

UM VPAC Conference Call

02/09/2025

Attendees: Destiny Hayden Keracher, Portia Mason Harton, Carlton Hall, Kiwi Komai, Eve Freeman, Christine Soria

Previous Attendees: Destiny Hayden Keracher, Kiwi Komai, Carlton Hall, Portia Mason Harton, Robby Brueggeman, Eve Freeman, Christine Soria, Brett Bell

A reminder of VPAC Structure/Mission

- We are a scalable alumni club that can adapt based on the needs of the individual year. Our mission and focus is to support the University of Montevallo Alumni Association and the Purple Side. Our currently prioritized projects are the College Night Endowment Fund, the Vintage Voyage designated driver project and the UM Student Pantry.
- Any other projects/activities/events will only be conducted if there is a volunteer who steps forward to lead the requested initiative.
- **VPAC Finances - Robby/Destiny**
 - Current financial status as of 2/9/2025: roughly \$3200 (Robby will have hard number next meeting)
 - Monthly sustaining donation total: \$125 (\$25 monthly from Pam for Vintage Voyage)
- **Fundraising**
 - Pam Lucas Falcon Pantry : [Pam Lucas Falcon Pantry - University of Montevallo](#)
 - Idea to donate to the Pam Lucas Falcon Pantry fundraiser to rename and expand the services for the food pantry.
 - Destiny makes motion to donate \$1000 towards fundraiser
 - Carlton seconds
 - All in favor, none opposed
 - VPAC will donate \$1,000 towards the Pam Lucas Falcon Pantry fundraiser.
- **2023 Purple Show Recording**
 - Kiwi researched options for distribution and determined that Vimeo was the best option for streaming and downloading. An email was sent to the University to let them know the details, if they want to proceed with selling the video. A copy will be given to each person who donated towards the production costs of the video.
- **Membership - Destiny**
 - The current database is up to date as of 2/1/2025
- **Communications**
 - Email updates during CN weekend
 - Winner of basketball game Saturday

- Winner of CN Saturday Night
- Cowtail Quarterly-ish
 - Has been sent to print, Destiny will pick up from alumni office and take to Hampton for Welcome Bag stuffing
 - Uploaded to website
- **Web/ Social Media Management**
 - Social Media
 - Facebook—any updates or posts needed this week?
 - CTQ—post to FB
 - Winner of Sat Basketball Game & CN Winner
 - VPAC Website
 - Website has been updated!!!
 - Kiwi - (anything you would like to share?) Please look over the website when you have a few minutes, and if you see any broken links, missing things, or anything weird in general, let me know—preferably via email (hippyclippy@gmail.com). I know it's not the prettiest, but wanted to go ahead and get the bones of it up and running. I will take some time in the coming weeks/months to tweak it and make it look nicer, but for now I need to make sure it's functioning properly.
- **2024-2025 Program and Social Initiatives**
 - **5 Programmatic Initiatives**
 - **Alumni Dinner**
 - 20th Annual Alumni Dinner was a success!
 - Does anyone have photos to put in the folder on the drive? It is here: [Alumni Dinner - Google Drive](#)
 - **Food Pantry**
 - Will take donations during brunch and have requested the alumni cabinet member have a volunteer to take said donations to pantry.
 - Kiwi: make post in main group to remind people to bring donations
 - Eve & Kiwi will bring boxes to put food pantry donations in
 - **Vintage Voyage - Fish**

- Kiwi has Fish's tub of Vintage Voyage stuff. Kiwi also ordered 2 12x18 magnetic signs to go on the van
- Karli Blankenship will be driving Saturday night for Fish. Passing the torch!
- Do we have a volunteer set to drive the van Friday night for welcome dinner/karaoke?
 - Russell, Fish & Josie are covering this in shifts

■ Graduation Cords

- We have 37 cords left.
- Sign up sheet is live and has been sent to cabinet member & leaders. Need to push to social and be sure to discuss with actives during CN.
- Link: tinyurl.com/PVgrad - *Kiwi push this to socials after College Night*

● Social Events

○ Friday Night Welcome Dinner

- 7:30pm at Zapopan
- Volunteer in charge with Zapopan, giving them a head's up with reservation, and also there as boots-on-the-ground to handle anything night of. - alishabeaver@gmail.com in charge.

○ Welcome Bags

- Christine: Inventory received. We have some things. Christine has created an amazon wish list for additional items.
 - Wish list here:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/AJTOQ209AD1O?ref_=wl_share
- Kiwi - reminder to make some sort of small laminated sign we can attach to one bag to put at the front desk that says something like "Ask for your VPAC Welcome Bag!"--DONE
- Bag stuffing to commence Thursday night, around 7 PM.
- Christine, Kiwi & Destiny will grab totes from Kathy's apartment on Thursday and bring to Hampton Inn to re-organize

○ Saturday Basketball Game

- Basketball game is on Saturday at NOON in the SAC

- REMINDER: Tiffany would like to clarify that she wants the tailgating and peoples tents to be BEHIND the SAC (behind & to the left in the big green area) and not out in FRONT where we were last year. Let's help her in publicising this and helping move people around back where they want us to be!
- **Saturday Homecoming Brunch**
 - Brunch/Reunion will be after the game at 3:00 PM in Farmer
 - Kiwi is bringing stickers that say: 'Follow Me to Farmer'
 - Setup time: We can begin setup at 11, however Einsteins will be open until noon. Should we just go in around 11:15-11:30 and move all of the tables. Then come back around 2:00 PM to finish decorating and to setup food?
 - Kiwi: I texted Elris (Alumni cabinet member) to remind them that we would need some student volunteers to help set up starting around 1:30, and that I would check back in with them later in the week to get a head count of how many will be able to help. I can tell them 2pm if that works better.
 - Thought?
 - Karli has been voluntold to help with setup!
 - Alumni Office is providing:
 - House Chips with Fry Seasoning
 - Popcorn Chicken with Ranch
 - Purple Rice Krispy Treats
 - Water
 - We are going to supplement with these items from Publix: (HAS BEEN ORDERED!)
 - Large Fresh Fruit Platter
 - Sprinkle Cupcake Cookie Platter
 - 2 gallons of Milos sweet tea, 2 liters of a few sodas (like at alumni dinner), and ice (Kiwi will bring cooler, put in Eve's car before pickup)
 - Eve is planning to pick up these items from Publix before brunch & bring them to Farmer
 - Pickup at 1:30 at Publix

- Robby will bring iPad and laptop for sign in
- **Sunday Farewell Breakfast**
 - To be catered in the Conference Room by Fish and Kiwi as a donation!
- **New Business**
 - 2025 Purple Side shirts are available:
<https://www.bonfire.com/purple-victory-2025>
- **Upcoming VPAC Volunteer Calls:**
 - Our next meeting is 3/2/25
 - Dates for all remaining 2025 calls: 3/2, 6/1, 9/7, & 12/7
 - If you don't use Facebook to update your calendar, please add these to your calendar/planner.
- Link for tentative homecoming schedule:
<https://montevallo.edu/alumni/homecoming/hc-2025/>