

Newsletter of the Birmingham Branch/Alabama Section

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May Meeting: Golden Corral, Lorna Rd, Hoover

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2004 at the Golden Corral, which is located at 3117 Lorna Road behind the Bill Byrd Kia Dealership and Burlington Coat Factory approximately 1.25 miles north of the Galleria. Lorna Road runs parallel to and behind Hwy. 31 until it intersects with Hwy. 31 at the I-65 Interchange. The phone number is 822-1314. Call the restaurant if you need directions or contact any Branch officer.

Meeting Agenda

Renew Acquaintances/Meal	11:30 - 12:15
Business Meeting	12:15 - 12:45
Speaker	12:45 - 1:15

Please get your meal as soon as you arrive and proceed to the meeting room located at the rear restaurant. Attendees will be eligible for a drawing to receive a free meal at this month's meeting. The drawing will be held before the business meeting. Please sign the attendance register to enter the drawing.

Speaker for May Meeting

Our speaker for this month's meeting will be Dr. Irma Leon Palmer. Dr. Palmer is a Graduate of Life Chiropractic College in Marietta, GA. She graduated in 1992 and performed a residency in Miami. She moved with her husband to Birmingham in the summer of 1993 and started her practice in the fall of 1993. Dr. Palmer being bi-lingual in English and Spanish has a unique multi-cultural practice. She is an experienced public speaker educating both communities on improving their quality of life through healthier lifestyle choices.

Branch meetings are the first Thursday of each month, September through May. Each month's meeting includes a presentation by a guest speaker. If you have an idea for a speaker or topic, please contact Andrew Murr.

Coloring Book Competition Winners

The Coloring Book Competition winners have been determined. There were 3 places in 5 categories. From First Place to Third Place they are:

Best Overall Book: Mrs. Wanda Carlisle's Class, Snow Rogers Elementary; Mrs. Reem Dahlen's Class, Islamic Academy of Alabama; Mr. Greg Carroll's Class, Brookville Elementary

Most Colorful Book: Mrs. Laurie Jones' Class, Irondale Community School; Mrs. Karen Waters' Class, Snow Rogers Elementary; Mrs. Sonya Franklin's Class, Springville Middle School

Best Overall Sheet: John Mark Winslett, North Highland Elementary; Taylor Doriety, North Highland Elementary; Chris Hardy, Going Elementary

Most Colorful Sheet: Nicholas Smith, Brookville Elementary; Maurell Holt, Irondale Community School; Damien Boyd, South Hampton Elementary

Best Original Work: Emily Laken Richards, Valley Intermediate; Larry Baldwin, North Birmingham Elementary; Alan McGill, Valley Intermediate.

Congratulations to all the winners, individuals and classes. And a special thanks to Becky and all our ambassadors.

Newsletter Content Notice

If you did not like any of the newsletter content, or felt the urge to correct grammar, spelling, etc. This is your lucky day. We will soon be looking for a new Secretary/Treasurer who will be responsible for next year's Newsletters. Contrary to what one might think, it is a satisfying job, with a few perks. Contact an officer today to see how.

Branch Dues Update

This month is our last meeting before the summer break, but Branch dues are still only \$10! Remember that Branch dues are not included in your National or Section dues. A portion of the National dues goes to the Section, which in turn gives each Branch an allotment, but our Branch budget is primarily supported by the small amount we ask for each year. Please support your Branch by paying your dues at the meeting or by mailing them to the Branch post office address listed in the newsletter. So far we have had 49 members pay their dues, are you one of them? This is still not even halfway to our budget expectation of 100 dues paying members.

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