

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Community Service

National Association of University Women

"Progressive Women Remaining Relevant in a Global Society"

March 2017 Newsletter

Message From the National President, Evelyn Wright

Greetings My NAUW Sisters,

This month we celebrate our four Visionary Founders. Branches in each section are holding Founders Day Ceremonies individually or collectively. What a wonderful way to say "Thanks" to them for their commitment to changing communities for the better. This month is also National Women's Month. I am proud to be among the many women who celebrate "greatness" in so many ways. In this time of "TRANSITION", many women are dismayed and afraid for what lies ahead in this new administration. I recently read the "[Be Bold For Change](#)," initiative for the [International Women's Day](#) theme for 2017. I truly concur with their vision of women making positive change. I share it with you now. She is the breath of fresh air. She is the quintessence of love. She is the meaning of your words. She is the universe within your world. She is the strength when you stride. She is the wings when you dream. She is the soul of your being. She is the whiff of a daisy. She is the dawn in the darkest hour. She is the balance between effort and surrender. She is the woman you think of as you read this. She deserves you to stand by her when



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emotions make her weak, when challenges dull her sheen, when her essence is confined and when her dreams are boxed. It is the time to be bold for a change that is needed to give her the equality, the education, the freedom and the right to decide for herself. This month, the National Association of University Women celebrates your amazing spirit!

Sincerely,
Evelyn

Test Your Knowledge: Do You Know NAUW?

1. What branch owns a branch headquarters?

2. NAUW Liability Ins. only covers activity at Headquarters.

True or False?



HEADQUARTERS- New hours of operation are Wednesday and Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. We are so delighted to have a New Office Manager. Feel free to call headquarters and make her welcome. If you are in the DC area, you may visit during these hours. All other days of visitations must be approved by National President Wright.

Her info is listed below:

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DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP- Applications are being disseminated via email. Dr. Virginia Hathaway and committee will forward applications to National Officers, Sectional Directors, Lay Members, Branch Presidents and Forever Emeralds. Please copy as needed to share with members and adhere to deadlines. Remember, only a complete application sent to Headquarters will be accepted for review. Best of luck to all applicants!

JOURNAL-Our scholarly Journal will be out soon. Due to unforeseen issues with the printing company and subsequent journey to find a replacement, it has been delayed. We are thankful to the many members who responded by submitting articles, essays and poems for our enjoyment. It will be mailed to branch presidents within the next few weeks. Can't wait to read it!

BULLETIN-Begin collecting pictures and information you would like to have submitted to the Bulletin. More info will be forthcoming in regards to number of pages for submission.

NATIONAL CONVENTION- The 71st National Convention will be held at the Marriott Manhattan Beach in sunny California. The Culver City and West Coast Cities Branches are our host. They are planning a fabulous time for each of you. We have negotiated an unheard of price for your accommodations! Room Rates are \$184 for single, double, triple and quad. So join with fellow members to share a room and lower the cost! Yes, the Los Angeles area is more expensive than many other cities, but believe me, we are in PRIME LOCATION during the high volume summer season. START SAVING NOW. I want you there to help send me off as I transition to a Forever Emerald. Convention Dates are August 1-5, 2018. Rates apply two days before and after the convention. Registration Rates, schedules etc. will be forthcoming. Stay tuned.

POSITION PAPER- Dr. Bobbie Little and Committee certainly hope you enjoyed reading the NAUW Position Paper. We will be composing next year's issue. If you have a topic you would like to be considered, please forward it to Dr. Bobbie Little at drbobbie@windstream.net.

FUNDRAISING-We are hopeful to have NAUW items for sale again at the 71st National Convention in Los Angeles. In the meantime, we still have T-shirts with a BLING, jogging suits, key chains, TSA Approved Travel Bags for sale. Contact President Wright in regards to these items. For those of you who pre ordered backpacks, they will be here soon. Be among the first to get your items from the National Vendor Table.

ILL/DECEASED: Continue to lift up our sisters who are ill and the families of those who have transitioned. We are forever grateful for their service and the many memories we shared. If you have not done so, please forward all names and dates of transition to National Corresponding Secretary Jacqueline Green as soon as possible so she can maintain an accurate record.



NETWORKING - Thank you for partnering with other organizations to help promote the purposes and ideals of NAUW! Please continue to share these joint ventures with me. Publicize in the newspapers as well.

Howard University

The Howard University Collegiate Section of the National Council of Negro Women cordially invites **ALL** seniors in the DC, MD, VA and surrounding areas to our " **4th Annual Prom Dress Drive**". This drive will feature dresses, shoes, accessories, and purses all provided **at NO cost** as well as food and gift cards.

Event:	NCNW, Howard Section 4th Annual Prom Dress Drive
Date:	Friday, March 24, 2017
Location:	Dunbar High School
Times: *See Below: Open to ALL	Dunbar High School Students ONLY! 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

We encourage the seniors in your family and communities to take advantage of this amazing opportunity. We hope to see them there!

* **Dunbar High School students** will be able to get dresses from 11:45 am-12:30 pm.

Please feel free to contact us via email at NCNWHoward@gmail.com with any concerns.

Thank you,

Camille Robinson-Exum
Co- Coordinator, NCNW Prom Dress Drive
Howard University c/o "2019"

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Inspirational Prayer/Words



Dear Lord,

Thank You for the HOPE You give me everyday to keep pressing forward. Sometimes I feel weak but I believe I can lean on You to give me strength. Thank You for the Hard Times because they keep me relying and trusting on You. No matter what I go through, I know You are always ready to give me Comfort, Peace, Joy, Wisdom, Strength and Love. *Amen, Thank You Lord*

NAUW Inspirational Prayer

Answers For Test Your Knowledge: Do You Know NAUW?

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Answer:

Elizabeth City

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True or False?

Answer:

False. Branches are covered for activities, but must request a "Certificate of Liability" from the National President which adds the vendor specified as "additional insured". Branches must provide address, phone number, and contact person for each venue.

Message From the National 1st Vice President, Christiana Worthams



Greetings My NAUW Sisters,

A special thank you goes out to all the members and Sectional Directors for your efforts in gaining new members and chartering new branches. Keep uppermost in your minds "Recruit, Retain and Reclaim"

Keep me posted on your membership activities.

Sincerely,

Christiana Worthams
National First Vice President

Message From the 2nd Vice President, Letisa Verren



My Dear NAUW Sisters,

As we welcome another spring season, we also welcome more activities and opportunities for NAUW branches to continue to exceed expectations with the Four-Point program. I commend all branches on their dedication and commitment and thank you for all that you do for NAUW. All branches could not be recognized, but a few are highlighted below.

North Central Section



The North Shore branch members took their JADES (youth) to the Marcus Cinemas to

see "Hidden Figures". This was an opportunity to share in one of the most historic events of the civil rights movement with the youth in their community.

Northeast Section

The NAUW-North Jersey Branch TEAM will participate in the Susan G. Komen North Jersey Race for the Cure on Sunday, May 21st. They will also sponsor the Jersey cares – Community Service Day in May.

South Central Section



The NAUW Lake Charles Branch continues to participate in reading to youth and celebrated Dr. Seuss "Read Across America" with kindergartners at Barbe Elementary School.



The NAUW Lake Charles Branch is also active in local politics. Mayoral candidate [Eligha Guillory Jr.](#) is pictured with his beautiful wife and NAUW sister Nomica Golden Guillory.



The NAUW Sister Nadine Dunbar Gills also ran for City Council.

Southeast Section



In honor of MLK and Black History month the members of the Clayton Branch attended a showing of "Hidden Figures". The branch also held their annual black history program on Saturday, February 11, 2017. The event was held at Good Samaritan Baptist Church in Garner, NC. A powerful message was delivered by the guest speaker, Master Donovan Summers, who currently serves on the Young Advocates Institute Advisory Council against Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence and is the Vice-President of the NAACP Raleigh-Apex Chapter Youth Program.

Southwest Section

The Culver City branch members joined President, Carolyn Williams to participate in the Angel Tree Project during the Christmas holidays with the United Methodist Church. The Culver City branch presented a donation to the Angel Tree Project.

Also, the Beach Cities branch partnered with Faithful Central to provide toys and clothing to children who have parents that are incarcerated. Members shopped, helped with the gift wrapping, and participated in the distribution of gifts. On a weekly basis, members also help with a tutoring program M.O.R.E. (My Own Realization of Education) to assist youth with reading, writing, and math skills.

As always, NAUW branches are networking, collaborating, and working to strengthen the NAUW in the communities. Again, thank you all for your commitment to the Programs of NAUW. Expect your Program Reporting forms in April. Enjoy the Spring!

Sisterly,

Letisa Vereen
National Second Vice President

Photos from 70th National Convention in July in St. Louis



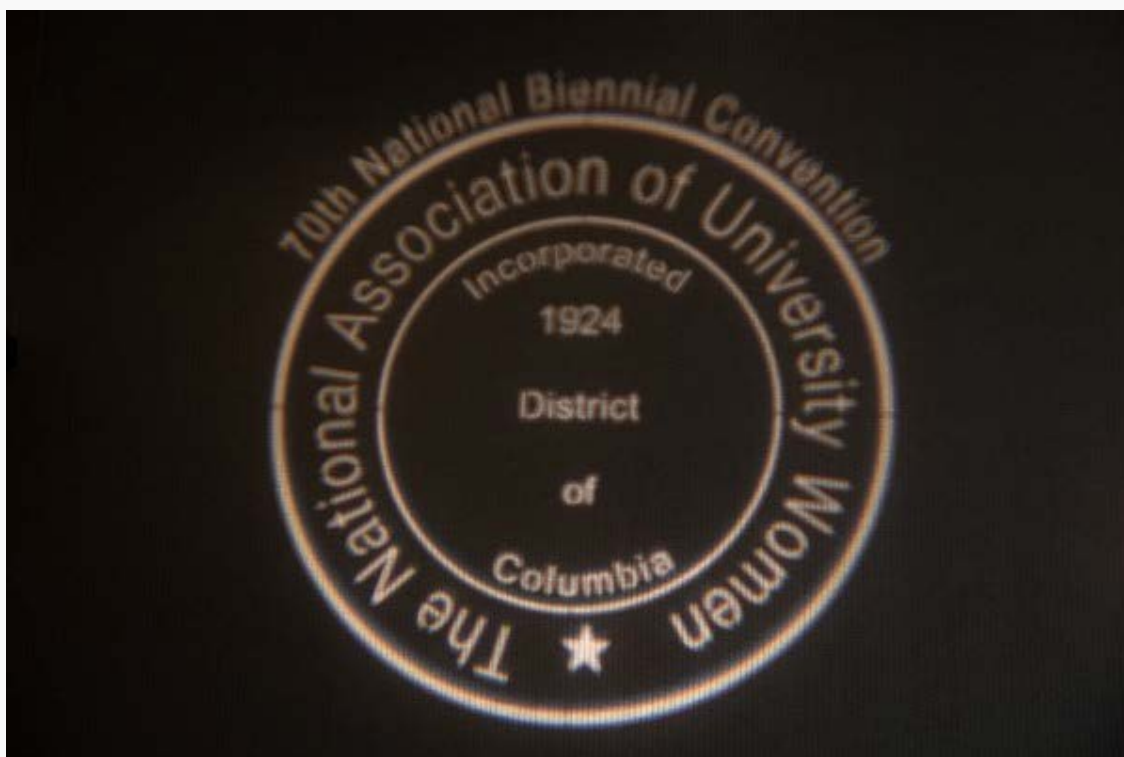
Mary Church Terrell Award awarded to Billy Phillips



Youth Luncheon-Innovative Concept Academy



Youth Speakers- Dr. Treva and Judge Jimmie Edwards



Conventions GOBO - Lighted throughout convention



Installation of Officers



Evening of Elegance Band