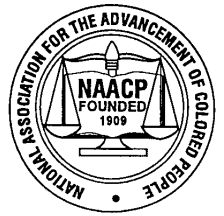


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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



GREETINGS

We continue to be busy here at the Vancouver Branch and there is so much going on its hard to determine what to put it this column. Let me start with our Black History Month banquet **"Taking a Stand for Our Youth"**. We had a tremendously successful event.

Kudos' are sent to the following sponsors for this event. First to Pat McDonnel, City Manager, Mayor Royce Pollard and the many city employees and departments who employed our kids. Congressman Brain Baird also spent the evening with us and addressed the group. We also had a number of other sponsors who helped to make this event success thanks to all of you.

I must also tell you that I am please that we added two outstanding young people to our 2003 Executive Committee, Chad Clark and Valerie Williams. Casaunda Robinson has also joined our organization and is working hard to develop a voter registration strategy for the Branch. We also have XXXSmith working with our Labor and Industry Committee to explore business development opportunities in Vancouver.

I salute the enthusiasm of these young people. They are truly our future. They could have chosen to sit on the sideline and criticize the Branch for not doing enough. But, instead they chose to be a part and make a difference by participating.

We invite you to: in the words of the National NAACP campaign **"Don't Talk about It, Be About It! Join the NAACP"**. We have included a membership application at the end of this newsletter to assist you in your decision. Thanks for taking a stand for the Vancouver Branch NAACP

Earl W. Ford

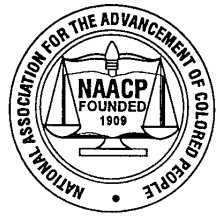
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SATURDAY MAY 17, 2003
10:00A.M. – 12:00 noon
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David Baugh Memorial Fund

Mr. Baugh was a Charter member and past president of the Vancouver Branch of NAACP. In honor of his life of service to the Branch his family asked that contributions be made to the branch in his memory. To date over twenty people have contributed to the David Baugh memorial fund.

The branch has sent special letters of thanks to each contributor. In that letter President Ford told the contributors "Your contribution will allow the Branch to continue to build its foundation funding. It not be used as a part of our general fund."

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In addition to the Presidents letter we take this opportunity to once again recognize the contributors to this memorial fund. They are:

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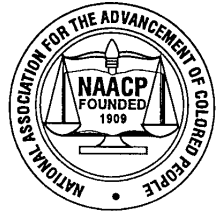
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Thanks for your contribution to the growth of this Branch that David worked long and tirelessly to keep strong and relevant during his lifetime.

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