



COBB COUNTY BRANCH

National Association For The Advancement of Colored People

September 2008

FREEDOM FUND BANQUET

The 27th annual Freedom Fund Awards Banquet is scheduled for Friday, October 24, 2008 at the Marietta Conference Center & Resort, 500 Powder Springs St., Marietta. A 6:30 p.m. reception will precede dinner and the awards program at 7:15.

The theme "NAACP: Power, Justice, Freedom, VOTE" is most fitting as we remain dedicated and committed to ensure equality and social justice for all people.

The banquet is one opportunity for the Branch to honor today's youth for their commitment and service, along with other persons who have made significant contributions to our communities.

Your generous support of this banquet is also the financial cornerstone for Branch operations and numerous community programs.

NOTICE OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER MEETINGS AND NOVEMBER ELECTION

For purpose of election of officers and at-large members of the executive committee, please note the following schedule:

September 23, 2008. General Membership Meeting. Branch Office. 6:30 p.m. Election of the nominating committee. All members whose memberships are current as of 30 days prior to the meeting date may be elected.

October 28, 2008. Nominating Committee Meeting. Branch Office. 6:30 p.m. Report of the Nominating Committee, receipt of nominations by petition, and election of election supervisory committee. In order to sign a nominating petition, or be elected to the election supervisory committee, a member must be current as of 30 days prior to the October meeting.

November 8, 2008. Branch Office. 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Election of officers and at-large members of the Executive Committee. In order to vote in a Branch election, one must be a member in good standing of the Branch 30 days prior to the election. A form of identification is re-

Words From The President...

Deane Bonner



The Deane Bonner Branch NAACP had a

very productive participation in the February presidential election, voter registration and turnout in local primaries.

The Branch attended the 99th annual convention where new President & CEO Ben Jealous was introduced. We received support for a national resolution for an upcoming Georgia criminal case.

The annual Juneteenth celebration continued to draw mega participation.

*The message today as we go into these historic events in our country: We celebrate and applaud Senator Hillary Clinton on her impressive campaign. Congratulations Presidential Nominee Senator Barack Obama in his history-making fete. And congratulations to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin nomination for Vice President of these United States. We support voting for **Change** As our advocacy continues, we know politics are local.*

VOTE NOVEMBER 4TH

Based on the mail received from inmates, we seek to find solutions to the growing number of complaints for: speedy trials, the long waits (2 years or more), no attorney visits, dry run court visits, harsh sentencing, jail mislabeling of race, pleas for most, prosecutors and judges by meeting with entity that will help us address these issues.

Join Us Today

Deane

News Update

Our Education forum was a success. We thank the 50 attendees for their support and commitments help all our students receive a quality education in GA, Special thanks also to Doc.Holiday, (moderator) and panelist, Jeri Grimes, Montye Edwards and Don Johnson. Pro/Con on splost was a Con. A parent advocacy group was formed.

Edward O. DuBose, President, Georgia State Conference NAACP, resubmitted a request to the Attorney General of Georgia to investigate sentencing disparities in Cobb County, particularly the Barbie Bandits case .

**2008 Cobb County Branch
Executive Committee**

Deane Thompson Bonner, President
Jeriene B. Grimes, Vice President
Kim Russell, Secretary
Glenda Brown, Asst Secretary
Dr. Earl Holliday, Treasurer

Sebastian Bonner, Youth Advisor
Jeriene B. Grimes, Freedom Fund
Clara Jenkins, Health
Darryl Wilson, Political Action
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Cedrita Reed, Community Affairs
Mack Parks, Executive Committee
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Barbara Bodyne, Education Chair

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**Congratulations To
BRANCH MEMBERS**

**That were and are candidates for
elected positions**

David Morgan
Darryl Wilson
Annette Kesting
Pat Dooley
Tomi Johnson
Joan Davis
Nathan Wade
Carletta Sims
Normarene Merritt

Congratulations

**President Bonner - Board Member of
Chattahoochee Tech College**

NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERS

January 2008 - August 2008

Debbie Sampler	Winston A. W. Johnson
Marquerite King	Cheryl A. Hall
Ralph Russaw	Katherline Billingslea
Rev. Lesa Cheathem Thomas	Kimberly Russell
Adria Montice Simmons	Barbara Hickey
Patricia M. Dorris	Charlene Cole
Maria Bradfield	John E. Parker II
Barbara A. Dobyne	Rev. Lenton Mitchell
Emily Lembeck	Lorenzo and Tarlecia Floyd
Samuel L. Davis	Tanya Lafleur
Charlye Shorter	Charles T. Player
Margaret Owens	Mildred Whitson
Mack Parks	Juan Reyes
Kiana Spencer	Linda W. Nuckles
Ida Jackson	Pauline Terrell
Connie Taylor	Nerissa Brown Jackson
Penney Holt	Preston Sanders, Jr.
Congressman David Scott	Miriam Mitchell
Kevin Mills	Glenda S. Thomas
Jeriene Grimes	Walter G. Robinson
Audwin Jones	Pat Dooley
Becky Denlinger	Rev. Sandy Bullock
B. J. Reed	Sundra Vann
Rev. Dr. Lugenia Johnson	Sam Baskins, Jr.
Carvin L. Bryant	Ilea Johnson
A. L. Zollicoffer	Arthur A. Artis
Greta Shipman	Amos Williams, Jr.
Derrick Webb	Regmal Moss
Betsy Green	James Hallman
Terry Arthur	Shawn Noel Bender
Dr. J. Eric Tubbs	Anthony Pollard
Darryl O. Wilson, Jr.	Rev. Charlie C. Haynes, Jr.
Donald Crampton	Wallace Coopwood
Pastor B. J. Lockhart, Jr.	Michael M. Murphy
Laurine W. DeLay	Dr. Daniel S. Papp
Mary Louise Jackson	Eric Robinson

ELECTION COUNTDOWN

Week 6 - 9: Sept 8 - Sept 28 (Voter Registration)

- Voter contact phone banks
- Coordination with allies

Week 5: Sept 29 - Oct 5 (Final Registration)

- Register new voters
- Re-address old voters

Week 4: Oct 6 - Oct 12 (Voter Education)

- Grassroots activities

Week 3: Oct 13 - Oct 19 (More Voter Education)

- Canvassing
- Radio, print, TV media events

Week 2: Oct 20 - Oct 26 (Even More Voter Education)

- Rallies and events
- Volunteer recruitment

Week 1: Oct 27 - Nov 2 (Voter Participation)

- Volunteer training

Week 0: Nov 3 - 5 (Go To Vote Push and Election Protection)

- Flushing, Transporting, Poll Watching

Centennial year of NAACP

February 12, 2009

So many have given so much - including, in some cases, their lives - to benefit the cause of freedom for America's citizens of color. Their struggle and their sacrifices during the NAACP's long reign have been legendary.

Since it was founded in 1909, NAACP activists have led or been a significant part of the struggle to attain freedom and justice for Black Americans. Our presence today is a testament to the tireless efforts of generations of freedom fighters.

These are the best and the worst of times for our people. Days are as dark for some as they are bright for others. Drug abuse, teenage pregnancy, inadequate education and high unemployment are rocking the foundation and threatening the stability of the Black family.

Though we may ache or feel beaten by adversity and futility, we must march on till victory is won.

**We Are 100 Years Old
WATCH FOR STATE, REGIONAL, NATIONAL
CENTENNIAL ACTIVITIES**

**Don't Delay!
Join or Renew Your Membership Today!**

REGULAR ANNUAL

___ Youth Without Crisis (to 17) \$10.00

___ Youth With Crisis (to 21).....\$15.00

___ Adult With Crisis\$30.00

___ Corporate.....\$5,000

New Renewal

LIFE

Amount of Payment _____

Junior Life (\$100)

Bronze Life (\$400)

Silver Life (\$750)

Gold Life (\$1,500)

Diamond Life (\$2,500)

Yes, I would like to become a member

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone(s) _____

Act-So (Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological & Scientific Olympics)

Armed Services

Membership

Communications/Press/Publicity

Political Action

Community Coordination

Religious Affairs

Economic Development

Education

Health & Welfare

Housing

Labor & Industry

Legal Redress

Thank you for your support

VOTE NOVEMBER 4

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COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 8** Executive Committee Meeting.
Freedom Fund Meeting.
- 9** Education Forum
- 16** SPLOST Vote
- 23** General Meeting.

OCTOBER

- 1** Career Fair. Law Day Forum
- 6** Executive Committee Meeting
- 8-11** State Conference
- 14** Political Forum
- 24** Freedom Fund Gala

NOVEMBER

- 3** Executive Committee Meeting
- 4** National Election
- 8** Branch Election.
- 11** Veteran's Day Forum
- 25** Thanksgiving Giveaway. Branch General Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- 27** Happy Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 1** 6:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting
- 20** 7:00 pm Annual Branch Holiday Gala
- 25** Happy Holidays /Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and New Years

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