



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.  
Gamma Gamma Chapter Presents  
2024 Miss Black & Gold Scholarship Pageant

# Allen University Chappelle Auditorium

Wednesday,  
March 13, 2024

7:06 pm

Come out and watch the  
"Dream" come true







# *Order of Show*

Opening Scene....."Dream Girls"

Welcome/ History of Pageant ..... Bro. Mike Hall

Invocation..... Bro. Lawrence Pralour

Introduction of Master of Ceremony.....Bro. DaMari Williams

Guest Entertainment.....Jare Smith, Miss Allen University

## Swimsuit Competition

Rules & Guidelines.....Master of Ceremony

Introduction of Judges..... Master of Ceremony

## Creative and Performing Arts Competition

Guest Entertainment.....The Golden Jackettes

## Evening Gown Competition

## Question & Answer

Closing Remarks.....Bro. DaMari Williams, Chapter President  
Bro. Kanye Richards, Chair of Miss Black and Gold  
Bro. Cedric Wright, Head Advisor

## Announcement of Winners



# *History of the Pageant*

Greetings,

The Miss Black and Gold Pageant, under the sponsorship of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., is an outgrowth of the long tradition of Alpha Chapters designation of outstanding young ladies to serve as "Chapter Sweethearts." The Fraternity recognizes the valuable support rendered to it by the many friends of Alpha Phi Alpha - and this endeavor serves as one mechanism to applaud such support.

For some time, several of the Fraternity's five geographical regions have sponsored Miss Black and Gold Pageants as a part of their conventions. Since the early 1970's, there has been increasing support of these pageants on a national scale.

The first national Miss Black and Gold Pageant was held during Alpha's 1976 General Convention in New York City. Miss Denise Smith, representing Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, was awarded the first crown.

The Pageant was deferred following the first event and reinstated during the Fraternity's 1982 General Convention in Los Angeles, California.

## *Judges*



*Ashley Johnson*



*Caprisha Treadwell*



*Micheal Raeford*

## *Tabulator*



*Corey Pendergrass*



## *Michaela Barron*

## *Miss Black & Gold 2023- 2024*



Born on August 14th, Madam Michaela Destiny Barron is a native of Atlanta, Georgia to Michael Barron and Vernell Fleming. Ms. Barron is a senior at Allen University majoring in Biology with a focus on Pre-Health. Her activities on campus include serving as Associate Vice President of Student Government, President of the National Society of Black Engineers, and a proud member of the Magnificent Mu Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She also plays softball and cheers for Allen University. Her future goal is to continue her education at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Her Philosophy is : You get tested the most when it's time to elevate. DON'T BREAK !

## *Shanaya Saddler*

## *Contestant 1*



Miss Shanaya Saddler was born in Newberry, South Carolina, on July 25th to Erin and Bryant Shealy. Ms. Saddler is a Junior studying Criminal Justice with a minor in Psychology. Her long-term goals include creating her own clothes and working as a forensic scientist in the criminal justice system. Her involvement on campus includes holding the titles of Miss Gamma Gamma from the Miss Black and Gold Pageant from the previous year. She is a part of the Criminal Justice club as well as the Golden Elite Cheerleading team. Her hobbies include sewing, dancing, cheerleading, and watching documentaries on criminal justice and true crime. Her current favorite film is "Barbie", she enjoys reading "Hunger Game : Mocking Jay" and her favorite color is pink. Her Philosophy of life is : " Happiness depends on oneself. Happiness is the end which meets all the requirements. It is a state of mind."



## *Leana Dowling*

## *Contestant 2*



Miss Leana Dowling was born in East Orange, New Jersey on February 26th to Reginald and Audra Dowling. Miss Dowling attends Allen University as a Junior studying Sports Management. Her goals are to enroll in nursing school and start her own sports medicine private clinic. She is active on campus as a student leader and a member of the Allen University football team's media squad. Her interests include dancing, painting, reading, and spending time with loved ones. The film "Legend" is her favorite. The book "The Love Songs of WEB Dubois" is enjoyable to her and she adores the color orange. She lives by the motto, "Let God really use you." Regardless of how unpleasant it is, Humility is necessary in your walls with God.

## *Patricia "Claire" Barnes*

## *Contestant 3*



Miss Patricia "Clarie" Barnes was born in Greenville, South Carolina, on March 23. To Ti Barnes and Ashlee Tolbert. Miss Barnes is a Sophomore Pre-Law student majoring in Social Science at Allen University. Her future plans are to study law, pass the bar test, and practice environmental law. She was involved as a student ambassador and as a member of the Magnificent Mu Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She enjoys modeling and hanging out with her family and friends. Her favorite movie is "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory". She enjoys the novel "To Kill A Mockingbird" and enjoys The Color Grey. Her philosophy of life is, "I believe that without a test, there is no testimony; simply meaning unless we have been tried and experience hardships or bad times, our testimony in life has little meaning, when we go through trials and tribulations, God gives us the strength to bring us through it, share through our growth, and learning during our hard times."



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Love Always,

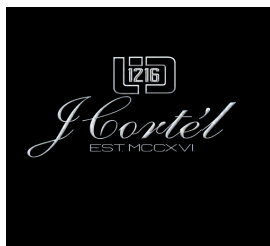
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Best Wishes to  
Claire Barnes

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Best of luck to all the contestants! & Keep up the good work  
Gamma Gamma. I'm proud of y'all.

Forever onward and upward  
Bro. Jarvis walls  
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We are so proud of you Claire Barnes!  
Wishing you all the best as you compete to become the next  
Miss Black and Gold!

Love Always,  
The Whitney Family  
(James, Tiffany, George, & Olivia)

Claire,  
May your journey be filled with joy, success, and the  
realization of your dreams as you compete to become Miss  
Black and Gold and represent the Gamma Gamma Chapter  
of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc., at Allen University!  
Always remember you can do all things through Christ,  
who strengthens you, (Philippians 4:13).

Congratulations & Love From:  
The Stevenson Family  
(Dashaun, Taneshia, Peyton, & Reagan)



Congratulations on a Successful pageant! Proud of  
how far you all have brought Gamma Gamma  
Bro. Albertus Cocklin



# *Silver Sponsors*

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power  
and of love and of a sound mind,”

II Timothy 1:7



Congratulations Claire!  
We love you and are proud of you!

Love,  
Aunt Wimp, Cousin April, and John Micah



Greetings,

To the Brothers of the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. We are wishing you great success on crowning your next Miss Black & Gold! Continue to march onward and upward holding high the light of this great Fraternity. Well wishes regarding your service, dedication, and future endeavors!

Fraternally,

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Xi Theta Lambda Chapter

Spartanburg, SC



*Gold Sponsors*

Brother Caesar  
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Congratulations  
Gamma Gamma and  
Miss Black & Gold  
for a fantastic  
performance and  
program

To: Patricia Claire "Our Claire Bear,"

May each step you take on the stage be filled with the joy of pursuing your dreams. Your dedication, poise, external beauty, and talent will be showcased tonight; however, we are excited to celebrate and share with others the remarkable person you are inside! Your intelligence, kindness, and strength make you an exceptional individual, and we hope that these qualities shine through, making your performance truly unforgettable!

May this pageant become another beautiful chapter in the book of your life, filled with memories, growth, and triumphs. Embrace the stage with confidence; for you are a beacon of grace and inspiration.

We love you and pray God's richest blessings upon you and all that you do in life! Always remember the best is yet to come...

Love Always,

"Mimi, Papa, Mama, Mr. Jason, Camille, Katie, & Ace Blu"



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**Congratulations to the  
Gamma Gamma  
Chapter and Miss  
Black & Gold for a  
Successful 2024 Black  
& Gold Scholarship  
Pageant**

**Best Wishes From the Brothers  
of Alpha Psi Lambda Chapter**





Congratulations to the Brothers of the  
Gamma Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi  
Alpha Fraternity, Inc, and all the  
contestants of Miss Black & Gold from  
Brother Reverend Lawrence Pralour,  
Advisor. FA '13



The Gamma Gamma  
Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha  
Fraternity, Inc. was chartered  
on May 1, 1946 on the  
campus of Allen University

The Charter Members were:  
Brother Frederick W. Ford  
Brother Joseph E. Reynolds  
Brother Jacob C. Tingman



