

Stockton Council of Black Faculty & Staff to Hold 35th Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner on Nov. 4

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Galloway, N.J. -The Council of Black Faculty and Staff (CBFS) of Stockton University will hold its 35th Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner and Dance Fundraiser on **Friday, Nov. 4**, at Renault Winery Resort & Golf, 72 N. Bremen Ave., Egg Harbor City, N.J.

Patricia Reid-Merritt, Distinguished Professor of Social Work and Africana Studies, and Minister Cynthia James, the widow of Olympian and longtime Stockton athletics administrator G. Larry James, will receive lifetime achievement awards.

Since 1981, the CBFS has awarded \$293,500 to Stockton students, which includes \$19,000 for the 2016-2017 academic year. Proceeds from this event support the Council's Scholarship Endowment for Stockton undergraduate and graduate students.

Donnetrice C. Allison, associate professor of Communications, and Arleen C. Gonzalez, Esq., associate professor of Criminal Justice, will receive merit awards, while Jessica Grullon ('09), graduate enrollment counselor and events coordinator, and Alexander C. Marino ('91), assistant to the provost for Atlantic City instructional sites, will be recognized with distinguished alumni awards. The Graduate Student Council will be named the outstanding Stockton club or organization. Susan Davenport, executive vice president and chief of staff, will receive special recognition. Sonia V. Gonsalves, professor of Psychology and director of Academic Assessment will serve as the Mistress of Ceremonies at this year's event.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom with a reception, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and the awards program. Tickets are \$85 a person and can be purchased until Oct. 21 by visiting the [Council of Black Faculty and Staff Site](#).

Patricia W. Collins, president of CBFS said, "This year marks a historic year. The council was the first organization formed at the institution — in September 1971. We are so excited to celebrate our 45th anniversary as a group, and 35th year of awarding scholarship dollars to Stockton students." Contact Collins at (609) 652-4523 for more information. # # #