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**THE SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT  
of The NANBPWC, Inc.  
PRESENTS THE HONORABLE DAWNNA DUKES  
As Keynote Speaker During  
The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual District Conference  
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2007**

**AUSTIN, March 2007 – The South Central District** of the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., is proud to announce the convening of its **45<sup>th</sup> Annual District Conference in Austin, Texas, March 15-18, 2007** at the Hilton Austin Airport Hotel. The conference opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, with a **Public Forum featuring Dr. Mary Lou Adams** discussing health-promoting behaviors of women, and author **Joyce Scott, founder / owner of the Superb Speakers Bureau.**

The District delegation will be hosted by **Texas State Senator Royce West** at the Capitol building on Friday, where he will present them with a State Resolution, and the delegates will present new books to the Allison and Matthews Elementary School Principals for their school libraries. Saturday, the public is again invited to the **Awards Luncheon in the hotel's Bergstrom Ballroom featuring keynote speaker Dawnna Dukes, Texas State Representative.** Along with Representative Dukes, **Ms. Joyce James and Ms. Jeannette Peten will be presented as the Hope Award nominees**, one of whom will be announced as the *2007 Hope Award* recipient during the luncheon.

**Saturday night, the Vocal Arts Competition for Emerging Artists** will be held that features young college students who are pursuing classical vocal performance and opera as a career. *"This is an exciting meeting that we look forward to every year. It is during this conclave that we share our community service successes, encourage our Youth Clubs and Youth through their presentations, gather new ideas and information we can take back to our various communities, and where we present scholarships and contribute to the UNCF – we do it all, and we love it."*

The conference will close with the **Dr. Versia L. Lacy Prayer Breakfast** and other award presentations for the clubs.

**Tickets for the Luncheon are \$40.00** per person, with a portion of the proceeds going to support our Youth programs and scholarships given each year. The \$10.00 admission contribution for the Vocal Arts Competition provides financial support for these budding artists.

**Valet Parking is available ▪ Free self-parking.**

**Seating for the Awards Luncheon is limited.** For ticket purchases, contact the South Central District at 214-618-2316 / [scdnanbpwcinc@aol.com](mailto:scdnanbpwcinc@aol.com), or send your checks payable to:

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The South Central District would like to thank its Capitol host, sponsors and supporters, and collaborators, including: **Texas State Senator Royce West; the West Dallas Community Centers; and the Austin Independent School District.**

The South Central District of The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) community service organization, and as one of the six domestic Districts of its national organization, is comprised of the states of Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.