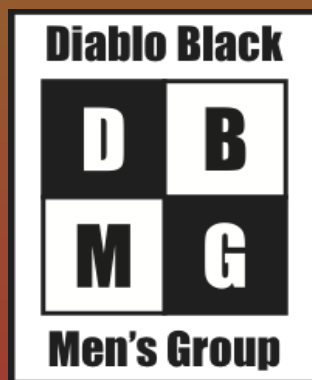


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TONIGHT'S MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES



VALERIE COLEMAN MORRIS

Valerie Coleman Morris is considered a Bay Area native when it comes to television news. She began her career in the early 70s in San Francisco at KRON-TV as a reporter and then KGO-TV as a long time anchor. She was part of the Van Amburg/Jerry Jensen/Pete Giddings news team that branded "happy talk" as a news genre.

Morris is a former CNN domestic and international business anchor, three-time Emmy Award winner, part of the KCBS Radio Peabody Award winning team coverage of the 1989 San Francisco earthquake and creator of the long running radio column "With the Family in Mind", which airs nationally on CBS Network Radio.

During her years at CNN, Valerie's daily reports were seen by more than 290 million households, businesses and airport networks.

Morris now focuses on financial literacy as an aspect of business and social economics. Her "mind over money matters" approach gives the thought process and mindset for a financial behavioral change: re-calculating your relationship with your personal money.

She considered the financial journalist/educator with a unique point of view about money. Her first book "IT'S YOUR MONEY SO TAKE IT PERSONALLY®" provides doable, incremental ways for individuals and families to recover from the impact of the recession in a sustainable way. It is available at Book Passage, Marcus Bookstores, Barnes and Noble and Amazon.com.

Feel free to join Valerie on Twitter (@HerMoneyTalks and Facebook (Valerie Coleman Morris) for upcoming events as well as financial tips. Find her "With the Family in Mind" radio podcasts at www.valeriecolemanmorris.com.

OUR ROOTS

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OUR MISSION

To promote fellowship among Black men, to help African Americans and other minorities in the Diablo Valley actualize full citizenship, including liberty, good health, social equality and economic vitality.

Chairman's Message:

Friends of DBMG,

Happy Holidays and welcome to our 15th Annual Christmas Gala. I am truly happy that you have joined DBMG this evening to celebrate this holiday season. This elegant event is our premier fundraiser, in which the proceeds are used to provide scholarships to young college-bound African-Americans Males from the Diablo Valley.

Our theme for tonight is "*Working Together to Make a Difference in Our Community*". As we look into DBMG's rich history, we have to acknowledge the founders of DBMG, who had the foresight, and vision to create this organization. DBMG has established a tradition, and legacy, of which we are extremely proud.

DBMG is pleased again to award scholarships of up to \$2,500 to eight exceptional young men this school year. Over the past eight years, DBMG has provided twenty-six scholarships totaling over \$50,000.

Throughout the year DBMG members participate in several community events such as: Black History Month celebration sponsored by Safeway, the San Roman Art and Wind Festival and the Pittsburg Sea Food Festival, in which we sell our delicious peach cobbler a'lamode. We also celebrated our 9th DBMG Golf Tournament at the San Ramon Bridges Golf Course.

Each year DBMG selects two of our members to attend San Ramon Leadership San Ramon Valley. This program is designed to appreciate, understand, manage, and lead in the rapidly evolving business, political, educational, cultural and social environment of the San Ramon Valley.

I would like to thank our immediate families, friends, community leaders, and corporations for your continued support. I would also like to express our sincere thanks to Safeway, Chevron and others for hosting our key events this past year.

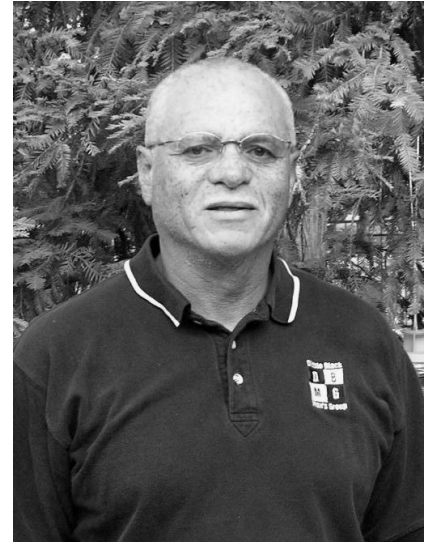
If you are interested in "*Working Together to Make a Difference in Our Community*", please meet with one of our DBMG brothers tonight or visit our website at www.dbmg.org for more details.

Best wishes to you and your family during this holiday season and throughout the coming year.

Regards,



Spencer Tyrus
DBMG Chairman





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December 13, 2013



Season Greetings,

The City of San Ramon welcomes the Diablo Black Men's Group. We are delighted your organization selected San Ramon as the venue for your event. We look forward to helping make your visit with us enjoyable as you participate in your 15th Annual Christmas Gala "Working together to make a difference in our community".

The City of San Ramon offers a matchless quality of life that families from all over the world have come to enjoy. I hope you have the opportunity to take advantage of the many amenities San Ramon has to offer.

The City Council of the City of San Ramon recognizes, congratulates and wishes you continued success in your mission to promote fellowship among Black men, help African Americans and other minorities in the Diablo Valley actualize full citizenship, including liberty, good health, social equality and economic vitality.

Again, welcome and enjoy. We look forward to helping make your visit to San Ramon enjoyable as you participate in the DBMG Annual Christmas Gala.

Wishing you continued success and a joyous holiday season!

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Clarkson".

Bill Clarkson, Mayor
City of San Ramon

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Dear Gentlemen:

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! I am delighted to recognize and congratulate the Diablo Black Men's Group at your 15th Annual Christmas Gala and thank you for all that you do. I look forward to working together in your commitment to *making a difference in the community*.

As the District 2 Supervisor for Contra Costa County, I know that government alone cannot make a difference in the lives of our youth. We depend upon groups such as yours. I applaud your efforts in awarding well-deserved scholarships to college-bound students. I wish you continued success in enhancing the lives of community members and their families through your good work.

Best wishes for your continued success and for a wonderful 15th Christmas Gala!

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Candace Andersen".

Candace Andersen, Supervisor
Contra Costa County, District 2



IN REMEMBRANCE



Percy Abram



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Ricardo Youngblood

*Grieve not, nor speak of me with tears,
But laugh and talk of me as if I were beside you there.*

~ ISLA PASCHAL RICHARDSON ~

Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing

by James Weldon Johnson

*Lift ev'ry voice and sing,
Till earth and heaven ring.
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise,
High as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.*

*Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet,
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last,
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.*

*God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might,
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee,
Shadowed beneath thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God,
True to our native land.*

TONIGHT'S AUCTIONEER



STEVEN GODFRYD PACIFIC AUCTION COMPANY

Steven Godfryd is the founder and president of the Pacific Auction Company. He organizes and conducts over 200 fundraising auctions annually, earning him the moniker of “hardest working auctioneer in the fundraising business”. Having worked as a professional non-profit fundraiser for 15 years, the combination of being both an auctioneer and a fundraiser makes him a powerful force in encouraging people to spend generously at fundraising events. He has literally generated millions of dollars for charitable organizations, and has been recognized by industry groups for his outstanding work. Steve became an auctioneer the old fashioned way, by studying auctioneers. He has a reverence for country cattle callers and their high-speed auction patter, yet appreciates the sophistication of auctioneers at the worlds finest auction houses such as Christie's & Sotheby's. His style is a bit flashy, and a true hybrid of old-fashioned country combined with high-brow city flare.

Steve's diverse background reflects his passion for giving and helping others. He served as a beekeeper in the Peace Corps in Paraguay, where he taught impoverished farmers how to produce honey as a secondary income generating activity. After three years in Paraguay, he subsequently worked in Brazil, Argentina, Chile & Nicaragua, spending a total of seven years working with bees and rural people in Latin America.

Contact: Steven Godfryd
Pacific Auction Company
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530-753-8400

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

6:45 – 7:45 P.M.

No Host Cocktails & Hors d' oeuvres
Toy Collection
Photographs
Silent Auction
Live Entertainment

8:00 P.M.

~~ *Dinner Hour* ~~

Remarks & Welcome – Spencer Tyrus
Introduce Gala MC – Spencer Tyrus
Invocation – Dr. Calvin Wheeler, Chaplain
In Remembrance
Singing of Lift Every Voice
DBMG Awards
Recognition of 2013 DBMG Scholarship Recipients
Continuation of Silent Auction (Closes at 9:30 p.m.)

9:15 P.M.

Live Auction

9:45 P.M.

Live Entertainment / Dancing

TONIGHT'S MENU



HORS D'OEUVRES

Bruschetta with Buffalo
Mozzarella Cheese
Crab Cakes

DINNER

Festive Green Salad
Vegetarian Pasta
Grilled Salmon
Chicken Chardonnay
Rice Pilaf
Vegetables

DESERT

New York Cheesecake
Chocolate Cake

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Alain Dangerfield
Bola Majekodunmi

Souvenir Program and Promotions

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Souvenir Program Ad Sales

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Tim Evans - Band/Music

Decoration Coordination

Melba Dangerfield
Erma Tucker

Musical Entertainment

The Reed Fromer Band

Auctioneer / Silent Auction

Steve Godfrey – Pacific Auctions

Hosts

Alexandria Dangerfield
Caleb Smith

DBMG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

DBMG will strive to provide at least 4 - \$2,500 scholarships per year

The DBMG Scholarship Fund offers scholarships to students who reside in Contra Costa County and are bound for a four-year college/university, junior/community college or trade school.

Qualification:

1. Student must be a senior in the Contra Costa County school system for at least the past two years.
2. Student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 during the 10-12 grades and demonstrates promise of continued academic achievement.

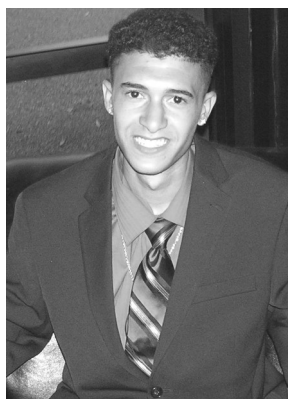
Process

1. Student should submit a completed application to DBMG by February 28, 2014
2. Scholarships will be awarded June 1, 2014
3. Students must address the following topics in their applications:
 - Personal Statement
 - Educational Achievements
 - Leadership Experience
 - Extracurricular Activities
 - Community Involvement
 - Academic Goals
 - Future Plans and Goals
4. Students are selected by the following parameters:
 - Educational Achievements
 - Community Involvement
 - Demonstrated Leadership skills
 - Financial Needs
 - Ability to follow the explicit instructions on the application form.

DBMG seeks to offer these scholarships to African American males.

Students whose father is a DBMG member or immediate family member may submit one application per year, however, scholarships awards to students affiliated to a DBMG member will be limited to half of all scholarships award in any year.

DBMG 2013 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES



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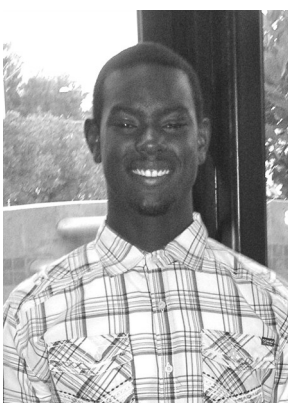
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College of Choice:
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New Orleans, Louisiana.

**MR. ADEOLA
OLAYOMI**

High School:
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Dublin California.

College of Choice:
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**MR. ALEXANDER
CROSDALE**

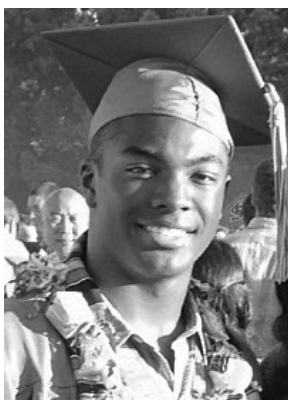
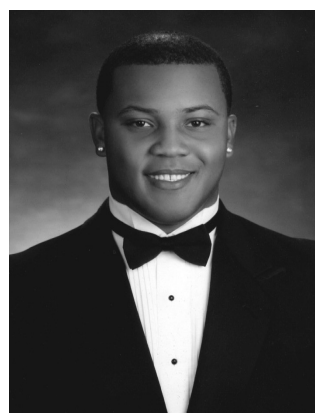
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MR. JELANI SMITH

High School:
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Concord, California.

College of Choice:
USC, Los Angeles
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**MR. WILLIAM T.
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High School:
San Ramon Valley High
Danville, California.

College of Choice:
USC, Los Angeles,
California

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High School:
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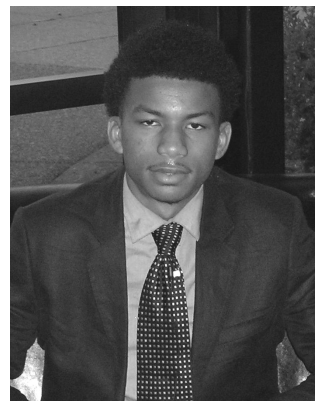
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High School:
Skyline High School
Oakland, California.

College of Choice:
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DBMG HISTORY

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DBMG Scholarship Fund Goal: Assist College bound black male students to realize their full potential in pursuit of academic excellence and leadership development by providing financial and moral support. The DBMG will strive to provide at least five (5) scholarships of up to \$2,500 annually.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- All Applicants must be high school seniors who will graduate at the end of the academic calendar year, and have never attended a higher learning institute (i.e., college or university), or individuals who have already graduated from high school or received a GED, but have never attended a higher learning institute.
- Must be a resident of Central Costa Contra or East Bay County communities, or referred by a member of the DBMG
- Demonstrate community volunteerism within your school or community
- Have (or graduated with) a minimum grade point average of 2.5 overall.

APPLICATION PACKAGE

Applicants must submit the following:

- A **completed** DBMG Scholarship Application. Please type or print your responses, including "N/A" for items that are not applicable to you. The application must be completed in its entirety, submitted with the items listed below, and postmarked by April 15, 2014.
- Three personal letters of recommendation:
 - **Current High School Seniors:** (a) counselor; (b) teacher; (c) community representative
 - **High School Graduates:** (a) community representative; (b) employer; (c) other (as approved as such by Committee Members)
- List of colleges and/or universities where you are applying
- Most recent **official** academic transcript from school. You must request that your registrar send your transcript directly to the address provided. The DBMG will not accept student copies or other unofficial transcripts. Most schools assess a nominal service charge to send official transcripts
- Essay question: One of the principal goals of education is fostering ways for people to respect and get along with individuals who think, dress, look and act differently. **How might you make this goal a reality?** Your essay should be 500 words or less, typed with black ink on white paper. Doubled-spaced essays are preferred. Your essay must be submitted with your application.
- A personal biographical essay of 250 words or less. Your biography should discuss your college and/or career objectives, leadership abilities and your involvement in the black community. The essay must be included with this application.

NOTES OF INTEREST:

- All DBMG scholarship disbursements will require a copy of your acceptance letter from your college or university.
- Scholarship disbursements will be made directly to the college or university that you will be attending.
- All scholarships must be paid out within two years from the date that it is awarded, and will not exceed \$2,500.
- Scholarship is non-renewable.

Deadlines: Application packet, including all required materials, must be received at the above address by April 315 2014. Notification will be made by June 8, 2014. If you have any questions please e-mail the Scholarship Chair at dbmg4ca@gmail.com.

DIABLO BLACK MEN'S GROUP

Annual Education Scholarship Application | P.O. Box 1154 | Danville, CA 94526 | 2014 – 2015 Application Form

Student Profile

Name: *(please type)* _____

SSN #: _____ Ethnicity (Optional) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____ E-mail: _____

Academic Profile

High School Name: _____

Classification: _____ **GPA:** _____ **Graduation Date:** _____

List Honors & Distinctions Received: _____

List Extracurricular Activities, Organizations & Positions Held: _____

Employment Profile

Employer's Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Job Description: _____ Employment Date: _____

Essays

Provide a **typed essay of 500 words or less** on the principal goals of education in fostering ways for people to respect and get along with individuals who think, dress, look and act differently. **How might you make this goal a reality?** Also, provide a **typed** essay of 250 words or less on your college and/or career objectives, leadership abilities and your involvement in the black community.

Disclosure

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that would jeopardize inclusion of this application. In addition, all information obtained from this application may be used by DBMG for marketing purposes.

Student Signature

Date



Michelle Shute, M.D.
Department of Internal Medicine

*East Bay Physicians
Medical Group*

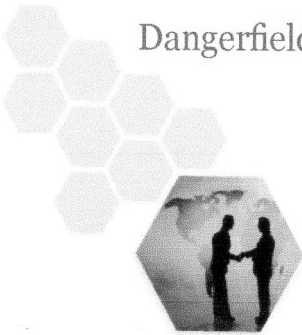
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