



Owner Christian Dennery outside of Bodegas.

Economic Development Council in Clinton Hill Helps Open Another Shop

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For some, Friday the 13th was a day to celebrate. Particularly for Christian Dennery, the owner of Bodegas, a new restaurant and cafe in Clinton Hill that was celebrating its grand opening.

Located at 860-870 Fulton Street (at corner of Clinton Avenue), the opening was attended by community leaders, elected officials and many others.

The store, the second venture for Dennery, the owner of Liquors Restaurant on Dekalb Avenue, was opened with the support of Pratt Area Community Council, a non-profit community organization. PACC's Commercial Revitalization

Program made it possible for Dennery to open the store in a neighborhood that was previously underserved.

The restaurant features a full service espresso/breakfast bar open weekdays at 7 a.m. and a cafe that serves afternoon and evening meals. The cafe will soon be complemented by a catering component and a meat, fish and produce market with limited dry goods, bread, wine and dairy selections opening this summer.

"Working with Pratt Area Community Council, I was able to achieve my dream -- through their Commercial Revitalization Program I'm opening my second business establishment, and bringing a very needed service to the area," said Dennery.

"Pratt Area Community Council develops commercial spaces and identifies quality businesses to occupy them. We look for tenants that have a stake in investing in the community," said Melissa Lee, PACC's Commercial Revitalization Program manager. "We're glad to help local entrepreneurs fulfill their dreams, and at the same time make a difference in the community," she added.

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