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**Stockton Council of Black Faculty and Staff Honors
Days, Collins, Marshall and Lozano**
*Awards Dinner and Dance Set for Thursday, November 13, 2008 at Carriage
House in Galloway*

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Galloway Twp., NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Council of Black Faculty and Staff will host the 27th Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner and Dance, on Thursday, November 13, 2008 at The Carriage House in Galloway, NJ. The reception will begin at 6:00 p.m. Honorary Chairs for this year's event are Dr. Vera King Farris and Ms. Sharon Schulman.

This year's Honorees include:

- Rev. Collins A. Days, Sr. - Life-Time Achievement Recipient
- Mrs. Patricia W. Collins (Trish) – Merit Award Recipient
- Mr. Edward H. Marshall, III and Mr. Jose T. Lozano – Distinguished Alumni

Reverend Collins A. Days, Sr. of Hartsville, SC is one of nine children born to Mordrell and Catherine Days. He graduated from Butler High School in Hartsville, and then entered South Carolina State College 1978 to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Political Science. In 1982 while still in college, he joined the ministry. It was also during this time that he married Constance Wilson.

Rev. Days became the youngest full-time Pastor in the state of South Carolina when he accepted the call to Round-O-Baptist Church in Darlington, SC. After thirteen years of service there, he and Constance gathered their four children, Collins Anthony Jr., Constance Amanda, Catherine Abria, and Carson Antonio (along with some favorite livestock and several family pets) and moved to Atlantic City, NJ to pastor Second Baptist Church.

Rev Days has served as President of the Fellowship of Churches of Atlantic City and Vicinity; he has also initiated, implemented, or promoted a number of community development projects. Rev Day's commitment is evident through his work with the agency of the United Brethren in Action (UBIA), which supports mission partnerships in Kenya in which a children's orphanage that provides housing and education for more than 200 children was established, a Solar Cooker Project, and drinking water well in the dry eastern portion of the country.

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Soon after his arrival at Second Baptist Church, Reverend Days established a Community Development Corporation known as Vision 2000, on which he serves as president. Vision 2000 has accomplished a great deal in the Atlantic City area including the development of home ownership programs, building senior citizen apartments and establishing minority owned businesses.

Patricia W. Collins (Trish) was born in Fairfax, Virginia and is the daughter of the late Freddie L. Winston, Sr. and Estelle Winston Anderson of Bowie, Maryland. She is the stepdaughter of Willie Anderson, and the daughter-in-law of LeVinso and Helen Collins of Jackson, Mississippi.

Trish has been a part of the President's Office at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey since August 2000 and Treasurer for the Council of Black Faculty and Staff for the last seven years. She has also served as the Director of Operations for F&L Construction, Inc., since 2004. Prior to joining the College, Trish was a Staff Accountant for the Claridge Casino & Hotel. She has an extensive financial background, business management expertise, and over 20 years

She is the recipient of several awards for C

She received a Bachelor's Degree from The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, and a Masters in Biology from The University of Maryland, College Park. He currently on initialHives toincrease the number of PhD's among under-represented populations in the

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According to Mr. Marshall, "*Opportunity is not a lengthy visitor.*" He is dedicated to providing access to higher education beyond the scope of a limited few. In 1986, Edward was blessed with the opportunity to participate in the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) summer bridge program at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey. In the years that followed, Ed gave back to Stockton's EOF summer program by serving four years as a tutor/counselor, and upon graduation, managed the program as Academic Coordinator for three years. After serving four years as an Academic Monitor in the Athletics Department of Auburn University, Edward again returned to EOF as a Program Coordinator at Atlantic Cape Community College for seven years. At Atlantic Cape, one of Ed's most treasured accomplishments was the implementation of a mentorship/retention initiative for African-American and Latino males, which focused on team-building, leadership, and the enhancement of self esteem. While at Atlantic Cape, Ed also became very active on the Executive Board of the New Jersey Educational Opportunity Fund Professional Association, serving 5 years as Chair of the statewide Counselors Training Institute, as well as Webmaster, a position which he still holds.

Jose Lozano has served as Director of Operations to the Governor since 2007 following his tenure as Special Assistant to the Governor's Chief of Staff. As Director he manages all aspects of the Governor's day-to-day operations. Additionally, he serves as a member of the Governor's Senior Staff and assists in the development and implementation of the Governor's agenda.

Prior to serving in the Governor's Office, he served as a policy advisor to then-Senator Corzine and continued onto his gubernatorial campaign and transition team.

Lozano is a New Jersey native who graduated from the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey in 2003, and is subsequently pursuing a master's degree at the University of Maryland, College Park. During his time at Stockton, he served as a Student Trustee on the College's Board of Trustees, as Senate President, an Ambassador and a Community Advisor.

Lozano currently resides in Jackson with his wife, Amanda, who as well graduated from Stockton in 2003.

The Annual Awards Dinner also raises funds for scholarships for students. Tickets and/or ads can purchased through visiting the Web site at www2.stockton.edu. Type "council" in the search engine, choose the second listing (Council of Black Faculty and Staff - Council News). For questions and additional information, please call Yubi at (609) 652-4382 or Trish at (609) 652-4523.

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