

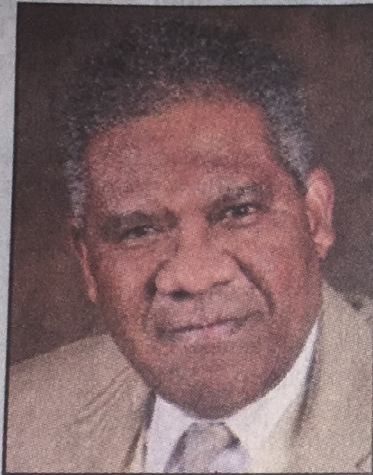
GSO Medical Society honors Kilpatrick for service

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The Greensboro Medical Society Foundation honored Dr. George R. Kilpatrick Jr., with the Outstanding Service Award at its 28th Annual Scholarship Gala on February 9 at the Grandover Resort & Conference Center.

With more than 40 years experience as a physician, Kilpatrick was recognized for his work as an advocate for the underserved communities in Greensboro and across the state.

“My motivation has always been to help people and provide much needed health-care services to my com-



Kilpatrick

munity. I feel blessed to have been able to use my skills and talents to serve all these years,” said Kilpatrick.

Born in Kinston, N.C., Kilpatrick earned his Bachelors and Masters degree in chemistry from N.C. Central University in Durham, N.C.

and his medical degree from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn. In addition, he served his country for 30 years in the U.S. Army, retiring with the rank of Colonel.

Kilpatrick and his wife of 56 years, Lillian, raised their three children in Greensboro where he has practiced internal medicine specializing in allergy and pulmonary disease for the last 42 years. He was the first African American pulmonologist to practice in the state of North Carolina and served for 15 years as the Medical Director of the ICS and Respiratory Therapy at the former L. Richardson Hospital, Greensboro’s Black hospital founded in 1927. He has been part of the medical staff of Moses Cone Memorial and Kindred Healthcare (formerly L. Richardson Hospital, Vencor

Hospital) his entire medical career and spent 30 years of that time working at the Guilford County Department of Health and Human Services — Division of Public Health Tuberculosis Clinic.

Kilpatrick is the former president of the Greensboro Medical Society, and executive board member of the Old North State Medical Society, and a member of the Guilford County Medical Society of Greater Greensboro. He also gives back to his community as a member of the Board of Trustees at Shiloh Baptist Church and as a member of the JT Hairston Apartment Board. He also belongs to the philanthropic organizations of Sigma Pi Phi, Fraternity, and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Asked what advice he had for medical students, Kilpat-

rick said, “Always pursue learning and develop those skills you need to do what you love.”

Awards of Appreciation were also bestowed on Dr. Vincent Schooler, M.D., M.P.H.; Dr. Eric M. Rivera, DDS., M.S.; and the late Dr. Drewry J. Vincent, DDS.,

The gala also celebrated 13 Greensboro Medical Society scholarship award recipients. They are:

Rawa Al Fifaie, UNC Chapel Hill School of Medicine

• Dorian Claggett, Doctorate of Physical Therapy Program at Hampton University

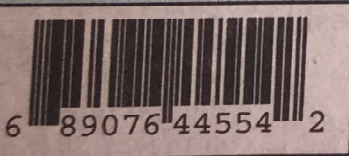
• Mofehintoluwa J. Dao-du, East Carolina University Brody School of Medicine

• Courtney Edwards, Vanderbilt University School of

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Medicine

- Deen Garbe, UNC Chapel Hill School of Medicine
- Katelin Hall, High Point University School of Pharmacy
- Briana Hudson, East Carolina University School of Dental Medicine
- Joseph Keku, East Carolina University Brody School of Medicine
- Sherilynn Knight, East Carolina University Brody School of Medicine
- Kayla Mayes, graduate of N.C. A&TSU and will attend medical school in the fall.
- April Peterson, UNC Chapel Hill School of Medicine
- Mahalia Robinson, Campbell University School of Osteopathic Medicine
- Andrea Singleton, New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine