













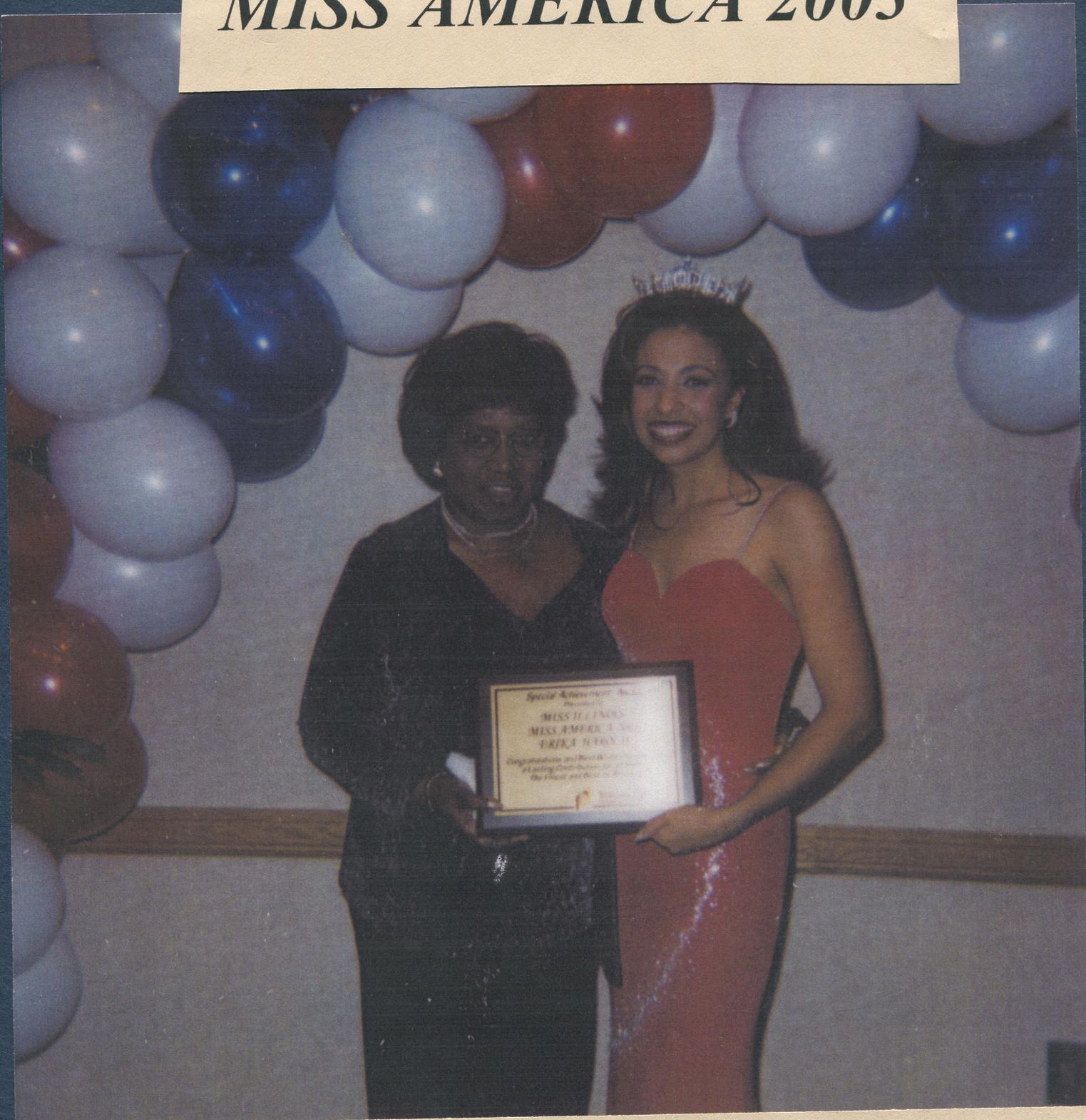








# MISS AMERICA 2003



*Erica Harold, presented Achievement Award Plaque by Ruthie Hillsman, National Council Of Negro Women, Inc. President.*

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION**

**January 11, 2003**

**AGENDA**

**Call meeting to order**

**Prayer**

**Pledge: It is our pledge to make a lasting to all that is finest and best in America, to cherish and enrich her heritage of freedom and progress by working for the integration of all of her people regardless of race, creed, or national origin, into her spiritual, social, cultural, and civic life, and thus aid her to achieve the glorious destiny of a true and unfettered democracy.**

**Officer's Report's:**

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**Secretary**

**Financial Secretary / Treasurer**

**Chaplain      Birthday, Bereavement , Good & Welfare**

**Historian**

**Committee Report's:**

**December      Christmas Party/ Gift Exchange**

**January      Lynn Davis --- Financial Planning Seminar Proposal**

**February      Black History Month**

**March**

**April**

**May      Mother's Day Luncheon**

**June      Taste of NCNW ( 2003 Wrap up Potluck )**

**July      Indiana Black Expo Cultural Trip**

**Old Business:**

**" Each One Win One " NEW MEMBER**

**New Business**

**Announcements : NCAAM Annual Recognition Banquet**

**Meeting Adjourn - " This Little Light Of Mine"**

**Next meeting February 8, 2003      Black History Month**

NCNW - keep kids in school  
determine waep to help  
Reading / story telling

Need 50 members to be recognized by National

\* Fri Jan 17 - 12-1:30 Holiday Inn, Urbana  
Combined community program

Parkland College  
available end of month - <sup>eargs</sup> up first week of February  
up whole month

Look at when will go. - contact Ruthie about when  
Talk to Charles + Barb about putting up - new design / plan

Get more mat board

Rita Myles wonders if she's first Black administrative  
for nursing

Bevly Lacey } both at Parkland  
Rita Myles }

Gospel fest at Parkland in Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>  
Blues histo - - Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT JANUARY 11, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Please sign Attendance Sheet & Indicate Amount of Dues Paid.
2. Dues collection: secretary or myself.
3. Thanks to **Rita Myles** for handling birthdays—please give her **your birthMONTH**
4. **Changed your address, phone, or e-mail?** We need your new info!
5. One new member since December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting: **Ms. Lindsey Travis**
  - Prospective membership packets
6. Current membership number is **38**. **SIXTEEN persons have local memberships on suspension** due to **late or non-payment of LOCAL dues**:
7. Annual **Local Dues**:

\$12 – students	Annual <b>National Dues</b>
\$24 – senior citizens	\$10--students
\$36 – regular	\$25 – regular
8. **Local dues** can be paid **MONTHLY**—must pre-pay for July & August
  - \$1 per month Sept – May, \$3 in June – students
  - \$2 per month Sept – May, \$6 in June – senior citizens
  - \$3 per month Sept – May, \$9 in June – regular

# HOLIDAY GALA REPORT

## January 11, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

### 1. LOCATION:

- a. **Holiday Inn – definite**
- b. Chancellor – pending

### 2. DATE:

- a. Holiday Inn: **Friday, November 21, 2003**
  - i. **13 months advance** reservations for Saturday in Nov & Dec
  - ii. must generate **\$6000 (incl alcohol sales)** for Saturday in Nov & Dec
- b. Chancellor: Saturday, November 22, 2003

### 3. TICKETS:

- a. Goal of **300** attendees
- b. Price: \$30.00/person or **\$225.00**/table of 8
- c. **Saturday, September 13, 2003**: first NCNW meeting of 2003—2004 year; tickets will be given to members to begin selling

### 4. UPCOMING GOAL:

- Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – Committee formation



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section

FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT  
January 11, 2002

Balance	\$ 2,781.11
RECEIPTS:	
Membership:	
Cole, O.	20.00
Myles, R.	36.00
Pinderhughes, D.	25.00
White, G.	18.00
Sub Total:	99.00
Other Receipts:	
Cash Donation (Gala)	25.00
Flowers (Gala)	4.00
Gala (Change) Petty Cash	100.00
Holiday Inn	225.80
Sweatshirt	15.00
Sub Total	369.80
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$3,249.91
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Gala (Change) Petty Cash	100.00
Gala/Christmas Photos	26.52
Martin Luther King Scholarship	500.00
Staples (inadvertently left off Dec Report)	57.99
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	\$ 684.51
BALANCE	\$2,565.40

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.**  
**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION**  
**MINUTES OF January 11, 2003**  
**BY GWEN WHITE**

\* Meeting called to order at 2:05 p.m.  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

\* Members present: R. Hillsman, D. Jamerson, C. Kennedy, P. Adair, H. Marion, L. Davis, A. Young, E. Terry, L. Lawson, J. Archey, R. Myles, N. Delaney, M. Scantlebury, B. Lacy, G. White

\* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

☞ President: Recommend NCNW become involved in the community, including the school system, as the graduation rates are down.

☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Update on local M.L. King Jr. programs. Planning a program for Black History Month at Douglas Library. Need members to sign up and share talent. Training for Project Read begins in Feb. 2003.

☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Lindsey Travis is our newest member. Current membership is 38. Approx. 16 members have not paid dues and are not counted in the current membership. Reminder to update your address, phone number, and email address on the attendance roster.

☞ Secretary: Minutes from December 14, 2002, meeting read and approved by the body.

☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Report read and approved by the body.

Beg. Bal.	\$ 2,781.11
Total Receipts	3,249.91
Disbursements	684.51
Ending Bal.	2,565.40

☞ Historian: NCNW Legacy Exhibit at Parkland in Feb. 2003. Request memorabilia, photos, biographies, etc.

☞ Chaplain: Mrs. Coles is absent due to a death in her family. R. Myles will send a condolence card.

☺ Happy Birthday to B. Hassell, K. Humphrey, R. Myles ☺

\* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

- ☞ 2003 Holiday Gala: Holiday Inn reserved for Fri. 11/21/03. Chancellor may be avail. Sat. 11/22/03. Location to be determined. Goal is to sell 300 tickets. Committee to be formed at Feb. meeting. Need volunteers to help.
- ☞ Need a member to chair the Mother's Day Brunch scheduled in May 2003.
- ☞ NCNW member Lynn Davis proposed to chair a free financial planning seminar. Topics to include budgeting and eliminating debt. Members agreed to have seminar in March 2003.
- ☞ Black History Month celebration at Parkland 2/15/03, 7 to 10 pm. "Poetry Slam" at the Blues Bistro, Gallery Lounge. Need items to raffle. See member R. Myles.

June 2003 is "Taste of NCNW" Potluck style.

July 2003 is Indiana Black Expo Cultural Trip. See member B. Lacy.

\* **OLD BUSINESS**

"Each one Win One" Recruit new members

\* **NEW BUSINESS**

- ☞ NCAAM Annual Banquet is 2/1/03 at Holiday Inn. Member B. Lacy to co-chair event. R. Myles to present an award.
  - ☞ Parkland Gospel Fest is 2/21/03. B. Lacy is the MC.
- \* Meeting Adjourned with song, "This Little Light of Mine".

## History Quiz

- 1) What state gave freedom to slaves who fought in the American Revolution? *Virginia*
- 2) What was the name of the first African American newspaper? *Freedoms Journal*
- 3) Who helped form the Underground Railroad? *Harriet Tubman*
- 4) What city was the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) founded in? *New York*
- 5) Who was the first African American woman judge? *Jane Matilda ~~Boston~~ Bolen*
- 6) What incident sparked the Montgomery Bus Boycott? *Rosa Park*
- 7) What state was the first to end segregation in public accommodations? *New Jersey*
- 8) Who was the first African American woman lawyer admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court? *Violet P. Adams*
- 9) Who was the first African American General of the Army? *Benjamin Davis*
- 10) Which constitutional amendment abolished slavery? *13<sup>th</sup>*
- 11) What was the name of the first African American college? *Lincoln*
- 12) Who was the first African American to win the Pulitzer Prize? *Gwendolyn Brooks*
- 13) Who signed the Emancipation Proclamation? *Lincoln*
- 14) What colony was the first to abolish slavery? *Vermont*
- 15) What is the name of the university founded by Booker T. Washington? *Tuskegee*
- 16) Who was the first African American mayor of a major city? *Carl Stokes*
- 17) What was the name of the ship where 54 slaves revolted? *Amistad*
- 18) Where did the first humans live? *Africa - Great Rift Valley*
- 19) Who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964? *King*
- 20) In what city did Jesse Owens win four Olympic Gold medals? *Berlin*
- 21) What crime did journalist Ida B. Wells-Barnett fight against? *Lynching*

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION

February 8, 2003

AGENDA

Call meeting to order

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Chaplain      Birthday, Bereavement , Good & Welfare

Historian

Committee Report's

February      Black History Month  
                  " This Legacy Is Your's " On display at Parkland  
                  College ---February 5 - February 28, 2003  
                  Part one and two of "This Legacy Is Your's "  
                  PBS -- Parkland TV Channel --2/1 - 2/28

March            Financial Planning Seminar -- Presenter, Lynn Davis

April

May             Mother's Day Luncheon

June            Taste of NCNW

July             Indiana Black Expo

Old Business:    " Each One Win One "    NEW MEMBER

New Business:    Black Expo ( local )    Linda Lawson (info)

Collect dues ---- PLEASE AT THE END OF THE AGENDA

Meeting Adjourn ---- " This Little Light Of Mine "

Next meeting, March 8, 2003

*HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY*

NCNW Inc. Mother's Day Luncheon Progress Report

February 8, 2003

Gwen M. White

**Mother's Day Luncheon:** May 10, 2003, at Park Inn 11am - 2pm

Luncheon costs us \$9.65 per person (includes 17% gratuity). Need to decide how much to charge for tickets. Per Park Inn, meals for Children 5 to 10 yrs. old are half off. Children under 5 are free.

1. 2/12/03: Mail nomination letters
2. 3/31/03: Deadline to receive nominations
3. 4/5/03: Committee to meet to determine winner(s)
4. 4/12/03: Winner(s) revealed at April NCNW Meeting
5. 4/12/03: Contact winner(s) by phone and mail letter

Judges to consist of three people from the community.  
Judges to be determined.

6. Solicitations & Donations:

Door prizes:	Shirley Hursey and ? TBD
Flowers:	President Hillsman
Gifts/Awards:	TBD
Advertisements:	TBD (newspaper, t.v. radio)
(Tickets, fliers, invitations:	Linda Lawson and ? TBD )

☺ WE NEED VOLUNTEERS, VOLUNTEERS, AND MORE VOLUNTEERS ☺

This is **OUR** Annual Mother's Day Luncheon and we want it to be a success!!! Success is only possible if everyone work together as a team.

Please sign up to volunteer as we need members to assist with:

1. Program committee
2. Advertising
3. MC/Hostess/Award presenters
4. Photographer

**\*\*\* Volunteers will meet immediately following NCNW meeting\*\*\***



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section

FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT  
February 08, 2003

Balance \$2,565.40

RECEIPTS:

Membership:

Archev, J.	61.00
Lacy, B	6.00
Scantlebury, M.	36.00

Sub Total: 103.00

Other Receipts:

Flowers (Gala)	4.00
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Sub Total 4.00

TOTAL \$2,672.40

DISBURSEMENTS:

National Dues	165.00
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BALANCE \$2,507.40

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Need 50 to be official sections  
Packet for Katrina?

→ Mrs Donaldson died

March 1<sup>st</sup>

NCAM + NCNW Booth at 105 expo

Booth 10x10

Mother's Day Brunch

Brunch w/ ticket price of \$15

Last year had 200 - 90 year prior

Tickets ready by March 1<sup>st</sup>

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT FEBRUARY 08, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Please sign Attendance Sheet.
2. Dues collection: secretary or myself.
3. **Changed your address, phone, or e-mail?** We need your new info!
4. Prospective members? Call or e-mail me and leave info. 373-9859 or [lawsonl@demaco.com](mailto:lawsonl@demaco.com)
5. **MEMBERSHIP:**
  - **Last month 38: with sixteen persons "suspended"** (*inactive*)
  - **Today 39: with 7 persons "suspended"** (either local or national not paid)
    - Bondurant, Chillis, V. Harris, Leggett, M. Malcome, S. Melker, & M. Perry
6. Annual **Local Dues:**

\$12 – students	Annual <b>National Dues</b>
\$24 – senior citizens	\$10--students
\$36 – regular	\$25 – regular
7. **NEW RULES FROM NATIONAL:**
  - Ester Wynn (contact person)
  - Fulfillment Agency: Association Management Services (AMS) – emphasis is "quality in/quality out"; forms; e-mails; hotline number;
  - Special Rebate Program (5%) ENDED in 1996

# HOLIDAY GALA REPORT

## February 08, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. LOCATION:
  - a. **THE CHANCELLOR**
  
2. DATE:
  - a. Saturday, November 22, 2003. 6pm until
  
3. TICKETS:
  - a. Goal of **350** attendees – 35 tables of TEN
  - b. Price: \$30.00/person or **\$275 for table of 10**
  
4. PARTIAL COMMITTEE FORMATION:
  - a. Linda Lawson—event chair
  - b. Earlene Terry – program coordinator
  - c. Shirley Hursey – sponsors (also for Mother's Day Brunch)
  - d. Beverly Lacy – entertainment & advertising

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
March 8, 2003**

**AGENDA**

**Call meeting to order**

**Prayer**

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**Committee Report's:**

**February      Black History Month**

**March          Women's History Month**

**April**

**May            Mother's Day Luncheon**

**June          Taste of NCNW ( 2003 Wrap up Potluck )**

**July          Indiana Black Expo Cultural Trip    July 19, 2003**

**Cavallo Bus Service Rates : 47 passenger \$810.00 ---  
55 passenger \$915.99 roundtrip**

**Old Business:**

**Contributions from fund raiser**

**Parkland College for Kids --- Minority Scholarship Fund**

**New Business**

**Announcements : Kathryn B. Humphery 80<sup>th</sup> Celebration of Life, Friday  
March 14, 2003 , Holiday Inn, 6 – 9p.m.**

**Women of Distinction “ A Legacy of Leadership “ Honoree NCNW  
member, Doris Hoskins, Tuesday March 11, 2003 Holiday Inn, 5:30 – 9p.m.**

**Annual Cotillion Ball, March 29, 2003 Holiday Inn, 6 – 10p.m.**

**Meeting Adjourn - “ This Little Light Of Mine”**

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2003  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:13 p.m.  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Members present: N. Delaney, O. Cole, D. Pinderhughes, D. Hoskins, E. Terry, M. Edwards, C. Kennedy, R. Myles, C. Bright, H. Marion, G. White, B. Gillespie-Washington, M. Benson, S. Cook, L. Lawson

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: No report at this time.

- ☞ Vice President: No report available.

- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Current membership is 39. Seven members suspended since 2/3/03. Nationals want us to keep member's information updated, i.e. addresses, phone numbers, etc. Furthermore, Nationals encourage us to increase membership to 50. Report approved by the body.

- ☞ Secretary: Minutes from January 11, 2003, meeting. Read, and approved by the body.

- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Report read, and approved by the body.

Beg. Bal.	\$2,565.40
Total Receipts	2,672.40
Disbursements	165.00
Ending Bal.	2,507.40

- ☞ Historian: NCNW Legacy Exhibit "This Legacy is Yours" is displayed at Parkland from 2/5/03 thru 2/28/03. R. Myles submitted a biography. Part 1 of the Legacy to be televised in Feb 2003, on PBS, the Parkland channel.

- ☞ Chaplain: No birthdays reported. Members advised of the death of NCNW member, Mrs. Donaldson.

\* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

- ☞ Mother's Day Luncheon: Body decided to add chicken and vegetables to the menu. Ticket prices are \$15 per adult and \$7.50 per child. Tickets will be available by 3/1/03. Judges for "Mother of the Year" to consist of one or two community members and one or two NCNW members. Judges to be determined.

\* **NEW BUSINESS**

- ☞ Black Expo: 3/1/03 at Lincoln Square Mall. Seeking businesses, non-for profit agencies, churches, etc. to honor Black history month. Booth is \$250. Suggestions made for NCNW to split booth with NCAAM and museum. Purpose is to use booth to solicit info about Mother's Day Luncheon and recruit new members. Approved by the body.
- ☞ S. Cook to offer a CPR class at Canaan Baptist Church on Sat. 2/22/03.
- ☞ Financial Planning Seminar pending, as we are awaiting further info from L. Davis and J. Archey.

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of the Black National Anthem, in honor of Black History Month.**

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT March 08, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Please sign Attendance Sheet.
2. Dues collection: secretary or myself.
3. **Changed your address, phone, or e-mail?** We need your new info!
4. Prospective members? Call or e-mail me and leave info. 373-9859 or [lawsonl@demaco.com](mailto:lawsonl@demaco.com)
5. MEMBERSHIP:
  - **Welcome back!!! Clara Bright**
  - **Last month 39: with 7 persons "suspended"**
  - **Today 42: with 9 persons "suspended"** (either local or national not paid)
    - Chillis, V. Harris, Lacy, Leggett, M. Malcome, S. Melker, Merrifield, M. Perry, Vickers-Shelley
  - **Removed: A. Alvarado, C. Banks, O. Hudson, M. Williams**
  - **Prospective Members: 21**

## 6. PLEASE PAY TO YOUR LOCAL SECTION:

### Annual Local Dues:

- \$12 – students
- \$24 – senior citizens
- \$36 – regular

### Annual National Dues

- \$10--students
- \$25 – 1 yr regular
- \$40/ 2 yrs or \$60/ 3 yrs

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## HOLIDAY GALA UPDATE

### ➤ LOCATION & DATE

- **THE CHANCELLOR** Saturday, November 22, 2003. 6pm until

### ➤ TICKETS & PRICE

- Goal of **350** attendees at \$30.00/person **\$275 for table of 10**

### ➤ PARTIAL COMMITTEE FORMATION:

- a. Linda Lawson—event chair
- b. Earlene Terry – program coordinator
- c. Shirley Hursey & Alicia Lowery – sponsors (also for Mother's Day Brunch)
- d. Beverly Lacy & Gwen White – entertainment & advertising



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**  
March 8, 2003

BALANCE \$2,507.40

RECEIPTS:

Membership:

Benson, M.	61.00
Bright, C.	37.00
Cole, O.	4.00
Cook, S.	9.00
Sub Total:	111.00

Other Receipts:

NCNW Sweatshirt	15.00
Sub Total	15.00

TOTAL \$2,633.40

DISBURSEMENTS:

Black Women of Achievement/YWCA Ad	60.00
Gamma Upsilon Psi/Cotillion Ad	60.00
*Check for Cash - paid to:	100.00
*Rita Myles(Birthday Cards/Stamps)	12.00
*Gwen White(Stamps/Envelopes/Thank You Ltrs)	14.00
*MOTY2003 Stamps (200)	74.00
Linda Lawson (Stamps/MOTY Tickets/Flyer Paper)	32.00
Sub Total	352.00

BALANCE \$2,281.40

\*(NOTE: Per President Hillsman no future "CHECKS" will be written for "CASH". Instead checks will be written directly to the recipient who presents a bill or receipt.)

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

NCNW Inc. Mother's Day Luncheon Progress Report

March 8, 2003

Gwen M. White

Mother's Day Luncheon: May 10, 2003, at Park Inn 11am - 2pm

Ticket prices are \$15 per adult and \$7.50 per child (ages 5 thru 10). Children under 5 are free.

1. Approximately 150 nomination letters were mailed 2/11/03.
2. Request for advertisement sent to News Gazette, WBCP (1580 am), WCZQ (105.5), WCIA/UPN TV, Fox TV and Canaan's Baptist Church, for placement in Sunday's bulletin.
3. Tickets printed and ready to sell. Flyers ready to distribute.
4. Deadline for nominee responses is 3/31/03
5. Judges to determine winners on 4/5/03, at Champaign Library 9am to 11:30am
6. Winner(s) revealed at April NCNW Meeting
7. Winners to be contacted by phone and by mail immediately.
8. Judges to be determined.

10. Solicitations & Donations:

Door prizes:

Shirley Hursey and ?

Flowers:

President Hillsman

\*\*\* Volunteers will meet immediately following NCNW meeting\*\*\*

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2003  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:05 p.m.  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: Sabrina Graham (visitor), S. Melker, V. Harris, R. Hillsman, A. Lowery, G. White, L. Lawson, S. Cook, B. Lacy, O. Cole, D. Jamerson, P. Adair, M. Perry, M. Scantlebury, M. Benson, E. Terry, N. Delaney, C. Bright, M. Edwards, B. Gillespie-Washington, S. Hursey, D. Hoskins, B. Hassell

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: Provided each member with NCNW binders with pertinent NCNW information enclosed.
- ☞ Vice President: No report available.
- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Current membership is 42. Nine members suspended since 2/03 meeting. Nationals wants us to keep member's information updated, i.e. addresses, phone numbers, etc. Furthermore, Nationals encourage us to increase membership to 50. Members reminded to pay dues and stay current/active members. Report approved by the body.
- ☞ Secretary: Read minutes from February 8, 2003, meeting. Approved by the body.
- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Report read. Approved by the body.

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- ☞ Historian: Request pictures and biographies of members. Submit info to D. Hoskins or C. Kennedy. NCNW Legacy Exhibit was a success, 82 women displayed. In March 2003, Champaign City building will have a display in honor of Women's History Month.

- ☞ Chaplain: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!

☺ N. Delaney and M. Benson ☺

\* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

☞ Mother's Day Luncheon is 5/10/03, 11am - 2pm at the Park Inn. Tickets are \$15 per adult, \$7.50 per child (ages 5-10). Nomination letters were mailed and a request for advertisement were sent to various churches, radio and tv stations. Tickets are printed and ready to sell. Community judges to include Debra Lomax and Terry Townsend. NCNW member judges are Stephanie Cook and Mary Perry. Judges to determine winners on 4/5/03, and the winner will be notified immediately.

☞ Indianapolis Black Expo will be 7/19/03. Plans are in the making for a bus rental so members/friends/family can ride together and enjoy the festivities. Body agree on a 55 passenger bus. Total bus rental is \$915.99. Body agree to charge \$25 per person. Profit of \$459.

\* **OLD BUSINESS**

☞ Body previously agreed to give \$500 to MLK Scholarship fund. In addition, body agrees to donate \$500 to the College for Kids Program.

\* **NEW BUSINESS**

☞ B. Gillespie is a member of the African Academic Cultural Technological Scientific Olympics (AACT-SO). The AACT-SO are seeking black youth, 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12 grade, for participation in a competition related to music, science and art. The competition will be held at Jumer's on 4/26/03. The winners will compete at Nationals in Miami, FL. The AACT-SO are seeking volunteers/coaches with expertise in music, science and art and they are also in need of sponsors. Body agrees to donate \$100 to AACT-SO.

☞ The Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority are having their Annual Scholarship Fundraiser on 4/12/03, at the Chancellor Hotel, 8pm - 1am. See M. Edwards for details.

☞ Kathryn Humphery is celebrating her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on 3/14/03, at the Holiday Inn.

☞ Women of Distinction "A Legacy of Leadership" is honoring NCNW member Doris Hoskins on 3/11/03, at the Holiday Inn.

☞ The Annual Cotillion Ball is 3/29/03, at the Holiday Inn.

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".**

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
APRIL 12, 2003

AGENDA

Call meeting to order

Prayer

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Officer's Report's:

- ✓ President
- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> V. President
- ✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> V. President
- ✓ Secretary
- ✓ Financial Secretary / Treasurer
- ✓ Chaplain      Birthday, Bereavement , Good & Welfare
- Historian

Committee Report's:

- ✓ March      Women's History Month - *Put on Web site by June*
- ✓ April      Regular Meeting --- Mother's Day Planning
- ✓ May      Mother's Day Luncheon
- ✓ June      Taste of NCNW ( 2003 Wrap up Potluck )
- ✓ July      Indiana Black Expo Cultural Trip    July 19, 2003  
Cavallo Bus Service Rates: 47 passenger \$810.00 ---  
55 passenger \$915.99 roundtrip

Old Business:

- ✓ Kathryn Humphrey 80th Birthday Celebration
- ✓ Gift Presented by President Hillsman --- Crystal Engraved Plate
- ✓ Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday from NCNW

New Business:

- ✓ Black History Committee donated \$400.00 to NCNW promote our programs and events. Proceeds from Black Bistro featuring Vicki Lot, April 5, 2003
- Nominating Committee Selection

Announcements: Black Expo, Douglas Branch Library, April 12, 2003  
11a - 5p

Black Student Association sponsoring Black Heritage Concert, April 19, 2003  
Parkland College, 7:30p -- Tickets \$10.00 in advance -- ~~\$20.00~~ door

Meeting Adjourn - " This Little Light Of Mine"

*Programs & Parklands*  
*Thompson Comm. Chair*  
*Capo*  
*15.00*



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**  
April 12, 2003

BALANCE \$2,281.40

RECEIPTS:

Membership:

Brownlee, L.	43.00
Boundurant, M.	36.00
Chillis, Tonya	36.00
Harris, V.	36.00
Lacy, B.	15.00
Lowery, A.	125.00
Melker, S.	24.00
Perry, M.	24.00

Sub Total: 339.00

Other Receipts:

MOTY	120.00
Blues Bistro/Parkland College	400.00

Sub Total 520.00

TOTAL \$3,140.40

DISBURSEMENTS:

Cavallo Bus Line (Expo)	162.00
Deceased (Esther Donaldson)	25.00
MOTY Flyers/Posters (Ink Cartridge)	31.92
NAACP (ACT - SO)	100.00
*National Membership Dues	325.00
Parkland College for Kids	500.00



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**  
April 12, 2003

DISBURSEMENTS: (con't)

Ruthie Hillsman (binders) 64.65

TOTAL 1 208.57

BALANCE \$1,931.83

\*NOTE: Per President Hillsman paid founding President's (Odessa Hudson) National NCNW Dues

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
**Financial Secretary/Treasurer**

NCNW Inc. Mother's Day Luncheon Progress Report

April 12, 2003

Gwen M. White

**Mother's Day Luncheon:** May 10, 2003, at Park Inn 11am - 2pm

Ticket prices are \$15 per adult and \$7.50 per child (ages 5 thru 10). Children under 5 are free.

1. Community judge Debra Lomax, President Hillsman, Stephanie Cook, and Gwen White, met and reviewed MD nomination letters on 4/5/03.
2. The judges made their decision based on nominees special accomplishments to their church, community, family, and volunteerism. Donna Tanner-Harold met and exceeded all of the criteria and will be this year's 2003 Mother of the Year.
3. The following mothers were nominated for Mother of the Year, and will be given special recognition at the MD Luncheon: Ann Thompson, Louise VanDyke, Joella Jones, Yolanda Harrington, Shirley Burnette, Ledora Johnson, Catherine Hogue, and Jeanette Goines-Osler.
4. Letters have been mailed to all of the nominees, and those persons who nominated them, formally inviting them to the MD Luncheon.

**\*\*\* Volunteers will meet immediately following NCNW meeting\*\*\***

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT April 12, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Please sign Attendance Sheet.
2. Dues collection: secretary or myself.
3. **Changed your address, phone, or e-mail?** We need your new info!
4. Prospective members? Call or e-mail me and leave info. 373-9859 or [lawsonl@demaco.com](mailto:lawsonl@demaco.com)
5. MEMBERSHIP:
  - **Welcome New Members!!!**
    - **Laura Brownlee & Eunice Nelson Rivers ( Jan 03)**
  - **Last month 42: with 9 persons "suspended"**
  - **Today 49: with 4 persons "suspended"** (either local or national not paid)
    - Leggett, M. Malcome, Merrifield, Vickers-Shelley
  - **Prospective Members: 21 (E. Rivers joined; S. Graham visitor last month)**
  - **New membership roster. Please discard old!**
6. PLEASE PAY TO YOUR LOCAL SECTION:

<b>Annual Local Dues:</b>	<b>Annual National Dues</b>
\$12 – students	\$10--students
\$24 – senior citizens	\$25 – 1 yr regular
\$36 – regular	\$40/ 2 yrs or \$60/ 3 yrs



## HOLIDAY GALA UPDATE

- LOCATION & DATE
  - **THE CHANCELLOR** Saturday, November 22, 2003. 6pm until
- TICKETS & PRICE
  - Goal of **350** attendees at \$30.00/person **\$275 for table of 10**
- PARTIAL COMMITTEE FORMATION:
  - a. Linda Lawson—event chair
  - b. Earlene Terry – program coordinator
  - c. Shirley Hursey & Alicia Lowery – sponsors (also for Mother's Day Brunch)
  - d. Beverly Lacy & Gwen White – entertainment & advertising

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
May 3, 2003**

**AGENDA**

**Call meeting to order**

**Prayer**

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**Secretary**

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**Historian**

**Committee Report's:**

**May              Mother's Day Luncheon**

**June             Taste of NCNW ( 2003 Wrap up Potluck )**

**July              Indiana Black Expo Cultural Trip    July 19, 2003  
                         Cavallo Bus Service Rates: 47 passenger \$810.00 ---  
                         55 passenger \$915.99 roundtrip**

**Old Business:**

**College for Kids @ Parkland College**

**Nominating Committee report tabled until June meeting**

**New Business:**

**Tickets for Indiana Black Expo Chairperson Beverly Lacy**

**Announcements::**

**Meeting Adjourn - " This Little Light Of Mine"**

**Next meeting June 14, 2003**

5/03/03

National Council of Negro Women, Inc , Champaign Section, Membership Roster

Adair	Patricia	204 N. Abbey Rd	Urbana	IL	61802	344-2521	adairepat@msn.com	Aug
Allen	Louise	2129 Sunview Drive	Champaign	IL	61821	351-2993		
Archey	Jacqueline	2112 Ransom Place	Urbana	IL	61801	344-5340	jarchey@parkland.cc.il.us	
Benson	Mary	24 Hedge Court	Champaign	IL	61821	359-6402	maryhben@ameritech.net	Mar
Bondurant	Murial	3502 White Willow Circle	Champaign	IL	61822	359-9303		
Bright	Clara	1208 W. Tremont	Urbana	IL	61801	384-5304		Apr
Brownlee	Laura	1401 Adam	Urbana	IL	61801	384-6087		
Chillis	Tanya	206 Holts Dr.	Champaign	IL	61820	239-0395		
Clark	Phyllis	1206 1/2 W. Dublin St.	Urbana	IL	61801	367-6302		
Cole	Octavia	1205 Crispus Dr	Champaign	IL	61820	352-8703		Oct
Collins	Chevonne	609 S. Randolph #209	Champaign	IL	61820	239-1718	crcollin@uiuc.edu	
Cook	Stephanie	106 East G.H. Baker Dr	Urbana	IL	61801	337-1418	stephcook1103@hotmail.cc	Nov
Cowan	Larine Y.	100 Swanlund Bldg, 601 E John	Champaign	IL	61820	328-1156	l-cowan@uiuc.edu	
Davis	Arahlynn	1803 S. Anderson	Urbana	IL	61801	384-5391		
Delaney	Nela	1201 Carver Drive	Champaign	IL	61820	359-3132		Mar
Dyer	Rosie	608 E. Beardsley Ave	Champaign	IL	61821	356-4986		
Edwards	Maudie	1204 1/2 N. Goodwin	Urbana	IL	61801	367-0763	akalavania82@aol.com	Sep
Gillespie-Washington	Barbara	205 E. Kenyon RD	Urbana	IL	61801	384-7413	gillesba@cmi.k12.il.us	Sep
Harris	Violet	104 W. George Huff Dr	Urbana	IL	61801	344-1517		Apr
Hassell	Betty	2114 Georgetown Circle	Champaign	IL	61821	359-3840		Jan
Hillsman	Ruthie	3328 Ridgewood Dr	Champaign	IL	61821	356-0396	RHillsman@parkland.edu	Dec
Hoskins	Doris	1208 W. Church	Urbana	IL	61801	328-1987		Oct
Hudson	Odessa	1212 Paula Dr	Champaign	IL	61821	359-4623		
Humphrey	Kathryn	716 Tawney Court	Champaign	IL	61820	356-4180		Jan
Hursey	Shirley	1309 Ellis Dr	Urbana	IL	61801	367-4176		Jul
Jackson	Tanya	502 W. Hill St, # 305	Champaign	IL	61820	390-6372		
Jakobson	Naomi	803 W. Main St.	Urbana	IL	61801	344-1094	jake1938@insightBB.com	Sep
Jamerson	Dora	1305 W. Tremont	Urbana	IL	61801	328-2045		Dec
Kennedy	Cheryl	219A S. Lake of Woods Rd	Mahomet	IL	61853	586-3748	ckennedy@soltec.net	Nov
Lacy	Beverly	412 E. Church St	Champaign	IL	61820	359-3972		May
Lawson	Linda	301 W. Curtis Rd, # 4--202	Savoy	IL	61874	373-9859	lawsonl@demaco.com	Jul
Leggett	Haruko	607 W. Pennsylvania	Urbana	IL	61801	328-6767		
Lowery	Alicia	1502 Cambridge Dr	Champaign	IL	61821	398-6839	amlowery@uillinois.edu	Sep
Malcome	Marion	URH Evans 1115 W. Nevada #42	Champaign	IL	61820	332-6041	malcome@uiuc.edu	Jul
Marion	Hattie	2202 Grange Circle	Urbana	IL	61801	328-4409		Nov
Melker	Shirley	1305 W. Bloomington RD	Champaign	IL	61821	356-3199		Jan





PETITION TO KEEP OPEN THE EARLY AMERICAN MUSEUM

We, the undersigned wish to communicate our concern and displeasure at the Board's idea of abandoning the Early American Museum's accreditation with the American Association of Museums, the possible loss of part of the collection and the severe reduction in the operation of the Early American Museum in Mahomet, Champaign County, Illinois. The Historical significance of the Museum Collection should be unquestioned and the Educational, Social and Psychological impact of the Museum on ALL who visit has been overlooked.

**OUR HERITAGE IS AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE BECOME. OUR ANCESTORS ARE PROUD OF THOSE WHO HAVE LENT THEIR ENERGY, TIME, TALENTS AND ARTIFACTS TO THIS MOST IMPORTANT ENDEAVOR. TO KNOW THE HISTORY OF THIS PART OF OUR GREAT STATE, THAT SO MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS SHARE ROOTS IN, IS IMPORTANT TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US. PLEASE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR COLLECTIVE HISTORY HOUSED IN THE EARLY AMERICAN MUSEUM AND CONTINUE YOUR SUPPORT OF THE STAFF AND THEIR WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY.**

Name

Address

DIANNE PINDERHUGHES

714 W. WASHINGTON ST, URBANA IL 61801

Shelley L. Hursey

1309 ELLIS DRIVE

URBANA, IL 61801

Gwen M. White

Gwen M. White 800 S. Mattis #C3 Champaign IL 61821

L'lara Bright

1208 W. Vermont Urbana 61801

Dana Janssen

1305 W. Vermont Urbana 61801

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT May 03, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Please sign Attendance Sheet—provide new info (phone, email, addr)
2. Money to turn in: (Dues, tickets, etc) secretary or myself.
3. Prospective members? Call or e-mail me and leave info. 373-9859 or [lawsonl@demaco.com](mailto:lawsonl@demaco.com)
4. MEMBERSHIP:
  - Last month 49: with 4 persons "suspended"
  - Today 46:
    - Removed:
      - Lindsey Travis, Paula Williams, Kathryn Coffey
    - "suspended" (either local or national not paid)
      - Leggett, M. Malcome, Merrifield, Vickers-Shelley
  - Prospective Members: 22
    - Welcome Sonya R. Johnson—visitor last month!!
  - New membership roster. **Please discard old!**

## 5. PLEASE PAY TO YOUR LOCAL SECTION:

### Annual Local Dues:

\$12 – students  
\$24 – senior citizens  
\$36 – regular

### Annual National Dues

\$10—students  
\$25 – 1 yr regular  
\$40/ 2 yrs or \$60/ 3 yrs  
Lifetime: \$500 payable in 4 installments  
of \$125/yr.

# Change a child's life with your hair!



## Hair cutters.

Omega Delta Fraternity

We would like to ask for your help in meeting the needs of financially disadvantaged children struggling with medical hair loss by simply donating your hair. Here is why:

- Approximately 2 million children throughout the U.S. suffer from alopecia areata, an auto-immune disorder that causes the hair follicles to shut down.
- Out of every 10,000 births, about 7 will result in ecto-dermal dysplasia, another condition that can result in permanent hair loss.
- More than 1.5 million people suffer from serious burns each year. Burns to the scalp often cause permanent hair loss.
- Every year approximately 2,200 children under the age of 20 are diagnosed with brain tumors. Radiation treatment to the brain stem as a treatment for cancer can cause permanent hair loss.

**If you would like to help by donating your hair or making monetary donations, please email us for more information.**

Robert Castillo at [rcastill@uiuc.edu](mailto:rcastill@uiuc.edu)  
217-766-7796

or

Rodolfo "Rudy" Reyes at [rreyes@uiuc.edu](mailto:rreyes@uiuc.edu)

Omega Delta, Locks of Love, and the Hair Cuttery asks for your help!

Currently, millions of children throughout the United States suffer from permanent hair loss caused by reasons such as: alopecia areata, ecto-dermal dysplasia, serious burns to the scalp, and radiation treatment due to brain tumors.

Locks of Love is a non-for-profit organization that provides the highest quality hair prosthetics to financially disadvantaged children. Although hair pieces are not the cure, Locks of Love meets a need beyond superficial beauty, it eases social discomfort among children, because children suffer more than just hair loss but a loss of self. Appearing different from other kids in school is difficult to deal with.

With your help we can restore some normalacy to their everyday lives that most of us take for granted. We can provide the foundation for children to rebuild their self esteem.

Here is what you can do to help:

Donate 10 or more inches of your hair. If you are not able to donate 10 inches it is possible to donate less but Locks of Love will sell the donation and use the profit to cover their manufacturing costs. (It can cost up to \$3,000 to make one prosthetic piece)

The Hair Cuttery is lending a helping hand by providing a complementary hair cut for this cause. So visit the Hair Cuttery and tell them that you want to help out Locks of Love through Omega Delta.

If you can't donate your hair, Locks of Love also accepts monetary donations. This will also help cover manufacturing costs. People in the Locks of Love organization are all volunteers so they need your support.

If you would like to help us, please contact us and we will send you further information.

contact either:

Rodolfo "Rudy" Reyes rreyes@uiuc.edu or  
Robert Castillo at rcastill@uiuc.edu

Thank you  
Rudy

*Olive Foster*  
*306 E. Park - Apt. 206*  
*61820*  
*356-8205*

*Leon Dash*  
*Branch Rd, C*  
*352-0132*



# National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

## Champaign County Section

3328 Ridgewood Drive, Champaign, Illinois 61821

Telephone (217) 356-0396

*Leave no one behind!*

### National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

The NCNW, Inc. is a voluntary non-profit organization helping women to improve the quality of life for themselves, their families and the community. NCNW has an outreach of four million women, all contributing to the peaceful solutions of problems of human welfare and rights.

Local meetings are held the second Saturday of each month September through June. Membership is open to all women regardless of race, creed, or national origin.

### 2003 Mother of the Year Award

The National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) of Champaign County is seeking nominations for "Mother of the Year 2003." The purpose of this award is to recognize "Mothers" who have made significant accomplishments with respect to their church, community, and/or social service employment or volunteerism.

#### To Nominate a Mother:

- ✘ Write a nomination letter describing the accomplishments of your nominee (maximum of 2 typewritten pages)
- ✘ Include your name, address and phone number
- ✘ Include name, address, and phone number of nominee
- ✘ Submit nomination before March 31, 2003 deadline to:

Mother of the Year  
National Council of Negro Women  
3328 Ridgewood Drive  
Champaign IL 61821

#### Selection of Winner

A selection committee evaluates all nominations. The award recipients will be notified by mail and publicly recognized and honored at the NCNW Annual Mother's Day Luncheon.

#### Annual Mother's Day Luncheon

Saturday, May 10, 2003, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Park Inn, 2408 N. Cunningham, Urbana, IL  
Ticket Information: 352-0303 or 356-0396 or  
champaign\_ncnw@hotmail.com

Local Founder: Odessa Hudson  
Local President: Ruthie Hillsman

Founder: Mary McLeod Bethune

Chair and President Emerita: Dorothy I Height

President and CEO: Jane E. Smith

**NCNW, Inc. Officers 2002-2003**

Ruthie Hillsman, President  
Jacqueline Archey, 1st Vice President  
Dr. Linda G. Lawson, 2nd Vice President  
Alicia Lowery, Financial Secretary/Treasurer  
Gwendolyn White, Secretary  
Cheryl Kennedy, Historian  
Octavia Cole, Chaplain

**Hostesses**

Clara Bright  
Nela Delaney  
Shirley Hursey  
Earlene Terry

**Special Thanks to Our Community Judge**

**Debra Lomax**

**NCNW, Inc. Thanks the Following Supporters**

Amazing Gift Baskets  
Blossom Basket  
Chevy's  
Colony Square Cleaners  
Domino's Pizza  
Eastern Suites  
Lil' Porgy's  
Olive Garden  
Park Inn  
Prairie Gardens

*The National Council of Negro Women, Inc,  
Champaign County Section*

*2003*

*MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH*

*&*

*MOTHER of the YEAR AWARDS*



*May 10, 2003*

*Park Inn, Urbana, IL*

*11:00am - 2:00pm*

**champaign\_ncnw@hotmail.com**

*DKCofete01@aol.com*

## 2003 Awardees

### Mother of The Year

*Donna Tanner-Harold*

*2nd Place: Louise VanDyke*

*3rd Place: Ledora Johnson*

### Nominees

*Shirley Burnett*

*Jeanette Goines-Osler*

*Yolanda Harrington*

*Catherine Hogue*

*Joella Jones*

*Ann Thompson*

Nominees were evaluated on contributions to their family, church, community, and volunteerism. We are honored to acknowledge their efforts and pay tribute to this year's awardees.

Gwendolyn White, Committee Chairperson

Ruthie Hillsman, Committee Member

Linda Lawson, Committee Member

Alicia Lowery, Committee Member

## Program

*Mistress of Ceremony, Alicia Lowery*

*Welcome, Stephanie Cook*

*Invocation, Shirley Melker*

## Brunch

*Introduction of Speaker, Stephanie Cook*

## Imani Bazzell, Keynote Speaker

**Recognition: Mother of The Year**

*Barbara Gillespie-Washington*

**Recognition: Mother of The Year Nominees**

*Ruthie Hillsman*

*Rita Myles*

*Dr. Dianne Pinderhughes*

*Gwendolyn White*

*Door Prizes*

## Special Presentations

*Closing Remarks, Ruthie Hillsman, President*

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:10pm  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: R. Hillsman, L. Lawson, C. Bright, G. White, D. Jamerson, M. Edwards, D. Hoskins, R. Myles, S. Hursey, D. Pinderhughes, J. Archey, S. Graham.

Visitors: None

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: No report at this time

- ☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: No report at this time

- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Money and/or tickets for MOTY Luncheon due today. Current membership is 46. Four person suspended and three people removed from list. We welcome new member - Sonja Johnson. New membership roster distributed.

- ☞ Secretary: Read minutes from April 12, 2003, meeting. Approved by the body.

- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Report read. Approved by the body.

Beg. Bal.	\$2,281.40
Total Receipts	\$2,641.40
Disbursements	\$ 15.00
Ending Bal.	\$2,626.40

- ☞ Historian: No report at this time

- ☞ Chaplain: ☺HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO BEVERLY LACY ☺

- \* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

- ☞ Mother's Day Luncheon general discussion including topics related to ticket money, door prizes, carnations/roses.

- ☞ Indiana Black Expo: Tickets are available for sale.

- ☞ Taste of NCNW at next meeting. Chaired by N. Delaney and S. Cook. Members to bring a dish.

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".**



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**  
May 3, 2003

BALANCE	\$2,281.40
RECEIPTS:	
Membership:	
Lacy, B.	15.00
Sub Total:	15.00
Other Receipts:	
MOTY	345.00
Sub Total	345.00
Total Receipts	360.00
TOTAL	\$2,641.40
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Plaque/Ruthie	15.00
TOTAL	15.00
BALANCE	\$2,626.40

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.**  
**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION**  
**MINUTES OF APRIL 12, 2003**  
**BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m.  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: G. White, C. Bright, D. Jamerson, C. Kennedy, D. Hoskins, M. Scantlebury, O. Cole, H. Marion, R. Myles, D. Pinderhughes, N. Delaney, E. Terry, R. Hillsman, L. Lawson, S. Cook

Visitors: Catrina Johnson, Sonja Johnson

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: Suggest that we have a selection committee to nominate new officers for next season. D. Pinderhughes volunteered.

- ☞ Vice President: No report available.

- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Distributed updated member roster to body. Current membership is 49. Four members suspended. New members include Laura Brownlee and Eunice Nelson-Rivers. Twenty prospective new members. Reminder to keep information updated, i.e. addresses, phone numbers, etc. Nationals encourage us to increase membership to 50. Members reminded to pay dues and stay current/active members. Prefer members to pay dues in full annually. Report approved by the body.

- ☞ Secretary: Read minutes from March 8, 2003, meeting. Approved by the body.

- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Report read. Approved by the body.

Beg. Bal.	\$2,281.40
Total Receipts	3,140.40
Disbursements	1,208.57
Ending Bal.	1,931.83

- ☞ Historian: Request pictures and biographies of members. Submit info to D. Hoskins or C. Kennedy. Display at Champaign City Building was a success. Legacy photos should be on-line by June 2003. An African American newsletter entitled "Through the Years" will feature reflections by D. Hoskins. More information forthcoming.

☞ Chaplain: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!!!!

☺V. Harris                      C. Bright☺  
☺K. Johnson      E. Terry      G. White☺

**\* COMMITTEE REPORT**

☞ Mother's Day Luncheon is 5/10/03, 11am - 2pm at the Park Inn. Tickets are \$15 per adult, \$7.50 per child (ages 5-10). 2003 Mother of the Year award goes to Donna Tanner-Harold. Although Mrs. Tanner-Harold will be attending her daughter's graduation out of town, we anticipate that a family member will stand in to accept the award on her behalf.

☞ Taste of NCNW will be held at the June 14, 2003. Members signed up to bring a variety of dishes. N. Delaney will coordinator the event and S. Cook will assist.

☞ Indianapolis Black Expo will be 7/19/03. A 47 passenger bus has been secured. Tickets are \$25. Be sure to inform your family and friends.

**\* OLD BUSINESS**

☞ On March 14, 2003, Kathryn Humphrey celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday at the Holiday Inn. President Hillsman honored Ms. Humphrey with a plaque on behalf of NCNW.

☞ Body previously donated \$500 to the College for Kids Program. We received a thank you letter from Parkland College on behalf of the College for Kids Program. We received an additional letter from Parkland College thanking NCNW for the Black History Month's display.

☞ On April 1, 2003, L. Davis and J. Archey sponsored a financial seminar at Douglas Library. Approx. 15 people attended.

☞ On April 5, 2003, NCNW raised \$400 at the Blues Bistro held at Parkland College. The event featured songstress Vicki Lot.

**\* NEW BUSINESS**

☞ On April 26, 2003, the Early American Museum will host a lecture "The Underground Railroad in Illinois", from 2pm to 3pm.

☞ The University of Illinois' Omega Delta fraternity is in partnership with a program entitled "Locks of Love". The organization request donations of hair and/or monetary gifts. Issue will be tabled until May meeting.

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".**

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.**  
**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION**  
**MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2003**  
**BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:20 p.m.  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: L. Lawson, S. Cook, J. Archey, D. Jamerson, P. Adair, M. Scantlebury, M. Edwards, A. Young, D. Hoskins, C. Kennedy, E. Terry, N. Delaney, O. Cole, B. Lacy, A Lowery, R. Myles, G. White, R. Hillsman

Visitors: None

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: President makes motion to give Mt. Olive Church \$100 for use of their facility for parking during the Black Expo Bus Trip. Motion accepted and approved by the body. President expressed her appreciation to the women of NCNW, as this will be her last term as president.

- ☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: No report.

- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Currently we have 49 members, of which 3 have been suspended. We have 22 prospective new members. Our goal is to recruit new members at upcoming community functions including "Taste of Champaign" and "CU Day in the Park".

- ☞ Secretary: Read minutes from May 3, 2003, meeting. Approved by the body.

- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Report read. Approved by the body.

Beg. Bal.	\$	2,276.83
Total Receipts		2,153.31
Disbursements		2,742.75
Ending Bal.		1,687.39

- ☞ Historian: No report.

- ☞ Chaplain: Sympathy card to be sent to Velda Gladney for the loss of her mother, Jeanette Graves.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!!!!

☺ Diane Pinderhughes

☺ Sabrina Graham

- ☞ Nomination slate presented today for the election of officers. Installation of officers to be held at the Sep. meeting. Proposed nominees for 2003 - 2004 are as follows:

President:	L. Lawson	1 <sup>st</sup> V.P.:	J. Archey
2 <sup>nd</sup> V.P.:	E. Terry	Secretary:	G. White
Fin. Sec./Treas.:	A. Lowery	Historian:	C. Kennedy
Champlain:	O. Cole	Parliamentarian:	S. Cook

\* **DONATIONS** - received/dispersed/ or proposed

\$100 to Mt. Olive Church for use of ~~their parking lot~~ *facility*  
\$100 donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in care of Delores Powell.  
\$100 check received from the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority  
Proposal pending to donate money to SisterNet

\* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

- ☞ Indiana Black Expo is 7/19/03 - Tickets are available.

\* **REMARKS**

Free engineering camp at U of I for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade boys - See A. Lowery

Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".

**Proposed Nominees for 2003-2004 Officers  
Of  
The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section**

**June 14, 2003**

- ❖ PRESIDENT:
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT:
- ❖ 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT:
- ❖ SECRETARY:
- ❖ FINANCIAL SECRETARY/TREASURER:
- ❖ HISTORIAN:
- ❖ CHAPLAIN:
- ❖ PARLIAMENTARIAN:

Linda Lawson  
Jacqueline Archey  
Earlene Terry  
Gwendolyn White  
Alicia Lowery  
Cheryl Kennedy  
Octavia Cole

Incumbent  
Incumbent  
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Incumbent





The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**  
June 14, 2003

BALANCE (Correction for 4/19/03)	\$1,931.83
Receipts for 5/3/03	360.00
Disbursements for 5/3/03	15.00
BALANCE	2,276.83

RECEIPTS:

Membership:

Leggett, Haruko <i>KINASE</i>	97.00
Graham, Sabrina	37.00

Sub Total: 134.00

Other Receipts:

Archey	5.00
Bright	5.00
Delaney	5.00
Hillsman	5.00
Kennedy	4.00
Lowery	5.00
Myles	5.00
Pinderhughes	5.00
Terry	5.00
FLOWERS	44.00
MOTY Brunch	1,870.00
Park Inn Over Charge	80.31
Donation/Archey(Bereavement)	25.00

Sub Total 2,153.31

TOTAL \$4,430.14



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. . . .  
Champaign County Section

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**

June 14, 2003

DISBURSEMENTS:

MOTY Plaques/LW Graphics	94.00
MOTY Programs/Kinkos	41.50
MOTY Brunch/Park Inn	2,459.93
MOTY/Linda Lawson/Certificate Paper/film	12.39
Staples Card Stock/Ink	61.86
American Cancer Run for Life	50.00
Archev, J. (Bereavement)	25.00

TOTAL

2,742.75

BALANCE

\$1,687.39

*Parkland College for Kids  
Kids Scholarship  
Sister (fund) Sister Net - 50.<sup>00</sup> + pledge  
Leukemia / Lymphoma Fund.*

*1687.39  
490.17  
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1197.22*

*282.75 Flowers  
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490.17*

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT June 14, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Please sign Attendance Sheet—provide new info (phone, email, addr)
2. Prospective members? Call or e-mail me and leave info. 373-9859 or [lawsonl@demaco.com](mailto:lawsonl@demaco.com)
3. MEMBERSHIP:
  - **Last month 46 members; 3 removed; 4 suspended.**
  - **Today 48:**
    - **“suspended”** (either local or national not paid)
      - M. Malcome, Merrifield, Vickers-Shelley
  - **Prospective Members: 22**
  - **New membership roster. Please discard old!**
4. MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:
  - a. A Taste of Champaign-Urbana at West Side Park next weekend
  - b. Champaign-Urbana Day at Douglass Park, August.
5. PLEASE PAY TO YOUR LOCAL SECTION:

**Annual Local Dues:**

\$12 – students  
\$24 – senior citizens  
\$36 – regular

**Annual National Dues**

\$10--students  
\$25 – 1 yr regular  
\$40/ 2 yrs or \$60/ 3 yrs  
Lifetime: \$500 payable in 4 installments  
of \$125/yr.

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC

September 13, 2003

## Agenda

### *WELCOME BACK*

Call meeting to order

Prayer

**Pledge: It is our pledge to make a lasting contribution to al that is finest and best in a America, to cherish and enrich her heritage of freedom and progress by working for the integration of all of her people regardless of race, creed or national origin, into her spiritual, social, cultural, civic and economic life and thus aid her to achieve the glorious destiny of a true and unfettered democracy.**

Installation of Officers

**CONGRATULATIONS :-)))**

Officer's report

President

1V President

2V President

Recording Secretary

Financial Secretary/ Treasurer

Chaplain

Historian

Committee report for 2003 Fund raiser November 2003

Committee Chairpersons needed for

2004 Fund raiser

Black History Month

Mother's Day Luncheon

Taste of NCNW

Indiana Black Expo

Collect dues ----- Please pay dues to Financial Secretary

Meeting Adjourn ----- This Little Light of Mine

**Next meeting October 11, 2003**

WELCOME  
to  
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.

Welcome to the Champaign County Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. We want you to become a part of our exciting programs that are making such a positive difference in our community.

The local section of NCNW was organized by Mrs. Odessa Hudson in 1981 with an idea in mind to pursue the goal and motto to “**Leave No One Behind**” and strive to help improve the quality of life for African American women, children and their families.

You see, there has never been a more critical time than now to be a member of NCNW. We believe there is a new awareness of need for the values of self help, individual worth and dignity, hard work, religious faith, self discipline and education.

There is an urgent need for the important NCNW programs that are making a difference in the lives of so many African American women and their families all over America.

NCNW understands that families are the heart of the American community. Strong families beget strong families ---- that work to help today's families understand the values and methods that will enable tomorrow's families to be strong and healthy.

And because of your support we can multiply our influences many times over. So please join us the second Saturday of each month at Mt. Olive Baptist Church located at 808 E. Bradley, Champaign, beginning at 2 p.m.

Please mark your calendar and we hope to see you at our next meeting.

Sincerely,

  
Ruthie Hillsman  
President

# National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

## Champaign County Section

3328 Ridgewood Drive, Champaign, Illinois 61821

Telephone: (217) 356-0396

Email: [champaign\\_ncnw@hotmail.com](mailto:champaign_ncnw@hotmail.com)

August 20, 2003

Dear Doris Hoskins:

We hope that you've had a wonderful Summer! Now that Summer is drawing to a close, it's time to think about the 2003--2004 year for NCNW. **Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> is our first meeting of the year. It will be held at Mt. Olive Baptist Church at 2pm.** The meeting agenda includes,

- **Voting and Installation of NEW OFFICERS** – see back of this page for slate of nominees.
- **Reporting on Holiday Gala & FUNDRAISER** – the 2003 gala will be Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6pm until, at The Chancelor.
- **Formation of COMMITTEES for 2003—2004 NCNW events** – 2004 Fundraiser, Black History Month, Mother's Day Brunch, NCNW Taste, Expo Bus Trip, etc.
- **Payment of ANNUAL LOCAL and ANNUAL NATIONAL DUES** – below is a listing of the dues. Please make your check payable to "NCNW, Inc. Champaign County" and submit along with the enclosed payment coupon at the first meeting or mail it to the address at the top of the page.

### LOCAL

Annual \_\_\_\_\_ \$36  
Annual \_\_\_\_\_ \$24 (62 & older)  
Annual \_\_\_\_\_ \$12 (Students)

### NATIONAL

Annual \_\_\_\_\_ \$25/1yr \_\_\_\_\_ \$40/2yrs \_\_\_\_\_ \$60/3yrs  
Annual \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 (College Students)  
Life \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 (Payable in four \$125 installments)

**Membership dues are due on or before the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

Please make every effort to attend—please call and leave a voice-mail at (217) 373-9859 or EMAIL us at [champaign\\_ncnw@hotmail.com](mailto:champaign_ncnw@hotmail.com) to confirm your attendance. We want YOU to become a part of our exciting and dynamic programs that are making such a **positive difference!! Your voice counts!**

Sincerely,

*Ruthie Hillsman*

Ruthie Hillsman,  
Local President

*Linda G. Lawson Ph. D.*

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Membership

Founder: Mary McLeod Bethune  
Local Founder: Odessa Hudson

Chair and President Emerita: Dorothy I. Height

President and CEO: Jane E. Smith  
Local President: Ruthie Hillsman

Proposed Nominees for 2003-2004 Officers  
 OF  
 The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
 Campaign County Section  
 September 13, 2003



- ❖ PRESIDENT:
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT:
- ❖ 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT:
- ❖ SECRETARY:
- ❖ FINANCIAL SECRETARY/TREASURER:
- ❖ HISTORIAN:
- ❖ CHAPLAIN:
- ❖ PARLIAMENTARIAN:

Position Is Open  
 Jacqueline Archey  
 Earlene Terry  
 Gwendolyn White  
 Alicia Lowery  
 Cheryl Kennedy  
 Octavia Cole  
 Stephanie Cook

Incumbent  
 Incumbent  
 Incumbent  
 Incumbent  
 Incumbent

\*\*\*THE ABOVE IS A PROPOSED SLATE OF NOMINEES. PRIOR TO VOTING,  
 NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR FOR MEMBERS  
 INTERESTED IN BEING CONSIDERED FOR OFFICER POSITIONS\*\*\*



The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.  
Champaign County Section  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY /TREASURER'S REPORT**  
September 13, 2003

Deposits:

6/19/03	\$ 100.00
6/12/03	67.50
7/22/03	1,175.00
8/16/03	62.00

Disbursements:

Leukemia & Lymphoma	100.00
Mt. Olive Meeting Room	100.00
Staples	58.99
June Meeting (Delaney)	25.00
Calvo Bus Service	648.00
NCNW Nat'l Membership	75.00
Canaan Safe House	300.00
Postage Stamps	37.00
Nat'l Fair Share	350.00

Bank Balance 9/12/03 \$2,410.58

Submitted By: *Alicia Lowery*  
Financial Secretary/Treasurer

*Ruthie Hillsman*, President

NCNW Slate of Officer's 2003 - 2004

President  
1V. President  
2V. President  
Financial Secretary/ Treasurer  
Recording Secretary  
Chaplain \*  
Historian \*  
Parliamentarian\*  
• Appointed

~~Linda Lawson~~ Beverly Lacey  
~~Jacqueline Archey~~ Clara Bright  
Earlene Terry  
Alicia Lowery  
Gwen White  
Octavia Cole  
Cheryl Kennedy  
Stephanie Cook

Domination from the floor for President due to Linda Lawson relocating out of the area.

Programs  
Strengthen Women & Families

Need copy of swearing in information

Note Holiday Gala date on calendar - Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Barbara Gillespie  
Stephanie Cook

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT September 13, 2003

Linda G. Lawson, Ph.D.

1. Attendance Sheet.
  - a. Printed Name
  - b. Indicate **new information**: address/phone/**EMAIL**/
  - c. Note amount of **dues paid** (annual local and national due)
  - d. Indicate Birthmonth (need for birthday celebrations)
2. September 2003 membership roster (discard old)
3. Prospective members?
  - a. Sign-in if present
  - b. Call and leave info with 2<sup>nd</sup> VP

#### 4. MEMBERSHIP:

- **54 members as of September 2003**
- **Prospective Members: 70+**
- **Annual Local and National Dues are DUE TODAY:**

**Annual Local Dues:**  
\$12 – students  
\$24 – senior citizens  
\$36 – regular

**Annual National Dues**  
\$10--students  
\$25/1 yr or \$40/2 yrs or \$60/3 yrs  
\$500 payable in four \$125 annual pymts

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### HOLIDAY GALA UPDATE

- **LOCATION & DATE**
  - **THE CHANCELLOR** Saturday, November 22, 2003. 6pm until
- **TICKETS & PRICE**
  - Tickets \$30/person **\$275 per table One table seats TEN**
- **PARTIAL COMMITTEE FORMATION: (from March 2003)**
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ --chair
  - b. Earlene Terry – program coordinator
  - c. Shirley Hursey & Alicia Lowery – sponsors & donations solicitation
  - d. Beverly Lacy & Gwen White – entertainment & advertising

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2003  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: L. Lawson, A. Lowery, G. White, A. Young, E. Terry, D. Jamerson, P. Adair, C. Bright, B.J. Lacy, L. Brownlee, H. Marion, C. Kennedy, N. Delaney, L. Cowan, O. Cole, R. Hillsman, B. Gillespie, S. Cook

Visitors: None

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: Motion to donate \$250 to the Early American Museum. Motion accepted and approved by the body.

Floor opened for nominations for officers for 2003 - 2004

**NCNW's 2003 - 2004 elected and/or appointed officers are as follows:**

President	-	B. Lacy
1st Vice President	-	C. Bright
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	-	E. Terry
Fin. Sec./Treasurer	-	A. Lowery
Recording Sec.	-	G. White
Chaplain	-	O. Cole
Historian	-	C. Kennedy
Parliamentarian	-	S. Cook

- ☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: No report
- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Final report by 2002-2003 2<sup>nd</sup> VP - Lawson. Current membership is 54. We have 70 plus prospective members. Reminder to stay current with addresses, phone numbers, etc. Request made for members to pay dues in a timely manner, preferably in one lump sum for Sep. thru June.
- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Full report pending. Details related to beginning balance, receipts, disbursements and ending balance, to be included in next month's financial report. Approved by the body.

- ☞ Secretary: Read minutes from June 14, 2003, meeting. Approved by the body with one exception. Correction: \$100 given to Mt. Olive for the use of their facility, not for use of their parking lot, as incorrectly stated in minutes.
- ☞ Historian: History of Early American Museum - Newsletters related to African American History. Newsletter recognizes contributions of women in Champ County. Information is available on-line. Goal is to collect biographies of outstanding women and men in the community. Local businesses help to support publication of newsletter. Request for NCNW to help with funding of newsletter.
- ☞ Chaplain:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU !!!!

☺ A. Lowery, B. Gillespie, M. Edwards, N. Jacobson, A. Young ☺

\* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

- ☞ Indiana Black Expo trip was a success. Proceeds went to Canaan's Safe House program.
- ☞ Holiday Gala Update - To be held at the Chancellor, Nov. 22, 2003. Tickets are \$30 per person, \$275 per table of ten. Committee is as follows: chair - S. Cook; chair assistants - A. Young & B. Gillespie; program coordinator - E. Terry; sponsors & donations solicitation - S. Hursey and A. Lowery; entertainment & advertising - B. Lacy & G. White.
- ☞ Committee Chairperson needed for: Black History Month; Mother's Day Luncheon; Taste of NCNW; and Indiana Black Expo

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".**

\*Next meeting Oct. 11, 2003\*

National Council of Negro Women, Inc , Champaign Section, Membership Roster SEPTEMBER 2003

Jackson	Tanya	502 W. Hill St, # 305	Champaign	IL	61820	390-6372	
Jakobsson	Naomi	803 W. Main St.	Urbana	IL	61801	344-1094	jake1938@insightBB.com
Jamerson	Dora	1305 W. Tremont	Urbana	IL	61801	328-2045	
Kennedy	Cheryl	219A S. Lake of Woods Rd	Mahomet	IL	61853	586-3748	ckennedy@soltec.net
Lacy	Beverly	412 E. Church St	Champaign	IL	61820	359-3972	
Lawson	Linda	301 W. Curtis Rd, # 4-202	Savoy	IL	61874	373-9859	lawsonl@demaco.com
Leggett	Haruko	607 W. Pennsylvania	Urbana	IL	61801	328-6767	hkinase@cu-online.com
Lowery	Alicia	1502 Cambridge Dr	Champaign	IL	61821	398-6839	amlowery@uillinois.edu
Malcome	Marion	URH Evans 1115 W. Nevada #424	Champaign	IL	61820	332-6041	malcome@uiuc.edu
Marion	Hattie	2202 Grange Circle	Urbana	IL	61801	328-4409	
Melker	Shirley	1305 W. Bloomington RD	Champaign	IL	61821	356-3199	s-melker@uiuc.edu
Merrifield	Estelle	1403 W. Beslin	Urbana	IL	61802	367-4585	
Myles	Rita	301 Nelson Court	Champaign	IL	61820	352-4527	rmyles@parkland.edu
Nelson Rivers	Eunice	109 Stange Ave	Champaign	IL	61820	356-4759	
Odior	Binta	1600 W. Bradley Apt I-186	Champaign	IL	61821		odior@uiuc.edu
Perry	Mary	46 Richard Drive	Urbana	IL	61802	384-8352	
PinderHughes	Dianne	714 W. Washington St	Urbana	IL	61801	328-0270	dpinderh@uiuc.edu
Scantlebury	Marie	PO Box 82472	Baton Rouge	LA	70884-2472		
Scantlebury	Miriam	2204 Clover Lane	Champaign	IL	61821	359-3330	mscantie@mhnc.uiuc.edu
Tanner-Coffield	Vivian	1502 N. Ridgeway Ave	Champaign	IL	61821	359-4420	
Terry	Earlene	1203 N. Busey	Urbana	IL	61810	384-2915	ETERRY12@aol.com
Vickers-Shelley	Dorothy	117B W. Michigan	Urbana	IL	61801	384-0622	
Walden	Mary	2501 Meadow Square Lane	Champaign	IL	61822	403-0888	
White	Gwen	800 S. Mattis # C3	Champaign	IL	61821	352-0303	
Williams	Paula	1804 Summit Drive	Urbana	IL	61802	898-1509	pwllms@uiuc.edu
Young	Alissia	332 Paddock Drive W.	Savoy	IL	61874	355-4959	amyoung1@uiuc.edu

54 members as of September 13, 2003

**National Council of Negro Women, Inc , Champaign Section, Membership Roster SEPTEMBER 2003**

LNAME	FNAME	ADDR	CITY	ST	ZIP	PHONE	EMAIL	BM
Adair	Patricia	204 N. Abbey Rd	Urbana	IL	61802	344-2521		Aug
Allen	Louise	2129 Sunview Drive	Champaign	IL	61821	351-2993		
Archev	Jacqueline	2112 Ransom Place	Urbana	IL	61801	344-5340	<a href="mailto:jarchev@parkland.cc.il.us">jarchev@parkland.cc.il.us</a>	
Benson	Mary	24 Hedge Court	Champaign	IL	61821	359-6402	<a href="mailto:maryhben@ameritech.net">maryhben@ameritech.net</a>	Mar
Bondurant	Murial	3502 White Willow Circle	Champaign	IL	61822	359-9303	<a href="mailto:murialb@aol.com">murialb@aol.com</a>	
Bright	Clara	1208 W. Tremont	Urbana	IL	61801	384-5304		Apr
Brownlee	Laura	1401 Adam	Urbana	IL	61801	384-6087		
Chillis	Tanya	206 Holts Dr.	Champaign	IL	61820	239-0395		
Clark	Phyllis	1206 1/2 W. Dublin St.	Urbana	IL	61801	367-6302	<a href="mailto:pdclark@city.urbana.il.us">pdclark@city.urbana.il.us</a>	
Cole	Octavia	1205 Crispus Dr	Champaign	IL	61820	352-8703		Oct
Collins	Chevonne	609 S. Randolph #209	Champaign	IL	61820	239-1718	<a href="mailto:crcollin@uiuc.edu">crcollin@uiuc.edu</a>	
Cook	Stephanie	106 East G.H. Baker Dr	Urbana	IL	61801	337-1418	<a href="mailto:stephcook1103@hotmail.com">stephcook1103@hotmail.com</a>	Nov
Cowan	Larine	100 Swanlund Bldg, 601 E John	Champaign	IL	61820	328-1156	<a href="mailto:l-cowan@uiuc.edu">l-cowan@uiuc.edu</a>	
Davis	Arahlynn	1803 S. Anderson	Urbana	IL	61801	384-5391		
Delaney	Nela	1201 Carver Drive	Champaign	IL	61820	359-3132		Mar
Dyer	Rosie	608 E. Beardsley Ave	Champaign	IL	61821	356-4986		
Edwards	Maudie	1204 1/2 N. Goodwin	Urbana	IL	61801	367-0763	<a href="mailto:akalavania82@aol.com">akalavania82@aol.com</a>	Sep
Gillespie-Washington	Barbara	205 E. Kenyon RD	Urbana	IL	61801	384-7413	<a href="mailto:gillesba@cmi.k12.il.us">gillesba@cmi.k12.il.us</a>	Sep
Graham	Sabrina	1306 N. Mattis	Champaign	IL	61821	356-7857	<a href="mailto:joypeacejoy@hotmail.com">joypeacejoy@hotmail.com</a>	Jun
Harris	Violet	104 W. George Huff Dr	Urbana	IL	61801	344-1517	<a href="mailto:vjharris@uiuc.edu">vjharris@uiuc.edu</a>	Apr
Harrison	Denise	IL Power 1112 W. Anthony Drive	Champaign	IL	61803		<a href="mailto:denise_harrison@illinoispower.com">denise_harrison@illinoispower.com</a>	
Hassell	Betty	2114 Georgetown Circle	Champaign	IL	61821	359-3840		Jan
Hillsman	Ruthie	3328 Ridgewood Dr	Champaign	IL	61821	356-0396	<a href="mailto:RHillsman@parkland.edu">RHillsman@parkland.edu</a>	Dec
Hoskins	Doris	1208 W. Church	Urbana	IL	61801	328-1987		Oct
Hudson	Odessa	1212 Paula Dr	Champaign	IL	61821	359-4623		
Humphrey	Kathryn	716 Tawney Court	Champaign	IL	61820	356-4180		Jan
Hursey	Shirley	1309 Ellis Dr	Urbana	IL	61801	367-4176		Jul

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 11, 2003  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:00pm  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: B.J. Lacy, C. Bright, B. Hassell, D. Jamerson, A. Young, B. Gillespie, A. Lowery, L. Lawson, G. White, P. Adair, C. Chatman, D. Maze, R. Myles, O. Cole, R. Hillsman, S. Melker

Visitors: None.

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: Plans are in the making to have a P.O. Box address in the near future..

- ☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: "Make a Difference Day" sponsored by the United Way is scheduled for 10/13-24/03.. Request items to be donated for people in need. Parkland is hosting a "Women's Self Defense" class on 11/3/03, 6 - 9 pm. "Critical Conversations" seminar to be held at next NCNW meeting.

- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: We currently have 54 members and 80 prospective members. AKA Fall Extravaganza is at Lincoln Square Mall, 10/25/03, 10am - 5pm. Volunteers are needed to solicit new members.

- ☞ Secretary: Minutes of 9/13/03, read and accepted by the body.

- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer:

<u>Deposits</u>		<u>Disbursements</u>	
9/16/03	\$1,077.00	Early Am. Museum	\$250.00
10/3/03	110.00	Cake (N. Delaney)	10.00
10/10/03	64.00	National Dues	590.00

Bank Balance as of 10/11/03                      \$2,721.58

- \* Financial Secretary, A. Lowery has resigned due her hectic schedule including work and school. Floor is open to fill position. A. Lowery and R.Hillsman agreed to temporary handle position until filled.

- ☞ Historian: No report at this time.



Chaplain:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU !!!!

☺Octavia Cole

☺Doris Hoskins



### **COMMITTEE REPORT**



Holiday Gala: A. Young has volunteered to take over as chair of this committee. Meeting held prior to our regular NCNW meeting a 1pm. Those in attendance were R. Myles, R. Hillsman, L. Lawson, L. Cowan, G. White, C. Bright, B. Hassell, A. Young, B. Gillespie. Discussions including the program, vendors, entertainment, and wrist corsages.



B. Lacy has several prospects for entertainment including a Latin Jazz Band and African dancers.

R. Hillsman is overseeing ticket distribution. Ticket deadline is 11/8/03..  
Absolute deadline is 11/15/03.



### **NEW BUSINESS**

Sisternet is planning their Financial Health Conference, see R. Myles for more detailed information.

Theta Lambda Zeta Chapter is holding their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Scholarship Dance at Eastland Suites on 10/25/03.. Tickets are \$25.

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".**

\*Next meeting is 11/8/03 \*

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
Financial Secretary/ Treasurer's Report  
November 8, 2003

**Financial Secretary Report**

**MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Verna Chatman	\$36.00	Local
Betty Hassell	36.00	Local
Beverly Lacy	61.00	Local / National
Debra Maze	36.00	Local
Rita Myles	36.00	Local
Gwen White	61.00	Local / National
Diane Pinderhughes	61.00	Local / National

**FUNDRAISER**

Parkland Foundation	\$100.00	Donation
<b>TOTAL FOR DEPOSIT</b>	<b>\$427.00</b>	

**Treasurer's Report**

<b>Deposits</b>		
10/15	\$266.00	Membership Dues
10/31	161.00	Membership Dues @ Donation
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$427.00</b>	

<b>Disbursements</b>		
10/11	\$ 48.00	NCNW P.O. Box #963
10/11	22.30	Linda Lawson Tickets for Gala
10/12	25.00	Ruthie Hillsman *
10/15	50.00	National Dues
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>145.30</b>	

'reimbursement of National Dues --- Section paid 3yrs \$60.00

BALANCE PER PHONE REQUEST 11/ 08/03 \$2731.26

*Respectfully Submitted, Ruthie Hillsman*  
*Interim Financial secretary / Treasurer*

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT NOVEMBER 8, 2003

Earlene Terry

1. **Please sign Attendance Sheet**-provide new information(phone,e-mail address)
2. **All members and prospective members**, call or e-mail me with information 384-2915 ,e-mail address, [eterry12@aol.com](mailto:eterry12@aol.com).

### 3. MEMBERSHIP:

Last month 2 members were added, making the total 56 members.

New Members:

**Verna R. Chatman**

**Debra L. Maze**

Please welcome them.

### 4. PLEASE PAY TO YOUR LOCAL SECTION:

Annual Local Dues:

\$12-Students

\$24-Senior Citizens

\$36-Regular

Annual National Dues:

\$10-Students

\$25-1 yr. Regular

\$40 2 yrs or \$60 3yrs

Lifetime: \$500 payable in 4 installments of \$125 per yr.

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 2003  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:00PM  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: To be determined

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: No report at this time.
- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Two new members since last month which totals 56 members. An updated members list to be prepared at available at next meeting. Volunteers needed to call members monthly as a reminder re: meeting dates and location. Please remember to pay your local and national dues in a timely manner, preferably in one lump sum yearly.
- ☞ Secretary: Minutes of October 11, 2003, read and accepted by members.
- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Debra Maze volunteered to be new Fin. Sec/Treas. To be trained by Hillsman and Lowery.  
  
Total deposits: \$427.00 (Includes \$100 donation rec'd from Parkland College)  
Total disbursements: \$145.30  
Bank balance as of 11/8/03: \$2,731.26.
- ☞ Historian: Seeking bios of men in the community for exhibit at the Am Museum. Exhibit will be similar to that of the one previously done for women. See C. Kennedy.
- ☞ Chaplain: Good well card sent to Mrs. Hoskins during her illness.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU !!!!

M. Scantlebury      C. Kennedy      H. Marion      S. Cook

- \* **COMMITTEE REPORT**

- ☞ Final preparations are being made for Holiday Gala.
- ☞ G. White, E. Terry, and N. Delaney to host Christmas party.

**Meeting adjourned with the singing of "This Little Light of Mine".**

*You are cordially invited to attend*

*The National Council of Negro Women, Inc.*

***Holiday Gala Fund Raiser***

*on*

*November 22, 2003*

*at*

***The Chancellor Hotel  
(University Hall)***

*Social Hour 6:00 p.m., Dinner 7:00 p.m.*

*Live Entertainment 8:30 p.m.*

*Featuring: Desafinado Band*

*Protégé Dancer's*

*Dance 9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.*

*Tickets*

*\$30.00 per person*

*\$275.00 Table for 10*

*R.S.V.P. by November 15, 2003*

*Call 217.778.0684, or 217.356.0396*

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> - 2 PM

Open to  
Cognate

Forum for December meeting

Gift exchange

Games

Pictures - Ruthie

Family in  
Powers home

Need chairs for next year's activities

Start of NENW - June

Monday - Bunkle - May - Chancellor

Friday - Hala - November

NENW
PO 963
C 41824-0963

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SECTION  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2003  
BY GWEN WHITE**

- \* Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm  
Prayer  
Pledge recited by all

Attendance roster: To be determined

- \* **OFFICER'S REPORT**

- ☞ President: Requested Strategic Planning Survey to be completed and turned in at Jan. meeting. Various topics discussed including business cards, Copy/Printing accounts, and guidelines for sending money/gifts to families of deceased members or vice versa. Topics tabled until Jan. meeting.
- ☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: To be disclosed at Jan. meeting.
- ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Provided a copy of updated membership roster. Reminder to keep update phone numbers and addresses. We have 19 prospective members.
- ☞ Secretary: Minutes of 11/8/03 read and accepted by the body. Received letter from Debutante Whitney Keaton requesting that NCNW support her and purchase an ad in the Cotillion Souvenir Journal.
- ☞ Financial Secretary/Treasurer:  
  
Total Gala tickets/donations: \$3,723.00  
Total expenses: 2,590.59  
Total profit: 1,132.41  
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Total deposits: \$3,971.00  
Total disbursements: 2,590.59  
12/13/03 bank balance 4,027.87
- ☞ Historian: No report at this time.
- ☞ Chaplain: Sympathy goes out to Charter member Doris Ruth Hendricks family as a result of her death.



Left to right are Earlene Terry of Urbana, second vice president of the local chapter of the National Council for Negro Women; Dr. Linda Lawson, research scientist with SAIC; Stephanie Cook of

Urbana, Home Care RN with Alpha Christian Registry; Laura Brownlee of Urbana, who works at Heartland Bank; and Nela Delaney of Champaign.



Gwen White of Champaign, secretary of the NCNW chapter, is shown with Alissia Young of Savoy, of the University of Illinois Child Care

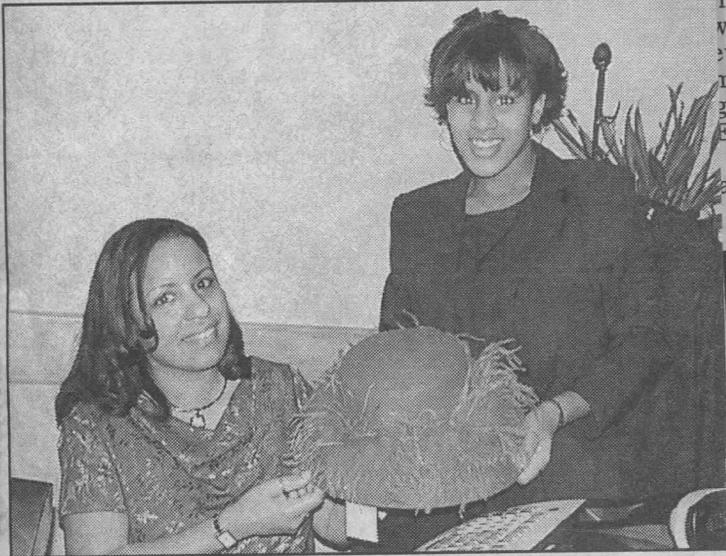
Resource Center, holding one of the door prizes, and Rita Myles, RN, Health Careers Recruiter at Parkland College.

# Women's organization has gala, fund-raiser

The National Council for Negro Women Inc., Champaign County Section, held their gala and fund-raiser at the Chancellor Hotel & Convention Center

in Champaign on Nov. 22.

The local chapter was organized in 1981 and is open to all women, regardless of race, creed or national origin.



Carol Davis-Hargest of Champaign displays a hat from her shop, Grapevine, located at Sunnycrest Mall in Urbana, with her daughter, Raven Hargest.



Barbara Gillespie of Urbana, a teacher at Wiley School, Lisa Clark of Champaign and Pat Adair of Urbana inspect some of the items from Razzle Dazzle. Clark is the owner of the Urbana shop.



At immediate left is Beverly Jackson-Lacy, president of the local chapter

## ON THE TOWN

On The Town showcases community events, such as benefits, awards or recognition gatherings.

Although we won't be able to cover every event because of time and space restrictions, we'll be glad to consider your event for coverage if you e-mail us at [Onthetown@news-gazette.com](mailto:Onthetown@news-gazette.com) or call Amy Eckert at 373-7453.

Please give us as much advance notice as possible.



Betty Hassell of Champaign works at Engineering Associates, and Mary Haywood, also of Champaign, is retired from Kraft Foods. Haywood was a charter member of the Champaign County Section.



Dora Jamerson of Urbana, volunteer at both Carle and Provena Covenant hospitals, visits with Alicia Lowery of Champaign, manager of Employment Services at the UI.