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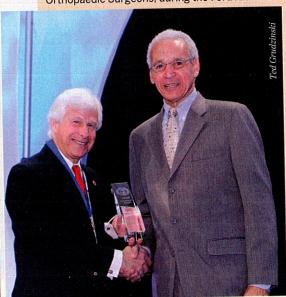
## NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN:

Gabriel A. Morgan Sr. takes the history-making oath of office as the first Black sheriff in Newport News, VA, as Judge Timothy Fisher (I) swears him in. Joining in the momentous occasion is his wife of 26 years, Gloria, who holds the Bible. Morgan has 30 years of law enforcement experience, including serv-



ing more than 20 years in the Army where he ran a military jail that housed more than 300 inmates at Fort Knox, KY. Before he retired from the armed forces in 1997, Morgan, 49, served in the Middle East in the Persian Gulf War. He was also chief of Old Dominion University police detectives and law enforcement supervisor for the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. The Brooklyn, NY, native has resided in Newport News since 1980. He and his wife have three adult children.

■ BLACK SURGEON HONORED: Orthopaedic Surgeon Dr. Augustus A. White III, M.D., Ph.D. (r) receives the 2006 Diversity Award from Dr. Stuart L. Weinstein, M.D., pediatric orthopaedic surgeon and 2005-2006 president of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, during the 73rd Annual Meeting of the American Academy of



Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) at McCormick Place in Chicago. White, 69, a nationally known surgeon and professor of orthopaedic surgery at Harvard Medical School, received the award for his outstanding commitment to diversity. His efforts to eliminate health care disparities helped lead to the establishment of AAOS's diversity committee of which he served as inaugural chair. The honor is given to Academy Fellows who have significantly contributed to advancing diversity in orthopaedics. White received his medical degree from the Stanford University School of Medicine and a Ph.D. from the University of Gothenburg's Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden.