



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.

June

2011

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Alliance.....Gieve White
 Annual Friendship Ball.....TBD
 Budget.....Frederick Pinto
 Business Awareness.....TBD
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 Cultural.....Elet Cyris
 Finance.....TBD
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 Nominations.....TBD
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 Recreation.....Recreation Team
 Recruitment & Retention.....TBD
 Relay For Life.....TBD
 Student Assistance.....TBD
 Sunshine.....Elet Cyris
 Talent Show.....Nadine White-Boyd
 Task Force.....Newbolt Wilson
 Toys for Tots.....Lauriston Simms
 Venue Reservations.....Kathleen Lannaman
 Vivian Ferrin Memorial.....Gieve White
 Website.....Winston Davis/Radcliffe Brown
 Youth.....Rhonda Ferrin-Davis

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, June 11 at 7 pm

Kevin Harvin Center

1030 Royal Palm Beach Blvd. RPB

We are a family. Join us for a Saturday evening of fun and games.

TALENT SHOW

Saturday, July 23 at 6 pm

Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach

CAFCI's spectacular annual Talent Show will be held on July 23rd. Come debut your talent. Calling all performers - amateurs and experienced. Auditions will be held on Friday, July 8th from 6 to 9 pm at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center, 101 Civic Center Way. Contact Nadine White-Boyd at 561-351-6895.

Remember we brought you talent who performed with the great and legendary MICHAEL JACKSON!

BUSINESS EXPO

Saturday, August 13 at 11 am

Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach

CAFCI's fifteenth annual Business Expo will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2011 from 11 am to 5 pm. This event is a chance for you to network and meet other businesses in the area. Applications are being accepted to participate in this event. If you or if you know anyone who may be interested, please contact Ernie Garvey (561) 676 5664 or ernitones@hotmail.com to obtain an application. The fee is \$50 for members with business and \$75 for non-members. The event is free to the public.

CAFCI FRIENDSHIP BALL

Saturday, September 24 at 7 pm

Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach

Plans are under way for this year's *Annual Friendship Ball*. Once again this will be an exciting evening. Please start asking your friends and business associates for an ad for the Souvenir Journal. More details are forthcoming in the July issue of the NEWS or will be posted on CAFCI's website at caf-cipbc.org.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 23 at 7 pm

MONTHLY MEETINGS

General Membership:
 2nd Saturday, 7 pm
 Board: 4th Thursday at 7 pm

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GET WELL WISHES TO:

All who are not well

CONDOLENCES TO:

John Ballentine on the loss of his wife
 Larry Buck on the loss of his mother
 Paulette Cameron
 on the loss of her brother-in-law
 Audrey Campbell
 on the loss of her mother and nephew
 Monica and Lloyd Grant
 on the loss of Monica's mother
 Betty Mallory on the loss of her niece
 and sister-in-law
 Kenneth McKenzie
 on the loss of his sister
 Gwen Osbourne
 on the loss of her 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 Cyris, Chair791-9087
 Paul Baker.....784-0067
 Marjorie Schleifer793-4861

CAFCI HAS DONE IT AGAIN

On Saturday May 14, the Caribbean American For Community Involvement (CAFCI) held its annual **Student Assistance Award Ceremony** and **The Vivian Ferrin Memorial Scholarship Presentation** at the Kevin Harvin Center in Royal Palm Beach.

Many turned out to celebrate with and to honor the recipients of the 2011 awards. Seven well-deserving high school seniors were given \$1,000 and \$500.00 awards. The award ceremony was the focus of CAFCI's monthly meeting and was conducted by Board Liaison and Student Assistance Committee Chairperson, Dr. Elaine Ealy and Committee member and First Vice President of CAFCI, Attorney Nadine White-Boyd. The Student Assistance Committee and Awards Selection Committee include Atty. Nadine White-Boyd, Mr. Eution MacLarty, Mr. Alpha McDonald and Dr. Elaine Ealy.

The Vivian Ferrin Eagle Scout Scholarship of \$1,000.00 was awarded to a very deserving Eagle Scout from Troop 111, Alexander James "AJ" Fandrey. "AJ" is a senior at Seminole Ridge High School who will be attending University of Central Florida to pursue a degree in Forensic Science. CAFCI is the Charter Organization of the Boys Scout Association Troop 111 and Crew 2111. The Vivian Ferrin Memorial Scholarship is in memory of the Hon. Vivian Ferrin, late past Councilman of the Royal Palm Beach City Council and past president of CAFCI.

The Simms Award for Academic Excellence of \$500.00 was awarded to Legrans-Cia Jordonne, a senior from Boynton Beach Community High School who will be attending Florida Atlantic University to study Architecture. The Simms Award was made possible by the generosity of lifetime members of CAFCI, Mr. and Mrs. Lauriston Simms.

Awards of \$1,000.00 were also presented to each of the following students: Chloe Babb from William T. Dwyer High who plans to study Criminal Justice at Florida International University; Cassandra Knaggs from Boca Raton Community High School and she plans to major in Political Science and Pre-Law; Vasthi Ciceron from Jupiter High School plans to attend University of Florida where she will pursue a degree in Health Science and Nadia Numa from Boynton Beach High School who plans to study Aerospace Engineering at Embry Riddle Aeronautic University.

Presentations of award checks and certificates were made by the Mayor of Royal Palm Beach, Matty Mattioli, Mr. Lauriston Simms, CAFCI member and donor and Mrs. Babbette Bodden, a founding member of the Vivian Ferrin Memorial Scholarship Foundation. President Ernie Garvey, Dr. Ealy and Ms. Genieve White, 2nd Vice President did introductions of the presenters, respectively. After each

presentation, recipients were allowed 3 minutes to introduce themselves to the audience and talk briefly about their future plans.

The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Janice Scott Cover, Assistant Superintendent for Quality Assurance for Palm Beach County School District and Founder of The Caribbean Educators Association (CARE). She brought greetings from the Superintendent of Palm Beach County Schools and conveyed words of wisdom to the graduates. Dr. Cover shared a poem, *The Power of One*, with the recipients. The words of the poem were as encouraging and deeply rooted as her words of advice. The recipients were very receptive to all that she shared with them.

The annual CAFCI awards are made possible through the contribution and dedication of members and supporters to the Organization's Annual Ball and Family Picnic. This year, CAFCI was very privileged to have the support from Winn-Dixie Foundation and due to its contribution three additional students were able to get assistance with their college preparation.

"The Winn Dixie Foundation realizes the importance of giving back to the communities we serve, especially in times of need," said Mary Kellmanson, president of Winn-Dixie Foundation. "For more than 85 years, Winn-Dixie has been known as a company with a heart. We continue that tradition by donating funds to worthy organizations, such as CAFCI, that share our goal of helping to improve the lives of families in each neighborhood we serve."

The Caribbean American for Community Involvement in Florida, Inc. (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. CAFCI is an organization committed to volunteerism and social activities, with special emphasis on our youth and senior citizens. It functions as a resource center and information clearing house for individuals of the Caribbean-American community. The organization's annual affairs continue to serve and help the social, educational and health needs of the community.

For more information about CAFCI and about future Student Assistance Awards please visit us at our website, www.cafcipc.org.

Thanks to Elaine Ealy and her committee for doing such an excellent job!

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JULY MEETING: On July 9, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., CAFCI will welcome Florida Representative Mark Pafford to discuss elderly, medicare and tax related issues. Looking forward to seeing you at this very informative general meeting. Come with your questions, he will have your answers or at least direct you to the answers. CAFCI is about family and friends and keeping its members well informed.

CAFCI NEWS TO BE DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Beginning July 2011, CAFCI's monthly NEWS will be delivered electronically to members with e-mails the week of the monthly General Membership meeting. If we do not have your e-mail address or if you do not receive your copy, please send your e-mail address to cafci@bellsouth.net with subject line "E-Mail Address Update". Please include your full name in the E-mail.

JUNE 2011 – NATIONAL CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

President Barack Obama issues proclamation declaring **June, 2011** as **National Caribbean American Heritage Month**. Let us celebrate the history and culture of Caribbean Americans. For more information go to www.caribbeanamericanmonth.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

JUNE

Gladys E. Brown	18
Carmen Johnson	18
Marjorie Schleifer	18
Georgia Brown	19
Hyacinth M. Wilson	20
Rhonda Ferrin-Davis	21
Gerald Damon	26
Carol Sharpe	26
Lavern McCalla	28
Lillian McGann	28

JULY

Audrey Campbell	01
Henworth Ferguson	07
Everett Wheatley	07
Kenneth Salmon	08
Yvonne Elliott	09
Mavis Baxter	11