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BIRMINGHAM REGIONAL CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

VERLON E. SALLEY

Healthcare is slowly returning to its pre-pandemic state. Yet, there are things we have experienced during the height of the pandemic that will be considered normal operations moving forward. Some of those things are wearing masks, working virtually, and video conferencing. There are some other lasting opportunities that we Black and Brown people need to capitalize on, as well.

We still have diversity, equity, and inclusion opportunities that exist in our everyday lives. NAHSE is uniquely positioned to be an advocate for your career. NAHSE is constantly offering programs that can develop, elevate, and advance your career. Please, take advantage of these opportunities and get in touch with us. Renew your membership, join on of our committees, and attend the virtual meeting & face to face meetings.

You are receiving this communication because you currently or once believe this was an organization that could help you achieve your full potential. Nothing has changed since before, during, and now after the height of this pandemic. We are still here, and we are still growing!

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CURRENT OFFICERS

President, *Verlon Salley*

President Elect, *DeWayne Bailey*

Secretary, *NaTarsha Brown*

Treasurer, *LaKisha Mack*

Parliamentarian, *Carlton Harris*

Communications, *Sana Imam*

PROGRAM & EDUCATION

Committee



CHAPTER MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2022
5:30PM

Free Food and Headshots!
RSVP BY 5/20 - NAHSEBRC.EVENTBRITE.COM



CHAIR: Verlon E. Salley

CHAIR FUN FACT: Performs best work last minute

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Chad Collins, Sonja Judge, Valerie M. Jones, Shyla K. Fields, Lamar Beasley, Mona B. Jackson, Nekia Barnes, Fameka Leonard, Daphne Brown, Malachi Goodman, Sana Imam, and DeWayne Bailey

UPCOMING EVENTS: May 26th Chapter Meeting. Click [HERE](#) to RSVP by May 20th.

MEMBERSHIP ASKS: Be ready, present, and engaging! Invite others within your healthcare community to join NAHSE BRC!

MENTORING

Committee

CHAIR: DeWayne Bailey | **CO-CHAIR:** LaKisha Mack

CHAIR FUN FACT: In the last year I've gotten into running long distance and ran my first half marathon in February

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Carlon Harris, Chad Collins, and Tiffany Chaney

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS: May 20, 2022

MEMBERSHIP ASKS: We ask every member of NAHSE BRC to recruit at least 2 new members and share our scholarship opportunity to students in Alabama!

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee

CHAIR: Sana Imam

CHAIR FUN FACT: Teaches hip hop bollywood dance classes around the country!

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Lavern Smith (*we are accepting new members if you'd like to join!*)

MEMBERSHIP ASKS: Share your favorite minority owned business with us for the newsletter!

FUNDRAISING & SCHOLARSHIP *Committee*



CHAIR: LaKisha Mack | **CO-CHAIR:** DeWayne Bailey

CHAIR FUN FACT: Love to skydive in my free time!

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Reggie Young, Carlon Harris, Tomeka Wilson, Shyla Fields, Sandra Rudolph

UPCOMING EVENTS: Silent Auction on 8/25

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Fridays at 11AM. May meetings: 5/13, 5/20 & 5/27

MEMBERSHIP ASKS: We are looking for sponsors to help donate items to our Fall Silent Auction. Please reach out with names for potential business partners and we will share the official sponsorship letter with you.



Multigenerational Workforce Diversity Panel

Join us on Tuesday, June 7th at 5:30 pm via Zoom for a fun interactive panel to discuss how Baby Boomers, Generation X, Generation Z, and Millennials view workplace norms and culture.

Sponsored by the NAHSE Birmingham Regional Chapter

Zoom Details: Meeting ID: 826 7226 9374 Passcode: 1906

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Verlon Salley, Sonja Judge, Tiffany Chaney, NaTarsha Brown, Shyla Fields, Lemar Beasley, Jaylan Fields, Jamiyah Stovall, Yolanda Turner, Sana Imam, Rashidatu Olorunsola, Dazha Hawkins, Lavern Smith, DeWayne Bailey

UPCOMING EVENTS: Multigenerational Diversity Panel | Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 5:30PM-7PM

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS: July 7, 2022 & October 6, 2022

MEMBERSHIP ASKS: Share policy topics you want to hear about and panelists you want to hear from!

PUBLIC POLICY *Committee*

CHAIR: Valerie Jones | **CO-CHAIR:** Verlon E. Salley

CHAIR FUN FACT: Joined a hiking group last year and realized how much I miss the outdoors. Being in nature is so calming!



Raffle Winners

This year, UAB kindly donated an Institutional Membership for three NAHSE BRC members who met the following criteria:

- Was a financial member within the last 2 years
- Not currently a student
- Not currently serving on the NAHSE BRC Executive Board
- Not currently serving as a NAHSE BRC Committee Chair

Congratulations to these three NAHSE BRC members!

Nekia Barnes
Lamar Beasley
James Jones





Membership Updates

OFFICIAL NAHSE BRC T-SHIRTS

As a thank you to our members who have been financially solvent over the last two years, we will be ordering official NAHSE BRC T-Shirts to celebrate you.

Click [HERE](#) to share your size with us by Friday, May 20th.

If you would like to purchase a shirt, the cost will be \$15.



NAHSE'S 37TH ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION & HOUSING IS OPEN!!

Registration and housing for NAHSE's 37th Annual Educational Conference and 27th Everett V. Fox Student Case Competition in New Orleans, Louisiana is now open! The conference is being held at the New Orleans Marriott, October 12-14, 2022.

Click [HERE](#) to register. Click on the "Conference" tab, then the registration button. The deadline for early registration is August 31, 2022.

Click [HERE](#) to view the conference brochure.

Click [HERE](#) to reserve your hotel.

The deadline to receive the group rate for hotel reservations is September 16, 2022.



Membership Updates

Birmingham Regional Chapter of NASHE Scholarship Cycle 2022- 2023

NAHSE Birmingham will award a minimum of two scholarships to deserving undergraduate and graduate underrepresented minority students interested in healthcare. The recipients must attend an accredited local college program.



Click [HERE](#) to view the scholarship eligibility and application.



2021 Scholarship Winners

Bianca Godwin: A graduate student in the UAB Doctor of Medicine and UAB Master of Business Administration and Management

Yancey Williams II: An undergraduate student in the UAB Biomedical and Engineering Program.



Member Shoutouts

We would like to give a special shoutout to the following NAHSE BRC members!

Chad Collins - Administrative Director of Operations of USA Health (Mobile, AL)

Recognized by Becker's as one of the top 75 Black Healthcare leaders to know in 2022



In his role, Mr. Collins oversees the operations for gastroenterology and neurology, as well as inpatient physical therapy and lab operations. He's helped grow the gastroenterology division, reduce costs, improve patient and employee satisfaction, and decrease staff turnover. He has received numerous recognitions, including the 2020 American Heart Association Gold Plus rating for heart failure and the 2021 AHA Gold Plus rating for strokes.

Click [HERE](#) to review the recognition article!

Shyla Fields - Director of UAB's Dept. of Identity, Inclusion and Collective Conscience

Recognized as the Outstanding UAB Staff Member by the UAB Commission on the Status of Women

Shyla Fields, Director of UAB's Department of Identity, Inclusion and Collective Conscience, was selected as the Outstanding UAB Staff Member by the UAB Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) as part of their 2022 Padma Awards.

Click [HERE](#) and [HERE](#) to review the recognition articles!





We would like to give a special shoutout to the following NAHSE BRC members!

Kevin Lofton - Founder of our NAHSE BRC Chapter

Distinguished Service Award Recipient, the highest honor awarded by the AMA



The AHA presented the 2021 Distinguished Service Award to Lofton in recognition of his significant lifetime contributions to the nation's health care institutions and associations and unwavering commitment to increasing diversity in health care and reducing health disparities. Lofton was the founding chair of AHA's Health Equity Initiative, served as AHA Board Chair in 2007, and was a founding board member of AHA's Institute for Diversity for Health Management (now known as Institute for Diversity and Health Equity), which continues to advance health equity and expand leadership opportunities for minorities in health care administration.

Click [HERE](#) to review the recognition article!



Upcoming Events

Save the date for the following in-person and virtual events hosted by NAHSE BRC!

5/20

Deadline to order T-Shirt &
RSVP for May Chapter meeting

May Chapter Meeting

5/26

6/07

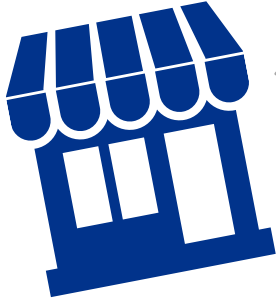
Multi-Generational Workforce
Diversity Panel

Juneteenth Cookout

6/19

8/25

Fall Silent Auction



Business Spotlight

We are sharing some of our favorite minority-owned businesses in the Birmingham region.

1. Skydive Alabama: Skydive Alabama is currently the only dropzone located in North Alabama. Their skydiving center is one of the best, combining excellent staff, state-of-the-art equipment, and great facilities. At Skydive Alabama, they believe that the future of skydiving is in you! Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

2. Bridge + Root: Bridge + Root is an exclusive Men's shop that specializes in uniqueness, authenticity, and quality. If you're a man looking to give your wardrobe an edgy, energetic makeover, then Bridge + Root is the spot for you. This new boutique in Mercantile on Morris is the exclusive seller of Tens Sunglasses—pick up a pair to look stylish! Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

3. Life Touch Massage: This day spa offers experienced professionals who strive to customize your massage services to your unique needs. Each service provider is state licensed and well-trained in their specialty. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

4. MakenaPrints: A stationery boutique committed to representing the Diaspora. From gift wrap, to gift bags and more, we aim to bring diversity to the world of gift-giving. With more than 40 items to choose from, join us as we fill a void that has been present in the stationery world for far too long. Why is this important? Because Representation Matters! #ComeWrapWithUs. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

