BALTIMORE CHAPTER November 16, 2010

Members gathered at Baltimore's International College/The Bay Atlantic Club on November 16, 2010 for its festive Annual Meeting and recognition and welcome of two new members, Messrs. Brant Bandiere, M&T Realty Capital Corporation, and Geoffrey Washington, Adelberg, Rudow, Dorf & Hendler.

Following the induction, former Baltimore Chapter President Ackneil "Neil" Muldrow was presented with a letter and plaque from LAI International President Karen Sieriki, announcing his selection as the recipient of the LAI International Member of the Year Award. Dr. Sierki's letter thanked Neil for his service as the Eastern Region Vice President and praised his efforts in initiating the Atlanta LAI chapter.

Neil has written a thank you letter to LAI. To view the letter click here.

President Rachel Edds introduced Fred Lazarus, IV, President, Maryland Institute College of Arts (MICA) who delivered an inspiring slide-illustrated talk about the school during his 32-year tenure. According to President Lazarus, the school's mission is to revitalize communities in Baltimore in addition to educate its students. With the demise of the manufacturing



LAI Baltimore-Chapter Former Presidents and Members Salute Colleague Ackneil 'Neil' Muldrow as he receives LAI Member of the Year Award at 2010 Annual Meeting. Left to Right, Ronald Kreitner, John Murphy, Andrew Lemer, Josef Nathanson, Jim Leanos, President Elect, Rachel Edds, and Tara Clifford - Scribe.

sector, educational and medical institutions are the big drivers in Baltimore's economic development. Through MICA's investment in people and infrastructure, it has helped to catalyze development in the neighborhoods surrounding the campus.

MICA's positive contributions to the City's vitality are reflected through the growth of the number of students (doubled) and the campus' physical footprint (ten times as large). The Office of Community Engagement provides groundbreaking programs for graduates to continue their involvement in civic affairs and community life. In 2010, MICA introduced the M.A.in Community Arts (MACA), which was first of its kind in the country.

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