72ND NORTHEAST SECTIONAL CONFERENCE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, INC.

HOSTED BY THE SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH
OCTOBER 14-15, 2022 | VIRTUAL

CONFERENCE THEME: BUILDING A STRONGER COMMUNITY THROUGH EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND ADVOCACY

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"Building a Stronger Community Through Education, Outreach, and Advocacy"

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The College Alumnae Club was formed in March 1910, by Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Dr. Sara Brown, Dr. Nancy Fairfax Brown, and Miss Mary Cromwell in Washington, DC. Twenty university graduates joined elected officers and planned a program. The new Club desired to stimulate young women to attain professional excellence, to exert influence in various movements for the civic good, and to promote a close personal and intellectual fellowship among professional women.

In 1919 the Club invited the first group of university graduates, who lived outside the District, to organize. Baltimore accepted the invitation. Through the efforts of the College Alumnae Club, seven branches were organized in cities where college women desired affiliation with the founding group.

On April 6-7, 1923 representatives of the newly organized branches met in Washington, D.C. to consider the foundation of a national organization. A temporary National Association of College Women was formed. It was at the next conference on April 25-26, 1924 that the permanent organization was established and in November of that year, it was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia.

On August 9, 1974, at the biennial convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the Association accepted its updated Charter and became known as the National Association of University Women (NAUW). The Association from its inception is a service and educational organization. In the beginning, the women of NAUW were proactive regarding the education of women, their living conditions on campuses, the need for a dean of women who would be an advocate for women students, and the training of teachers. As the years progressed, the organization raised its voice regarding major civic and national issues such as business opportunities for African Americans, mental health and child welfare, and the improvement of interracial and international relations.

The Association has cooperated with national and local social and economic programs and is affiliated with the National Council of Negro Women, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, United Negro College Fund, the National Coalition for Literacy, and the American Council on Education.

Twenty-four women have served as National Presidents and are known as Forever Emeralds:

- Dean Lucy D. Slowe (1924-1929)
- Mrs. Juanita H. Thomas (1929-1933)
- Mrs. Vivian J. Cook (1933-1936)
- Mrs. Helen B. Grosley (1936-1939)
- Dr. Hilda A. Davis (1939-1944), (1957-1961)
- Mrs. Alice Taylor Chandler (1944-1949)
- Dr. Flemmie Kittrell (1949-1951)
- Mrs. Inez B. Brewer (1951-1953)
- Mrs. Thelma Taylor Williams (1953-1957)
- Mrs. Lillian W. McDaniels (1961-1965)
- Miss Portia C. Bullock (1965-1969)
- Mrs. Odessa Wright Farrell (1969-1974)
- Mrs. Margaret Una Poche (1974-1978)
- Mrs. Ruth R. Corbin (1990-1994)
- Dr. Lenore Gall (2002-2006)
- Mrs. Ollie Johnson (2006-2010)
- Mrs. Dolores Y. Owens (2010-2014)
- Evelyn G. Wright (2014-2018)
- Letisa Vereen (2018-2022)
NATIONAL OFFICERS
2022-2024

BETTY WILKERSON
National President
East Baton Rouge Branch

ANNETTE BURTIN
National First Vice President
Chicago Branch

ROSALIND CLARKE
National Second Vice President
Queens Branch

VIRGINIA TATE
Recording Secretary
North Shore Illinois Branch

AMANDA JOHNSON
Corresponding Secretary
Lake Charles Branch

SHIRLEY BROWN
Financial Secretary
Inglewood Branch

MELANIE COPENNY
Treasurer
North Texas Branch

QUINTELLA BASKERVILLE
Nominating Chairperson
Lafayette Branch

VICKIE WILKINSON
Parliamentarian
Flushing North Shore Branch
In March 1920, Sara Winifred Brown, Nancy Fairfax Brown, Mary Elizabeth Cromwell, and Mary Eliza Church discussed starting an alumnae club for college women graduates; their “dream” resulted in the establishment of the College Alumnae Club in Washington D.C. The membership grew over the years and in 1919 it became necessary to ask women from other geographic regions to start another club beyond the Washington, DC area. Baltimore answered the call.

Four years later, one of the founders, Mary Elizabeth Cromwell, recommended moving beyond the local area to become a national organization. In 1924, the Club expanded to become a national organization called the National Association of College Women. Immediately, it was recognized that regions needed to be established to meet the members’ needs in the various geographic areas. From that time until 1938 the East Region encompassed Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New York. The North Region encompassed New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Washington, DC, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois.

It was approximately in 1939 that this region became the Northeast Section as it is known today. An exact date of when the region became the Northeast Section cannot be ascertained because journals were not on file for 1938, 1939, and 1940. In the 1941 Journal, it was noted that this Section was combined with the east and north regions. The Northeast Section now encompasses Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Washington DC. Today there are 15 branches in the Northeast Section. Also, from 2012 through 2014, the Harper-Maryland County Liberia Branch (first International Branch) functioned under the auspices of the Northeast Section.

This region is proud to be called the “historic” Section of the organization since it all began in Washington, D.C. The organization is incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia with its national headquarters also located in the District. The Northeast Section also boasts about its rich history of having the most national presidents in the organization. To date, there have been twelve presidents out of the twenty-six from this section. Dr. Hilda A. Davis, from the Wilmington Branch, is the only president to serve two nonconsecutive terms. In addition, it was this section (Philadelphia Branch) that hosted the Jubilee Convention where the original charter was updated, and the National Association of College Women became known as the National Association of University Women.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

DEBORAH THURMOND
Northeast Sectional Director

KISHA CLINTON
Lay Member & Education / Youth

JENNIFER MYERS
Recording Secretary

TANYA HILL-MURPHY
Corresponding Secretary & Necrology Committee

CARLA HINDS
Treasurer

TATIANA LUBIN-HAINES
Financial Secretary

DR. LENORE GALL
Forever Emerald - Past National President

DOLORES Y. OWENS
Forever Emerald - Past National President

JILL ROGERS
Chaplain

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

CLAUDIA TUCKER-KETO
Historical & National - International

RITA DUNBAR
Nominating

JOANN GRIFFIN
Bylaws

CONSTANCE BROWN
Hilda A. Davis Scholarship

CHARLIN CASTER
Technology and Communications

LADONNA RUSSELL
Technology and Communications

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NAUW SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH (NAUWSPB) HISTORY

2022 NAUW SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH OFFICERS:

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2022 NAUW SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH MEMBERS

Natasha Andrews
Cherice Arrington
Dr. Darlene Beasley
Patricia Blue-Williams
June Blue
Renee Brooks
Sandi Burney-Boxley
Gabrielle Cook-Frazier
Margaret Crawford
LaVonda Daniels
Ruth Glover Butler
Eva Grant
Judith Grant
Lisa Hammond
Cheryl Harper

Shernette D. Hayward
Elleanor Jean Hendley
Joanne Keaton
Dr. Gifty Akomea Key
Kenesta Mack
Bernice McIntyre
Wandra McClendon
Marcella Miller-Greaves
Margaret Mullen-Whiting
Desiree’ Lamar Murphy
Jennifer Myers
Cherelle L. Parker
Michele Rodgers
Dr. Monique Scott

Lorene Sylva
Shelley Sylva
Jacqueline Thomoas
Inez Tinson
Wanda Tynes Richardson
Martha Woods
I extend warmest greetings to you my sisters of the Northeast Section of the National Association of University Women as you prepare to celebrate and actively participate in the 72nd Annual Sectional Conference. Over 122 years ago, four visionary leaders came together to form this great organization with the thought of giving back to their community.

As your National/International President, it is my honor to greet you on this occasion. The ongoing lingering effects of the National Pandemic continues to put a damper on how we would meet, however, we have remained strong during this past year. Across the United States and Liberia, Africa during this year, branches celebrated with a variety of programs, special events and Rededication Ceremonies via a virtual platform. God has truly blessed each of us so that we could continue our commitment to our beloved organization and your willingness to continue the mission of our Founders. I am hopeful that these virtual gatherings will provide each of you with an energetic spirit, a renewed commitment and restore the meaning, the purpose and value of this great organization within each of you.

This conference was designed for you, the leaders and members of the Northeast Section to engage in and reinstitute into your respective branches. As leaders, we set the tone for the success that each of our branches are achieving. This weekend will be filled with lots of learning, lifting and sisterly love. At the close of this weekend, it is my sincere hope that you have a renewed spirit for the future of the Northeast Section of the National Association of University Women.

I would like to render a special ‘thank you’ to Director Deborah Thurmond, who has successfully led the Northeast Section in the midst of the pandemic with professionalism. You kept the light shining while it was in your hand. Also, I want to thank Dr. Natasha Patterson, President of the Suburban Philadelphia Branch and her members for taking on the challenge of providing a successful conference via this virtual platform. On this day, I pray that each of you will unite in one unbreakable bond and continue to commit to the communities you now serve.
Greetings my NAUW Sisters,

It is indeed an honor and a pleasure to extend sisterly greetings and best wishes to each of you as we convene for our 72nd Northeast Sectional Conference. I would like to extend a special welcome to our first-time conference attendees.

Congratulations to Dr. Natasha Patterson, president of the Suburban Philadelphia Branch, and the branch members for your dedication and support in the preparation of this conference. You have worked diligently to make this event a positive and uplifting experience. I commend you for the time and effort put forth to bring this conference to full fruition.

Our conference theme “Building A Stronger Community Through Education, Outreach, and Advocacy” exemplifies the goals and aspirations of our members as we continue to embody the ideals and purposes set forth by our founders.

This gathering is a time for us to conduct the business of the National Association of University Women, Inc., celebrate achievements, and further the objectives of NAUW. I hope that you will leave this conference enlightened, energized, and ready to support the communities we serve.

Thank you for your unwavering service and support to NAUW. Eternally grateful for the service and the sisterhood. Let us continue to be a symbol of “Visionary Women Serving in Unity and Love.”

Sisterly Regards,

Deborah Myers Thurmond
National Sectional Director
My Dynamic Sisters of the Northeast,

It is indeed an honor and privilege to extend a warm welcome on our 72nd Northeast Section Annual Conference. The Covid-19 Pandemic has challenged the way the Northeast convenes as a body. However, branches have remained resilient and steadfast in continuous implementation of our National Five-Point Program Initiatives. This commitment shows how the Northeast Section continues to be community trailblazers.

Our Sectional Director, Deborah Thurmond, and Suburban Philadelphia Immediate Past Branch President and Conference Chairperson, Dr. Natasha Patterson have worked meticulously to prepare a conference that will inform and inspire you to refocus on the mission of NAUW.

As we meet virtually this year, let us prepare to receive essential information on our section and most importantly, let us also prepare to greet each other with “emerald kisses and virtual hugs.” This pandemic will not suppress our “Historic Northeast Section Sisterhood.” We hope that you will leave our conference with a renewed commitment to NAUW and embrace the goals our founders envisioned.

Thank you to the Suburban Philadelphia Branch for your outstanding leadership and execution in hosting this event.

Sisterly,

Kisha Clinton

KISHA CLINTON
National Sectional Lay Member
Greeting NAUW Sisters,

It is a pleasure and honor for me to greet each of you as the President of the Suburban Philadelphia Branch of the National Association of University Women, Inc., which is your Host Branch for our virtual 72nd Northeast Sectional Conference. This year’s conference theme is “Building a Stronger Community Through Education, Outreach, and Advocacy.”

As each of our branches continued to pivot during these unprecedented times, the work of community service, outreach, and advocacy has never been more important than now. We must continue to inspire change locally and nationally as we continue to build a stronger community.

I would like to give a special thank you to the Northeast Sectional Conference committee for putting together what I believe will be an amazing conference that will leave us energized, encouraged, and recommitted to the service of this prestigious organization.

“Without service, we would not have a strong quality of life. It’s important to the person who serves as well as the recipient. It’s the way in which we ourselves grow and develop.”

– Dorothy Height

Sisterly,

Tonyelle Cook-Artis

TONYELLE COOK-ARTIS
President
Suburban Philadelphia Branch
Greetings,

To our Sectional Director, Deborah Thurmond; Lay Member, Kisha Clinton; Suburban Philadelphia Branch President, Tonyelle Cook-Artis, it is with excitement that I share warm greetings with you and my NAUW sisters in the Northeast Section and our guests.

I would like to thank Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director, for her guidance as we prepared for the conference. I would also like to thank Kisha Clinton, Lay Member, for her assistance and Tonyelle Cook-Artis, Suburban Philadelphia Branch President, Dr. Adriene Hobdy, 1st Vice President, Krystal Caraballo, 2nd Vice President for their leadership and passion. While we are virtual, we remain close in mission and vision. Despite the challenges over the past two plus years, we have not wavered in our service to our communities. This opportunity to join together should not be taken lightly.

The Suburban Philadelphia Branch put forward great effort to produce an excellent 72nd Northeast Sectional Conference, virtually. A great deal of thought went into every aspect of the days ahead to ensure that it is a memorable conference from which you will walk away with valuable information and meaningful connections.

As we welcome our new National President, Betty Wilkerson, we look forward to the fellowship, celebration, and inspiration to be “Visionary Women Serving in Unity and Love.”

Dr. Natasha Patterson
CHAIRPERSON, NORTHEAST SECTIONAL CONFERENCE
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT
SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH

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Dr. Natasha Patterson
NATASHA A. PATTERSON, PHD, MPH
Conference Planning Chair
Suburban Philadelphia Branch
Proclamation

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN-SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH
NORTHEAST SECTIONAL CONFERENCE HOST
OCTOBER 14 - 15, 2022

WHEREAS, The National Association of University Women (NAUW) is a national nonprofit organization that provides scholarships at the branch level for high school students, at the sectional level for graduate study, and a fellowship at the national level for doctoral study; and

WHEREAS, In March 1910, founders Dr. Sara Winifred Brown, Dr. Nancy Fairfax Brown, Mary Elizabeth Cromwell, and Mary Church Terrell established the parent organization College Alumnae Club in Washington, D.C., which expanded nationally in 1924, creating the National Association of College Women; and

WHEREAS, The mission and purpose of NAUW is to serve women, youth and the disadvantaged in their communities and in developing countries by addressing educational issues, advancing the status of women’s issues, and strategically partnering with allied organizations; and

WHEREAS, The NAUW Northeast Section encompasses fifteen branches from Washington, D.C. to New York; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of University Women – Suburban Philadelphia Branch (NAUW-SPB), inspired by their founders’ theme: A Legacy of Service and Commitment in Action, will serve as the host for the NAUW-SPB Northeast Sectional Conference held on October 14-15, 2022 themed: "Building a Stronger Community Through Education, Outreach, and Advocacy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, In order to recognize the NAUW-SPB on its many contributions and achievements, we hereby congratulate the

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA BRANCH

On the occasion of hosting the NAUW Northeast Sectional Conference on October 14-15, 2022, and wish for its continued success in the future.

Valerie A. Arkoosh, MD, MPH, Chair

Kenneth E. Lawrence Jr., Vice Chair

County Commissioners
We will be governed by the NAUW National Bylaws, Northeast Section Bylaws, and Robert’s Rules of Order 12th Edition. The NAUW logo is to be used only by Officers and Members of NAUW for official business only. Voting by the delegates will be done by polling as determined by the conference technology team.

**ZOOM ETIQUETTE**

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72nd Virtual Northeast Sectional Conference
“Building A Stronger Community Through Education, Outreach, and Advocacy”

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WELCOME
Dr. Natasha Patterson, Northeast Sectional Conference Chair
Immediate Past President, Suburban Philadelphia Branch

FIRST-TIME ATTENDEES / NEW MEMBER WORKSHOP  (6:00 PM - 6:45 PM)
Presenter: Rosalind Clarke, National Second Vice-President, Queens Branch
Facilitator: Tyhesha Tidwell, North Jersey Branch

PROTOCOL: MAINTAINING LAW & ORDER WORKSHOP (6:00 PM - 6:45 PM)
Presenters: Forever Emerald Dolores Y. Owens, Philadelphia Branch and
Carla Hinds, North Jersey Branch
Facilitator: Darlene Shaw, Plainfield-Brunswick Branch

NAUW POP-UP SHOPPING AND DINNER BREAK (6:45 PM - 7:30 PM)
Jennifer Myers, NAUW Intellectual Properties Chair
Suburban Philadelphia Branch

VOTER EDUCATION PANEL - PUBLIC MEETING (7:30 PM - 8:15 PM)
MODERATOR
Brenda Robins-Wright, President, Philadelphia Branch

PANELIST
• Lauren Cristella, President, League of Women Voters
• Morgan Robinson, Voter Chair, League of Women Voters
• William (Bill) England, PA Health Access Network (PHAN)
• Anjali Robinson-Leary, Strath Haven HS Senior, NAUWSPB 2021 Oratorical Competition Winner

CANDIDATES FORUM (8:15 PM - 8:45 PM)
Rita Dunbar, NES Nominating Chairperson, North Jersey Branch

REMARKS / ANNOUNCEMENTS
Dr. Natasha Patterson, Northeast Sectional Conference Chair
Immediate Past President, Suburban Philadelphia Branch
Elleanor Jean Hendley is a pioneer among women of color on television in Philadelphia. She was the first and still only African American woman in the city to host and produce a primetime weekend magazine show, City Lights, an Emmy Award-winning show broadcast for ten years on CBS 3 TV. Hendley also served as the Eyewitness News education reporter and the Director of Public Affairs. Previously, she was a New Jersey public school educator.

In 1985, while working fulltime in television, Ms. Hendley founded Teenshop, Inc., a nonprofit weekend college preparatory and life skills program for girls of color. Teenshop has grown to three chapters in three states – Pennsylvania (Philadelphia); California (Los Angeles); New Jersey (Camden), each one directed by a five member volunteer leadership team of exceptional career women, several of whom are Teenshop alumnae.

The success of Teenshop was the catalyst for Girls Achieve®, which Ms. Hendley created in 2005 in response to educators’ requests for an in-school enrichment program. Girls Achieve®, a series of life skills and curriculum-support workshops, has empowered hundreds of girls in public and charter schools in the School District of Philadelphia and suburban counties.

To expand her outreach to girls, Ms. Hendley wrote the Girls Achieve Activity Book® for students ages 9-14. The book has more than 120 pages of gender-specific educational and empowering activities, and is an excellent resource for classrooms, after school programs, summer camps, and a great gift for any occasion.

Ms. Hendley is a graduate of Ohio’s Central State University and attended the Sorbonne in Paris, France. She resides in the Philadelphia suburbs and is a jazz piano student, avid doll collector, accomplished seamstress, and world traveler.

Active in civic and community affairs, Ms. Hendley’s memberships include: Charter Member of the National Association of University Women of Suburban Philadelphia, member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, The Links, Inc., and Charter Member of the PA Coalition of 100 Black Women.
Rosalind Clarke
National Second Vice-President, Queens Branch

Inducted into the NAUW Queens Branch in 1989, Rosalind has served on several Branch committees and has served as 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents. She is the current Branch President and former NES Lay Member and Sectional Director. At the National level, Rosalind has chaired and served on committees and is currently Chair of the NAUW Community Service and Mary Church Terrell Awards. She also serves on the National Board of Directors.

Born in the state of Georgia, she moved to Brooklyn, New York (NY), at a very early age and has lived in Queens County, NY, for many years. Rosalind spends her “spare time” as a couturier, and proclaims it as her “God-given talent.” She earned a B.A. in Psychology from Hunter College and a Certificate in Human Resources Administration.
Dolores Y. Owens, a native Virginian has spent most of her life in Pennsylvania.

Owens is the recipient of bachelor's and master's degrees from Temple University (Philadelphia, PA) and Certification in Library Science from Arcadia University (Glenside, PA). For twenty-seven years she worked in the field of education in the school district of Philadelphia PA and Plymouth Meeting, PA. She taught business at the high school level and served as school librarian.

A longtime member of Corinthian Baptist Church in Philadelphia, she has served as personnel director of the Corinthian Christian Academy, president of the Real Estate Committee and teacher of Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She currently serves with the Missionary, Scholarship and Women’s Ministries.

Owens has served as a reading tutor for children through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Camden, NJ. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Omega Omega Chapter in Philadelphia and a Legacy Life Member of the National Council of Negro Women, active with the Philadelphia Section. She is also a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians.

Owens completed her four-year tenure as National President of the National Association of University Women in August 2014. She has been an active member of the Philadelphia Branch since 1985 and takes much pride and pleasure in working with professional women to fulfill the organization’s mission to be of service to the disadvantaged nationally and internationally. Under her presidency, the first international branch was chartered in Liberia, Africa in 2012.

Owens is married to David Owens, Jr. They are the parents of two sons, David, III and Dean (deceased). To honor Dean’s memory, they established a Scholarship Fund with the Philadelphia Foundation for disadvantaged youth seeking post high school studies.

Leisurely, Dolores enjoys reading, traveling, sewing, gourmet cooking and family time with seven grandchildren.
Carla Boone Hinds was born in New Bern, North Carolina to the Late William and Estelle Boone; the oldest of three children. It was mandatory in this home that church and education be top priorities.

Carla was educated in the public schools of New Bern. It was there where her thirst of knowledge became evident. It was from there she attended and graduated from Friendship Jr. College in Rock Hill, South Carolina with an Associate’s degree in Psychology and Music. From there she attended Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina and received a Bachelor’s degree in English and Psychology. Still longing to continue her education she enrolled in the Library Science program at North Carolina Central University in Durham, North Carolina where she obtained a Master’s in Library Science. In 2003 Carla also obtained another Master’s in Education. She is currently working on her Doctorate in Educational Leadership.

In terms of community, Carla is a member of St. Luke AME Church in Newark, NJ where she serves as a member of Steward Board, Treasurer of the Women’s Missionary Society, a member of the North Carolina Club and a member of the Department of Christian Education. Her love is working with the young people and training them to become leaders. She is a 46-year member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She serves on the Executive Committee of the NAACP (Oranges and Maplewood). She is a 18 -year member of the National Association of University Women (North Jersey Branch), where she is the current President and the treasurer for the Northeast Section. She is also the National Literacy Chairperson for our beloved NAUW and therefore serves on the Board of Directors.

Carla is a recently retired teacher of English for the East Orange School District. Determined to continue on as an education advocate even in retirement, she joined the Essex County Retirees Education Association, NJ Retirees EA, NJ Association of Black Educators and the National Education Retirees.

Second only to God is her son, Timothy who truly is the joy of her life. Her commitment to God, family and community is what gives her extreme happiness. She believes firmly: “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"
Lauren Cristella  
President, League of Women Voters of Philadelphia

It was Lauren’s passion for active citizenship, strong public leadership and practical policy-making that led her to Broad Street and the organization that shares her dedication. As the Chief Program Officer of the Committee of Seventy, Lauren is responsible for board development, external affairs, the Buchholz Fellowship Program, and programming, including the WeVote initiative. Lauren also serves as the President of the League of Women Voters of Philadelphia, where she is focused on rebuilding the organization and equipping volunteers to have a positive impact on elections at the grassroots level.

Additionally, Lauren serves on the Board of the Forum of Executive Women as Chair of the Public Sector Leadership Committee.

Prior to joining C70, Lauren was the Director of Student Affairs & Strategic Operations at Penn’s Fels Institute of Government. She spent seven years ensuring that students had excellent internships and job prospects in government, nonprofits, and private firms that serve the public interest. She also secured a number of record-breaking gifts to Fels, in addition to overseeing dozens of events each year and general operations.

Before joining Fels, Lauren spent five fun years at the National Constitution Center. During her tenure there, Lauren worked in the education department, where she first began to wish that people would celebrate Constitution Day (September 17th) without being legally obligated to do so. She later joined the Center’s senior management team as the Director of Special Projects for the CEO. In that position, Lauren led the team that created the Center’s blog, Constitution Daily, and facilitated the creation and adoption of a new five-year strategic plan. Lauren was also a member of the Center’s international team, which was responsible for the creation of the Being We the People exhibition and website, as well as a guide to voting in national elections for Afghan citizens, created in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme. Lauren received her bachelor’s degree from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., where she majored in politics, and interned at the International Center for Terrorism Studies. She went on to receive her master’s degree from the University of Essex in Colchester, England in Ethics, Politics and Public Policy.
Morgan M. Robinson, M.S.
Associate Director, Development for the American Cancer Society

Morgan is born and bred in Philadelphia. A lifer and graduate of Friends’ Central School, she decided to stay in Philadelphia for college. Following graduating high school Morgan attended Temple University for undergrad and graduate work with a Bachelor of Business Administration from Fox School of Business and Master of Science from The School of Sport, Tourism and Hospitality Management.

Currently Morgan is the Associate Director of Development for The American Cancer Society. Having always been civically focused, Morgan has served as President for Young Involved Philadelphia as well as Voter Services Chair for The League of Women Voters, Philadelphia and is also a current Buchholz Fellow with the Committee of Seventy.

William (Bill) England, MSW
Campaign Director, PA Health Access Network

William (Bill) England, MSW works for the PA Health Access Network and serves as the Campaign Director for the Here For Us advocacy coalition in Montgomery County, PA. The coalition focus is organizing and mobilizing the nonprofit safety net providers and other community organizations to advocate for strengthening and expanding services that support families and individuals (housing, food insecurity, childcare, health and mental health services, etc.). The core of this work is advocacy supporting a network of services that is diverse, equitable, and inclusive as well as involving the community in all of our efforts. Currently, this includes the MontCo Votes campaign which includes education and outreach, voter registration, and voter mobilization as well as training partners how to conduct voter registration with their constituents as trusted messengers. Bill lives in Suburban Philadelphia with his wife Lorie.
Anjali Robinson-Leary is a senior at Strath Haven High School. She is the co-president of her school’s Women in Cybersecurity chapter, Young Activists Coalition, and Model UN. On the county level, she is the Co-Executive Director of CoSaTIDE. CoSaTIDE is the “council of students advocating for transparency, inclusion, diversity, and equity”. In collaboration with her peers, she works with district administrators and students across PA to help students advocate for policy changes in their schools with regard to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Anjali recently served as a panelist at the “Strengthening Community Symposium” which included a conversation with Dr. Bernice King from the DCIU, Delaware Department of Education, and UPENN GSE Delaware Valley Consortium for Excellence & Equity. It is the “council of students advocating for transparency, inclusion, diversity, and equity” The coalition works with district administrations and students across PA to help students advocate for policy changes in their schools with regard to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Anjali is originally from Southwest Philadelphia, has been a part of Girls Inc. of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey for 5 years and is a Girls Inc. National Teen Advocacy Council alumna. She plans to major in sociology on a pre-law track in college, and to participate in academic research within the fields of sociology and epigenetic.

Brenda A. Robins Wright
President, Philadelphia Branch

Brenda A. Robins Wright, newly elected President of the NAUW Philadelphia Branch. Brenda has been a member of NAUW - Philadelphia Branch since 2003. As a member, she has served as Corresponding Secretary, Second Vice President, Health and Wellness Chair and member of the Community Services Committee. In her capacity as Committee Chair, Brenda planned and implemented a Health and Wellness Fair and a Mental Health First Aid Training course.
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CALL TO ORDER
Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director

OPENING PRAYER
Jill Rogers, Northeast Sectional Chaplain

WELCOME AND RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS AND FOREVER EMERALDS
Dr. Natasha Patterson, Conference Chairperson & Immediate Past President Suburban Philadelphia

INTRODUCTION OF MADAM NATIONAL PRESIDENT WILKERSON
Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director

GREETINGS
Betty Wilkerson, National President

PLENARY I

ROLL CALL
Joann Griffin, Acting Corresponding Secretary

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE RULES
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Kisha Clinton, Northeast Sectional Lay Member

CREDENTIALS REPORT
Krystal Carabello, Second Vice-President, Suburban Philadelphia Branch

INTRODUCTION OF SECTIONAL DIRECTOR
Kisha Clinton, Northeast Sectional Lay Member

SECTIONAL DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE
Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director

OFFICER REPORTS
Kisha Clinton, Northeast Sectional Lay Member
Tatiana Lubin-Hains, Northeast Financial Secretary
Carla Hinds, Northeast Sectional Treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Rita Dunbar, Northeast Sectional Nominating Committee Chair
Joann Griffin, Northeast Sectional Bylaws Chair & Acting Northeast Sectional Corresponding Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Natasha Andrews, Treasurer, Suburban Philadelphia Branch

WELLNESS BREAK (10:15 AM)

WORKSHOP: PROVIDING SUPPORT SERVICES DURING TRYING TIMES (10:30 AM - 11:15AM)
Community Recipient
MODERATOR
Dr. Natasha Patterson, Conference Chairperson & Immediate Past President Suburban Philadelphia

PANELISTS
Tanesha Outterbridge, Family Services of Montgomery County, PA
Alissa McBride, Family Services of Montgomery County, PA
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HILDA A DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
Constance Brown, Northeast Sectional Scholarship Chair

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS
Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director

LUNCH (11:45 AM - 12:30 PM)

PLENARY II (12:30 PM - 1:15 PM)
Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director

WORKSHOP: TRAUMA & COPING STRATEGIES
Dr. Shawn Blue, Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Associate Professor, Thomas Jefferson University

TIME AND PLACE

- October 20-21, 2023 - Southern New Jersey & Trenton Branches
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- October 16-17, 2026 - Long Island Branch
- October 15-16, 2027 - Flushing-North Shore Branch

INVITATION TO 73RD NORTHEAST SECTIONAL CONFERENCE
Southern New Jersey and Trenton Branches

RESOLUTION
Adele Flateau, Brooklyn Branch

ROLL CALL OF CARNATIONS
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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
Betty Wilkerson, National President

REDEDICATION
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Responder: Andrea Manley, Recording Secretary, Suburban Philadelphia Branch

CLOSING PRAYER
Dr. Natasha Pollard, Philadelphia Branch

ADJOURNMENT OF 72nd NORTHEAST SECTIONAL CONFERENCE
Deborah Thurmond, Northeast Sectional Director

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Alissa McBride

Alissa McBride is the Director of Reentry Services at Family Services of Montgomery County. She earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from the University of Michigan and a Master’s Degree in Social Work from Tulane University. In her 22 years at Family Services, Alissa has devoted 13 of them to assisting individuals successfully return to their families and communities following incarceration.

Tanesha Outterbridge

Tanesha Outterbridge is the Director of Community-Based Projects at Family Services of Montgomery County. In her 7 years with Family Services, Tanesha has devoted her efforts to youth engagement, sustaining local community coalition efforts, providing resources and support to parents and youth, and overseeing case management services for the Montgomery County District Attorney’s youth diversionary program. Tanesha earned a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Old Dominion University and a Master of Education from Temple University.
Shawn Blue, Psy.D., is a licensed psychologist and Clinical Associate Professor at Thomas Jefferson University. She is a staff psychologist in the Student Counseling Center as well as Outreach Coordinator overseeing all workshops and programs offered by the Counseling Center. In addition to her faculty status at Jefferson, she carries a clinical caseload including the university’s health professional students and House Staff as well as a small private practice caseload of clients. Dr. Blue conducts individual, couples and group therapy and has specializations in trauma, eating disorders and energy psychology. She has particular interests in interpersonal relationships and wellness programming. Dr. Blue received a Diplomate in Comprehensive Energy Psychology (DCEP) credentialing in 2017 which integrates her interests in mind/body health, energy work and wellness interventions. In addition to her work at Thomas Jefferson University, she has extensive work in the area of campus mental health, including Agnes Scott College, Emory University, Vanderbilt University, Princeton University and Westminster Choir College of Rider University. Dr. Blue supervises psychiatric residents and teaches courses on Diversity, Trauma and Psychological Assessment in the Sydney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University. She also adjunct teaches at Chestnut Hill College, where she alternates between teaching Career Counseling and Psychological Assessment. At Jefferson, she serves on two suicide prevention grant initiatives and also serves as the department’s diversity, equity and inclusion chair.

Dr. Blue has written several scholarly works. She has co-authored several chapters on topics including the psychoanalytic perspective of Martin Luther King, Jr., divorce, violence and the sexual abuse of children. In 2017, she authored a book on grief and romantic relationship dissolution which was published by Lexington Books. Dr. Blue self-published a companion workbook to accompany her book and has created audio imagery scripts to assist individuals who are experiencing grief from a breakup or divorce. In 2020, Dr. Blue authored a book entitled, “The psychology of modern dating: Websites, apps and relationships.“

Dr. Blue is a member of several professional organizations, including the American Psychological Association, the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, the Association of Black Psychologists, the Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists and the Association for Comprehensive Energy Psychology. She is also currently a board member and executive officer for the Association of University and College Counseling Center Outreach (AUCCCO). Dr. Blue is certified in Energy Psychology and is very passionate about mind/body health. Dr. Blue is a very active member of the Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists and has served as chair of the Programming Committee, as well as a member of the Continuing Education and Diversity Committees. Finally, Dr. Blue served on the organization’s Board for three years.

Finally, Dr. Blue is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and is currently president of the Delaware Valley (PA) Chapter of the Links, Inc.
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