# **Dayton Unit NAACP #3181**



# **President Report**

**To:** Dayton Unit NAACP General Membership

From: Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E.

**CC:** D. L. F. Advisors

**Date:** 12/31/2017

Re: December 2017 Year End Report

#### "Built on Faith...Steadfast and Immovable!"

Hello team, this report reflects business conducted on behalf of the Dayton Unit NAACP throughout the year of 2017.

### Excerpts From The Optimist Creed – "Promise Yourself"

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind; To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet; To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best; To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own; To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

# **Dayton Unit NAACP Vision Statement**

Our "VISION" is to fulfill the dream of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by capitalizing on the second "A" of the NAACP, which stands for "ADVANCEMENT."

# **Dayton Unit NAACP Goals**

Our goals are clear. We want to better "INFORM" the community on what the Dayton Unit of the NAACP is doing. We want to proactively "EDUCATE" the community on issues that affect all Americans. By utilizing these methods, it will "EMPOWER" more of us to be Entrepreneurs, Educators, Community Leaders and Corporate Leaders.

#### President's Initiatives

- Organized a Dayton Unit NAACP End-of-the-Year Mixer for Executive Committee
   Members and Office Volunteers at the Taste to celebrate a Super Fantastic Year of 2016
- Secured 15 refurbished computers to assist Officers, Office Volunteers and Youth Advisors with increased efficiencies and productivity
- Held several meetings with Treasurer-elect Cedric L. McGhee to ensure his success as the new Treasurer of the Dayton Unit NAACP
- Met with Superintendent Rhonda Corr to enlighten her about the work of the Dayton Unit NAACP and to encourage her to continue to support the organization. More specifically, we spoke about the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter, ACT-SO Youth Program and the possibility to establish more NAACP High School Chapters throughout the district. I provided her with NAACP documents concerning the ACT-SO Program and the Move Forward Thurgood High School Chapter to share with the principals throughout the district as she planned to have a meeting with all of them the next day.
- Organized a meeting with Atty. David Singleton along with Rev. Dr. David I. Fox, to discuss the Tyra Patterson case.
- Organized the Dayton Unit NAACP 51<sup>st</sup> Inauguration Ceremony with great assistance from the 2017 Presidential Inaugural Committee.
- Held a meeting with Rev. Renard Allen, new Pastor of St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, to educate him about the work of the Dayton Unit NAACP. As a result, he said that as long as he is the pastor, St. Luke will support the work of the Dayton Unit NAACP
- Recommend that the Executive Committee recommends to the General Membership that
  we start a ballot initiative to oppose the Red-Light Cameras should the Ohio Supreme
  Court rule in favor of the Red Light Camera Lawsuit (Action/Approved)
- Recommend that transportation, room expenses, food cost and other misc. expenses be paid for President Derrick L. Foward and 1<sup>st</sup> Lady Jean A. Foward to attend the Annual Meeting of the NAACP to be held on February 18, 2017 in New York City, New York. (Action/Approved)
- The appointment of the Chairperson of various Standing and Special Committees as outlined in the Constitution of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and Bylaws for Units (Page 32, Duty B and Page 40, Duty C) are as follows: (Action/Approved)

ACT-SO Youth Program - Cedric L. McGhee

Communications, Press & Publicity – Elona Beans

Criminal Justice – Rev. Dr. David I. Fox

Economic Development - Roland Winburn

Education – Lauretta Williams

Finance - Cedric L. McGhee

Freedom Fund – Lu Dale

Get Out To Vote - Demetrious H. Rush

Health – Felicia A. Hill, R.N.

Housing – Deborah A. Smith

International Affairs – Rev. Ayokunle O. Ogunduyile

Labor & Industry – Cathy Parson

Littlejohn Junior Youth Council Advisor – 1st Lady Jean A. Foward

Membership & Life Membership – Dinah M. Williams

Political Action – Tom Roberts

Religious Affairs – Rev. Herman E. Branham

Sergeant at Arms – Eric L. Ellington, Sr.

Scholarship – Willie A. Terrell, Jr.

Social Media Connection – Scott Sliver

WIN - Rosa E.R. Smith, R.N.

(Action/Approved)

- Recommend that the Executive Committee recommends to the General Membership that
  we elect eight voting delegates to represent the Dayton Unit NAACP at the NAACP
  Midwest Region III Civil Rights Advocacy Training Institute (CRATI) in TBD from April 20,
  2017 to April 22, 2017 and receive the expense allocation as listed by their respective
  name. The Unit will pay for their registration package and allocate a specific amount of
  money for their hotel accommodations at a dual occupancy rate except the President (\$99
  Per Night), transportation cost (\$120) and meal per diem (\$50 Per Day) as listed by their
  respective name.
  - Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E. (President)
  - Jean A. Foward (1st Lady & Advisor, Littlejohn Junior Youth Council)

- Tom Roberts (3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President)
- Demetrious H. Rush (Chair, GOTV)
- Arnetta G. Gary (Chair, GOTV)
- Carolyn Y. Perkins (Advisor, Dayton Youth Council)
- Lu Dale (Chair, Freedom Fund)
- Claudia L. Mason (Advisor, Move Foward Thurgood Marshall)

#### (Action/Approved)

- Recommend that the Executive Committee recommends to the General Membership that
  the following voting delegates represent the Dayton Unit NAACP at the NAACP 108<sup>th</sup>
  Annual Convention in Baltimore, Maryland from July 22, 2017 to July 26, 2017 and receive
  the expense allocation as listed by their respective name. The Unit will pay for their
  registration package (\$240) and 1 additional ticket (\$48):
  - Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E. (President)
  - Jean A. Foward (1st Lady & Advisor, Littlejohn Junior Youth Council)
  - Rev. Herman E. Branham (1st Vice President)
  - Willie A. Terrell, Jr. (3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President)
  - Clair Thompson (Secretary)
  - Lauretta Williams (Assistant Secretary)
  - Jamie L. Rippey (Assistant Treasurer)
  - Marvene A. Mitchell (Assistant Treasurer)
  - Rev. Dr. David I. Fox (Chair, Economic Development)
  - Deborah A. Smith (Chair, Housing)
  - Stacey D. Benson-Taylor (Executive Committee Member)

#### (Action/Approved)

Recommend that the Executive Committee recommends to the General Membership that
the following voting delegates represent the Dayton Unit NAACP at the Ohio Conference
NAACP 87<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention in Columbus, Ohio from September 8, 2017 to
September 9, 2017. The Unit will pay for their registration package and allocate a specific
amount of money for their hotel accommodations at a dual occupancy rate except the

President (\$99 Per Night), transportation cost (\$120) and meal per diem (\$50 Per Day) as listed by their respective name.

- Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E. (President)
- Jean A. Foward (1st Lady & Advisor, Littlejohn Junior Youth Council)
- Tom Roberts (3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President)
- Anthony Whitmore (Executive Committee Member)
- Derrick Scales, Sr. (Executive Committee Member)
- William Thomas Spear (Executive Committee Member)
- David L. Montgomery (Executive Committee Member)
- Deborah A. Smith (Chair, Housing)
- Eric L. Ellington, Sr. (Sergeant-at-Arms)
- Rev. Ayo Ogunduyile (Executive Committee Member)

#### (Action/Approved)

- Scheduled a meeting for March 17, 2017 with Congressman Mike Turner and Hilary O. Shelton, Senior Vice President for Advocacy and Policy and Director of the NAACP Washington Bureau, to discuss his performance on the NAACP Federal Legislative Report Card and the current NAACP Legislative Agenda.
- Recommended President Emeritus Jessie O. Gooding for a Special Congressional Recognition Award from Congressman Mike Turner. The surprise recognition was held at Tabernacle Baptist Church in front of members of his church family.
- Upon receiving additional documents from the US. Library of Congress, met with President Emeritus Jessie O. Gooding and Secretary Clair Mae Thompson to verify all of the Presidents of the Dayton Unit NAACP. The Library of Congress stated that the last e-mail and the previous e-mails they sent me represents the extent of the processed files they have on the Dayton Unit NAACP as is relates to this subject matter. A letter will be sent to the NAACP national office so they can place this history on file with the U.S. Library of Congress. (Action / Approved)
- Met with Ray Wiley via tele-conference, Owner of Rapid Fired Pizza, to discuss opportunities of placing a Rapid Fired Pizza in the Dayton and/or Trotwood markets
- The appointment of the Chairperson of various Standing and Special Committees as outlined in the Constitution of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored

People and Bylaws for Units (Page 32, Duty B and Page 40, Duty C) are as follows: (Action / Approved)

Labor & Industry – Atty. Gary Leppla

(Action / Approved)

- Organized a tour of the Montgomery County Jail to get first-hand knowledge of how the jail operates, speak with inmates and to ask pertinent questions related to various allegations lodged against the Sheriff's Department. The Dayton Unit NAACP Executive Committee Members who toured the jail are as follows: President Derrick L. Foward, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Herman E. Branham, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Willie A. Terrell, Jr, Secretary Clair Mae Thompson, Criminal Justice Chair David I. Fox and Executive Committee Member Will Spear. The Montgomery County Sheriff's Department employees who facilitated the tour were Sheriff Phil Plummer, Chief Deputy Rob Streck, Major Matt Haines, Sergeant Josh Evers and Corrections Officer Jordan Lee.
- Facilitated the First Quarterly Meeting with Major Eric Henderson and Lt. Colonel Matt Carper along with Chairman David Fox to review several cases that has come into our office concerning the Dayton Police Department
- Organized Legislative Day Meetings on March 17, 2017 with Congresswoman Joyce
  Beatty and Congressman Mike Turner along with 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Political Action Chair Tom
  Roberts as well as Hilary O. Shelton, Senior Vice President for Advocacy and Policy and
  Director of the NAACP Washington Bureau.
- Held a meeting with our Lessor Annette McGee-Wright regarding Chris Cortner calling the Regional Air Pollution Control Agency
- Organized a meeting with church pastors along with 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Tom Roberts, to discuss Judicial Reform and the impact it has on their members. From the group of pastors who attended, we established a committee that will develop a strategic plan of how to engage their parishioners
- Presented a Diamond Life Membership plaque to the Dayton, (OH) chapter, The Links, Incorporated, during their monthly meeting
- Organized a meeting with the Temporary Officers, Executive Committee Members and Advisor of the Central State University NAACP College Chapter, to discuss the roles and responsibilities of each office. Used the same training material with that was used at the Ohio Conference NAACP Quarterly Meeting and Training.

- Organized a meeting with the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA), along with Education Chairlady Lauretta Williams, to advocate on behalf Citizens of the City of Dayton, especially the Students and Athletes in the Dayton Public School District, to seek equality and justice as it relates to the penalty placed on the school district regarding the Dunbar vs. Belmont football game played in October 2016.
- Sent formal invitation to the Honorable Barack H. Obama, 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America, to serve as the keynote speaker at the Dayton Unit NAACP 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Freedom Fund Banquet
- Sent formal invitation to the John Stephens (Legend), Singer, Songwriter, Musician, Producer and Actor, to serve as the keynote speaker at the Dayton Unit NAACP 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Freedom Fund Banquet
- Hosted the Dayton Unit NAACP Update TV Show titled, "Living Bi-Racial in 21st Century America"
- The appointment of the Chairperson of various Standing and Special Committees as outlined in the Constitution of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and Bylaws for Units (Page 32, Duty B and Page 40, Duty C) are as follows: (Action / Approved)
  - Terrance Williams Armed Services and Veterans Affairs
  - o Arnetta G. Gary GOTV
- Held 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Meeting with the Dayton Police Department along with Chairman Fox
- Met with Paul Grunner to discuss an issue within the Montgomery County Engineers Department
- Met separately with Prosecutor Matt Heck and Sheriff Phil Plummer to urge them to charge the drug user in the Harrison Township deputy involved shooting of a drug dealer with murder, as they do with other crimes when it results in death.
- Organized a meeting with employees, former employees and UAW Reps to discuss claims of discrimination.
- Organized a meeting with the Jeff Liu, President of Fuyao Glass America, Inc., along with several members of his leadership team as well as 2 Local Pastors and members of the Foward administration, to discuss several complaints that have come into our office. We started the meeting discussing unfinished business related to supporting the Dayton Unit NAACP.

- Met with Rob Rohr, Market Vice President for Cox Media Group Ohio, to discuss funding for our youth programs. As a result, Cox Media Group of Ohio will provide funding to our youth groups pending a formalized youth initiative with Cox Media Group.
- Prepared a Citation of Honor for Curtis Brice Sims for being honored as the Jefferson Township 2017 Community Service Award Recipient. Asked 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Terrell to present the award on behalf of the Dayton Unit NAACP.
- As previously voted upon and for clarification purposes about the date of our ballot initiative, recommend that the Executive Committee recommends to the General Membership that we propose an amendment to the Charter of the City of Dayton to limit the use of Photo-Monitoring Devices to Detect Certain Traffic Law Violations which would include an aggressive petition drive to have this issue placed on the ballot during the General Election on November 6, 2018.
- Held a meeting with Dayton City Manager Shelley Dickstein via teleconference to initiate
  a discussion regarding the City of Dayton's position on photo enforcement cameras and
  the Dayton Unit NAACP's position on photo enforcement cameras. As a result, we plan to
  meet in December to further our discussions and to look at all types of data related to this
  issue.
- During the Premier Health Community Health Improvement (CHI) Diversity Sub-Committee Meeting, presented Mary Boosalis, CEO of Premier Health, and Anita Moore, Chair of Premier Health Board of Directors, with their Gold Sponsorship Plaque for supporting our Annual Banquet
- Presented Alan Herzog, Franchise Owner of McDonald's Restaurant, with his Gold Sponsorship Plaque for supporting our Annual Banquet
- Organized a meeting with Dayton City Manager Shelley Dickstein to further discussions regarding Photo Enforcement Cameras. Advised her that we would be open to having a community forum during our April 2018 Monthly Community Meeting to hear both sides of the argument regarding photo enforcement.

# **Donations & Membership Money Collected**

### Collected the following donations totaling \$0:

N/A

# Collected the following youth membership applications and payments totaling \$310:

Lamar Parker (\$10) – 7/16/17, Kaleigh Jewett (\$15) – 7/16/17, John Foster (\$15) – 7/16/17

Nigel Beal (\$10) – 7/16/17, Daunevyn Scales (\$10) – 7/16/17, David Carter, Jr., (\$10) – 7/16/17

Donnie Stanton (\$10) – 7/16/17, Bryson Brown (\$10) – 7/16/17, Londyn Dixon (\$10) – 7/16/17

Nema Johnson (\$10) – 7/16/17, Cris Perdue (\$10) – 7/16/17, Lacrisa Perdue (\$10) – 7/16/17

Antionnette Russell (\$10) – 7/16/17, Ja'nae Evans (\$10) – 7/16/17, Na' Na' Bosley (\$10) – 7/16/17

Jaylen Bosley (\$10) – 7/16/17, Christopher Rivers (\$10) – 7/16/17, Savannah Ely (\$10) – 7/16/17

Tocarra Hogue (\$10) – 7/16/17, Danyl Adams (\$10) – 7/16/17, David Adams (\$10) – 7/16/17

Thaddeus Hogue (\$10) – 7/16/17, Jamiya Jones (\$10) – 7/16/17, Gavin Johnson (\$10) – 7/16/17

Markeyee Jones-Bennett (\$10) – 7/16/17, John Fayne Cunningham (\$10) – 7/16/17

Israel Malik Cunningham (\$10) – 7/16/17, Zion Lynn Cunningham (\$10) – 7/16/17

Corey Joshua Cunningham (\$10) – 7/16/17, Samiyah Desarae Chambers (\$10) – 7/16/17

Teyana Adams (\$30) – 7/16/17

#### Collected the following regular membership applications and payments totaling \$1,350:

William "Kip" Moore (\$30) – 1/25/17, Vernon A. Holman (\$30) – 1/23/17

Katherine L. Davis (\$30) – 2/1/17, Catherine Hope Crosby (\$30) – 2/12/17

Olivia K. Wrencher (\$30) – 2/13/17, Kevin Kilgore (\$30) – 3/3/17

Reaner B. Jackson (\$30) – 5/11/17, Donald G. Hill (\$30) – 6/17/17, Donna M. Hill (\$30) – 6/17/17 Joseph Bettman (\$30) – 8/12/17, Starla Allen (\$30) – 8/28/17

Naomi B. Davis (\$30) – 8/27/17, Teodore Searey (\$30) – 9/23/17, Yvette F. Page (\$30) – 9/25/17

Frederick Thomas (\$30) – 11/25/18, Troynesha Lloyd (\$30) – 11/30/17

A'Doria Lloyd (\$30) - 11/30/17, Sonya Foward (\$30) - 11/30/17

Shemeka Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17, Sheton Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17

Ozell Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17, Lovell Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17

Joanne Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17, Faye Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17, Brian Foward (\$30) – 11/30/17

Brandy Foward (\$30) - 11/30/17, Kevin D. Goode (\$30) - 11/30/17, Anna L. Kyle (\$30) - 11/30/17

Edwina C. Swann (\$30) - 11/30/17, Frank Swann (\$30) - 11/30/17

Marilyn White (\$30) – 11/30/17, Curtis White (\$30) – 11/30/17, Kavico White (\$30) – 11/30/17

Otis G. White (\$30) – 11/30/17, Janice Covington (\$30) – 11/30/17

#### Collected the following life membership applications and payments totaling \$12,600:

Stanley McKnight (\$100) – 12/23/16, Dwayne A. Bunch (\$75) – 1/8/17

Jean A. Foward (\$1,000 / Pay-Off of Diamond Life Membership) – 1/15/17

Regina M. Holman (\$75) – 1/23/17, Marie Tucker #41 (\$75) – 2/1/17

LisaBeth Willis (\$75) – 2/1/17, Linda E. White (\$75) – 2/5/17, Brenita L. Brooks (\$75) – 2/6/17

Keith Nicholas Woods (\$75) – 2/15/17

William T. Pollard, Jr. (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 2/17/17

Dave Montgomery (\$75) – 3/1/17, Robert Lee Cartwright (\$30) – 3/10/17

Kyna Cherise Johnson (\$30) – 3/18/17, M. Alice Callier (\$30) – 3/24/17

Ribhi Daoud (\$30) – 3/28/17, Albert L. Jordan (\$30) – 4/3/17

Tony E. Curington, Sr. (\$30) – 4/5/17, Yvonne Curington (\$30) – 4/5/17

Willie Fowler (\$30) – 4/12/17, Doris Fowler (\$30) – 4/12/17

Ohio Senator Joe Schiavoni (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 5/3/17

Willa D. Ricks-Averette (\$75) – 5/6/17

Cynthia Davidson (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 5/13/17

Lachandra Brooks (\$75) – 6/29/17

Rep. Niraj Antani (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 6/29/17

Ronald C. Lee (\$150 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 7/8/17

Crystal A. Byrd-Lee (\$150 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 7/8/17

Raymond Adams (\$75) – 7/16/17, Diane Adams (\$75) – 7/16/17

Sonya Flagg (\$75) – 7/28/17, Kenneth Wilkinson (\$75) – 7/28/17

Sharon Wilkinson (\$75) – 7/28/17

Dr. Eric F. Spina (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 8/17/17

Mark Donaghy (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 9/21/17

Paul F. Bradley (\$75) – 9/23/17

Karen Wick-Gagnet (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 9/30/17

Sweet Strickland (\$75) – 10/9/17, Dorothy L. Strickland (\$75) – 10/9/17

Jeff Liu (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 10/16/17

Fuyao Glass America, Inc. (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 10/16/17

David F. Abney, II (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 10/16/17

Wise Construction Company, Inc. (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 10/16/17

Iola B. Harris (\$100) – 10/17/17

Alan Herzog (\$750 / Pay-Off Of Lifetime Membership) – 11/17/17

Edward W. Lyons (\$75) – 11/19/17, Angela Jones (\$75) – 11/3017, William Miller (\$75) – 11/3017

Antoinette E. White (\$75) – 11/3017, Kenneth White (\$75) – 11/3017

Derrick Scales, Sr. (\$75) – 11/3017, William Thomas Spear (\$75) – 11/3017

Dorinda Bolden (\$75) – 11/3017, Harvey C. Bolden (\$75) – 11/3017

Stanley McKnight (\$75) – 11/3017

#### Standing & Special Committee Meetings Attended

- Met with Chairlady Lu Dale to discuss various opportunities related to the Freedom Fund Banquet and the Freedom Fund Committee
- Spoke at the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter meeting to inform them about the deadline (March 1, 2017) to file the NAACP 2016 Annual Financial Report and to provide assistance to ensure compliance. Reminded the President and Advisor that they are members of the Dayton Unit NAACP Executive Committee and let them know that we missed them at the February meeting. I also encouraged them to apply for the Thalheimer Award using the newsletters they implemented in 2016.
- Met with Lu Dale, Leslie Barrow and Craig Brook to discuss issues related to the dinner that was served at the Dayton Unit NAACP 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Freedom Fund Banquet
- Finance Committee (12)
- ACT-SO Day of the Stars
- Freedom Fund Committee (3)

### Other Meetings & Events Attended

- CountyCorp Board Meeting
- MLK March, Rally and Banquet
- Participated in the Dayton Unit NAACP 51<sup>st</sup> Inauguration Ceremony and took the Oath of Office administered by the Honorable Judge Mia Wortham Spells, to be President of the Dayton Unit NAACP
- Gave remarks and presented a Resolution to the family of former Dayton Unit NAACP Assistant Secretary Dorothy Mae Treece
- Attended the Dayton Community Reinvestment Coalition (DCRC) "Reinvesting in Communities" Presentation
- AKA Founders Day Observance
- Served as the guest speaker at the Beavercreek Church of the Nazarene Young Adult Ministry Program, educating their members about the founding of the NAACP and the founding of the Dayton Unit NAACP. I want to take this opportunity to say, "Thank You," to Executive Committee Member Will Spear for going with me serving as security detail.
- CountyCorp Board Meeting
- Gave remarks at Wright State University NAACP College Chapter 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Freedom Fund Banquet
- Served as the keynote speaker at the 105<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for Royal Temple #41 which is part of the larger organization, Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World. I want to take this opportunity to say, "Thank You," to Subscribing Silver Life Member Harvey Bolden for going with me serving as security detail.
- Served as a panelist at the University of Dayton School of Law Black Students Association event titled, "Disparate Impact on the New Executive Orders."
- Parity, Inc. Top Ten African American Male Luncheon
- Served as the keynote speaker at the Bethel Temple Church (Xenia, Ohio) 29<sup>th</sup> Black History Month Observance Program
- Gave remarks at the Pre-Inauguration Ceremony for Rev. Renard Allen, Pastor of St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church
- Served as the trainer for the Ohio Conference NAACP Executive Leadership Training
- Honored to be recognized at Shiloh Church for my contributions to the ministry of God

- Littlejohn Junior NAACP Youth Council and Dayton NAACP Youth Council Civil Rights Panel discussion
- Presented a Citation of Honor to Natasha Williams during her going away celebration
- Gave a membership appeal during the Middletown Unit NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet
- Gave remarks at Labor Leader Tom Ritchie's retirement celebration
- CountyCorp Board Meeting
- Dayton Convention and Visitors Bureau Awards Gala
- Attended Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church 50<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary and provided a Citation of Honor
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Montgomery County (OH) Alumnae Chapter Gospel Brunch
- Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church Choir 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Family & Friends Songfest
- Dayton International Peace Museum Board Meeting
- Ohio Conference NAACP Executive Committee Conference Call
- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Inspiration Center Benefit Gala
- Honored to administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Officers and Executive Committee Members of the Dayton NAACP Youth Council and the Littlejohn Junior NAACP Youth Council
- Fair Courts Meeting
- Served as a Chef at the Dayton (OH) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated Cookin Mem Event with my famous dish titled, "Move Forward With Foward" Wings
- Miami Valley Urban League 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Luncheon
- Attended the Home Going Ceremony of Commissioner Dean Lovelace
- Served as the trainer for the Ohio Conference NAACP Mandatory Leadership Training during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Meeting
- Presented 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Rev. Herman E. Branham with a Citation of Honor during his 15<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary Celebration as Pastor and Founder of Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church
- St. Benedict The Moor Catholic Church Cardinal Bernardin Community Service Awards Banquet. Congratulations to Lu Dale on being an award recipient

- Honored to administer the Oath of Office to Solomon Scales, newly elected 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of the Littlejohn Junior NAACP Youth Council
- Served as the keynote speaker during the Springfield Unit NAACP Sponsorship Dinner
- Presented a Resolution to the family of Health Chairlady Felicia A. Hill during her Father's Home Going Celebration
- Presented a Resolution to the family of GOTV Chairman Demetrious H. Rush during his Home Going Celebration
- CountyCorp Board of Trustees Meeting
- Northwest Priority Board Community Festival
- Gave remarks at the Homegoing Celebration of Bishop John H. Mathews
- Dayton African American Cultural Festival
- Participated in the University of Dayton West Dayton Conversation
- Participated in a press conference with Congressman Mike Turner and President Emeritus
  Jessie O. Gooding, to denounce the hate which took place in Charlottesville, Virginia and to
  urge "Unity in the Community" in the City of Dayton
- CountyCorp Development Board of Trustees Meeting
- Ohio Conference NAACP Conference Call
- Attended the OLBC Foundation Reception
- Presented a Citation of Honor to Pastor Xavier L. Johnson during Bethel Missionary Baptist Church 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration
- Presented a Citation of Honor to Pastor Shelby Walker and 1<sup>st</sup> Lady Crystal Walker during Summit Christian Church 105<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration
- Cincinnati Unit NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet
- Ohio Conference NAACP Executive Committee Meeting Via CC
- Ohio Conference NAACP Presidents Conference Call
- Dayton International Peace Museum Board of Directors Meeting
- Attended and financially supported the Littlejohn Junior NAACP Youth Council and Dayton NAACP Youth Council during their Annual Chili Cook-Off
- African American Community Fund 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

- Met with Former Ohio State Senator Ray Miller to discuss the distribution of his newspaper
- Northwest Priority Board End of Year Dinner
- Participated in the Fuyao Taste of the World Restaurant Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Gave remarks at the Springfield Unit NAACP 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Freedom Fund Banquet
- AKA Frosted Pearls Ball
- Ohio Conference NAACP Finance Committee Conference Call
- Delta Peppermint Ball
- Wright-Patt Credit Union Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Ms. Bessie L. Siler 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration
- Ohio Conference NAACP Executive Committee Meeting Via CC
- Ohio Conference NAACP Presidents Conference Call

# NAACP 108th Annual Meeting

- Call to Order Vice Chair Leon W. Russell
- Invocation
- Minutes Approval, Previous Meeting (February 20, 2016)
- Introductions Vice Chair W. Leon Russell
- Treasurer's Report (Jesse Turner)
  - Surplus \$972,558 (2016)
- Report of Annual Election Supervisory Committee (Hazel Dukes)
- 7 Members Elected by Branches:
  - Wendell Anthony
  - Gary Bledsoe
  - o Roslyn Brock
  - Michael Curry
  - o Teresa Dear

- Gloria Sweetlove
- Robin Williams
- Region Election Results:
  - Region I Gwen Moore
  - Region II Phil Murphy
  - Region III Roual Cunningham
  - Region IV Steven Card
  - Region V James Crowell
  - Region VI Bob Lydia
  - o Region VII Akosua Ali
- President's Report (Honorable Cornell William Brooks)
  - II Kings
  - Theme: "Standing Still and Standing in Your Power"
  - 4 Leopards (Standing on the Outside)
  - 40 Members of the NAACP Sit-In of U.S. Senator Jeff Sessions
  - NAACP Shut the Phone System Down During Sit-In
  - Senator Sessions First Phone Call to NAACP
  - Will Meet With Senator Sessions on March 3 or 4
  - Moral Monday Filled Street
  - He will continue to go to jail to protect the right to VOTE
  - Need to be a Multi-Generational 1M member strong organization
  - Executive Order Against Voter Rights
  - Brooks said, "I don't appear on CNN, We appear on CNN"
- Chairman's Report (Honorable Roslyn M. Brock)
  - 14<sup>th</sup> Chairman of the NAACP
  - Joined the NAACP at 19 years old in 1985 when the Honorable Ronald Reagan was re-elected as President of the United States (32 Years in the Movement)
  - NAACP responsible for the Honorable Barack Obama being elected as the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America
  - Represented the NAACP during the Women's March on Washington
  - Must defend our right to VOTE
  - Must excite a new majority
  - Must defend the Affordable Care Act
  - Must fight for traditional public schools

- Thanked James Gee, Hazel Dukes and the late Maxine Smith for molding her into the leader she is today
- o Charge to NAACP "Take Care of Yourselves and Take Care of Each Other"
- Greetings NAACP Units (Dayton Unit NAACP Report Below)
  - Submitted membership laydown in the amount of \$4,545.80 totaling 92 memberships
  - The Dayton Unit NAACP was 1 of 4 organizations in the State of Ohio chosen to conduct 2 Town Halls on Judicial Reform
  - Two members in the Foward Administration were elected to public office. Chris Shaw, former Economic Development Chair was elected as a Dayton City Commissioner. Atty. Mia Wortham Spells, former Legal Redress Chair was elected as a Dayton Municipal Court Judge
  - Provided 5 scholarships to deserving students in the Dayton area
  - o Provided 24 Book Voucher Awards to deserving students in the Dayton area
  - Our youth groups conducted several voters registration drives
  - Through our Proactive Civil Rights Agenda, we educated 759 Citizens at our Monthly Community Meetings
  - Secured 15 fully-paid life members with the Dayton Chapter of the Links, Inc. leading the way as a Diamond Life Member
  - The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter was established as the first high school chapter in the history of the State of Ohio. We are currently working to charter a high school chapter at Trotwood Madison.
  - Investigated 171 cases in 2016. Still seeking justice for the family of John Crawford III.
  - Due to our activism, we had 4,881 online activist December 2016 YTD which was up 6.9% versus the previous year
  - Because we understand Economic Sustainability and Job Readiness, we held our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Career Job Fair with over 30 employers in attendance. Several Citizens were interviewed on-site.
  - Submitted our annual Freedom Fund Assessment in the amount of \$15,761
- New Business
- Benediction

# National Board Meeting

- Call to Order & Invocation (Roslyn M. Brock)
- Ascertainment of Members Present (Barbara Brown)
- Approval of the Meeting Agenda (Roslyn M. Brock)
- Approval of Consent Agenda
- Report of Election Supervisory Committee (Hazel N. Dukes)

- George Gresham
- Cynthia Butler-McIntyre
- Rabbi Thrash Granstine
- o Rev. Samuel Talbert
- Election to the Board, By the Board
  - o Rev. Dr. Gina Stewart
  - o Rev. James C. Perkins
  - George Gresham
  - Rabbi Jacob Pesnar
- Election of Officers
  - o Chairman
    - Alice Huffman nominated Leon W. Russell
  - Vice Chairman
    - Hazel Dukes nominated Derrick Johnson
  - Treasurer
    - Jesse Turner
  - Assistant Treasurer
    - Yvonne White
  - Assistant Secretary
    - Aubrey Christopher Hooper
- Special Motion
  - Derrick Johnson moved that Roslyn Brock be conferred as Chairman Emeritus.
     Alice Huffman seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Special Acknowledgements
  - Yvonne White thanked Dr. Ernest Johnson
  - Chairman Leon Russell thanked for Phil Murphy (Running for New Jersey Governor) his \$100,000 contribution to the NAACP
  - o Chairman Leon thanked Tom Kallahar for his annual contribution of \$10.000

- Chairman's Report
  - Thanked the Board for electing him as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the NAACP
- President & CEO's Report
  - Thanked Chairman Emeritus Roslyn M. Brock for her leadership
  - Congratulated Chairman Leon W. Russell
  - Congratulated Vice Chairman Derrick Johnson
  - Acknowledged the hard work of the NAACP State Conferences and Units
  - Acknowledged the hard work of the NAACP National Staff
  - o Raised 27M in 2016
  - o 11.5 New Memberships Online
  - January 2017 Memberships are up 265% vs. Previous Year
  - Follows Y&C Chapters on Twitter
  - Working on Trump nominations and Executive Orders
  - Issue Alerts and Updates to the Field
  - Ongoing Work on ESSA
- Region I
- Region II
  - Scott Exdale
- Region III
  - Michigan State Conference (Flint Water Crisis)
- Region IV & V
  - North Carolina State Conference (Fought Against The State Legislature About Voter Suppression)
  - Iowa State Conference

- Region VI & VII
  - Louisiana State Conference (Alton Sterling Case)
  - Romane Virginia NAACP (Sit-Ins)
- Relevance
  - o Mobile, Alabama NAACP (Sit-In)
- Partnerships
  - AME Getting More Involved
  - Baptist Getting More Involved
  - Rabbis Getting More Involved
- Communications
  - Social Media Very Important
- Legal Victories
  - o 10 Cases
- North Carolina State Conference Resolution on Boycotting (Rev. William Barber)
  - Charlotte, North Carolina was being considered for a National Convention but not now
- Treasurer's Report (Jesse Turner)
  - Surplus \$972,558 (2016)
- NAACP Foundation Report
  - Accepting No New Members
  - New Slate of Officers (Dr. Dwayne Procter Elected as Chair)
  - 1 New Trustee Emeritus
  - 2 New Members of the President's Circle
- Convention Planning Committee Update
  - Theme NAACP: Steadfast and Immovable

- Will Institute Online Registration for the NAACP 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention
- Will Receive Hotel and other pertinent information within next 2 weeks
- Membership and Units Update
  - Several Charters were approved pending verification of memberships
  - 1 Charter Name Change Request
  - Florida State Conference to Intervene and Conduct 10 Branch Elections
  - North Carolina State Conference to Intervene and Conduct 6 Branch Elections
  - Florida State Conference to re-organize 6 Branches
  - Re-instate membership of 1 person
  - 3-Year Suspension of Jocelyn Travis was upheld
  - Arkansas State Conference Election will be referred to a sub-committee
  - o Removal of James Gill as 1st VP of the Michigan State Conference
- Image Awards Update (Mr. Leonard James)
  - Known as the Best Ever
  - Nominees were announced Live on TV
  - LeBron James Received NAACP Award Live on TV
  - Will Continue to work with TV One
  - Olympics Will Impact 2018 Location (Pasadena Civic Center, Dolby Theta, Lowes Hotel)
  - There is some consensus to bring back Anthony Anderson as the Host
  - For the NAACP 50<sup>th</sup> Image Awards, we will look to have an exhibit at the African American Museum
  - Presented an Image Award to Chairman Emeritus Roslyn M. Brock

#### New Business

Executive Committee Appointments (Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Every Month)

- Serious discussion about Membership Cards being mailed-out on-time. President Brooks said they will hire temporary staff to assist with this issue
- Benediction and Adjournment

# NAACP 108th Annual Convention Report 2017

7/22/17 - 7/26/17 – Attended the following sessions while at the convention:

- Annual Convention Registration
- National Board of Directors Meeting
- Prayer Breakfast / Memorial Service For Deceased NAACP Officers and Members
- Presidents Council Meeting & Luncheon
- ACT-SO Awards Ceremony
- Opening Public Mass Meeting Featuring Chairman Leon Russell as the Keynote Speaker
- Civil Rights Legislative Update
- Chairman Russell's Reception
- Regional Meeting (Day 1)
- Elected to Represent Region 3 on the Credentials Committee for the Convention
- Opening Plenary Session and Criminal Justice
- NAACP Experience
- Clarence Mitchell Memorial Luncheon with Featured Speaker the Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr.
- Credentials Committee Meeting Elected to serve as the Chairman of the Credentials Committee for the NAACP 107<sup>th</sup> Convention (Day 1)
- Federal Legislative and Public Policy Workshop
- Regional Meeting (Day 2)
- Plenary Session 2017 Resolutions
- Credentials Committee Meeting (Day 2)
- Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Luncheon with Featured Speaker The Honorable Al Green

- 45<sup>th</sup> National Membership Luncheon
- Received Club 100 Award
- Received Million Dollar Club Award
- Final Plenary Session / Education Task Force Report Out / Voting Rights Panel
- Labor Luncheon
- Welcome To San Antonio, Texas For NAACP 109th Annual Convention in 2018
- Thalheimer Awards Reception To Receive Two Thalheimer Awards
- Freedom Fund / Thalheimer Awards Dinner

# Ohio Conference NAACP 87th Annual State Convention

- Registration
- Political Action Workshop
- WIN Luncheon
- Criminal Justice Workshop
- Health/Environmental Justice Workshop
- Mass Meeting
- Meet & Greet
- Election Supervisory Session
- Education Workshop
- Environmental Development Workshop
- "Freedom Gala" Luncheon
- Membership Session

Your community servant,

Duruck 1. Forward, M.C. E.

Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E.