

Alumnae of Color Committee Report
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Mission: To foster retention and recruitment of alumnae, students, faculty, and administrators of color; to serve as a force for change, confronting racism, prejudice, and discrimination; to support a thriving, multicultural Mills community where people of color are valued and empowered as full participants.

Phenomenal Women of Color Celebration

April 26, 2012 - Student Union
6:00 pm – 8pm

A reception and program that celebrated the accomplishments of graduating students of color. Sharon Tatai '80 received the Phenomenal Woman of 2012 proclamation (see attachment) Inspirational speaker was Margret Hunter, Associate Professor and chair of the Sociology and Anthropology department. Ethnic Studies presented a slide show presentation of their yearlong affinity group celebrations. AoCC presented to Prof Hunter a Mills Hall Christmas ornament.

Attendance: 80 RSVP and 64 were verified. I felt that there were more in attendance. Many had entered though the side door of the venue.

AoCC cost: \$980 paid to A Beautiful Swan Catering our payment portion for catering services. Alumnae Relations contributed to catering and the purchase of the roses.

AoCC cost \$980

Career Conversations - Networking Event

April 27, 2012 – Graduate School of Business - 4-6pm
Attendance: 35 (includes students and alums)
Alumnae Relations provided refreshments.

AoCC cost = \$0.00

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Alumnae of Color Scholarship in Honor of President DeCourdreux benefit

Recording artist, Tammy Hall '83 along with her trio performed at RAH. Guest singer was international singer and performer, Debbie de Coudreux. Mills alumna Kymberly Jackson, who has shared the stage and studio with Stevie Wonder and others, surprised, the audience by jamming with Tammy in the second set. Lynette Castille-Hall '75 presented Tammy and Debbie with flower bouquets on behalf of the AoCC. In appreciation, the AoCC presented Lisa Mitchell (Tammy Hall's manager) with a Mills Hall Christmas ornament.

President DeCourdreux thanked the AoCC for our fundraising efforts and gifted \$1000 toward the scholarship. The AoCC is pleased to announced that not only did we make our goal of \$5000 we have exceed the \$10k mark with gifts still being received.

Tammy Hall and Kymberly Jackson are interested in performing another benefit concert for the 2013-2014 scholarship campaign.

Finally door receipts is estimated at \$800. All proceeds to the scholarship.

Alumnae Relations provided the food and beverages. Champagne supplied by AAMC

Estimated AoCC Cost \$30 for flowers

Spring into Action!
Alumnae of Color Leadership Workshop

8:30am – 6pm RAH

\$20.00 registration fee.

The daylong event also included breakfast, lunch and a wine reception.

Attendance: 35+ had RSVP and 28 attended the event.

Panel 101 – College representatives spoke about the opportunities to participate in the life of the college including; mentoring, fundraising, retention and admissions out reach. Moderator was Laura Gobbi, panelist included: Lisa Spivak (OIA) Sabrina Krist, Director of Engagement and Inclusion, Lisa Hammond (Career Services) and Vala Burnett, Assistant director of Admissions.

Panel 102 –Alums of Color were asked the question “How has an all woman college experience affected your career?” Moderated, Dr. Judith James, '74, panelist included: Anita Bowers '63, Dr. Lenore Tate '74, Sharon Tatai '80, Dr, Viji Nakka-Cammauf '82 and Kimi Taira '08

Panel 103 – Faculty of Color: Moderated by, Connie Swan Davidson'73, MA '02, EDD '06, panelist included: Vivian Chinn, Associated professor of Ethnic Studies; Bruce Williams, professor Sociology Ajuan Mance, Professor of English and Jared Young, Assistant professor biology

Breakfast for \$233

Lunch \$1000

Coffee/Tea Service – Alumnae Relations

Orange Juice/Lemonade – in kind gifts and AAMC

Water – AAMC

Wine – in kind gifts

Champagne – AAMC

Dessert – in kind gift

Wine Glass rentals – in kind gift

Catering total \$ 1233.00

Registration fees collected \$380

AoCC Cost \$853.00

Sunday Brunch– Founders

04/29/12 11:30 – 1:30 pm

\$8.00 fee at door.

35 Alums of Color attend the brunch. The alums were excited to meet with students. After the bunch the alums and students returned to RAH for more conversation. It was decided that the 3rd Sunday of the month the Alums of Color would meet at Founders for brunch and conversation with students starting fall of 2012

AoCC costs \$0.00
