

# It's Going On! What's Going On? - Champaign Urbana Area events/meetings

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Below find events /meetings through the end of this month - Black History Month. Many activities and events have already taken place, and I hope you are able to support some of the other activities/events going on. I have attached a complete update through July 13. Please print and share with others. The next update will be for February 27 and the deadline for events is Wednesday, February 22. If you are receiving this email and don't want it, just respond to this email and you will be removed. As

always remember: "Shared Knowledge is Power." (Brother Hub)

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# Champaign-Urbana Area Events/Meetings

\*= Flyer/Information Available Upon Request (<u>carlettadonaldson0713@gmail.com</u>)
\*\*Deadline to submit events for Feb. 27? Wednesday, February 22, 2012.\*\*

Do you live in <u>Champaign County</u>, need to register to vote and/or change your name/address? Email to <u>carlettadonaldson0713@gmail.com</u>, register on-line at: <u>champaigncountyclerk.com</u> or go to the County Clerk's Office at the Brookens Building, 1776 E. Washington, U. (217-384-3724 no later than <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 21, 2012</u>. Upcoming 2012 Elections: Primary Election – <u>March 20</u>; General Election – <u>November 6</u>.\*

#### Monday, February 13

ALL DAY – NAAPID (National African American Parent Involvement Day) – Check area schools' events for the day. And be there! You don't have a child/school to visit? Visit Booker T. Washington STEM Academy to read to and/or with a child OR visit a child at Urbana High School. Urbana Middle School will have an evening program The Youth need YOU! NOT JUST TODAY, BUT EVERYDAY!\*

**12noon – 1:00pm - Access SUCCESS entrepreneurship lecture: Dwight Miller.** Mr. Miller owns several McDonald's franchises in the Champaign-Urbana area and Decatur. Room L111 at Parkland College.\*

**6:00pm** – Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

6:00pm – 7:30pm - National African American Parent Involvement Day (NAAPID- at-Night) Program at Urbana Middle School in the cafetorium. Reception immediately following the program. FREE and open to the public.

**6:00pm** – Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club's **Learning Center Open House & Introduction** of their enhanced **SMART Girls Program Partners**. Tours, hands-on tutorials, demonstrations, entertainment and refreshments. **Bring** your family, friends, neighbors and especially your **YOUTH.\*** 

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

**8:00pm** - "Slavery by Another Name," narrated by Laurence Fishburne, and produced and directed by Sam Pollard, premieres on PBS/WILLTV/Channel 12/Comcast Channel 13. History has repeated itself with the rate of incarcerations of this century!\*

# Tuesday, February 14 – VALENTINE'S DAY

11:30am – 1:00pm – For Colored Girls – Film Clips and Women's Discussion. Parkland female staffers lead female students in a discussion about respect, self-image, self-esteem, and relationships in Flag Lounge at Parkland College.\*

**6:00pm** – **Black History Month Film Series: Sanofa (1993)** at the Independent Media Center (200 S. Broadway, Urbana/at the north end of Lincoln Square). Admission: **\$3.00**/proceeds going to the IMC. The story follows Mona, a contemporary <u>model</u>, as she is visited by spirits lingering in the <u>Cape Coast Castle</u> in <u>Ghana</u> and travels to the past, where, as a house servant named Shola she is constantly abused by her slave masters. Nunu, an African-born field hand, and

Shango, Shola's <u>West Indian</u> love interest, all continuously rebel against the slave system. For Nunu this means direct conflict with her son (whose father is a white man) benefiting from the system as a head slave. Inspired by Nunu and Shango's determination to defy the system, Shola finally chooses to fight back against her masters. For more information, contact: Carol Ammons: (217) 344-8820 or at <u>carol.ammons@ucimc.org</u>.

7:00pm - Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

#### Wednesday, February 15

11:30am – 1:30pm: Celebrate Black History Month with a special menu at the Illini Union Ballroom on from 11:30am - 1:30pm. Cost \$9.59 includes tax. Menu: Soup/Salad: Chicken and Dumplings Soup, Traditional Vegetable Soup, Creamy Cole Slaw, Macaroni Salad; Entree: Whole Fried Catfish, Fried Green Tomatoes, Cabbage w/ Salt Pork, Creamed Corn, Neapolitan Spaghetti; Dessert: Peach Cobbler, and Sweet Potato Pie.

**12noon** – **Food for the Soul: "Black Unity: Why We Can't All Get Along"** at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana).\*

**4:00pm – 6:00pm – Teen Valentine's Day Event** at Champaign-Urbana Public Health District, 201 W. Kenyon Rd., Champaign. **FREE\*** 

#### Thursday, February 16

1:00pm – 4:00pm – Voter Registration at Skelton Place, 302 N. Second St., C.\*

**5:00pm** – **7:30pm** – Wesley Evening **Food Pantry** Distribution at 1203 W. Green St., Urbana. Email <a href="mailto:info@wesleypantry.org">info@wesleypantry.org</a> for information or to volunteer.

6:00pm – 8:00pm – Family African American Read-In Night at Douglass Annex. Bring a short passage to read written by an African American. FREE

**6:00pm** – **Informational Forum** to discuss schools of choice, meet with staff members and learn about programs in all elementary schools at Barkstall Elementary School (2201 Hallbeck, Ch.) with parking on the east side of the school.\*

#### Friday, February 17

Carlos Donaldson – Happy 78<sup>th</sup> Birthday – Carlos Donaldson

12noon – University of Illinois YMCA's Friday Forum - Wisdom on Wall Street w/

Rev. Axel Gehrmann, Unitarian Universalist Church of Urbana-Champaign.\*

**5:00pm - Academy of African American Arts' (AAAA) Movie Night: "Dead Presidents"** at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana).\*

**6:00pm** – Rev. Dr. Claude Shelby and the **Salem Baptist Church Youth Ministry** hosting an ITVS - Community Cinema Series Film Screening of "**Daisy Bates: The First Lady of Little Rock**", inspired by

Illinois Public Media's (WILL/TV/Radio) Film Screening on January 3 to continue the dialog in the community. Discussion moderated by Rev. Rickey E. Parks (Pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church and Little Rock Native). For more information, contact Cynthia Williams at 217-356-3214\*

**6:00pm** - URBANA HIGH SCHOOL TIGERS VS. CENTRAL HIGH MAROONS BASKETBALL GAME. URBANA HIGH SCHOOL IS SELLING HOOPIN' FOR HOPE T-SHIRTS for \$10.00 TO BLACK OUT THE GYM. Although Rivals on the Court, they are United in the fight on Breast Cancer. You may purchase shirts at Urbana home basketball games or in the school office.

**6:00pm – 8:00pm – Jazz & Blues** at the Refinery on Green, 51 E. Green St., Ch. **FREE.** For more info: 217-419-3996 or williebrownlee4@yahoo.com.\*

**8:00pm – 2:00am – Old School R & B** at the Refinery, 51 E. Green St., Ch. **Cost**: **\$10.00.** For more information, <u>217-417-3996</u> or at williebrownlee4@yahoo.com.\*

## Saturday, February 18

**9:00am** – Central Illinois Jurisdiction, C.O.G.I.C. Department of Women **Annual Prayer Breakfast** – "**Triumphant Through Prayer**" at the Holiday Inn Conference Center (1001 Killarney St., Urbana). Featured Speaker: Dorinda Clark Cole. Donation: **Adults - \$35/Children - \$15**. For more information contact Dr. Barbara Gillespie Washington at <a href="mailto:bggillespie@sbcglobal.net">bggillespie@sbcglobal.net</a>.\*

10:00am – 12noon – St. Luke C.M.E. Church Food Pantry – 809 N. Fifth St., Ch.

**4:00pm** – **Black Student Success Event: Shooting Contest.** Shoot-out event occurs during half-time at the men's basketball game; prizes awarded. Event sponsored by the Counseling and Advising Center in the Parkland Gym.\*

**6:00pm – 8:00pm – Jazz & Blues** at the Refinery on Green, 51 E. Green St., Ch. **FREE.** For more info: 217-419-3996 or williebrownlee4@yahoo.com.\*

7:00pm – "From Tragedy to Triumph" Concert featuring Rose of Gospel Grammy Award Winner Dorinda Clark Cole, C.O.G.I.C. Queen of Gospel Chrystal Rucker and Noah Brown and Company at New Hope Church of God in Christ (911 W. Bradley, Ch.). \$15 General Admission in advance; \$20.00 on the day of the event; \$20 meet and greet. Doors open at 6:15pm. For more information, contact Ms. Kimberly Gillespie at 217-390-8152 or Ms. Pam Wilson at 217-649-3085.\*

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## Sunday, February 19

**Immediately following 11am Morning Worship Service – Voter registration** at Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church 1310 N. Sixth St., Champaign.

1:30pm – Salem Baptist Church Women's Day Committee **Birthday Banquet. Donation: \$7.00.** You may dine in at the church or get your food to go.\*

**3:30pm – History of Gospel Music** at St. Luke C.M.E. Church.

#### Monday, February 20 – President's Day

10:00am – 12noon - Voter registration at Helia Healthcare, 1915 S. Mattis, Ch.,

\_11:30am - 1:00pm - Brother Outsider": The Life of Bayard Rustin film viewing in Flag Lounge at Parkland College. One of the first Freedom Riders, an advisor to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and organizer of the 1963 March on Washington

Bayard Rustin was nonetheless denied his place at the forefront of landmark events in the Black struggle due to his homosexuality. This fascinating biography of a multi-talented, essential figure in American radicalism reveals a new understanding of both progressive movements and gay life in 20th-century America. This film

is being loaned from the LGBT Resource Center at the University of Illinois (Illini Union Room 323).\* **6:30pm - U of I Women's Basketball vs.** Northwestern – Assembly Hall\*

Tuesday, February 21 – Last Day for Deputy Registrars to Register Voters

1:00pm – 2:00pm – Michael Fosberg: A One-Man Presentation on Racial Identity in Room D244 at Parkland College. Writer/performer Michel Fosberg is best known for his play Incognito, which tells the story of his discovery as an adult that he was black, his journey to discover his true heritage, and his uncovering of the history behind "the tragic American complexity of 'race'." This presentation is cosponsored by the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign Office of Equal Opportunity and Access.

6:00pm – Black History Month Film Series: "From DuSable to Obama" at the Independent Media Center. Admission: \$3.00 with proceeds going to the IMC. This is a great new documentary of Black History in Chicago. It is a Ken Burns-style documentary for PBS. Explore historical moments of triumph and challenge, and celebrate the heroic and unsung everyday men and women who have helped to mold Chicago's rich history. <a href="http://video.wttw.com/video/1522918184/\*">http://video.wttw.com/video/1522918184/\*</a>

**6:30pm – Illinois Black Students Uncovered: A Discussion of the Facebook Forum** @ Illini Union Rooms B&C.\*

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:00pm – 2<sup>nd</sup> Community Conversations: an opportunity to learn, share, & discuss Restorative Practices in Schools. To be held at South Side Elementary School (712 S. Pine St., C.). Refreshments provided, free babysitting provided and hosted by the South Side PTA. Discussion will be led by Sara Balgoyen, parent of a South Side student and an advocate for restorative justice. For information, call Ms. Balgoyen at 217-778-3351 or email at <a href="mailto:sarab@ibarj.org">sarab@ibarj.org</a>.\*

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

# Wednesday, February 22

**TODAY until March 13 – Grace Period Voting** at the Brookens Building (1776 E. Washington, U.) for those who need **to register to vote and/or change their name or address.** You will register to vote and will be mailed a ballot which must be **returned postmarked no later than midnight on Monday, March 19.**\*

10:00am – 1:00pm – African American Wellness Fair at Parkland College in the Gallary and Flag Lounges. Health screenings, demonstrations, and information from various vendors will be available.\*

11:00am – 1:30pm – Soul Food Luncheon in the South Lounge at Parkland College. Back by popular demand! Sample an excellent array of African American dishes! Tickets are \$7 for faculty/staff/students. Proceeds will benefit the Black Student Association, Sister to Sister, and Brother to Brother activities.\*

12noon – Food for the Soul: "Black Artistry with Dr. Ollie Watts Davis" at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana). NOTE: Today is the day to dress like your favorite Black Artist.\*

**6:00pm** – **Dinner Dialogue about Body Image & Healthy Eating** at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana), co-sponsored with the Counseling Center. **FOR WOMEN ONLY.**\*

#### Thursday, February 23

**5:00pm – 6:30pm - DISCOVER YOUR STRENGTHS:** with the Illinois Leadership Center at the University YMCA's Wahl Room (2nd Floor)

Take the StrengthsQuest style assessment learn about your personal leadership strengths and how to capitalize on them. This program requires advance **registration no later than** 

- February 17. All participants must take the StrengthsQuest assessment by February 21 to participate. Additional Information will be sent once information is complete. DINNER will be provided. Registration requested by Friday, February 17.
- **5:30pm 7:30pm 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Innovation Celebration and Awards Ceremony** sponsored by the Champaign County Economic Development Corporation and the Champaign County Tech Community at Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology. **FREE. RSVP requested, though not required.**\*
- **6:00pm Swahili Day Celebration with a** lecture, food and music at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana), co-sponsored by the Department of Linguistics.\*
- 6:00pm 8:00pm 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Steak-N-Burger Dinner to benefit the Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. Tickets: \$75.00. For information, call <u>217-355-5437</u>. 7:00pm Champaign County Board Meeting

### Friday, February 24

- **12noon** University of Illinois YMCA's Friday Forum **From Structural Adjustment to the Post-Washington Consensus and Beyond: Paradigm Shifts in Development Aid** by Matthew Winters, Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois.
- 5:00pm Academy of African American Arts' (AAAA) Movie Night: "Soundtrack for a Revolution" at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana).\*
- **6:00pm 8:00pm Jazz & Blues** at the Refinery on Green, 51 E. Green St., Ch. **FREE.** For more info: 217-419-3996 or williebrownlee4@yahoo.com.\*
- **6:30pm Sista Circle** of The Church of the Living God presents **Read-In 2012 with** spoken word, singing, praise dance and a Soul Food Sample (\$8.00 donation).\*
- **7:00pm "When God's Glory Fills The House"** at New Generation Christian Fellowship (306 Tiffany Ct., Ch., west of Staley Rd., off Springfield Ave., Ch.) where Apostle Larry and Kim Simmons are the Pastors. Guest speaker: Prophetess Mary Jackson, from God's Center of Deliverance Church" in Kankakee IL. Come out and be blessed. For more information, contact: Judy Grant at <a href="mailto:JudyGran6@aol.com">JudyGran6@aol.com</a>.
- 7:00pm Salem Baptist Church Laymen Ministry's Annual Brotherhood Banquet. FREE. Contact President L.C. Owens at 356-8176 or 328-3005 for info.
- **8:00pm 2:00am Old School R & B** at the Refinery, 51 E. Green St., Ch. **Cost**: **\$10.00.** For more information, <u>217-417-3996</u> or at williebrownlee4@yahoo.com.\*

# Saturday, February 25

- **9:00am 12noon** Church of the Living God presents **The Love Clinic** at the TLC Annex (310 E. Bradley. Cholesterol and diabetes screenings, health assessment survey, temporary prescription refills (bring medication bottles/no pain medication) and \$5.00 gift cards for everyone who is served. Sponsored by Provena Covenant Hospital, Dr. Christina Medrano, Mrs. Wamaitha Sullivan, the Love Corner and Gibson City Memorial Hospital. For more information, call <u>217-359-6920</u>.\*
- **5:00pm Welcome Reception** for Mt. Olive Baptist Church Pastor Keith Thomas and Family at the church. **6:00pm 8:00pm Jazz & Blues** at the Refinery on Green, 51 E. Green St., Ch. **FREE.** For more info: 217-419-3996 or williebrownlee4@yahoo.com.\*
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# Sunday, February 26

LAST DAY - In-person absentee voting at the Brookens Building (1776 E. Washington, Urbana). You

must already be registered to vote at your current address.

3:30pm – St. Luke C.M.E. Church Black History Program

4:00pm – Safe House Winter Benefit Concert at the First United Methodist Church (210 W. Church St., Ch.). Special Guests: Chancel Ringers of First United Methodist Church, Community Choir of Champaign-Urbana & the U of I Black Chorus. Admission: **FREE** but a free will offering may be given at the concert.\* **4:00pm** – **Installation Service** for Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church Pastor Keith Thomas at the church.

# Monday, February 27 – First Day for Early Voting (for March 20 primary)

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

# **Tuesday, February 28**

1:00pm – 2:00pm – Bring Your A-Game: Video and Men's Discussion at Parkland College in the Flag Lounge. Students are invited for the free viewing and discussion of a 22-minute film focusing on the importance of education in the lives of urban youth, Bring Your A-Game. The event is cosponsored by the Brother to Brother campus group and the Black Student SUCCESS Project.\*

6:00pm – Black History Month Film Series: "Documentary: Diary of A Decade: The Story of a Movement" at the Independent Media Center. Admission: \$3.00 with proceeds going to the IMC. This film is the story of a cultural legend as told by the innovators of an important, and in some cases overlooked, era in Black culture. Spanning the late 1980's through to the early 2000's, this story goes deep into the fabric of soul music, its definitions, its pioneers, its offspring, its movements, the challenges with the "mainstream" industry and the evolution of the FunkJazz Kafé, a

music and arts movement born of Atlanta's diverse musical heritage. The film covers the decade when Atlanta's underground music scene became established on the world stage and a new generation of soul singers and musicians emerged.

http://funkjazzkafe.com/diary-of-a-decade-movie/

6:00pm – "An Artifactual Journey of African American Women Across America" @123 David Kinley Hall. Dr. Phillip J. Merrill, Nanny Jack & CO.\*

6:00pm - 8:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 conducting Open House and School Tours at All 11 Elementary Schools\*

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

# Wednesday, February 29 – LEAP YEAR

12noon – Food for the Soul: "Black Thoughts on Moving Forward" at the Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Program (708 S. Matthews, Urbana).\*

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"Don't ask God to guide your footsteps if you aren't willing to move your feet."

"Faith without Action is Dead."



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