



## Caribbean American Chamber Of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (CACCI)

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### *CACCI Inducts 2010 Small Business Visionaries*

Brooklyn, NY; Dec. 18, 2009 -- The Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Inc. (CACCI) has announced the induction of its *2010 Small Business Visionaries* at the Annual Christmas Business Networking Reception held Thursday, December 17, 2009 at the Elegant Tropical Paradise Ballroom, Brooklyn, NY.

This *Induction Ceremony of Business Visionaries* is CACCI's largest business gathering of the year. This year was no exception. Drawing well over 400 participants including elected officials, business and community leaders, members of the diplomatic corps and CACCI members, the event was planned to recognize and salute CACCI's newest members who accepted the nominations and were recognized for their contributions and commitment to economic and community development.

CACCI President and Founder **Dr. Roy A. Hastick, Sr.**, who served as convener, described this event as an excellent business networking opportunity. "During these challenging economic times, it is important for businesspersons to come together to network, exchange ideas and do business with each other." In his charge to the visionaries, Hastick commended them for their visionary leadership and tenacity and challenged them to take advantage of the business opportunities and resources that are available to enhance their business growth. "Take advantage of CACCI's business development seminars, technical assistance and business services. We are here to help you and look forward to assisting you in furthering your business growth in small business financing, certification preparation, and other business services," Hastick said.

CACCI's 2010 Business Visionaries are: **Garner Bannister**, President, Bannister Brothers Construction, Inc.; **Colette Burnett**, CEO, Super Wings NY, LLC; **Andrew Burnett**, Vice President, Business Development, One Caribbean Radio; **Frantz and Nancy Camulaire**, CEO, FC Consulting Engineer, PLLC; **Jerry Chambers and Donald Harris**, Managing Partners, The Sustainable Preservation Partners, LLC; **Stanley Dennis**, Franchisee, Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery and Grill; **Susanna Dodgson**, Black Media Professional, Medical Journal of Therapeutics Africa (MJoTA); **Charmaine Golding**, Franchisee, Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery and Grill; **Gerry Hopkins**, Founding / Managing Director, The Hopkins Consulting Group, LLC; **Dwayne Joseph**, Owner, Doogie Barbershop; **Herbert and Elizabeth Lewis**, President and Vice President, Caribbean Junction Magazine; **Stacia Morris**, President, Your Money Trek; **David Morisset**, Esq. President, Law Office of David Morisset; **Donovan Neita**, Director of Field Operations, Your Town Mall Business Advantage, Inc.; **Akilah Rosado-**

**McQueen**, Chief of Staff, Bank Street College of Education; **Annette Runcie**, Franchisee, Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery and Grill; **Nicole Sharpe**, President, Visionary Consultants; **Max Smith**, Owner, *Ethnic Writer.com*; **Paul Sealy**, Executive Director, 5 Linx; **Patricia Smith**, CEO, Sweet P. Home Care; **Olivette Taylor**, President, Vette Communications; **Linden Thomas**, Esq. Law Office of Linden Thomas and **Witnez Volcy**, President/Chief Operating Officer, Solution Management Group.

Several elected officials and diplomats were also present at this event including Brooklyn Deputy Borough President **Yvonne Graham**, New York State Assemblyman **N. Nick Perry** and New York State Assemblywoman **Helene Weinstein**, New York State Senator **Kevin Parker**, New York City Councilmembers **Darlene Mealy** and **Dr. Mathieu Eugene**, and New York City Councilmember-Elect **Jumaane Williams**. Members of the Diplomatic Corps included Consul General **Derek James** of Grenada, Consul General **Carl Francis Smith** of the Bahamas, Consul to the St. Vincent and the Grenadines Mission **Erlene King** and representatives from the office of Congresswoman Yvette Clarke, **Anita Taylor** and **Mary Bishop** and office of New York State Majority Leader **John L. Sampson, Esq.**

The Mistress of Ceremony was the former Consul General of Barbados, Her Excellency **Jessica C. Odle-Baril**. Also present were **Derek E. Broomes**, CPA, CACCI Board Chairman and other board members **Christiana J. Bridgewater, Esq.**, **Lowell Hawthorne**, President/CEO, Golden Krust Bakeries, **Dr. Eda F. Harris-Hastick**, Professor, Medgar Evers College, CUNY, **Balfour Peart**, Retired Business Executive, **Edmund Sadio**, Owner, Broker, Century 21 Achievers, and **Alfred Thiebaud**, Owner, Delicioso Tropical Ices.

For information on CACCI's next monthly power breakfast meeting on Friday, January 15, 2010, **A Salute to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King**, CACCI membership, small business financing through CACCI member banks, certification preparation, financial literacy and/or other business related information, contact CACCI at (718) 834-4544.

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