



Concerned Black Men of Los Angeles

Mentoring At Its Best

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



2015
Honorees

The Honorable Rupert A. Byrdsong
2016 Keynote Speaker

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2ND ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET



VIEWPOINT

The President's Corner



MARK ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

HELLO MEMBERS AND MENTORS

It's been a fun summer! Our final summer event will be the 2nd Annual Awards Banquet on Friday August 19, 2016 at 6:30 PM at the Double Tree by Hilton in Carson, CA.

It is my hope, that everyone receiving the August Newsletter plans to attend this terrific event. As we round out the month of August and head into September, it's back to our core function;

providing mentoring programs for young men. We have a few new programs to offer in the 2016-2017 school year. CBMLA will now be responsible for implementing the CARES Program in four charter schools.

CBMLA will pilot a new program called the Emerging Leaders Program. The original Welcome to Manhood Program will be offered as usual.



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This year's theme for the 2016 Awards Banquet: Empowering Our Youth Today: For a Stronger Tomorrow



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The CARES Program is part of a comprehensive outreach project designed to improve academic and life outcomes for middle school students. As a part of this program, Facilitators lead weekly workshops with mentees at their schools during school hours. Through this program, mentees develop life skills, stronger school attachment, and improve citizenship. The four charter schools are: KIPP Academy of Opportunity, KIPP Scholar Academy, Animo Western and Animo Phillis Wheatley. The CARES Program starts the first week of September and will include approximately 60 mentees.

The Emerging Leaders Program will take place at the Hyde Park Library on Saturdays starting Saturday, September 24th. This program will replace the Welcome to Manhood Program previously offered at this library. The Emerging Leaders Program is a very structured mentoring program focused on mentees starting 9th Grade or higher. The program focuses on four core areas; Personal Identity, College Access, Career Readiness and Financial Literacy. An application is available on our website at www.cbmla.org and is required for enrollment.

The Welcome to Manhood Program will be offered at the Exposition Park Library starting Saturday September 10th. The Welcome to Manhood Program will be offered at the Eastside Academy Transitional Learning Center in Lancaster, CA starting Saturday September 17th. Mentees ages 11-19 years old can participate in the Welcome to Manhood Program.

All three programs are explained in detail on our website under Programs.

I am extremely pleased to see CBMLA increase our effectiveness through mentoring young men in schools and offering a structured program to assist high school students with preparing for college.

Mark



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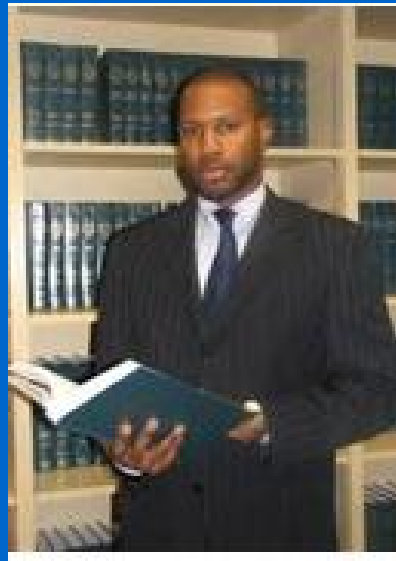
Mentees Carl "CJ" Nicholson and Robert Peters Appeared on The Good News Radio Show?



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CBMLA 2nd Annual Awards Banquet 2016

Keynote Speaker
The Honorable Rupert A. Byrdsong



The Honorable Rupert A. Birdsong was appointed to the Superior Court of Los Angeles on June 18, 2014. He received his JD degree in 1994 from Vanderbilt University School of Law. Birdsong is a alumni of Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA.

From 1995 to his appointment to the Superior Court of Los Angeles, Birdsong practiced with McNeill & Wyatt, the largest owned African American law firm in Los Angeles



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Welcome!
Reginald Broddie



CEO, Concerned Black Men, National

"Builder of Men & Women, One Kid at a Time"



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Scenes from 1st Annual Awards Banquet 2015

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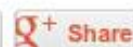
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"What I love about our organization, is that we are committed not only to the academic success of our mentees but also to their emotional, and psychological development. We want them to succeed in every aspect of life so we teach them basic life skills such as how to tie a tie, make eye contact when being introduced, and how to shake hands with other men, just to name a few of the basic skills that are taught," said Anderson.



CBMLA Mentees Learning to Surf. Photo Courtesy of CBMLA



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CBM LANCASTER TEAM





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Congratulations!

**MILES ROBINSON
ACCEPTED TO
USC SCHOOL OF LAW**

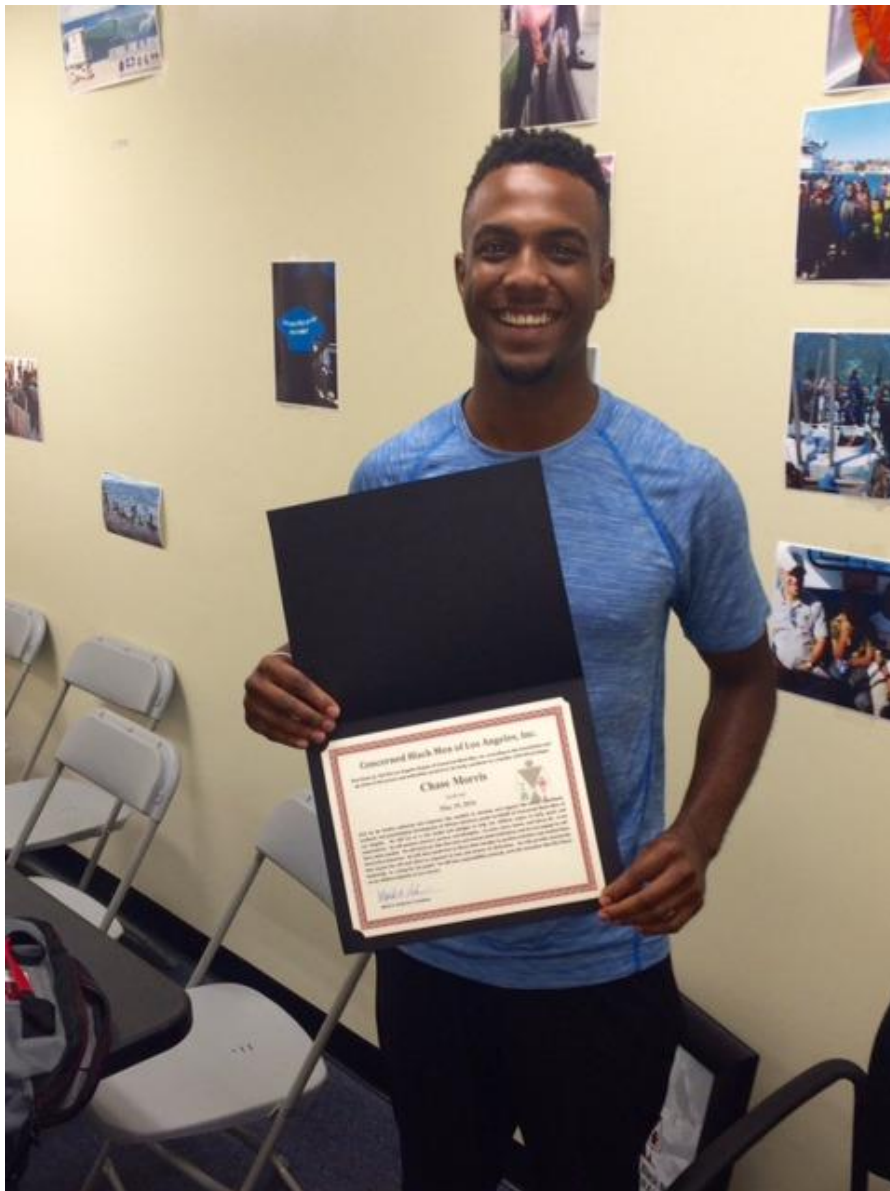
Miles is a CBMLA member in Lancaster

Facilitator, Welcome to Manhood



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**WELCOME
NEW
MEMBER!**



Chase
Morris



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Welcome *New*
Board Member!



Dr. Valerie Wardlaw



Julian and **Sharon**

Lewis

for

Hosting the 2nd

Annual CBMLA

Barbecue!



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New Committee Chairs

**Fundraising - Tony McCuller,
Chair**

**Finance & Budget - Vladimir
Jefferson, Chair**

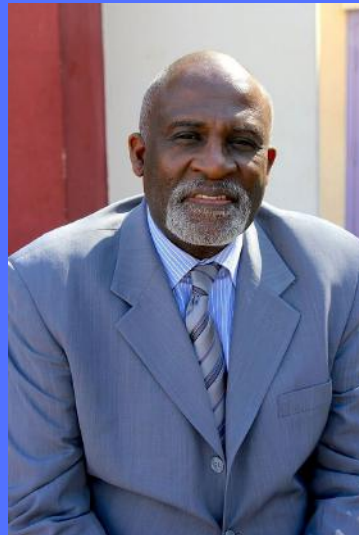


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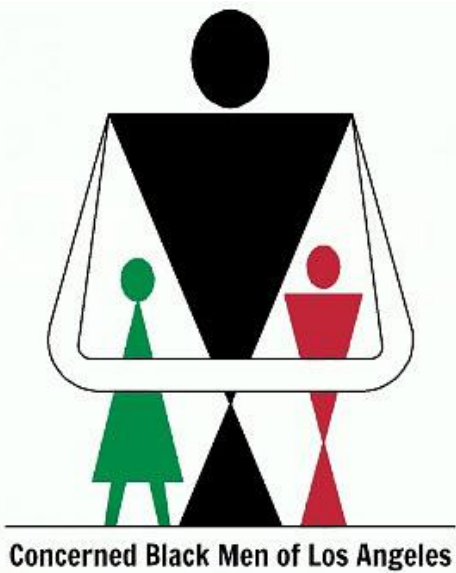


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