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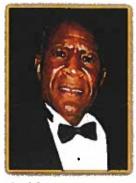
\* SIGNIFICANT GALA \*

## IF YOU CAN DREAM IT YOU CAN ACHIEVE IT

THE POWER CENTER

12401 S POST OAK RD, HOUSTON, TX 77045 FEBRURARY 22, 2019 • 6:30PM - 11:45AM

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Carl David Evans FBHSN President

Welcome to the 2nd Significant Gala, of the Fort Bend Houston Super Neighborhood Council 41 (FBHSN) aptly named "A Black Tie Wakanda Affair". We are grateful that you are here to participate in this year's gala! We are the handiwork of God. Some years ago, we had a talk with God, and we believe the Spirit of God spoke, saying, "God will send you some help." He promised to send help and we believe the providential hand of God invited, enticed, encouraged and demanded that you participate in our 2nd Significant Gala, "A Black Tie Wakanda Affair." We know some of you are excited to be here and others came kicking and screaming. However, you could not resist the supernatural power of God. You may not realize that you are the help God promised! While celebrating Black History Month we are reminded that God is faithful!

Many of our young people have a dream to be someone unique and special. They want to attend college or trade school, but money stands in the way. Our FBHSN's theme for 2019 is "If You Dream It, You Can Achieve It!" If you know this is true, please be a witness by crossing your arms across your chest right now! (Many of you may recall the scene in the Black Panther.) You have come as helpers; you have come to assist and improve the lives of our scholarship recipients by participating in our fundraiser. Your support will benefit our youth as well as aide with the operational expenses of FBHSN. Through your participation in 2018 in our 1st Significant Gala, we were blessed to give 13 scholarships to graduating high school seniors of FBHSN. The picture of our scholarship recipients is placed on our ticket and is included in our souvenir book. One of last year's scholarship recipients has returned to be our 2019 Scholarship Spotlight Speaker. He is Oluwasegun Victor Fabolu. This year our council is awarding scholarships to several deserving students who apply for assistance. These applications are due April 15th, 2019. There will be no exceptions! If you live in FBHSN Council, applications can be obtained by contacting the HOA, Civic Club, Designated Representatives or school counselors.

The Significant Gala is a time we honor ordinary people who have worked in our communities doing significant work in extraordinary ways! We salute and encourage these honorees for doing extraordinary things to improve their communities and for supporting our future by sharing in the educational development of our youth. We also celebrate legends in our community. Last year the Legacy Award was given to the Rev. William A. Lawson, the Founding Pastor of Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church. This year the Legacy Award will be given to a young man who grew up under the legendary Rev. William A. Lawson and attended Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church. The Legacy Award for 2019 is awarded to our first African-American District Attorney in the history of Fort Bend County, Texas, the Honorable Brian Middleton—an ordinary man doing extraordinary things which we believe will make a significant impact on the judicial system of Fort Bend County.

We take total responsibility and blame for leading our council to fight for better educational systems for our children, to improve streets and sidewalks, to lead the fight for quality retail centers and quality grocery stores, and to preserve our communities. Yes, we take the blame and responsibility for encouraging developers to partner with our communities promote single residential homes and homes for seniors. We also take responsibility for promoting a strategic plan for FBHSN community's long-term benefits. Just as we also celebrate our success, we likewise accept responsibility for our failure.

If you have a great time at our Significant Gala, it is by design. We purposefully promote FBHSN to be the Best Place to Live, Work, and Play! God is Faithful!

Again, we welcome you, thank you for your ongoing support, and challenge you to DREAM! "If You Dream It, You Can Achieve It!" We hope you enjoy this evening. Keep Hope!

Moving forward together,

Carl David Evans

**FBHSN President** 

## HONOREE



## AIDA LOLITA EVANS

Strong communities are maintained through individuals who strive to be a part of the solution.

Aida LEvans was born in Pittsburg, California. Raised a military brat, she resided in many cities throughout the United States and in Europe, before moving to Houston, Texas in 1977.

Ms.Evans was inspired by Barbara Charline Jordan an American attorney, educator and politician who was a leader of the Civil Rights Movement. She was the first African American elected to the Texas Senate after Reconstruction, the first Southern African-American woman elected to the United States House of Representatives.

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- Current Board of Directors, Vice President, Ridgegate Community Improvement Association.
- Past President Ridgegate Civic Association.
- Community activist since 1979, involved in numerous community activities, i.e., National Night Out, Easter Egg Hunts, Christmas Parties, and annual Memorial Day swimming pool openings. She volunteers for numerous community activities, such as; creating signs and creating pool ID badges. She coordinates and conducts community community fund raising events.
- Aida is a current member of the Fort Bend Houston Super Neighborhood Council 41. She is the past Editor of the Newsletter
- She has been editor, publisher, and reporter of the Ridgegate Reporter newsletter for 12 years. Aida is former newsletter editor for five other subdivisions in surrounding communities.
- Taught basic computer skills at Resurrection Lutheran Church, as a volunteer.
- Court Coordinator for Fort Bend County, Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace for nine years.

Aida Evans is a monumental cornerstone in the community as she strives to keep communities informed and knowledgeable about issues that affect their development and growth. She has two adult children. They are both graduates of Texas State University.