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1. Buffalo Chapter honors our Vets: We congratulate our affiliate chapter in Buffalo, New York for supporting the effort to erect the new African American Veterans Monument.

2. Columbian Entrepreneurs head to Tampa Summit: Here is the list of our entrepreneurs from our Columbian chapter who will be visiting Southeast Regional Conference in Tampa this week. They are looking for potential matchmaking business partners from within the NBCC. Come and meet them!

3. It's Lobby Day in Illinois: Congratulations to our Illinois State Black Chamber of Commerce who will be having their annual event in Springfield, IL. The Governor, key members of the Illinois legislature and administrators of major state agencies will come out and host this mega entourage of Black business owners.



4. SNAP Fraud is Real: Food stamps costs accounts for nearly 80% of the entire budget of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The issue of fraud is growing and ever serious. Here's an example of a city whose concerns are big - advertising about it on a DC transit bus.

5. Costa Rica elects First Black Vice President: We send kudos to our chapter in Costa Rica for organizing and supporting the successful campaign of Epsy Campbell Barr. At our last conference in Cali, Columbia Ms. Campbell Barr greatly impressed the participants with her platform. The people of Costa Rica evidently felt the same. Congratulations Epsy!

6. The Life and Times of Black American Entrepreneurs: Here are two parts of the three -part series of articles I have published in newspapers via the NNPA (Black Press). Here and Here.

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