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CELEBRATING OUR CHAMPIONS



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Association Of Black Women Physicians'
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VICTOR'S BALL - CELEBRATING OUR CHAMPIONS

Honoring
2015 Scholarship Recipients

Kindred Harris
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Adia Scrubbs
Estuajie Oiyemhonian

Scholarships
Rebecca Lee Crumpler, MD
Carmen Parrott, MD
Charles R. Drew Medical Society
Antronette Yancey, MD Public Health
Beverly James, MD

Lifetime Achievement Award
Vena Ricketts MD

Humanitarian of the Year Award
Henri Ford, MD

Saturday, October 24, 2015
JW Marriott Hotel, L.A. Live
Los Angeles, California

Our History

ABWP began in 1982, in a meeting when fifty African-American women physicians and medical students met to share their experiences and to discuss career development. The group officially adopted the name, set their goals into a mission statement, formed bylaws and began working.

ABWP has grown to represent close to 600 African-American women physicians in practice and training in Southern California. The organization has made an impact on our community over the past years with scholarship awards, mentoring programs, community outreach programs, health education programs and collaborative efforts. These endeavors help us fulfill our mission.

"ABWP is an organized network of Black Women Physicians committed to the improvement of public health and welfare through the advancement of knowledge concerning women and community health."

- The Wellness Series
- Black Women Lawyers Joint Symposium
- Practice Point Communications CME "Simply Speaking"
- Sister 2 Sister
- The Speaker's Bureau
- Network of Ethnic Physicians Organization
- Breast Health Education
- Joint Projects with Communities Faith Based Organization
- Advocacy

"We serve as a philanthropic source of funds to individuals and projects related to the health concerns of the Black community."

- Annual Charity and Scholarship Benefit
- Christmas Party and Toy Drive

"We endeavor to enhance the personal and professional quality of life of present and future Black Women physicians."

- General Meetings
- Sister 2 Sister Mentoring Program
- Medical Education and Strategic Planning

Our plans for the future continue to be ambitious as we arrive to fulfill our mission and make a positive impact on the healthcare of women, men and children in our community.

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The President's Message *Valencia Walker, MD*

"CELEBRATING OUR CHAMPIONS!"

"Greetings and Welcome" to the
34th Annual Charity Benefit Luncheon!



We are excited to have all of you at our luncheon this year. The term of my initial presidency ended in January 2015, but I was humbled to be reelected to a second term as president for the Association of Black Women Physicians (ABWP). This has been an unexpected opportunity to complete important goals and support the impressive growth of our nonprofit organization through these driven and dedicated actions:

"ABWP Cares • Creates • Cultivates • Champions"

Unwavering Caring

ABWP cares deeply about communities that remain underserved. We have received multiple grants this year to promote health literacy based on our platform of health initiatives ranging from universal health insurance coverage to breast cancer health disparities. We also care about acknowledging our amazing members and our organization's highly respected legacy. Next year, we celebrate our 35th Annual Charity Benefit on October 1st, and I promise it will exceed all your expectations!

Dynamically Creating

ABWP has increased its social media presence and use of technology to effectively inform and advocate. However, we also value the importance of genuine and meaningful connections between people. I am excited by the rapid increase in our membership this year. We are committed to creatively fortifying the bond of sisterhood within our organization and assuring our organization's lasting vitality.

Purposefully Cultivating

It is essential to break down silos between like-minded organizations. We must work together if we want to effectively address the daunting problems plaguing our communities. I am proud to share some of ABWP's key partnerships this year. We held a highly successful Baldwin Hills Crenshaw health fair with Assembly Member Sebastian Ridley-Thomas. We also worked with Healthy African-American Families, Inc. and Breast Cancer Partners, Inc. for our Annual Breast Cancer Awareness program. We are looking forward to hosting our Annual Toy Drive in partnership with the Charles R. Drew Medical Society. Together, we know we can do more!

Tirelessly Championing

It is a tremendous joy and privilege to present awards of distinction to Dr. Vena Ricketts and Dr. Henri Ford. Both of these amazing physicians have dedicated their lives to medical education and global humanitarian efforts. They epitomize the champions for change that challenge us to be better. As we celebrate, be inspired by ALL of the honored guests we have here today. Lastly, our success is a reflection of your ardent support, and we thank you for your commitment to ABWP!

Passionately Committed,

Valencia Walker, MD



The President-Elect's Message

Ana Sofia Lopes Johnson, MD

Friends,

As this year's Chair of the Association of Black Women Physicians 34th Annual Charity Benefit, I am both humbled and excited to welcome our honored guests, supportive sponsors, and cherished members. This collective has come to be a source of strength to ABWP as we endeavor to support our important missions within the amazing communities which we serve.

This year's event, the 2015 Victor's Ball, promises to be an afternoon to remember. One of celebration and thanks. Our theme was inspired by the recent Special Olympics, which took place here in Los Angeles this past summer. As we reflected on the courageous young athletes that participated in these events, we were equally moved by the stories of the many people who supported these athletes in their amazing efforts to fulfil life-long dreams. This reminds us of the special people we've encountered along the way that give of themselves to make a difference in the lives of many others. Here at ABWP, we acknowledge the achievements of physician icons such as Dr. Vena Ricketts, our Lifetime Achievement Award recipient; and Dr. Henri Ford, our Humanitarian of the Year recipient. These physicians embody and uphold ABWP's most heartfelt core values, and today we celebrate their everlasting contributions to our community.

We are also filled with gratitude for our gracious sponsors who give generously to support ABWP's efforts such as today's Charity Benefit Luncheon. As a result of their support, the funds raised today will be used for ABWP's community service programs and scholarships. For example, this year our mentorship program is thriving, with a record number of student and physician members who remain committed to maintaining our bloodline and pipeline. We are proud of our members who continue to lead the charge to decreasing health disparities in our country.

We all play a pivotal part in ABWP's success in providing free wellness education, supporting physicians in training and improving public health. Hopefully, you will take advantage of the networking opportunities this event presents and realize the necessity of everyone's participation in improving health care.

Please do have a delightful luncheon. We hope that you enjoy yourselves and look forward to seeing you at future ABWP events.

Sincerely,
Ana Sofia Lopes Johnson, MD

Acknowledgement of Charity Benefit and Scholarship Planning Committee Members

**Appreciation and tremendous recognition is extended to the
following who participated to make this evening a success.**

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Executive Director's Message

Sandra Bankhead, M.S.



Welcome to the 34th Annual Association of Black Women Physicians' Charity Benefit!

This year we are honoring our illustrious champions. A champion is someone who has defeated, fought, surpassed or argued all rivals for a cause on behalf of someone else and won! On this day and at this celebration we are thrilled to honor Vena Ricketts, M.D. and Henri Ford, M.D. who are exemplars of champions in their respective areas of practice. We are also respectfully recognizing Athea Moses, the Olympian, gold medalist.

In addition to honoring known champions that have triumphed out in the world we invite you, here today, to give tribute to that part of yourself that is a champion. You may need to dig down deep, or this part of you may be on the surface. In either case, we invite you to get in touch with your champion spirit and let it soar free. We all are called to serve in one way or another.

Take it upon yourself to be a champion. This could mean enhancing, supporting or encouraging human rights or social justice, working diligently to advance a deserving social cause, organizing your community for positive social change, offering accepting and encouraging words to a stranger or struggling youth or simply being a champion of right action to a friend in need. Opportunities for championship lurk in every corner and at every turn if we just pause a moment, accept our awesome potential personal power and take decisive action!

We are delighted that you have taken the decisive action today to come out and show your support for the very worthy cause of enabling us to offer generous scholarship support for Black women medical school students. This gift is truly one that keeps giving for generations to come as your investment in these talented and innovative students will help them to make a difference in literally thousands of lives over the course of their careers.

Because we sincerely understand how critical Black Lives Matter, we understand that Black physicians are most likely to be up-to-date on the subtle and unique standard of care differences that affect Black patients. It is our own doctors who are most likely to afford the care, discernment, attention to scientific innovation and differential pharmacologic impacts affecting Black people and their bodies. So in very personal and professional ways we would like to thank you deeply and sincerely for supporting our budding physicians through their journey in medical school.

As you reflect on the continued ways that you can make a difference in the Black community I urge to do more, pledge more and give more of yourself. Your generosity of talent and treasure will be returned to you 1,000 times over.

Thank you,

Sandra Bankhead, M.S.,
Executive Director
Association of Black Women Physicians

*ABWP Charity Benefit and Scholarship
The Victor's Ball: Celebrating our Champions
Program*

Welcome

Invocation

President's Remarks

Executive Director's Remarks & Sponsor Acknowledgement

Performance by The Dancing Fire

Lunch

An Olympian's Story, Althea Moses

Organization Highlight, CALE Now!

Lifetime Achievement Award Presentation
Dr. Vena Ricketts

Humanitarian of the Year Award Presentation
Dr. Henri Ford

Performance by Tiffany Phillips

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Featured Individuals

Tiffany Phillips

At the age of 17 years old, Tiffany received a scholarship and left Apple Valley, California to attend the prestigious American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York. Upon graduation, she immediately began working in Off Broadway shows and traveling in national theatre tours. She was also a member of the renowned Negro Ensemble Company and National Black Theatre Company.

National tours include: Beehive-The 60's Girl Group Musical, Sweet Charity, and More Magic, the Motown Review starring Florence LaRue of The Fifth Dimension.

At 19 she became the youngest singer in the Motown Moments at New York's Motown Cafe singing the hits of the Supremes, Martha Reeves and The Vandella's and much more. Tiffany performed to acclaim in front of such legends as Diana Ross, Quincy Jones, Mohammed Ali, Stevie Wonder and Michael Jackson.

Phillips was the bubbly on air announcer for Nickelodeon's "Double Dare 2000" and also completed two national tours as the quick-witted, on-camera spokesperson/host for Disney Pixar's "Up" and "Bolt."

Most recently, Tiffany co-starred on "The Soul Man" starring Cedric The Entertainer and "Workaholics" and she just completed filming of the series "Under The Radar" starring John Wesley and Cleo King. You can also catch her as news anchor "Angela Raines" on the hit TV show "Scandal" and also as a regular guest correspondent on HLN's "The Daily Share" with Roci Diaz. Tiffany was the lead background vocalist for Michael Bolton for two years on his world tour and is the star of the award winning period film, "Daughter of Fortune". She also wrote and produced her smash hit one-woman play, "I Never Met a Jerk I Didn't Like" that had a hugely successful run at the Hollywood Fringe Festival and sold out Off Broadway in the United Solofest in New York City. Tiffany is a regular volunteer/reader with the SAG Bookpals Foundation as well as a volunteer with the Roze Room Hospice Center.

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Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. Vena Ricketts, M.D.



Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Vena Ricketts for her tremendous contributions to our local and global communities. On October 12, 2001, Olive View-UCLA Medical Center Foundation will honor Dr. Vena Ricketts with the Nelle Reagan Award for Distinguished Community Service" in Woodland Hills, California.

Dr. Ricketts stands out among physicians as a dedicated volunteer whose efforts reach those in medical need worldwide. She serves as a team leader on missions which provide impoverished people throughout the world with vital medical and dental care. These philanthropic missions have taken Dr. Ricketts to Nepal, Ghana, Bulgaria, Bethlehem, Palestine, Gambia, and most recently, Cambodia.

Dr. Ricketts has also been extremely dedicated to serving her local community throughout her years in practice. She has served as a volunteer physician at the Hollywood Centrum Organization and the local House of Magdalene. In addition, Dr. Ricketts is the Medical Director at the Church on the Way in Van Nuys, California. Currently, Dr. Ricketts is a professor at the UCLA School of Medicine and Assistant Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine at the Olive View-UCLA Medical Center. She founded and heads up the hospital's Health Career Day in which hundreds of local students have been provided the opportunity to learn about career options in the medical field. The innovative teaching methods used by Dr. Ricketts at this career expo have received significant national attention. She received the Department of Emergency Medicine ``Golden Award for Excellence in Teaching" as well as the National Emergency Residents Association Augustine D'Orta Award for Excellence in Health Policy and Community Service".

Dr. Ricketts serves as an inspiration to all of us through her tireless dedication to providing exceptional medical care to people in need around the world. It is a distinct pleasure to ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Dr. Vena Ricketts on her outstanding achievements.

Undergraduate Degree, BS in Biochemistry, Richmond College, Doctor of Medicine UCLA, Internship, Harbor General Hospital and Internal Medicine Residency at Sepulveda VA Hospital.

Humanitarian of the Year

Henri Ford, M.D.

Henri R. Ford, M.D., is vice president and chief of surgery at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA), Vice-Dean of Medical Education, Professor and Vice chair for clinical affairs in the Department of Surgery and at the Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California.



Dr. Ford is a member of the Executive committee of the board of trustees of CHLA and a member of the board of directors of the Children's Hospital Los Angeles Medical Group.

He is also a member of the Executive Leadership Team and the medical executive committee of CHLA. As surgeon-in-chief and vice president for Surgical and Perioperative Services, he oversees the entire perioperative services area at CHLA. Under his leadership, CHLA has developed a robust, state of the art minimally invasive surgery program.

As a professor in the Department of Surgery at the Keck School of Medicine, he is an important role model for young physicians and medical students. As the Vice Dean for Medical Education at the Keck School, Dr. Ford advances the medical school's educational mission by promoting excellence in medical education as one of its highest priorities. Dr. Ford led a very successful accreditation visit for the MD program which resulted in the maximum eight-year, full accreditation from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), the best results achieved since a 10-year accreditation was granted in 1981. Dr. Ford's current priorities include strengthening research opportunities for medical students and developing new sources of funding for medical student scholarships.

Dr. Ford has demonstrated "...truly exceptional leadership..." in pediatric surgery and has conducted the definitive studies on pediatric trauma in the United States and his investigative studies have generated new insights into the pathogenesis of necrotizing enterocolitis, the most common and the most lethal disorder affecting the gastrointestinal tract of newborn infants. He is the author of more than 450 publications, book chapters, invited manuscripts, abstracts and presentations.

Dr. Ford's research has been funded by the National Institutes of Health, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation through the Injury Free Coalition for Kids, the National Trauma Registry for Children and the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Ford served on the Board of Trustees of Princeton University (2010- 2014) and serves on the Global Health Advisory Council (2011 – present) and Medical Education Advisory Council (2015 - present) at Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Ford has been active on local and national professional and scientific committees:

- Association for Academic Surgery, including service as Secretary (1999-2001); President-Elect (2001-02); and President (2002-03).
- Society for Black Academic Surgeons, including service as Secretary (2002-2007); President-Elect 2009, and President 2010-2011.

- Surgical Infections Society, including service on the education and fellowship committee (1998-01); councilor (2001-04); Treasurer (2006-present); President-Elect 2009, and President 2010-2011.
- American College of Surgeons, Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter, including service on the program committee (1998-01; chair, 2000-01) council chair (2001-04); president-elect (2003-2004); Board of Governors (2006-present); Nominating Committee of the Board of Governors (2006-present); Chair of the Nominating Committee of the Board of Governors (2008-2010); Surgical Forum Committee (2007-present); Program Committee (2008-Present); Vice Chair of Board of Governor, American College of Surgeons (2010-2011); Board of Regents (2012- present)
- Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma, including service on the bylaws committee (2000-present) and the Board of Directors (2005-2008).
- American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma (2004-2010).
- American Pediatric Surgical Association nominating committee (2006-2007)
- American Board of Surgery (2007-2013)
- Los Angeles Surgical Society (2006-present)
- The Halsted Society (2007-present)
- American Pediatric Surgical Association Board of Governors (2008-2011)
- Pediatric Trauma Society (2013 – present)

Dr. Ford has served on the editorial board of numerous professional publications, including Pediatric Critical Care Medicine (2001-04), Surgery (2001-04), the Journal of Surgical Research (2001-2005), Surgical Infections (1998-present), the Journal of Pediatric Surgery (2005-present), and Pediatric Surgery International (2005-present). He is currently an Associate Editor of the Journal of Pediatric Surgery (July 2010 - present) and the Journal of Trauma

Dr. Ford is a fellow of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Surgeons. He is a member of numerous other professional and scientific societies, including the Surgical Biology Club, the American Surgical Association, the American Physiological Society, the British Association of Pediatric Surgeons, the American Trauma Society, the Society of Critical Care Medicine, the Society of University Surgeons and the Shock Society.

Dr. Ford has received numerous prestigious honors and awards including the Arnold P. Gold Humanism in Medicine Award from the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Dr. Ford received his bachelor's degree in public and international affairs, cum laude, from Princeton University in 1980. He received his M.D. from Harvard Medical School in 1984. He received his M.H.A. (Master of Health Administration) degree from the School of Policy, Planning and Development from University of Southern California in 2009.

Dr. Ford did his internship (1984-85) and residency (1985-87; 1989-91) in general surgery at New York Hospital Cornell Medical College. He completed a research fellowship in immunology (1987-89) in the Department of Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Ford completed a clinical fellowship (1991-93) in pediatric surgery at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.
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An Olympian Story

Althea Moses



Althea Moses Health & Fitness Company is founded by Althea Moses (1987 Jr Olympic Gold Medal Champion & Record Breaker [Triple Jump - 40' 1"], 1996 Olympian [Triple-Jump - 42' 8 3/4" PR], Health/Fitness and Wellness Entrepreneur, Personal Trainer, Creator of ALTHEA Fitness technique, ALTHEA Instructor, Published Author, Radio/TV Talk Show Host, Inventor of Circlemark Circle Hand Gesture.

Althea believes that sharing her 30 plus years of health & fitness knowledge, experience, and passion can help people choose and live active, healthy lifestyles, and look and feel better too.

- Wrote first health & fitness book (Coming soon)
- Published Author on Ezinearticles.com
- Created ALTHEA: an innovative mind/body exercise with affirmations
- Invented the Circlemark Circle Hand Gesture
- Designs world-class health & fitness programs
- Produces and Hosts weekly radio show: HOT Health & Fitness Tips With Olympian, Althea Moses (2014-present)
- Los Angeles Business Journal, Women Making A Difference nominated Business Woman & Rising Star (2014 and 2015)
- Spokesperson, Let's Move West L.A., 3rd Annual UCLA Youth Health Fest - 2015
- Launched ALTHEA group fitness classes in Los Angeles (2014)
- Launched ALTHEA Fitness studio in Los Angeles (2014)
- Special Guest Trainer at 3rd Annual UCLA Youth Health Fest (2014 and 2015)
- Special Guest Trainer at Playa Vista Certified Farmers Market in Playa Vista (2014 to present)
- Special Guest Trainer at Motor Avenue Farmers Market in Los Angeles (2014)
- Special Guest Trainer at Annual LAUSD 5K Move It Challenge & Health Fair (2014)
- Special Guest Trainer at Annual Girl Scouts "Family Fit Fair" (2014 & 2015)
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Beverly Ann Addison James, M.D.
Memorial Scholarship



The Scholarship is being presented in memoriam of and in celebration of Anatomic and Clinical Pathologist Dr. Beverly James. Born in Florence, South Carolina Dr. James received her undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of South Carolina, Charleston. Residency at Medical College of Virginia was followed by Surgical Pathology Residency at Cedars Sinai Medical Center here in Los Angeles where she was awarded the Leo Rigler Award for Outstanding House Officer. Her surgical pathology oncology fellowship focused on cancer diagnoses at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. To further strengthen her training, Dr. James returned to Los Angeles and completed an additional fellowship in Cytopathology at University of California Los Angeles.

Dr. James' career in pathology focused on diagnostic techniques relating to breast diseases. She was Co-Director of Pathology at Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center and staff pathologist at St. Francis Medical Center and helped develop the hospital's Comprehensive Breast Center. Surgical Pathology still remains an unusual medical specialty among African-American females in this country, and she excelled.

Dr. James was a lecturer and author of a number of publications in her specialty and provided many educational lectures and college student mentoring.

As bright and gifted as she was professionally, she was one of the most humble, caring, fun-loving, unassuming persons with a gentle and welcoming spirit. She lived an active life style, traveled widely, loved sports, music and the arts. She was a devoted Delta Sigma Theta Soror. Apart from Medicine, Dr. James discovered a burning passion for real estate development and became an extremely shrewd businesswoman working along with builders and contractors yet remained very sensitive to the needs of tenants.

Without warning February, 2014 Dr. James made her transition and left us, way too soon, at the age of 52. In her honor, friends and family developed this Scholarship to memorialize her endearing spirit.

2015 Rebecca Lee Crumpler, M.D. Scholarship Recipients

The Association of Black Women Physicians (ABWP) established the Rebecca Lee Crumpler, M.D. Scholarship award in recognition of the first black woman physician in the United States. Dr. Crumpler graduated from New England Female Medical College in 1864, one year before the end of slavery. The scholarship provides assistance to women medical students. The awards are based on academic merit, financial need and commitment to the ABWP mission, "improving public health and welfare through the advancement of knowledge concerning women and community health.

Deep appreciation is extended to our supporters whose efforts have enabled us to give over six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) in scholarships since 1983.

Ebony King

I was born and raised in Los Angeles. Experiencing the strength and love of my family instilled within me lifelong principals of resilience and compassion. I attended the Archer School for Girls and was the fourth graduating class out of a total of 36 girls, matriculating to Brown University, where I achieved a bachelors of science in psychology.

In my journey to becoming a physician, I have demonstrated a commitment to leadership, investigation of health care disparities, and compassion in culturally competent care. I have served as a Learning Skills Counselor where I worked with pre-medical students in the UCLA post-baccalaureate program; investigated health care disparities in surgery, contributing to a published review on medical outcomes of robotic prostatectomy; and continue to hold numerous leadership positions in medical school.

I am pursuing a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology and I am excited about the depth of opportunities I will have to advocate for women of all ages and backgrounds.

Additionally, I aim to complete masters in business administration, so that I can bring financial tools to address health care disparities, aiming myself to be a strong advocate for minority communities.



Kindred Harris

Kindred Harris, B.S., second year medical student at David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Kindred is interested in surgery, global health, and working with underserved populations in the future. She recently submitted her manuscript entitled Metabolic Effects of Smoking Cessation to Nature Reviews Endocrinology for review; she is anticipating future publication. In the past, she has conducted research on antifungal resistance, ethnobotany, and molecular evolution and ecology. At UCLA, she serves as the Student National Medical Association (SNMA) Treasurer and is a member of the Women in Surgery Interest Group and the Christian Medical and Dental Association. Furthermore, she is a domestic and international health and health clinic volunteer, where she works with underserved populations. Additionally, she is a 2015 SNMA Future Leadership Fellow. She completed her undergraduate degree in Biology at the

University of Rochester. Her professional goals are to become an orthopedic surgeon where she plans to advocate for disadvantaged patients and work to increase diversity in specialty fields.

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Adia Scrubb

Adia Scrubb is a fourth year medical student in the Charles R. Drew University/UCLA PRIME program. She is also a current first year Public Policy student at the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs. Adia was raised in Oakland, California and received her Bachelor of Arts in Comparative Literature from the University of California, Berkeley. Her goal to become a physician developed from her experiences of growing up in a medically underserved community. Adia's first steps toward a career in medicine began with mentoring and tutoring at-risk youth who were interested in careers in healthcare, and she later moved on to breast cancer research.

After completing her bachelors degree she continued to volunteer and served as a board member for a non-profit that helped first time juvenile offenders clear their arrest record. However, it was her exposure to the administrative side of healthcare

while working in Legal and Government Relations that inspired Adia to someday contribute to the improvement of health policy and healthcare delivery. Adia would like to thank the Association of Black Women Physicians for their tremendous support.

Etujie Oiyemhonlan

Etujie Oiyemhonlan is a 1st Year Osteopathic Medical Student at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona. Etujie graduated with a Biochemistry- Molecular Biology degree from University of California Santa Barbara and a Masters degree from Western University of Health Science. Etujie's background comes from varying facets of healthcare including operations, administration, informatics, health policy and public health. Etujie has served in a myriad of leadership positions including President of various clubs and organizations, most recently the President of the Student National Medical Association on her campus. Etujie Oiyemhonlan was co-founder of the INROADS Northern California Alumni Association. INROADS is an organization that places talented minority youth in healthcare and technology. In this capacity she facilitates interviewing future INROADers and engages in mentorship opportunities. Within the past year Etujie has been awarded the following: Western University of Health Science Provost Award, Western University of Health Science Deans Award and Scholarship and Western University of Health Science Community Outreach Award. Etujie is dedicated to her mission of outreaching to underserved communities via healthcare initiatives. In her various leadership positions and service efforts, Etujie realizes that a physician with broad experience and knowledge in healthcare is in a unique position to effect meaningful change for her patients and society at large. Etujie attributes her success to her family, friends, her current mentor Dr. Beverly Guidry at Western University and her sister who is now a Emergency Medicine Physician in New York and also a ABWP scholarship recipient.



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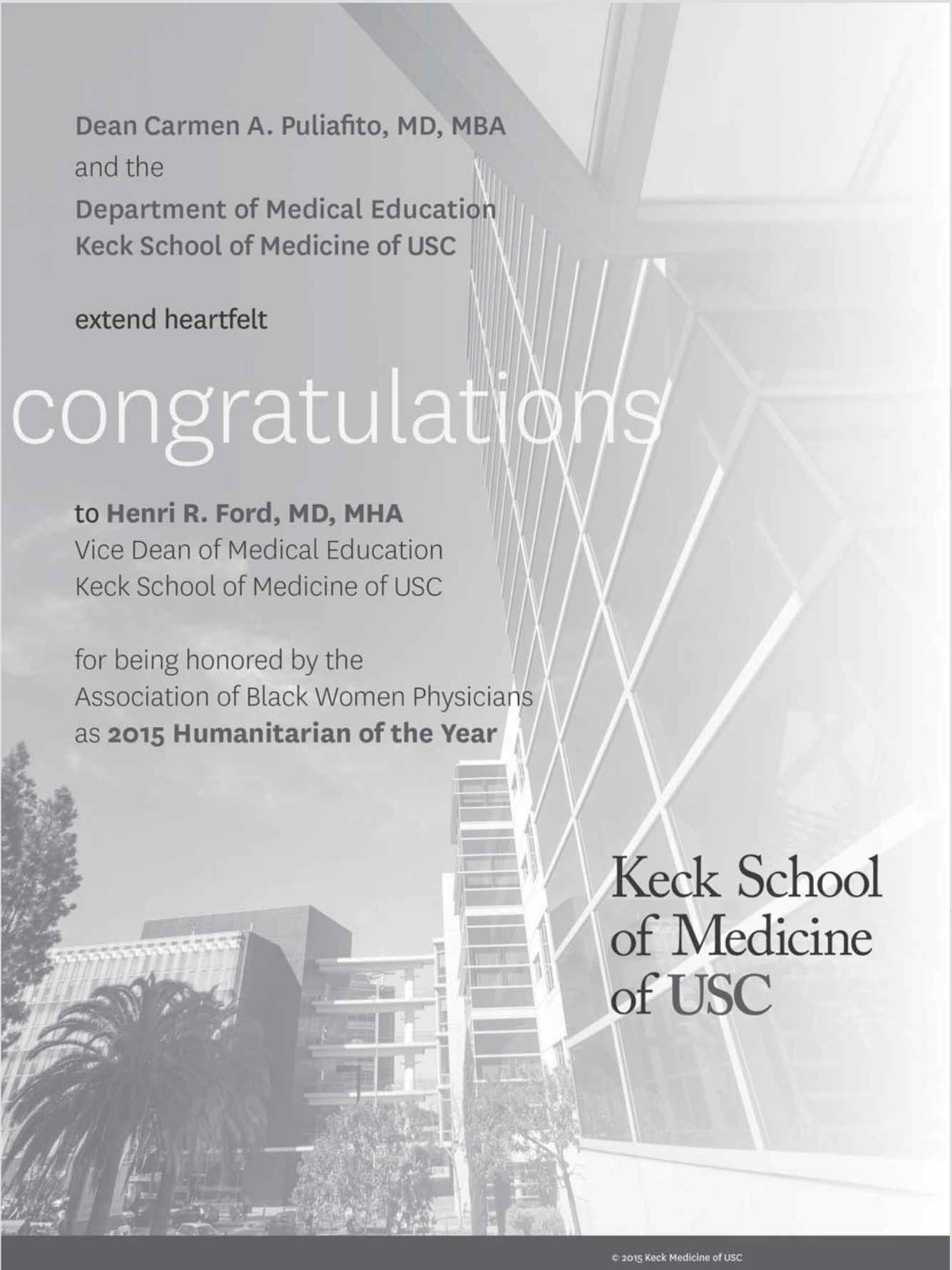
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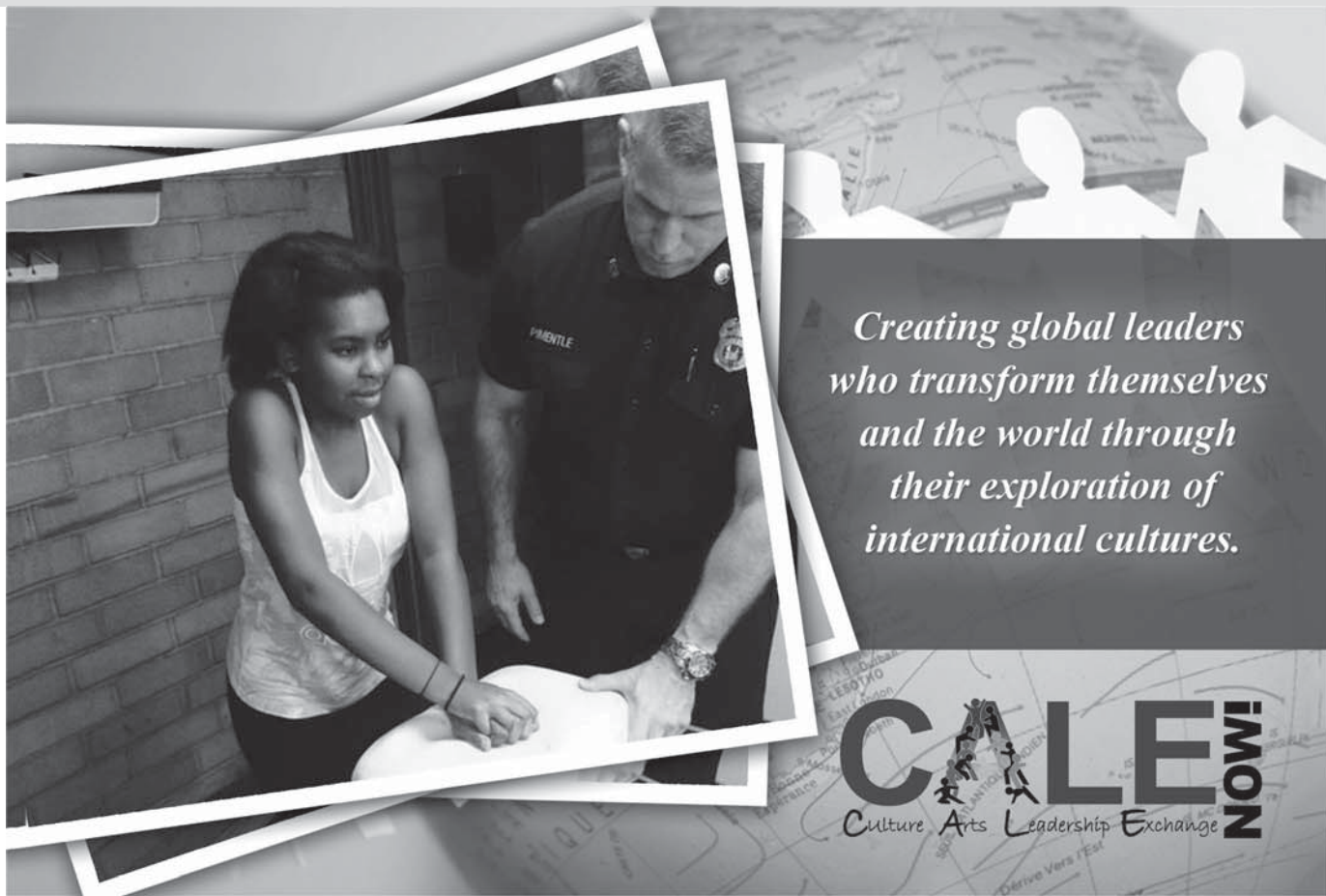
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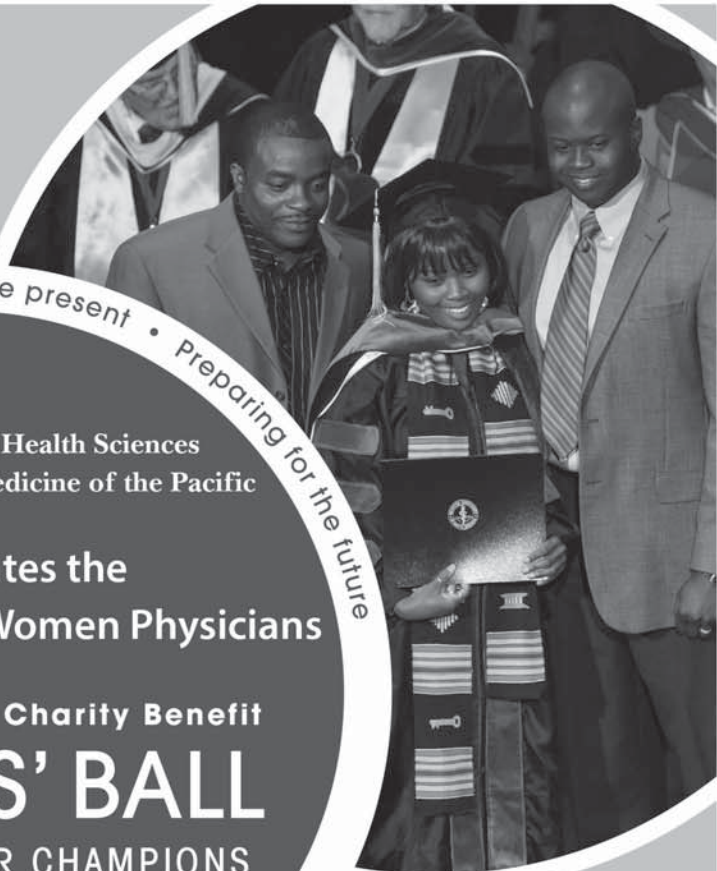
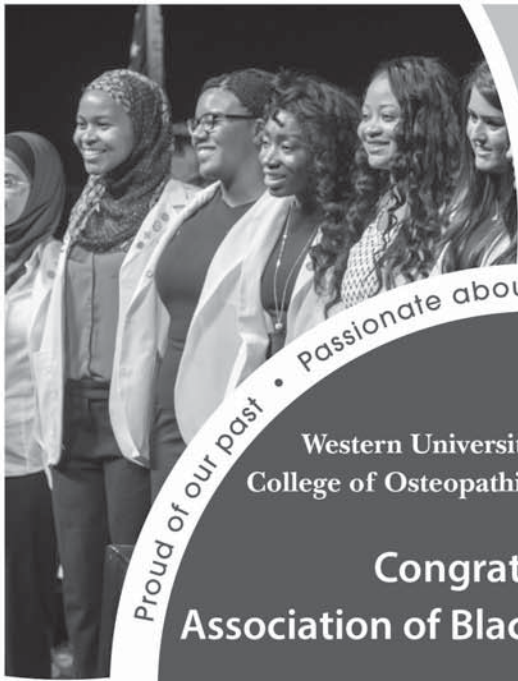
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