

CACCI Committed to Small Businesses after 23 Years Business leaders congratulate CACCI on business achievements



One of CACCI's 23rd Anniversary Photo's. Seated second from left (front) Dr. Roy A. Hastick, Sr. President/CEO and founder of CACCI flanked by CACCI board and business leaders. Also seated left to right are Yvonne Graham, Former Deputy Borough President, Dr. Eda Hastick, Medgar Evers College, CUNY Professor. Standing in back row are Rev. Desmond Greene, World Peace Federation, Dr. Lois Blades Rosado, Executive Director, SUNY BEOC, Event Co-Sponsor, Renee Motes, Brooklyn Borough President's Office, Alan McGuire, Grenada's Consul General, Michael Flanigan, Vice President, Citibank, Alfredo Thiebaud, President, Delicioso Coco Helada, Event Co-Sponsor, Brenda Scott, Director, Community Affairs, Macy's, Bishop Cecil Riley, Freedom Hall Church of God, Edmund Sadio, Broker, Century 21 Achievers and CACCI Board Chairman Derek Broomes, CFO, HCCI. Photo by Seitu Oronde.

New York City, NY. The Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CACCI) celebrated 23 Years of Service to the Small Business Community with a Business Networking Membership Power Breakfast Meeting on Wednesday, August 27, 2008 at the Historic Brooklyn Borough Hall, Brooklyn, NY.

In his remarks, CACCI President/CEO **Dr. Roy A. Hastick, Sr.** thanked the board of directors, elected officials, members, business partners, public and private sector agencies, and the wider community, who helped CACCI to

reach this milestone. "As we celebrate this historic occasion, we seize this opportunity to thank our many supporters and well-wishers, who have helped to sustain CACCI over the years, and enabled us to survive and thrive despite many challenges," Hastick said. Other speakers and guests who attended (not in the Anniversary photograph) were: **Joy Crichlow**, Con Edison; **Alfredo Thiebaud**, Delicioso Coco Helada, Event Co-sponsor; **Narharry Ghaness**, H & N Insurance Agency, Inc. Event Co-sponsor; Deputy Borough President of the Bronx, **Earl Brown**; New York City Councilmembers **Dr. Kendall Stewart** and **Dr. Mathieu Eugene**; **Susan Phillis**, BPL Business Library; NYS Assemblywoman and Chair of the Judiciary Committee **Helene Weinstein**; Caribbean Consul Generals **Genevieve Brown Metzger** (Jamaica), **Felix Augustin** (Haiti), **Cyril Thomas** (St. Vincent); **Alan McGuire** (Grenada); **Alfredo Placeres, Esq.**, President of the Federation of Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; **Rev. Bruce Grodner**, Universal Peace Federation; CACCI Board members **Christiana Bridgewater, Esq.**, Attorney at Law, **Marcia Melendez**, Flowerworks, **George Hulse**, Vice President of Health First who co-emceed the event with **Rev. Hilton Smith**, Senior Vice President, Turner Construction Co and **Derek Broomes**, Board Chairman, **Edwidge Menard**, Deputy Director, NYC Commission on Human Rights; **Earl Francis**, Jamaica Business Resource Center, **Derek Noel**, DECK Productions, **Derek Cyrus, Esq.**, Attorney at Law; **Halim Majeed**, CACCI MWBE/International Programs; **Sabra Richardson**, CACCI Financial Literacy Program; **Ana Walker**, CACCI Flatbush Caton Market and CACCI partners, **William November** and **Marvin Lieberman**, Attorney at Law, from SCORE Business Consultants, **Glenis Henriquez**, NYC Department of Small Business Services and **Ingrid Joseph, Esq.**, Candidate for Civil Court Judgeship.

This ***Business Networking Power Breakfast Meeting*** also served as the Kick-Off for two upcoming business networking events: Dedication Ceremony hosted by CACCI on ***Monday September 1st Labor Day*** at the ***Flatbush Caton Market***, and the Launching of the Official ***FlatbushCatonMarket.com*** website with **Mayor Michael Bloomberg** as Special Guest Speaker. An International Power Breakfast Meeting on ***Thursday, September 18th*** will address trade and investment opportunities in Grenada with Grenada's newly elected **Prime Minister Honorable Tillman Thomas, Esq.** as Special Guest Speaker.

For further information on CACCI membership, the MWBE certification preparation, vending opportunities at the ***Flatbush Caton Merchants***

Mart, or to request an appointment for free small business confidential counseling services through **CACCI/SCORE**, contact CACCI: Tel.: (718) 834-4544. info@caribbeantradecenter.com.