

The Links Connector

Class of 2009

Five new members inducted into the South Bend Area (IN) Chapter



Five ladies were inducted in the South activity journal created by the new Bend Chapter in June. Their inductees. orientation was supervised by Vice President Syers. For their service are: project they purchased and/or obtained through donations supplies to make summer activity packets for the children of the YWCA. The children had an opportunity to decorate their own bags and then fill their bags with items such as pencils, pens, toothpaste and toothbrushes, markers, books, toys, bookmarks, stickers, informational pamphlets an

From left to right the new members

Christal Atkins, Kathy Byrd -Connecting Link Anthony Byrd, Denetrice Kabiswa, Stephanie Spivey -Connecting Link Lt. Col. Reginald Spivey, and Pamela Lightfoot Sullivan - Connecting Link Dr. Mack Sullivan

other items.

Calendar of Events

• Saturday, September 5-South **Bend Links Meeting**

• Tuesday, September 15-Form 990 and Bonding Insurance due

 Saturday, October 3-Links half day Retreat from 9:00 am -1:00 pm (no regular meeting for October)

• Saturday, November 7 -Regular Meeting at 10:00 am at Trio's

 Christmas Brunch - Saturday, December 5 (no regular meeting for December)

• National Assembly, June 30, 2010 - July 4, 2010 - Detroit, Michigan

-Leslie Wesley, Secretary



FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR FOR THE SOUTH BEND AREA (IN) CHAPTER

The South Bend Links will hold its first meeting for the fiscal year, 2009-2010 on Saturday, September 5, 2009. The Executive Board met Wednesday, September 3, 2009, at the Indiana Trust & Investment Management



Company Mishawaka, Indiana. The agenda will include the President's Report, Officers Reports, Committee Reports, Special Committee Reports, Christmas Brunch Discussion, Links half day Retreat, Meet the Class of 2009, and

While this is a holiday weekend, we are expecting a quorum to attend.

Happy Birthday September & August 2009

September I, 2009 Link Otha Reese

September 16, 2009 Link Vivian Sallie

September 19, 2009 Link Denetrice Kabiwa

August 8, 2009 Alumnae Ida Knight

August 18, 2009 Link Janice Hall

August 18, 2009 Link Ruth Miles



Links On The Move



Link Virginia Calvin, chancellor of Ivv Community North Central, was among nine Hoosier

business education, and community leaders who were recognized at the governor's reception during Indiana Black Expo's 39th annual summer celebration.

The awards were presented by Gov. Mitch Daniels at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2009, during a Tech ceremony at the Statehouse.

Awards recipients were College, selected by the governor in collaboration with the Minority and Women's Enterprises division of the Indiana Department of Administration.

> Link Calvin has been chancellor of Ivy Tech North Central since 2000. Before that she was an educator, principal and then superintendent of the South Bend Community Corporation.

"It is a privilege to serve people, a privilege that must be earned; and once earned, there is an obligation to do something good with it."

- Barbara Jordan -

The Links, Incorporated







Link Patton President

Link Wesley Link Syers Vice President Secretary



Link Stith Financial Secretary Treasurer



Link Harris



GOSPELFEST 2009

I want to thank you all for all of the work that was done toward making the GospelFest a great success. want to especially thank Link Hall, Link Miles and the entire GospelFest committee for the many extra hours it took to make sure that the event went well. I believe that it was enjoyable for all who attended. Comments from anyone who has spoken to me and that I've heard has spoken to many of you have all been positive in regard to the Showcase artists, the main featured guest, and the engaging MC.So to every person that attended a meeting, hosted a meeting, sold a ticket, got an ad, greeted a guest, helped backstage, tended to the guest artist, worked the table, helped seat the guest, gave water to the artists, moved tables, decorated the venue, passed out programs, ran errands, picked up food, invited your friends, or simply said a kind word, I thank you for being of service to others; Because, that's what being a Link is all about. I thank you all again and look forward to our upcoming work in this new year in Linkdom. I also do want to offer an apology to Link Kathy Byrd and Link Phyllis Syers as their names were inadvertently left off the

Tina M. Patton - A Perspective on Links



It is an honor to serve as the President of the South Bend Area Chapter of the Links. I am pleased to serve, not only the community through deeds and actions, but to also

serve my sister Links by the South Bend Area Chapter meaning of Friendship and make a difference. the mission of our National organization.

I recognize that everything will not always go as planned, but I believe a good leader is not afraid to face the difficult issues and help the group come to a workable resolve. I hope to be that kind of leaer and thank the members of

Patron list. If you have not turned your ticket or ad money in to Link Stith, please do so as soon as possible so that we may have a timely reporting of the event.

-President Tina Patton



Verity Records Recording Artist Shari Addison, Guest Artist GospelFest 2009

providing leadership that will for allowing me to be your keep us focused on the true President. Together, we can



THE LINKS FOUNDATION

Reminder that your next installation of your building fund assessment will soon be due. Check your records for details. Your assessment should be paid to Link Stith. The money is sent to National as a group. Look on the Links' Website for an opportunity to join in the excitement about the Renovation, Restoration & Renewal of The Links, Incorporated and the Links Foundation, Incorporated National Headquarters.

40th Central Area Conference - Powering The Promise - Oklahoma City,

Phyllis Syers attended the 2009 opportunity to meet new sister Central Area Conference in Links Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. acquaintances while at the We received a rousing welcome Conference. from the Oklahoma City There were quite a few new Chapter. They were made to things that occurred at this feel welcome at home with a years' conference. Some of beautiful Link bag and white them included: sequin studded Cowboy hats. Central Area Director, Link Teree Caldwell encouraged everyone to "renew our commitment to our chapters, and recalibrate our individual and collective service compass in anticipation of what the coming two years hold for our sisterhood, and our respective chapters and our communities. Every effort was made to

Link Tina Patton and Link ensure that every Link had and greet old

- The program book As with all Conferences and was not printed, but was given to each member on a flash disk designed Links.
- The Legacy Tea was introduced where they served tea and finger sandwiches Cash prizes were
- awarded to celebrate excellence in

Chapter Programming A Time and Place Committee was established to develop a process and criteria for selection of sites for area conferences for 2017-2027.

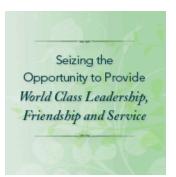
National Assemblies, valuable information was shared that could be useful in enhancing specifically for sisterhood and service among Chapters.

More Newsletters?

With your help, we can provide you with a monthly newsletter. To make this happen, you must submit Links news to Imogene Harris,

imogene.harris@comcast.net by the end of the second week of each month.

For October newsletter, information must be submitted by Friday, September 14, 2009. This is Volume 1, Issue 1.



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