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**SUSLA AWARDED
 \$1.3 MILLION FOR VETERANS
 UPWARD BOUND GRANT**



The United States Department of Education Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs has selected Southern University at Shreveport to receive funding for a Veterans Upward Bound (VUB) program. The primary goal of the program is to increase the rate at which Veterans enroll in and complete postsecondary education programs.

VUB is designed to motivate and assist veterans in the development of academic and other requisite skills necessary for acceptance and success in a program of post-secondary education. Veterans will receive instructions in mathematics through pre-calculus, laboratory science, foreign language, composition, and literature.

This project will also assist veterans in securing support services from other locally available resources such as the Veterans Administration, state veteran's agencies, veteran's associations, and other state and local agencies that serve veterans.

"We are excited that SUSLA will play a vital role in preparing men and women who have honorably served our military for higher education," stated Dr. Williams, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

To be eligible for VUB, you must be a U.S. Military Veteran with 181 or more days active duty service and discharged on or after January 31, 1955, under conditions other than dishonorable. Veterans in Region 7 of Northwest Louisiana which include Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, and Webster Parishes can participate in VUB.

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SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART SHREVEPORT (SUMAS) RECEIVES DECENTRALIZED ARTS FUNDING GRANT TO SUPPORT “GRIOT TALES: AN ART STORY EXPERIENCE OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURE & HISTORY”



The Southern University Museum of Art Shreveport (SUMAS) has been awarded over \$4,000 dollars for a Decentralized Arts Funding Grant entitled: “Griot Tales: An Art Story Experience of African-American Culture & History”.

Griot Tales is a storytelling series that will encompass cultural arts activities to attract participants’ interest and involvement in African-American history, reading, and the performance art of storytelling.

This project will feature a series of living character tours, art story experiences and activities highlighting four women that have directly or indirectly impacted the art and culture of the African American experience in Louisiana: Clementine Hunter, Mahalia Jackson, Madam CJ Walker, and Harriet Tubman.

This project is supported by a grant from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council as administered by the Shreveport Regional Arts Council.

Special Thanks!

SUMAS also received a donation from Southern Alumni, Tina Williams in the amount of \$2,245.00 for new carpet.



(L-R): Wilma Young as Harriet Tubman, Brenda Wimberly as Mahalia Jackson, Tunya Williams as Madam CJ Walker, Ariane Perideaux as Clementine Hunter, Angelique Feaster Evans

KATRAYA WILLIAMS SELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF THE LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT FINANCIAL AID ADMINISTRATORS. (LASFAA)



Congratulations to Mrs. Katraya Williams, Director of Financial Aid for being selected as President of the Louisiana Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. (LASFAA).

LASFAA is an association of over 500 members from educational institutions, lending services and organizations dedicated to serving students, parents, and agencies with the dissemination of information related to student financial aid.

LASFAA’s mission is to enhance the professional development of financial aid administrators. The Association’s

goals are to enhance training and professional development opportunities, facilitate communication, develop leadership and secure the financial viability.

As President of LASFAA, Mrs. Williams will act as the Chief Executive Officer and official spokesperson of the Association. The LASFAA President provides leadership and direction to all activities of the association, the executive officers, and all committees and task forces of the association. Responsibilities will also include presiding over all meetings of the association and is a member ex-officio of all committees.

Mrs. Williams will serve a one (1) year term and pass the gavel during the Annual Fall Conference.

The Southern System is an active supporter of LASFAA. The Director of Financial Aid at the Baton Rouge campus, Ursula Shorty, also served as LASFAA President in 2008.

DR. MELVA WILLIAMS, 2017 ATHENA LEADERSHIP AWARD HONOREE

Congratulations to Dr. Melva Williams, Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management for being selected as an honoree for the 2017 Athena Leadership Award by the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce! The Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce Business Development Connection honors a select group of local individuals each year with the prestigious ATHENA Leadership Award. The International ATHENA Leadership Award is presented to a woman, or man, for attaining professional excellence, being active in community service and for assisting women in their achievement of professional excellence and leadership skills.



The ATHENA Leadership Awards Luncheon will be held November 16, 2017 at Sam's Town Hotel & Casino. At the event one of the honorees will be named the 2017 ATHENA Leadership Award recipient.

To register for the event, visit:

<http://web.shreveportchamber.org/events/2017-ATHENA-Awards-Luncheon-292/details>



Congratulations Janice K. Sneed, Vice Chancellor for Community & Workforce Development for being appointed to the Louisiana ACT Council.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Welcome

KRISTA SNELL, THE NEW DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Krista is a native of Jackson, Mississippi and relocated to Shreveport in 2013. She holds a degree in Broadcast Media from the University of Southern Mississippi and



has a proven track record of leadership in various sectors of marketing and public relations with a focus on: Communications Strategies, Rebranding, Media Relations, Event Marketing, Social Media, and Crisis Management, to list a few.

Krista's career in Public Relations management spans more than a decade and includes serving as Communications Director for the Mississippi Economic Policy Center (MEPC, A HOPE Initiative), Manager of Promotions at Sam's Town, and for the past five years as Director of Communications at MLK Health Center and Pharmacy.

Mrs. Snell's office is located in the Leonard C. Barnes Administration Building on the first floor. Please stop by greet Krista with a warm [JAGUAR WELCOME!](#)



MATTICE WELLS, HUMAN RESOURCE ANALYST



Mattice Wells joins the Jaguar Nations as Human Resource Analyst. Wells' responsibilities include enrollment of group benefits and retirement.

Wells is originally from Bastrop, LA and has resided in Shreveport since 2009. She is a graduate of Northwestern State University.

"I'm excited to start my career in Human Resources at SUSLA!"

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT FOUNDATION (SUSF) ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS

The Southern University Shreveport Foundation (SUSF) hosted its 13th Annual Port City Golf Tournament on Monday, October 9, 2017 at the Hollow Creek Golf Course. Each year, tax-deductible donation of fees and registration for this event help to fund scholarships for Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) students who would otherwise find a college education beyond their financial reach.

The event's format was a four-man scramble with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Prizes were awarded for the longest drive and closest to the hole. Door prizes and a one million dollar shoot-out were also awarded by drawing.

The impressive list of tournament sponsors included:
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Williams, Jr., Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry & Gifts, Chesapeake Energy, The Par 3 Golf Association, Dutch Wells – ORR Nissan, KTAL Channel 6 NBC, Shreveport Bossier Bingo Supply, AT&T, Josephine Miles, Griggs Enterprises, E. Jean Ware, Wilmore Snacks, My Spa My Way,

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This year SUSF provided two students with scholarships. LaSheka Wilson received \$1,560.00 and Stacey Simpson received \$996.38. SUSF also provided funds for band uniforms to SUBR in the amount of \$2,800.00.

The SUSF invites all golfers to join in next year, October 8, 2018 and participate in the fun-filled event that makes a difference in the lives of our students.

*For more information, contact
Emily Owens, sowens@susla.edu.*



2017 Port City Golf Classic CORPORATE SPONSORS



*Congratulations to Tournament Winners
Special Thanks to ALL 2017 Port City Classic Golf Tournament Participants*

CAMPUS Announcements

New Arts Musique Presents

JAZZ

JAM Bring Your Own Instrument
SESSION with
NANM

National Association of Negro Musicians



MONDAY • 11.13.17

Jesse N. Stone Lecture Hall • 6pm-9pm

SPECIAL GUESTS

Jeremiah Furlow, Green Oaks Jazz Band,
Brenda Wimberly, Neverlyn Tounsel and Larry Pierson

Contact: Dr. Lonnie McCray - **(318) 670-9363**
or email: lmccray@susla.edu

Hosted by the

Division of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, and Education

A promotional graphic for the 44th Annual Bayou Classic football game. The background is a dark stadium with a glowing football field. A large red football is the central focus, with the text "#WE ARE ONE" printed on it. Above the football are the logos for Georgia Tech (a yellow 'G' in a black circle), the Bayou Classic (a circular logo with a tiger and the text "BAYOU CLASSIC SINCE 1974 GRAMBLING + SOUTHERN"), and Southern University (a blue and white 'SU' logo). The text "44th Annual" is written in a large, gold, serif font at the top. At the bottom, the text "Saturday, November 25, 2017 • 4PM KICKOFF" and "Mercedes-Benz Superdome • New Orleans, LA" is displayed in a gold, serif font.

DONATE!

The Information Technology Center is kicking off its

16th ANNUAL THANKSGIVING and CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Bring your can goods and non-perishable items to:

- L.C. Barnes Administration Bldg., Lobby
- Information Technology Center, Rm. 44
- Metro Center Computer Lab
- NCR Bldg., Room 104

Thank You!

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contact -

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(318) 670-9631 or email: afeaster@susla.edu

CONGRATULATIONS  **Student**
of the **Month**

Miss SUSLA, Zakiya Je’Nee Chambers, better known as “*Sassy*”, is a 19 year old native of Port Barre, La. Zakiya began at Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) in the fall 2016 as a nursing major. She firmly believes in helping others and encouraging them to fulfill their dreams and aspirations.

As a freshman, Zakiya demonstrated her leadership qualities and dedication to all aspects of collegiate life at SUSLA and as a result, her peers elected her as their Miss Freshmen in fall 2016.

It is her dedication to her curricula and extra-curricular activities that have marked Zakiya’s success at SUSLA. She has a 3.5 GPA. Upon graduating from Southern University at Shreveport with a degree in Licensed Practicum Nursing, she plans to attend Southern University at Baton Rouge to get her Bachelors of Science in Nursing.



Congratulations! Miss Southern University at Shreveport-2017-2018

JAGUAR of the MONTH



Dr. Rodney A. Ellis, Chancellor
is pleased to announce Rebecca Gilliam as
“Jaguar of the Month”

Rebecca Gilliam works tirelessly to support our students and make sure their experience here at SUSLA is the best it can be. Since she became a Jaguar in October 2001, she has made so many memorable events on campus possible. From Homecoming Week activities, the Coronation of Miss SUSLA, SGA events, and convocation celebrations to special one-time events like the recent S.W.A.T. television premier, she is always going above and beyond to create an exciting experience for our students, faculty and staff.

She helps the more than two dozen student clubs & organization on campus with elections, recruiting, and individual campus-wide events. She is a truly amazing Jaguar and a great member of our SUSLA family.

Congratulations! Rebecca Gilliam

2017-2018

PORT CITY JAGUARS

Men's Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Oct. 7 (Sat.)	Dallas JUCO Blowout	Dallas, TX	TBA
Oct. 14 (Sat.)	LSU Alexandria Jamboree	Alexandria, LA	TBA
Nov. 1 (Wed.)	Southwestern Christian	Terrell, TX	4PM
Nov. 4 (Sat.)	Central Baptist	Shreveport, LA	4PM
Nov. 7 (Tue.)	Southwestern Christian	Shreveport, LA	7PM
Nov. 10 (Fri.)	Johnny Vance Classic	Shreveport, LA	4PM
	BPCC vs. Arkansas Baptist		4PM
	SUSLA vs. Coahoma		7PM
Nov. 11 (Sat.)	Johnny Vance Classic	Shreveport, LA	2PM
	BPCC vs. Coahoma		4PM
	SUSLA vs. Arkansas Baptist		
Nov. 13 (Mon.)	Southwest Classic	Summit, MS	TBA
Nov. 14 (Tue.)	Southwest Classic	Summit, MS	TBA
Nov. 18 (Sat.)	SUSLA vs. Pearl River	Shreveport, LA	4PM
Nov. 20 (Mon.)	Mississippi Gulf Coast	Wiggins, MS	TBA
Nov. 21 (Tue.)	Mississippi Gulf Coast	Wiggins, MS	TBA
Nov. 30 (Thu.)	Northwestern JV	Shreveport, LA	7PM
Dec. 2 (Sat)	Conner State	Shreveport, LA	4PM
Dec. 8 (Fri.)	Northeast Mississippi	Booneville, MS	4PM
Dec. 9 (Sat.)	Itawamba Community College	Fulton, MS	3PM
Jan. 13 (Sat.)	Arkansas Baptist College	Little Rock, AR	4PM
Jan. 16 (Tue.)	LSU-Alexandria	Alexandria, LA	6PM
Jan. 20 (Sat.)	Coahoma College	Clarksdale, MS	3PM
Jan. 23 (Tue.)	Central Arkansas JV	Shreveport, LA	6PM
Jan. 31 (Wed.)	*Delgado Community College	Shreveport, LA	7PM
Feb. 3 (Sat.)	Houston Community College	Shreveport, LA	4PM
Feb. 7 (Wed.)	*Baton Rouge Community College	Baton Rouge, LA	8PM
Feb. 10 (Sat.)	*Delgado Community College	New Orleans, LA	4 PM
Feb.13 (Tue.)	LSU-Alexandria	Shreveport, LA	7PM
Feb. 17 (Sat)	*Baton Rouge Community College	Shreveport, LA	4PM
Feb. 21 (Wed.)	Delgado Community College	New Orleans, LA	7PM
Feb. 28 (Wed.)	Baton Rouge Community College	Baton Rouge, LA	8PM

*Denote Conference Game

David Francis, Head Men's Basketball Coach

Delvin Williams, Asst. Coach

Matthew Hines, Asst. Coach

For ticket information, contact - Department of Athletic
(318) 670-9335



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