

AMERICAN AND AFRICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ALLIANCE
(AABWA) 2007 UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

MARCH 2007

AABWA-USA Board of Directors' Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March, 14th, 2007 at 1pm at G.B. Herndon & Associates headquarters. Please continue to check AABWA-USA website for additional information.

APRIL 2007

AABWA-USA African Women Ambassadors Luncheon will be held at the National Press Club located in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, April 5th, 2007. There are currently ten Women African Ambassadors representing the African nations of Angola, Congo (Kinshasa), Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Niger, South Africa, Togo and Zambia. Our guest of honor will be H.E. Amina Salum Ali, U.S. Permanent Representative of the African Union. The purpose of the 2007 African Women Ambassadors Luncheon is to honor outstanding examples of women in leadership on the African continent. This year's theme again focuses on "Celebrating AABWA's Role Models of Excellence" where AABWA will recognize an individual in each of the following categories: Woman Entrepreneur, Corporate Social Responsibility, and Government/Civil Society Leadership. For more information and/or to purchase tickets to this particular event please contact David J. Saunders, AABWA-USA Executive Director, by telephone at 202-371-0588 or e-mail at cfa_intern@yahoo.com.

MAY 2007

Join AABWA-USA at the Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) USA National Competition May 21-23, 2007 at the Dallas, Texas Convention Center. Each year, SIFE holds a national competition between participating SIFE colleges and universities in order to pay tribute to their extraordinary educational outreach projects. There will also be excellent networking opportunities for AABWA's leadership to interact with global corporate sponsors of various SIFE programs in the United States. This National Youth Entrepreneurship Conference will be hosted by the Dallas-Fort Worth Business Community. For more specific details about how you can participate as a business observer or judge, please contact SIFE at www.sife.org.

JUNE 2007

AABWA Leadership Training Forum scheduled for Saturday, June 23rd, 2007 in conjunction with the Women's Committee of the African American Unity Caucus (AAUC). At this forum,

AABWA intends to bring together the leadership of AABWA and its members, along with key stakeholders in the business training and capacity development community of Africa, in order to develop effective strategies for establishing a comprehensive business knowledge and skills development platform for women who are doing business in Africa. For more specific details about how you can participate in this important training event, please contact David J. Saunders, AABWA-USA Executive Director, by telephone at 202-371-0588 or e-mail at cfa_intern@yahoo.com.

AABWA Congressional Women's Leadership Luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, June 27th, 2007 in Washington, D.C. At this luncheon, AABWA intends to bring together the leadership of AABWA and its members to meet with key women Congressional leaders, in order to discuss effective strategies for a comprehensive advocacy campaign to strengthen political and economic opportunities for women in Africa. For more specific details about how you can participate in this leadership luncheon, please contact David J. Saunders, AABWA-USA Executive Director, by telephone at 202-371-0588 or e-mail at cfa_intern@yahoo.com.

JULY 2007

AABWA-USA Annual Fundraiser and Fashion Show Dinner on Wednesday, July 11th, 2007. This special event will be held at Trinity College in Washington, D.C. For more information and/or to purchase tickets to this particular event please contact David J. Saunders, AABWA-USA Executive Director, by telephone at 202-371-0588 or e-mail at cfa_intern@yahoo.com.

Joint AABWA-USA and AABWA-Africa Board of Directors' Meeting on Monday, July 16th, 2007. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) Ministerial that is scheduled to be held in Accra, Ghana July 17-19, 2007. The AGOA Ministerial will offer African and American business representatives first-rate networking opportunities and provide attendees with up-to-date information on practical business issues and specify policy matters confronting the U.S. private sector in the African marketplace. In addition, AABWA-USA will be conducting a workshop entitled "Women Entrepreneurs in the Diaspora" during the event. For more specific details please contact David J. Saunders, AABWA-USA Executive Director, by telephone at 202-371-0588 or e-mail at cfa_intern@yahoo.com.

SEPTEMBER 2007

African-American Unity Caucus (AAUC) Women's Forum scheduled for Wednesday, September 26th, 2007 in conjunction with the Constituency for Africa's Annual Ronald H. Brown African Affairs Series that will be held during the Congressional Black Caucus Legislative Week September 24-October 2, 2007 in Washington, D.C. At this forum, AABWA

will bring together the leadership of many women-focused non-governmental organizations, along with key stakeholders in academia, business and government, in order to develop effective strategies for establishing a comprehensive strategy for addressing the myriad of challenges, issues and concerns affecting the educational, social, economic and political status of women and girls on the African continent. For more specific details about how you can participate in this women's forum, please contact David J. Saunders, AABWA-USA Executive Director, by telephone at 202-371-0588 or e-mail at cfa_intern@yahoo.com.

AABWA-USA Board of Directors' Meeting scheduled to be held on Friday, September, 28th, 2007. Please continue to check AABWA-USA website for additional information.

OCTOBER 2007

AABWA Forum on Youth Entrepreneurship on Wednesday, October 10th 2007 in conjunction with Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) World Cup 2007 to be held in New York City from October 10th through 12th, 2007. SIFE is a global, non-profit organization that offers college and university students in more than 1800 campuses in forty-seven countries around the world the opportunity to develop leadership, teamwork, and communication skills through learning, practicing and teaching the principles of free enterprise. Each year, SIFE holds an international competition between participating SIFE national champions in order to pay tribute to their extraordinary educational outreach projects. In 2007, AABWA has been invited to attend a Forum on Youth Entrepreneurship featuring teams of youth from various African countries that will be participating in the SIFE 2007 World Cup competition. There will also be excellent networking opportunities for AABWA's leadership to interact with global corporate sponsors of various SIFE programs on the African continent. For more information about the SIFE World Cup 2007, please visit their website at www.sife.org.

Africare 38th Anniversary and 2007 Africare Bishop John T. Walker Memorial Dinner scheduled for Thursday, October 18th, 2007 at the Hilton Washington Hotel located at 1919 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D.C. The featured honoree of this prestigious event will be H.E. Ellen Sirleaf Johnson, President of Liberia and the first democratically-elected woman of an African country. Africare was founded in 1970 and has become the leader among private, charitable U.S. organizations assisting Africa. It is the oldest and largest African-American led organization focused exclusively on aid to Africa. For the past thirty-seven years, Africare has been doing vital work on the African Continent in areas as diverse as responding to humanitarian aid, providing agricultural assistance and ensuring adequate food supplies, promoting good governance, providing safe drinking water, encouraging micro-enterprise development, and helping combat HIV/AIDS and malaria. AABWA members are asked to support Africare by participating as volunteers and/or purchasing tickets to the event. For

more information about Africare's 38th Annual Dinner please contact Africare at 202-328-5349 or visit their website at www.africare.org.

NOVEMBER 2007

SAVE THE DATES of November 7th-14th, 2007 for the first-of-a-kind AABWA Virtual Conference to be held on the African Continent. AABWA intends to utilize the three U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Hub Competitiveness Centers located in Accra, Ghana (Western Africa), Gaborone, Botswana (Southern Africa), and Nairobi, Kenya (Eastern Africa) as the focal point for AABWA members to come together and participate from a regional perspective. There will also be a joint AABWA-USA and AABWA-Africa Board of Directors' Meeting which will be held in Accra, Ghana on Monday, November 12th, 2007. The AABWA Virtual Conference will be comprised of three components at each location as follows: (a) a pre-recorded video speakers' session; (b) an interactive session moderated by an AABWA-USA facilitator in each venue; and (c) a two-hour "live" interactive session that will include utilizing internet linkages at all three venues. In addition, each regional location will be expected to also host its own AABWA Reception and Trade Show Exhibition as well as offer several optional post-tour opportunities to conference participants. Please refer to the special notice about the AABWA Virtual Conference on the AABWA website for additional details.

AABWA Trade Mission to Zambia and South Africa tentatively scheduled for November 15th-20th, 2007. Please continue to check the AABWA-USA website for upcoming details about this trade mission.

DECEMBER 2007

SAVE THE DATE! AABWA-USA Annual General Membership Meeting and End-Of-The-Year Holiday Celebration, scheduled for Saturday, December 15th, 2007 at the Ronald Reagan Building Rotunda in Washington, D.C. Please continue to check the AABWA-US website for additional details.