



Links Legacy

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CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE

November

23rd – Inglewood Pacific Chapter
Meeting

President's Message

Can you believe it is November already? The end of the year is fast approaching. Where did the year go?

“High Heels” is behind us and thank all of you who worked hard to make it a success. Special thanks to Link Leslie Orticke and Link Lula Morehouse, Chair and co-chair respectfully and their committee. A special thanks needs to go to Alumna Link Brenda LaMotte and her florist colleague, Julia who stepped in at the last minute to create those exquisite centerpieces. In spite of the admonition, some of our guests walked out with the shoe! And as always, special thank you to Connecting Link Reggie Jones who gifted IPC his technical assistance to help make the night wonderful.

As many of you know, I traveled to Columbus, Ohio for the National Leadership conference. It was really inspiring and very rewarding. A conversation with Susan Taylor started the two day event. She shared so many pearls of wisdom that I could not note them all down. But one thing she said that resonated with me is that we are busy women who are always rushing. She mentioned that generally when we are in meetings, we are thinking about what else we need to do after the meeting. I will admit that that can be true for me. We need to slow down and savor the moment. We need to appreciate the time we share in this space because tomorrow is not promised. So in addition to all we do at meetings, please take time to enjoy the time with your Link sisters.

Please see photo of the Western Area members at the conference that is included in the Legacy. Note I have on our green IPC jacket. More on the conference in the President's report.

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Chapter Meeting

Saturday, November 23,
2019

Four Points by Sheraton
5990 Green Valley Circle
Culver City, CA 90230

Breakfast Served: 8:30am
Meeting: 9:00am

Hostess:

Link Denise Downing
Link Pamela Elkins
Link Angela Glover

November Birthdays

Links

Natalie Battersbee – 11/8
Adia Smith – 11/11
Susan Houze – 11/20
Hansonia Harriford – 11/22
Krishna Tabor – 11/24
Doris Tims – 11/25
Rebecca Sherrill – 11/26
Kim Austin – 11/27
Eva Fuller Carpenter – 11/28

Connecting Links

Daniel Tabor – 11/27

November Anniversaries

Cameron & Reginald Jones –
11/10

Sadly enough, we have lost another of our founders, Link Vera Ricketts. IPC is conducting her memorial service on Friday at 7 pm at the Inglewood Mortuary. Please make every effort to be there. She has been a rock to this chapter and our attendance should mirror her importance in the life of this chapter. Link Vera was an active member when I joined this chapter 21 years ago. Link Vera was funny, patient, committed to service and always impeccably dressed. Through Link Vera's efforts, IPC supported the Chalky Hills School in Jamaica for over a dozen years.

Link Vera's transition leaves us with just one remaining founder, Link Thelma Rice. Did you see Link Thelma's face when she was presented with her award as founder? She cried. IPC means a lot to her. So please reach out to Link Thelma at this time.

Thank you to Link Pamela Elkins who graciously opens her home to IPC whenever we ask for hosting the Friendship Month Activity. Thank you to Link Susan Houze and the membership committee for putting the activity together. All in attendance had a great time including a number of our candidates. Hope everyone left with their "Black cards in place"!

Thanks for all you do. As always, it's a pleasure to serve as your President,

Link Denise Downing





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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

National Assembly

- Dates: 6/16-6/20/20
- Location: New Orleans, LA

SUPPORT YOUR SISTERS

Below are details regarding Link Vera Ricketts' service **Links Memorial Service Friday, 11/22 @ 7pm**

The Chapel

Inglewood Cemetery

3801 W. Manchester Boulevard

Inglewood, CA 90305

Members wear uninterrupted white attire and shoes.

Funeral, Saturday, 11/23 - 11am - 1pm

Crenshaw United Methodist Church

3740 Don Felipe

Los Angeles, CA 90008

Repass – immediately following the service

Proud Bird

110022 Aviation Boulevard

Los Angeles, CA 90045

CONGRATULATIONS

Link Rhonda Cotton who been appointed to the Western Area of The Links, Incorporated's Technology Committee.



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WELCOME BACK

Welcome Back Link Nancy Rahim!

Induction: Plano Metro Plex Chapter in 1998 but she joins us from the Orange County chapter where she serve as president.

Personal: Married with two adult daughters and two grandchildren.

Profession: Banking Information System Security Assistant

Favorite Quote: Being happy is a very personal thing and it really has nothing to do with improvement.





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IPC IN THE COMMUNITY

Hurricane Dorian Bahamas Relief Support

This is the season to give thanks for the bountiful blessings that we continue to receive throughout our lives.

In doing so, we ask that you support our continued efforts of giving thanks by supporting the Hurricane Dorian Bahamas Relief. Items needed are hygiene products to include, soap, deodorant, wipes, face clothes, body wash, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrush, sanitary napkins, and comb/brush.

Please bring your donated items to the chapter meeting. If you would prefer to make a financial contribution, please make your check payable to the White Rose Foundation. Financial donations will be used to pay for shipping.

Our goal is to donate to 100 families.

Thanks for your continued support!

**TJ Day, Chair
Charlotte Ned, Co-Chair and
ITS Facet Members**

White Rose Foundation Community Service Opportunity.....please join us!

Building Lives, LLC's Program/project mission is to help formerly incarcerated women find permanent housing and successfully re-enter into society.

The White Rose Foundation will support these women by giving them a tote bag filled with feminine hygiene products. Our goal is to touch the lives of 40 women. Totes will be delivered during the Thanksgiving weekend. Please bring your donated items to the meeting on Saturday, November 23, 2019. We appreciate your support!

In the Spirit of giving,

**Pamela Diane Elkins, President
White Rose Foundation**



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HBCU HIGHLIGHTS

1. Which HBCUs have the highest acceptance rates?

Bowie State University (Bowie, MD) has a 54% acceptance rate.

Coppin State University (Baltimore, MD) has a 54% acceptance rate (highlighted in October newsletter)

2. What is the largest (by enrollment) HBCU?

North Carolina A&T State University – more than 12,500 students. This school has been the largest (by enrollment) since Fall 2014.

3. What is the largest HBCU Classic?

Magic City Classic – Annual game between Alabama State and Alabama A&M. The series, which began in 1924, is the highest-attended HBCU football classic in the nation.

4. How many HBCUs are there?

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, there were 102 HBCUs in the United States and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Note: In 2018 the Department of Education listed 107 HBCUs

5. How many HBCUs are in California?

One, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science located in Los Angeles.

6. What is the #1 ranked HBCU?

Spelman College – Atlanta, GA

7. What state has the most HBCUs?

Alabama 12

North Carolina 12

8. What is the oldest HBCU?

Cheyney University of Pennsylvania (founded as the African Institute)

Note: Accreditation renewal is in jeopardy. Must show compliance by Nov 21, 2019.

9. How many members of IPC can you name who graduated from HBCUs?

10. Which HBCUs did members of IPC attend?



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Chapter Hostess Schedule 2019 - 2020

<u>May 25, 2019</u> Tracie Bowdoin Wanda Briscoe Cameron Brown Jones	<u>June 29, 2019</u> Chapter Retreat No Hostesses
<u>September 28, 2019</u> Eva Carpenter Anita Castille Susan Comrie	<u>October 26, 2019</u> Rhonda Cotton Saundra Davis Thelma Day
<u>November 23, 2019</u> Denise Downing Pamela Elkins Angela Glover	<u>January 25, 2020</u> Coretta Harris Susan Houze Jo Ann Jolly-Blanks
<u>February 22, 2020</u> Brandi Jones Jackie Kimbrough Micaela LeBlanc	<u>March 28, 2020</u> Velma Marshall Lula Morehouse Aida Morrow
<u>April 25, 2020</u> Charlotte Ned Leslie Orticke Brenda Penny Gainer	<u>May 23, 2020</u> Rebecca Sherrill Rena Smith Adia Smith Parker