



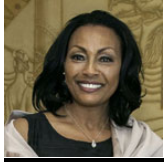
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Dr. Belay Abegaz, M.D.: SEED salutes Dr. Belay Abegaz as an exemplary and outstanding physician and as a role model to so many fellow Ethiopians. Ethiopians in the Diaspora salute him in appreciation of his novel, impactful and pioneering contributions for the children of Ethiopia, as a distinguished cardiologist and founder of CHFE. Ethiopians everywhere salute him in appreciation of the rich and positive contributions he has made by exemplifying the highest ideals and standards of our community, by pioneering cardio-care for children. We salute him for his own inspiring academic and scientific excellence as well as for his lifetime achievements contribution to Ethiopia.



Menbere Aklilu, Hon. Doctorate: SEED salutes Dr. Menbere Aklilu as a distinguished role model to women in general and Diaspora Ethiopians in particular. We salute her in admiration of her rise from homelessness to richness through determination and hard work, in appreciation of the rich and positive contributions she has made by exemplifying the higher ideals and standards of our community, in recognition of her inspiring entrepreneurial excellence, as well as community and civic responsibilities, and for representing the Diaspora Community with dignity and sterling character.



Professor Donald N. Levine, Ph.D.: SEED salutes Prof. Levine as a distinguished scholar, an outstanding teacher, as a venerated Ethiopianist, and for his lifelong dedication to preserving the history and culture of Ethiopia and Ethiopians through his writings, in appreciation of his many other positive attributes and the higher esteem he is held in the Ethiopian community.



Obang Metho: SEED salutes Mr. Metho as a distinguished activist for social justice, in appreciation of his lifelong dedication and courage to defending the freedom and civil rights of our people especially the under-represented Anuaks. We salute him for his unselfish devotion to the preservation of human rights, unfading interest in the defense of free speech, in acknowledgement of the rich and positive contributions he has made over the last several years. Diaspora Ethiopians salute him in recognition of his inspiring struggle for justice for minorities, his tireless writings and commentary on the pressing issues in our community and in defending the pride and dignity of Ethiopia and Ethiopians.



Ambassador Zewde Retta: SEED Salutes Ambassador Zewde Retta in appreciation of the rich and positive contributions he has made by informing and sharing with us the history of our beloved nation, Ethiopia as he personally witnessed it unfold during his public service. We salute him for his prolific writings and ability to touch us deeply, for having enriched us intellectually as well as for having appealing to our collective consciences to remember and preserve our history. Fellow Ethiopians salute him for having served our nation as outstanding journalist, respected historian, as a serious diplomat and as a role model to many Ethiopians and Diaspora communities.



Rachel Beckwith, Posthumously: SEED salutes the late Rachel Beckwith for her generous heart and spirit. Through her legacy, she has impacted our collective conscience to do good for others. We salute her as a distinguished poster-child for the cause of Charity Water and a role model to so many children all over the world and to Diaspora Ethiopians and Ethiopians everywhere. We salute her because her lifetime dream has inspired others and enabled many Ethiopian children and adults alike to have access to water and live a relatively healthier and enjoyable life.

SEED 2014 Outstanding Student Honorees:



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