

**THE NAACP AND YOU!**



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**NAACP MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN**

The NAACP Fall Membership Campaign began September 1 and will end December 31. If you have not taken out your membership for 1987 then you ought to be ashamed of yourself. Why don't you mail a check or money order today to the NAACP? The annual fee is \$10 for each adult and \$5 for each child. Why don't you become a volunteer worker to sell NAACP memberships? You can sell them to your friends, neighbors, relatives, fellow employees, seniors, churches, clubs, businesses, civic and social groups.

**NAACP FREEDOM FUND BANQUET**

Once each year, the public is invited to make a tax de-

**NAACP RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN**

The NAACP, through its National Executive Director, Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, has sent out an urgent call to 1700 Branches across the nation to renew the NAACP memberships of their former members.

This National Campaign is called "U Plus 3." Everyone who has ever been a member of the NAACP is asked to renew or rejoin and then get three other people to do the same.

**U PLUS 3 LETTERS**

Within the next two weeks

**First Joint Effort . . .**

**BLACK WOMEN'S GROUPS PLAN ATLANTA POLITICAL FORUM**

ATLANTA—The four black women's college sororities, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Sigma Gamma Rho and Zeta Phi Beta — will hold a historic conference, a "Black Women's Political Action Forum," at the Hyatt Regency here, Oct. 30 through Nov. 1.

The forum marks the first time the powerful national organizations representing an

aggregate of 400,000 black college-trained women have united for a cooperative project. This unprecedented effort reflects the determination of the four national presidents: AKA, Janet Jones Ballard, of Richmond, Virginia; Delta, Hortense Golden Canady, of Lansing, Michigan; Sigma, Rejesta V. Perry, of St. Louis and Zeta, Eunice S. Thomas

ductible contribution to the NAACP. This year the requested donation is only \$50 per person. The banquet will be held at Bally's, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. and the speaker will be Congressman William Gray III from Pennsylvania who is chairman of the House Budget Committee. Next week banquet tickets will be available at E.O.B., 647-1510 and the NAACP, 646-1662.

**NAACP CHRISTMAS SEALS**  
You are encouraged to come to the NAACP office and purchase your 1987 Freedom Seals. We must still invest in Freedom. There are 64 seals on each sheet and they are only \$2 per sheet. We request that you purchase them and place them on all of your Christmas mailings.

everyone who had a NAACP membership during the years of 1985 and 1986 and has not renewed or taken out a new membership will receive a letter asking the individual to do so. Those letters will make a personal appeal to you to renew your NAACP membership and three applications and a return envelope for you to sign up three other people. These letters will also state why the NAACP membership is important and how it benefits you. Also the achievements of the branch will be noted.

**NAACP AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS; PRODS YOUTH TO EXCEL IN EDUCATION**

The NAACP has awarded almost \$150,000 this year to students across the country to help in furthering their education. Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director of the NAACP, has reported.

One source of these funds is the Roy Wilkins Scholarship, named in honor of the former Executive Secretary of the NAACP, which is presented to students annually who demonstrate the high spirit and outstanding leadership abilities of the late civil rights leaders.

At the NAACP's Annual Convention, 22 students won Roy Wilkins Scholarships totalling \$15,000. The Roy Wilkins Scholarship was first presented in 1963, and since then, a total of \$200,000 has been awarded to over 250 students. Students can receive either a \$500 or \$1,000 scholarship. Information about the Roy Wilkins Scholarship can be obtained by writing to Mr. John Davis, NAACP Youth & College Director, 4805 Mt. Hope Drive, Baltimore, MD 21215.

Another Association award is the Agnes Jones Jackson Scholarship, presented to black undergraduates and graduates under the age of 25, who are NAACP members.

This year at the NAACP's Annual Convention, \$59,500 was given to 39 black students from across the country, the largest number of recipients and amount given in a single year to date. The Agnes Jones Jackson

Scholarship was increased this year to \$1,500 from \$1,000 for undergraduates and to \$2,500 from \$2,000 for graduate students.

Made possible under the terms of a will of Ms. Jackson, a former member of the NAACP San Francisco Branch, the scholarship has been awarded to nearly 200 students who have received a total of \$200,000 since its inception in 1981. For information about the Agnes Jones Jackson Scholarship, write to Dr. Beverly Cole, NAACP Director of Education, 4805 Mt. Hope Drive.

An additional special educational project of the NAACP is its ACT-SO program. ACT-So — an acronym for Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics — is a national program which annually involves more than 25,000 high school students.

The program promotes academic excellence among black students and encourages them to pursue their interests in a variety of pursuits. Students compete on a city, state, regional and on national level at the NAACP's Annual Convention in the performing and visual arts, humanities and science.

Prizes totalling more than \$75,000 were awarded this year to the 64 final student winners to help in furthering their education. For more information about the NAACP's ACT-SO program, contact your local NAACP Branch.



**New Image**

by Kenya B. Clark

These are the times that try men's souls. These are the times that try men's souls. These . . . are the Times . . . that Try . . . men's souls. Don't freeze . . . wince, grow faint out of fear, scamper, merge into bewilderment or shudder. The times are here — here and waiting. What times, you may ask? The times that do in fact try men's souls. Times that test your character, times that test your faith as a human being . . . a humanitarian.

Times when you yearn to soothe the pain of all the hurt bestowed upon you. Times when you grimace and hang your head in disgust. This is but a dream, you say; life is not all the hype and hoorahs that many are cheering. Times when the harder you push to finish the race, someone or something moves the finish line farther and even farther back, and it seems as though time is running out as well as your stamina. The perspiration dripping profusely in your

eyes — blinding you—giving you yet another obstacle. Times when you feel like peeling away your suit of armor, laying down your equipment to let someone else battle the relentless war of injustices, poverty, oppression, degradation, illiteracy and innumerable other revolting areas of life that are nauseating. Times when love is not on your side. Times when your sacred world — mentally, emotionally, socially and spiritually — is crumbling faster than the speed of momentary thought. Times when time is not on your side. OH!! I cry, what pity.

Times when . . . unforeseen circumstances befall us all. Times when . . . it's time to pick ourselves up, dust ourselves off, go into solitude. Lick our wounds until they have healed, and when we have healed we can stand erect; we are invincible. Nothing can hinder us—we can stand the test of time. Hold on, Friend. The road is sweeter than the end . . .

tion, Chicago.

Also, physical and mental health, Dr. Audrey Manley, director, National Health Services Corp., Washington, D.C.; global and human rights Glendora Putnam, of Boston, president, the YMCA of the U.S.A.; affordable housing, Frankie Muse Freeman, attorney, of St. Louis; child care, Niabe Marshall, National Black Child Development Institute, of Washington, D.C.; and minority representation in appointed positions, Linda Williams,

Joint Center for Political Studies, Washington, D.C.

Some 2,000 women, non-Greek and Greek, are expected to attend the conference and funds from the Field Foundation, of New York, will provide scholarships for 50 grassroots participants.

The foundation's grant will also be used for the development and implementation of four state forums, to be held by the sororities, in the ensuing months.

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