

CULVER CITY STAR

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**“Progressive Women:
Redefining Community
Service in the 21st Century”**

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My Dear NAUW Culver City Sisters,

June is **Black Music Month**. On June 7, 1979, President Jimmy Carter proclaimed the month of June to be Black Music Month. For the past 32 years, U.S. presidents from Carter to Barack Obama have issued proclamations and held celebrations in honor of Black Music Month. African-American musicians, singers and composers have made a significant contribution to our nation. The origins of Black Music can be found in work songs and spirituals. Black Music has evolved through the years into various forms of music ranging from gospel and jazz to rap and hip hop.

The designation of this month provides an opportunity to look back and remember the contributions that African Americans have made to music. TV One will celebrate Black Music Month by broadcasting a concert each Saturday throughout the month, and on Monday nights to chronicle the lives of Black musicians, singers and composers in episodes of *Unsung*.

NAUW has added the celebration of June as **Black Music Month** to



the branch calendar of events.

June will mark the end of my first year as your President. Time has really flown by quickly. We have been involved in many activities. I would really like to applaud the efforts of our Ways and Means Committee for their hard work during a difficult economic climate. Thanks are in order for all who participated in these events. However, we need every member to participate in all of our activities.

It was disappointing and disconcerting that we only had nine (9) members present at our last meeting. We barely had enough members for a quorum. We are not a large branch, and we recently lost two of our members. We need our sisters to step up to the plate. Sisters who previously held office are still needed to

achieve our goals. If we had more members, maybe the burden wouldn't fall on just a faithful few members. We need members to become passionate about our group and have a willingness to see us succeed. We need to rededicate ourselves to **NAUW Culver City**. We must partner with other entities to develop programs that will benefit our children and youth.

Please remember that our Scholarship Reception will be held at our next meeting. Please try to be on time so that we can meet in a timely manner. The attire is green or white. We plan to have a great time honoring our scholarship recipients and their families.

I believe that we really need a summer event so that we can get together to form a stronger bond. A spa day has been suggested. Let's try to finalize something.

Also, remember to please sign up for the branch committees that interest you and for which you feel enthusiastic.

Do not forget to bring two or more new or used pillowcases to our last meeting on **June 12 2011**, for the **Haiti Project** where clothes will be made out of the pillowcases for the children. Try to be on time for the meeting because we will have a full business agenda plus the reception.

Blessings to you all,

Helen Ricks, President

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Dr. Virginia Hathaway 6/1
Dormalee Brown 6/13
Matteal Kirby 6/14
Helen Ricks 6/17



Black Music Month



*"The grass withers,
the flower fades; but
the word of our God
will stand for ever."*

Isaiah 40:8

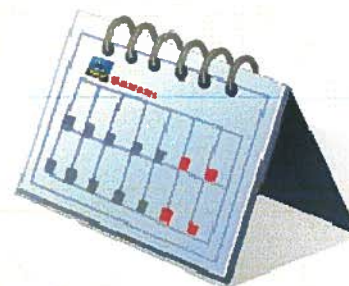
Dates to Remember

**June 12, 2011 Annual
Scholarship Reception –
DWP**

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News articles are due by
September 1, 2011, for
the next newsletter.

Next Meeting Date:
**September 11, 2011 -
DWP**



SICK AND SHUT-IN

Our dear sister Matteal Kirby's husband will be having surgery. Let's keep them both in our prayers.

Let's wish Clarissa Andrews a speedy recovery from her recent injury.

Pray for Kenya Dennis, Dormalee Brown, Clarissa Andrews, and Hester Watkins, who all recently lost family members.

Continuing prayers and encouragement are requested for Carolyn Williams (her mother), Dr. Virginia Hathaway (her father).

