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President's Message

Hello NAACP SLO County Members and Friends,

We are embarking on our fifth year as the premier social justice organization in the county. Congratulations to each and every one of our members who have made this possible. At our Juneteenth Celebration we will be celebrating Human Liberation and Emotional Competency, the next frontier of human development. It is our unit's goal and objective to change the world by changing ourselves. This is the core of being liberated. We have our vision in sight and it is up to us to make it happen. Join us on Healing Mondays as we move into the next frontier. HAPPY

ANIVERSARY!!

Lynching the Metaphor

There is more than one way to kill a cat or to lynch a black human being..." to lynch is defined as 1. To inflict punishment, especially death, upon, without the forms of law; as when a mob captures and hang a suspected person." What was surprising was how often black people would be lynched, not because they were accused of murder or rape or some serious crime. Thousands and thousands of black people were lynched because of some social transgression. For example: roaming eyes (they looked at a white person); they didn't call a white man Sir or because they walked too close to a white woman; because they went to the front door. Lots of Black people, including many Black women, were lynched because they complained about their wages, lynching of their husband or son or father. I think most people don't realize how menacing this system of violence was and how accepted it was by law enforcement, judges and teachers. I mean, the people who carried out lynching were not only the Klan members in robes; they were the bankers, business people, and clergy. There were lots of lynching's that took place out-side of churches, and the church members were complicit in the violence.

As with violence there are two kinds: 1. Direct Violence: Rape, Beating, Fighting and War 2. Indirect Violence: Greed, Selfishness, Gossiping, Thoughtlessness, Exploitation (Justify, unjustified Persons' or Actions). So is it with lynching: 1. Direct Lynching: Rape, Beating, and Hanging. 2. Indirect Lynching:

- 1. Greed and selfishness based lynching (white privilege and white power)
- 2. Gossiping & Lying based lynching (character assassination and stereotypes, mis-education)
- 3. Thoughtlessness Lynching (double Standards)
- 4. Exploitation Lynching (poverty and prison complex system)
- 5. Justify/ unjustified person or actions(hatred and ignorance based lynching)
- 6. Prejudice, Bigotry, Intolerance based lynching
- 7. Melanin, Gender, Color, Age. Based lynching
- 8. Police and Medical Lynching

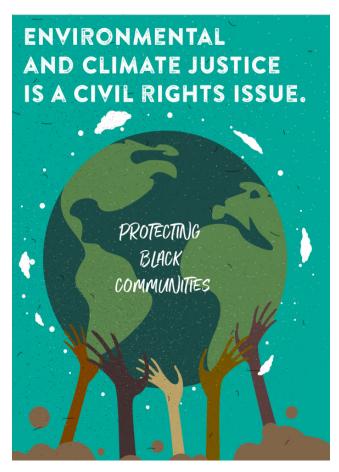
Nothing has changed, and as the song said, "it's a hundred ways to leave your lover" and to lynch a black human being. Rev. Stephen Vines, President, SLO County NAACP

Review of April Events

HEALING MONDAYS

The best investment you can make!







Upcoming Branch Activities

General Membership Meeting:

Second Tuesday of Every Month via ZOOM Time: 6:30PM-8:15PM For a link, email us at naacpslocty@gmail.com



Executive Team Meetings:

Third Thursday of Every Month via ZOOM, 6:00 PM to 7:45. For a link, email us at naacpslocty@gmail.com

Peoples Team:

Activities, Communications/Press and Publicity, Community Coordinator, Freedom Fund and Membership Committees meet on the Second Thursday of Every Month at 6:00pm via ZOOM.

Activism Team:

Criminal Justice, Community Coordinator, Envi-ronmental Justice, Political Action, Legal Redress and Prison Branch Committees meet on the Fourth Wednesday of Every Month at 6:00pm via ZOOM. For a link, email us at naacpslocty@gmail.com

Outreach Team: Armed Services/Veterans Affairs, Economic Development, Housing, Labor/Industry Committees; meeting date and time TBD. For a link, email us at naacpslocty@gmail.com

Humanities Team:

Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technology And Scientific Olympic (ACT-SO) Academic, College/Youth Works, Education and Health meet on the First Wednesday of Every Month 7:00pm via ZOOM. For a link, email us at naacpslocty@gmail.com

Community Outreach Team:

If you are interested in getting involved in your community, become a part of our outreach team. Email us at naacpslocty@gmail.com

Healing Mondays

Every Monday via ZOOM, 7:15 pm - 8:15 pm Facilitated by Rev. Stephen Vines and Karen Burish Wyke. Details on following page.

And Beyond . . .

Save the Date!

Juneteenth Celebration 2022, June 18-19th

Theme: Emotional Competency

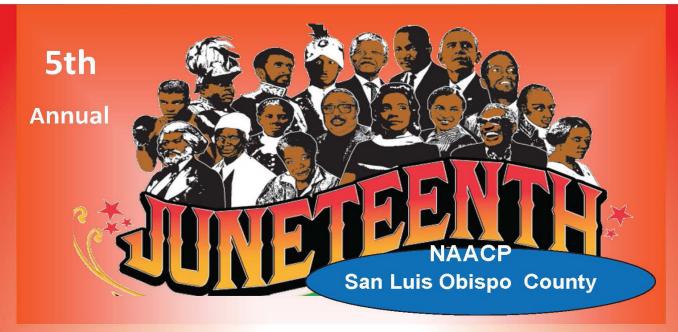
"The next frontier in human development"

Juneteenthslo.com



Our Juneteenth Celebration is six weeks away! We are excited to announce that The Legendary House of Prayer Choir will be opening the event with some Gospel music followed by Mo Better Jazz vocals by Deborah Gilmore with a mix of R&B!

Stay tuned for weekly updates!



Two Great Days of Activities with the theme:

Emotional Competency: "The Next Frontier in Human Development."

Website: juneteenthslo.com

Saturday June 18, 2022

Health and Wellness Fair which will be held 11:00 am-4:00 pm at Mission Plaza in San Luis Obispo. Music, Culture and Fun!

Click Here for info to be a Sponsor or a food, merchandise, or health & wellness Vendor

Sunday, June 19, 2022

Movie and panel discussion. SLO Public Market, 3:00 - 6:00 pm

The Movie we will be viewing and discussing: "Passing"
In 1920s New York City, a black woman finds her world up-ended when her life

In 1920s New York City, a black woman finds her world up-ended when her life becomes intertwined with a former childhood friend who's passing as white.





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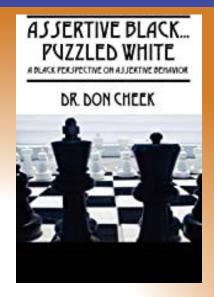
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Currently Studying:



Assertive Black...Puzzled White by Donald Cheek, Ph.D. is said to be before it's time as it presents informative, honest and dynamic ideas about black vs. white questions currently facing America. Dr. Cheek connects the traumatic history of the past to the complex issues of the present by dealing with the psycho-historical effects of Jim Crow in America along with the "cultural residue" of segregation, prejudice and discrimination. Dr. Cheek keeps it real by speaking untold truths.

As the media continues to address the cultural differences, Dr. Cheek offers up his years of research compiled into a much needed study guide in Asertive-Black...Puzzled White. Dr. Cheek examines the roots of differences between black and white styles, thoughts and attitude; and he compares the diversities seen in oral and written communication, as well as in child rearing, marriage, family, education, churches, peer groups, music, humor and various aspects of "surviving" or "making it". Dr. Cheek gives just the right insight for the race issue of today-especially prevalent with a black President and First Lady-as an assertive black community is facing a puzzled white population.

Join Us for this Important Work.

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SAVE THE DATE HACK4IMPACT DEMO DAY

Cal Poly Computer Science in collaboration with the NAACP SLO County Branch has developed a software program to help us to be more efficient in our efforts for equality and iustice for all.

The Big Reveal/Demo Day wll be taking place on Thursday, May 12 at 6pm Cal Poly SLO's Computer Science Building (14-249)

If you are unable to attend in-person, they are planning to have a Zoom option available for the night, and will send the link closer to the event date.

Please join us for this fun event!





President, Stephen Vines attended an introduction/welcome to the District event with Cogressman Carbajal and Jimmy Panetta





NAACP National

ACT-SO ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

Inspires young Black students to pursue your creative talents and academic dreams with purpose and unrestricted passion.

EXPLORE YOUR PASSIONS

Each year, high school students across the country start a journey to sharpen their skills through the Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO). From visual arts and business to performing and culinary arts, participants work with community-based volunteers for a year to develop projects and performances. The experience culminates in local and national events where students compete for scholarships and other rewards.



STUDENT INTEREST AREAS

ACT-SO inspires young Black students to expand their horizons and sharpen their skills. From performing and culinary arts to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), students can demonstrate their talents in up to three competition areas. Explore the 32 competitive fields. STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math)

THE PERFORMING ARTS
HUMANITIES
THE VISUAL ARTS
BUSINESS
CULINARY



More on the interest areas

Want to be a part of the ACT-SO program? Apply to share your talents and become a part of the experience. **Application Form**

WE NEED YOU IN THE FIGHT

Each and every NAACP member makes a difference to the complex, ongoing work of advancing racial equity. We have driven the hardest-fought wins for civil rights and social justice — with you by our side, we can accelerate the next milestones for Black Americans.

Join this multigenerational network of activists dismantling structural racism by using your power to take action on the most pressing issues of our time.