



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.

March

2021

Celebrating WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH *Women in History Can You Name Them?*

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On February 13, 2021, at the General Membership meeting, we celebrated Black History Month via zoom. Our special guest presenter, Barbara Cheives, the President and CEO of Converge & Associates Consulting, gave a great presentation on the history of race relations in Palm Beach County. The presentation was educational, lively and informative, and well received by all.

The board and members of CAFCI would like to thank Elet Cyris for chairing the Cultural Committee for over seventeen years. During her tenure, Elet was our representative and coordinator with the Village of Royal Palm Beach and our other partners and vendors. Elet has retired as chair of the Committee but will continue to provide support and guidance as needed. As such, we are seeking a new Cultural Committee Chair. Please call me with recommendations to chair, as well as volunteers to serve on, this very vital Committee.

Congratulations to CAFCI First Vice President Genieve White, on being recognized by the Palm Beach County Democratic Party for her contributions to the community. She was one of eight individuals recognized by the Democratic Club during Black History Month. This was a well-deserved recognition.

We continue to evaluate all our programs for this year with an eye on Covid-19 and recommendations from the various health authorities. We have decided that the conditions are not favorable to hold our annual picnic in the park, so the event has been canceled this year. The Friendship Ball Committee is working on plans for our Annual Friendship Ball. We are still looking for members who would like to help plan and execute this year's event. We will have a plan in place for the ball when conditions are favorable.

The Friendship Ball Committee is now actively working on the venue and entertainment. Please give me a call or send an email if you are willing to serve on the Committee. CAFCI relies heavily on fundraising efforts to achieve our mission and goals and this year we will need to do more fundraising. Please support all our events.

Dennis Wright, President

Day Light Saving Time 2021

Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 2 am

Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour before bed on Saturday night.

- Did you know some states do not observe DST? Arizona (with the exception of the Navajo Nation) and Hawaii do not observe DST and stay on standard time all year long.
- Did you know that some countries change to DST at different times and some countries do not observe DST?

<https://www.timeanddate.com/time/dst/>.



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| Peter Scott | 06 |
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| Claudette Christie | 12 |
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GET WELL TO:

Gloria Edwards

CONDOLENCES TO:

Audrey Campbell

on the loss of her sister

Pamela Fraser on the loss of her father

Shama and Kilon Rhoden
on the loss of his uncle

Please Let Us Know...

Please contact (or ask someone else to 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. If no one tells us, we cannot share it.

Elet Cyris, Chair 561.791.9087
Paul Baker 561.784.0067
Samuel Baxter 561.798.2864

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 7 pm

VIA ZOOM

March is National Reading Month and Women's History Month. Our guest speaker, Claudette Thompson, is a schoolteacher, poet, published author and performer who has dedicated writings to both reading and uplifting women. She will share with us wonderful anecdotes of attending school in Jamaica and the development of her passion for writing. Over her lifetime, her love of writing has culminated in her writing many stories as well as composing and compiling a collection of prose and poems. Now she has published her first book, *Take the Wheel; English Literature Made Simple and Enjoyable*. Claudette taught English Literature for many years and came to realize that many students do not enjoy reading, and therefore resent having to go to Literature class. It was out of this recognition that *Take the Wheel* was written and published. Ms. Thompson wanted the book to reach a wide Caribbean audience and so a GO FUND ME account was started in order to purchase and send 100 copies of *Take the Wheel* to Jamaica. The books will be placed in rural libraries where children will be able to benefit. She has also written a soon to be published book, *Queens, Straighten Your Crown Stop Looking Down*, a collection of poems dedicated to females who "lacked self-esteem and, in some cases, had allowed themselves to be abused." The general membership meeting will be dedicated to the importance of reading.

Monthly membership meetings are conducted via Zoom until further notice. To participate in the meeting, you will need a mobile device (smart phone/tablet) or a computer/laptop with a microphone. You may also call in. See instructions below.

Click on link or copy and paste link in your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85318987422?pwd=dllNER0a2JuNIhtYUZIVkZzYmRSdz09>

OR

Download the ZOOM App or visit website:

www.zoom.com

Select "Join A Meeting"

Meeting ID: 853 1898 7422

Password: 478705

OR

CALL-IN:

+1 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 853 1898 7422

Password: 478705

CAFCI CELEBRATED BLACK HISTORY MONTH

On Saturday, February 13, 2021 at CAFCI's virtual General Membership meeting, Barbara Cheives did a wonderful presentation on Black History in Palm Beach County, focusing mainly on the era of legal racial segregation. Her presentation, which was well received by our members and friends, was followed with a lively question and answer period. Also, Rhonda Ferrin-Davis, Second Vice President, who was unable to attend the January meeting, was sworn in by Judge Maxine Cheesman.

GET INVOLVED WITH CAFCI

There are many ways you can participate in the work of CAFCI and one way is by serving on a committee. Each month, a committee will be featured giving you the opportunity to see what it entails. This month's feature is the Student Assistance Fund Committee.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE FUND COMMITTEE

The Student Assistance Fund (SAF) Committee's responsibilities include conducting and participating in various fundraising activities; corresponding with existing donors and potential donors and sponsors to raise funds; publicizing the application along with eligibility requirements; reviewing applications; interviewing the students who applied for the CAFCI award and selecting deserving high school students matriculating to college to receive the funds. The Committee coordinates all aspects of the annual SAF Awards Ceremony. CAFCI's Student Assistance Fund "Committed to Excellence Awards" are based on academic record, school and community participation, essay content, and financial need. It is with great pride that over the last 28 years CAFCI has recognized 211 brilliantly deserving youths and awarded monetary awards totaling \$211,000. Donate to SAF by going to CAFCI's website www.cafcipc.org, or by mailing a check made payable to CAFCI and mailed to CAFCI, Attention: SAF, 675 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Suite 134, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411. The 2020/2021 Student Assistance Fund Committee is comprised of: Doreen Baker; Leonie Escoffery; Doreen Grayson, Clover Henry-Gilroy; Barry Martin; Alpha McDonald, Junette Powell – Co-Chair; and Nadine White-Boyd - Co-Chair. If you are interested in joining the SAF Committee, please contact Junette Powell at junettep56@gmail.com or Nadine White-Boyd at Nadine@wblawpa.com. Additional information on SAF is posted on CAFCI's website in the Student Assistance Fund program section. <https://www.cafcipc.org/studentassistanceprogram>

MARCH IS HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Relay For Life 2021 is scheduled for May 1, 2021 from 3 pm to 8 pm at Okeeheele Park (Micanopy Pavilion), 7715 Forest Hill Blvd, West Palm Beach. The CAFCI Relay for Life Committee decided not to actively participate in onsite activities at this time. Consequently, CAFCI will not have a booth at this event. However, we encourage you to support this very worthwhile cause by making a donation to Relay for Life through the CAFCI website at <https://www.cafcipc.org/donation-center>.

Cancer is an awful disease and just about everyone knows someone who has been touched by it. Donations to the American Cancer Society provide personalized information kits, help people get access to free information and support, provide rides to treatments or follow-up appointments, provide cancer patients and their caregivers' free lodging at an American Cancer Society Hope Lodge community, provide breast cancer patients with one-on-one peer support and give patients trained navigators to guide them through treatment.

Submitted by Nova Brown

ANNUAL EASTER PICNIC CANCELLED THIS YEAR

CAFCI's annual picnic, which is usually held on the Saturday before Easter, is cancelled due to COVID-19. The Picnic Committee is planning a fundraiser for later in the year once it is safe to do so. Look out for updates in future issues of the NEWS.

OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE

CAFCI and the Student Assistance Fund (SAF) Committee would be honored to recognize its members' relatives and their accomplishments; so please share your good news with us and we will publish as space permits.

CONGRATULATIONS ...

Danielle Nelson who received the five stars/best of show award for her art piece at the 2021 ArtiGras Fine Arts Festival Youth Art Competition!



CONGRATULATIONS ...

Morgan Shim on being accepted to Dance Theatre of Harlem's 2021 Virtual Summer Intensive.

"Shades of Love," a children's book by **Any-Kaye Francis**, daughter of CAFCI member Hope Francis, is a fitting National Reading Month gift for a child in your life. Elet Cyris has books for purchase.

LETTER FROM PAST SAF RECIPIENT

February 15, 2021

Good Morning Ms. Nadine,

It was a pleasure speaking with you earlier today!

I just wanted to give you a quick update. Currently, I'm working full-time at a public relations firm (The Mosaic Group) where during the month of February I did several trainings with FAMU Medical Marijuana Education and Research Initiative on "Conversations on Cannabis". Also, I have been accepted at FIU and UM for law school.

Shevauna Dumay (2019 SAF Recipient)

CAFCI Student Assistance Fund

Empowering Youth & Investing In Our Future

Visit the Student Assistant Program section on CAFCI's website

<https://www.cafcipc.org/studentassistanceprogram> to view a video of thank you messages from the 2020 awardees and congratulatory messages from past recipients.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE FUND AWARDS CEREMONY



In light of the pandemic, the Student Assistance Fund Committee has canceled its in-person awards ceremony for 2021. We will, however, post videos from the current and past recipients as well as have a presentation with this year's recipients and their families at CAFCI's monthly General Membership meeting on **Saturday, June 12th**. Please mark your calendar and I hope you will be able to join us.

We need your help. There are several ways you can help raise the funds needed:

ONGOING DONATION: To donate to the Student Assistance Fund and/or sponsor an award recipient, please contact Nadine White-Boyd at 561.351.6895; Junette Powell at 561.346.2353; or donate on CAFCI's website at <https://www.cafcipc.org/donation-center> and select the Student Assistance option. To ensure that we reach our goal for 2021, we would appreciate you donating by April 5th.

All donations help CAFCI's Student Assistance Fund Committee reach its fundraising goal. A big thank you to everyone who has already donated and thank you for your continued support.

Shoe Fundraiser: CAFCI received a Certificate of Achievement from Funds2Orgs (page 8) for reaching its goal of collecting at least 100 bags/2500 pairs of shoes in two months. Thank you to all who donated and assisted with collecting to help us reach our goal.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Zeta Tau Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. will once again award scholarships to deserving high school seniors for the 2021 academic year. If you meet the requirements, they encourage you to apply. This year they will also offer one student their new Dixon-Williams S.T.E.M. Scholarship. The deadline is March 19, 2021. Click on the link for the application and requirements: http://www.akazto.com/docs/AKA_Scholarship_Application_2021.pdf



CAFCI Scouts BSA Troop 111 has been busy working on membership, hosting Webelos scouts at their campout from Saturday, February 13th to Sunday February 14th. The campout took place at the home of CAFCI members, Dr. Winston Davis and Rhonda Ferrin-Davis. The fun began early on a Saturday morning with scouts and adult leaders setting up their tents. Cub scouts and their parents arrived a few hours later eager to learn how a "boy led" troop functions. The Shaman Patrol demonstrated setting up dining flies and the knots needed to secure them. Everyone enjoyed a fun game of poison ball which is a version of dodge ball. Later, scouts worked in patrols to create a Rube Goldberg machine, named after American cartoonist Rube Goldberg. This intentionally complicated chain reaction-type machine is used to perform a simple task. After an evening campfire program complete with songs and skits, everyone was treated to two delicious "dump cakes" cooked in a dutch oven under hot coals. No campout would be complete without a nighttime game of manhunt before bed. In the closing ceremony on Sunday morning, scouts shared their "roses" and "thorns" about the campout. Many T111 scouts expressed being happy to teach new scouts skills and introduce them to boy scouts. The cub scout parents were thrilled that their scouts had so much fun and got to experience this next level of scouting.

Please come out and support the Vivian and Adrienne Ferrin Memorial Scholarship Fund (VAFMSF) and enjoy a Caribbean Jerk Drive Thru Dinner on Sunday, April 11, 2021. The menu consists of jerk chicken or jerk pork or combo served with rice and peas, veggie, fried plantain and dessert. Donation is \$15 and by advance ticket sales only. Please see the flyer below for contact information to obtain tickets.

The VAFMSF Board and Youth Committee Presents

CARIBBEAN JERK DRIVE THRU DINNER

**ENJOY SUNDAY DINNER COURTESY OF "RHONA AND DWEN'S CORNER"
PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR YOUTH PROGRAMS.**

JERK CHICKEN OR JERK PORK OR COMBO
SERVED WITH RICE AND PEAS, VEGGIE, FRIED PLANTAIN AND DESSERT

\$15 DONATION

VAFMSF
Vivian & Adrienne Ferrin
Memorial Scholarship Fund
Est. 2004

SUNDAY APRIL 11, 2021
CAMP DAVIS (HOME OF WINSTON AND RHONDA)
PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION
GENIEVE WHITE: 1 (561) 876 - 4161
RHONDA FERRIN - DAVIS: 1 (561) 685 - 9836
RHONA TOLAN - BERNARD: 1 (561) 904 - 1270



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March 2, 2021

Dear Prospective Student Assistance Fund Donor:

Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida, Inc. (CAFCI) continues its more than 31 years of service to the community. CAFCI, a (501)(c)(3) organization, functions due to 100% of dedicated volunteers and is committed to advancing our youths' higher education. For the past 28 years, CAFCI has raised funds to assist well deserving college-bound high school students in our communities to achieve their educational goals. Your financial donation and dedication to helping CAFCI advance our youth's higher education will help to open college doors to students. With your financial support, CAFCI will be able to award between \$500 to \$1,500 to each deserving student.

Many ambitious students are denied access to a college education due to financial constraints. This year, because of COVID-19 resulting in the loss of jobs and loss of family members, there is an overwhelming number of students facing financial challenges in achieving their college goals. As you can imagine, many high school students may hold the key to a cure for a disease but may never have the opportunity to maximize their potential. Many have innovative ideas for probable solutions to social problems, yet may never have a chance to expand on them. Others are discouraged simply because the first step to higher education may seem financially impossible.

CAFCI's Student Assistance Fund Committee is requesting your financial help. We invite you to partner with CAFCI in financially assisting our youths to make their educational goals a reality. Your contribution will make a difference in the lives of our youth as your donation will not only provide hope to more students but will also help to ease their financial burden. Please find accompanying information about our organization and past recipients.

We look forward to receiving your life-changing contribution to help with assisting students as they embark on one of their lifelong endeavors to begin college. We will publicly acknowledge you on our *Donors' List*. **You may make your donation online by going to www.cafcipc.org/donation-center and select **Student Assistance** or by mailing your donation to:**

CAFCI
Attn: Student Assistance
675 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Suite 134
Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

Thank you in advance for your donation. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 561-790-4002.

Respectfully,

Nadine White-Boyd

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Co-Chair, Student Asst. Committee

Junette Powell

Junette Powell

Co-Chair, Student Asst. Committee

Dennis Wright

Dennis Wright

President

Caribbean-American for Community Involvement in Florida, Inc. (CAFCI)



Who We Are

CAFCI was founded by a group of residents in an effort to enhance, maintain and sustain the quality of life for the community, consistent with the culture and tradition of our ancestral origins. The organization was incorporated as a non-profit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 617 of Florida Statutes on August 13, 1999.

CAFCI is a 501(c)(3) organization committed to volunteerism and social activities, with special emphasis on our youths and senior citizens. Our annual affairs continue to serve and help the social, educational and health needs of the community.

Our Mission

Caribbean-American for Community Involvement's mission is to maintain and sustain the quality of life for the community, consistent with the culture and tradition of our diverse ancestral heritage.

Student Assistance Award Recipients – 2019

A sample of some of our star students from the Class of 2019.



How YOU Can Help Our Students

1. Make **check** or **money order payable to:** C.A.F.C.I. (Note for Student Assistance Fund)
2. Donate via PayPal® by going to CAFCI's website **www.cafcipc.org** and clicking on Donate to Student Assistance Fund.
3. It is preferred that your generous donation is received no later than **April 5, 2021**, in preparation for our virtual Award Ceremony on Saturday, **June 12, 2021**.

No contribution is too small or large and on behalf of the students and families, we **Thank You Very Much!**

Contact Us

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Student Assistance Award Program

Each year we offer deserving local high school graduates the opportunity to apply for a monetary "Student Assistance Award" from our organization.

Past student awards range from \$500 - \$1,500 per student.



Student Eligibility Requirements

- Students applying must have at least a cumulative 3.0 GPA and demonstrate continuous academic success in their high school tenure to be eligible.
- Applicants must show that they have participated in school and community activities.
- Applicants must show interest in the Caribbean community.
- The monetary assistance is awarded to students who are going on to a college, university, or other accredited institution of higher learning.
- If selected, the student must provide proof of acceptance from the school before receiving the award.

Award Ceremonies

Each year in May CAFCI holds an award ceremony for students, their families, members and friends of CAFCI.

We invite community leaders, guest speakers, Student Assistance Fund Committee members past and present, the general public and friends of CAFCI to attend and participate in the Event.



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We raised \$ 1,078.80 !

January 31, 2021

Tom Henderson, Funds2Orgs

Date



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Shoes with Heart

Thank you for making such an impact in your community and around the world with a shoe drive fundraiser. Every pair counts and I'm glad we could count on you.

YOU MATTER,

-Wayne Elsey
Head Coach & CEO

asap@funds2orgs.com | (407) 930-2979

Congratulations ...

Genieve White, CAFCI's own First Vice President, who was honored at a virtual awards ceremony "A Celebration of Excellence Honoring 8 Community Leaders" on Sunday, February 28, 2021. The event was in celebration of Black History Month, "History Through Our Eyes" hosted by the Palm Beach County Democratic Party. The other honorees were: Congressman Alcee Hastings; Kitonga Kiminyo, MD, CB Hanif; Tammy Jackson; Colson Zumar, Jasmin Lewis and Tae Edmonds. The event featured the incomparable Senator Cory Booker and special guests W. Mondale Robinson and Stephanie Owens.



HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYONE AND YOUR FAMILY!

Here are some ways to celebrate Easter 2021 at home.

1. Read Easter stories – This is one of the best ways to celebrate Easter at home. Read out stories to your little ones letting them know the true meaning of Easter.
2. Paint Easter pictures.
3. Hunt for eggs – This is a fun activity which everyone can do at home. Get some plastic Easter eggs and hide them in your house. See if your family members can find the eggs.
4. Special Easter Sunday meals – What can be better than having your favorite Easter meal on the special occasion with your family? Enjoy a special dinner night.
5. Easter egg craft – An interesting activity and a really good decoration idea which you can try out at home.



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 (eg. 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.*

March is "Women's History Month"

Women's History Month is a dedicated month to reflect on the often overlooked contributions of women to United States history. From Abigail Adams to Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth to Rosa Parks, the timeline of women's history milestones stretches back to the founding of the United States.

Women's History Month had its origins as a national celebration in 1981 when Congress passed Pub. L. 97-28 which authorized and requested the President to proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982 as "Women's History Week." Throughout the next five years, Congress continued to pass joint resolutions designating a week in March as "Women's History Week." In 1987, after being petitioned by the National Women's History Project, Congress passed Pub. L. 100-9 which designated the month of March 1987 as "Women's History Month." Between 1988 and 1994, Congress passed additional resolutions requesting and authorizing the President to proclaim March of each year as Women's History Month. Since 1995, presidents have issued a series of annual proclamations designating the month of March as "Women's History Month." These proclamations celebrate the contributions women have made to the United States and recognize the specific achievements women have made over the course of American history in a variety of fields. For more information and activities about Women's History Month, visit <https://womenshistorymonth.gov/>

Note: International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8th around the world.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH FACTS

1. The first Women's History Day was held in 1909.
2. The day became Women's History Week in 1978.
3. In 1987, it became Women's History Month.
4. The president declares every March Women's History Month.
5. Every Women's History Month has a theme. The 2021 theme is "Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced."
6. Wyoming Territory was the first place to grant women the right to vote.
7. The 19th amendment didn't give all women the right to vote.
8. Claudette Colvin refused to give up her bus seat 9 months before Rosa Parks did.
9. Geraldyn "Jerrie" Cobb was the first woman to pass astronaut testing in 1961.
10. In 1983, Sally Ride was the first American woman in space.
11. Women couldn't get credit cards on their own until 1974.
12. Women make up 24 percent of Congress.
13. Women outnumber men as they get older.
14. More women are earning college degrees than men.
15. The gender pay gap still persists: Women make up 14.4 percent of active-duty military members. -- Women make up 46.8 percent of the labor force.
16. Hilary Clinton is the first woman to be nominated for president of the United States by a major political party and the first woman to win the popular vote in an American presidential election, however, she failed to win the Electoral College.
17. Marie Van Brittan Brown, along with her husband Albert Brown, invented the home security system in 1966.

For more, visit <https://www.womansday.com/life/a34908026/womens-history-month-facts/>

Women in History ... *(Photographs identified from cover)*

- 1) **Madam C.J. Walker (Sarah Breedlove):** The first female self-made millionaire in the world.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Madam_C._J._Walker
- 2) **Rosa Parks:** Civil rights activist, especially known for desegregating buses in Montgomery, Alabama.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rosa_Parks
- 3) **Mary Church Terrell:** Civil rights leader, founder of National Association of Colored Women, charter NAACP member.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mary_Church_Terrell
- 4) **Harriet Tubman:** Freedom seeker; underground railroad conductor; abolitionist; spy, soldier, and nurse in the Civil War; women's suffrage activist. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harriet_Tubman
- 5) **Toni Morrison:** First African American woman to receive the Nobel Prize for Literature.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toni_Morrison
- 6) **Sandra Day O'Connor:** First woman on the Supreme Court.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sandra_Day_O'Connor
- 7) **Malala Yousafzai Pakistani:** Schoolgirl who defied threats of the Taliban to campaign for the right to education. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Malala_Yousafzai
- 8) **Barbara Jordan:** First Southern African American woman elected to Congress.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barbara_Jordan
- 9) **Oprah Winfrey:** First woman to own her own talk show.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oprah_Winfrey
- 10) **Eleanor Roosevelt:** Wife and widow of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, his "eyes and ears" as president hampered by polio, and a human rights activist in her own right. She held all-woman press conferences
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eleanor_Roosevelt
- 11) **Amelia Earhart:** First woman to cross the Atlantic in an airplane. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amelia_Earhart
- 12) **Madeleine Albright:** First female Secretary of State.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Madeleine_Albright
- 13) **Kamala Harris:** First female, first Black and first South-Asian vice president in U.S. history.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kamala_Harris
- 14) **Marie Curie:** Mother of modern physics, two-time Nobel Prize winner.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marie_Curie
- 15) **Janet Yellen:** Confirmed by the Senate as the first woman to lead the Federal Reserve.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Janet_Yellen
- 16) **Eileen Collins:** First female commander of a Space Shuttle mission.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eileen_Collins
- 17) **Aretha Franklin:** First woman elected to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aretha_Franklin
- 18) **Gina Haspel:** First woman to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gina_Haspel
- 19) **Becky Hammon:** First full-time female coach in the NBA and the first full-time female coach in any of the four major professional sports in America.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Becky_Hammon
- 20) **Ida B. Wells-Barnett:** Anti-lynching crusader, reporter, an early activist for racial justice.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ida_B._Wells
- 21) **Hattie McDaniel:** First African American to win an Oscar. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hattie_McDaniel
- 22) **Lois Dickson Rice:** Jamaican-American corporate executive, scholar, and education policy expert, known as "the Mother of the Pell Grant" because of her work lobbying for its creation.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lois_Rice
- 23) **Michelle J. Howard:** U.S. Navy's first female and first female African-American four-star admiral.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michelle_Howard
- 24) **Mary Jackson:** NASA's first black female engineer. Mathematician and aerospace engineer at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), which in 1958 was succeeded by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mary_Jackson_\(engineer\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mary_Jackson_(engineer))
- 25) **Renee Montgomery:** executive, part-owner and investor in the Atlanta Dream and a retired American basketball player.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Renee_Montgomery

COVID-19 VACCINE NEWS

Florida's Governor has opened vaccines to people 60 and over starting Monday, March 15th.
Proof of identification of Florida residency must be verified through a government-issued ID with a photo.

VACCINE PRE-REGISTRATION SYSTEM NOW AVAILABLE

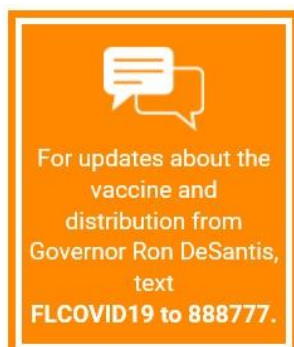
The state has developed a pre-registration system to schedule COVID-19 vaccinations for priority populations. To pre-register visit <https://myvaccine.fl.gov/>. Individuals can call and pre-register if they do not have Internet access. To find the complete list of phone numbers by county https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/FL-VACCINE-HOTLINES_1-29-21.pdf.

1. Palm Beach County Healthcare District (<https://www.hcdpbc.org/>). Please note that the Health Department is not currently taking additional appointment requests at this time. They are only scheduling appointments for those who are already on their waiting list.
2. Publix Pharmacies (<https://www.publix.com/covid-vaccine/florida>)
3. Baptist Health (<https://baptisthealth.net/coronavirus/vaccine>)
4. Tenet (<https://palmbeachhealthnetwork.com/>)
5. HCA (<https://hcaeastflorida.com/covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-information/>)
6. VA Medical Center (561-422-6838 - veterans only)
7. South Florida Fairgrounds - Starting on Wednesday, February 10th, vaccine appointments will be scheduled from 9 am to 5 pm each week Monday to Saturday based on vaccine availability. For information, go to <https://www.wflx.com/2021/02/10/mass-covid-vaccination-site-opens-south-florida-fairgrounds>
8. For all current information on COVID-19, visit <https://townofpalmbeach.com/DocumentCenter/View/13923/COVID-Alerts> and follow instructions to get registered to the Town of Palm Beach COVID-19 Alerts. All future appointments will be scheduled based upon the COVID-19 Vaccination Waiting List. The Town will contact you via email from "scheduling@acuitiescheduling.com" regarding an appointment. Please be on the look-out for that email.
9. If you or someone you know is over 60 years old, public school staffers or a licensed healthcare professional and needs the 1st dose of the COVID-19 vaccination, please register at the link provided below. On March 14th, vaccinations will be given at Manifest Church West Palm Beach. [Click this link to Register](#)

The Florida Health COVID-19 24 hour hotline is available to answer general vaccine questions: 866.779.6121
Senior Hotline: 866.201.6754 Appointment line for seniors over 65 who do not have access to a computer.

ADDITIONAL COVID-19 RESOURCES

- [Health Care District of Palm Beach County](#)
- [Florida Health Department](#)
- [Publix Pharmacy Vaccine Information Page](#)
- [CVS Pharmacy Vaccine Registration](#)
- [Winn-Dixie Vaccine Information Page](#) (*Hypoluxo Rd, Lake Worth only*)
- [Walmart Vaccine Information Page](#) (*currently no PBC locations*)
- [Federally-Supported Vaccine Sites](#)
([FloridaDisaster.org](https://www.floridadisaster.org/)) *NEW*
- vaccinefinder.org



For the most up-to-date and accurate information about COVID-19 and vaccinations visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov/covid-19

MYTHS AND FACTS ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINES

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/facts.html>

COVID-19 TESTING SITES

<https://discover.pbcgov.org/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx#testing>

<https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing>

<https://www.walgreens.com/topic/findcare/coronavirus.jsp?>

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

There was no significant Home Of Our Own activity this past month. We continue to search for that ideal gem both in and outside our preferred search area. Our preferred search area is bounded on the north by Orange Boulevard, Jog Road to the east, Lake Worth Road to the south and Seminole Pratt Whitney Road to the west.



You can assist in the effort to find a home for CAFCI by putting on an event or promoting an activity to raise funds. To share your ideas or provide information regarding available property, or if you have a question, please send an email to cafcipbc@bellsouth.net, radcliffewoody@aol.com or call 561.791.4002 and leave a message.

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.**

Submitted by
Radcliffe "Woody" Brown, CAFCI Home Chair

2021 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, March 13: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, April 10: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Sunday, April 11: **VAFMSF Drive Thru Fundraising Dinner**, Camp Davis
- Saturday, May 8: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, June 12: **General Membership Meeting ~ SAF Awards Presentation** 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, July 10: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, August 14: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, September 11: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 18

ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL

(Date to be confirmed)

- Saturday, October 9: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, November 13: **General Membership Meeting**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Saturday, December 11: **General Membership Meeting ~ Toys for Tots**, 7pm, Via Zoom Video Conferencing
- Friday, December 31: **New Year's Eve Gala** (To be confirmed)

AROUND TOWN

- Visit Cultural Council for Palm Beach County at <https://events.palmbeachculture.com/> for upcoming virtual events and activities.
- Visit the Kravis Center for in person and virtual events at <https://www.kravis.org/athome> or <https://www.kravis.org/>
- The Mandel Public Library is pleased to announce Dial-A-Story, a new phone-based service. Call 561.709.7900 or visit <https://www.wpb.org/government/mandel-public-library-of-west-palm-beach/services-specialties/dial-a-story> for more information.

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