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The North Louisiana Business Hall of Fame was established in the fall of 1994 to commemorate the 30th anniversary of Junior Achievement of North Louisiana, Inc. The purpose of the North Louisiana Business Hall of Fame is to recognize and honor the role of business in our region. Annually, men and women of vision, foresight, courage and outstanding character — proven leaders — are inducted into the North Louisiana Business Hall of Fame as role models for future business leaders.

Laureates

1996

Dr. Wallace Brown
Mr. George D. Nelson, Sr.
Mr. Nicholas H. Wheless, Jr.

1995

Dr. Louis Pendleton
Mrs. Virginia K. Shehee
Mr. Don Weir, Sr.

1994

Mr. John Franks
Mr. Samuel P. Peters
Mr. Albert Sklar

Selection Criteria

North Louisiana Business Hall of Fame laureates are individuals who have shown outstanding lifetime leadership in business and public service activities. They have a proven record of achievement and involvement and exhibit high moral and ethical principles, making them suitable role models for the young people of North Louisiana. Laureates are chosen by a panel of their peers.

1996 Induction Ceremonies

Welcome

Thomas J. Williams
Junior Achievement Board of Directors

Parade of Laureates

National Anthem/Posting of Colors

Felix Williams, II
Evangel Academy
Houghton High School Air Force ROTC

Invocation

Callie Jamar
South Highlands Magnet School

Dinner

Introductions

Thomas J. Williams
Dock Voorhies, III
Youree Drive Middle School

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Donald Weir, Sr.
Hall of Fame Chairman

Keynote Speaker

Gen. Robert Herres
Chairman & CEO, USAA

Presentation of 1996 Laureates

Thomas J. Williams
Kathryn Chreene
Riverside Elementary School
Whitney Robinson
Youree Drive Middle School
Michael Busada
Youree Drive Middle School

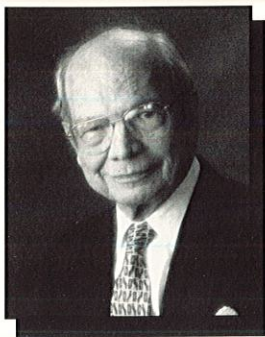
Closing Remarks

Thomas J. Williams

God Bless America

Felix Williams, II

Wallace H. Brown, M.D.



Wallace Brown was born and grew up in East Texas within 50 miles of Shreveport near Marshall, Texas. He knew at an early age that he wanted to be a doctor. He graduated Salutatorian from Marshall High School and studied pre-med at

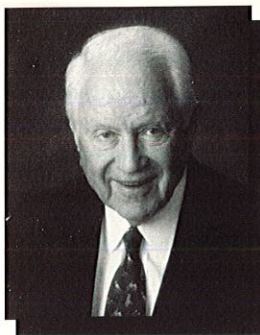
the College of Marshall and University of Texas in Austin. He worked his way through medical school at the University of Texas in Galveston by waiting tables.

Dr. Brown began his internship at the Charity Hospital in Shreveport in 1937 and served there as chief resident surgeon from 1940 to 1946. He holds several professional memberships, including the American Medical Association and the state and local medical and surgical societies. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and a member of the Southeastern Surgical Congress. He is active with the Louisiana Cancer Society and served on the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society in 1970. In addition, he served two terms as president of the Fourth District Medical Society and was president of the Schumpert Medical Staff in 1964.

Dr. Brown currently serves on the Board of Directors of Schumpert Medical Center and First Baptist Church, where he helped organize the First Baptist Church School. He was named Preceptor of the Year for the Family Practice Resident Program in 1983, Physician of the Year by the Shreveport Medical Society in 1984, and received the John Hugh Hill Scholarship award presented for the first time by the College of Marshall — now East Texas Baptist University — in 1992. In January of 1993, Dr. Brown received the Brotherhood and Sisterhood Citation presented by the local chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

An active community member, Dr. Brown is a century member of the Boy Scouts of America and a member of several organizations, including the Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and Holiday in Dixie Ambassador's Club.

George D. Nelson, Sr.



George D. Nelson, Sr. was born in Junction City, Louisiana during the first frost of 1917. He graduated from Minden High School and continued his education at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge where he received a bachelor's

degree and a juris doctorate.

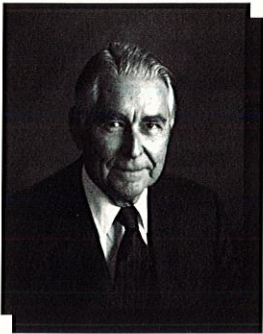
Mr. Nelson's professional and community activities are many. He is chairman of the Board of Directors of Louisiana Companies, chairman emeritus of the Board of Trustees of Centenary College of Louisiana, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Alternate View Network and President of Life Insurance Company of Louisiana. In addition, he is a director of Querbes & Nelson, Willis Knighton Medical Center, Hearts for Life, United Methodist Foundation of Louisiana and Louisiana Partnership for Technology & Innovation.

Mr. Nelson is an Eagle Scout and holds memberships in a number of clubs, fraternities and societies. He is a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi. He is also a member of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, the American Bar Association and the Louisiana Bar Association.

In addition to his involvement with the Rotary Club of Shreveport, Mr. Nelson is associated with the Institute for International Education, Sons of the American Revolution, the Tarshar Society and the Ark-La-Tex Ambassadors. He serves on the 8th Air Force Consultation Committee, Public Affairs Research Council, Committee of One Hundred and is associated with the Council for a Better Louisiana.

Mr. Nelson has received the Clyde E. Fant Memorial Award for Community Service and was named a Doctor of Humane Letters by Centenary College of Louisiana.

Nicholas H. Wheless, Jr.



Nicholas H. Wheless, Jr. is a native of Shreveport and a graduate of Byrd High School. He received a degree in chemical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is a member of Sigma Alpha

Epsilon and Alpha Chi Sigma.

Mr. Wheless enlisted in the U.S. Air Corps in 1942 where he served as a meteorologist and retired as Captain in 1946.

Mr. Wheless is chairman of the Board of Wheless Industries and Tensas Delta Land Company. He was chairman of the Board of Directors of Commercial National Bank in Shreveport from 1976 to 1991 and remains a director and chair of the executive committee.

He was a director of Southwestern Electric Power Company from 1964 to 1987 and director of Kansas City Southern Industries, Inc. from 1973 to 1990. He is a trustee and honorary alumnus of Centenary College of Louisiana, a lifetime director of the Louisiana State Fair Association and a director of the Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association. Mr. Wheless is past president of the Louisiana-Arkansas Mid Continent Oil & Gas Association, the International Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors, the General Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association, the Shreveport Country Club and the Shreveport Club. He is a past Cotillion King.

In addition, Mr. Wheless was a recipient of the Clyde E. Fant Memorial Award for Community Service and he holds a lifetime membership in the Scouting Heritage Society, Norwela Council. He received the Norwela Council, Boy Scouts of America Distinguished Citizen Award in 1992.

Mr. Wheless is a member of the All-American Wildcatters and was named Mr. Louisiana Wildcatter in 1985.

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Programs at the elementary, middle and high school levels capture and hold the interest of students by relating textbook theories to everyday business situations. The programs also address the at-risk student by placing special emphasis on continuing education, career and goal motivation, as well as the importance of each individual in the free enterprise system.

More than 8,000 North Louisiana students will participate in these programs this year. Since 1964, over 100,000 young people throughout our area have been reached through Junior Achievement.

Junior Achievement recognizes that America's young people must start early to develop the critical edge to become competitive in today's global economy. Junior Achievement programs lay the groundwork needed to gain that edge.

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