

Candidate for Office

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Candidate For The Office Of: Central Area Director

Area: Central Area

Chapter: Windy City (IL)

First Name: Monica

Middle Name: Boone

Last Name: Allen

Maiden Name:

**Name as it should appear on
Candidate for Nomination
Profile:**

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Induction Date: 1985

Age Category: 56-65

Attendance at National Assemblies:

Indianapolis, IN 2018
Las Vegas, NV 2016
Washington, DC 2014
Orlando, Fl. 2012
Detroit, Mi. 2010
Seattle, Wa. 2008
Philadelphia, Pa. 2006
Atlanta Ga. 2004
Chicago, Il. 2002

National Level Leadership Positions in The Links, Incorporated:

Member, National Membership Committee 2015-current
Member, National Ethics and Standards Committee 2015-current
Member, National Mentoring/new Member Development Committee 2015-current
Member, National Program Committee 2013-2015
Member, Governance Committee 2011-current
Member, National Trends and Services Committee 2011-2013
Workshop Moderator, Anti-Bullying -Trash talking, 'It's No Joke' Orlando National Assembly 2012

Attendance at Area Conferences:

Central Area
Minneapolis, MN 2017
Cincinnati, OH 2015
Little Rock, AR 2013
St. Louis, MO 2011
Kansas City, MO 2007

Eastern Area
Arlington, VA 2007
Norfolk, VA 2005

Area Level Leadership Positions in The Links, Incorporated:

Area Vice Director 2015-current
Member, Executive Board 2011-current
Executive Comm 2015-current
Member, Area Ethics and Standards Committee 2015-current
Member, Area Planning committee, Summit 2016 and Area Conference 2015,17,19
Program Coordinator 2014-2015
Program Co-Coordinator 2013-2014

Area Level Leadership Positions in The Links, Incorporated:

Chair, National Trends and Services 2011-2013
Member, Time and Place Committee 2009-current
Program Peer Reviewer 2004-2013
Coordinator, Floor Couriers 2011 Area Conference, St. Louis

Eastern Area

Workshop Presenter, "Chapter Burn Out', Balancing Work, Family Life, and Links -Eastern Area Conference 2005
Workshop Presenter, "Succession Planning', Preparing Chapters for Growth and Future Success - Eastern Area Conference 2007

Chapter Level Leadership Positions in The Links, Incorporated:

Windy City (IL)
Co-Chair Fundraising 2010
Executive Board 2003-2009
Chapter President 2007-2009
Chapter Vice-President 2005-2007
Membership Chair 2005-2007
Member, Membership Committee 2001-2007, 2017-current
Member, Budget and Finance Committee 2003-2007, 2017-current
Program Director 2003-2005

Harbor City (Md) Charter Member 1985
Chair, National Trends and Services -1989-1992
Corresponding Secretary- 1987-1989

Leadership Positions in other organizations:

Board of Directors - Trinity United Church of Christ (TUCC) 2006-current
Chair, Pastoral Relations Committee, TUCC 2006-current
Member, Budget and Finance Committee, TUCC 2010-current
Member, Scholarship and Education Committee, TUCC 2007-current
Steering Committee, 50th Anniversary Fundraiser, Chair Ticket Sales 2010-2011
Member, Community Development Corporation Board, TUCC 2002-2005
Member, Leadership Council, TUCC 1997-2001
Chair, Career Development Ministry, (CDM) TUCC 1998-2001
Vice Chair, CDM, TUCC - 1997
Treasurer, CDM, TUCC - 2002
Secretary, CDM, TUCC -1996
Member, Women's Advisory Board, Shore Bank 2000-2003
Vice-President, Sno-Gopher's Ski Club 1997-1999
Business Manager, Sno-Gopher's Ski Club 1995-1997

Employment History:

Principal, Jesse's Farm (Health and Wellness Consulting and Advocacy)
Chicago, Illinois
2007-Present

Owner-CEO /Xerox Sales Agency - Copiers 4 Business
Chicago, Illinois
1998-2006

Managed Care Sales Manager -Manor Care Health Services
Chicago, Illinois
1995-1997

Territory Sales Manager - Health Infusion
Columbia, Maryland
1990-1993

Territory Sales Representative - Pfizer Pharmaceuticals
Central New Jersey
1987-1989

Honors, awards, Literary/Aesthetic works:

Sno-Gophers President's Award 1997 and 1998

Special Skills and Abilities:

Entrepreneur
Strategist
Trainer/Facilitator
General Accounting, Payroll, budgeting, forecasting
Program Development, Implementation, and Evaluation
Contract negotiation
Event Planning
Community Health Advocate

Interests and Hobbies:

Reading
International Travel
Gardening
Pilates

Interests and Hobbies:

Board games
Gourmet Cooking

Have you ever been convicted of a felony:

No

Candidate's Statement:

My Dear Sister Links,

It is with a grateful heart and a spirit of humility that I ask for your VOTE of confidence and the opportunity to serve as your 20th Central Area Director of the Links, Incorporated.

Over the past seven and one-half years, serving at the Area level as your Vice Director, Program Coordinator, Co-Program Coordinator and Chair, National Trends and Services has been a remarkable journey with many opportunities to meet and interact with you, both individually and collectively. Those experiences were insightful and invigorating for they affirmed my passion and commitment to our beloved organization.

My thirty three years of active membership, an Heir-o-Link, Charter Member, Harbor City (MD) Chapter and current member, Windy City (IL) Chapter have provided a platform for leadership and contributions to Programming, Membership and Ethics and Standards efforts at the Area and National levels.

We have accomplished much together as I have sought to provide a "Meaningful Membership Experience" advocating a results oriented approach to Membership engagement.

Provided Purposeful Leadership; dedicated monthly support to educate and train on Membership matters, provided tools for conducting annual Chapter Membership assessments as you managed growth and prepared for succession, strengthened Chapter relations as you expanded your chains of friendship.

Advocated for and celebrated Friendship; supported the chartering of our 2 newest Chapters, inducted new members, facilitated at your retreats, participated in your chapter milestones, honored and recognized our 25yr. and 40 yr. Members, championed intergenerational awareness and support, always guiding with respect, fairness and compassion.

Delivered Consistent and Timely responses to administrative requests and special projects; edits to Manuals, MOP's, draft language for Membership related Bylaw changes, articles for newsletters

Supplied Reliable and Responsive Communication to phone calls, emails and text messages,

Instituted Program PEARLS, monthly calls designed to provide resources and discussions that impact transformational programming, co-authored the NTS Anti-Bullying toolkit,

Supported Area and National workshops as a facilitator, panelist and moderator

WHEW, what an awesome ride! Thanks for your unwavering support and confidence as we built stronger bonds

Candidate's Statement:

of friendship.

I now turn my attention to ask you to share in my optimism and enthusiasm to lead and serve as your Central Area Director.

My Vision of Excellence is built upon the cooperative spirit of current and past Area Directors who have held this torch, resting on their shoulders of strength and wisdom to continue the legacy and traditions in the "Heart of Linkdom"

My Vision of Excellence will support and align with our National priorities, acknowledging that the whole is always greater than the sum of its parts.

My Vision of Excellence will respect and celebrate your gifts of service as we chart this course together, recognizing that "it takes a village" to build strategic capacity to provide unparalleled service in our deserving communities that will support transformational outcomes and impact.

My Vision of Excellence will provide and encourage unlimited opportunities for friendship while connecting with Link Sisters locally, nationally and globally.

Again, I humbly ask for your confirmation and VOTE to serve as your 20th Central Area Director. Together we will work to expand our rich legacy of Sisterhood and Service.

Gratefully yours,

Link Monica B. Allen