

## Alumnae Student Relations Committee Report

The following dates have been set for the ASR events for 2012-2013.

Taco Tuesday August 28, 2012

Winter Celebration for graduating students November 27, 2012

Pearl M Dinner April 25, 2013.

In addition to these regularly scheduled events the committee is planning other events.

**Taco Tuesday:** We planned for 300 people including students, staff, BOG members and volunteers. There were several changes this year in terms of location, catering and BOG participation. We moved the event to RAH (where it used to be held before the College moved it to the Lawn outside the Art Gallery). RAH was and is a much better place because of the size and history of the place. Students could learn more about the AAMC and our involvement with student activities and connect better with us.

**Caterer:** We chose an outside caterer (a Mexican restaurant from the Fruitvale district in Oakland) which enabled us to cut our cost down. The total cost came to \$3598.29 thus costing the ASR budget \$1799.15, a considerable savings which will allow us to create more programs for the students. BOG also played a significant part by providing desserts .

**Program:** President Alecia Decoudreaux could not attend the event due to a death in the family.

Sandra Greer (Provost and Dean), Linda Jacques – Fissori (AAMC President), and Viji Nakka – Cammauf (ASR Chair) welcomed the students and talked about the role of the AAMC. The BOG members shared some experiences and words of wisdom.

We had several raffle items generously donated by BOG members which made for a fun and exciting evening for the students.

This has is one of the most engaging and energetic class of students. Many were eager to meet the BOG members, to learn about our experiences and to connect with us.

In addition to this major event I also participated in Mills Life 101 on September 10 in the student Union. I served on a panel with other Mills alumnae. We talked about how Mills shaped and impacted our career choices and our engagement with social issues. It was a well attended event with President Alecia Decoudreaux giving a short address.

September 13 was the senior kick –Off event where Linda Jacques Fissori and I talked with the senior class students and distributed information about AAMC. Several signed up to volunteer for Reunion.

It has been great working with Elisabeth Coyle on all these events and we wish her well on her new job opportunity. She will be missed.

The ASR committee has met once to discuss more ways of connecting with students with international students being a major focus.

I am looking forward to working with the committee to create new program for the students to help them connect with the AAMC and to help prepare them for job interviews and to engage with the world outside Mills .

Viji Nakka- Cammauf

Chair

ASR Committee