

About the Cover

Women of the Year

- 1982 - Virginia Newell
- 1983 - Norma Smith
- 1984 - Elwanda Ingram
- 1985 - Louise Wilson (deceased)
- 1986 - Martha Wood
- 1987 - Bessie Allen (deceased)
- 1988 - Mazie Woodruff (deceased)
- 1989 - Annie Brown Kennedy
- 1990 - D Smith
- 1991 - Irene Hairston
- 1992 - Maya Angelou
- 1993 - Dorothy Graham-Wheeler and Loretta Biggs
- 1994 - Vivian Turner
- 1995 - Vivian Burke
- 1996 - Geneva Brown
- 1997 - Joycelyn Johnson
- 1998 - Mütter Evans
- 1999 - Mosé Belton-Brown
- 2000 - Addie Hymes
- 2001 Sylvia Flack
- 2002 - Brenda Diggs

Men of the Year

- 1982 - Larry Little
- 1983 - Clifton Graves
- 1984 - Patrick Hairston
- 1985 - Larry Womble
- 1986 - Walter Marshall
- 1987 - Carlton Eversley
- 1988 - Isaiah Tidwell
- 1989 - Lester Ervin (deceased)
- 1990 - James Grace
- 1991 - Ben Ruffin
- 1992 - Ben Piggott
- 1993 - John Mendez
- 1994 - William Brandon
- 1995 - Mickey Muhammad
- 1996 - Sheldon McCarter
- 1997 - Seth O. Lartey
- 1998 - Marshall Bass
- 1999 - Charles Kennedy
- 2000 - Harold Martin
- 2001 - J.C. Hash
- 2002 - Allen Joines

A Message from Selection Committee chairman



Nigel Alston

We are fortunate to have a dedicated group of people, who are knowledgeable about the community, to make up the committee that helps select those people to be honored at the Chronicle Community Awards Banquet each year. The committee is a diverse group in gender, age and ethnicity and includes past honorees, corporate sponsor representatives and community volunteers. The committee sifts through the nominations received by Chronicle readers and recommends others who may have been overlooked.

The committee strives to select a diverse group of people each year to be honored. This year, as you will read, honorees represent various segments of the community, from grassroots to professional; black, white and Hispanic; young and old. The result of the work of the committee, its recommendations, is reflected in the significant attendance each year of people throughout the community. A deliberate, conscious effort is made to be inclusive, recognizing the importance of diversity in our community and focusing on the impact within the African-American community specifically.

- Nigel Alston, GMAC

Committee Members

- Vivian Turner
former Woman of the Year/ R.J. Reynolds
- Florence Corpening
YWCA
- Ernie Wade
Ernie Wade & Associates
- Peggy Carter
Sara Lee Corp.
- Catherine Lough
Wachovia Corp.
- Annette Scippio
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- T. Kevin Walker
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