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*“Where There Is Unity, There Is Strength”*

August 16, 2024

Dear Friend,

Greetings! It is with great excitement that we invite you to the 73<sup>rd</sup> Dayton NAACP Hall of Freedom Awards to be held on **Friday, October 25, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Dayton Convention Center**. This year's theme is titled, *“Fully Committed!”* This year we are privileged to have *Curtiss Cook*, a Dayton native and American Actor, as our special guest. As a teenager, he danced with the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company. He is best known for his roles in the television series: *House of Cards, The Chi, Manifest, Mayans M.C., Luke Cage, Narcos*, and *Abe* in the Steven Spielberg film adaptation of *West Side Story*.

We were very thrilled to have more than 1,200 Americans from various diverse backgrounds attend our awards show last year and are humbled the Citizens throughout the Dayton Region have chosen to make our event the largest of any organization in Montgomery County, Ohio. May the Lord richly bless you!!!

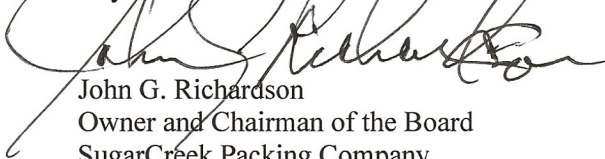
The Hall of Freedom Awards is the primary source of raising funds for our Branch which allows us to provide Civil and Human Rights Services. We appreciate and solicit your continued support by purchasing an ad, table and tickets to the awards show (See Attachment). As a friendly reminder, membership is the lifeblood of this prestigious organization. We encourage you to become a member today and get actively involved to assist the Dayton Branch NAACP in fulfilling its core goals: *Inform, Educate, Empower!!!*

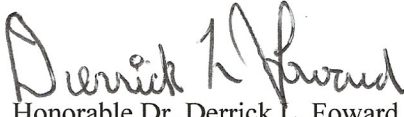
When you support the Dayton Branch NAACP, you are supporting the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Unit in the State of Ohio; the Littlejohn Junior Youth Council (Ages 1-13) that has been educated on how to conduct a formal business meeting, learned how to follow parliamentary procedures, learned the meaning of community service and has witnessed real life court cases in action; the Dayton Youth Council (Ages 14-17) that has distinguished itself as one of the premier youth groups in the Dayton Region as well as has shown exemplary leadership skills throughout our community; the Move Forward Thurgood Marshall High School Chapter (High School Students) that has lobbied members of the Ohio Legislature and continues to build young civil rights leaders; and the Dayton ACT-SO Youth Program (High School Students) that has worked tirelessly for the past fifteen years to bring to the City of Dayton; Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals at the National level in various areas of competition.


We look forward to your generous support as *sponsors will be recognized during the awards show*. Please visit the Dayton Branch NAACP Website (naacpdayton.org) for additional information. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at (937) 222-2172.

Warmest Regards,

  
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