

Best in Business

The Washington Business Hall of Fame honored five new laureates and raised \$1.2 million for Junior Achievement



The 2009 Hall of Fame inductees: Inova Health System CEO J. Knox Singleton, APCO Worldwide CEO Margery Kraus, Calvert Group CEO Barbara Krumsiek, Atlantic Media Company chairman David Bradley, and Booz Allen Hamilton CEO Ralph Shrader.



Dinner chair Allen Westergard, office managing partner of KPMG in McLean, and WJLA-TV anchor Leon Harris, who emceed the event.



John "Til" Hazel, a 2001 laureate, with Joseph Rigby, CEO of Pepco Holdings.



Nearly 1,100 guests packed the Capital Hilton ballroom to honor business leaders.



Rachael Boyd had the audience cheering her rendition of "God Bless America."



Milton Peterson, a 2008 honoree, skipped onto the stage with his escort, Nakiyae Harris, to introduce Knox Singleton.



Vernon Jordan, a 2007 honoree, introduced his friend and 2009 laureate David Bradley.



Junior Achievement CEO Edward Grenier, *Washingtonian* publisher Catherine Merrill Williams, and Greater Washington Board of Trade CEO Jim Dinegar. Junior Achievement of the National Capital Area, *The Washingtonian*, and the Board of Trade created the Washington Business Hall of Fame 22 years ago.



Zuri Rashad, Wilner Ramos, Ezekiel Salgado, Lisa Capacchione, and Charles Lac—Junior Achievement students from Oakland Terrace Elementary School in Silver Spring—greeted Business Hall of Fame dinner attendees.



Howard University's Artis Hampshire-Cowan, Ernst & Young's Shirley Edwards, the State Department's Shireen Dodson, and DC Chamber of Commerce CEO Barbara Lang. The 2009 dinner was the first to honor two women.