

# **National Black Genealogy Summit**

**African Diaspora: Awakening Our Legacy**



**October 20-22, 2011**

**Fort Wayne, Indiana**

**[www.BlackGenealogyConference.Info](http://www.BlackGenealogyConference.Info)**

**The Allen County Public Library Foundation &  
The African American Genealogical Society of Fort Wayne  
Thursday - Pre-Summit - Allen County Public Library  
Friday & Saturday - Summit - Grand Wayne Center**

**Planning Partners**

**African/African American Historical Museum  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Fort Wayne Alumnae Chapter  
It Is Well With My Soul  
The Links, Incorporated Fort Wayne Chapter**

**Pre-Summit Program—Allen County Public Library**

**Thursday, October 20, 2011**

Focus on family health history, foundations of genealogical research, a librarians track, and information sharing.

**9am - 5pm:** Registration & Health Screening

**9:45am - 9:55am:** Welcome, Introductions, and Program Overview

**10am - 11am**

T-1: Health Track: *Mind Over Matter: The Will to Better Health*-Dr. Rudy Kachmann

T-2: *Enlivening Family History Through Oral Storytelling*-Condra Ridley

T-3: *Getting Started with Your Family History*-Pompia Durril

T-4: Librarians Track: *Finding African American Resources on the Web*

**11:15am - 12:15pm**

T-5: Health Track: *Thicker Than Blood: Family Health History*-Dr. Anthereca E. Lane

T-6: *Students' Stories from the It Is Well With My Soul "Race, Family History, & Community" Course*-Dr. Miles Edwards

T-7: *Newspaper Research*-Roberta Ridley

T-8: Librarians Track: *A Plethora of Choices: African American Resources at the Indiana Historical Society*-Wilma Moore

**12:15pm - 2pm**

T-9: Lunch & Brown Bag Panel Discussion: Q & A for Researchers

**2:30pm - 3:30pm**

T-10: Health Track: *Junk in My Trunk: Factors Impacting Abdominal Obesity in African American Women*-Dr. Debra Miller

T-11: *Historical Research in African American Fraternal Organizational Data Collections and Publications*-Joan & Lyman Lewis

T-12: *Out of the Box Research Strategies*-Michael Robertson

T-13: Librarians Track: *Getting the Most from African American Heritage & AfriGeneas*

**3:45pm - 4:45pm**

T-14: Health Track: *Killing Me Softly: Genetics and Diabetes/Stroke*-Dr. Terrell Bond

T-15: *Black Sheep, Skeletons, Scandals, Oh My! Engaging Family in Genealogy Research*-Dr. Ruby Cain, Angela R. Jenkins, & Mack Jenkins

T-16: *Let My People Know: Finding Your Ancestors Through Church Historiography*-Rev. Angela Shannon

T-17: Librarians Track: *Engaging African Americans in Genealogical Research*-Dr. Sheldon Wrice

**6pm - 9pm**

T-18: Booksigning & Gospel Concert

**9pm - Midnight:** Extended Research Hours

**Summit Program—Grand Wayne Convention Center**

**Friday, October 21, 2011**

**7am - 9am: Extended Research Hours**

**7am - 5pm: Registration 9am - 5pm: Health Screening**

**8:45am:** Welcome, Opening Announcements

**9am - 10am:** Friday Plenary Session

F-1: *What's Under the Dust? Recovering Family History from the Archives*-Carla Peterson

**10:30am - 11:30am**

F-2: *From the Black Oak to My Black Ancestors*-Tony Burroughs

F-3: *Tips, Strategies & Resources for the African American Researcher*-Tim Pinnick

F-4: *Finding Native American Ancestors in African American Families*-Angela Walton-Raji

F-5: *Finding Blacks in Canada*-Lisa Lee

**11:30am - 1:30pm:** Lunch Break & Vendors

**1:30pm - 2:30pm**

F-6: *Planting Plantations*-Tony Burroughs

F-7: *Records of Resistance (Abolitionist Societies & the Underground Railroad)*-Shamele Jordan

F-8: *DNA and Genealogy: An Introduction*-Roberta Estes

F-9: *Beginning African American Research*-Sandra Joseph

**3pm - 4pm**

- F-10: *Using FamilySearch to Solve African-American Research Problems*-James Ison
- F-11: *More Tips, Strategies & Resources for the African American Researcher*-Tim Pinnick
- F-12: *Shadowed Roots: Antebellum Era Records for African-American Research*-Melissa Shimkus
- F-13: *Finding Mosaic Templars Through the Royal Circle of Friends*-Angela Walton-Raji

**4:30pm - 5:30pm**

- F-14: *History of the Beauty & Barber Industry and Their Records*
- F-15: *Search & Reward Notices (Value of Ads in the Negro Press)*-Lisa Lee
- F-16: *The Fugitive Slave Act & The Underground Railroad*-James Ison
- F-17: *Immigrants from the Caribbean: Using Federal Records to Locate Black Ancestors from the British West Indies*-Damani Davis

**7pm - 9pm: Banquet**

- F-18: *Shaping Our Destiny: The Power of Telling Our Stories* - Robin D. Stone

**Saturday, October 22, 2011**

**7am - 9am: Extended Research Hours**

**8am - 12noon: Registration 9am - 5pm: Health Screening**

**9am - 10:30am, Saturday Plenary Session**

- S-1: *Not To Be Forgotten: One Artist's Journey of "Going Back Home"*-Michele Wood

**11am - 12pm**

- S-2: *Maps and Genealogy*-Shamele Jordan
- S-3: *The First Days of Freedom: Documenting Soldiers, Contrabands, and Those Still Enslaved During the Civil War*-Angela Walton-Raji
- S-4: *Four Key Resources for African American Research*-James Ison
- S-5: *Developing the Genealogy of an African American Community: A Case Study*-Tim Pinnick

**12pm - 2pm: Lunch Break & Vendors**

**2pm - 4pm: Michele Wood, Artist Reception & Book Signing (Library Gallery)**

**2pm - 3pm**

- S-6: *The Kansas Exodusters: Using Federal Documents to Explore the First African-American Migration from the South*-Damani Davis
- S-7: *Breaking Through the Brick Wall of 1870 with Civil War & Reconstruction Era Research*-Angela Walton-Raji
- S-8: *Finding Your "Unfindables" (Techniques for Using Online Resources Better)*-Lisa Lee
- S-9: *U.S. Census Techniques and Strategies for Finding Elusive Ancestors*-Sandra Joseph

**3:30pm - 4:30pm**

- S-10: *African American Veterans in the Grand Army of the Republic*-Tim Pinnick
- S-11: *Finding Your Native American and African American Heritage Using DNA*-Roberta Estes
- S-12: *Genealogy in the Electronic Age*-Tony Burroughs
- S-13: *Records of the Rebellion: Documenting African Americans During the Civil War*-Shamele Jordan

**5pm - 6pm: Un-Conference Discussion Groups**

Break into groups by interest & share research experiences & resources.

There will be plenty of research opportunities in

**THE GENEALOGY CENTER**

**REGULAR HOURS**

**October 20 - 9:00am-9:00pm**  
**October 21 - 9:00am-6:00pm**  
**October 22 - 9:00am-6:00pm**  
**October 23 - 12:00pm-5:00pm**

**EXTRA EXTENDED HOURS FOR SUMMIT ATTENDEES**

**October 20 - 9:00pm-12midnight**  
**October 21 - 7:00am-9:00am**  
**October 22 - 7:00am-9:00am**  
**October 23 - 8:00am-12:00pm**

**NATIONAL BLACK SUMMIT REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIPCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION/SOCIETY: \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION:**

FREE PRE-SUMMIT (THURSDAY): NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

FULL SUMMIT REGISTRATION (FRIDAY & SATURDAY) UNTIL LABOR DAY \$115 \_\_\_\_\_ AFTER LABOR DAY \$145 \_\_\_\_\_

SINGLE DAY REGISTRATION UNTIL LABOR DAY \$80: CHOOSE FRIDAY \_\_\_\_\_ OR SATURDAY \_\_\_\_\_ AFTER LABOR DAY \$95 \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL REGISTRATION** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CONFERENCE BANQUET AND KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE GRAND WAYNE CENTER: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2011 7PM – 9PM

CHOOSE ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING ENTREES:

POT ROAST W/ NEW POTATOES & SWEET ONIONS AND PAN GRAVY \$45 \_\_\_\_\_

TILAPIA W/ LEMON DILL BUTTER AND SWEET PEPPER CHUTNEY \$45 \_\_\_\_\_

SHITAKE CHICKEN W/ SHITAKE MUSHROOM SAUCE \$45 \_\_\_\_\_

VEGETARIAN MEAL- RATATOUILLE CREPES W/ ROMANO CHEESE \$45 \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL BANQUET** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

BROWN BAG LUNCH THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

CHOOSE ONE: VEGETABLE WRAP\_\_ OR CHICKEN WRAP\_\_

CHOOSE ONE: WATER\_\_ OR LEMONADE\_\_ OR ICE TEA\_\_

BROWN BAG LUNCH FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

CHOOSE ONE: VEGETABLE LASAGNA\_\_ OR MEAT LASAGNA\_\_

CHOOSE ONE: FRUIT\_\_ OR COOKIE\_\_

CHOOSE ONE: WATER\_\_ OR LEMONADE\_\_ OR ICE TEA\_\_

BROWN BAG LUNCH SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

GRILLED CHICKEN

CHOOSE ONE: WATER\_\_ OR LEMONADE\_\_ OR ICE TEA\_\_

**TOTAL LUNCHEONS** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION (INCLUDE NBGS IN THE MEMO SECTION)**

PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION FORM WITH PAYMENT TO:

**NATIONAL BLACK GENEALOGY SUMMIT**

c/o ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, THE GENEALOGY CENTER

P.O. Box 2270

FORT WAYNE IN, 46801-2270

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS**

NAME ON CARD \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD TYPE: MASTER CARD \_\_\_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_\_\_ CARD NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ 3 DIGIT SECURITY NUMBER LOCATED ON BACK OF CARD \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS CAN BE MAILED, FAXED TO SECURE NUMBER: 260-421-1386, OR CALLED TO 260-421-1227.

GEOGRAPHIC AREAS BEING RESEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_

SURNAMES BEING RESEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_

(COMPLETION WILL AUTHORIZE INFORMATION TO BE SHARED)

HELP US PLAN SPACE BY CIRCLING THE SESSIONS YOU ARE MOST INTERESTED IN ATTENDING:

T-1 T-2 T-3 T-4 T-5 T-6 T-7 T-8 T-9 T-10 T-11 T-12 T-13 T-14 T-15 T-16 T-17 T-18

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