

Businesses to be honored

Eight Baltimore-area businesses and a university have been selected as winners of the 2008 Mayor's Business Recognition Awards for civic leadership and outstanding community service, the **Greater Baltimore Committee** announced. Those named are ARAMARK Corp.; Harrison Development LLC; KPMG LLP; M&T Bank; National Aquarium in Baltimore; Provident Bank; Turner Construction Co.; W.W. Grainger Inc.; and the University of Maryland School of Dentistry. For details on the winners, go to www.mddailyrecord.com. Baltimore Mayor Sheila Dixon will present the awards during luncheon ceremonies on Dec. 8 at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore.

ARAMARK Corporation, for Operation PROTECT Community Block Party and Resource Fair, where ARAMARK provided meals for block parties, and for supporting After School Matters with the Mayor's Office of Employment Development to provide basic foodservice training, customer service training and interview skills training to city students.

Harrison Development, LLC, for financial support and sponsorship of Change and Growth Enrichment Program, Inc. of Baltimore City, a non-profit organization providing services to disadvantaged urban youths and families in the Reservoir Hill Community.

KPMG, LLP, for its local fundraising activities, including March Madness Baseball Tournament to help women job seekers; Family for Literacy Program; Maryland Food Bank; Habitat for Humanity; and the Goodwill Thanksgiving dinner.

M&T Bank, for its Honor Rows program, to encourage volunteer community activities by young people and to recognize their commitments and service by rewarding them with tickets to Ravens games.

National Aquarium in Baltimore, for its Henry Hall program that provides free, educational, and fun outdoor summer programs and activities to underprivileged Baltimore City middle and high school students.

Provident Bank, for helping disabled children attend camps for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The campaign helped raise funds for disabled children and was the first of its kind at Provident branches from Baltimore to Richmond.

Turner Construction Company, for donating time, staff and building materials to help a beloved downtown retail business, the Peanut Shoppe, build a new space in Charles Plaza.

University of Maryland School of Dentistry, for partnering with the National Museum of Dentistry and the Maryland State Dental Association on a unique initiative to promote the oral health of inner-city Baltimore children.

W.W. Grainger, Inc., for assisting The Red Cross of Central Maryland disperse bottles of water during a code red heat advisory; and sponsoring Ready When the Time Comes, to recruit and train corporate volunteers to help before disaster strikes.