

Branch President Commentary
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Freedom Fighters:

The hate groups monitored by a national organization, (SPLC) said that these groups within the US have been growing unfortunately. The known hate groups within New Hampshire have more than doubled within the past year from two to five groups. This mind set might account the downturn of support from individuals, as well as businesses for our branch, however; I would like to think that the current economy is the major cause.

The Portsmouth Unit/Branch of the NAACP is considered to be among the best within the New England Area Conference, (NEAC) in all of the important areas that are monitored. Unfortunately, only a hand full of us is carrying the lion share of the workload. We need more volunteers to help with this important work. Listed for you are the committees authorized, and positions filled. We need more workers, there are reasons I am sure why more members won't step up to the plate. We need the benefit of your life's experiences in helping us to make more intelligent and informed decisions.

If you see any area that you would devote a few hours to a month, please contact our secretary.

UN - filled but needed committees chairpersons, and committee members includes: MEMBERSHIP – HOUSING – FINANCE – FREEDOM FUND – LABOR AND INDUSTRY – ARMED SERVICES AND VETERANS AFFAIRS – COMMUNITY COORDINATOR – YOUTH COUNCIL ADVISORS – ASSISTANT TREASURER – COMMUNICATIONS – EDUCATION - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT– PRESS AND PUBLICITY and NEWSLETTERS. We have many empty committees unfortunately.

The September 8, 2011 meeting will have a fantastic opportunity to take part in a short seminar that addresses: how to improve efforts for getting articles published in the media. Bring a pad and pencil for notes. I have been interfacing with a number of both private and government businesses. Their outlook for future growth in the near future is bleak at best. We may consider adding an additional category to our committees such as: (how best to survive in a troubled economy). Hundreds of jobs in New Hampshire are being seriously reduced or eliminated entirely. This is especially true in state government as well as in the health care areas.

Come visit with us send or bring a friend. NEAC the next level above Unit/Branches now have a web site: www.theneac.org. I came across this information in reference to Black History, and highly recommend that you view it. This addresses much of the African American not known by many check it out: www.ls.cc.al.us/blackhistory/blackhistory.html.

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