

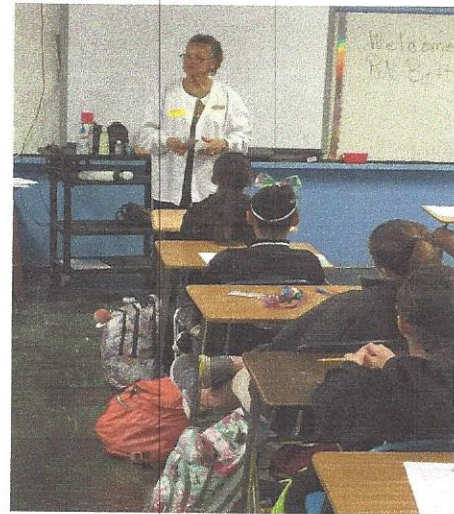
**Eunice News continues...**

**Black History Month**

Preparations are in place for observance of African (Black) History Month in February and Women in History Month in March. In February, it is the aim of the Branch to celebrate our cultural diversity as we raise the awareness of our African American females' achievements in various fields and promote pride and unity throughout our community. We plan to do this through research and writing exercises in grade 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> using the names of at least 40-50 famous African American females in entertainment, science, history, education, politics and sports. Ardesie Francois is Chairperson for the February events and Carolyn Baldwin is Chairperson for the March activities.

**Betty Jordan Honored**

NAUW Sister Betty Jordan was recently a speaker at Central Middle School in the classroom of NAUW Sister Patricia Harrison to emphasize the importance of good health habits and getting the shot for flu during this season. Mrs. Jordan was also honored during Black History Month as the first African American nurse hired in the hospital in Eunice and on the campus of LSU-E as a teacher in the Nursing Department. Mrs. Jordan is now retired but does occasionally speak or volunteer work along with her daughters who have entered into the trade of nursing. She is the mother of 5 young adults.



**Happy Birthday to:**

- Joyce Neville January 10
- Shelsy Williams January 31
- Gladys L Bount March 1
- Henrietta Dupre' March 11
- Denise W Antoine March 24  
(The Big 60)



“Stop using the word ‘Negro’. The word is a misnomer from every point of view. It does not represent a country or anything else...I am an African American.”

**\*\*Mary Church Terrell\*\***

**Houston Branch News—Joan Dean, reporting**

**Thanksgiving Community Outreach**

Houston Branch officers present 3 boxes of groceries and a \$50 Gift Card to Foodarama Grocery store to the Ballinas-Gonzalez. The Ballinas-Gonzalez Family was referred by a Houston Service Center serving needy families in the community.



**The Art of Being a Lady—Literacy Program**

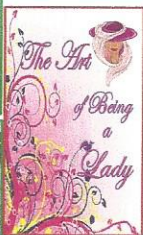
Provides valuable insights into literacy, self-efficacy, goal setting, conflict resolution, social graces, and positive interpersonal skills.



NAUW-HOUSTON mentors young ladies from The Knowledge First Academy in the Art of Being a Lady.



NAUW HOUSTON PRESIDENT with mentees



**Community Health**

NAUW HOUSTON officers participate in Community Health Initiatives with the Rose Johnson Colon Cancer Awareness Foundation at its Walkathon.



**Community Outreach**

NAUW Houston members created 120 Christmas Cards with handwritten messages to take to the La Hacienda Rehabilitation Centers. We also distributed 120 pairs of socks to the residents.



NAUW HOUSTON Members holding handmade Christmas cards and gifts for the residents of La Hacienda Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center

**Houston news continued...**

**Gifts to Homeless Shelter**

Houston Branch members deliver gifts of cards, belts, and socks to the Covenant House—a shelter for homeless youths.



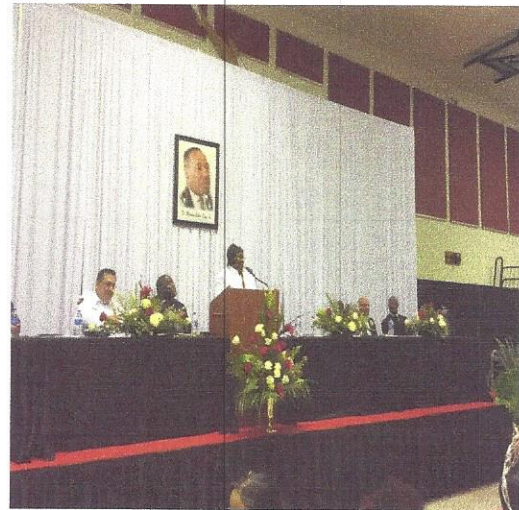
**Lafayette Branch News---Senetra Guidry, reporting**



**"Keeping Abreast"**

The Health Education Committee members attended the ULL Nursing Seminar on "Evidence Based Pain Management" Jan. 20, 2017, Petroleum Club.

Standing left to right: Arline Ledet, Elsie Azare,  
Seated left to right: Yvonne Prejean, Deborah Bland, Patsy Bienvenu

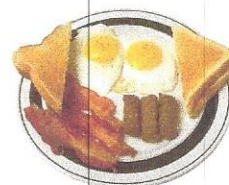


**MLK Celebration**

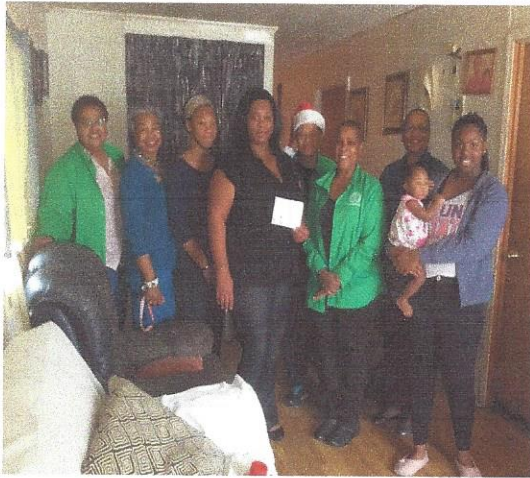
Lafayette Branch NAUW member Patricia Mouton was the moderator of Prayer Breakfast on 1/16/17 at MLK center



Lafayette Branch NAUW members participated in the Martin Luther King Prayer Breakfast on 1/16/17



**Lafayette news continued...**



Lafayette Branch NAUW selected a needy family from the Lafayette Area and blessed them with a gift card for Christmas.

Ms. Rose Comeaux is a single mother of four with two grandchildren. She moved to Lafayette, LA from Texas after losing her job.



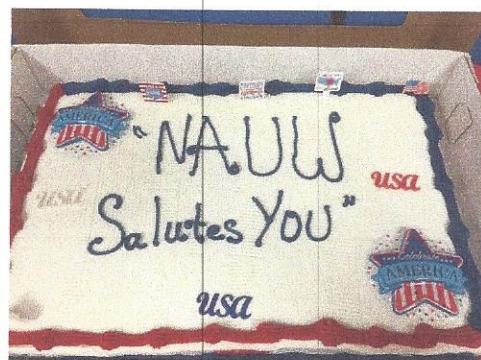
**Lake Charles Branch news---  
Bridgette Thierry, reporting**



Youth Group, ACORNS, sponsored a "Little Black Dresses and Pearls Etiquette Seminar" for girls.



2016 Presidential Election Watch with McNeese State University NAACP Chapter



NAUW Lake Charles volunteering at Ralph F. Wilson Elementary Veterans Day Program