



McCormick Honors 2015 Unsung Heroes and Awards \$80,000 in Scholarships to Dunsin Fadojutimi of Eastern Technical School and Aicedo Hodge Jr. of Maritime Industries Academy

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SPRINGFIELD, Md., May 6, 2015 /PRNewswire/ - McCormick & Company, Incorporated (NYSE: MKC), a global leader in flavor, today announced that Dunsin Fadojutimi of Eastern Technical School and Aicedo Hodge Jr. of Maritime Industries Academy are the 70th and 71st recipients of the Charles Perry McCormick Scholarship. Established in 1965, the scholarship currently has a four-year value of \$40,000 for each student athlete.



The scholarship winners were chosen from a total of 118 candidates who were the Unsung Heroes from 70 Baltimore area public, private, parochial and independent schools. Fadojutimi and Hodge are both seniors, a highlight of the program.

Fadojutimi self-driven desire to play made him a stand-out for the award. As the only player on his team who had never played basketball or an organized team before, what she lacked in previous experience she made up for with determination to be a contributing teammate. Also, by not living in an area served by a school bus, Fadojutimi relied on the MTA to get to school for practice, often getting home late at night but showing her commitment to the team nonetheless. Her coach, Kim O'Connor, said, "Dunsin is remarkably mature, poised and self-directed. She accepts responsibility and determinedly works to her goals." Fadojutimi plans to attend Lincoln University in the fall.

Hodge, Jr. showed his versatility as a team player for his willingness to transition from playing middle backer to nose guard, putting him against opposing players that outgrew him substantially. His coach, Samuel Brown, said he excelled in that position as well as a team leader to younger players. "He built up his team's self-esteem by encouraging the younger players to be their best. He showed unselfishly to be a leader and mentor to those who may not have developed the perseverance to become one of the top players on the field. From here, his teammates know quitting is not an option."

The late Charles Perry McCormick Sr. founded the McCormick Unsung Heroes program in 1946 to recognize athletes for unsung team play and highlight the efforts of those who contribute to the success of their teams without accolades. In 1965, the scholarship was added to the program in his honor.

The annual awards were given by Mayor Fleming, representative for the Senate Branch and the MTA, only for the first time since 1967 and a 14-time Pro Bowl selection.

More than 700 Baltimore area officials, school administrators, coaches and family members attended the award on May 4th.

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