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January 2012

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Alliance	Genieve White
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Bylaws	TBD
Capital Assets	TBD
Cultural	Elet Cyris
Finance	Genieve White
Food	TBD
Fundraising	TBD
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Historian	Rhonda Ferrin-Davis
	Lawrence Logan
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Board meetings are held the 4th Thursday of the month. See over for calendar of events.

#### **GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD**

Wow! The year 2012 has arrived! We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a healthy, productive and rewarding year. We are excited and ready to go forward into our 23rd year as an organization, with much enthusiasm and hope. We have learned from our past experiences, and are ready to build on our strengths and improve on our weaknesses. One of our main areas of concern is with our membership. Our goal is to bring back to the fold, all members whom we have not seen for a while. create more attractions to appeal to new members and retain the current faithful and dedicated members.

We invite you to get involved in the activities that we have planned for this year. You are an important part of the organization and it is through your contribution that it will thrive. We need you, your expertise and your help.

We appreciate your membership and participation in the projects and activities planned for 2012. Get on board. Get on a committee and let's make it happen. We can make 2012 the best year ever. Remember, "No one can do everything, but everyone can do something."

Thank you for being a part of CAFCI.

# **MLK CELEBRATION** Monday, January 16, 2011

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

The Caribbean-American for Community Involvement (CAFCI) and the Village of Royal Palm Beach will present the 10th ANNUAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION on Monday, January, 16, 2012, at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center, 151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411. This special 10th year's celebration theme is "LIVING THE LEGACY." The program will feature a variety of local professional artists including, Avery Summers, Delray Community Choir, Iona Gamble, Copeland Davis, Jade and Demi Masters, Beyond Blind and many more. A brief recap of the past ten years will be presented through a slide show. Continental Breakfast will be served from 9:00 A.M. to 9:45 A.M. The program will be from 10:00 A.M.to 12:00 noon. The event is free and open to the public. Please arrive early! We have had a full house over the past years. Our MLK Celebration is a great opportunity to reflect, participate and enjoy a very inspiring morning with friends and family.

For more information contact: Elet Cyris: 561-791-9087 or CAFCI: 561-790-4002; cafci@pbc.org

### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING** SWEARING-IN CEREMONY Saturday, January 14 at 7 p.m.

Kevin Harvin Center 1030 Royal Palm Beach Blvd, RPB Please be reminded that January's meeting will be the swearing-in of CAFCI's new Board of Directors. Wayne Richards Port of Palm Beach Commissioner will be overseeing the swearing-in ceremony and will address the audience. Please make an effort to come and show your support for CAFCI's Board.

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Linda Knox

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

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Lily Wray	16
Herbert Chambers	16
Kenneth Coke	17
Berman Patterson	18
Kareem Ali	19
Audrey Nelson	24
Milton Shirley	24

### **FEBRUARY**

V. Alvin Nembhard	02
Yvonne Lawrence	04
Ransford McGann	04
Yvonne Richardson	06
Patrick McLaughlin	08
Ocie Roundtree	10
Sandra A. Gordon	13
Radcliffe Brown	14

# 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 Cyris, Chair	791-9087
Paul Baker	784-0067
Marjorie Schleifer	793-4861

#### **CAFCI**

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## **CAFCI'S 2012 EVENTS**

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JANUARY 14 General Meeting – Board Swearing in  JANUARY 16 Martin Luther King Day Celebration  FEBRUARY 11 General Meeting – Black History Month/Valentine's Celebration  MARCH 10 General Meeting – Education Awareness  APRIL 7 Annual Picnic  APRIL 14-15 Relay For Life  MAY 5 General Meeting – Students & Junior Citizens award  MAY 12 Cultural Diversity Day  JUNE 9 Business Awareness Day  JULY 14 General Meeting  AUGUST 11 General Meeting – Membership Appreciation  AUGUST 25 Talent Show  SEPTEMBER 8 General Meeting  SEPTEMBER 13 International Night  NOVEMBER 10 Annual Meeting  DECEMBER 8 General Meeting – Christmas Party Potluck & Toys for Tots

Your support is needed to raise the funds needed for our scholarship fund and to fulfill our mission to enhance, maintain and sustain the quality of life for the community consistent with the culture and traditions of our diverse ancestral heritage. If you would like to serve on a Committee for any of these events, please contact the Committee Chair or send an e-mail to cafci@bellsouth.net.

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT ★ MARJORIE AIKEN

Most of us know Marjorie Aiken as the member who made sure that CAFCI family and friends enjoy a delicious snack or meal at CAFCI meetings and events. There's a lot more to her. She could be your tour guide or a gourmet chef.

In 1952 Marjorie began fulfilling her passion for traveling with her first trip from Jamaica to the United States. Over the years she visited 48 of the 50 United States. Plans are underway to visit the remaining two. In 1972 Marjorie drove solo from New Jersey to California camping out in her volkswagen. Marjorie's adventurous nature took her to all but one – Antarctica- of the continents. Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Fiji, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Johannesburg, China, South of France, Swiss Alps, and Luxemborg are some of the places she explored and visited to see family and friends.

When not traveling Marjorie enjoys her other passion - cooking for family and friends— which she developed from her mother.

Ms. Aiken received her nursing degree from New York University. She worked in various levels of the health field until 1998 when she retired from her responsibilities as a hospital administrator. In 2003, five years after retiring, Marjorie moved to Florida. She has been an active member of CAFCI since 2003 and was the chair of the food committee until the beginning of 2011. She is also a member of the Urban League and of Bridge The Gap.

Submitted by Nadine White-Boyd

