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JAMES BRISTER SOCIETY

James Brister, an 1881 graduate of the Dental School, is the first-known graduate of color from the University of Pennsylvania. The Society, established in 1993, was named in his honor.

MISSION STATEMENT

The James Brister Society is a diverse group of University of Pennsylvania alumni volunteer leaders. These leaders, by power of their example, support and promote the University of Pennsylvania's efforts to attract, encourage, and maintain a culturally diverse community of faculty, students, administrators, staff, and volunteers, thus enriching the University community as a whole.

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

- Demonstrated leadership in their chosen fields, in their communities, and among their peers.
- Members should reflect the diversity of the University community.
- Members will be expected to make an annual gift to the University of at least \$1,000 and pay annual dues in the amount of \$150.
- Members must be graduates of any school of the University, parents, recipients of an honorary degree, or trustee of the University.
- Attendance at bi-annual meetings and participation on committees

HIGHLIGHTS OF PAST JBS EVENTS

◆ Annual Faculty & Student Leadership Awards Reception ◆ Freshmen Welcome Dinners ◆ Panel Discussions for Students ◆ Bi-Annual Board Meetings ◆ 2002 Symposium "Achieving Equal Opportunity & Diversity in Higher Education" ◆ 2003 10th Anniversary Celebration at National Constitution Center ◆ 2nd Reception for Faculty of Color (2005) ◆ 2005-2006 125th Anniversary of James Brister: Penn's Compact with People of Color (2 part series of panel discussions to commemorate Brister's graduation from Penn) ◆ 2006 film Towards Inclusion: Diversity at Penn ◆ 2008 JBS in New York City on "Race and the 2008 Election"

**For more information on becoming a member of the James Brister Society,
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