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BANQUET

**WW II Black Navy Veterans
of Great Lakes**

WELCOME ABOARD"

Welcome to the 5th Annual Reunion,
The Theme for this year "Bring One"

As your President it is both an honor
and a pleasure for me to host what I
anticipate to be one of our greatest
events.

As Black Navy Veterans of WW II, We hold
a unique position in American Society.
Without the sacrifices you have made in
the defence of our Nation, The Freedom
these young Black Officers and enlisted
personel enjoy today would only be dreams.
Therefore it gives me great pleasure to
be a part of and to host this 5th Annual
Reunion of WW II Black Navy Veterans of
Great Lakes.

LeRoy Colston II
President
WW II Black Navy
Veterans of Great Lakes

THE ORGANIZATION OF WW II BLACK NAVY VETERANS OF GREAT LAKES.

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CONSOMME CELESTINE

With Golden Cheese Straws

Fresh Romaine, Endive And
Mushroom Salad
Esquire Dressing

ROAST PRIME RIB OF BEEF AU JUS
With Whipped Horseradish Sauce

Twice Baked Potato

California Medley
Broccoli, Cauliflower And Carrots

Fresh Strawberry Shortcake
Ripe Red Berries and Cream
Whipped to Perfection Join
Light Genoise Garnished With
Swiss Chocolate Dipped Strawberries
Coffee, Tea Or Decaf.



THE REGENCY ROOM

Friday August 22, 1986

7:00P.M.

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Of GREAT LAKES

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Black Women in the Navy
(past & Present)

"While mankind has been slow to
grant woman full recognition
her influence on the course of
human progress has been great."

WW II BLACK NAVY VETERANS BANQUET
August 22, 1986

Master of Ceremony -----James Griffin
Greeting -----LeRoy Colston
President, WW II
Black Navy Vets.
Introduction of -----Senior Enlisted
Representative
NTC. Great Lakes
Invocation-----Rev. Bobby J.
Wallace

****Dinner****

Introduction of-----
Great Speaker
Guest Speaker-----Capt. Julia O. Barnes
NC, U.S.N.
Remarks-----Rep. Golden 13"
Remarks-----Mrs. France Willis-
Thorp.
The First Black Commission Officer of the Waves
NNOA REP.-----LT. Mark Crayton
Great Lakes NTC -----Capt. Louise Wilmot
Special Presentation-----LeRoy Colston
President
Benediction -----

**The Organization
of
WW II Black Navy Veterans
of Great Lakes**

**Hyatt Regency Chicago
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WORLD WAR II BLACK NAVY VETERANS OF GREAT LAKES
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS



August 21, 1986

Greeting!

I am very pleased to join you for our 5th Annual Reunion.

Your persence and participation is always gratifying.

As an organization WW II Black Navy Veterans of Great Lakes is what we collectively make it.

We are enjoying growth in membership strength, A heartly Welcome is extended to our new members,

The military career of many thousands of black men and women is a result of your efforts and acomplishments of over 40 years ago. You proved that the job to be done, could be done.

I extend a special thanks to all officers, committee members, and members of NNØA as well as the Naval personal who have given of their time to make this Reunion a success.

I hope each of you will have a pleasant time and that you depart this gathering with increased pride. I wish you safe travel, and a very rewarding year ahead.

Sincerely,

LeRoy Colston
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LUNCHEON

AUGUST 22, 1986

PORT -0- CALL

Great Lakes Il.

GUEST SPEAKER

Ms. Jacqueline B. Vaughn

President of Chicago Teachers Union

BIOGRAPHY
of
Jacqueline B. Vaughn

Mrs. Jacqueline B. Vaughn, a former classroom teacher of twelve years, taught primary and kindergarten for the Chicago Public School system and special education seminars for teachers at Chicago State University.

Mrs. Vaughn has been on special leave of absence from the Chicago Board of Education as a Language Arts Consultant for the past 18 years where she has faithfully served the Chicago Teachers Union in the capacity of field representative, recording secretary, and vice president.

Mrs. Vaughn became President of Chicago Teachers Union on July 12, 1984. Since that time, she has led two strikes against the Chicago Board of Education, gaining salary increases, restoration of health benefits and, for the first time ever, a multi-year contract.

During 1985, Mrs. Vaughn successfully negotiated Board/Union committees to develop education reform initiatives.

A vice president of the American Federation of Teachers Mrs. Vaughn serves as Chairperson of the Legislative Committee, and is a member of the Task Force on Future Trends in Education. She has also represented the American Federation of Teachers in Lusaka, Zambia; Nairobi, Kenya; Rome, Italy; Tokyo, Japan and Hong Kong.

She is a devoted wife, mother and political activist, and has received countless awards and recognitions for her outstanding contributions to the improvement of education.

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RESOLUTION

Whereas, the WW II Black Navy Veterans of Great Lakes
hereby celebrates its 5th Annual Reunion.

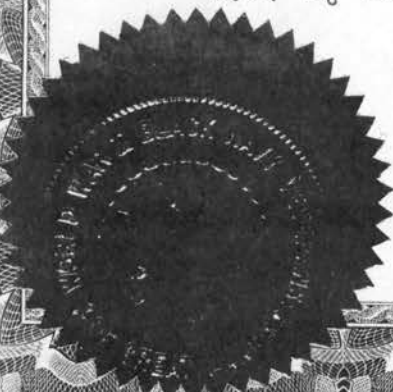
Whereas, the theme "Bring One" was chosen to increase
the membership.

Whereas, Salute the Black Women in the Navy (past &
present) to reflect the contributions they
made to our nation and to the Navy,
making this indeed an historical occasion.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, by this county of cook.
That on this occasion of the 5th Annual
Reunion of WW II Black Navy Veterans that we
do offer our warmest congratulations to black
women officers & enlisted personnel.

Be it further resolved, that this the WW II Black
Navy Veterans does hereby express its sincere
Best Wishes to the Black Women in the Navy.

Dated, at Chicago County of Cook on this 21st day
A.D. of August, 1986



President

LeRoy Colston II

WW II Black Navy Vets.

CHAPTER FOUR

BLACK WOMEN IN THE NAVY (OFFICERS)

On July 30, 1942, a legislative act of Congress authorized the organization of the Women's Reserve (WAVES) of the United States Naval Reserve. Black women were among the first to volunteer; however, their actual recruitment was delayed until December, 1944. The Navy set up officer candidate schools for women at Smith College, Northampton, Mount Holyoke College, Massachusetts and at Hunter College, New York. Mildred McAfee, President of Wellesley College, was the first Director of the WAVES. Civilian groups of Black women and men insisted that Black women be trained in the WAVES as well as in the SPARS in racially integrated companies and be assigned to integrated duties. The Women's Reserve (SPARS) of the Coast Guard was also authorized by Congressional Act in late 1942. At that time, the Navy and the Coast Guard were totally segregated in personnel, units, facilities, and coast stations. In wartime the Coast Guard is controlled by the Navy. In October, 1944, the Navy released plans to train Black women at existing Navy schools on a totally integrated basis; the Coast Guard followed the same practice. In November, 1944, three Black WAVES were sworn into the Navy. Two of them, Miss Ida Harriet Pickens and Miss Francis Eliza Willis entered Officer Candidate School at Smith College. They were commissioned in December, 1944.

In a Navy news release of July 1945 describing the celebration of the third anniversary of the WAVES, statistics showed the total number of WAVES to be 8000 officers and 70,000 enlisted women. Included in this total were two Black officers and 72 Black enlisted women. At the end of World War II, most women, both Black and white, were discharged from the WAVES.

Between 1945 and 1968 few records were maintained regarding Black women in the Navy. Since 1968, the number and percentage of Black officers in the WAVES has steadily increased. In 1968, there were 31 Black female officers in the Navy; in 1974 there were 75. The percentage increase rose from 0.45 in 1968 to 1.2 in December 1974. The total number of all officers in the WAVES in December 1972 was 2,799. As of December 1973, Black WAVE officers held the following ranks in the Navy: 5 commanders, 11 lieutenant commanders, 11 lieutenants, 13 lieutenants (j.g.) and 46 ensigns. There are no Black female flag officers, captains or warrant officers in the Navy.

THE FIRST BLACK WOMAN NAVY PILOT

Twenty-four year old Ms. Jill Brown from Millersville, Maryland, was sworn into a U.S. Navy flight program. Upon graduation, she will become the first Black female pilot in the Navy. She was encouraged by retired Colonel Spann Watson, one of the original pilots of the 99th Fighter Squadron of WWII.

A graduate of Arundel High School and the University of Maryland, she received her flight training at Lee Airport in Edgewater, Maryland and earned a private rating for single engine light aircraft. Ms. Brown has more than 200 hours in the air to her credit. She also gained overwater experience when she flew from Martinique to Trinidad.

The Navy now has six women pilots and eight others will report to Officers Candidate School in November, 1974.



SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, JOHN H. CHAFEE (right) congratulates COMMANDER ROBIN L. QUIGLEY (left center) on her appointment as the new Director of the WAVES along with her promotion to rank of captain on January 4, 1971. Captain Rita Lenhan (right center) is the outgoing WAVE Director. Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., Chief of Naval Operations (left) looks on. (US Navy Photo)

NEW WAVE RECRUITS

Two Black women are sworn into the WAVES during World War II. Although women were recruited in the WAVES in 1942, it was October 1944 when the first Black WAVES were recruited. The delay was partly due to pressure by Black civilian groups who thought that Black women should be integrated initially upon entering the Navy. (US Navy Photo)



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BLACK ENLISTED WAVES

First Negro WAVES enter Hospital Corps School at National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland during World War II. They are (left to right) hospital apprentices Second Class Ruth C. Issacs, Katherine Horton and Inez Patterson. (March 2, 1945) (US Navy Photo)

OCT 1944



BIOGRAPHY

CAPTAIN JULIA O. BARNES
UNITED STATES NAVY
NURSE CORPS

Captain Julia O. Barnes was born in Henderson, NC and educated in the public school system of Philadelphia, PA where she received her diploma from Hahnemann Hospital School of Nursing in 1957.

In June 1958, she was commissioned an Ensign in the Navy Nurse Corps. Upon completion of Officer Indoctrination at Naval Hospital St. Albans, Long Island, New York, she reported to Naval Hospital Oakland, CA for her first tour of duty. In June 1963, then Lieutenant Barnes was reassigned to Naval Hospital Guam, Marianas Islands, where she served as Operating Room Supervisor until July 1964. Her next tour of duty was at Naval Hospital Great Lakes, IL where she served as an Orthopedic Ward Nurse, and later transferred to the Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat clinics and operating rooms.

In 1966, she returned to Philadelphia, PA where she remained until 1974. During that period she served in Operating Room Supervisory positions, was promoted to Lieutenant Commander, and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from the University of Pennsylvania.

Subsequent assignments include tours of duty as Chief Nurse at Naval Hospital, Guam, Marianas Islands, and Naval Air Station, Lemoore, CA. It was while at Lemoore that she received her master's degree in Human Resource Management from Pepperdine University. Since 1979, Captain Barnes has served as Director of Nursing at Naval Hospitals Great Lakes, IL, and Portsmouth, VA, and, as Executive Officer, Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, NC.

In July 1986, Captain Barnes will relieve Captain Hubert H. Sowers, Jr., MSC, USN, as Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, IL.

Her personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal; Navy Commendation Medal with Gold Star in lieu of 2nd award; and Humanitarian Service Medal.

Captain Barnes is the daughter of Mrs. Annie Sims Harris and sister of Mrs. Annie R. Wallace, of Philadelphia, PA. Her interests include sewing, music, cooking and gardening.

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LT. COMMANDER MARGIE L. TURNER, U.S.N.
1st Black Female Senior Officer

During the past years, the U.S. Navy has progressed in many areas, including minority affairs. Those individuals desiring a rewarding career should seriously consider the Navy as a satisfying future. Recently, Lt. Commander Margie L. Turner became the Navy's senior Black female line officer when she was selected for commander.

Says LT. Commander Turner, "my career has been very stimulating, exciting, and enlightening." Commander Turner was the first female officer of any branch of service to be assigned to Joint Chiefs of Staff Message Center in Washington, D.C.

She was responsible for processing messages for Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of Defense, and Defense Intelligence Agency. Commander select Turner was also the first Black female officer to serve as officer in charge of Movement Report Center, Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, Norfolk, Va.

She served other interesting tours of duty in her fourteen years of naval service, such as Chief of Naval Operations Communication Center, and Bureau of Naval Personnel both located in Washington, D.C. Commander Turner received her commission through the Women Officers Candidate School, Newport, R.I. after receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree from Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala.

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This proposal is that the WW II Black Navy Veterans establish an convention board of directors to plan and manage all WW II Black Navy Veterans conventions.

After having some experience in planning and participating in several conventions (other than WW II BNV), and now being involved in planning for the second year of our annual convention, I see a definite need to change our approach to convention planning and production.

Some items that were considered in arriving at this conclusion are as follows:

1. To form a convention organization each year is a waste of time and money.
2. After four years of convention planning, We the B.N.V. should have developed much more expertise in this area.
 - a. establish the convention dates.
 - b. contract for printing convention materials.
 - c. maintain the mailing list.
 - d. make the two convention mailing, on an appropriate schrdale.
 - e. maintain general convention files and source data.
 - f. obtain the suggested speakers.
 - g. establish the basic programs.

Also it is desired that all public relation, particularly printed material, should be approved by the President,

CONSTITUTION OF THE WORLD WAR II BLACK NAVY VETERANS
OF GREAT LAKES

ARTICLE I: NAME OF ORGANIZATION

4 The name of this Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation shall be the WORLD WAR II BLACK NAVY VETERANS OF GREAT LAKES (hereafter called ORGANIZATION).

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

Purposes of the ORGANIZATION are:

A. To continue the fellowship commenced during our war time activities at Great Lakes and at other Naval Stations Throughout the World.

B. To foster and encourage a feeling of good will among black youth for the United States Navy with a view to encouraging them to enlist and take advantage of the many opportunities it affords.

ARTICLE III: OFFICE

The corporation shall have and maintain a registered office which address shall be in the city of Chicago, Illinois upon incorporation.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

4 Membership in this ORGANIZATION shall be open to all United States Navy Veterans who trained and served at Great Lakes Naval Training Station at one time or another during World War II from June, 1942 - August, 1945.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

The members of the ORGANIZATION shall, at an Annual Meeting to be held in the month of August of each year, or at such other time as the membership decides to select the following officers: a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, a Parliamentarian, and a Master at Arms.

The members may create and fill any other offices that they deem necessary to carry out the function of their Charter.

ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The ORGANIZATION shall select a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of the ORGANIZATION shall consist of the elected officers and four (4) additional persons to be chosen by the members of the Annual Meeting. Directors' terms shall be for two (2) years, with two (2) Directors being elected initially for a one (1) year period and two (2) Directors for a two (2) year period.

ARTICLE VII: DUTIES OF THE BOARD

The Board shall exercise all corporate powers and implement policies and programs decided on by the members. They shall meet from time to time, and deal with matters not decided by the members of the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII: TERM OF OFFICE OF OFFICERS

All officers shall serve in office for one year or until his successor has been elected and qualified.

ARTICLE IX: VACANCIES

Any vacancy occurring on the Board by reason of death, resignation or other inability will be filled by the Board of Directors at the earliest opportunity.

ARTICLE X: MEETINGS

The regular meetings of the ORGANIZATION will be held each year at a time and place to be designated by the members upon the advice and recommendation of a Time and Place Committee.

Meetings of the Board may be held at such places and at such times as the Board shall decide.

ARTICLE XI: QUORUM

One-third (1/3) of the membership of the ORGANIZATION, or of the Board of Directors shall constitute a Quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board or the Membership.

ARTICLE XII: NOTICE

Notices of the Annual Meeting and of any special meeting of the ORGANIZATION or of the Board of Directors shall be by mail and shall be supplied to all members in good standing at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of such meeting.

ARTICLE XIII: REMOVAL

Any officer or member of the Board may be removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board whenever in its judgment the best interest of the ORGANIZATION would be served thereby. But, such removal shall be after thirty (30) days notice to the person sought to be removed and after an appropriate hearing by the Board.

ARTICLE XIV: DUTIES

1. Duties of the President

The President shall be the principal Executive Officer of the ORGANIZATION and shall supervise and control its business affairs. He shall preside at all meetings

of the membership and of the Board, and shall together with the Treasurer or Secretary sign all checks which are authorized by the Board or by the membership.

2. Duties of the Vice President.

In the absence of the President or in the event of his death or inability to act the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President and when so acting shall have all the powers and duties of the President. The Vice President shall in addition to the above duties, perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.

3. Secretary.

The Secretary shall keep the Minutes of the meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provision of these by-laws, or as are required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the Seal of the ORGANIZATION, and see that the SEAL of the ORGANIZATION is affixed where necessary for all official documents.

4. Corresponding Secretary.

The Corresponding Secretary shall handle the general correspondence, including notices of meetings and keep a record of correspondence of other officials. Additionally, the Corresponding Secretary shall provide all members of the ORGANIZATION with copies of Minutes of all meetings, motions passed, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all members of the ORGANIZATION.

5. Treasurer.

If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful performance of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. He shall have charge of and be custodian of all funds of the ORGANIZATION; shall receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the ORGANIZATION from any source whatsoever and deposit all such monies in the name of the ORGANIZATION in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with direction of the membership or of the Board. He shall additionally, in cooperation with the members of the Board of Directors or with any Finance Committee the membership of the Board establishes, prepares a budget and shall see to its faithful execution.

ARTICLE XV: COMMITTEES

1. Committees of Directors.

The Board of Directors by resolution adopted by a majority of the Officers and Directors in office may designate an Executive Committee which Committee shall exist of three (3) or more officers or members of the Board. To the extent provided for in the resolution establishing the Executive Committee they shall exercise the authority of the Board in the absence of meeting of the Board. The designation of such Committee and delegation to it of authority shall not, however, operate to relieve the Board of Directors or any individual Director of any responsibility imposed upon him by law or by these by-laws.

2. The President shall appoint any Committee, and designate its Chairman to carry out the requirements, policies or programs of the ORGANIZATION. The Chairman of each Committee must be a member of the Organization. The Chairman or any member of any Committee may be removed by the President whenever in his judgment the best interest of the ORGANIZATION shall be served by such a move.

4. Standing Committees
Standing Committees of the ORGANIZATION shall be as follows:
 - a. Executive Committee.
 - b. Membership Committee
 - c. Program Committee
 - d. Finance Committee
 - e. Budget Committee
 - f. Publicity Committee
 - g. Constitution and By-Laws

ARTICLE XVI: CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSIT AND FUNDS

Section 1: Contracts

The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or agents of the Center in addition to the officers so authorized by these by-laws to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of this ORGANIZATION.

Section 2: Deposits

All funds of the ORGANIZATION shall be deposited to the credit of the ORGANIZATION in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

Section 3: Dues

The membership from time to time may determine the amount of dues required of each member of the ORGANIZATION.

ARTICLE XVII: DEFAULT AND TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

When any member shall be in default in the payment of dues for more than one month from the beginning of the fiscal year his membership thereupon may be terminated.

ARTICLE XVIII: SEAL

The Board of Directors shall provide a Corporate Seal which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the words "Corporate Seal".

ARTICLE XIX: WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of the General Not-For-Profit Corporation Act of the State of Illinois or under any other state that this Corporation may become organized, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after the time stated therein it shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE XX: AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

This Constitution may be altered, amended or repealed and by-laws may be adopted by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at any Annual Meeting of the ORGANIZATION, provided that notice of any proposed change or amendment is supplied to the members at least thirty (30) days before the commencement of such meeting.