





**Black Women's Caucus of  
Washington State  
Tacoma, Washington**

 **“Today's Goals  
Tomorrow's Solutions”** 

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Luncheon  
Saturday, June 11, 2005  
12:00 Noon**

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**La Quinta Inn & Conference Center  
1425 E 27th St  
Tacoma, WA 98421 - 2200**

## My Hair is Not Blond and My Hair is Not Straight

My hair is not blonde  
Should I feel despond  
Any my hair is not straight  
Should I live in frustrate

The length of my back, my hair does not fall  
I don't look like Barbie, the "beauty" model doll  
My hair is black, coarse and chemically free  
So to look like a Barbie, we don't see the need

I look at the women in magazines and TV  
The "socially attractive," who don't look like me  
Their hair is not short and kinky like mine  
They have the look, that is considered "divine"

Those with dark skin and those with kinky hair  
We struggle against, all this negative warfare  
We're continually reminded, each day after day  
Cuz we choose not to live, the "American way"

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Should I be made, to feel less attractive  
Though the "American look," is actually the massive  
I'm so proud of my "African look," for all to view and see  
I have a positive outlook, and am live'n chemical carefree

## Program

Elsa Anderson / Wilma Muse  
Luncheon Co-Chairs

Mistress of Ceremonies .....Lillian Jasper  
Welcome.....Janis Martin, President  
Invocation ..... Joyce Lowe, Chaplain  
Musical Selection .....George Enlow

## LUNCH

The Occasion .....Lillie Morris, Past President  
Introduction of Speaker .....Bernice Conway  
Musical Selection .....George Enlow

SPEAKER ..... Judge Edsonya Charles  
Seattle Municipal Court

Door Prizes .....Marlene Hines  
Versa Alexander, Hattie Crisp

Reflections & Wrap Up.....Janis Martin, President

CLOSING..... Lift Every Voice and Sing





## Members

Versa Alexander  
Ora Grady-Allen  
Ozetta Allen  
Elsa B. Anderson  
Royce Brown\*  
Alma Canty  
Terri Cato\*  
Bernice Conway  
Annie Crain  
Hattie Crisp\*  
Bertha Davis\*  
Erma Dawson  
Jeanette Elem  
Sarah Gordon  
Lorraine Gregg  
Marlene P. Hines

Jacqueline Holland  
Monica Hunter  
Lillian Jasper  
Awillda Jeffries  
Florence Joseph  
Fannie Kelley  
Joyce Lowe  
Janis Martin  
Geraldine Mayfield  
Irma Miles\*  
Brenda Moore  
Lillie Moore  
Wilma Muse  
Marilyn K. Neal  
Mary Reese  
Pameia Terry  
*Virginia Taylor*

\*Deceased Members

Determining.....  
for ourselves,  
by ourselves