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Regional Sports Writer Reaches New Literary Heights with First Book

AHLP Books, an imprint of Africana Homestead Legacy Publishers, introduces to the literary world *The Epitome of Fatherhood: The Life of Chester M. Whittaker*, Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19, 2009

Cherry Hill, NJ (April 16, 2009) – Eleven years after the death of Chester M. Whittaker, his legacy of a fulfilled life continues to live and is in fact reborn in the book written by his daughter Celeste E. Whittaker entitled *The Epitome of Fatherhood: The Life of Chester M. Whittaker*. This book is a fascinating tale of not a life passed on but a vivacious life lived. Whittaker describes her father as a true gentleman and “the epitome of a father.” Often called “Chet” by his family and friends, he was everything that a father, husband, and real man should be. This book is for anyone who has known the loving relationship of a real man and for those who have always long for a real father, true husband, brother or friend. Whittaker takes you on a reminiscent journey of childhood antics, young adult triumphs, and the evolution and achievement of manhood, fatherhood, and life. On Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19, she will appear in person during the Free Library Festival at Parkway Central Library in Philadelphia, Pa. *The Epitome of Fatherhood: The Life of Chester M. Whittaker* is born from the memoir left in a scrapbook by Whittaker himself and brought to life by his daughter in a memorable tribute to the man she knew as the “epitome of a father.”

Celeste Whittaker has been the Philadelphia 76ers' beat writer at the *Courier-Post* (in New Jersey) since April 1998. She previously worked at *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* for eight years where she covered women's and men's basketball—including the 1996 Olympic Games as well as college football and high school sports. Whittaker started her career as an editorial assistant at *Business Week* magazine in New York. The Willingboro, NJ native is a 1998 graduate of the University of North Carolina. *The Epitome of Fatherhood: The Life of Chester M. Whittaker*, her first book, that will be released in fall 2009.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet Celeste Whittaker in person and experience her memorable insight into the life of a man she knew as father, but the world knew as a man's man. Her book signings will be at the Free Library Festival in the Africana Homestead Legacy Publishers' exhibit booth 10 on both Saturday, April 18 from 2-3 p.m. and Sunday, April 19 from 4-5 p.m. Whittaker is available for personal interviews and additional signing events by contacting Anna C. Mitchell at (678) 431-6969.

The Epitome of Fatherhood: The Life of Chester M. Whittaker by Celeste Whittaker, ISBN 978-0-9818939-4-5, forthcoming fall 2009, AHLP Books, an imprint of Africana Homestead Legacy Publishers, \$20.00.

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