

WHO ARE THE ANGEL CITY LINKS?

Angel City Links are members of the Links, Incorporated, a national organization of women which has over 200 chapters throughout the United States. The Links, Incorporated, was founded in 1946 and incorporated in March, 1951. The current membership is over 6000.

The Angel City Chapter was established in Los Angeles in 1963, and we have devised the "Angel City Achiever Program" as our way of implementing the Link national commitment to educational, cultural and civic improvement in our society. It is through our "Achiever Program" that we attend to the Links' national program of Services to Youth, National and International Trends and Services, and The Arts.

GETTING MORE INFORMATION

If you are interested in becoming an Achiever, if you want to nominate a young man to be considered for this program, or if you would like to contribute to the Achiever Scholarship Fund, please write:

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The Angel City Links

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ANGEL CITY LINKS

ACHIEVER PROGRAM



Young Men on the Go



Achievers meet in Leadership Training Workshops.

CPR Training, special social events, and a scholarship campaign. Each Achiever is given a Mentor or Confrere who assists him with personal development and decision making about careers and colleges.

It takes promise to become an Achiever. But it takes commitment and dedication to personify the ideals and values of the Achiever Program. The young men who have participated in this program since 1982 are graduating from the top colleges in the country and are embarking on careers in business, law, medicine and other professions.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM?

Everyone agrees that growing up in today's complicated world would challenge even the most gifted youngster. The Angel City Links also recognizes that for a young black man to sustain his early promise he must be nurtured at home, in the school, and by the community. In other words, he must belong and be connected to a group identity that encourages him, praises him and honors his accomplishments. The Angel City Links works with the young Achiever in three areas:

1. Scholarships: According to every major published study, black college enrollment is lower than it was ten years ago. For those who do attend, the major source of financial assistance is loans, creating a burden of indebtedness even before the youngster has begun a career. The main purpose of the Angel City program is to provide unrestricted scholarships for each Achiever. Over \$150,000 has been awarded since 1982.

WHAT IS AN ACHIEVER?

Every year, approximately 35 young black men, representing the best, brightest or most promising of their senior class, are recommended to the Angel City Links Achiever Program. These young men are not only honored by the Angel City Links, but are exposed to a unique program of leadership training, community responsibility, and comraderie which prepares them for the special challenges and responsibilities of manhood.

From January to June, the Achievers participate in Motivational Workshops,



1986 Academic Scholarship Winners, from left, Gabriel Solomon, Nyles Harris, Raymond Carpenter, and Mark Caveness.



On a Sunday in May, the Achievers are presented and honored by the Community.

may be of use to the Achiever and to his community. The culmination of the Achiever program is the taking of an oath, by each young man, to give life-long service to the community and to share their talents and abilities with others. They are not only Achievers for the six months of their participation in the program, but Achievers for life.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE YOUNG MEN WHEN THEY FINISH THE PROGRAM?

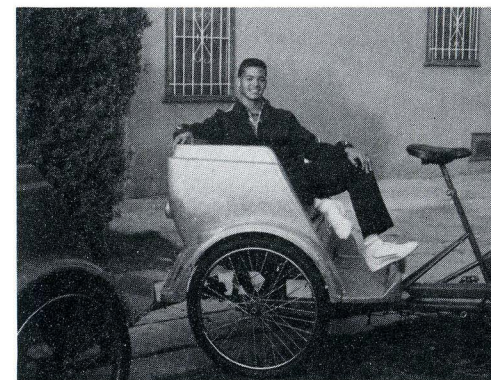
When an Achiever leaves the Program, the Program does not lose contact with him. The Achievers receive periodic newsletters and are reunited on an annual "Achiever Night." On Achiever Night, which is held in December, Alumni welcome the incoming group of young men and renew old friendships. Since 1982, Achievers have attended or graduated from Harvard, Yale, the University of California and the traditionally Black Colleges.

HOW IS THE COMMUNITY INVOLVED WITH THIS PROGRAM?

A group of specially selected outstanding men from the community has been formed to interact personally with the Achievers. These mentors, called Confreres, provide a male support group, act as role models, and serve as a network for future business and professional contacts.

2. Honor: The Angel City Links give recognition to these young men, not only by selecting them and having them in the six month program. The Achievers are honored as a group at a major public event — the Affaire D'Honneur. Each Achiever receives a Medallion, his parents are recognized, and the scholarships are awarded.

3. Commitment: Each Achiever has shown his leadership ability in different ways. The Angel City Program helps him to develop those qualities so they



Achiever Alumnus, Brian Shields, '83, in a cab used in his successful Pedi-Cab business. Brian will finish college in '87.