

THE EMERALD QUARTERLY

*The Augusta (GA) Chapter of The Links,
Incorporated Newsletter*

Par Excellence: The Links, Incorporated 46th Southern Area Conference

The Augusta (GA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated attended the 46th Southern Area Conference from June 11 - 12, 2021. This interactive virtual conference provided informative workshops, fun, laughter, and friendship. Stay tuned for the next Southern Area Conference in 2023, located in Charlotte, NC.



2021 - 2023 Officers

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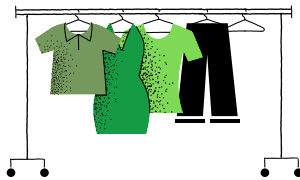
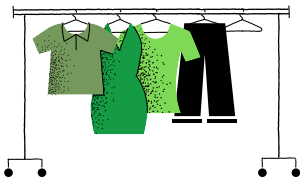
Protocol Corner: To Speak or Not to Speak?

Communication is critical to the success of any organization. Everyone's voice should be heard and healthy discussions are always welcomed. In relation to our organization, the National President is the highest elected official. The current policy of The Links, Incorporated states that the National President speaks for our organization, the Area Director speaks for the Area, and the Chapter President speaks for the Chapter.

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

National Trends & Services Facet: Southern Area Day of Service

On June 5, 2021, the National Trends & Services Facet of the Augusta (GA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated participated in the Southern Area Day of Service. This service project focused on the *Dress for Success* initiative and partnered with Paine College's Clothing Closet. Members of the Augusta (GA) Chapter cleaned their closets with a purpose and donated gently used business and casual attire, shoes, handbags, and jewelry. The drive-by donations were collected at the Paine College Alumni House.



LINKSPIRATION

LINKED IN EXCELLENCE

CYDNEY DELLEY, DOL

Cydney Delley, the daughter of Link Alexcia Delley, is leaving a legacy of unmatched excellence at Wake Forest University. Her commitment to belonging and inclusion is shifting the way that the university addresses bias, prejudice, privilege, and racism. Read the full article by visiting [Delley Blazing Trails on Track & Off It.](#)



JOHN ELAM

John Elam, the father of Link Alicia Elam, was 1 of 4 African American golfers that integrated The Patch, also known as the Augusta Municipal Golf Course, in May 1964. Learn more about this amazing trailblazer by watching [The Patch](#) on YouTube or reading the [First African-Americans to play at The Patch share their stories](#) on News Channel 6.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2021

Graduates!

SAIDAH COLEMAN, DOL



Spelman College, Studio Arts
Daughter of Link Lisa Coleman

CAMILLE DAVIS



Harlem High School
Niece of Link Yolanda Copeland

CADET TERRANCE ALLEN



U.S. Military Academy West Point,
Physics
Grandson of Link Ann Allen
Nephew of Link DeMetric Allen

CYDNEY DELLEY, DOL



Wake Forest University,
Communications
Daughter of Link Alexcia Delley

EDWARD RICE



Fort Valley State University,
Electronics Engineering Technology
Grandson of Link Louise Rice

RILEY ARMANT, DOL



Clark Atlanta University
Daughter of Link Dale Tarver
Granddaughter of Link Helena
Thompson

RYAN ARMANT, DOL



Howard University, Biology
Daughter of Link Dale Tarver
Granddaughter of Link Helena
Thompson

NYCOLE HENDERSON, DOL



Howard University Dental School
Niece of Link Dale Tarver
Granddaughter of Link Helena
Thompson

SYDNEY FRAZIER



Winthrop University, Biology
Granddaughter of Link Audrey
Thomas

ANOTHER YEAR YOUNG

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LINK SISTERS!

5/8 Link Carlette Franklin

5/11 Link Miriam Atkins

5/13 Link LaVetta Jones

5/20 Link Traci Hartsfield

5/21 Link Alicia Elam

6/6 Link Judy Carter &
Link Judith Ruffin

6/24 Link Cheryl Pickard

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6/5 | 11:00AM

SOUTHERN AREA DAY OF SERVICE

The National Trends & Services Facet will be participating in the Southern Area's Community Service Project. Bring your gently used business and casual attire to the Paine College Alumni House starting at 11:00AM.

6/11 - 6/12

46TH SOUTHERN AREA CONFERENCE

Stay on *Par Excellence* by attending The Links, Incorporated 46th Southern Area Conference. This year's conference will be held virtually from June 11 - 12, 2021 starting at 9:00AM.

6/14 | 8AM - 5PM

WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY

Give blood and keep the world beating. The World Health Organization encourages you to donate blood on World Blood Donor Day. Your donation could save someone's life.



6/19 | 8AM - 5PM

JUNETEENTH

Commemorate our rich legacy as we pay homage to our ancestors who gained their freedom on June 19, 1865. *Juneteenth* reminds us of how far we've come and the bright future that lays ahead of us. Happy Freedom Day!

6/20 | 8AM - 5PM

FATHER'S DAY

Happy Father's Day to all of the wonderful *Connecting Links* in our lives. These amazing men love us, cherish us, and support us as we make our journey through Linkdom.

6/21 | 5:30PM

NATIONAL POOR PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY

The Poor People's Campaign will host the National Poor People's and Low-Wage Workers' Assembly online and in-person. Learn how you can take part in the Third Reconstruction.

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GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM PARIS 2021

REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN
UNTIL SUNDAY 27 JUNE
AT MIDNIGHT*

* Paris time (CEST)

To take part in the Forum, visit forumgenerationegalite.fr/en



NELSON MANDELA INTERNATIONAL DAY

Take action
Inspire change

18 July

6/1 - 6/30 AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSIC APPRECIATION MONTH

In 1979, President Jimmy Carter decreed that June would be recognized as National Black Music Month. Learn more by visiting the [National Museum of African American History & Culture](#).

6/30 - 7/2 GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM

Celebrate the power of women's rights activism, feminist solidarity, and youth leadership by attending the Generation Equality Forum, sponsored by the United Nations and UN Women. Register today!

7/18 | 8AM - 5PM NELSON MANDELA INTERNATIONAL DAY

Celebrate the rich legacy of Nelson Mandela by making a difference in your community. Find out how you can inspire change by visiting the [UN Nelson Mandela International Day](#).



7/24 | 9AM - 4PM AUGUSTA (GA) CHAPTER VIRTUAL CHAPTER RETREAT

Are you ready for the new fiscal year? Join the Augusta (GA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated for our Annual Chapter Retreat on July 24, 2021 from 9AM - 4PM on Zoom.



8/1 - 8/31 AMERICAN ARTIST APPRECIATION MONTH

Art makes the world a beautiful place. Celebrate American Artist Appreciation Month by supporting Black artists virtually or in-person in our local community.



11/4 - 11/9 75TH ANNIVERSARY DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION

The Links, Incorporated will be celebrating 75 years of friendship and service from November 4 - 9, 2021. Join us as we honor our past, rejoice in the present, and shape our future.

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The Augusta (GA) Chapter in Action


Reading in Friendship



Jennifer Butler




Natalie Davis Ferguson




Judy Heath



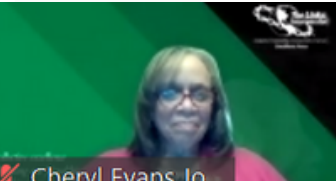
Kay Coleman



Deborah Makerson




Mildred Kendrick




Cheryl Evans Jo...




Mary Harden



Yolanda Copeland



Tracie's iPad

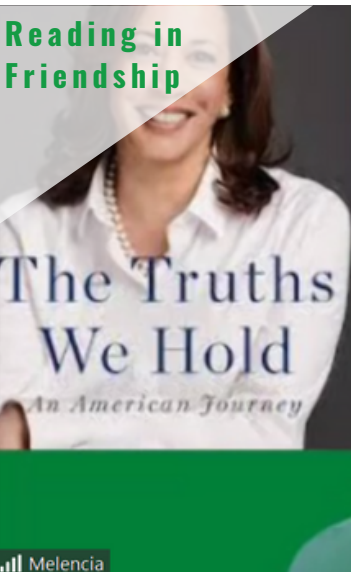


Regina Pyles



Dee Stewart

Reading in Friendship



The Truths We Hold
An American Journey

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May 16th
4:00pm

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