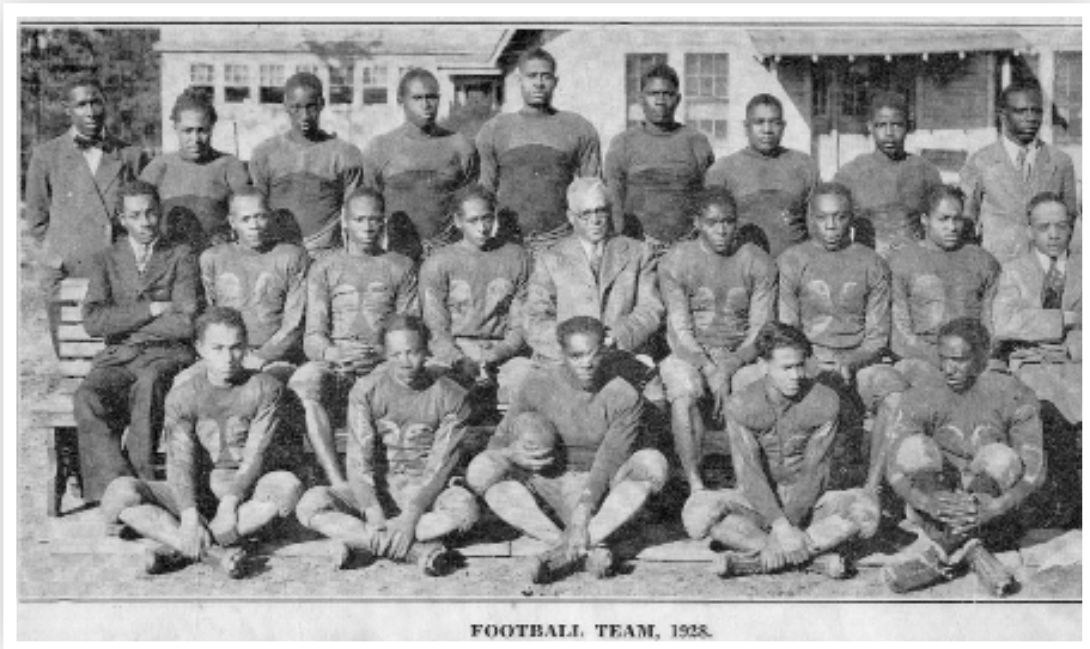
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FOOTBALL TEAM, 1928.

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Following the resignation of Fisher, W.S. Harris was named superintendent and head of the College while Frederick T. Venegar was named principal of the Normal Department. Branch Normal College reached its lowest point in stature in during this administration. Reductions in academic programs left the institution as an elementary and secondary school by

the 1914-1915 school year. A student strike in 1915 lasted for more than two weeks and compelled the closure of the College indefinitely. The school would reopen in the fall of 1915, with the termination of the Harris-Venegar administration.

Jefferson Ish succeeded W. S. Harris and was the first natural Arkansan to head the institution. Under his administration a standard high school program and Home Economics Department were established. The faculty and curriculum were expanded and reorganized to fall in line with the Morrill Act. To do this he established a strong agriculture department along with instruction in mechanical trades. Ish's leadership and organizational efforts finally established the foundation for the college. As a result, Branch Normal College changed its name to Arkansas Agricultural, Mechanical & Normal (AM&N) School

AM&N would see a brief leadership change in 1921 when Charles Smith took over for Ish. While his time was brief, Smith ensured AM&N maintained the course Ish had set them upon. In 1922, Robert Malone assumed the role of superintendent and helped raise the school up to the standards of a junior college. During his time the school purchased land that would not only benefit the Agriculture Department but also be the site for a new campus. In 1927, AM&N School became AM&N College as it cut ties with the University of Arkansas system.

THE LEGACY OF JOHN BROWN WATSON

Dr. John Brown Watson, a graduate of Brown University, was appointed as the first President of AM&N College in June 1928. Dr. Watson's first goal as President was to reaffirm the institution's status as a college. Within the first few years of his tenure, Watson succeeded in reinstating the four-year Bachelor Degree program and reorganized the faculty into standard academic departments. He also moved the college to its present location in 1929 with students and staff moving in on December 15th. By the end of the 1929-30 school year, Watson had awarded the first two Bachelor Degrees at the college since 1895.

Dr. Watson steadily improved the curriculum and quality of teaching at AM&N and became a dominant force in the progress of the college. He worked to bring the best possible faculty to Pine Bluff. Dr. Watson sought out talented young educators who were just beginning their careers with the knowledge that in the future many of them would go on to larger institutions that could offer a greater salary. By the time of his unfortunate death in 1942, the college had reached its greatest height since opening in 1875.

KEEPING THE SPIRIT ALIVE

After the untimely death of Dr. Watson, the university began its search for a new leader. Dr. Lawrence A. Davis, Sr. was appointed as chairman of a three-person administration com-



mittee in 1942. By 1943, Dr. Davis Sr. was made President of his alma mater at the age of 28. Despite his youth, Dr. Davis was a visionary and natural leader. Those qualities shown throughout his tenure as he dealt with the immediate issue of World War II and oversaw the largest growth in the university's history.

Under his tenure the college flourished in enrollment increasing from just 300 students in 1943 to 3,000 by the sixties. The campus grew greatly too with the construction of the first new buildings since the Watson era. With the support of Governor Sidney McMath the campus was provided with 1.5 million dollars in funding which resulted in the construction of numerous structures including the Student Union, a Science Building, an Agricultural Building and the William E. O'Bryant Bell Tower. Perhaps Dr. Davis' greatest challenge was the impending merger of AM&N into the University of Arkansas System

The merger had been vigorously opposed because many feared the traditional role of the college would be destroyed. Dr. Davis saw the inevitability of the merger and used his leadership skills to bring sides together. He sought to ensure the school maintained its identity as a place for the under served. Having acted as president of AM&N College for 29 years, Dr. Lawrence A. Davis, Sr. became the first Chancellor of the newly merged University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff in 1972 before resigning in 1973. Dr. Davis' one-year tenure as chancellor ensured the transition from AM&N College to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff was as smooth as possible.

Following the resignation of Lawrence A. Davis during the summer of 1973, Dr. Johnny B. Johnson, a professor of teacher education, was tabbed by Dr. David Mullins, President of the University of Arkansas System, to serve as acting chancellor while a national search was conducted to find an individual able to head the university, both academically and socially, during a period of uncertainty.

On July 1, 1974, Dr. Herman B. Smith, Jr. assumed the office of Chancellor. Dr. Smith immediately set out to improve the physical appearance of the campus. The upgrading of the campus included construction of new parking lots, the resur-

facing of existing parking lots, and the renovation of multiple buildings including Childress and Holderness Halls into classrooms and offices. New structures such as the science building, Kountz-Kyle in 1972, a home economics building, Adair-Greenhouse, and a new administration building in 1977 were completed under his tenure.

Smith served the university for almost seven years. Under his leadership, new programs were introduced to the curriculum, a vigorous recruiting drive for students was launched, and the university received increased state funding as well as support from the private sector. In 1975, UAPB obtained \$307,000 from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the largest grant ever received from any private source at the time. In January 1981 Dr. Smith announced his resignation. Immediately, James Martin, President of the University of Arkansas System, appointed a committee of UAPB faculty to oversee the administration and operations of the campus until Dr. Lloyd V. Hackley was appointed chancellor in September 1981.

During Dr. Hackley's tenure UAPB received re-accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities. The Music Department, Home Economics Department, and the Nursing Department also achieved accreditation during this time. Construction of a \$7.5 million Health, Physical Education and Recreation Complex began under Smith's administration, and was completed in 1984. Lastly, the State Legislature provided \$1.5 million dollars of funding for the renovation of Caldwell Hall, the oldest existing campus building. Dr. Hackley resigned his position in October 1985 to become Chancellor of Fayetteville State University in North Carolina.

Following Hackley's resignation, Dr. Johnny B. Johnson was appointed provost. In August 1986, Dr. Charles A. Walker accepted the position of chancellor. During his tenure the University was successful in generating research funds, reaching as high as third amongst similar institutions in Arkansas. Federal funds were secured for the expansion of the dormitory complex as well as renovation of the former ROTC building to house the Center for Multi-Purpose Research and Sponsored Programs. Approval was granted for two master's degree programs in elementary and secondary education in 1991.

Following Dr. Walker's resignation during the summer of 1991, Carolyn Blakely served as interim chancellor, becoming the first female to hold the position. Dr. Blakely's time as chancellor would be brief but impactful as she dealt with many issues. Months after Dr. Blakely's appointment, Dr. Lawrence A. Davis Jr. would be given the position of Chancellor on a permanent basis.

Dr. Davis was unanimously appointed Chancellor in 1991. He immediately embarked on addressing the immediate issue of funding, while giving focus toward enhancing the teaching, research, and service functions that the university had performed well for more than 100 years. The university along with the nursing, human sciences, social work, and teach-



er education programs were reaccruited. Dr. Davis also awarded the university's first master's degree. He oversaw the completion of a multi-million dollar building to house the School of Business and Management. Finally, with the support of Diane Gilleland, the director of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education, and Governor Jim Guy Tucker, the university received a \$30 million appropriation from the state to upgrade the campus facilities.

UAPB TODAY



Following the retirement of Dr. L.A. Davis, Jr. and a one-year tenure of interim Chancellor Dr. Calvin Johnson, Dr. Laurence B. Alexander was elected Chancellor of UAPB. Dr. Alexander, a native of New Orleans, arrived with years of experience guiding the education of students. Dr. Alexander's passion for student education and advancement has been evident in the university's effort to increase enrollment and student retention. Under his guidance the university has already completed a \$10 million Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) building and conference center while also completing renovations to Kountz-Kyle Hall and the Delta Housing complex.

His future plans for the school are reflective of his background in student education. Dr. Alexander has stated his desire to modernize the design of classrooms and educational environments. Dr. Alexander also recognizes the large role the community of Pine Bluff plays in UAPB's growth. He has already begun to partner with the city of Pine Bluff to increase opportunities not only for students, faculty, and staff but also the area as a whole as he ushers in a Golden Era of Excellence.

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HOST AND HOSTESS

Calvin and Janetta Booker

Mr. Calvin E. Booker, Sr. and his lovely wife, Mrs. Janetta Brentley Booker, are the epitome of a couple who walks by faith. Their humble roots both started in the great state of Arkansas, where Calvin's family made their home in Hamburg, just south of where Janetta's family was living in Pine Bluff. A chance meeting between the two, at the University of Arkansas in Pine Bluff (UAPB), led to the beginning of a blessed union that continues to be filled with success, service to their community and the joys of family.

Upon graduation from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, Calvin obtained his post-graduate degree in Secondary Education from Prairie-View A&M University in Texas and returned to his roots in Arkansas where he poured more than 30 years of service and gratitude into the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and into his Pine Bluff community as one of the youngest at that time elected to the Pine Bluff City Council. Today, Calvin is a retired Corporate Vice President of Public Affairs for Waste Management, Incorporated in Atlanta, Georgia. In this capacity, he was responsible for governmental affairs initiatives across 48-states for the \$14.5-billion Corporation; he was also responsible for the strategic oversight of Waste Management's Federal Affairs office located in Washington, D.C. and is a respected mentor and role-model for many. Mr. Booker's unyielding commitment to diversity and inclusion kept him actively engaged in the hiring, supporting and promotion of diverse leaders within the workplace and within critical governmental positions. Mr. Booker joined Waste Management in July 1991 and over the years became a vital asset to the company. Mr. Booker served on the Board of Governors for the Georgia Chapter of the National Waste and Recycling Association (Nwra) and served on their National Board of Trustees. His leadership and passion for inclusion extends beyond the political and industry associations to other organizations vital to community success; Mr. Booker currently serves as Chairman on the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff Foundation Fund Board, serves on the University of Arkansas System Executive Foundation Board Committee

and as chairman emeritus of the Corporate Round Table, the financial arm of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators, after having served four years as its esteemed chairman. He is the Vice Chairman of the Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority and serves on the Board of Trustees for the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia. Calvin formerly served on the board of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Janetta Booker holds dual degrees from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and prospered in the medical field after completing her post-graduate studies at University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. She has accumulated more than forty years of health care delivery experience as a practitioner and as a former business-owner of Quality First Home Health Services, Inc. in Fort Worth, Texas. Janetta now serves as a Health Insurance Specialist for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medical Services (CMS). She serves as the official liaison between CMS and State Survey Agency(s) in the day to day management and oversight of the Survey and Certification for all acute care and continuing care facilities. She also serves as the lead non long term care subject matter expert and the lead specialist for an eight state Region for hospitals, transplant centers, community mental health centers and end-stage renal disease centers. Janetta holds licenses as a Registered Dietitian, a Registered Nurse, a Realtor, and a Certified Federal Surveyor. She has also earned numerous awards from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and has been recognized for the development of training programs and literature for non-long-term care, long-term care and other areas of healthcare. The ones she is most proud of are the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary's Distinguished Service Award and Administrator's Achievement Award. Janetta received special recognition for her work on her Agency's Mission in developing and providing training and assistance to Hospitals, providers, and State Agencies during the declaration of the Public Health Emergency for COVID - 19.

Janetta was awarded The UAPB National Alumni Association's Circle of Excellence Award, the UAPB National President's Award of Appreciation on two separate occasions and she was also honored with the UAPB Local President's award. Janetta is an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and is the recipient of the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter's Celebration of Excellence Torch Award. Calvin and Janetta's commitment to UAPB and their community continues to this day. Calvin and Janetta have both served in the capacity of President and Vice President of the UAPB Metropolitan Atlanta Alumni Chapter for varying years. Calvin has also served as the president of the UAPB National Alumni Association and in September 2014, he was honored

by the National Black College Hall of Fame Foundation with the National Alumni President of the Year Award.

Janetta is a graduate of Mount Olive Bible Institute of Arlington, Texas. Calvin and Janetta's foundation comes together at their places of worship, Antioch Baptist Church North, under the pastorate of Reverend Kenny L. Alexander and Zion Hill Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Aaron L. Parker, PhD. Whether it's teaching Sunday School, serving on the various men and women's Deacon ministries, or chairing a division for the church, Calvin and Janetta always have time to give thanks to God, their provider of all things.



Nicky Parrish, a six-time winner of Showtime at the Apollo and BET Apollo Live, wowed audiences with her rendition of Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You" in 2015. Gladys Knight praised her talent, saying, "You have a raw gift. That didn't come from listening to nobody, not even Whitney; that comes from God."

Parrish, a Little Rock, Arkansas native, is an internationally recognized vocalist with a four-octave range and a repertoire that includes opera, jazz, gospel, rock, pop, blues, soul, R&B, hip-hop, and top 40 hits. She began performing at the age of 10 in church and pursued sports before returning to Little Rock to accept a music choir scholarship from Philander Smith Collegiate Choir under the direction of Dr. Stephen L. Hayes. She later toured with Grammy Gospel phenomenon Smokie Norful as a background vocalist.

Parrish's numerous accolades include being a six-time Amateur Night Apollo winner, 2013 Arkansas Platinum Hood Award winner, and 2011 Arkansas Urban Music R&B Artist of the Year. She has performed for the NAACP National Convention, African American Mayors Association Conference, National League of Cities Summit, and the 50th Anniversary of the Little Rock Nine, among other events.

Parrish has shared the stage with numerous musical legends, including Michael Bubl , CeCe Winans, Vicky Yohe, Rizen, Vashawn Mitchell, James Fortune Eric Benet, The Zapp Band, Gerald Alston, Will Downing, Tyrese, The Whispers, Yolanda

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With the upcoming release of her second album/EP, "Set the Tone: Set2," Parrish hopes to inspire others by sharing how she overcame life's struggles and setbacks. She aspires to become a successful owner of her own entertainment company, focusing on good music and good business as the ultimate golden rule for success. Nicky Parrish's story and voice are unforgettable, making her the complete vocalist for any occasion.

Singer/songwriter/producer Nicky Parrish has the vision to become a successful owner of her own entertainment company. Her focus on good music and good business is the ultimate golden rule and the key to her success. This is why she is the complete vocalist for every occasion. Now with the upcoming release of her 2nd album/EP (Set the Tone: Set2), Nicky has a desire to reach out to all walks of life by sharing how she overcame life struggles and setbacks ... a true example of being authentic, practicing patience, and faith walk. "I want my fans who have been on this journey with me to still get all of the real Nicky Parrish" more than ever before.

She is...Nicky Parrish.

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Salad

Fresh Garden Salad
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Entrée

N'awlins Turf & Turf
Bronzed Chicken Tender and NY Strip Medallion topped with Cajun Cream Sauce
Creole Rice
Fresh Roasted Green Beans
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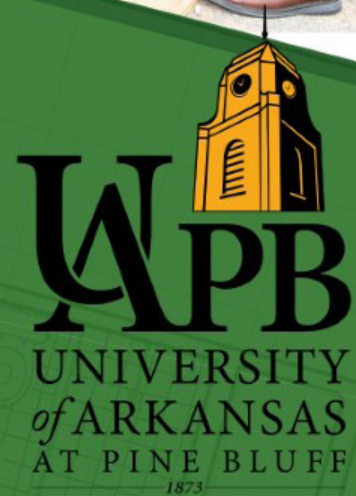
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Pat Anderson recently retired from full-time service at Simmons Bank after 30-plus years at the organization. Highlights of his career include managing the bank's Northwest Arkansas and Correspondent Banking divisions, serving as the bank's regional chairman for Kansas and serving as community president of Simmons' Pine Bluff market. Pat still serves on a part time basis as a community relationship manager for the bank.

A graduate of both Leadership Pine Bluff and Leadership Arkansas, Pat currently serves as the volunteer interim director for the Jefferson County Habitat for Humanity and is a board member of the Simmons First Foundation. He previously held chair or board positions at the United Way of Southeast Arkansas, the Arts and Science Center for Southeast Arkansas, The Salvation Army of Pine Bluff, the UAPB Board of Visitors, the Economic Development Alliance of Jefferson County and the Pine Bluff Regional Chamber of Commerce. He also volunteered as a youth coach and officiated football, basketball and baseball for more than 20 years.

A University of Arkansas alumnus, Pat is a graduate of the Arkansas Bankers Management School. He holds additional banking degrees from Louisiana State University and the University of Oklahoma. Additionally, Pat served a four-year term as the Arkansas trustee for the Graduate School of Banking of the South.

Pat and his late wife, Adaire Price Anderson of Pine Bluff, share two sons, Wes and John Thomas, and six grandchildren.

HONOREES

After earning a doctorate in chemistry from Iowa State University in 1985, Donald R. Bobbitt became an assistant professor in the department of chemistry and biochemistry at the University of Arkansas. Among his many honors are the University of Arkansas' Alumni Association Award in Teaching and the Fulbright College Master Teacher Award. From 1988-1993, he was a recipient of the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation Teacher-Scholar Fellowship. His research has received more than \$13.8 million in funding from national corporations and organizations — including the R.W. Johnson Pharmaceutical Research Institute, the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

In 2003, he was named Dean of the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Arkansas. He became Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Texas at Arlington in 2008. Dr. Bobbitt began his current position as President of the University of Arkansas System on November 1, 2011 where he oversees a 20 unit system with a budget of over \$3.4 billion. Bobbitt was elected a Fellow in the National Academy of Inventors in 2015

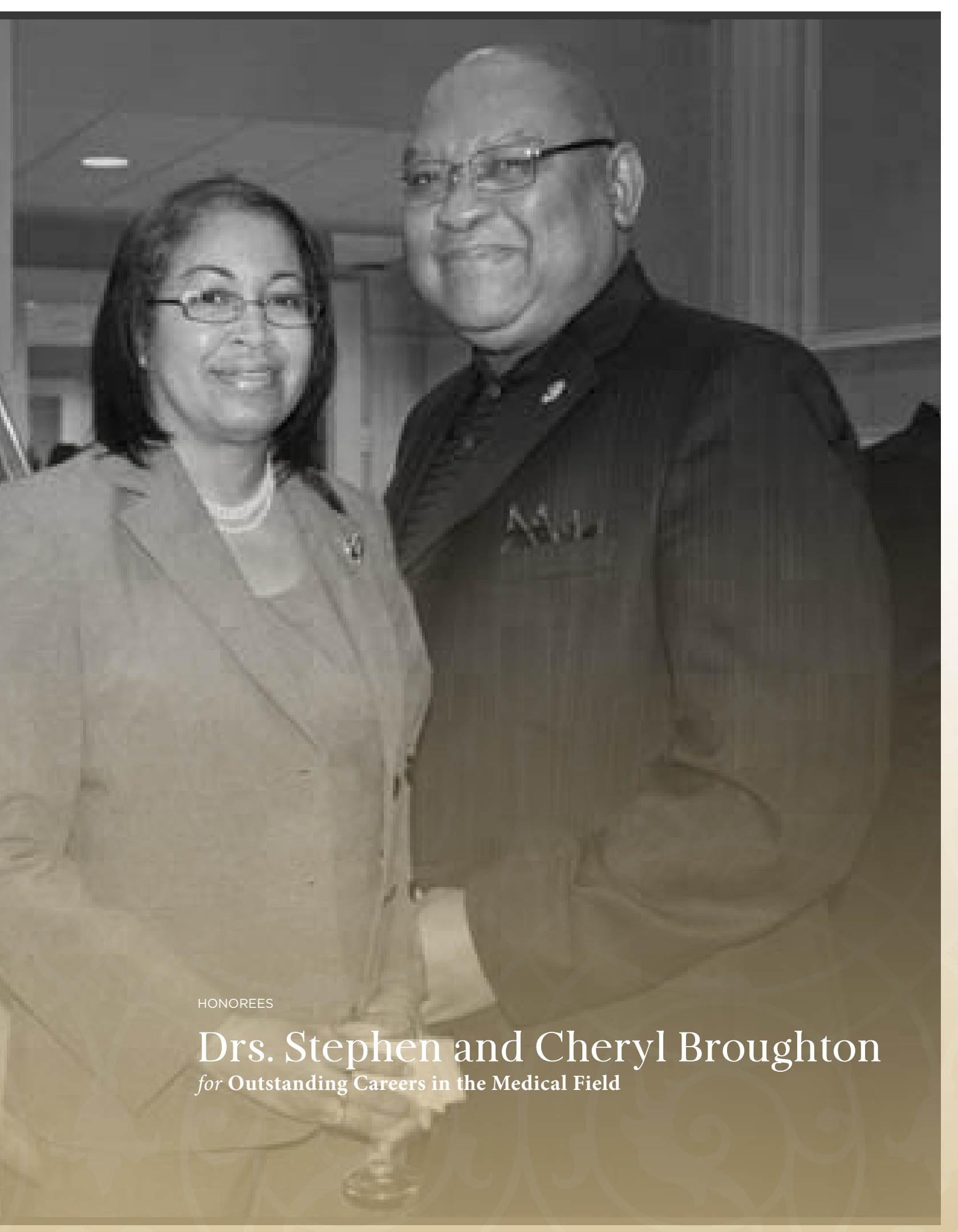
Susan Marie Bobbitt (Susan) is a retired instructor and Costume Shop Manager from the University of Arkansas. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Apparel design and Patternmaking from Iowa State University (1985) and has had additional post-graduate training at the Arts University Bournemouth, Bournemouth, UK. Following the completion of her undergraduate studies she moved back to Arkansas and established a home-based fabric design firm, SewBiz, LLP while raising her three sons. Later, she accepted positions of increasing responsibility in the theatre program at UAF culminating with her appointment to the rank of instructor and manager. Working with nationally renowned faculty designer Patricia Martin, Susan took the theoretical depiction of a costume as a 2-dimensional drawing from the conceptual stage to the wearable garment.

The arts have always been an important part of Susan's life and she and her husband, Donald have created and funded endowed undergraduate and graduate scholarships to support students in the arts at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Iowa State University and the University of Texas at Arlington. The UA System President's Home (Little Rock) is filled with art from various Arkansas artists, none more cherished by the Bobbitt's than their pieces from UAPB Professors Henry Linton and Hushy Dahlan



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Dr. Stephen A. Broughton, a native of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, received the Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, Cum Laude at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, where he was the first Kellogg Foundation Scholar in Chemistry. He matriculated at Harvard University, the summer of 1977 as Health Career Enrichment Program Scholarship recipient, another first at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. During his time at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, he was a member of the Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, the Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Honor Society, and was Dean of Pledges for Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Gamma Sigma Chapter. Dr. Broughton received his medical degree from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences' College of Medicine. During his matriculation at UAMS, he served as President of the Student National Medical Association and was voted by that organization as Student of the Year during his senior year. After graduation, he did an internship in Psychiatry at the University of Alabama at Birmingham Medical Center in Birmingham, Alabama. He followed two years at UAB by completing a residency program in Psychiatry at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, Georgia.

Dr. Broughton relocated back to Pine Bluff, Arkansas following his residency and started to practice at the Southeast Arkansas Behavioral Healthcare System, Inc. as a Staff Psychiatrist and was promoted eventually to Medical Director. After a brief period of

Dr. Cheryl Govan Broughton, is a wife, mother, pharmacist, advocate, and active supporter of the University of Arkansas college system. She is a native of Little Rock, Arkansas where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS), and later received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree at UAMS. While at UAMS, she was an active member of Phi Delta Chi Fraternity, a pharmacy fraternity, and an adjunct member of the Student National Medical Association.

Dr. Broughton has 30 years of experience as a pharmacist and she continues in her profession even in retirement. Her career started as a Hospital Pharmacist at UAMS. She continued to broaden her experience as a hospital pharmacist at the Medical College of Georgia and then at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia. Dr. Broughton relocated back to Arkansas with her family and started working as a Hospital Pharmacist at Jefferson Regional Medical Center (JRMC) in Pine Bluff Arkansas, where she was promoted to Manager of the Outpatient Pharmacy. After retiring from JRMC, she currently works at Flowers Pharmacy.

Dr. Broughton has always had a sense of community and has lived by being in service to her community. She is an active member of the Pine Bluff Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated serving on several committees through the years and has Co-Chaired the Delta Distinguished Gentlemen's Banquet. She is currently a board member of Jefferson Comprehensive Care System, Inc. and has served on various committees. Dr. Broughton is also notably a charter member of the National Pharmacists Association of Arkansas and has served in an advisory role for the

private practice, he returned to the SEABHS and currently works as a Medical Director at the center and with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office to assist in the counseling of local and county law enforcement.

Dr. Broughton is an active member of the Pine Bluff Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He is a Life Member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity on the national level and provincial level. He currently serves as the National Chairman of the Medical Health and Wellness Committee of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He was awarded the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Southwestern Province Lifetime Achievement Award in April 2018. He is Past Sire Archon of the Pi Boule of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Past President of the Twentieth Century Club, a Prince Hall Mason – Eastern Light Lodge No. 6, a 33rd Degree Mason – Angerona Consistory #78, a Prince Hall Shriner – Mohammed Temple #34, and is a member of Second Baptist Church in Little Rock, Arkansas. He is a Diamond Life member of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff National Alumni Association, where he was also inducted into the Hall of Fame.

He has served as the past Chairman of the University of Arkansas System Board of Trustees, appointed by Governor Mike Beebe. He is a past Chairman of the Pine Bluff Civil Service Commission.

Student National Pharmaceutical Association. She also has served on the Admissions Committee for the UAMS College of Pharmacy.

Dr. Broughton also believes in keeping a spiritual connection and living by faith. She is a faithful member of Second Baptist Church in Little Rock, Arkansas where she has served in the Health Ministry. She currently serves weekly as a facilitator and Group Leader for Bible Study Fellowship in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Dr. Broughton is married to Dr. Stephen A. Broughton, Medical Director for Southeast Arkansas Behavioral Healthcare System Inc. She has two children in which she enjoyed being active in their academic and athletic programs, co-founded the Arkansas Blazers Girls AAU basketball team with her husband, and serving as the team mother and co-sponsor. She ensured her children played sports, achieved academically, and put them in basketball, track, karate, and swimming, even taking classes herself to support. Her daughter, Dr. CaLynna Nichols, was the first woman to graduate with a doctoral degree in Electrical Engineering from Prairie View A&M University and is currently a Systems Integration Engineer and Security Champion for Intel Corporation. Her son, Dr. Stephen Thomas Broughton II, is a graduate of University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff who served as president of the Senior Class of 2011 and a graduate of the UAMS College of Medicine class of 2015, where he served as President of the Student National Medical Association. He is currently an interventional fellow in Cardiology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

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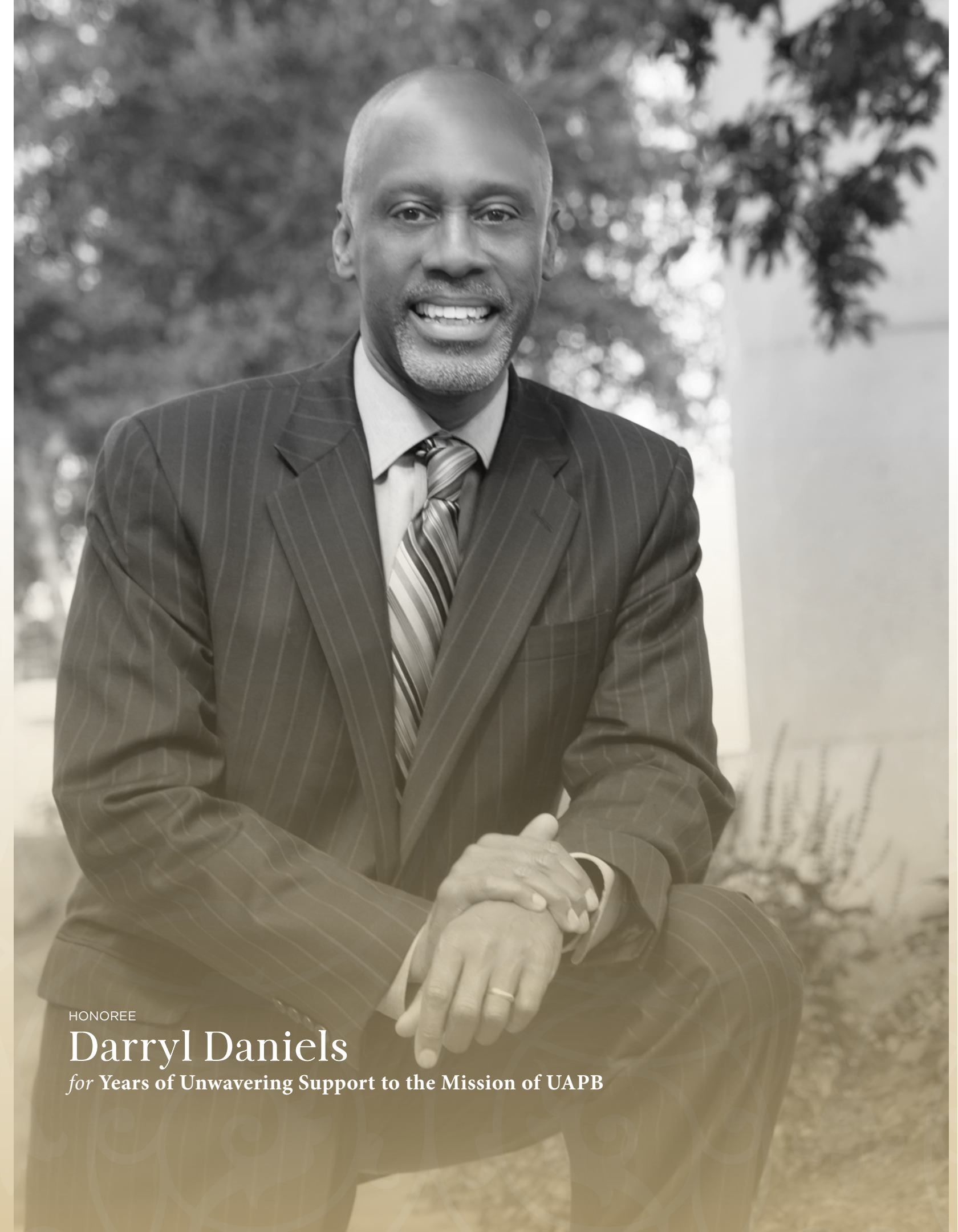
Darryl Daniels is a founding partner of Jacobsen Daniels Associates, a technical and strategy consultancy headquartered in Metro Detroit that provides planning, operations, and development services to the aviation industry around the country.

A native of Arkansas, Darryl Harmon Daniels was born and raised in Pine Bluff. Through his childhood he was influenced by his parents, family members, and teachers who were graduates of Arkansas AM&N College (now the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff). He spent summers on campus taking classes in science, math and computer programming and participating in various summer youth sports programs. He credits many graduates, faculty and staff at UAPB for their contributions to his early development.

He worked on various projects for the Navy at military bases in California and Louisiana, becoming an expert in identifying and documenting historic structures. His original research includes documenting plantation churches of the Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas Delta from Memphis to Baton Rouge.

In 2001, he and a work colleague, Brad Jacobsen, launched their firm Jacobsen Daniels Associates. Growing from the 2 of them to approximately 200 hundred employees, Jacobsen Daniels is now one of the leading airport consulting companies in the country.

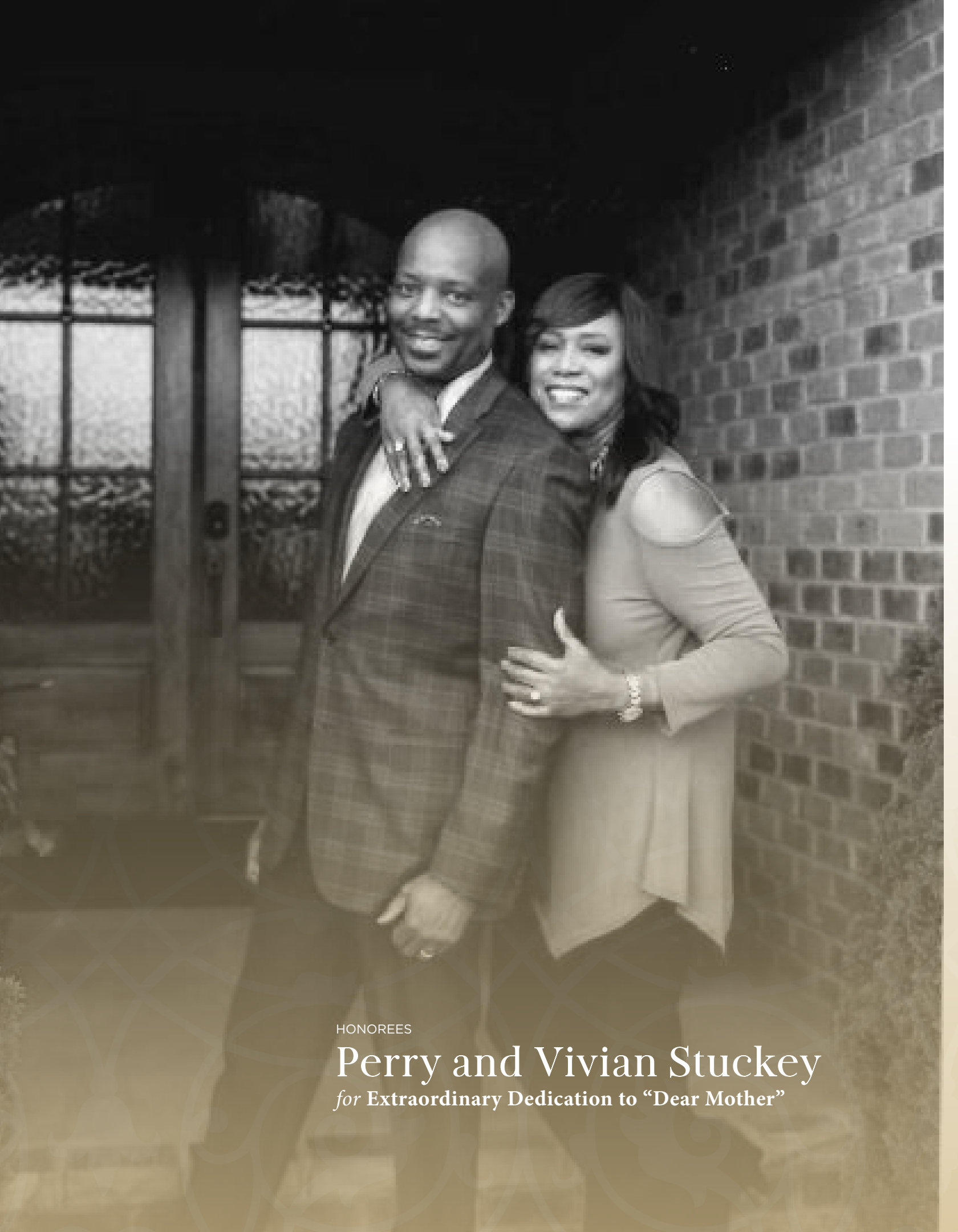
Mr. Daniels has served as the company CEO, since Jacobsen Daniels' founding in 2001; and has guided the firm strategy, building a national footprint which now includes operations at five airports and company offices in Detroit, Atlanta, Baltimore, Los Angeles, Louisville, Cincinnati, Seattle, Chicago, Miami, Houston, St Louis and Jackson.



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President and CEO of Perry Stuckey Transformational Advisory Group (PSTAG) Mission: “Deploying transformational leaders who enhance organizations, communities and make society better”

Perry Stuckey’s working career has spanned more than 40 years. He most recently, until retirement in January 2023, was a senior executive with Eastman—a global specialty materials company with operations in more than 100 countries that produces a broad range of products found in items people use every day. He had responsibility for Eastman’s human resources strategy and services globally—which includes global talent acquisition & talent management, learning & leadership development, inclusion & diversity, total rewards & benefits, medical, aviation and facilities.

Perry joined Eastman in 2011 as the company was embarking on one of its most pivotal acquisitions of Solutia, a global leader in performance materials and specialty chemicals. This acquisition would significantly change the company’s portfolio and position Eastman as a leading specialty materials company. He served as the chief architect and designer of the human capital management strategy that has underpinned the company’s transformation over the last several years.

Perry understands the power of Inclusion & Diversity and the value of integrating teams from various generations and cultural backgrounds to deliver business and organizational excellence. His focus on Inclusion & Diversity, where everyone can be

their authentic selves and show up and do their best work, has yielded tremendous success. His ability to develop new ways of working for the modern mission critical workforce has been exceptional.

Drawing on more than 35 years of business and human capital experience, Perry is an expert in reshaping workforces to meet evolving business demands and recruiting high performing executive talent at global enterprises. He is a strong advocate for corporate social responsibility and sustainability initiatives, believing that companies have an obligation to focus on the four components of the financial bottom-line—customers, employees, communities, and shareholders.

Throughout Perry’s career he has been a transformational leader within the local community, not seeking the lime-light but preferring to work behind the scenes driving transformational success and looking to give credit to others rather than take credit for himself.

He is a big advocate of helping deserving students achieve success, and along with wife Vivian, has been instrumental in providing scholarships through the Perry & Vivian Stuckey Trust.

He is the Senior Pastor of Central Baptist Church in Kingsport, Tennessee. Central Baptist is the oldest African American Baptist Church in Kingsport and has a food pantry ministry that delivers a monthly supply of groceries to hundreds of needy citizens in the community. The food pantry

did not close during the COVID pandemic. Perry and his church leadership team were instrumental in implementing health and safety protocols to ensure the protection of their church members and the vulnerable citizens of the community.

Perry serves as a member on a number of boards: MAU, a private company headquartered in Augusta, Georgia; Executive Leadership Council (ELC) based in Washington, D.C.; Board of the Center on Executive Succession headquartered at the University South Carolina; and the National Academy of Human Resources headquartered in New York. He was elected as a Fellow to the National Academy of Human Resources in 2021. An HR Fellow is the highest honor in the profession and has only been granted to a select group of leaders since 1991 when it was established. Perry served for over eight years on the Tennessee Governor’s Board for the Coalition of Better Health, where he was Chair of the Compensation Committee for six years. In March 2014, 2016, 2020 and again in 2022, Perry was named by Savoy Magazine as one of the top 100 Influential Black Executives in Corporate America.

Perry completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Arkansas Pine Bluff and Master of Science degree at the Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland Ohio. Perry has been married to Vivian Dorn Stuckey, formerly of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, for over 34 years. They have one son, Quenton Stuckey (32), who is a graduate of New York University and resides in both New York and Los Angeles.

Vivian Dorn-Stuckey is an honors graduate of the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, with a B.S. in Business Education. After obtaining her degree, she accepted employment with the Social Security Administration as a Claims Representative. Vivian received numerous awards for training, productivity, and outstanding service in Arkansas, Louisiana, North Carolina, Georgia, Illinois and Ohio. She retired after twenty-five years of service.

Operating under the belief that money management is necessary for financial success at any age, Vivian continues to utilize her professional expertise and passion for service by providing workshops on financial literacy to the community in which she resides. She realizes the obligation of “unto whom much is given,

much is required,” and when women are educated, nurtured, and empowered financially the whole community will prosper. Vivian continues to tutor and mentor young college students and counsel numerous women as part of her community outreach.

Vivian has held numerous officer positions in eight states as a Life Member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., serving currently in the Pi Omega Omega Chapter. She was a Board Member of Saint John’s on the Lake, a Retirement Community in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and The Budget Committee of the United Way, Johnson City, Tennessee.



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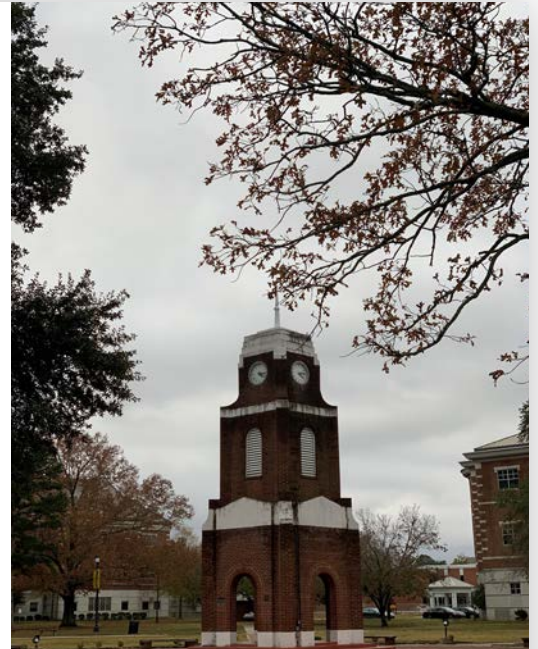
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