

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC. Indianapolis Section

# NEWSLETTER

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# Fall 2014

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings, National Council of Negro Women-Indianapolis Section, it is my hope that you have had a wonderful summer. I would like to thank you for electing me as the President for this great section. It is my honor and privilege to serve you. I would like to express my sincere thanks to our outgoing President, Brenda A. Roper. Brenda has provided our section with good sound leadership and I am blessed to have her as my mentor. I would be remised if I did not thank all of our past Presidents' and Board members for all that they have done for our section. Had it not been for them we would not be here today! I especially appreciate the willingness that many of you have expressed to work together and continue to serve in the best interest of our community. We have much work ahead of us, and the newly elected board members and I are looking forward to working with each of you.

Today we face challenges that collectively are as alarming and as complex as any we have ever seen. Therefore, we will continue to promote activities and programs that include, but not limited to, initiatives for community health, education and literacy, social welfare, and various awareness programs for the community at large. The National Council of Negro Women is proud to be among the select organizations chosen by CDC to take part in the Act Against AIDS Leadership Initiative. Through this initiative we will engage in both community education and prevention efforts. You will hear more about this in our upcoming meetings.

As we stand on the eve of our beloved council's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary, my goal for the NCNW Indianapolis Section is to increase active membership, address issues that our community continues to face and to develop strategies to empower our community to improve their quality of life. My goals are aligned with our National Chairman, Ingrid Saunders Jones goals. The Indianapolis Section recognizes the importance of community partnership and support while providing educational and mentoring opportunities. Together we have tremendous power and I believe if we focus our collective energy and resources properly we will make a difference in our community.

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Martin Luther King Center. In the words of Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, "I leave you love. I leave you hope. I leave you the challenge of developing confidence in one another. I leave you a thirst for education. I leave you a respect for the use of power. I leave you faith. I leave you dignity. I leave you a desire to live harmoniously with your fellowman. I leave you, finally a responsibility to our young people."

Regina Majors, President NCNW Indianapolis Section

# 2014 NATIONAL CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

Hello NCNW Sisters, the Indianapolis Section delegates had the pleasure of representing our section at the 56<sup>th</sup> National Convention in National Harbour, MD from August 20-24, 2014. It was a wonderful opportunity to renew friendship, gain knowledge and have sisterly fellowship under the beautiful Washington DC sky. The main focus of the convention was the election of officers and the presentation of the proposed National ByLaws. For more information, please attend our first General Meeting on Sunday, September 28th at 4 p.m. The complete delegates report will be presented at that time.



Delegates Majors and Roper with National Chair Ingrid Saunders Jones

# <u>(380)</u> MEMBERSHIP NOTES

As a reminder, National and local dues are to be paid through each Section. Dues are \$55 annually for regular membership or \$25 annually for Life Member. The deadline for payment is November 30st. Dues paid after this date is subject to a \$10.00 late fee.

# PROGRAMMING AND COMMITTEES

If you have programming or speaker suggestions for our Section, please contact our Programs Chair, Catherine Woodard at (317) 748-9070 or woodardcatherine@sbcqlobal.net.

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# DR. MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE'S RECIPE FOR SWEET POTATOE PIE

1 cup margarine or butter (softened)
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/4 tsp nutmeg
2 cups milk
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 tsp salt
3 eggs (beaten)
1 Tbs vanilla
9 medium sweet potato or yam, baked,

peeled, and mashed.

2 unbaked 9" pastry shells

Combine margarine, sugars, salt and nutmeg in a large mixing bowl; beat with an electric mixer at medium speed until creamy. Add sweet potatoes and beat until smooth, add eggs, beat until blended. Gradually add milk and vanilla,

beating well.

Pour filling into pastry shells dividing amounts evenly. Bake at 350 degrees for about one hour or until set. Cool completely on wire racks. Enjoy!

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# UNITED WAY VOLUNTEER EVENT

Kudos to Our Own! Faye McDaniel was the recipient of the Sarah Lewis Lifetime Achievement award 2014 for her Outstanding Community Service, by the United Way of Central Indiana.

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# NCNW NATIONAL OFFICERS

#### CHAIR

Ingrid Saunders Jones

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Sherri Washington
Cecelia Webb

# (38) INDY BOWLING EVENT

The Indianapolis Section had a wonderful time bowling on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at Woodland Bowl. Special thanks to NCNW Members Madora Lewis, Drenda Henry, Elizabeth Odle, President Regina Majors and Martha Cornell for bowling. Our special guests were Lora Ramsey, DeShawn Jones and Selina Boose. Selina and Lora were the winners of a \$15.00 gas card and a bath and body gift set. And the event would not have been as special without cheerleaders Brenda Roper, Khaula Murtadha, Norma Jo Moore, Leona Wooden, Faye McDaniel and Baby Chandler.



# <u>CSEO</u> BOARD VACANCIES

Would you like the honor and privilege of serving as a member of the Indianapolis Section Executive Board? Great!!!

Contact Elizabeth Gore at 317-923-6817 or <a href="silversheba14@msn.com">silversheba14@msn.com</a> with your interest. The offices of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President(Membership) and Recording Secretary are available.



# National Council of Negro Women, Inc. Indianapolis Section

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### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

# NCNW Indianapolis Section Calendar 2014-2015

#### Meeting Location, Dates and Times

Martin Luther King Center, 40 W. 40th Street, Indianapolis, IN from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 28, 2014 Sunday, October 26, 2014 Sunday, January 25, 2015 Sunday, May 17, 2015

Meetings of November 23, 2014 and April 26, 2015 will be special meetings as noted by President Majors.

# **Calendar of Events**

Support Our Student Now! September 13, 2014

Grace Missionary Baptist Church, 1501 N. College Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Lunch Provided)

Founder's Day Celebration Event Sunday, December 14, 2014

**NCNW DAY at the Indiana Statehouse** 

NCNW will be the guest of a member of the Indiana General Assembly

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