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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Written by Sylvia Burley-Shields

**August is membership month!** So, from now until the end of August, we want to take the time to stop and say THANK YOU to our members, and recognize your support of MSUBA-ATL. It is also a time to ask those who are not currently financial members, to consider becoming one.

Our mission is to foster networking opportunities, engage in community service, and promote scholarship. If you believe it is important for alumni to continue to support one another throughout their careers and in their entrepreneurial efforts, you should be a member. If you believe it is important to connect current and newly graduated students with alumni, you should be a member. If you believe that black organizations should be the first to assist communities in need, you should be a member. If you believe in our mission of supporting black students in furthering their education, you should be a member. Everything we do is to benefit our scholarship fund. Our scholarships specifically support students of color who plan to attend, or are already attending, MSU. How can you not allocate \$50 a year towards this effort? Please continue to read the newsletter to see how you can become a member and/or give a donation. In this issue, and throughout the next few weeks, we will also be sharing other creative ways you can financially support your favorite alumni association. Thank you for your participation in our fundraisers, and in advance for becoming a financial member of MSUBA-ATL.

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## WHY ARE YOU A FINANCIAL MEMBER?



**My years at MSU were very important in my personal and professional development. Going to such a large school, it was imperative that I build a smaller "family" of support and encouragement. I witnessed that support from other Black students who were looking for the same. If it were not for many of the students I met, I likely would have floundered and become a statistic. It is for these reasons that I continue to be a financial member of MSUBA and MSUBA-ATL. It is my hope that other students will be able to attend the University and experience the same level of friendship, love and camaraderie that made me who I am today.**

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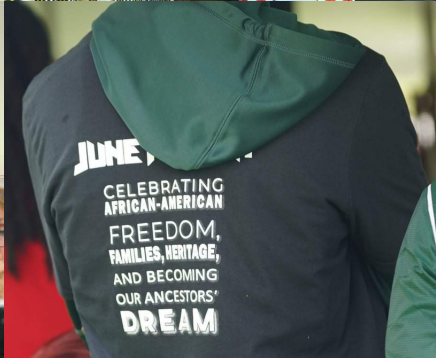
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# JUNETEENTH 2021 AT MSU

(Click the link for more details & pictures)





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## Beer Tasting

Summer 2021

## Wine Tasting

Fall 2021

## Homecoming

Fall 2021

## General Membership Meeting

September 11, 2021 1 p.m.

**\*Events and Dates are subject to change.\***



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