



# **Goldie Locke Excel Awards**

**Stepping Stones  
to Success:  
Reaching,  
Achieving,  
Excelling**

## ***Goldie Locke Excel Awards***

**April 12 & 13, 2016 ~ 7:00 pm  
Curtis Culwell Convention Center  
(Ballroom)**

**A Component of the NAACP  
Back To School/Stay In School Program**

# ***Elementary School Awards***

Tuesday, April 12, 2016 ~ 7:00pm

Curtis Culwell Center

**Statia Paschel, Master of Ceremonies**

## **Invocation**

Sharon Lee

Garland NAACP, Education Committee

## **“Lift Every Voice and Sing,” Video Presentation**

by James Weldon Johnson and R. Rosamond Johnson

## ***A Special Video Tribute to Goldie Locke***

## **Encouragement to our Elementary School Awardees**

Shana Merrick, RN

Baylor Scott and White Medical Center at Garland

## **A Special Tribute**

Felecia Haggerty, Garland High School, Junior

“Girl on Fire,” Alicia Keys

## **Presentation of Honorees**

*Principals and School Representatives*

Ricky McNeal, President, Garland NAACP, Baylor

Shana Merrick, Baylor Scott and White Medical Center at Garland

## **Remarks/Benediction**

Ricky McNeal, President, Garland NAACP

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**2015-2016**  
**Garland NAACP Goldie Locke Excel Awards - Elementary**

<b>Campus</b>	<b>Student's Name</b>	<b>Student's Name</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
Abbett-143	Adiam Adhanom	Jacob Clayborn	Ralph Mills
Armstrong-155	Hannah Johnson-Doddy	Mikaele Graham Ivy	Coleman Bruman
Back-140	Tamia Cain	Khalil Smith	Chris Marshall
Beaver-101	Amaya Perkins	Lamont Potts, Jr.	Jason Adams
Bradfield-119	N/A	Jaylon Johnson	Roberto Diaz
Bullock-102	Leila Hacker	Demarcus Rivers	Candi Goodwin
Caldwell - 103	Antoniya Baker	Antravious Baker	Zabdi Gonzalez
Carver - 159	Jaylin O'Neal	Mark Gatewood	Wendy Williams
Centerville-105	Yetunde Opegbemi	Jaden Holden	Dr. Amie Pennington
Classical Center @ Vial -129	Jordyn Hairston	Amar Gibbons	Charla McClure
Club Hill-132	Alaya Horton	Jaylen Washington	Michelle Prince
Cooper-107	Gizelle Robinson	Keenan Ivory	Dr. Darlene Cravens
Couch-157	Destiny Dinkins	Juan Jenkins	Wendy Bailey
Daugherty-108	Laniya Williams	Richard Wilson	Dr. Bonnie Barrett
Davis-126	Shaniece Williams	Jacob Sanders	Patricia Tatum
Dorsey-148	Janelle Polk	Joseph Rivera	Debbie Chisholm
Ethridge-128	Kyla Epps	Donte' Parker	Jill Vincent
Freeman-109	Dovie Dickerson	Demonico Turner	Vicki High
Giddens-Steadham - 154	Crislyn Rose	Cavin Holmes	Cyndi Ortiz
Golden Meadows-123	Jalisa Hathorn	Ivan Thompson III	Monica Scott
Handley-110	Kaitlyn Westbrook	Trevon Frazier	Jana Prince
Heather Glen-124	Kayla Wilson	Curtis Johnson III	Cristal Joslin
Herfurth-142	Nevaeh Washington Smith	Damion Monette	Bobbie Carter
Hickman-133	Mariyah Smith	Dominique Hall	Disa McEwen
Hillside Academy-125	Chinechezi Odemena	Jederris Carr	Sonya Palmer
Keeley-144	Erica Mujuni	Jayden Lewis	Spencer Hughes
Kimberlin Academy-111	Samaria Anderson-Jackson	Christian McKendall	Tyisha Nelson
Liberty Grove - 158	Jiana Williams	Christopher Talley	Elisa Wittrock
Lister-147	Ja'Nya Cornell	Raylen Knighten-Sanders	Cheryl Alexander
Luna-139	Natalee Wallace	Skylar Chester	Deborah Wilkerson
Montclair-121	Sanai Wooten	Terry Chambers, Jr.	Andy Kiser
Northlake-134	Aumara Thompson	John Paul Ihematulam	Zurie Tafciu
Park Crest-112	Auriel Ballard	Jayden Martin	Raelyn Scroggin
Pearson - 156	Kiyia Newton	Gary Graham	Vicki I. DeVantier
Routh Roach-127	Messyah Felder	Jeremiah Mason	Jeanette O'Neal
Rowlett-137	Tocarra Jones	Jackson Dinkins	Roderick King
Sewell-145	Le'Naja Blue	Michael Ikecukwu	Kim Marsh
Shorehaven-120	Mariah Brown	Kaliq Davis	Keisha Davis
Shugart-141	Za'Nya Locure	De'Shaun Sanders	Kelly Williams
Southgate-113	Alivia Bass	Taylor Clark	Quinton Darden
Spring Creek-138	Jacqlin Ikpe	Desric Macfoy	Sue Sheridan
Stephens-146	Savanah Harden	Rishard Dillard	Janee Haynes
Toler-136	Fayth Sanders	Kameron Smith	Edwin Hood
Walnut Glen Academy.-122	Furtona Amare	Deshon White	Lisa Alexander
Watson Technology. Center -115	Kei'Aaisha Mays	LaDaimian Rector	Dr. Tim Brown
Weaver-116	Muslimah Davis	Caleb Johnson	Dr. Leslie Russell
Williams-117	Qiara Barrett	Tatiana Cole	Ellen Mooney

# ***Middle School Awards***

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 ~ 7:00pm

Curtis Culwell Center

**Dr. Joyce Miller, Master of Ceremonies**

## **Invocation**

Ora Prioleau

Garland NAACP Education Committee

## **“Lift Every Voice and Sing,” Video Presentation**

by James Weldon Johnson and R. Rosamond Johnson

Austin Academy Acapella Choir, Theresa Whatley, Director

## ***A Special Video Tribute to Goldie Locke***

## **Encouragement to Our Middle School Awardees**

Mary Whitt, Community Liaison for Garland Independent School District

## **A Special Tribute**

Zaria Dickson, Garland High School, Senior

“Almost There,” from “Princess and the Frog”

## **Presentation of Honorees**

*Principals and School Representatives*

Ricky McNeal, President, Garland NAACP President

Mary Whitt, Community Liaison for Garland Independent School

## **Remarks/Benediction**

Ricky McNeal, President, Garland NAACP

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**2015-2016  
Garland NAACP Goldie Locke Excel Award Recipients – Middle School**

<b>Campus</b>		<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>
<b>Austin Academy 041</b>		Jada Brown	Saniya Anderson-Jackson	Cynthia Onyekwe
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Holly Frantz</i></b>	Jordan Brown	Garrett Tolbert	Henry Dinkens
<b>Classical Ctr @ Brandenburg 047</b>		Daeja Clayborn	Kaitlan Stephens	Chimaka Nwosu
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Kelli Harmon</i></b>	La'Shawn Johnson	Rimon Fitwi	Caleb Jones
<b>Bussey MS 042</b>		Rona Dusabe	Emoni Haggerty	Heaven Barclay
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Mary Garcia</i></b>	Jaylen Hardin	Jamyren Douglas	Jayden Jones
<b>Coyle MS 050</b>		Riana Carter	Tierra Jones	Jhala Bolden
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Michael Bland</i></b>	Matthew Thomas	Cameron Smalls	Medhanye Abraha
<b>Houston MS 043</b>		Zariah Terrell	Jackie Roberts	Autayvia Tyler
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Randy King</i></b>	Joseph Watson II	Zaileon Clark	Rashaunn Mangum
<b>Hudson MS 052</b>		Alexis Brown	Carmen Bell	Mychelle Garrett
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Jennifer Benavides</i></b>	Nico Murchison	Xavier Ellis	Donavon Johnson
<b>Jackson Technology 045</b>		Taniya Thompson	Audrey Uzoukwu	Camari Roy
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>David Dunphy</i></b>	Micah Dixon	Kameron Wheeler	Cameron Stegall
<b>Lyles MS 051</b>		Lauren Franks	Trinity Jenkins	Aysiahnae Colbert
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Darrin Hemphill</i></b>	Brent Woods	Michael Anderson	Emmanuel Nwazue
<b>O'Banion MS 046</b>		Racquel Brown	Andrea Whitlock	Tiara Stewart
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>John Tucci</i></b>	Tyrese Rainwater	Shannon Williams	Terrance Allen, Jr.
<b>Schrade MS 054</b>		Madison Perkins	Zaria Minafee	Terri'anna Wallace
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Cherelle Wilson</i></b>	Antwon Williams	Kyla Lewis	Ja'merika Johnson
<b>Sellers MS 048</b>		Demya Baccus	Deja Brown	Endia Venters
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Dr. Vikki Mahagan</i></b>	Ahmad Kamara	James O'Neal	Muluken Beressa
<b>Webb MS 049</b>		Zariyah Fite	Michaela Reece-Lee	Asia Haggerty
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Kenneth Washington</i></b>	Aden Duncan	Kendall McConnell	Devarea Williams
<b>Memorial Pathway Academy 044</b>				Malcolm Lewis
<b>Presenter</b>	<b><i>Jim Thomas</i></b>			

# Garland Branch NAACP

Meetings, 4th Tuesday of Each Month,  
Garland Women's Activities Building, 712 Austin Street, Garland

## Officers

**Ricky McNeal, President**  
**The Honorable Annie Dickson, Vice-President**  
**Chonda Williams, Secretary**  
**Larry Daniels, Treasurer**

## Executive Committee & Committee Chairs:

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|---|---|
| -Chester Johnson, Legal Redress                 | -Angela Johnson, Labor & Industry       |
| -Carol Blakes, Health                           | -Lillie Hopkins, Membership             |
| -Dr. Joyce Miller, Education & Youth Works      | -Ricky McNeal, Political Action         |
| -Gwen Daniels, MLK, Jr., Parade & Program       | -Ruby Adams, Freedom Fund               |
| -Corsharra Pernel, MLK, Jr., Youth Extravaganza | -Gwen Clemmons                          |
| Timothy Robinson, Housing                       | -Michael Gunn, Silent Auction, Parade   |
| -Annie Dickson, Silent Auction                  | -Terri Doggett, MLK Program             |
| -Gwen Daniels, Winter Ball                      | -Robert Ben, Silent Auction, MLK Parade |



### “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet,  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears have been watered,  
We have come, treading our path thro' the blood of the slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,  
God of our silent tears,  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who hast by thy might, led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee,  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand,  
True to our God, true to our native land.

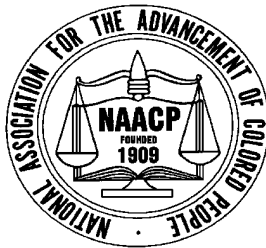
# **Garland Branch NAACP Youth Council**

Meetings, 1st Saturday of Each Month, 12 noon, Location TBA

## **2015 - 2016 Officers**

Gabria Pearson.....President  
Avery Pearson.....1st Vice-President  
Yasmin Rodgers.....2nd Vice-President  
Zaria Steele.....Secretary  
Dymetria Washington .....Treasurer  
Tiatyana Campbell..... Chaplain  
Dr. Joyce Miller ..... Youth Advisor  
Gwen Clemmons.....Assistant Youth Advisor

## **Garland Branch**



### **Youth Council**

**2012 National Youth Council of the Year  
& 2014 State Youth Council of the Year**

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# Goldie Locke

Community Leader & Founder of the Garland NAACP

April 30, 1937 – September 13, 2008



## *COMMUNITY/ CIVIC INVOLVEMENT:*

Goldie Locke was founding President of the Garland Branch NAACP and a charter member. During her presidency, the Branch filed to Intervene in the Desegregation of Garland ISD Schools with Attorney Edward Cloutman. Garland Independent School District is still governed by the desegregation plans of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the 1970 Civil Court Order, and the 1987 Civil Court Action. As a result of the court orders, the academies of Garland (Hillside, Kimberlin and others) were established. Although all schools were affected, Kimberlin Academy is an excellent example of education improvements which occurred because of the effort of Goldie Locke and other Garland pioneers and leaders.

Goldie birthed the Garland Independent School District's NAACP EXCEL awards. Her idea was to reach out to the middle school youth who were not being recognized for their efforts in striving to do their best. A formal recognition program was instituted as a result of this "idea." Until her death, Goldie served as a member of the Multi-Ethnic Committee initiated by the desegregation Court Order. To support the need for the EXCEL Awards Program, Goldie viewed data which proved that the dropout rate for African-American students was higher in middle schools than for other students. After her death, the Garland NAACP renamed this program the "Goldie Locke EXCEL Award."

Goldie's service extended beyond the Garland ISD to the City of Garland. During the 70's Goldie led the fight to change Garland from an at large to a single member district. This made it possible for all citizens to have equal representation. Because of the efforts of Annie Dickson, Dale Long and Dorothy Brooks we now have a community meeting room named in honor of Goldie Locke located in downtown Garland across from City Hall. This room is open to the Citizens of Garland, a city Goldie loved and served.