



President Maples, Ambassador Rapolaki, Dr. Amara-Otunnu, and Ruth Watt of the IAD Hospitality Committee



President Maples, Ellen Stubbs, and Ruth Watt
Three members of the "2006 Ghana 14"
that traveled to Ghana.

Congratulations Lady Maples



President Peola Smith-Smith presenting Award to President Maples as Dr. Dorsett shared information about the Kufika! Program.



President Maples, Ms. Ogonnji and members of the Nigerian Nurses Association.

**Thank You President Maples for
Representing the League with Class,
Dignity and Professionalism**

Going to National in 2007?

Then you must purchase a \$10 National Raffle Ticket for a chance to win your convention registration, plus a 5 night stay at the hotel.

The drawing will take place during the 2007 Spring Board Meeting. Someone is going to win, why not you!

You may purchase tickets from
Governor Collymore.

Get Set, Get Ready, START!

Shopping in African-American businesses and seeing professionals during November & December to show Power in Our Dollar\$

Information should be submitted to Vice President Calhoun for inclusion in the Year End Program Report.

Yes... we get credit for buying Black....

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, December 17, 2006

Fairmont Hotel – Regency Ballroom

1717 North Akard Street

Downtown – Dallas, Texas

Market Place Silent Auction

Opens @ 4:00 PM

No admittance during

Kawaiidian's "Arrival" Ceremony

5:15 – 6:45 PM

Dinner served – 7:00 PM

Donation \$60.00



Youth, Booster Moms, League Ladies WORKING HARD FOR THE MONEY!

The youth club's annual fundraiser, better known as The *TEXAS SUPER BOWL*... Texas vs OU at the State Fair Cotton Bowl, was a tremendous success. We had a GREAT show of support for the event, including League Ladies (**Gossip, Wilson, Traylor**), Booster Club Mom's {**Burney, Fisher, Leggett, Mitchell**} and Youth Club Members, **Dana, Chandra, Todd, Jade and three NEW members, Ashley, Lakenya and Jasmine**. Even **Darrell**, one of our founding members, who will not be returning this year, rolled up his sleeves and shoveled ice and water, to help out the club.

The youth split into three teams and each managed their inventory, sold water, soda and peanuts to a thirsty, excited crowd of over 30,000 Longhorn and Sooner fans. The experience allowed the club to demonstrate team work, show responsibility, and community involvement as they further developed public communication skills. The event was very taxing and tiring, but everyone persevered and most of all had FUN! Funds raised will go toward the 2007 youth Conference and Convention.

The teams rose over \$200.00 IN TIPS. The youth will donate **\$100.00 to the Koman Race for The Cure, in honor of our League Lady, Marilyn Calhoun. The race is scheduled for October 21, 2006. THANKS TEAM!**

The youth 2006 Mini Conference is planned for October 28, 2006 at the University of North Texas in Oak Cliff.

Getting to Know Your Club Sister...

All League Ladies are asked to prepare a 3-5 minute presentation on your business or profession at the Saturday, Oct 28th General Membership Meeting, to be held at the Center for Community Cooperation, 2900 Live Oak at 9:00 – 11:00 AM. You may use the area in front of you to set a "Mini Booth" for sharing.

We will hold our "Vocal Arts" Competition at the start of our meeting... Come hear two (2) outstanding emerging artists perform.

Rozlyn Baker,
Youth Advisor

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Buzz News ...

October Ladybugs (Prayers, Joys, Birthdays, Concerns, etc.)

Lady Bug Roz and the "Y" Factor had a successful Meet & Greet Session and gained 5 new active members ... Lady Bug Marilyn has another grand girl (M.Z. Sophia) due in February... Lady Bug Rhonda had it going on at the District planning meeting with all the new technology... Lady Bugs Roz, Jeri, Marilyn & Patricia were with Lady Bug Vikki as she opened a new Elegant Bed & Bath Store... The prices are outstanding, plus an additional discounts for Lady Bugs... Lady Bug Governor Beverly had a very productive planning session... Lady Bugs, Patricia, Marilyn, Rhonda and Viveca were all in attendance ... The 45th Conference is going to be one that "YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS" so get started, get started... Lady Bug Jeri is already selling Kufika Invitation at an all time rate... Lady Bug Gossip 's little grand is a "League Lady in training".... Lady Bug Murray had surgery but kept on going and going... We have to slow her buzz a little by helping every chance we get... Lady Bug Romain is buzzy making the Kawaidian's African Attire.... Lady Bug Surel and family have moved to San Diego where husband Jamal Williams plays for the Chargers... She plans to continue supporting Kufika.

Lady Bugs Coming of Age

October

- 01 Charmaine Traylor
- 04 Louise Opoku
- 04 V. Annette Parham
- 16 Vikki Coleman-Melton
- 17 Tashia McGriff
- 19 Patricia Thigpen

For Your Information

Financial Update:

Your membership dues are due plus 15% late fee for National and \$2.00 late fee for District. Please pay your share to keep the League meeting it's obligations.

Have you donated or asked others to donate to the Kufika Silent Auction?

Did you know the League Lady that sells the most Kufika Invitations over 2 Tables will receive 2 authentic African Mask from Ghana, West Africa!

The next Executive Board Meeting will be next Tuesday, October 24, 2006 at the Center for Community Cooperation 6:30 P.M., sharp. Please make plans to arrive on time.

Who is Sojourner Truth



Sojourner Truth (born as Isabella Baumfree) was born in 1797 in Hurley, New York. Her parents, James and Elizabeth, were slaves of a wealthy man from Holland who lived in upstate New York. Sojourner had many different masters as a young child. When she was a teenager she was sold to John J. Dumont. Mr Dumont made Sojourner marry another slave named Thomas. Together they had five children. Dumont was a cruel man, and sold away some of their children.

In 1827, Sojourner escaped from Dumont and was taken in by a Quaker family named Van Wagener. With the help of the Van Wagners, Sojourner won a lawsuit to have her son Peter returned to her. She was then freed in 1828 under the New York State Anti-Slavery Act.

Sojourner was an extremely tall woman, with a commanding voice. Standing six feet tall, she towered over most men and women. She was also an excellent speaker. No matter where Sojourner spoke, crowds nearly always gathered to listen. Although she could not read or write, she became a famous traveling preacher. She spoke for women's rights and the abolition of slavery. She believed that women could do any job just as well as any man. Men often challenged Sojourner's claims. Some people believed that she was really a man dressed up like a woman. To disprove the doubters, Sojourner opened her blouse and showed her breasts to everybody at a meeting.

In 1843 Sojourner said that God told her to change her name from Isabella to Sojourner Truth. This voice also told her to leave the city of New York, and travel throughout the country to spread the truth.

During the Civil War, Sojourner traveled to Washington, D.C. In Washington she sang and preached to make money for black soldiers serving in the Union army. After the war she settled in Washington where she continued to preach about women's rights and the abolition of slavery. Sojourner Truth also attempted to persuade Congress to give former slaves free land in the West. Sojourner Truth died on November 26, 1883, in Battle Creek, Michigan.

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