

What the Class of 2006 had to say about *Dialogue, Diversity and Direction: A BLEWS Black-Jewish Leadership Initiative*...

"Excellent... Time well spent." Rev. Medgar Reid



**"Very worthwhile learning experience... excellent planning."
-Renee Royak-Schaler**

"I got to know Baltimore better!" Cantor Alan Rubinstein



"The greatest strength... were the dynamic speakers who were also seasoned professionals." Cereta Spencer Burnett

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Dialogue, Diversity, and Direction: A BLEWS Black-Jewish Leadership Initiative is dedicated to the memory of Ruth Wolf Rehfeld, BLEWS' first Executive Director and the initiator of the first BLEWS leadership development program nearly two decades ago. It is being carried out with the support of the Rehfeld Family and the William L. and Victorine Q. Adams Foundation.

BLEWS, the Black-Jewish Forum of Baltimore, Inc., was established in 1978 by leaders in both communities dedicated to continuing and perpetuating the Black-Jewish partnership that flourished during the civil rights struggles of the 1950s and 1960s. The organization has carried out many programs over the years, such as programming directed at high school students through its Calvin Burnett Youth Initiative.

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The Black-Jewish Forum of Baltimore, Inc. is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2007 class of *Dialogue, Diversity, and Direction: A BLEWS Black-Jewish Leadership Initiative*.

Two dozen successful applicants will participate in a six-month program of semi-monthly meetings from January to June, 2007, that will increase their awareness of their own and the other group's culture, history, and present-day challenges. They will have the opportunity to learn about the history of Black-Jewish relations locally and meet established and future leaders in both communities. Participants will be able to discuss issues of utmost importance to both the Black and Jewish communities.

Participants in the Leadership Initiative meet with top leaders from the Baltimore-area African American and Jewish communities. Last session, speakers included...

Dr. Freeman Hrabowski,
President of University of
Maryland-Baltimore
County.



Marc Steiner, founder of
WYPR Public Radio.

The Honorable
Kurt L. Schmoke,
former Mayor of
Baltimore.



The Honorable Barbara
Hoffman, former Mary-
land State Senator.

**Successful applicants for
*Dialogue, Diversity and Direction:
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Initiative* are individuals who...**

- Care about what happens in the Greater Baltimore region.
- Want to learn about how we got where we are today.
- Are committed to working in their own community and the larger Baltimore community to create a better future for all.

Applicant interviews begin in October, and applications will be accepted through December 15, 2006. The program application form can be downloaded at www.BLEWS.org.

***Apply for the BLEWS
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