



2012

Induction Ceremony

*Presentation of Honoree Plaque*

Maryland Women's  
Hall of Fame



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**HONOREES**

**Dr. Maureen Black, Ph.D.**

Nominated by Jay A. Perman, M.D., President of University of Maryland Baltimore

**Margaret Dunkle**

Nominated by Bernice R. Sandler, Women's Research & Education Institute

**Honorable Diana Gribbon Motz**

Nominated by Honorable Albert J. Matricciani, Jr. U.S. Court of Special Appeals

**Treasurer Nancy Kopp**

Nominated by Carol S. Petzold, Former Delegate

**Dr. Alice Manicur**

Nominated by Colleen Peterson, President, Capacity Builders Consulting

**Gwendolyn Rooks**

Nominated by Jo Ann C. Jolivet, Retired Colonel, United States Army

## MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

The Maryland Commission for Women (MCW) was created in 1965 and established as an independent agency by an act of the Maryland General Assembly in 1971, is a 25 member diverse group of citizens appointed by the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House from among persons interested in the improvement in the status of women. The Commission's membership represents the geographical regions and diversity of the state. Members are appointed for terms of four years. The Commission is housed in the Maryland Department of Human Resources under Secretary Theodore Dallas.

### MISSION

The MCW advises government, advances solutions, and serves as a statewide resource to expand social, political, and economic opportunities for all women.

### VISION

All Maryland women have full social, political, and economic equality.

### COMMISSIONERS

**Honorable Susan Elgin, *Chair***

**Honorable Patricia Cornish, *Vice-Chair***

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Dr. Kathleen White

Erum Malik

A. Diane Williams

## WOMEN LEGISLATORS OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, INC.

2012 marks the 40th Anniversary of Women Legislators of the Maryland General Assembly, Inc., better known as the Women's Caucus. It was established in 1972 to foster cooperation among women holding state legislative office and to increase the participation of women in politics. Key to the organization's success is its framework, wherein issues can be debated and policies refined, without losing sight of the overall mission: to improve public policy that affects women's lives and increase the number of women elected and appointed to public office in Maryland.

The mandate of the Women Legislators of the Maryland General Assembly is: to research and develop legislation assisting women; to encourage the greater participation of women in Maryland government; and to communicate and cooperate with other women's organizations.

We are currently 58 members strong, comprising 31% of the General Assembly. We were the first Women's Caucus in the Nation. Please log on to our Website: [womenlegislatorsmd.org](http://womenlegislatorsmd.org) to learn more about our organization and our foundation.

Delegate Kathy Afzali  
Delegate Susan L.M. Aumann  
Delegate Pamela Beidle  
Delegate Liz Bobo  
Delegate Jill P. Carter  
Delegate Bonnie Cullison  
Delegate Addie Eckardt  
Delegate Barbara A. Frush  
Senator Lisa A. Gladden  
Delegate Melony Griffith  
Delegate Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio  
Delegate Anne Healey  
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Senator Nancy Jacobs  
Delegate Sally Jameson  
Senator Verna Jones-Rodwell  
Senator Delores G. Kelley  
Senator Nancy J. King  
Delegate Susan W. Krebs  
Delegate Mary Ann Love  
Delegate Maggie McIntosh  
Delegate Heather R. Mizeur  
Delegate Shirley Nathan-Pulliam  
Delegate Shane Pendergrass  
Delegate Barbara Robinson  
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Delegate Tiffany Alston  
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Delegate Anne Kaiser  
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Delegate Aruna Miller  
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Delegate Kelly Schulz  
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Delegate Veronica Turner  
Delegate Geraldine Valentino-Smith  
Delegate Mary Washington

## MARYLAND WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME HONOREES

The Maryland Women's Hall of Fame was established in 1985 through the efforts of the Maryland Commission for Women and the Women Legislators of Maryland. The purpose of the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame is to honor Maryland women who have made unique and lasting contributions to the economic, political, cultural and social life of the state and to provide role models of achievement for our future women leaders. The annual ceremony acts to enhance the visibility of women's contributions to the communities they serve, the state of Maryland and to the wider world.

Each year the Maryland Commission for Women and Women Legislators recognize women of achievement through the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame. The selected honorees' contributions have made significant and lasting impressions in all areas of achievement, including areas such as the environment, science and technology, education, the arts, social justice, civil rights, the armed services, and religion. Through the creation of the Maryland Women's Heritage Center, the Hall of Fame has a home. The exhibit will provide a face and access for all Marylanders to get to know the Maryland Women who have contributed so much to society and the world.

### 1985

Margaret Brent \*  
Rachel Carson\*  
Rita C. Davidson \*  
Gladys Noon Spellman  
Harriet Ross Tubman\*

### 1986

Lillie Carroll Jackson \*  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton\*  
Henrietta Szold\*  
Jeannette Rosner Wolman  
H. Margret Zassenhaus, MD

### 1987

Clara Barton\*  
Frances Ellen Watkins Harper\*  
Juanita Jackson Mitchell  
Mary Shaw Shorb, PhD  
Helen Brooke Taussig, MD\*

### 1988

Barbara Ann Mikulski  
Sadie Kneller Miller \*  
Mary Eliza Risteau \*  
Martha Carey Thomas \*  
Verda Freeman Welcome

### 1989

Bertha Sheppard Adkins \*  
Eugenie Clark, PhD.  
Lavinia Margaret Engle\*  
Lena King Lee  
Estelle R. Ramey, PhD.

### 1990

Lucille Maurer  
Enolia Pettigen McMillan  
Pauli Murray\*  
Adele Hagner Stamp \*  
Mary Lemist Titcomb\*

### 1991

Rita R. Colwell, PhD  
Mary Elizabeth Lange\*  
Claire McCardell\*  
Bessie Moses, MD\*  
Alta Schrock, PhD

### 1992

Annie Armstrong\*  
Anna Ella Carroll\*  
Rose Kushner  
Margaret Collins Schweinhaut  
Carmen Delgado Votaw

### 1993

Rosalyn Blake Bell  
Lucille Clifton  
Elizabeth King Ellicott\*  
Jean Spencer\*  
Martha Ellicott Tyson\*

### 1994

Rosalie Silber Abrams  
Mary Elizabeth Banning\*  
Harriet Elizabeth Brown  
Constance A. Morella  
Mary Adelaide Nutting\*

### 1995

Jill Moss Greenberg  
Mary L. Nock\*  
Amanda Taylor Norris, MD\*  
Nettie Barcroft Taylor  
Euphemia M Goldsborough  
Wilson\*

### 1996

Madeleine L. Ellicott\*  
Ethel Llewellyn Ennis  
Mary Diggles Lee\*  
Brigid G. Leventhal, MD\*  
Barbara Robinson

### 1997

Diane L. Adams, MD  
Sol del Ande Mendez Eaton  
Catherine R. Gira, PhD  
Helen L. Koss  
Rosa Ponselle\*

### 1998

Constance Ross Beims  
Mary Katherine Goddard\*  
Elaine Ryan Hedges\*  
Mary Carter Smith

### 1999

Florence Riefe Bahr\*  
Lillian C. Compton\*  
Edith Houghton Hooker\*  
Elizabeth Fran Johnson  
Bernice Smith White

**2000**

Constance Uriolo Battle, MD  
Lois Green Carr  
Sonia Pressman Fuentes  
Josephine Jacobsen  
Rosetta Stith, PhD  
Sandra W. Tomlinson, PhD

**2001**

Kathleen Feeley, SSND.  
Misbah Khan, MD.  
Charmaine Krohe, SSND.  
Eunice Kennedy Shriver

**2002**

Mabel Houze Hubbard  
Florence P. Kendall  
Mary Young Pickersgill\*  
Lorraine Sheehan

**2003**

Virginia Walcott Beauchamp  
Edith Clarke\*  
Kathryn J. DuFour  
Ruth L. Kirschstein, MD  
Etta H. Maddox\*  
Deborah A. Yow

**2004**

Emily Edmonson\*  
Nancy Grasmick, PhD.  
Esther McCready  
Margaret Byrd Rawson  
Vivian V. Simpson\*

**2005**

Shoshana S. Cardin  
B. Olive Cole\*  
Susan R. Panny, MD.  
Edyth H. Schoenrich, MD, MPH

**2006**

Susan P. Baker  
Liebe Sokol Diamond, MD  
Bea Gaddy\*  
Marilyn Hughes Gaston, MD  
Rebecca Alban Hoffberger  
Grace Snively\*

**2007**

Colonel Annette M. Deener  
Sally T. Grant  
Prasanna Nair, MD., MPH.  
Karen H. Rothenberg, JD., MPA  
Audrey E. Scott

**2008**

Eleanora Fagan, "Billie Holiday" \*  
Ramona McCarthy Hawkins, RPh.  
Ellen Moses Heller  
Pauline Menes  
Toby Barbara Orenstein  
Emily Wilson Walker, MD\*

**2009**

Ilia Feher\*  
Diane Griffin, MD., PhD  
Harriet Legum  
Allyson Solomon  
Anne St. Clair Wright\*

**2010**

Claire M. Fraser-Leggett, PhD  
Anne Catherine Hoof Green\*  
Irene Morgan Kirkaldy\*  
Dr. Bernice R. Sandler

**2011**

Lucy Diggs Slowe\*  
Carol Greider, Ph.D.  
Barbara Holdridge  
Dr. Ligia Peralta, M.D.F.A.A.P., F.S.A.H.M  
Gertrude Poe  
June Willenz

\*Denotes Posthumously Inducted

**Maryland Commission for Women  
2012 Maryland Women's Hall of Fame  
March 7, 2012  
5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Susan Elgin, Chair  
Maryland Commission for Women

**Welcome & Presentation of Women's History Month Proclamation**

Ted Dallas, Secretary  
Department of Human Resources

**Greetings**

The Honorable Susan Lee, President  
Women Legislators of the Maryland General Assembly, Inc.

**Message from U.S. Senators Ben Cardin and Barbara Mikulski**

Joyce Leviton, Assistant to Senator Ben Cardin  
Kristen Soper, Assistant to Senator Barbara Mikulski

**Introduction of the 2012 Women's Hall of Fame Selection Committee**

Tanesha Boldin, Co-Chair  
2012 Maryland Women's Hall of Fame

**Introduction of Honorees & Presenters**

<i>Honoree</i>	<i>Presenter</i>
Maureen Black	Jay A. Perman
Margaret Dunkle	Bernice Sandler
Honorable Diana Gribbon Motz	Honorable Albert Matricciani, Jr.
Treasurer Nancy Kopp	Carol S. Petzold
Alice Manicur	Colleen Peterson
Gwendolyn Rooks	Jo Ann Jolivet

**Presentation & Acceptance of Plaque to Maryland Women's Heritage Center**

The Honorable Susan Lee  
Jill Moss Greenberg  
Maryland Women's Heritage Center

**Closing Remarks**

Susan Elgin, Chair

**Honoree Reception at Government House**

Hosted by:  
Governor Martin O'Malley  
First Lady, Judge Katie O'Malley

## MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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#### **MAUREEN BLACK, PH.D.**



Maureen Black, Ph.D. is the John A. Scholl MD and Mary Louise Scholl MD Endowed Professor in the Department of Pediatrics and the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at the University of

Maryland School of Medicine and founder/director of the Growth and Nutrition Clinic, a multidisciplinary clinic that provides services children with poor growth and feeding problems from throughout the state. She is an adjunct professor in the Center for Human Nutrition, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and the Department of Psychology at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. Dr. Black is a pediatric psychologist who specializes in intervention research related to children's nutrition, health, and development conducted in low-income communities in Baltimore and in developing countries.

Dr. Black was born in Tacoma, Washington and spent most of her childhood in Altoona, PA. Following her undergraduate training in mathematics at Penn State University, she worked as a systems analyst for IBM in New York, Philadelphia, London, and Los Angeles. She obtained an MA from the University of Southern California and a Ph.D. in psychology from Emory University in Atlanta. She lived in Bangladesh and Peru for several years, where she worked with undernourished children, prior to moving to Maryland where she joined the Department of Pediatrics at the University

of Maryland School of Medicine. Dr. Black is chief of the Division of Growth and Nutrition. In addition to providing clinical services through the Growth and Nutrition Clinic, she oversees post doctoral training in nutrition and psychology, mentors junior faculty, conducts research related to children's growth and development, and is an organizer of WIMS (Women in Medicine and Science).

Dr. Black has a long standing interest in child development, beginning with a fellowship in developmental disabilities at the Neuropsychiatric Institute at UCLA. She is a principal investigator for Children's HealthWatch, a multi-site initiative among Growth and Nutrition Clinics in 7 cities that monitors the wellbeing of young children in low-income communities. She has successfully attracted federal funding from NIH, USDA, and several national foundations to conduct intervention trials to promote growth and development among undernourished children, to build parenting skills among adolescent mothers, to follow children who have been prenatally exposed to drugs, and to prevent obesity among toddlers and adolescence.

Dr. Black has been president of two divisions of the American Psychological Association, chair of the Maryland WIC Advisory Committee, chair of the Child Health Foundation, a founding member of the Global Child Development Group, and has served on committees for several professional societies, UNICEF, WHO, and the Institute of Medicine.

Dr. Black resides in Anne Arundel County with her husband, Dr. Robert E. Black, chair of the Department of International Health, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. They have two daughters: Shaunti Taylor of Columbia, MD and Maresa Weems of Newton, MA.

## MARGARET DUNKLE



Margaret Dunkle is the unsung heroine of Title IX, the 1972 landmark legislation that prohibits sex discrimination in schools and colleges receiving federal funding. Her leadership was a major force in ensuring strong Title IX rules, especially in athletics, which quickly became the most visible and contentious area of inequities for women and girls.

Within days of Title IX's passage, Ms. Dunkle joined the influential Association of American College's Project on the Status and Education of Women. As athletics became the engine of Title IX, she wrote the groundbreaking analysis documenting massive discrimination against female college athletes. Her powerful 1974 report provided the blueprint for the Title IX regulations on athletics, leading James A. Michener, in *Sports in America*, to call it "a model of restraint, persuasion and good sense. But it also has a sharp bite." She reported, for example: a large Midwestern university spending more than \$2,600,000 on men's athletics, but nothing on women's; a West Coast university providing special insurance for male athletes only; and a private New England college fully covering travel for men's teams, while female athletes had to hold bake sales and sell Christmas trees.

Colleges nationwide used her manual, *Competitive Athletics: In Search of Equal Opportunity*, published by the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, to identify and correct athletic inequities, from adding more teams to offering athletic scholarships to women.

In 1975, Ms. Dunkle became the first Chair of the National Coalition for Women and Girls in Edu-

cation, which led the successful fight for strong Title IX regulations and their effective implementation. She chaired meetings with cabinet secretaries, and testified in support of the Women's Educational Equity Act and improved vocational education opportunities for girls. Organizationally, she paved the way for this Coalition to institutionalize itself so that it still exists today.

Ms. Dunkle many firsts include documenting the pervasiveness of pregnancy discrimination in college student health insurance policies and the degree to which public schools discriminated against pregnant and parenting students. As Director of the AAUW Educational Foundation, she commissioned the influential 1991 study, *How Schools Shortchange Girls*. Legislatively, she conceived a 1986 federal provision that enabled low-income women to receive student financial aid without losing welfare or health insurance, and a 2007 Head Start requirement for developmental screenings of all enrolled children. As President of the Federation of Organizations for Professional Women, she helped shape the 1980 Science and Technology Equal Opportunities Act, which increased opportunities for women and minorities.

Ms. Dunkle has a family member who is vaccine-injured, sustaining brain injury and subsequent developmental disabilities. This concern led her to found the Early Identification and Intervention Collaborative for Los Angeles County, involving more than 350 partner organizations to promote early screening and effective intervention for young children with disabilities and developmental delays. It is also why she has a focus on vaccine safety.

Ms. Dunkle – a Maryland native who has lived in Calvert, Cecil, and Garrett counties – has more than 100 publications. As a teenager, she won a Maryland essay contest on American freedoms and appeared with President John F. Kennedy at Independence Hall. She is currently Lead Research Scientist with the Department of Health Policy at George Washington University.

## DIANA GRIBBON MOTZ



Diana Gribbon Motz was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit by President William Jefferson Clinton on June 16, 1994. She was the first Maryland woman appointed to that court, and only

the second woman in the court's 150-year history.

Diana Motz received a B.A. from Vassar College and a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School, where she served on the law review and the moot court board. She was one of two women in her 250-person law school class.

Immediately after admission to the bar, Motz practiced law in Baltimore with the law firm now known as DLA Piper; she was the only woman lawyer at the firm. Upon the birth of her first child, she left private practice to become an assistant attorney general and ultimately Chief of Litigation in the Office of the Attorney General of Maryland.

Motz has argued many cases before the state and federal courts. Among those cases, was one defending the constitutionality of a Maryland statute in the Supreme Court of the United States, one seeking to remove a tax break from a golf club that refused to admit women members, and one defending the 1980 state redistricting plan. Perhaps her most well-known case was Maryland's civil suit against Spiro Agnew. On behalf of the State, she and other lawyers recovered from him the thousands of dollars in bribes that he had received while Governor of the State.

In 1991, Governor William Donald Schaefer appointed Judge Motz to the Court of Special Appeals. She was the third woman to serve on a Maryland appellate court and the first lawyer in private practice (rather than a trial judge) that Governor Schaefer appointed to an appellate court. She continued service on the state court until her appointment, three years later, to the federal appellate court.

In her years as a state and federal judge, Judge Motz has faced a number of difficult constitutional questions. Early in her service on the federal court, she dissented when her colleagues held that, even though a university refused to admit women, it could obtain substantial government monetary aid without violating the Constitution. The Supreme Court of the United States reversed, expressly noting its agreement with Judge Motz' reasoning. Later in her career, Judge Motz wrote a number of opinions involving the rights of enemy combatants; although those cases ultimately became moot, the Supreme Court's preliminary rulings indicated agreement with her views. Most recently, Judge Motz issued two opinions rejecting constitutional challenges to President Obama's health care legislation; the Supreme Court is now considering those issues.

Diana Motz has served on the Advisory Committee of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure and as a trustee of the Johns Hopkins University, the Johns Hopkins Hospital, and the Berman Bioethics Institute. She is a member of the American Law Institute, the American Bar Association, the American Bar Foundation, the Maryland Bar Association, and the Maryland Bar Foundation. The Girl Scouts of Central Maryland has honored her with the Distinguished Woman Award and the Women's Bar Association has honored her with the Rita C. Davidson Award.

## NANCY K. KOPP



Elected in February 2002, and re-elected to full four-year terms in 2003, 2007 and 2011, Nancy K. Kopp is the 23rd Maryland State Treasurer since the adoption of the Constitution of 1851. She is the second woman ever to

serve as Maryland's State Treasurer and is the only woman serving Maryland in a Constitutional Office. In addition to her responsibilities for managing the Office of State Treasurer, as a Constitutional Officer and a representative of the General Assembly, the Treasurer holds positions of leadership on a number of key State financial planning committees.

Treasurer Kopp chairs both the Capital Debt Affordability Committee and the Commission on State Debt, and is a member of Maryland's Board of Revenue Estimates. She is the chief representative of the State dealing with financial rating agencies and investment banking firms. The Treasurer also serves as Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Retirement and Pension Systems, as Chair of the College Savings Plans of Maryland and as a member of the Maryland Supplemental Retirement Board, the Maryland Health and Higher Education Financing Authority, the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation Board, the Small Business Development Financing Authority and the Hall of Records Commission. Unique among the Treasurer's responsibilities is her position on the Board of Public Works with the Governor and the Comptroller of the State. This Board oversees a substantial portion of the procurements and contracts of the State ranging from wetlands licenses to construction projects.

Treasurer Kopp represented the Bethesda, Maryland area in the Maryland House of

Delegates for 27 years prior to her election as Treasurer. As a member of the House of Delegates, Treasurer Kopp chaired the Joint Committee on Spending Affordability, as well as the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Economic Development. She also served on the Capital Budget Subcommittee, Subcommittee on Pensions, and Joint Committee on Budget and Audits, and, at various times, as Deputy Majority Leader and Speaker Pro Tem. During her legislative career, Treasurer Kopp was named by her colleagues as the most effective woman legislator and one of the 10 most effective members of the House.

Treasurer Kopp has been active in numerous national, regional and state organizations and boards over the years, primarily focused on finance, budgeting and education. Appointed by President Clinton to the National Assessment Governing Board, which oversees the National Assessment of Educational Progress (the "Nation's Report Card"), Treasurer Kopp also served as Treasurer of the Southern Regional Education Board and chaired its Commission on Educational Quality. She served on the Executive Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures and chaired its Assembly on Legislative Issues, and Committees on Federal Budget Issues, State Fiscal Issues, and Capital Budgeting Procedures. Treasurer Kopp also was Vice-Chair of the National Commission on State and Local Budget and Finance Procedures. Currently, she is a member of the National Association of State Treasurers and chairs its Legislative Committee. She just completed a one year term as President of the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers.

A graduate of Wellesley College, Treasurer Kopp holds a master's degree in Government from the University of Chicago. She also has received honorary doctorate degrees from Hood College, the University of Maryland at Baltimore, the University of Maryland University College and Towson University. She is an honorary Alumna of the University of Maryland, College Park. Treasurer Kopp and her husband, Robert Kopp, live in Bethesda and have two adult children and two grandchildren.

## DR. ALICE R. MANICUR

(Abbreviated Biography)



Alice R. Manicur was born in McDowell County, West Virginia, one of six children born to parents of Italian descendents and whose father immigrated to the United States. A coal miner's daughter, whose

family also farmed the five-acre plot of land upon which their humble home was located, Alice learned the value of hard work at an early age---an ethic that would remain a constant throughout her life. Her parents also instilled in her a love of learning, which would set the foundation for her life's work as an educator.

Encouraged by high school teachers who were impressed with her intellect and determination, Alice applied to Berea College in Kentucky, which had an excellent academic program as well as a national reputation for assisting talented students from very modest backgrounds. Alice's initial contact with college was prematurely truncated when she decided to leave Berea and return home to work and earn money to assist her family.

At the conclusion of the war 2 years later, Alice joined her sister in purchasing part interest in a bus station café, where she managed the business for nearly a year before moving to the larger community of Bristol, Virginia to take a more lucrative financial job with the Monroe Calculating Machine Company. During the next 4 years of working at the Monroe Company, Alice was able to provide a steady flow of money to her family and helped to support the educational expenses of her brothers. It was to be a practice Alice Manicur would continue the rest of her life.

Despite her success in helping to provide her family with financial support, Alice never lost sight of her goal to continue her own education. While working at the Monroe Company, Alice enrolled in a local business college for a year of night school. In 1950, Alice made the bold decision to return to Berea College, citing it as "the best decision I ever made!" While at Berea, Alice held several jobs including one in the office of the dean of women that altered future decisions in powerful ways. Dean Julia Allen became a role model for Alice, treating everyone with respect and caring for the lives of the students---an approach that would define Alice Manicur's style in her own incredible career in education.

With the help and encouragement of Dean Allen, Alice applied and was accepted into the graduate program in student personnel administration at Indiana University, where she completed her degree in only 1 year. Upon graduation from Indiana University, Alice accepted a position at MacMurray College as their first counselor of freshmen, an experience that provided her with a life-long commitment to new students, which was later translated into the creation of innovative orientation and advising programs at Frostburg State University.

Alice pursued and earned a doctoral degree from Indiana University 1960. Immediately upon receiving her doctorate degree, Alice Manicur was recruited by President Bowen Hardesty to accept the new position of dean of students, which she did effective August 15, 1960. Throughout the next 46 years, Alice would inspire the creation of new programs in the residence halls, student orientation, academic advising, and career counseling. She would encourage students to explore career options through the establishment of a career advising program and expand opportunities for students to be immersed in cultural and international experiences through the development of the Cultural Events Series. She personally advised the Student Government Association and consistently advocated for strong student involvement in the life of the campus.

## GWENDOLYN G. ROOKS



Gwendolyn G. Rooks, a native Baltimorean and product of Baltimore's elementary, secondary and institutions of higher learning, is a retired Principal of Hamilton Elementary/ Middle School,

entrepreneur, and community activist.

During her tenure at Hamilton Elementary/ Middle School, students' performance on national and local tests provided scores that ranked the school among the highest test-takers in Maryland. As the former owner and operator of Merryman Boutique in Baltimore City, she has been recognized for her successful entrepreneurial spirit. As a member of a national service organization, Rho Xi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., she developed the grant for an after-school mentoring program for young women.

This program, After School AKAdemy, offers an arts-based program to middle school girls from Booker T. Washington, Midtown Academy and Mt. Royal Middle Schools, to help improve their school performance and provide a safe environment after school. Members of the Rho Xi Omega chapter of AKA sorority act as mentors to participants. She is currently the director of this highly lauded After School Program for Middle School girls, that is a partnership program of Family and Children's Services of Central Maryland.

Mrs. Rooks serves on several boards including the Leadership/Scholarship Guild of Heritage Untied Church of Christ, Ten Hills Community Association, Baltimore School for the Arts,

Continental Societies, Inc. Scholarship Review Board and the Children's Choir of Maryland. She is a former consumer member of the Physician Quality Assurance Board for the State of Maryland (a gubernatorial appointment), where she served eight years. She currently serves as a consultant to Family and Children's Services of Central Maryland Adolescent Programs and Clean Air Partners, an organization that designs programs for childcare providers who work with children ages 2-6. Gwendolyn is a member of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

In addition to her community/civic service, she takes care of home as a wife, mother and doting grandmother of two. Gwen and her husband, Ronald, are antique enthusiasts. They co-published, the Rooks Locator, an internationally advertised mail auction catalog on collecting memorabilia and ephemera.

Mrs. Rooks continues to volunteer for voter registration drives, to serve meals at our Daily Bread (a food kitchen for the homeless) and to participate in high school career days.

She has received numerous recognitions for her selfless services to include, Rho Xi Omega Chapter's highest award, Cultured Pearl (2003); 100 Black Women's President's Award (2004); Annie Roberts Foundation's Community Service Award (2005); Ravens NFL Community Quarterback Award (2006); SHERO Award (2007) and one of Baltimore Magazine's Baltimoreans of the Year (2006); The Torchbearer Award – National Coalition of 100 Black Women (2008) for sustained and Distinguished Service to the Community; Coppin State University – Distinguished Alumni Award (2011); and, The award/reward that she is most proud of is the success of her "girls" in the After School Program and the students/families she mentors.

***SPECIAL THANKS ARE EXTENDED TO...***

**Honorable Susan Lee**, President Women Legislators of Maryland  
**Senator Delores Kelley**  
**Marsha Wise**, Executive Director, Women Legislators of Maryland  
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