

## **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.

August 2019



THE OFFICERS & MEMBERS OF
CARIBBEAN-AMERICAN FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
IN FLORIDA, INC.
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THEIR

# 30<sup>th</sup>Annual Friendship Ball

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019 7:00 PM - 1:00 AM

## ROYAL PALM BEACH CULTURAL CENTER

151 Civic Center Way Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

Dinner Served at 8:00 pm

Dress: Semi-Formal



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Tickets \$95 per person Advanced Ticket Sales Only Saxophonist Carl Lewis

Tickets can be purchased using PayPal.

DOOR PRIZES • RAFFLE • CASH BAR

For information or tickets, please call:
Alvin Nembhard 561-670-8113 • Lawrence Logan 561-791-0162
Dennis Wright 561-653-1586 • CAFCI 561-790-4002
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Program	Rhonda Ferrin-Davis
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-	& Nadine White-Boyd
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1.8	Nadine White-Boyd
	Lauriston Simms
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Board meetings - 4th Thursday of the month See back page for calendar of events.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

August is Membership Appreciation Month for CAFCI. Please come out and help us celebrate your contribution and generosity to our organization. Without your support and volunteerism, we could not flourish as a viable non-profit organization. I know there are a lot of members and supporters who may not come to our monthly meetings but who are working hard in the background on such programs as Martin Luther King Day celebration, Cultural Diversity Day, Student Assistance Fund Awards Ceremony, volunteering as our liaison to the Scouts and all those other programs which we undertake every year. To you I say, thanks for the time and other contributions that you give in support of these programs. Special thanks to our committee chairs, who spend long hours putting these events together so that we can continue to operate as a professional non-profit organization. We will present tokens to show our appreciation. Please invite your friends and family so they can see and hear what we are doing at CAFCI and hopefully join our organization

ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL: Our annual Friendship Ball on September 28th is rapidly approaching. Tickets are \$95 per person and are now available for purchase. Please get your tickets early and do not wait until September to purchase (see attached flyer for ticket information). We are asking everyone to purchase a personal greeting in this year's journal for \$20. A sample greeting (a maximum of 20 words) could possibly be congratulating a son or daughter on his/her accomplishment.

Dennis Wright, President

Welcome
New Members
Cleveland and Cheryl Lewis



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Elet Cyris	19
Norma Morris	20
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Clover Henry-Gilroy	22
Yvonne Broderick-Wilson	24
Hope Francis	25
Ledlo Powell	25
Shirley Morrison	27
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Prudel Belle	31
Lorna Johnson	31

### SEPTEMBER 1 - 15

Margaret Berry	01
Inez Millender	02
Lydia Patterson	03
Percival Wood	80
Hazel Hamilton	09
Marjorie Mendez	80
Dorothy Bell	11
Jess Santamaria	11
Hildreth Studdart-Brown	11
Sherma Buck	14
Jennifer Jaikissoon	15
Olga Mason	15
Elroy Sangster	15
Eugene Wright	15

## **CONDOLENCES TO:**

Kathleen Lannaman on the loss of her niece

#### 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 newsletter:

Elet Cyris, *Chair* .561.791.9087 Paul Baker.....561.784.0067 Samuel Baxter....561.798.2864

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION MEETING**

## Saturday, August 10, 2019

Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center 151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach

Come out and use your imagination to experience a different kind of CAFCI event as we sail on the CAFCI Legacy, while experiencing a relaxing cruise-themed evening without leaving Royal Palm Beach. The membership committee will pamper and recognize CAFCI members at this very exciting evening. See details in the membership corner in this newsletter.

## 30<sup>™</sup> Anniverary Annual Friendship Ball

Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 7 pm to 1 am Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach

The excitement is building as we prepare for CAFCI's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual Friendship Ball to be held at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center. The ball committee is working hard to put everything in place for a successful event. The entertainment line-up is: DJ Richness and Saxophonist Carl Lewis. Please make sure to save the date and plan to get your tickets as soon as they become available on CAFCI's website or from committee members listed on the flyer. See the flyer in this issue with more details.

## FROM THE BALL JOURNAL COMMITTEE:

THE DEADLINE IS APPROACHING FOR INCLUSION IN THE ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL JOURNAL. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR OR PLACE AN AD OR PERSONAL MESSAGE IN THE JOURNAL.

FORMS FOR PERSONAL MESSAGE, AD AND SPONSORSHIP ARE ENCLOSED WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

## **OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE**

Thanks to Golden Krust Bakery located at 6901 Okeechobee Boulevard in West Palm Beach (Jog Road and Okeechobee Boulevard) for its support of CAFCI's Student Assistance Fund committee. From June 1, 2019 to July 25, 2019 Golden Krust generously committed to giving 10% of sales made to CAFCI SAF committee.

Good luck and continued success to all the CAFCI SAF recipients who are heading off to college and for those who are continuing in their pursuit of a higher education.

Onwards and Upwards.

## Letter from a 2019 Recipient

Dear Caribbean-American For Community Involvement, Inc,

I am writing to thank you for your generous \$1,000 Audrey C. Martin Award Scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship.

By awarding me the Audrey C. Martin Award Scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to continue to help others and give back to my community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Síncerely, Nía'Symone Francisco

## AROUND TOWN.....

**Saturday, August 17th at 11 am:** A brunch presented by The Alliance (CAFCI, CARE, Children of Helen (St. Lucia), Jamaicans of the Palm Beaches and United Sports Club)) at Grace Episcopal Church, 3600 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach. Contribution is \$25. Entertainment includes a fashion show and hat parade, raffle and gate prize. For tickets or more information, please contact Genieve White at 561.876.4161 or Audrey Smith at 561.601.8856.

# CAFCI MEMBERSHIP CORNER "CAFCI AND ITS MEMBERSHIP, TOGETHER WE SOAR"

Greetings CAFCI Family,

## CAFCI is celebrating its 30th Anniversary this year!

Don't miss our Membership Appreciation Day on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Feel free to invite a friend. As always, we will have a "Be Our Guest" Contest. In honor of our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we will give prizes to the top three members who bring the most guests.

This special event will feature memorable food, fun and entertainment. The evening highlight will be a wonderful steel pan drum session featuring Keith Anthony Barbrie.

This event is for you CAFCI! Don't miss this celebration!



**Keith Anthony Barbrie** 

Submitted by
Pamela Fraser, Chair
Membership Recruitment and Retention Committee
Cindy Beckles, MBA, DTM
Communications Manager,
Membership Recruitment and Retention Committee

## CARIBBEAN AMERICAN FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

**Proudly Presents** 

# 2019 MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION DAY

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019 | 7:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

ROYAL PALM BEACH RECREATIONAL CENTER (ROOMS A & B) 100 Sweet Bay Lane, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411







THE CAFCI LEGACY SAILS ON AUGUST 10th! DON'T MISS IT!

COME ENJOY A RELAXING CRUISE-THEMED EVENING FEATURING GREAT FOOD AND GAMES!

EXPERIENCE THE COMFORTS OF A CRUISE SHIP WITHOUT LEAVING ROYAL PALM BEACH!

**EVENT IS FREE!** 



**SPONSORS** 





For Information: Cindy Beckles: 561-232-4573
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# A for C.A.F.C.I.



We are in the process of looking at a potential lead that is a little outside our stated boundaries but could be a fit for us. Based on what we can afford, we may have to consider expanding our boundaries on the east and south. Additional information will be forthcoming after the next Finance Committee meeting

Participation in the Home of Our Own project is available through the Buy-A-Brick program. 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 for a \$1,000 brick and \$150 for a \$3,000 brick are available.

You can assist in the effort to find a home for CAFCI by putting on an event or promote an activity to raise funds. Just send an email to cafci@bellsouth.net, radcliffewoody@aol.com or call 561.791.4002. To share your ideas, information on available property, land or facilities, contact Radcliffe "Woody" Brown at 561.791.3344, or send an email to radcliffewoody@aol.com.

#### **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 (junettep56@gmail.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.

**CAFCI** 

675 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard Suite #134 Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

#### **2019 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

(Single - \$60 \* Couple - \$100)

Submit your membership dues online at www.cafcipbc.org OR

Mail to CAFCI Attention: Lawrence Logan, 675 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Suite #134, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR CAFCI'S EVENTS

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

Saturday, August 10: **General Membership Meeting** ~ **Member Appreciation,** 7 pm, RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane Saturday, September 14: **General Membership Meeting,** 7 pm, RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane

Saturday, September 21: International Games Night, 6 pm to 11 pm; RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane

Saturday, September 28, 2019
CAFCI'S 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL
ROYAL PALM BEACH CULTURAL CENTER

Saturday, October 12: **General Membership Meeting**, 7 pm, RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane Saturday, November 9: **General Membership Meeting**, 7 pm, RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane

Saturday, December 14: **General Membership Meeting** ~ **Toys for Tots/Pot Luck**, 7 pm, RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane Tuesday, December 31: **New Year's Eve Gala**, 8 pm, Location to be announced