

# 50th NCM Convention and Picnic Returns to DETROIT !

Meridianites, Inc.® will hold its **50h Annual Convention and Picnic** in **Detroit, MI- June 22-26, 2016.**

The first Meridianites' picnic was held in Detroit, Michigan, in 1967. The idea for the picnic originated from a group of friends; *\*Lucile Kennedy Jackson, Steve Jackson,*



and *\*Annie B. Kennedy Horton*, who lived in Detroit; MI, and *\*Curtis Cole, Lessie Hill Cole,* and *Clarice May Thomas*, who lived in Cleveland, OH. It was during the bereavement of a dear friend, *\*Amos Ruffin*, in Detroit, Michigan that this idea emerged .

The groups expanded and began hosting picnics and conventions from the east coast to west coast, returning to Meridian, MS to the Home Chapter (Council of Organizations, Inc.) once every five years.

On this the 50th occasion of friends and families meeting and greeting we return to Detroit where it all began.

## SOUVENIR JOURNAL

Since this is such a momentous occasion , we urge all to advertise in the souvenir journal.

Full Page -\$100

Half Page-\$60

Fourth Page \$35

Business Card-\$20

Patron \$10

Deadline: May 2

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## Marriott at Renaissance Host Hotel

The Northern Region is excited about hosting the National Council of Meridianites, Inc.® 50th Annual Convention and Picnic **June 22-26, 2016.**

**Theme:**

*“Celebrating Our 50 Year Legacy as We Strive for a Brighter Future”*

Tickets are required for: **Hospitality Night; Picnic Food, & Grand Ball** which will include all dinner.



Memorial Service does not require tickets.

### HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

**Marriott Detroit  
at the Renaissance Center  
400 Renaissance Drive  
Detroit, MI 48243**



**Gathering with friends and family  
“it’s electric!”**

Picnic Tickets:

**Member: \$85**

**Nonmember: \$95**

Member/Non-Member (5-12) \$30 /\$35

Member /Non-Member (13-17): \$40/\$45

Children **under 4** years: Free

### RESERVATIONS

**Reservations**

(Ask for : The Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center  
Group: Meridianites Conference 2016)

1-800228-9290 Or 1 313-586-8000

**Deadline: January 1–June 1, 2016**

**Room Rates: \$149.00+**

**Caution: Valid Passport**  **Needed to travel to Canada**

**Contact:**  
**Marjorie Brown, Chair**  
Registration Committee  
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Detroit, MI 48208  
**Phone:**

**Deadline: May 2, 2016**

**Chapter Members:** Register through their local chapter.

**Non-members:** Register through nearest chapter.