



Chapter President Report March 9, 2019

LOCAL/CLUSTER:

2/15/19 telephonic discussion with Link Juli Farris of the Greater Seattle(WA) Chapter. She was the chairperson for the 2008 National Assembly hosted in Seattle by the entire NW Cluster. She has agreed to co lead the Area Conference with one of our Link members. She has pledged Seattle Chapter's full support in planning and executing the 2021 Area Conference. Juli will look through her notes from the 2008 Conference planning to give some guidance for our planning. She can help achieve the target deadlines. Reminder from Link Josie Daniels, Western Area Conference & Events Planning Chair for us to pull together our presentation for the closing of the 44th Western Area Conference with the welcome to the 45th Conference June 2021 in Portland.

A conference call between our chapter Parliamentarian and Western Area Parliamentarian Lucy Anderson was completed March 1, 2019 concerning the process to ratify our February 9, 2019 chapter meeting considering electronic business meetings are not sanctioned at any time. During our March meeting we will ratify each motion adopted or approved in the February meeting.

AREA:

WA Conference 6/5/19-6/9/19. Call to Conference was distributed March 1, 2019. Please register. Gospel Brunch held at the 2019 Area Conference. Tuesday, June 4th check in dates are no longer available. If you have not received the Call to Conference email, check your spam folder as the message originated from our conference platform and not the usual WA Constant Contact platform. Also, a link to registration is on the WA website under the WA Conference tab in the menu at the top of the homepage. If you are not receiving WA emails let me know so I can send your information to the WA Communications Chair, Marsha McFadden. Also, make sure your profile has accurate contact information in the National members only section of the website.

Pay attention to attire for each event in the conference schedule and pack accordingly. This conference will be our chance to observe the processes we will manage in 3021. Review the service project overview. First Time Attendee Orientation is Wednesday 6/5/19, 1:00-2:00pm.



Human Trafficking march from JW Marriott to Austin City Hall 3/5/19 8:30am-11:30am to hear from anti trafficking specialists. At this time, chapters are asked to donate \$50 to anti Human Trafficking collaborative efforts in the Austin community. All moneys are collected from the chapter online.

100% on time program report submission for the Western Area for the 4th year in a row. Thank you to Link Jocelyne for facilitating our chapter's reporting.

If you are not receiving communication from your Area representative concerning your office, please reach out to them to ensure you are added to their distribution list. It is very important for officers and committee chairs to attend their respective committee webinars to receive timely information as well as share the information with your committee. Pertinent information should be documented in committee reports for all members to know. Participation in Area webinars assists with connection to other chapters and a broad resource to get questions answered. The Western Area Technology Chair will begin to send chapter presidents notices when webinars do not have a representative from their chapters. Chapter President's then need to follow up to identify why the respective chapter representative was not on the call.

Area slate of officers has been presented. We will vote during our May chapter meeting in preparation the conference. Western Area Candidates are:

Area Director:	Link Lorna C. Hankins Gulf Coast Apollo (TX) Chapter
Vice Director:	Link Karen Cole Beverly Hills West (CA) Chapter Link Adrienne Konigar Macklin Harbor Area (CA) Chapter
Recording Secretary:	Vacant
Area Treasurer:	Link Marcia Page Mid-Cities (TX) Chapter



Nominating Committee (5 Positions; 2 vacant):

Link Sandra Alridge
Port City (TX) Chapter
Link Fredia Brooks
San Jose (CA) Chapter
Link Cora Guinn Robinson
Houston (TX) Chapter

Foundation Representative:

Link Erika N. Salter
Mid-Cities (TX) Chapter

WA Haiti Mission Trip has been postponed due to the heightened violence in Port Au Prince. The trip is postponed until an undetermined date in April 2019.

Our National History Book is being edited. With much assistance from our chapter Archivist, our chapter's history questionnaire was completed and submitted to our past Area Director Sandra Dorsey Malone 2/19/19. The archivist will share a copy of the report with members as it is good Portland Chapter history to know.

NATIONAL:

On March 5, 2019, National Membership Team announced Link Myrna Yvonne Williams is now a Platinum Member. The highest honor in Linkdom is Platinum membership. It is even more exemplary when a Platinum member is still in active status. We applaud Link Yvonne for her 46 years of very involved active membership. She has been a true example of what it means to be a Link, living up to the pledge in all aspects. Thank you Link Yvonne, and Congratulations!

New contract approval process for events wherein chapters' contracts need to be placed in Dropbox for the legal representatives to review. Also, all contracts whether below or above \$5K threshold. There is a 10 day review period but the process is slow so allow 15 days. The event insurance is required so the certificate needs to be obtained to submit with the contract review request. All events where non-Links are invited require liability insurance.

A 15 day Links Foundation grant request lead time is required.

New Mission Statement:



Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service
Portland (OR) Chapter

“Friends Transforming Communities Through Service”

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