

**NATIONAL UNITED CHURCH USHERS
ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, INC.**

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“Foresight – Pressing Toward The Mark” Philippians 3:14

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Board of Directors Update

November 2011

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Greetings Officers and Members of NUCUAA, Inc.!

Happy Holiday Season to each of you and your families!

In an effort to keep you abreast of updated information concerning our organization, we are delighted to offer this **Board of Directors Update**. Please remember to also visit the national website frequently.

Thank you to Melinda H. Wilkins for her hard work and dedication serving as National Financial Secretary for four years. At the National Convention in July 2011, Ralph W. Armstrong IV was elected Financial Secretary. We wish him well.

National Survey 2011

Thank you to everyone who participated in the National Survey at the 92nd National Convention. The results have been circulated to the National President, Vice Presidents and members of the Board of Directors. The Survey is also being sent to the State Presidents for circulation with the States. We are considering making changes / additions to the Survey and repeating it at our 2012 Convention in anticipation of getting increased participation from the membership. If you have feedback, please provide us with it. Also, if you do not received the Survey Results because our webmasters do not have your email address in their Directory, please email us and a copy will be sent to you.

If you had pictures taken at the National Convention in St. Louis, MO or Reno, NV with the Organization's photographer and have not received your photos, please contact the Board Chairman by December 20, 2011 at: butrenee@yahoo.com or call (732) 287-8696.

Corporate Sponsorship

Director Louis Chappell has been appointed lead person for Corporate Sponsorship. If you have supporting information, please contact Director Chappell immediately at: (516) 403-0075.

The Board would like to thank the Chairmen for submitting their 2012 budgets on time. The Board is currently finalizing plans for the 93rd National Convention which will be held in Orlando, FL July 30 – August 3, 2012. We hope you are making plans to attend.

Registration and Dues

- Seniors & Young Adults - \$50.00; Junior & Young People, \$45.00
- On-site Registration – Seniors & Young Adults - \$60.00; Junior & Young People - \$55.00
- The *Call to Convention Booklet* will again be part of the registration packet. We also hope to have the booklet on the website by early March 2012.

The Registration Packet will be sent to the State Presidents by January 15, 2012. Please adhere to the deadline for submission. **Registration Packets not received by June 30, 2012 will be accepted as on-site registration and the on-site registration fees will apply.**

Food Functions

The cost for food functions are as follows:

- Past National Officers' Prayer Breakfast - \$30.00
- James E. Anderson Unity Luncheon - \$45.00
- National Banquet - \$60.00

The deadline for food functions tickets is **June 30, 2012**.

National Souvenir Journal

Souvenir Journal prices for 2012 are as follows:

- Full page plus (one photo) - \$150.00
- Half page plus (one photo) - \$110.00
- Quarter page (no photo) - \$100.00
- Additional photo - \$10.00 each
- National Officers (Seniors & Young Adults Past & Present) - \$25.00
- National Officers (Junior & Young People Past & Present) - \$15.00

All ads should be emailed to Director Beverly Wilson, Souvenir Journal Chairman at: bevhello@hotmail.com. Kindly make checks payable to: NUCUAA and mail to: Ralph W. Armstrong, IV, 1009 SW 361st Street, Federal Way, WA 98023. The deadline for submission is **June 15, 2012. Full payment for all ads and pictures must be received prior to printing.**

Special Project

On Sunday, July 29, 2012 at 7:00 PM – *The Jackson Southernaires* will be in concert at the Rosen Centre Hotel. General admission is \$35.00 – Children - \$20.00. There will be no VIP tickets. Tickets can be purchased through Pre-registration and also on site. Please plan to attend. Tickets purchased at the door are priced at \$45.00.

Exhibitors Information

Applications are currently being accepted from vendors who wish to display and sell their merchandise at the National Convention. For additional information please visit the website or email Director Willis Warren at: youthsbc@aol.com. Director Warren can also be reached at: (702) 340-8715. A deposit is due by May 31, 2012 and balance due by **June 29, 2012**. Vendors who register early will receive \$50.00 off the \$250.00 fee. This offer expires on **January 31, 2012**. Vendors are invited to set up on **Saturday, July 28, 2012**.

Membership Cards

Once again the Board is offering Membership Cards, however at least 300 names must be submitted prior to placing an order. For additional information please email Assistant Financial Secretary Melinda H. Wilkins at: Melinda.wilkins3@verizon.net or call (301) 585-6716.

Transportation to The National Convention

Delta Airlines is offering our convention attendees either five (5%) discount for travel from cities that are not Delta hub, or (2%) discount for travel from a Delta hub. Delta hubs are Atlanta, Memphis, Salt Lake City, Cincinnati, Minneapolis, Detroit, and New York (JFK). Discount is valid for travel between July 22 - August 7, 2012. **Please visit the website for detail information and stipulations.**

National Convention Housing

As you begin planning for the 93rd National Convention, please be mindful of going through *NUCUAA Hotel* registration, to support our room commitment as noted in our hotel contract. This will avoid unnecessary costly penalties to the National Organization. Director Helene D. Ward is the Housing Chairman. Please email her at: helhdw@aol.com or call (303) 321-6709.

93rd National Convention July 30 - August 3, 2012 ROSEN CENTRE HOTEL 9840 International Drive Orlando, FL 32819



Room rate \$135.00 Single – Quad

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Current Tax Rate: 13.63% (subject to change)

Parking Rate - \$5.00 daily (excluding tax)

Reservations

Email: reservations@rosencenter.com

<http://www.rosencentre.com>

Phone: 1-800-204-7234 ♦ Fax: 407-996-3169

Deadline for reservations, June 30, 2012

Future National Convention Locations

2013 – Atlantic City, NJ

2014 – Indianapolis, IN

2015 – Sacramento, CA

2016 – Memphis TN

2017 – Eastern Region

2018 – Central Region

The 100th National Convention will be held in Philadelphia, PA – July 2019

2020 – Orlando, FL

2021 – Western Region

Submitted by: The National Board of Directors.

Director Beverly Wilson, Secretary

Director Kenneth Lester, Assistant Secretary

Betty R. Butler, Chairman

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