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56th Annual Convention

A Legacy of Hope - The Civil Rights Act50 Years Later

August 10 -13, 2014 - Sheraton Birmingham

Sunday, August 10, 2014

3:00P - 7:00P

REGISTRATION & HOSPITALITY DESK (GBCVB)

5:00P - 7:00P

Dr. Charles Steele, Jr. Inaugural Program- Ballroom I & II

This momentous occasion will usher in the new leadership and presidency of Dr. Charles Steele, Jr. who will represent the group with a keen focus on international affairs and domestic leadership.

Master of Ceremony: Mr. Dave Baird, Emmy Award Winning Broadcaster, ABC 33/40

Prelude

Entrance: President and Family, SCLC Board Members, Civil Rights Organizations

Invocation: Bishop Calvin Woods, *President SCLC, Birmingham Metro Chapter*

Occasion: Mr. Damien Connors, *Executive Director, SCLC National*

Greetings: The Honorable William A. Bell, Sr., *Mayor, Birmingham, AL*

Musical Selection: 6th Avenue Baptist Church Choir

Poem: Mr. Hank Stewart, *Renowned Poet*

Installation of the President: Dr. Bernard Lafayette, *SCLC Board Chairman*

Musical Selection "Amazing Grace": Mr. Ron Handy, *Multi-instrumentalist*

Inaugural Address: Dr. Charles Steele, Jr., *President & CEO, SCLC National*

Musical Selection: The Wardlaw Brothers, *Gospel Artists*

Presentation of Awards: Dr. Charles Steele, Jr.

Remarks: Rev. Schmitt Moore, *Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama*

Benediction: Bishop Calvin Woods, *President SCLC, Birmingham Metro Chapter*

7:30P - 9:00P

Presidents Reception (By Invitation Only)-Ballroom III & IV

Monday, August 11, 2014

9:00A -10:15A

Concurrent Sessions

Civil Rights Veterans Roundtable -Ballroom I

Featuring Foot Soldiers of the Civil Rights movement

Participants:

Mr. Ralph Worrell, *Civil Rights & Labor Movements Veteran/Activist*

Ms. Rita Samuels, *Founder, Georgia Coalition of Black Women (GCBW)*

Rev. Willie Bolden, *Civil Rights Veteran/Activist*

Ms. Lula Joe Williams, *Civil Rights Veteran/Activist*

Rev. Frederick Douglass Taylor, *Civil Rights Activist*



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Panel Discussion: *Race and Racism in America* -Ballroom II

Economic development, jobs, healthcare, social empowerment and family heritage have all played a key role in improving the landscape for African-Americans across the U.S. This session will highlight key national and international leaders who will provide their perspective on how each issue impacts the world.

Moderator:

Mr. Steve Crocker, *Co-Anchor, FOX6 News Birmingham*

Panelists:

Ms. Daphne Kwok, *Chair, President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders.*

Mr. Jose Marquez, *National President/CEO LISTA*

10:15A - 11:30A

Building Sustainable Communities-Event Sponsors: Pure, Alabama Power-Ballroom IX

There is a new emerging group of brilliant women who are paving the way to responsible environmental stewardship, innovative education ideas and progressive policies. A panel of female sustainability advocates will discuss their push at local and national levels to make the world a cleaner, better place. Panelists will engage in a critical discussion about equity and inclusion in the face of climate Change. Panelists include:

Moderator: Toni Smalls, *Governmental Relations for Eco-Logic*

Panelists:

Ms. Janaye Ingram *Executive Director, National Action Network*

Ms. Brandi Richard, *National Urban League YP President*

Ms. Natalie Kelly, *My Green Birmingham*

Ms. Circe Starks, *Environmental Services Manager, Southern Power*

EVENT COVERAGE: This event will be live streamed and include interaction and Q/A from viewers on social media.

Presentation: "Moore's Ford Bridge Movement"

SCLC and GABEO Joint Partnership

12:00P - 2:00P

Women's Empowerment Luncheon- Ballroom III & IV

Hosted by Mrs. Cathlean Steele, First Lady, SCLC National

Beyond the Glass Ceiling: The Global Achievement of Women

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Gwendolyn Boyd, President, Alabama State University

A reflection on the impact women have made during the creation of SCLC and continue to have on organizations, companies, institutions and political infrastructure.



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Honorees:

Juandalynn Givan Esq., *State Rep. House 60th District, Birmingham, AL*

Rev. Bernice A. King, *Chief Executive Officer of The King Center*

Ms. Daphne Kwok, *Chair of the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.*

Ms. Beverly Robertson, *Former President, National Civil Rights Museum*

The Honorable Terri Sewell, *Congresswoman, Alabama's 7th District*

Col. Deborah Scott Thomas, *USAF Retired, President & CEO Data Solutions & Technology*

Ms. Nancy Worley, *Chairperson, Alabama Democratic Party*

Celebrity Guest: Ms. Robin Givens, *Actress*

2:15P – 3:30P

Film Screening: "Justice Is A Black Woman" -Ballroom VII

Special conversation about the film with Dr. Gary Ford and Rev. Jay Augustine

Judge Motley was an "invisible" activist, a change agent, and a leader, who made significant contributions to the success of the Civil Rights Movement. In addition to being the first African-American woman to be a State Senator, Manhattan Borough President, or a federal judge, Motley also wrote the original complaint for Brown v. the Board of Education, and fought for desegregation as part of the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc. This film studies her role in the Movement and examines her life and career in the context of women's agency and leadership.

"The production team for the documentary included Professor Michael Calia, director of the Quinnipiac University Ed McMahon Mass Communications Center, director/producer of the film, Ms. Susan Bailey, script writer, Ms. Lynn Bushnell, executive producer, and Dr. Gary Ford who wrote his dissertation on Judge Motley and was also a producer.

Entrepreneurship Session presented by Georgia Pacific/KII
featuring Author/Entrepreneur Kevin Johnson

NETWORKING BREAK & BOOKING SIGNINGS

Book Nook: Conversation w/Jay Augustine

Nonviolent Workshop

TED Talk Setting

Dr. King and other civil rights leaders practiced nonviolence protests, however they were taught how to use alternative tactics to accomplish their mission. In this session, participants will learn how to succeed in today's society using nonviolent principals.

Facilitator:

Mr. Jonathan Lewis- *SCLC Board Member*



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3:30P – 4:30P

Panel Discussion

The “Stand Your Ground Law” and Its Impact on the Black Community

Panelists:

Attorney Ben Crump, Partner, ParksCrump Attorneys at Law, LLC

Ms. Lucia McBath, mother of Jordan Davis

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The State of Black Males in America

A serious discussion regarding the status of black male success in the United States. In keeping with the White House’s Brother’s Keeper initiative, this discussion will deal with the ways in which black males endure disproportionate challenges and obstacles to success and will consider the best way forward. Conversation contention will include a robust set of topics from education and violence to unemployment and incarceration.

Presenters:

Rev. Jay Augustine, Esq., Senior Pastor, St. Paul AME Church (NOLA) and Founder of Faith & Works

Mr. George Curry, editor-in-chief of the National Newspaper Publishers Association News Service

Mr. Dick Gregory, Comedian & Civil Rights Activist

Mr. Junius Williams, Director of the Abbott Leadership Institute, Rutgers University

5:00P-6:30P

American Express Documentary Premier: “SPENT”- Ballroom VII

Spent: Looking for Change is a film about everyday Americans without the financial options most of us take for granted and the movement giving them renewed hope. American Express is sponsoring this documentary to help improve financial inclusion in the U.S.

Academy Award®-winning filmmaker Davis Guggenheim is the executive producer of the documentary which is narrated by Tyler Perry and directed by Derek Doneen.

6:30P

Dinner Own Your Own

Tuesday, August 12, 2014

9:00A- 10:00A

Concurrent Sessions

Chapter Development Workshop: What It Takes to Build an SCLC Chapter of Action

The State of the Black Church-

How the Role of Faith has evolved in the fight for justice and equality

Presenters:

Rev. Gwendolyn Webb, Founder & CEO, Foot Soldiers International

Rev. Lawton Higgs, Founder, Church of the Reconciler & Civil Rights Activist

Rev. Carter Gaston, Pastor, Central Baptist Church

Dr. Arthur Price, Pastor, 16th Street Baptist Church



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- 10:00A -11:30A **An In Depth Look At SCLC’s “Justice for Girls” Initiative**
RIM Shot Productions
- Entrepreneurship Session presented by Georgia Pacific/KII
featuring Author/Entrepreneur Kevin Johnson
- 12:00P – 2:00P **SCLC Board Meeting**
- 11:30A-12:45P **Conversations on Penal Reforms and How They Impact the Community**
Panelists:
Attorney Charles Brooks, *SCLC Legal Counsel-ATL*
Mr. Brandon Buskey, *ACLU Justice Center- NY*
Ms. Kara Dansky-, *ACLU Justice Center- DC*
Attorney Glennon Threatt, *Federal Defenders*
Mr. Spurgeon Kennedy, *Director of Research Analysis, National Institute of Corrections*
and DC Pretrial-Measuring.
- 12:45P – 1:00P **Lunch on Your Own (On-Site Food Court Available)**
- 1:00P -2:00P **A Conversation with Our President**
This will be a one-on-one between George Curry and President Steele
- 2:15P – 3:00P **Discussion: The Voting Rights Act**
Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr., *Baptist Minister and Civil Rights Activist*
Mr. Dick Gregory, *Comedian and Civil Rights Activist*
- 3:00P- 5:00P **Fashion Show Extravaganza with the Wilbourn Sisters (Ticketed Event) Ballroom III & IV**
- 5:00P-6:00P **Sponsors and Donors Reception – Ballroom I**
- Dinner on Your (Onsite Food Court Available)**
- Wednesday, August 13, 2014**
- 9:00A – 11:00A **Shuttlesworth Memorial Prayer Breakfast (Ticketed Event \$35)- Ballroom III & IV**
Keynote Speaker: Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.