



Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida, Inc.

Our mission is to enhance, maintain and sustain the quality of life for the community consistent with the culture and traditions of our diverse ancestral heritage.

September

2015

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Board meetings - 4th Thursday of the month
See back page for calendar of events.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Annual Friendship Ball: Our annual Friendship Ball is just a few weeks away. This year's ball will be at Binks Forest Golf Club in Wellington. The Mistress of Ceremony will be "Dr. Sue" (Susan Lycett Davis) and we have added a band to the entertainment line-up. Sweet Justice Band will be performing along with DJ Mansta and Toots. This all happens on Saturday, September 19, 2015 from 7pm-1am. Your support and contributions help to provide funds for our student's assistance program. Please purchase a ticket or two, but if you are unable to attend please make a donation to our ball or sponsor some of our ball events. Please see the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for details on where you can purchase tickets.

The board has approved changes to the by-laws. New language regarding the number of directors, maximum of 9 but no fewer than 7. Less board meetings, every other month instead of every month. Some approvals are done electronically or by phone which makes it easier to get board members. The by-laws were last revised in 2005. The changes were presented at the August 15, 2015 general membership meeting for review. Copies will be mailed to all paid members who were not in attendance at the meeting. We will have a membership vote at our next meeting to approve or disapprove the by-law changes. Thanks to Barbara Walker and her committee, Laurence Logan and Alvin Nembhard, for the hard work that went into this project.

Dennis Wright
 President

MEMBERSHIP DUES

You may submit your membership dues online at www.cafcipbc.org or
 Mail to CAFCI,

Attention: Laurence Logan,
 1030 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Box 11,
 Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411



SEPTEMBER 16-30

Newbolt Wilson	17
Vincent Elliott	18
Shauna Simms	19
Barbara Chin	20
Frederick Pinto	21
Jannette Sharpe-Paul	23
Elizabeth Morgan	24
Marjorie Aiken	27
Lucille Walters	30
Hugh Smith	30

OCTOBER 1 - 15

Frank Watson	04
Larry Milender	05
Ridley L. Ingram	06
William Turner	12
Sheila Wright	14
Lorna Pearson	15

CONDOLENCES TO:

Paul Baker, on the loss of a relative
 Mavis Baxter, on the loss of her sister

Please Let Us Know...

Please contact one of our Sunshine Committee members if you are ill, know of anyone who is ill or would like to share any condolences and would like it to be announced in the NEWS:

Elet Cyrus, Chair 791-9087
 Paul Baker 784-0067
 Samuel Baxter 798-2864

GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, September 12 at 7 pm

Kevin Harvin Center, Royal Palm Beach

There will be brief updates on CAFCI's upcoming events including the Annual Friendship Ball on September 19th. Details for all CAFCI events are posted on CAFCI's website (www.cafcipbc.org).

OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE:

Karlene Green (daughter of Dudley and Kathleen Lannaman) is the department manager of labor relations at Con Edison.

She will assume the position of assistant to the chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Con Edison.

Karlene joined the company in 2003 and her responsibilities have increased over the years. She has served as human resource specialist, senior specialist, manager of employee and labor relations and section manager of testing, learning and Reprographics. Karlene is known for her attention to details, communication skills and the ability to achieve results.

Karlene holds a Bachelors Degree in Labor Relations from Pennsylvania State University and a Masters Degree in Industrial and Labor Relations from Baruch College. Karlene also holds a Certificate in Human Resources from The Society of Human Resources Management.

CONGRATULATIONS KITTY!

CAFCI'S SCOUTS:

Troop 111 has returned to school after a fun-filled summer of.....

- ★ Hiking in the mountains of Virginia with white water rafting and pioneering
- ★ Living on a sail boat for two weeks in the Keys fishing, diving and swimming
- ★ Attending the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) at Michigan State University, a unique opportunity to gather together with other Scouts from all over the United States to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow.

A rewarding summer and now making plans for another fulfilling year.

CAFCI'S TALENT SHOW

Stars of Tomorrow



Erika tried to steal the show but we would have none of it. Threats of hurricane Erika or not, as they say in show business, the show must go on...and so it did. On August 30, 2015, CAFCI's annual youth talent show featured 22 acts. Diverse performers from Palm Beach and St. Lucie counties ranging in age from 5 to 18 showcased their amazing, inspiring talents. They serenaded the audience, danced, popped/waved, played the piano and entertained us with dramatic presentations. It was a very nice way to start the week. The MC's Delisa Stephenson (past talent show performer) and local radio personality Winsom "Lady C" kept the audience entertained between performances.

Parents, family, friends and CAFCI supporters came out in full force to cheer and encourage the performers. As usual, many CAFCI members came out to support the youths...our future...our Stars of Tomorrow. That is the beauty of the CAFCI family.



Talent Show Committee

Thanks to the committee consisting of Ernie Garvey, Winsom Genus-Martin, Clover Gilroy, Junette Powell, Lauriston Simms, Marjorie Smikle, OG Smith, and Shirley Morrison chaired by Nadine White-Boyd for planning the annual talent show. Thanks to CAFCI members Rhonda Davis, Kitty Lannaman, Lawrence Logan, Alvin Nembhard, Shauna Simms and Thalia White who volunteered as always on the day of the show. Thanks to the Palm Beach County Cultural Council's grant as well as community businesses, Burger King, Winn Dixie and Little Caesar's Pizza (Royal Palm Beach/Okeechobee Blvd.) for their donations which enabled CAFCI to do this show.

Submitted by: Nadine V. White-Boyd, Esq.

THE BOARD AND MEMBERS OF THE
CARIBBEAN-AMERICAN FOR
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
IN FLORIDA, INC.

CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THE CAFCI

Annual Friendship Ball

SAT., SEPTEMBER 19, 2015

7:00 PM UNTIL
1:00 AM

BINKS FOREST GOLF CLUB

400 BINKS FOREST DRIVE • WELLINGTON, FL 33414

CASH BAR

MC: Dr. Sue
(Susan Lycett Davis)

Dress Semi-Formal

ENTERTAINMENT
BY



DJ MANSTA & TOOTS

SWEET JUSTICE BAND

Tickets \$80.00 per person
Advanced Ticket Sales Only

Tickets can be purchased
on **Eventbrite.com**
and must be **before**
September 17, 2015 and
can be paid for via PayPal.

Dinner Served at 8:00 pm

For information:

Alvin Nembhard 561-670-8113 • Lawrence Logan 561-791-0162

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Proceeds benefit
CAFCI Scholarship Fund



A For C.A.F.C.I.

So far we have not been able to locate land that can be purchased for cash nor facilities with a lease to own option within the Royal Palm Beach/Acreage /Loxahatchee area. An online survey to get input from the membership to assist in deciding what our next move will be is being prepared for review and approval by the Board. If approved, the survey will be sent via email within the next four weeks. Look out for an email with a link to the survey.



If you have experience in commercial real estate, multi-year fundraising projects, creative finance, project management or marketing, the Home of Our Own program needs your expertise. Input from individuals with expertise in these areas are needed to assist us in revising our strategy to obtain a home for CAFCI and creating an associated plan to reach our objective. Please contact Radcliffe “Woody” Brown at (561) 791-3344 or send an email to radcliffewoody@aol.com if you are able to assist in any of these areas.



The Buy-A-Brick program is still in force and provides everyone an opportunity to participate in this venture. Please visit the web page at www.cafcipc.org and click on the “Home of Our Own” tab or call Radcliffe “Woody” Brown at (561) 791-3344 for more information. **We have made it easier to participate in the program by facilitating monthly payments to purchase a brick. Monthly payments of \$50 will be accepted for a \$1,000 brick and \$150 for a \$3,000 brick.**

CAFCI Members,

You work hard to keep CAFCI going strong in our community. We want to feature members, past and present, in the 2015 Annual Friendship Ball Journal. The journal is a permanent record of CAFCI, so we invite you to be a part of the history.

We are asking the Board, all chair persons and their committee members and ALL CAFCI MEMBERS, BOTH PAST AND PRESENT, to attend the August 15th membership meeting to be photographed, for the 2015 Journal.

Those members who do not drive at night, please ask your friends or other CAFCI members for a ride to the meeting, this is an opportunity to unite with past and present members. Chairpersons, please take photographs of your respective committees to ensure that they are featured in the journal.

The Journal/Sponsor Ball Committee

CAFCI’S VALUES STATEMENT: *Caribbean American for Community Involvement acknowledges and honors the fundamental value and dignity of all individuals and pledges itself to creating and maintaining an environment that respects diverse traditions, heritages, and experiences. We believe in giving a voice to all people and respecting all people regardless of ethnicity or socio-economic background.*

We support the participation in and promotion of events that lead to respect and mutual understanding among the various cultural, ethnic and socio economic groups in our community. We believe in promoting honesty and integrity by being transparent in all our dealings, having fun and fellowship with each other while volunteering and caring for the young and elderly and helping those in need.

DISCLAIMER: *The views and opinions expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily the views and opinions of CAFCI’s members and/or the Newsletter Committee members.*

CAFCI MEMBERS.....*If you would like to share any accomplishments of close relatives (e.g. child, grandchild, niece and/or nephew) with your CAFCI Family in the “Our Children Are Our Future” section of the NEWS, please provide the information to Paul Baker (email: ujama4@aol.com or phone 784-0067). If there is any other information you would like to be included in the NEWS, please submit information to Junette Powell (junettep@hotmail.com).*

IMPORTANT: *Include “CAFCI NEWS” in the subject line when sending e-mails. Inclusion of articles submitted will be at the discretion of the Newsletter Committee and based on space availability.*

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
CAFCI'S EVENTS**

Dates are subject to change. Please check the current issue of the NEWS and the website.

Saturday, September 12: GENERAL MEETING at 7 pm, Harvin Center

Saturday, September 19, 2015

CAFCI'S ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL

Binks Forest Golf Club, Wellington

Saturday, October 10: GENERAL MEETING/INTERNATIONAL GAMES NIGHT at 7 pm, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

Saturday, November 14: ANNUAL/VOTING MEETING at 7 pm, Harvin Center

Saturday, December 12: POT LUCK/TOYS FOR TOTS/CHRISTMAS PARTY at 7 pm, Harvin Center

Thursday, December 31: NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY at 7 pm, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

WEEKLY GAMES FOR CAFCI LADIES

CAFCI is inviting ladies to come out to the Harvin Center on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 to 5:00 PM and play games of cards, scrabble, dominoes (including Mexican train) or other games. All who are interested please call Barbara Walker at (561) 422-0524 or Kitty Lannaman at (561) 793-4055.

AROUND TOWN.....

Sunday, September 6, 2015 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm: Pre-party for Oliver Samuels' Play "Divorce Paper" with Meritone's in Concert at Caribbean Choice Restaurant, 2845 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach.

Monday, September 7, 2015 at 5:00 pm: Play: "Divorce Paper" featuring Oliver Samuels at Royal Palm Beach High School. For information contact Don Smith at Caribbean Choice at 561-682-9014.

Sunday, September 20, 2015 at 5 pm: Grace Episcopal Church invites you to an exciting evening of Christian and inspirational FAVORITES with Steve Higgins and Friends. For tickets, call Connie Robertson at 561-845-6060 or Lauriston Simms at 561-713-0362.

Friday, October 2, 2015: Miss Chinney's Fish Fry at Top Taste Restaurant, 10233 Okeechobee Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL. Music by Mansta, Stoney Burke and DJ Federale.