



NEWS

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.

May

2015

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Annual Picnic: We had another successful family picnic in the park this year for our members, friends and supporters. This was truly a family event with the kids enjoying various activities, such as musical chairs, Easter egg hunt and many other games. The adults had fun too, with multiple domino tables, scrabble and board games. The Picnic Committee Chair, Lauriston Simms and his team (Johnny Davis, Henworth Ferguson, Pat Forde, Millie Hampton, Charmaine Henry, Lawrence Logan, Alvin Nembhard and Percival Wood) did an excellent job of coordinating the event and getting most of the food and supplies donated. Special thanks to all who donated cash, food, service and time to make this event a success. Thanks also to Ernie Garvey who donated the music.

Student Assistance Awards: The student assistance awards will be held at the Village Golf Club on Saturday, May 16th. Dr. Elaine Ealy and her team have been working hard on this event for many months and will deliver an exciting and motivating program. The Student Assistance Awards Program is one of CAFCI's significant events. Please plan to come out to show your support for our young students and, hopefully, future CAFCI members and donors.

I hope all our members, friends and supporters had a Happy Mother's day!

Dennis Wright
President

SAVE THE DATE!
September 19, 2015

**CAFCI's ANNUAL
FRIENDSHIP BALL**
Binks Forest Golf Club, Wellington

Details on the website and on
enclosed flyer

2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES

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

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



MAY 16-31

Nadine White-Boyd	17
Audrey Gordon	18
Owen Smith	18
Vernon Simpson	22
Tinu Pena	23
Dr. Karl Russell-Brown	23
Ethel Palmer	24
Patricia Charlton	25
Colgate Gordon	25
Adrius Adams	26
Victoria Nangle	31

JUNE 1 - 15

Glenis Chambers	04
Shirley Palmer	11
Douglas Lawton	11
Norma Rose	14

CONDOLENCES TO:

Genieve White and Family
on the loss of a family member

GET WELL WISHES TO:

Rupel Johnson
William Turner

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

Student Assistance Award Ceremony

Saturday, May 16 at 7 pm

(note 3rd Sat. not 2nd Sat.)

Village Golf Club, Royal Palm Beach

(note new location)

The main focus of the May meeting will be the Student Assistance Awards presentation, however there will be brief updates on CAFCI's upcoming events including the Home of Our Own fund-raising "Fish Fry" on June 6th, the Talent Show on August 30th and the Annual Friendship Ball on September 19th. Details for all CAFCI events are posted on CAFCI's website (www.cafcipbc.org).

HOME OF OUR OWN "FISH FRY"

Saturday, June 6; 10 am to 5 pm

Downers Park, Loxahatchee

Come out and support CAFCI's Home of Our Own fund-raising "Fish Fry" on Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 10 am to 5 pm at Downers Park, 16700 East Downers Drive, Loxahatchee, Florida (park is located on the west side of Seminole Pratt & Whitney Road, one block north of Okeechobee Boulevard).

For information and tickets, contact Committee Chair, Millie Hampton at (561) 790-1751, Lawrence Logan at (561) 791-0162, Alvin Nembhard at (561) 333-8891 or Norma Rose at (561) 333-0932. Millie and her committee is seeking donations from members to help defray the cost of the fish dinners as well as selling tickets for this worthy cause. However, if you are unable to make it, you can support this fund raiser by purchasing one or two dinners or make a donation. See flyer elsewhere in this issue.

CAFCI's TALENT SHOW

Sunday, August 30 at 5 pm

Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

The Talent Show Committee is working on CAFCI's talent show which will be held on Sunday, August 30, 2015 at 5 pm at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center. **Auditions for the talent show will be held on Friday, August 21, 2015 from 5 pm to 8 pm** at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center. For information or to participate, contact Nadine White-Boyd at (561) 351-6895.

RELAY FOR LIFE 2015



Relay for Life 2015 is in the history books! A thousand times, thank you to everyone who contributed their time, money and other resources. For those of you who came out to support the event, I hope you had a good time and that the memories of Relay 2015 will linger long in your minds. As usual, for me the luminaria ceremony was the highlight of the evening.

Thank you to my awesome committee members, Dr. Elaine Ealy, Winsom Genus-Martin, Alvin Nembhard and Genieve White for a job well done. Thanks to all the other volunteers who helped on the day of the event. CAFCI Relay would not have been a success without you.

As usual, Boy Scout Troop 111 was very visible throughout the whole event. They also helped CAFCI walk laps around the track, and set up and tear down our tents. Thank you to all the scouts for their willingness to help.

This year's theme was "music through the ages", and CAFCI was honored as we received the first place medal for our Relay for Life Campsite.

For those of you who have not turned in monies you collected, please call me at (561) 791-3344 to make arrangements to do so as soon as possible.

See you all at next year's Relay For Life Royal Palm Beach!

Submitted by Nova Brown

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's SCOUTS

The Troop and the Pack both have exciting programs planned for this month: camping at Disney, a lock-in campout at the Kennedy Space Center sleeping underneath the spaceship Atlantis, and camping at Wekiwa Springs in Ocala, Florida, to name a few.

The Troop and the leaders have done a phenomenal job this past year with encouraging and guiding our young men who will be graduating. This year, we have SEVEN young men who have all earned their Eagle Scout rank and have been accepted to a university. We will be celebrating, saying farewell and honoring these young men with the Vivian A. Ferrin Eagle Scholarship Award on **May 30th**. Save the Date - this will be a Combined Troop 111/CAFCI event. See invitation in this issue for more information.

CAFCI SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:

LOOK AT WHERE THEY ARE NOW.....



Paul Joaseus
Florida International University (FIU)

My first semester in college has been quite the experience. During the latter half of the summer, I got an email stating that I was accepted into the Accelerated Architecture Program at FIU. I

didn't want to turn it down so I decided to partake in the program. It was pretty rigorous and the projects were very abstract to say the least. I made some good friends in studio and we attended several artistic events such as the annual Art Basel. Outside of that, I've been trying my best to attend meetings and events held by BSU, HSO (Haitian Student Organization), and CSA (Caribbean Student Association). Recently, I've changed my major to Public Administration because I would like to see some policy changes within our education and recreation system. Moreover, I've also started to attend open mic events held by speakFIU. I have taken a liking to it and even started writing some drafts. That's all I can write for now because my mom wants me to dice some peppers. God bless!

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.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE UPDATE:

Awards Ceremony: The Ceremony for CAFCI's Student Assistance Awards will be held on **Saturday, May 16, 2015 at 7 pm** at the Village Golf Club, 122 Country Club Drive, Royal Palm Beach (off Royal Palm Beach Boulevard). Come out and support the young people as they prepare to begin their journey to higher education. The guest speaker is Dr. Ronald Romear from Infants & Children, P.A. A BIG THANK YOU to all CAFCI members and friends who have donated funds to this worthy cause. Your contribution will help to make a brighter future for our youth. Donations to the fund are still being accepted.

Directions to Village Golf Club: Take Okeechobee Boulevard to Royal Palm Beach Boulevard. Go North on Royal Palm Beach Boulevard to Country Club Drive (second set of lights north of Okeechobee Boulevard opposite the Whispering Pines Development). Go east on Country Club Drive to the golf club located on the right hand side of the road just past the Country Club Views development gated community. Directions to VILLAGE GOLF CLUB are also on CAFCI's website (www.cafcipc.org).

Garage Sale: The Student Assistance Committee participated in the Village Annual Garage Sale on Saturday, April 11. From the wee hours of the morning (5:30 am) until early afternoon (1 pm), CAFCI volunteers kept busy trying to raise funds to help students begin their college journey. All proceeds from the sale of items from our booth benefitted the Student Assistance Fund. The day went well, and overall, it was very successful. On behalf of the Student Assistance Committee, thanks to all of you who contributed in any way toward the success of this venture – from donating items to working at the booth. You have helped to make a dream come true for hard-working and ambitious students. Special thanks to volunteers Winsom Genus-Martin, Millie Hampton, Alvin Nembhard, Junette Powell and Nadine White-Boyd, who worked at the booth.

Submitted by Dr. Eaine Ealy

If you want to touch the past, touch a rock.

If you want to touch the present, touch a flower.

If you want to touch the future, touch a life.

— Unknown

CAFCI YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

Troop 111 Family Year End Celebration

and

***Eagle Scout Award Ceremony
Honoring our Graduating Eagle Scouts***

When: Saturday, May 30, 2015

Time: 4 pm to 7 pm

Where: Bob Hoefl Park

11920 49th Street North, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

Located between Royal Palm Beach Blvd and 120th Avenue North

What: 2015 Eagle Scholarship Awards Ceremony

&

Family Dinner with Our Charter Organization

Awards underwritten by

Vivian A. Ferrin Memorial Scholarship Fund,

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C.A.F.C.I.

CARIBBEAN AMERICAN FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, Inc.

Presents

A HOME OF OUR OWN



FUND-RAISING FISH FRY



Sat, June 6, 2015 10 am – 5 pm

DOWNERS PARK

16700 East Downers Drive, Loxahatchee, Florida

*Located on the west side of Seminole Pratt Whitney Road,
one block north of Okeechobee Blvd.*

Bring a friend & support this great cause.

**HELP CAFCI
REALIZE ITS DREAMS**

Music

Scrabble ~ Dominoes ~ Ludo & more

Baked Goods & Drinks for Sale

DONATION: \$12
(Includes Fish Dinner)

For information and tickets, contact
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2015



STARS OF TOMORROW

Youth Talent Show

***Sunday,
August 30, 2015
at 5:00 PM***

**Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center
151 Civic Center Way
Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411**

**AUDITION IS FRIDAY,
AUGUST 21, 2015, 6PM -9 PM At
RPB Cultural Center**

**ADMISSION: Adults: \$10.00
Children 12 & under: \$5:00**

For info please call Nadine: 561-351-6895 or nvwboyd@aol.com
Clover: 561-596-1748 · Junette: 561-346-2353 · Shirley: 561-719-6508



Proceeds benefit
CAFCI Student
Assistance
Program



Seeking talent ages 5 to 21

**The Officers & Members of
CARIBBEAN AMERICAN FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT in Florida, Inc.
cordially invite you to their**

Annual Friendship Ball

Saturday, September 19, 2015

7:00 pm - until 12:00 midnight

Binks Forest Golf Club

400 Binks Forest Drive • Wellington, FL 33414

Dinner Served at 8:00pm

Semi Formal

**Advanced Ticket
Sales Only**

FOR INFO, CALL

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561-670-8113**

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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.cafcipbc.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.*

AROUND TOWN.....

Sunday, May 24th at 5 pm: **Bro Gary's Annual Memorial Gospel Fest** at South Florida Expo Center, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33421. For more information, call (561) 543-5572.

Monday, May 25th at 2 pm: **Palm Beach Jerk and Caribbean Culture Festival** at the South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33411. For more information, visit www.palmbeachjerkfestival.com or call (561) 247-1366.

Saturday, June 6th at 7 pm: Power Evangelism Church - **One Night of Miracles** at the Kravis Center. One Night of Miracles is a Celebration and a Glorious Night of Miracles. During this event there will be live music, praise dance, skit, testimonials. Event speaker is Apostle Ronald Ssali. Tickets are free but must be picked up in advance at the Kravis Center Box Office. Limit of 6 per person. For more information, contact the Kravis Center's Box Office at (561) 832-7469

Saturday, June 20th at 6 pm: Join **Palm Beach Democratic Club of Palm Beach County All Spice: Flavors of the Caribbean** on this monumental evening to celebrate the Club's years of providing transformational community programs to the Caribbean Diaspora of Palm Beach County. The event will feature Caribbean Chefs with over 50+ years in the hotel and restaurant industry, live music, chef demonstrations, a unique silent auction, and raffle giveaways - plus a few surprises! Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, contact Sophia Nelson at (561) 336-1478.

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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, MAY 16: General/Scholarship Awards Meeting at 7 pm, Village Golf Club
SATURDAY, MAY 30: CAFCI Troop 111 Family Year End Celebration and Award Ceremony at 4 pm, Bob Hoefl Park
SATURDAY, JUNE 6: Home Of Our Own "Fish Fry" at 10 am, Downers Park, Loxahatchee
SATURDAY, JUNE 13: General Meeting at 7 pm, Harvin Center
SATURDAY, JULY 11: General Meeting at 7 pm, Harvin Center
SATURDAY, AUGUST 8: General Meeting at 7 pm, Harvin Center
FRIDAY, AUGUST 21: Auditions for Talent Show at 5 pm, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30: Talent Show at 5 pm, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12: General Meeting at 7 pm, Harvin Center

SAVE THE DATE!!!

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.