



*Kent County,
Kalamazoo - Muskegon MI Black Nurses
Association (KMMBNA)*

**Twelfth Annual
Scholarship Awards
Dinner Dance Gala
and
Silent Auction**

Friday, May 20, 2016

Guest Speaker:

**Dr. Eric J. Williams, President
National Black Nurses Assoc.**

Topic:

**"The Role of Nursing
in Violence Reduction:
Call to Action"**

Amway Grand Plaza Hotel
Ambassador Ballroom East
187 Monroe Avenue, NW
Grand Rapids, Michigan
49503



Dr. Eric J. Williams -Guest Speaker

**Topic: "The Role of Nursing in Violence Reduction:
Call to Action"**

Dr. Williams was installed as the first male and the 12th President of the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) on August 2, 2015. He earned a BSN degree in 1986 from William Carey University, Hattiesburg, MS and a MSN with a focus in Adult Health from the University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama in 1991. He earned a Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree from the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH.

He has presented locally and nationally on a variety of health relate topics and extensively on violence reduction. CNN featured him in a segment on Health Care Reform entitled "A Nursing Professor Rejoices." Currently, he serves on many boards, a few are the Haiti Nursing Foundation, and Minority Nurse Magazine Advisory Committee.

Dr. Williams was inducted into the William Carey University Hall of Fame on March 28, 2015, received the NBNA Trailblazer Award, and applauded as one of the Great 100 Nurses of New Orleans, and more. Resides in Los Angeles , CA.

Honorary Co-Chairpersons

Micki Benz
Mercy Health Saint Mary's

Cle Jackson, Blue Cross Blue Shield of
Michigan

Paul Collins, Collins Fine Art

Gregory T. Lawton, PhD, Blue Heron Academy

Betsy Dekorne

William Lewis, Yesterdog

Christina Donley, MSN, M RN,
Muskegon Community College

Nicole Mcconnell, Spectrum Health

Jan Durr

Denise Neely, RN, Bronson Health Care Group

Taalib El Amin, El-Amin & Associates

Khan Nedd, MD, Infusion Associates

Dr. Steven Ender, Grand Rapids Community
College

Juan Olivarez, PhD, Aquinas College

Myrna Granderson, RN

Randolph Rasch, PhD, RN, Dean of Michigan
State University School of Nursing

Rev. Dr. Willie A. Gholston, II
First Community AME Church

Dr. Eugene & Mrs. Yvone Sims

Robert Grooters, Robert Grooters
Development Company

Willie Suber, Michigan Education Association

Angela Hanks, Chemical Bank

George Sullivan, Juhas & Sullivan Jewelry
Design

Barbara Mitchell Harris, MSN, RN

Herschell Turner,
Artist, Historian, and Lecturer

Cynthia Hines, Family Health Center
- Kalamazoo

Sheila M. Vanlowe-Prince, MD, Joshuatree
Internal Medicine

Kaslana Y. Hussey, Mercy Health Muskegon

Earle Washington, PhD, MSW, Dean, College o
Health and Human Service, Western Michigan
University

Jeff Juhas, Juhas & Sulivan Jewelry Design

Teresa Weatherall-Neal, Grand Rapids Public Schools Superintendent

Founder, Dr. Birthale Archie, President Shahidah El - Amin,
and membership invite you to our
Kent County, Kalamazoo - Muskegon MI Black Nurses Association
Twelfth Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner Dance Gala

and
Silent Auction

Friday, May 20, 2016

Reception and Silent Auction at 5:30pm
Dinner and Program Starts at 6:30pm
Therapeutic Dance Follows

Amway Grand Plaza Hotel
Ambassador Ballroom
187 Monroe Avenue, NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Attire: After five

Several \$1,000.00 Nursing Scholarships to be Awarded.

Volunteer Community Service Award Recipients

Mrs. Pamela K. Brown, MSN, APRN
Past Director of Muskegon Community College Nursing Program

The Honorable George K. Heartwell
Past Mayor of the city of Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. Herschell Turner
Artist, Historian, and Lecturer

See insert card for sponsorship levels and ticket fee
RSVP now please. Not later than May 11, 2016 (or call to give notice)

For more information, call 616-633-0616
Contributions received continue to support our Scholarship Fund and Chapter Mission

Bit of History

The Kent County Kalamazoo-Muskegon Michigan Black Nurses Association (KMMBNA) is an organization headquartered in Kent County, with members in Grand Rapids, Kentwood, Kalamazoo, Muskegon, Battle Creek and other cities in West Michigan.

KMMBNA was founded in 1974 as the non-chartered Grand Rapids Black Nurses Association. Birthale Archie, a young nurse who had just completed nursing school, was the founder, visionary and convener of our chapter at her home in 1974. One of the chapter's first activities was the Future Nurses Club at South High School, in which they provided students with the opportunity to obtain experience in a hospital setting through the Candy Stripe Program at Saint Mary's Hospital. The future nurses were able to feed patients, pass food trays and run errands, among other duties. Our Mission was to encourage more minorities to pursue careers in health care, as well as to advocate for and educate the African American community on health, in an effort to promote greater parity in health care services.

Continue the Journey to Becoming KMMBNA.

In 1990, Birthale Archie was elected to the Board of Directors of the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) in Washington, D.C. Birthale began to explore establishing an officially chartered chapter of the NBNA. In 1997, several interested nurses were asked to meet at her home to explore a NBNA Chapter Charter. The mission of the chapter would be to provide a vehicle for nurses to address nursing care, and health issues for the unserved and underserved in order to experience optimum quality health care services. The KMMBNA Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association applied for its charter at the 27th Institute and Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, and received its official charter in August 1999.

The 1998-1999 Roster of Charter Members:

Charter Officers

Birthale Archie, MSN, BS, RN, President
Lifetime Member of NBNA

Helen Truss, MPA, RN, Vice President

Lorna Jo Fletcher, MSN, CCDN, RN, Secretary

Johannie Stokes, LPN, Treasurer *

Shahidah El-Amin, BS, RN, Nominating
Chairperson

Charter Members

Helen Brent, MPA, RN*

Billie J. Bruce, BS, RN, Retired

Donna Jones-Davis, BA, CFLE, RN

Marilyn E. Grice, RN, Retired

Rhonda E. Jones, SLPN *

Bernardine Lacey, EdD, RN, FAAN

Denise Robinson, SMSN, BSN, RN

Linda S. Scott, PhC, MSN, BSN

Felicia Ware, SLPN

Valerie Simmons, JD, RN

Sterling Hawkins, SRN

* S indicates student LPN

Currently Elected Officers 2016-2018:

Shahidah El-Amin, HHP, BS, RN
President

Michael Robinson, LPN
Vice President

Birthale Archie, DNP, MSN, BS, RN
Treasurer

Shiva Aboagye, BSN, RN
Secretary

Sruda Xedagbui
RN, Student Representative

To God be the glory for the good things
He has done.

* Deceased

KMMBNA Reservations

Please R.S.V.P. NOW! ...no LATER THAN May 11, 2016 (or call to give notice)
Sponsorship Opportunities – please e-mail logo to WAR164623@aol.com)

Nurse Scholar Sponsor: \$5,000.00 each table

TABLE NAME _____

- Table for 10*
- Reserved seating and table recognition
- Company logo in program and electronic stroll
- Multi-media recognition / and address audience 5 minutes Reception

Education Sponsor: \$3,000.00 each table

TABLE NAME _____

- Table for 10*
- Reserved seating and table recognition
- Company name in program with logo
- Address audience 2 Minutes Reception

Progressive Sponsor: \$1,000.00 each table

TABLE NAME _____

- Table for 10*
- Reserved seating and table recognition

Individual Reserved Seating Tickets \$100.00

Individual Tickets (Open Seating, No Reserved Table) \$75.00

Table Tent provided with the purchase of reserved table.

I regret I will be unable to attend, but will contribute \$ _____
(see reverse side for more information)

Send check or
Money Order to:

KMMBNA
3860 E. Norwalk Drive S.E.
Kentwood, MI 49508-2716

KMMBNA Menu and Names Reservation

(For Menu selection, RSVP by May 11, 2016 , otherwise, chicken will be served) (or call to give notice)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Company: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (Day): _____

Phone (Evening): _____

Email: _____

Please be sure to add your e-mail!

Names of Attendees:

Menu: Please check one

1. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

2. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

3. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

4. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

5. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

6. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

7. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

8. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

9. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

10. _____ p Chicken p Vegan

Name tags will be made.

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____

Please make checks
payable to KMMBNA
and mail to:

KMMBNA GALA
3860 East Norwalk, SE
Kentwood, MI
49508-2716