

## AAEA Choral Presentation Caps Black History Month Celebration



Black History Month Celebration, sponsored by the MTA African-American Employees Association, culminated in a rousing performance of "History in Song," a musical tribute from members of the MTA Chorale assembled for the occasion in the lobby of MTA Headquarters on Wednesday. The choir, assembled by Carmelita Romero and conducted by Renee Willis and Kathy Murrell, featured Don Costa Seawell, Frank Sahlem, Gerald Price, Patricia Clark, Tom Traylor, Robin Blair, George Parks, Collins Kalu, Bill Satterfield, Pamela Fairbanks, Letty Lawenko, and Carmelita Romero. Accompanied on the keyboard by guest musician, Elder William Wells, the choir sang a progressive history of the African-American experience, choosing songs from a chronological timeline, beginning with the abolition of slavery in 1865 through 1985, when the first Martin Luther King Jr. Day was commemorated. Below, George Parks delivers the welcoming remarks. --  
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