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National Business Awards 2009
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The seventh annual National Business Awards was held recently at the Wanderers Club Ballroom in Joburg. Attended by the country's champions of industry, the event was hosted by Topco Media in order to recognise the country's top-performing companies and individuals in both the commercial and industrial sectors. Proving her celebrated grit yet again, MC for the evening, Tumi Makgabo, deftly steered the evening's pageantry while entertaining without affectation. If, judging by the function, the vision, dedication and skill of our top entrepreneurs is any indication, then South Africa really does mean business. I Topco Media chairman Dick Fletcher, pictured with his wife Carla and their daughter Karla
Etienne and Tracy Smit
Colin O'Mara Davis, Top Billing magazine
The Wanderers Club Ballroom
Susanne Ravenall, CEO of Beyond Outsourcing and one of the judges for the NBAs, presents the award for Investing in People to Tracey Czakan from The Kelly Group
Renowned television personality and MC Tumi Makgabo
Ntyatyi Petros, the deputy editor of Business Report, presents the award for Innovation Through Technology to Lance Fanaroff from the Integr8 Group Jonathon Louw from Adcock Ingram presents the award for Customer Service to Zolile Ngququ from Bonitas Medical Fund
Arend du Preez, managing director of Kintetsu World Express, presents the award for Logistics to Craig Parker from Barloworld Logistics
10 Carla Saraiva, the client relationship manager for the JSE, presents the Alt-X National Business Award to Dr Richard Lewis from BSI Steel
I I Judges Shirley Zinn of Nedbank; Judge Jali of PricewaterhouseCoopers; Suzanne Ravenall of Beyond Outsourcing; Tyrone Naidoo of BEEOnline and Ntyatyi Petros of Business Report with Ralf Fletcher, managing director of Topco Media
12 Businesswoman of the Year winner, Nomahlubi Simamane of Zanusi Brand Solutions, with Topco Media's Use Pienaar
13 Judge Jali, one of the judges for the awards, presents the National Business of the Year award to Tracey Czakan from The Kelly Group

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