



Madison, Wisconsin

## 7th Annual Appreciation Banquet

The 7th Annual Backpacks for Success Appreciation Banquet will be held 4 August 2015, 6:00 p.m. at CUNA Mutual Conference Center, 5810 Mineral Point Road, Madison, WI 53705.

The purpose of the Banquet is to raise awareness and funds to support the programs of the 100 Black Men of Madison, including the Backpacks for Success Picnic, which will take place on 22 August 2015, at Demetral Park on Madison's east side.



**Keynote Speaker** 

Dr. Rebecca Blank, Chancellor University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dr. Rebecca M. Blank became chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison in July 2013. Dr. Blank's experience blends a knowledge of economics with a history of leading through innovation, and a background as an educator and researcher. In taking the position, Blank spoke of two distinct agendas for UW-Madison: providing the next generation with the skills necessary to succeed in the world's changing economy, and maintaining this university's position as a leader in innovation and research.

Please register for this event by accessing https://100bmmappreciationbanquet2015.eventbrite.com/.

NOTE: Seating is limited.

## **Backpacks for Success Stuffing Party**

In preparation for the distribution of school supplies at the 2015 Backpacks for Success Picnic, the Annual Backpacks for Success Stuffing Party will be held on **20 August 2015**, at the **Wisconsin National Guard Armory in Madison**.

Last year, more than 200 individuals representing 34 partner organizations as well as numerous individuals of our Community assisted the members of the 100 Black Men of Madison in this preparatory activity.

## **Backpacks for Success Picnic**



Over the past 20 years, the 100 Black Men of Madison (the '100') has provided over 25,000 backpacks to area youth.

Each is filled with school supplies and dictionaries and is given out at our annual Backpacks for Success Picnic for elementary and middle school students.

The event has become increasingly popular as the 100 BMM organization continues to assist Madison area students to achieve academic excellence.



The 21st Annual Backpacks for Success Picnic will be held at **Demetral Park** on **Saturday, 22 August 2015**. Our goal is to distribute 2,000 backpacks to area youth in preparation for a successful 2015-2016 school year.



During the early years, the picnic was held at Brittingham Park and began as just a picnic, but today it has become so vital that volunteers from across the community are utilized in the staging of this annual event.