



## 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.

October

2013

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**Board meetings are held the  
 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.  
 See back page for calendar of events.**

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our 24<sup>th</sup> annual **Friendship Ball** was held on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> and by most accounts it was a huge success. Once again, our members, friends and supporters came out to support this worthy cause. Next year our 25<sup>th</sup> will be even more elaborate. I wish to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this event a success. Special thanks to Genieve White and Audrey Campbell, team leaders for the journal, and all the other team members: Nova Brown, Elaine Ealy, Rhonda Ferrin-Davis, Patricia Forde, Millie Hampton, Alvin Nembhard, Junette Powell, and Thalia White for getting out a quality product. Thanks to all our advertisers and sponsors who helped us to raise much needed funds and to our Ball Committee members: Nova Brown, Rhonda Ferrin-Davis, Lawrence Logan, Alvin Nembhard, Junette Powell, Genieve White, Nadine White-Boyd, Newbolt Wilson and Jerome Wright, for putting this whole event together. To all our ticket sellers, and everyone who came out to help set up the hall for the event, a hearty thank you. We are inviting all members to be part of the committee for next year's twenty fifth celebration. We also welcome suggestions and ideas for next year's (the 25<sup>th</sup>) week-long celebration. Please see a detailed report of the ball in this newsletter.

This year's **International Games Night** will be held Saturday, October 12, 2013, 5:00 pm until 12:00 midnight at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center and we invite other local organizations to participate. The goal is to bring together people from as many Caribbean islands as

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### CAFCI SCOUT

**Support CAFCI Cub Scouts – Pack 120.** The Cub Scouts will be raising funds with Pop Corn sales throughout the month of October. If you see the Cub Scouts at Publix or in any other shopping area, please give them your support and let them know you are a member of CAFCI.

*Happy Birthday.*

#### OCTOBER 16 - 31

Inez McCallum	20
Babbette Mullings	26

#### NOVEMBER 1 - 15

Barbara Sangster	02
Eaton Richardson	04
Nova Brown	07
Myrna M. Adams	11

### CONDOLENCES TO:

Livingston and Alva Weathers on the loss of Livingston's sister and a relative

Winsom Martin on the loss of a relative

Lascelles and Hazel Harris on the loss of Lascelles' brother.

### 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

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *(continued)*

possible to share games, food and traditions that represent their respective island. This is also part of CAFCI's efforts to diversify our membership and to let other organizations know about CAFCI and what we are doing in the local community. For more information, contact Lawrence Logan at 561-791-0162; Henworth Ferguson at 561-315-9566 or visit our website at [cafcibellsouth.net](mailto:cafcibellsouth.net). Please also see flyer in this issue for details.

Dennis Wright  
*President*

## CAFCI'S FRIENDSHIP BALL.... A NIGHT TO REMEMBER!!!



Our 24th annual Friendship Ball was held on September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center. As usual, our members, friends and supporters came out to support this annual event. The ball, which is our signature event to raise funds for our Student Assistance Program, got off to a festive start with the President's Reception hosted by Dennis Wright. The reception room was nicely laid out with paintings and auction items provided by the Vivian A. Ferrin Memorial Scholarship Fund. There was plenty of wine, cheese and fruit for all.

The opening remarks were delivered by Board Member Nadine White-Boyd who welcomed all and gave a brief overview of CAFCI's mission, vision and values. Ms. White-Boyd introduced the Mistress of Ceremonies, Leonie Escoffery, who has been the MC for 20 of the last 22 annual Friendship Balls. Mrs. Escoffery did an excellent job as always. The invocation was delivered by Newbolt Wilson and dinner was served immediately after, with Chef G's delicious food. We were entertained by world renowned entertainer Michael "Silky" Schloss. Royal Palm Beach Councilman Fredrick Pinto recognized and welcomed all our honored guests and organizations in attendance. Mayor Matty Mattioli and County Commissioner Jess Santamaria presented proclamations declaring September 21, 2013 as "Caribbean American for Community Involvement in Florida Day," which were accepted by board member Jerome Wright

and President Dennis Wright. A message from Congresswoman Lois Frankel was read by the Honorable Fredrick Pinto. President Dennis Wright delivered his annual message highlighting CAFCI's achievements for 2013.

Honorable Fredrick Pinto presented the Outstanding Citizen of the Year award to a well deserving member, Radcliffe "Woody" Brown. Mr. Brown became a member of CAFCI in 2008 as a "computer expert." He took on his first project to revamp and resurrect the CAFCI website which he currently maintains. He serves on CAFCI's Finance Committee and the Home of Our Own project as well as being CAFCI's photographer. Woody is always willing to serve in whatever capacity he is asked and is very knowledgeable with Quick Books.

Audrey Campbell thanked the advertisers, sponsors, guests, members and friends of CAFCI for their continued support and attendance. Advertisers included the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, the Royal Inn and the Port of Palm Beach who have all been major and consistent supporters. Other advertisers included Frames of America, Prado Spa & Salon LLC, Chef G Catering, Dennis Wright, Newbolt Wilson, and Wellington Jewelers. Radcliffe Brown gave the vote of thanks to all of the CAFCI members, family and friends who worked so hard to make this year's Friendship Ball a success. The Ball Committee members: Dennis Wright (project manager), Nova Brown, Rhonda Ferrin-Davis, Lawrence Logan, Alvin Nembhard, Junette Powell, Newbolt Wilson, Nadine White-Boyd, Genieve White and Jerome Wright; Journal Committee members: Audrey Campbell, Elaine Ealy, Pat Forde, Millie Hampton, Junette Powell, Jannette Sharpe-Paul, Thalia White and Genieve White (journal Chairperson). Thanks to Radcliffe Brown and Alpha McDonald for coordinating the video presentation highlighting our student assistant recipients, CAFCI in pictures and snapshots of our major projects this year. The evening concluded with door prizes, raffle ticket drawing and silent auction winners. DJ Mello, featuring Mello Sounds International, had every one dancing the rest of the night away.

*Submitted by Dennis Wright*

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.*

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



One of the main fund raising vehicles is our Buy-A-Brick program. Thank you to all those who participated in the buy-a-brick program or made cash donations.

“Buy a brick” and have it engraved to your specifications. It can be personalized for yourself, friends and/or family; or dedicate a brick for a special occasion, like Mother’s Day, an anniversary, a birthday or a memorial for a loved one. The possibilities are endless. There are two levels of giving to obtain a brick/paver. A \$3,000 donation will be recognized on an 8” x 8” brick/paver which includes personalization space of 6 lines with 20 characters per line (spaces included). A \$1,000 donation will be recognized on a 4” X 8” brick/paver which includes personalization space of 3 lines with 20 characters per line (spaces included). Both donation levels also include a replica mini brick/paver to commemorate your donation and recognition in the Annual Friendship Ball Journal.

*We have made it easier to participate in the program by allowing 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.* Please visit the web page at [www.cafcipbc.org](http://www.cafcipbc.org) for more information or call Radcliffe “Woody” Brown at 561-791-3344.

As we continue working towards the goal, please look out for and support the following upcoming events:

- Golf tournament (Tentatively January 2014)
- Walkathon (Tentatively October 17, 2013)
- Barbeque and/or Fish Fry

*For the golf tournament, we are looking for volunteers to assist in obtaining sponsors, recruiting players, working at and promoting the event. If you are willing and able to assist please call Radcliffe “Woody” Brown at 561-791-3344 or send an email to [radcliffewoody@aol.com](mailto:radcliffewoody@aol.com).*

## BUY A BRICK PARTICIPANTS

Winston & Rhonda Davis
Alvin Nembhard
Lauriston Simms
Fred Pinto
Adrienne Ferrin
Dennis Wright
Mavis Baxter
Samuel Baxter
Newbolt & Hyacinth Wilson
Paul Baker
Neil & Junette Powell
Jerome and Sheila Wright
Genieve White
Picnic Committee 2012-2013
Millie Hampton

## CASH DONORS

Marjorie Schleifer
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Aubin Robinson
Norman Stevens
Nadine White-Boyd
Vinette Tracey
Ms. Russel-Brown
Roy Harvey
Lilian McGann

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PRESENTS

# INTERNATIONAL GAMES NIGHT

**Saturday, October 12, 2013**

**5:00 pm - until 12:00 am**

**Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center**  
151 Civic Center Way • Royal Palm Beach, Florida

*Celebrate and learn more  
about CAFCI while playing  
Dominoes, Scrabble, Bingo,  
Card Games etc.  
enjoying your favorite dish  
with family and friends.*



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Admission

**\$10.00**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
**CAFCI'S 2013 EVENTS**

*Dates are subject to change.*

*Please check the current issue of the NEWS and the website.*

October 12: International Games Night at 5 pm, Cultural Center

November 9: General Meeting at 7 pm, Harvin Center

December 14: General Meeting ~ Election at 7pm; Pot Luck/Christmas Party & Toys for Tots, Harvin Center

December 31: New Year's Eve Party, Cultural Center

**AROUND TOWN.....**

Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>: The Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Palm Beach County will celebrate Latin cuisine and culture at the 4th annual **Latin American Food & Wine Festival** at 4801 PGA Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets are \$30 online, and increase to \$40 after October 1st. Cost includes a commemorative wine glass with tray and a never ending assortment of tasty samples! To purchase tickets, contact the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Palm Beach County at 561-832-1986 or visit [www.pbhchamber.com](http://www.pbhchamber.com).

Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 9:30 pm: **Movie Night & Food Truck Invasion** at Royal Palm Commons Park.

Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 9 pm: **Fall Fest** at Royal Palm Commons Park. For more information, visit [royalpalmbeach.com](http://royalpalmbeach.com) or contact 561-790-5149.

Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 8 pm: **Customer Appreciation at Caribbean Choice Restaurant**, 2845 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. There will be free food, give-a-ways, kids activities and live music. For more information, call 561-682-9014.

Saturday, November 9 from 9 pm until.....: Chинny's Kitchen and Free Spirit Outreach presents **Reminisce**, a vintage night that you will never forget, at Chинny's Kitchen, 1155 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach. For more information, call 561-793-1511.

Sunday, December 1 at 6 pm (Thanksgiving Weekend): EVI presents **Oliver Samuel's "Embassy Saga"** at the Royal Palm Beach High School, 10600 Okeechobee Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach. Tickets are available at Caribbean Stores and CAFCI. **A limited early-bird discount ticket offer will be made available to all CAFCI members who purchase their tickets before November 10<sup>th</sup> directly through CAFCI's representative.** Bring the entire family this Thanksgiving weekend to come, laugh and enjoy Oliver Samuel's quality comedy!

Every Thursday at 6:30 pm: For all you runners, run along the waterfront every Thursday at the Downtown Waterfront. Meet at Bradley's, 104 S. Clematis Street at 6:30 pm. Call 561-683-4404 to RSVP.