



National Black Deaf Advocates
Senior Citizens Program

Our Mission

The NBDA Senior Citizens Program aims to develop and strengthen a support network for Black Deaf seniors, assist NBDA in becoming better informed about the unique needs, concerns and challenges by members of this particular segment of the Black Deaf community, and design and implement out-reach program and activities tailored to respond to their unique needs.

*"Age is just a number,
wisdom is the key"*

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National Black Deaf Advocates, Inc. Black Deaf Senior Citizens Newsletter SPECIAL EDITION

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**National Black Deaf Advocates, Inc.
Senior Citizens Program
2nd Black Deaf Senior Citizen Reunion
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
September 11-14, 2014**



1200 South Ocean Boulevard
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29577



Reunion Registration
\$70.00 per person until April 6, 2014
\$85.00 per person from April 7 to August 17, 2014
(No registration will be accepted after August 17, 2014)

To register, make check or money order payable to "National Black Deaf Advocates, Inc." Write in the memo area at the bottom of your check, "2014 Senior Citizens Reunion". Mail it with your registration application (full name, address, email, VP, and your t-shirt size (small, medium, large, X-large, XX-large) to:
National Black Deaf Advocates, Inc.
c/o Jerry Webster, Reunion Treasurer
P.O. Box 4312
Crofton, MD 21114

What your registration will cover:
Registration bag, Reunion T-shirt, Program Book, Admission to Thursday's reception, Friday & Saturday workshops. Free admission to 'Friday Night at the Movie' and Saturday's Buffet Dinner and Entertainment.

For more information, contact:

Thomas Samuels,
Program Director/Reunion Chair
seniors@nbda.org

Jerry Webster,
Reunion Treasurer
senior-reunion.treasurer@nbda.org

Hotel Information

Oceanfront rooms:

Single person \$87.60 per night. Two persons \$96.10 per night

Ocean view rooms:

Single person \$81.95. Two person \$90.45

These rates are available from
September 8 thru 16 2014.

All guest rooms include: Full kitchen, Stove, Microwave, Full size refrigerator, Coffee/Tea maker. Free self-parking and room Internet access. Also a 42 item buffet with cook to order station. (Note: Buffet Breakfast is already included in the room rate that is listed).

Hotel Registration

To receive these rates, call Sea Mist Oceanfront Resort 800-732-6478 and tell them you are with the National Black Deaf Advocates Senior Citizens and give them our group registration number 856413. For online registration, www.seamist.com (NBDA group code: 856413).

- Tentative Schedule -

Thursday, September 11, 2014
Welcome Reception & Social Night

Friday, September 12, 2014
Morning: Candle light memory services
Afternoon: State of Black Deaf Seniors - (Panel)

Evening: Movie Night at Sea Mist Theater - (*Black Deaf History at Kendall*)

Saturday, September 13, 2014
Morning: Leisure Time & Tour
Afternoon: Buffet Dinner and Awards Entertainment - (*The Wild Zappers and National Deaf Dance*)

Sunday, September 14, 2014
- Breakfast Buffet & Hotel Check-out
- Committee Wrap-up meeting

For updating information, continue checking www.nbda.org/content/senior-citizen



From the Editor:

On behalf of our reunion team, I want to thank those who have already registered for the upcoming NBDA 2nd Black Deaf Senior Citizens Reunion that will take place during September 11-14, 2014 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

The purpose for this special editor newsletter is to provide you with up dated information that may be helpful to you and those who have already registered or planning on registering before the registration deadline.

Our goal is to make this reunion comfortable, relaxing, and enjoying for all. Registration deadline is just a few months away and it will be very helpful for our planning committee if those who have not register yet to do so EARLY to help the planning committee make this reunion the best it can be. We would appreciate your support if you register early.

If you have any question regarding the reunion, feel free to contact me at seniors@nbda.org.

We hope to see you there!

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!

Sea Mist Oceanfront Resort



The Sea Mist Oceanfront Resort will be the site of the NBDA 2nd Black Deaf Senior Citizens Reunion. The resort is located in the City Center, nestled on the beach and a short distance from Grand Strand Plaza Shopping Center, Midway Park, and Sixth Avenue Shopping

Center. Also, nearby are Family Kingdom Amusement Park. The Sea Mist Resort has 793 rooms which make it one of the largest resort in Myrtle Beach. The resort has a conference center, conference/meeting rooms, board room, and ballroom.

Free self parking for all hotel guests.

All guestrooms in the Driftwood & Tides building come with premium cable

channels TV, refrigerators, microwave, and air-conditioning, private bathroom with shower/tub combinations.

The resort has two restaurants and a coffee shop/café, beach bar and picnic area.



Hotel Room



Room View of Beach



Pool Area



Hotel & Beach Area



Conference Center



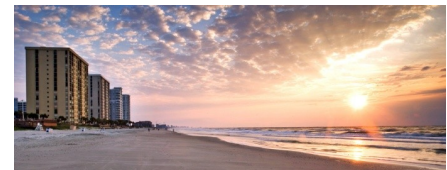
Sea Mist Movie Theater



Workshop/Entertainment



Myrtle Beach Boardwalk



Sundown at Myrtle Beach



The welcome reception will take place on Thursday evening, September 11, 2014 at a beautiful tree lined outdoor recreation area located just across from the Conference Center. If the weather is not suitable, the reception will be held in the Conference Center.

The event is from 7:30 to 9:30 pm.



Breakfast at Tena's Restaurant



Tina's has an atmosphere that is Clean and Comfortable and they provide enthusiastic and Courteous Service.

Those who registered for the reunion will receive three coupons and can use one each morning for a buffet breakfast either Thursday, Friday, or Saturday or Friday, Saturday, or Sunday morning. The restaurant is located right next to Sea Mist Registration Center. The restaurant serves breakfast only and is open from 6 to 10 am.

They offers a 46 item buffet breakfast that includes; bacon, eggs, waffle, sausage, pancake, bagel, muffin, juice, coffee, tea, and a list of other breakfast items. There is a made to order cook to prepare your style of pancakes, waffles, French toast, and eggs.

"Aunt Martha And Her Friends"

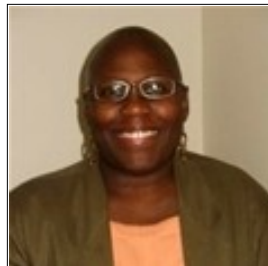


tional Deaf People Of Color (NDPOC).

During her show, she will share with us stories, folklores, culture related topics, tradition related to past generations of Deaf African-American individuals and their community.

Laurene Simms is a Professor of the Department of Education at Gallaudet University and one of the few Black Deaf America to earned a Ph.D.

She is well known for her support to National Black Deaf Advocates (NBDA) and Na-



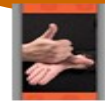
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Invisible Hands/ National Deaf Dance



At this time, we are working with Invisible Hands to provide us with an evening of spectacular entertainment. The Wild Zappers//National Deaf Dance will provide the audience with an opportunity to experience soulful music and dance relating to popular songs of the 70's, 80's and 90's that we seniors enjoyed during those years. Please continue to check our web site (nbda.org) for up date.

DONATION



Can't attend but want to make a donation?

Those who will not be able to attend but would like to make a donation (your donation is tax-deductible), please send it to: NBDA c/o Jerry Webster, Reunion Treasurer, P.O. Box 4312, Crofton, MD 21114

All donation large or small will be greatly appreciated and will be acknowledged in the reunion program book!

Friday Night at the Movie



The Sea Mist Theater is a 82 seated theater with very comfortable seats. Refreshment on sale at the theater are; candy, soda, popcorn, etc.

A list of movie/documentary that may be shown on Friday night are:

Class of '52

A history documentary of the Black Deaf children at the Kendall School from the late 1800's to the early 1950's. We will learn about the concept of segregation within education, education, the type of education that was given to Black Deaf children and why they were shipped to another school out of their state. We will also learn about the four Black teachers

that were hired by Kendall for the year 1952. A discussion/feedback session will take place after the showing.

2011 NBDA Black Deaf Senior Citizens Reunion

A video showing of the 2011 reunion that took place in Orlando, FL. The video will include clips from activities that took place during the 2011 reunion.

Twelve Years A Slave

One of the best movie of the year. This movie is about a New York State born free African American man who was kidnapped in 1841 and sold into slavery.

Because of limited time for showing, the attendees will have the opportunity to vote on what they would like to see.

Black Deaf Seniors Empowerment Forum



This event will focus on how we can become more empowered through unity as senior citizens, and how we can educate others. We need to create a new vision for seniors and their community. This event will be conducted by a moderator and a panelist of several senior. The audience will have the opportunity to participate after this section end by ask questions and sharing any concerns they may have for seniors of the present and future.

Prayer Vigil



Edwin King

A prayer vigil for seniors who passed away and were NBDA members or were well known in the Black Deaf community. The vigil will focus on love, loss, and the life of those who were our friend, leaders, and people we have respected. This event will start at 10:30 am on Friday morning and will take place start take place in in the Conference Center. The purpose of this vigil is to pray, honor, and share memories of our loved ones. This event will be held in the Conference Center. Edwin King, a loyal friend and a spiritual leader in the Christian community or Virginia and Washington, DC and a member of DCA BDA will coordinate this event.



We would like to receive names, photo or obituary of those who have passed away so we can add them to our list.

Photography



Andrew Robertson

We are planning to have a group photo session sometime during the reunion. Andrew Robertson, a professional photography who was the leading photography at the NBDA new Orleans Conference. You can view Andrew's work on his website; 'andrew-robertson.smugmug.com'. He will be our main photographer during the reunion. We would appreciate it if you respect and cooperate with him during photo taking. Pictures taken by Andrew during the reunion will be on sale approximately 30 days after the reunion, but we encourage you to bring your own camera.

Airport Transportation



Airport transportation to the hotel and from the hotel to the airport will be provided again by Carlton West of Norfolk, VA. Transportation services is FREE and is provided by the NBDA Senior Citizens Program for those who have registered. Individuals planning to arrive on Thursday or Friday need to contact us (seniors@nbda.org) as soon as you made your airline reservation and let us know the date and time of you arrival & departure. Pick up is scheduled as following; Thursday: 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 12 noon, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm and Friday: 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 12 noon, 1 pm, 2 pm.

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workshops & Lectures.

Entertainment.

'Friday Night at the Movie'

Saturday's Buffet

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August 10, 2014

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A picture DVD of the 2011 NBDA Reunion is still on sale!

\$20 each (including shipping)

The DVD contains more than 225 beautiful photos of individuals & activities that took place during the historical event. All sales of the picture DVD will go to the Senior Citizens Fund. Send your check or money order payable to NBDA and write at bottom of check: (for 2011 senior citizens reunion picture DVD).

Mail it to:

National Black Deaf Advocates
c/o Betty Henderson, Treasurer
151 S. Bishop Ave, T-7
Secane, PA 19018-1968

COMING 2015!!!

27th NBDA Conference
August 4 - 9, 2015
Louisville, Kentucky

