

# 2007 "Men Making a Difference in the Community" Honorees



**HOWARD N. WATSON, AWS**  
**Arts & Culture**

Howard N. Watson is a nationally recognized watercolorist and illustrator. His presentation of Limited Edition Prints of popular Philadelphia scenes is legendary. Mr. Watson has been the "Artist in Residence" at the White House during the Carter Administration and more recently has provided art for President Bill Clinton. He teaches workshops in painting nationally and internationally.



**KENNETH GAMBLE**  
**Economic Empowerment**

Kenneth Gamble is a native of South Philadelphia. His career has been one of giving back to the city where he was born. He first gained the public's attention through his musical career, but equally impressive (and important to him) are his efforts in public service. Mr. Gamble was Chairman and Founder of Clean Up The Ghetto, a nonprofit organization employing youth in cities throughout the nation. Today his Universal Companies have opened a restaurant, bookstore, mosque, low-income housing, and a charter school. Mr. Gamble is also widely known for having written, produced, recorded, and published more than 3,000 songs.

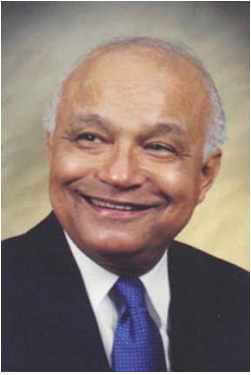


**WILLIAM C. GREEN**  
**Educational Excellence**

William C. Green was the first Director of African American Studies for the School District of Philadelphia. Under his administration, the Office conducted in-service workshops, seminars, six-week study courses and discussion groups designed to improve teacher skills. In 1970 he was the leader of a six-week educational and cultural study tour for fifty-five teachers to four West African Nations. Mr. Green retired from the school district to become an integral part of the Ivy Leaf School, which he and his wife founded in 1965.

## **EDWARD S. COOPER, M.D.**

### **Medicine**



Dr. Cooper has dedicated his life to improving the lives of all Americans by protecting them from the ravages of heart disease. He has been an active participant in the American Heart Association for three decades and in 1992 became the first African-American elected president of the national organization. Having acquired his education through traditionally African-American schools, his career is ample proof that these outstanding institutions produce quality students and professionals.

## **PAYNE BROWN**

### **Corporate Labor Relations**



Payne Brown joined Comcast in August 2000 as Vice President of Labor and Community Outreach. He served as lead negotiator during labor union contract negotiations. In January of 2004 Mr. Brown was promoted to Vice President of Strategic Initiative for Comcast Corporation. In that role Mr. Brown is responsible for the development of Comcast's comprehensive diversity strategy, which includes the development of programming content and targeted marketing, public affairs and community investment initiatives.

## **DR. FRANK "TICK" COLEMAN**

### **Humanitarian**



Dr. Frank "Tick" Coleman has advised, counseled and worked with young people for over 70 years - from coaching swimming at the YMCA, to providing transportation for students to get home from college. His volunteer community work is extensive, serving in leadership capacities with the Christian St. YMCA, the Wharton Settlement, the Wissahickon Boys Club and many, many, more. Dr. "Tick" Coleman was the first black quarterback on the Central High School Public League Championship teams in 1929 and 1930. He was one of the three first Black Scouts to earn the highest honor: the Eagle Scout Badge. The Boy Scouts of America have named a service award in his honor.