



Juneteenth Freedom Dinner

Benefitting the
Kathy Clay-Little Scholarship Fund

Beasley Brown Community Center

Bethel A.M.E. Church

June 19, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Honoring



Kathy Rosalie Clay-Little, a native of Oklahoma, began her career in journalism and social activism while earning her degree in journalism from Oklahoma State University. In 1980 Kathy moved to San Antonio becoming an active and dedicated member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church and a respected member of the media community. Kathy was founder and publisher of *African-American Reflections* newspaper and president and founder

of Kat C Communications Public Relations and Marketing. She was a frequent guest commentator on local radio talk programs and was a highly respected community leader sought for comment and input by the mainstream media. In 2002, she became the first and only African American newspaper publisher to serve as an editorial columnist with the San Antonio Express News.

Kathy was the recipient of numerous awards, but was best recognized by the programming that she sponsored to celebrate others. Tonight we celebrate and continue Kathy's role as founder of the annual Juneteenth Freedom Dinner. Now in its fourteenth year, the event serves as a celebration of our community's leaders and innovators and a fundraiser for the Kathy Clay-Little Scholarship Fund at the University of Texas at San Antonio for communications students. Kathy died in 2011, but her spirit and commitment to community and social justice lives on.

Keynote speaker



Craig Watkins, a Dallas native, was inaugurated on January 1, 2007, as the Criminal District Attorney (DA) for Dallas County, Texas. He is the first African-American elected to that position in Texas. As DA for Dallas County, his "smart on crime" philosophy engages innovative strategies throughout the prosecutorial process and seeks to address the root causes of why offenders commit crime. DA Watkins' interest in conviction integrity led to partnering with the Innocence Project of Texas to

aid the wrongfully convicted. District Attorney Watkins was educated in the local public school system, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Prairie View A&M University and Juris Doctorate degree from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law. He is a member of Friendship-West Baptist Church, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc., Prairie View A&M University Alumni Association and is affiliated with several professional and civic organizations. Mr. Watkins has received numerous honors and awards for outstanding accomplishments in the community from an array of organizations and groups. DA Watkins and wife Tanya have three children.

Master of Ceremonies

Marvin Hurst, KENS 5

Invocation

Rev. Raymond Bryant, Bethel A.M.E. Church

Welcome

Linda Clay-Carr
Tychanika Kimbrough

Entertainment

Silent Praise
Song synching artist: Tye Tribbett

Dinner

Ma Harpers Creole Kitchen
Dessert donated by HEB

Presentation of Awards

Tanya Henderson and Nettie Hinton

Charles E. Williams: Founder and Owner, Williams Barber
College and the historic Landmark Coffee Shop and Cafe
Frederick Douglas Emancipation Award

Dorothy Collins: Retired educator
Harriett Tubman Courage Award

Lamont A. Jefferson: Attorney, Haynes & Boone
Sojourner Truth Advocacy Award

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Byron Miller

Keynote Address

Craig Watkins

Closing Remarks

Tanya Henderson

Benediction

Rev. Raymond Bryant, Bethel A.M.E.

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Juneteenth Freedom Dinner presented in association with the San Antonio Juneteenth Association. For more information about Juneteenth, please visit www.juneteenthсанantonio.com