

March 9, 2024

PROGRAM

- I. Welcome Brother Khalil Sterling
- II. Foundation Remarks- Brother Caleb L. Terry, President
- III. Queens (NY) Alumni Polemarch's Message -Brother Yves Mompoint
- IV. Blessing Brother Garland H. Boyd
- V. Remarks Assemblywoman Alicia Hyndman
- VI. Dinner
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- VIII. Closing Remarks and Acknowledgement Brother Khalil Sterling
- IX. Party Time!!!

Profile: About Dr. Deas

credit: DOWNSTATE Health and Sciences University

While some people wear a monogram to let us know who they are, Dr. Gerald Whitehead Deas adds an extra letter to his name. What we see is IDEAS. This is his way of enjoining us to think logically and put our best ideas into action.

He Does It His Way

Physician, poet, patient advocate, playwright, media personality, political activist, public health crusader - Gerald W. Deas, M.D., MPH, MA, is all of these, and more. He has battled major companies and organized whole communities to protect the public's health.

Born and raised in Brooklyn, Dr. Deas attended Boys High School and later Brooklyn College, earning a bachelor's and a master's degree in Diochemistry. Drafted into the Army during the Korean War, he helped to identify the remains of fallen comrades. Out of this gruesome experience, he developed a lifelong hatred of war and its aftermath. Years later, after witnessing how violence in our neighborhoods was claiming the lives of so many youths, Dr. Deas and other physicians at Downstate and Kings County Hospital Center organized Doctors Against Murder (DAM) to encourage young people to reject violence.

Home from the war, Dr. Deas resumed his education with a single-minded purpose: to become a healer. After receiving a master's in public health from the University of Michigan, he enrolled at SUNY Downstate and became an M.D. in 1962.

In those years, few African-Americans enrolled in medical school, but Dr. Deas's talents were soon evident to the faculty as well as to his fellow students, who elected him class president.

After graduation, he performed both his internship and residency training in internal medicine at Kings County Hospital. In addition to joining the faculty of preventive medicine at Downstate, he served as an attending physician at Jamaica Hospital and at Mary Immaculate Hospital in Queens for 35 years.

Dr. Deas is adept at networking and using the media to foster public health awareness. His successful struggle in the 1970s against Argo Starch Company is legendary. After discovering that laundry starch was being sold in grocery aisles as a snack, causing black women to become anemic, Dr. Deas forced Argo to repackage its product in powdered form and to add a warning label, "Not Recommended for Food Use." In recognition of this service, the Food and Drug Administration awarded him a special commendation.

Emmy-award winning journalist Bill McCreary and Dr. Deas have been friends since the time they worked together on television's McCreary Report.

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The first black medical columnist for the New York Daily News, Dr. Deas was medical correspondent for television's McCreary Report for 10 years, hosting the segment called "House Calls." He also hosted a weekly radio show on WLIB. He continues to write regularly for the Amsterdam News and other local papers.

As director of health education communication at Downstate and host of "Health Center," the cable TV show produced on campus, Dr. Deas alerts the public about such health hazards as food dyes and additives in sugary drinks that can trigger asthma attacks and behavioral problems in children.

At the 2002 Sports Ball, sponsored by the Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health, Dr. Gerald Deas, shown with fellow honoree Russell Simmons, received the Legacy in Motion Award for his leadership in urban medicine.

Dr. Deas also uses the transforming power of poetry and music to convey his message. Pulitzer-Prize winning poet Gwendolyn Brooks has praised his poems as "rich with creative excitement." Often they contain warnings about common health dangers (Mr. Mean Nicotine and Sodium Confesses), or reminders for patients to take their medications (Cautionary Tale of Hattie Brown). His lament about a child suffering from sickle cell disease (A Black Child Who Can't Smile) was at one time a March of Dimes theme song. He also has written numerous musicals and plays that continue to be performed Off-Broadway.

Much more could be said about this "old-fashioned country doctor," as he has been described by the New York Times, who has worked so hard to spread public awareness about sarcoidosis and other hidden diseases, and was making house calls until the age of 70. Although he has received a great many honorifics and awards, he prefers not to frame them but to give them away to young people. "They're the ones who need the encouragement," he says.

Dr. Deas credits his wife, Beverly, to whom he has been happily married for more that 45 years, for helping him through thick and thin.

She supported him during eight years of medical training, managed his private practice, often accompanied him on late night house calls, typed and edited his work for the media - and accomplished all this while also raising three children.

Honorees



Randell M. Bynum

CEO, Girl Scouts of Nassau County

Rande has been the Chief Executive Officer for the Girl Scouts of Nassau County (GSNC) since 2017. A thirdgeneration Girl Scout, Rande brings decades of experience enhancing the efforts of nonprofit organizations. Early in her career, Bynum was the Program and Adult Development Director at GSNC. The Girl Scout Council serves about 12,500 girls and 5,000 adults. Rande led GSNC through the pandemic, ensuring that girls had Girl Scouts when they needed it the most. Under Rande's leadership in 2022, Girl Scouts of Nassau County was one of 29 Girl Scout Councils to receive a large, unrestricted grant from philanthropist Mackenzie Scott. The transformational funding will allow GSNC to accelerate its mission and expand access through diversity and innovation, allowing all girls to participate in the Girl Scout experience.

Before returning to GSNC four years ago, Bynum was a content designer and editor with various organizations, media entities, and corporations. As an independent contractor, she elevated content to meet the target audience's needs best, supporting professional development efforts and ensuring consistency and sustainability. Before that, Rande was the Publishing Director of Family and

Community Engagement at Scholastic Inc. She was responsible for developing all resources supporting engagement for schools and community organizations and ensuring student achievement. Before her work at Scholastic, Rande was the Senior Director, Outreach and Partnerships at Sesame Workshop. Rande managed all engagement activities for Sesame Workshop's Emmy Award-winning, The Electric Company. This work included community events, partnerships, and literacy materials development for children and educators.

Rande has 30-plus years of experience working with youth and families in various settings. She also worked at the Girl Scouts of the USA, where she was responsible for implementing The Dove Self-Esteem Fund corporate partnership and developing the Girl Scout/Dove selfesteem program. She co-authored Dove's true you!, Sometimes I Feel Ugly and Other Truths About Growing Up workbook for mothers and daughters. Rande received a Master of Social Work with a program planning, administration, and research concentration from Stony Brook University and holds a B.A. from Binghamton University.



Ilbert Sanchez

Founder, Garçon Couture

Ilbert J. Sanchez, "The Garifuna Fashion Designer," traces his extraordinary journey from Honduras to the South Bronx, fueled by a profound passion for community and art. A Spring 2009 initiate of the Omicron chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, Fraternity Inc., Sanchez not only aspired to achieve success but aimed to make a lasting impact while championing the empowerment of the black dollar.

In 2016, he manifested his visionary spirit through Garçon Couture, a bespoke menswear brand blending design and identity for the Black and Hispanic community. Transitioning from the corporate world to entrepreneurship in 2017, Sanchez's creations have earned acclaim from celebrities and athletes, including Michael Rainey Jr., Omari Hardwick, Rotimi, Lorenz Tate, Woody the great from the cast of Power, DC Young Fly in Celebrity Squares, Danielle Brooks from The Color Purple, 2023 NBA MVP Joel Embiid, Caleb McLaughlin from Netflix's Stranger

Things, Jidenna, and a partnership with 2015 NFL MVP, Cam Newton.

His work has been showcased in prestigious publications like Black Enterprise, Vogue, Esquire, Fashion Bomb Daily, Essence, Ebony Magazine, and Munaluchi Bride. Beyond fashion, Sanchez has delved into community development IN department of education, founding "THE MODERN DAY MAN," a mentoring program empowering young black men in social emotional learning, mental empowerment, hygiene & grooming, and entrepreneurship.

With over 800 designs spanning global weddings and showrooms in major U.S. cities, Ilbert J. Sanchez has not only designed a beautiful world but is actively shaping a brighter future for the community he passionately serves.



Dr. Stacie NC Grant

International President & CEO, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Dr. Stacie NC Grant is an award-winning international speaker, master facilitator, best-selling author, influencer, media producer, and celebrity host. In July 2022, Dr. Grant was elected as the 26th International President of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, an African-American Greek-letter organization headquartered in Washington, DC, with over 900 chapters globally founded in 1920.

In addition, Dr. Grant is the CEO of C&G Enterprises Unlimited, LLC, an MWBE firm that focuses on meeting facilitation and professional development training services. C&G Enterprises Unlimited, LLC was tapped as the facilitator for the JFK Airport Redevelopment Advisory Council, a 13-billion-dollar redevelopment project.

Dr. Grant is also the founder of Destiny Designers University®, the only training & development platform for Faithpreneurs® (faith-based entrepreneurs and faith-based professionals). Destiny Designers University helps Faithpreneurs grow their wealth-generating practices around an affinity to God and faith. It teaches them how to leverage relationships, resources, and revenue to create sustainable legacies by being positive cash flow and unapologetically profitable. Training is delivered through live and self-directed courses and supported through books, products, coaching, and other tools and resources.

As a celebrity media personality and producer, Dr. Grant hosts several shows on the DestinyDesignersTV Network and YouTube.com, including *Dream*Do*Done Accountability Podcast, From the Ground Up: Real Time Issues with Real Time Solutions for MWBEs; Speaking Legally: Where the Legal Meets the Cultural, SEQ Moves Community Initiative, and the IG Live show #FaithBites. Dr. Grant is also a co-host for The Vera Moore TV Show.*

Dr. Grant gets the greatest joy from serving others. She is a dedicated community servant and has spent countless hours volunteering her time and serving the community through civic engagement and youth mentorship programs. Dr. Grant is also a board member of The Workshop in Business Opportunities (WIBO) - a small business incubator for underserved communities, and a member of the NYC Queens District Attorney's African American advisory board.



Daniel Laroche, MD

Director of Glaucoma Services and President of Advanced Eyecare of NY

Dr. Daniel Laroche is a glaucoma specialist in New York, Director of Glaucoma Services and President of Advanced Eyecare of New York. He is affiliated with the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai, New York University, and Island Eye Surgical Center. He is a Clinical Associate Professor of Ophthalmology with the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Medical Center. Dr. Laroche is a nationally recognized ophthalmologist as the former Chair of the Ophthalmology Section for the National Medical Association.

Dr. Laroche has taken care of thousands of patients from New York, and specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of glaucoma. Dr. Laroche has performed thousand of glaucoma surgeries using the latest techniques and helped broaden many young surgeons understanding of the latest in the medical, laser and surgical treatments of glaucoma. Dr. Laroche is an expert in interventional glaucoma including trabeculectomy and glaucoma tube shunt surgery. He has been voted one of the top doctors in New York several years in a row and one of top Doctors in America and Castel Connolly Top Doctors amongst his physician peers.

Dr. Laroche received his bachelor's degree from New York University and medical doctorate with honors in research from Weil Cornell University Medical College. He underwent a medical internship at Montefiore Hospital and completed his Ophthalmology residency at Howard University Hospital in Washington DC where he was the chief resident in his 3rd year. Dr. Laroche subsequently completed his glaucoma fellowship at the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Dr. Laroche is board certified and a Diplomat of the American Board of Ophthalmology, a Fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and a member of the American Glaucoma Society and New York Glaucoma Society. Dr. Laroche is the past, Director of the Glaucoma section of the National Medical Association Ophthalmology Section and past Chair of the Ophthalmology Section. Dr Laroche has also written many articles and lectured on glaucoma, teaching other physicians and medical students and participated in symposiums throughout the United States, and the world including the Caribbean, Europe, and Africa.

Dr. Laroche is also the Founding President of the Pan African Glaucoma Association, President Emeritus of the Empire State Medical Association, the New York State affiliate of the National Medical Association and has been an advocate for health care excellence, equality, justice, and diversification of the healthcare workforce. He has also received the Secretariat Award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology, awards from the City Council of New York for Outstanding contributions to New York City, Aesclepius Medical Society Outstanding Leadership, Network Journal, among many others. Dr. Laroche is a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, New York. Dr. Laroche has also volunteered on several medical missions to Haiti and Jamaica, West Indies, Ethiopia, Africa. His offices are conveniently located in Southeast Queens (718-217-0424) and Uptown, Manhattan (212-663-0473) in New York City. He can be reached by email at info@advancedeyecareny.com.



Khadijah Muhammad-Starling, Esq.

Bureau Chief, Public Corruption, Queens District Attorneys Office

Khadijah Muhammad-Starling is an Assistant District Attorney (ADA) at the Queens District Attorney's Office. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Cornell University and pledged Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc (The Nu Gamma Chapter). She then went on to receive her Juris Doctorate Degree from Rutgers University School of Law-Newark. Upon graduation from law school, Khadijah served as a prosecutor in Brooklyn District Attorney's Office from 1987 to 1990. Khadijah has an extensive legal expertise in Criminal Justice, having previously worked at the United States Department of Justice and the Grievance Committee for the Second and Eleventh Judicial Districts, Appellate Division and Second Department as Associate Counsel.

In 2006, Khadijah returned to the New York area and rejoined the Office of the Queens County District Attorney. From 2006 to 2015 Khadijah was assigned to the Economic Crimes Elder Fraud Bureau where she prosecuted individuals who committed economic crimes against the elderly. In January of 2022 she was promoted to the position of Chief of Public Corruption Bureau to lead investigations and lead the prosecution of crimes committed by public servants and other public officials. Throughout her tenure as an ADA, Khadijah has tried numerous cases in the borough of Queens which include but not limited to: Attempted murder, arson, tax fraud, and various assaults.

Currently, Khadijah serves as Financial Secretary for the Suffolk County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. She is also a member of the Amistad Black Bar Association and the Sterling Johnson Chapter of the National Black Prosecutor Association where she mentors young African American prosecutors. She is also a member of several community service organizations such as The LINKS Inc, Jack and Jill of America Inc, The Mothers Club of Wheatley Heights and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc - where she participates in mentorship programs, scholarship programs for youth and cultural programs.

Khadijah is happily married to Carlton Starling and has 4 beautiful children - Khalil Starling, a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Tirik Starling who is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc, Jamal Starling who is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, In, and her daughter/legacy, Kiara Starling, who is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

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Del Daniels*

Alex David*

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Kwame Jackson*

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Dr. Gerald Deas*

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