

## **Organization Committed to Overall Wellness of Professional Black Women Celebrates 4 years of growth!**

*By iask, Inc.*

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*iask, Inc. which is an organization dedicated to professional women of color has over 1500 subscribers and 400 members regionally announces its 2008/09 event calendar, member spotlight, membership drive, and goals for 2008/09.*

Washington, D.C., (May 1, 2008) - Sophia A. Nelson, President & CEO of iask, Inc, and the Board of Directors of iask, Inc. are proud to announce the organization's 4 year anniversary Membership drive and this year's member spotlight award winners. The women of iask, Inc. have proven themselves to be leaders in all disciplines including in the fields of education, medicine, law, politics, science, journalism, and publishing/literary achievement.

"We want to thank the original 22 women that gathered at my home in Virginia on May 22, 2004 and helped to launch this wonderful organization. We have grown from 60 members at the end of 2004, to well over 400 in the Washington, D.C. region & nationally and over 1500 subscribers to our weekly message from a sister." Nelson said.

The first spotlight member is Ms. Beverly Kirk, who is a University of Kentucky alumna and award-winning TV and radio news reporter based in Washington, D.C., Kirk will be one of two featured speakers at the University of Kentucky's 141st Commencement set for 2 p.m. Sunday, May 4, in Lexington Center's Rupp Arena. Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will also address the graduates.

Kirk, a native of Burkesville, Ky., graduated from UK's Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce. She also earned her bachelor's degree in history and broadcasting from Western Kentucky University. A former news reporter and anchor at WLEX-TV in Lexington, Kirk's resume includes work for National Public Radio, as well as NBC News in Washington. Currently, Kirk is a news anchor for NewsChannel 8, similar to a local version of CNN for our nation's capital and surrounding metropolitan area.

Other Members who are in the iask, Inc. spotlight for May are as follows:

Ms. Michelle Bernard, Independent Women's Voice & MSNBC Political Contributor (Washington, DC)

Ms. Linda Gill, CEO of Kimani Press (New York, NY)

Ms. Sophia Nelson, Esq., Contributing writer to Politico.com; POTUS08, TheRoot.com, and editor of the Political Intersection BLOG (Washington, DC)

Ms. Kathryn Holmes Johnson, Marketing Director for Nixon Peabody (Washington, DC)

Ms. TJ Haygood, Recruiting Director for the Mergis Group (formerly Spherion in San Antonio, Texas)

Mrs. Angela Trammel, Curves Mid-Atlantic Co-Op Owner (Georgia)

Victoria R. Jackson, American Express Executive, Owner of Blackbag Hair LLC (Maryland)

Ms. Dayna Smith, President of Substance Abuse Solutions, LLC (Virginia)

Ms. Judy Lubin, author of The Heart of Living Well

The event calendar and information about iaskinc for 2008 can be found on our website at <http://www.iaskinc.org> and you can review our latest weekly messages & BLOG information at

[www.iammysisterskeeper.blogspot.com](http://www.iammysisterskeeper.blogspot.com)

iask, Inc, is pleased to support our sister organization, The Black Women's Health Imperative as they celebrate their 25th Anniversary Gala Conference in Washington, D.C. at the Omni Shoreham Hotel from June 19-21st. Please see their website at [www.blackwomenshealth.org](http://www.blackwomenshealth.org) for more information and registration.

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About iask, Inc:

Founded in January 2004, IASK, Inc. is now a registered US Trademark, (in its original form) and is now registered under our new logo-motto and mark with the US Patent & Trademark Office. Our goal when we started in 2004 was simple: To share our life stories; our struggles; our joys; our losses and our ambitions with other women of faith who would "lift us up" instead of tearing us down. To read more go to: [www.iaskinc.org](http://www.iaskinc.org) and click on WELCOME & ABOUT US.

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