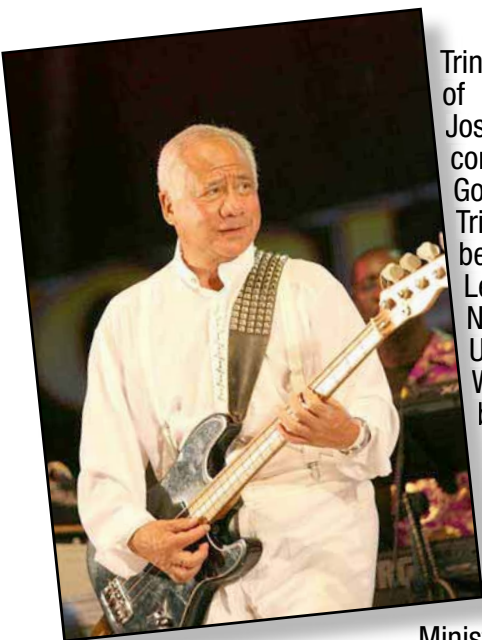




Trinidad & Tobago's Tourism Minister Mourns Loss of Byron Lee



Trinidad and Tobago's Minister of Tourism, the Honorable Joseph Ross extended condolences on behalf of the Government and people of Trinidad and Tobago to the bereaved family of Byron Lee who passed away on November 4, 2008 at the University Hospital of the West Indies after a two year battle with cancer.

Describing him as an "iconic Caribbean cultural treasure who has touched millions of lives throughout the world", Minister Ross in his condolence

message said that Byron Lee was considered an honorary Trinidadian, a status bestowed on him by his legions of fans in Trinidad and Tobago.

The Minister added that Byron Lee's famous band – the Dragonaires – which featured many frontline Trinidadians over the years had not only gladdened the hearts of thousands of our nationals, but was instrumental in terms of strengthening the cultural linkages between Trinidad & Tobago and Jamaica.

He was recently awarded the Order of Jamaica by Prime Minister Bruce Golding and was also given an official state funeral by the Jamaican Government.

Byron Aloysius St. Elmo Lee was born June 27, 1935 in Christiana in the Parish of Manchester, located in West Central Jamaica. He was a musician, record producer, entrepreneur and entertainer extraordinaire.

CABA Trade Show/Food Festival a Hit



The Caribbean American Business Association (CABA) of New Jersey staged its annual Trade Show / Food Festival at the United Hospital, Newark, NJ on November 1, 2008 to showcase the culinary talents of Caribbean Americans and the expertise of those in various other businesses.

CABA is a statewide, not for profit organization created by a group of successful entrepreneurs to promote economic development, encourage entrepreneurship and partnership among Caribbean American and other minority business owners through alliances, networking and education. In their four years of existence, CABA has quickly become the association to go to for many in the New Jersey community seeking independent business ventures.

(l-r: Vincent Huggins, President of CABA, CG Dr. Harold Robertson & Gil Figaro of The Sunshine Awards at CABA Event)

With the support of Trinidad and Tobago's Consul General, Dr. Harold Robertson; Edrich Semper of Semper Alexander Inc., Computer System Consultants; Russell Lord, owner of All Star Motors of South Orange; Carl Fraser, President of Fraser CPA; Guyanese born Clarence Barry-Austin, Attorney at Law in the area of civil litigation and the Caribbean Medical Mission of



New Jersey, CABA has grown to be a reliable source business networking.

Judy Wilson has a cooking talent that belies the discriminating palette. She showcased a delectable duck curry and rice and peas dish; but her cakes and bread pudding earned her special accolades. She credits CABA with her

increased success having been given a contract to supply deserts to the Tri-state area Golden Krust Restaurant Chain after her 2007 appearance in CABA's Food Festival. (Judy Wilson at right)



Alton Henry of Jamaican descent also created a stir with his spicy jerk chicken and pasta dish, and his lowcalorie/low salt Tofu and vegetable dishes geared to the health conscious.

CABA's President, Vincent Huggins attributed the organization's success to the coming together and commitment of like-minded business entrepreneurs and stated that he hoped to see even more such Caribbean business entities in NJ succeed.