



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.

November

2018

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OFFICERS

President.....Dennis Wright
1st Vice President.....Rhonda Ferrin-Davis
2nd Vice President.....Genieve White
Treasurer.....Barbara Walker
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Corresponding Secretary.....Charmaine Henry

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Pamela Fraser * Winsom Genus-Martin
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Lawrence Logan * Shirley Morrison
Junette Powell * Barbara Walker * Thalia White

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Alliance Genieve White
Annual Friendship Ball..... Dennis Wright
Budget.....Radcliffe Brown
Bylaws.....Barbara Walker
CAFCI Home.....Radcliffe Brown
Cultural.....Elet Cyris
Finance Genieve White
Food..... Alvin Nembhard
Grants Barbara Walker
Historian/Protocol.....Rhonda Ferrin-Davis
Newsletter Junette Powell & Thalia White
Membership Pamela Fraser
Parliamentarian.....Nadine White-Boyd
Picnic To be determined
Program Rhonda Ferrin-Davis
Relay for Life..... Nova Brown
Student Assistance ProgramJunette Powell
.....& Nadine White-Boyd
SunshineElet Cyris
Talent Show . Junette Powell & Nadine White-Boyd
Toys for Tots Lauriston Simms
Venue/Reservations..... Lawrence Logan
Vivian Ferrin Memorial..... Genieve White
WebsiteRadcliffe Brown
Youth.....Rhonda Ferrin-Davis

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our board elections will be held on Saturday, December 8th. Once again, I would like to thank all our committee chairs for your service this year and encourage you and all our members to run for seats on our Board. Volunteers are a necessary part of the functioning and development of CAFCI. We are in constant need of people who are willing to volunteer their time and skills in whatever area they can. As I have often stated, you do not need to know the third law in thermodynamics or be a college graduate to be a board member; just the willingness to serve. Please give me a call if you have any questions about being a board member. All CAFCI members in good standing are eligible to be nominated. This is an opportunity for our members to get their voices heard and to contribute to the future direction of CAFCI. Ultimately, it is everyone's responsibility to vote for the candidates at the December General Membership meeting.

INTERNATIONAL GAMES NIGHT was held on Saturday, October 13th. Folks played their favorite games of dominos, ludo, scrabble and various other card and board games. Special thanks to all our members, friends and supporters who donated food, drinks and dessert for the event. Thanks to CAFCI Games Night coordinators: Pamela Fraser, Charmaine Henry, Lawrence Logan, Alvin Nembhard and Yvonne Wright. Thanks to Aldin Smith for donating time to supply and play the music.

HOME OF OUR OWN FUNDRAISER: On Saturday November 3, 2018 we had a home of our own fund raiser party in Lake Worth. Special thanks to Mark and Leonie Escoffery for planning and sponsoring the event. This was also made possible through the CAFCI finance committee. Special thanks to all who attended and supported the event. Thanks also to those who donated time, money, goods and services. The committee was chaired by Mark Escoffery. Committee members: Genieve White, Peter Scott, Radcliffe Brown, Junette Powell and Dennis Wright. More on how much we raised will be disclosed soon.

Dennis Wright, *President*



NOVEMBER 16-30

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| Norman Martin | 16 |
| Gwendolyn Biersay | 17 |
| Carlos Bodden | 18 |
| Winsom Genus-Martin | 18 |
| Dorothy Lynch | 19 |
| Junette Powell | 21 |
| Dr. Elaine Ealy | 22 |
| Norman Stephens | 28 |
| Andrea D. McMillan | 30 |

DECEMBER 1 - 15

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| Caswell M. Brown | 03 |
| Beverly McKenzie | 03 |
| Hazel Harris | 05 |
| Yvonne Gray | 10 |
| Ernie Garvey | 11 |

GET WELL TO:

Prudel Belle, Hazel Bird,
Hazel Harris and
Livingston Weathers

CONDOLENCES TO:

Marjorie Aiken
on the loss of two relatives
Audrey Campbell
on the loss of her grand niece
Clover Henry-Gilroy
on the loss of her father

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 Baker561.784.0067
Samuel Baxter561.798.2864

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, November 10, 2018 at 7 pm

Royal Palm Beach Recreation Center, Room C
100 Sweet Bay Lane, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

Please come out to CAFCI's General Membership meeting on Saturday, November 10th at 7 pm at the Royal Palm Beach Recreation Center. All CAFCI events are posted on CAFCI's website (www.cafciabc.org) and you may also visit the CAFCI's Facebook page.

DIRECTIONS:

From Okeechobee Blvd: Westbound on Okeechobee Blvd., make a left on RPB Blvd, make a right on Sparrow Drive (across from Veteran's Park), past Crestwood Middle School and left into RPB Recreation Center

From Southern Blvd. Westbound on Southern Blvd., cross over RPB Blvd, make a right on Crestwood Blvd, make a right on Sparrow Dr., make a right on Sweet Bay Ln. RPB Recreation Center on right.

INTERNATIONAL GAMES NIGHT

Our annual International Games Night which was held on Saturday, October 13th was lots of fun. There were quite a few friends and supporters. Attendees enjoyed food, drinks and music while playing their favorite games including dominos, ludo and other card and board games. Special thanks to all our members, friends and supporters who donated food, drinks and dessert for the event. Thanks to CAFCI Games Night Committee: Pamela Fraser, Charmaine Henry, Lawrence Logan and Alvin Nembhard, Yvonne Wright, Chair and special thanks to music selector Aldin Smith.

OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE

Congratulations to all CAFCI family and friends who have relatives (children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews) who have graduated from high school, college or university.

Thanks to all who were able to support CAFCI Student Assistance Fund by purchasing their breakfast, lunch or dinner on Tuesday, October 23rd at Chick-fil-A Royal Palm Beach or Wellington Green Mall; and for encouraging friends and family to do the same.

SEE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR THE
2019 STUDENT ASSISTANCE FUND APPLICATION.

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## STUDENT ASSISTANCE AWARD CEREMONY

Date: May 4, 2019 at 6 pm

Venue: Village Golf Club

122 Country Club Dr, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

**APPLICATION:** The application for CAFCI Student Assistance is included in this newsletter and on CAFCI's website, [www.cafciabc.org](http://www.cafciabc.org). Please encourage Palm Beach County High School seniors who will be graduating and pursuing a college degree to apply for the award.

**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 [www.cafciabc.org](http://www.cafciabc.org).

### 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](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 ([junettep56@gmail.com](mailto: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'S ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 08, 2018

*All members of CAFCI are invited to attend our General Membership meeting on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, when we will elect some members of our Board of Directors. CAFCI's members in good standing will be eligible to vote in the election of those officers. Criteria for eligibility to serve on the Board include: Good standing; member of CAFCI for at least one year; must have actively worked on, and was an integral part of a Committee; submission of a brief biography; must commit to attend all bimonthly Board Meetings, monthly General Membership Meetings, and Special Events.*

*Any members in good standing, who wish to serve as a Director, or wish to recommend another CAFCI member to serve, should kindly contact: Dr. Cedric Lynch at 561.451.4675 or CedricMcCaulay@aol.com, Mr. Lawrence Logan at 561.791.0162, or Mr. Samuel Baxter at 561.358.3737.*

*Best wishes.*

*Cedric Lynch*

**Cedric M. Lynch**



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## **DONATE TO CAFCI'S STUDENT ASSISTANCE FUND**

CAFCI members and friends:

Thank you for your financial support of Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida, Inc. (CAFCI) Student Assistance Fund. For the past 28 years, CAFCI has raised funds to assist well deserving college-bound high school students to achieve their educational goals. Your commitment to helping CAFCI advance our youth's higher education help to open college doors to students. With your continued financial support, CAFCI will be able to award between \$500 to \$1,500 to each deserving student.

CAFCI's Student Assistance Fund Committee is again requesting your financial help. We look forward to receiving your life-changing contribution to assist students as they embark on one of their lifelong endeavors to begin college. You will be publicly acknowledged on our *Donors' List*.

**You may make your donation online by going to [www.cafcipc.org](http://www.cafcipc.org) and clicking on the link "Click here to donate to the Student Assistance Program" or by mailing your donation to:**

CAFCI  
Attn: Student Assistance Fund  
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*

Nadine White-Boyd, *Co-Chair*  
Student Asst. Fund Committee

*Junette Powell*

Junette Powell, *Co-Chair*  
Student Asst. Fund Committee

*Dennis Wright*

Dennis Wright, *President*  
CAFCI





## Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida Inc. College Student Assistance Application - 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current High School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Graduation Date (Month/Year): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (HPA is not required)  
Counselor's Name/Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Professional Career Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Accredited University/College to which you have been accepted and plan to attend:**

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** You must complete the entire application, sign each page, get the required signatures on the last page of the application and submit the following with this application:

1. **Two (2)** letters of recommendation from teachers **or** one from a teacher **and** one from a guidance counselor.
2. An **official transcript** of your current academic record. Your transcript should reflect your Cumulative GPA of **3.0 or higher** for seven semesters. Official Transcript must be in a sealed envelope with the school's seal from your high school.
3. A short essay, **200-300 words, typed on standard 8 ½" x 11" paper**, including the following:
  - a. Why you desire a career in the field you have chosen and why you feel you will be successful;
  - b. Your demonstrated interest in and association with Caribbean culture and affairs;
  - c. Your interest and involvement in community and school activities; and
  - d. Evidence of financial need.
4. Provide **acceptance letter** from an accredited college/university (**this must accompany application**).
5. If you are selected, you will be required to submit a photograph (example-senior picture) and a bio, both of which will be published in our annual Friendship Ball Souvenir Program. Photos and your image will be used in media and print advertising. Photographs will remain the property of CAFCI.

### Eligibility Requirements:

Applicant must:

1. Be a resident of Palm Beach County, Florida.
2. Currently attend high school in Palm Beach County, expected to graduate in May 2019.
3. Demonstrate an interest in Caribbean-American affairs.
4. **Provide this completed and signed application POSTMARKED no later than JANUARY 11, 2019.**
5. Be available for an interview – Date and Time to be determined.
6. Attend Presentation of Awards Ceremony, if selected, on **MAY 4, 2019** at 6:00 p.m.

Recipients will be notified by telephone.

Recipients unable to attend award ceremony will receive the award **in person** at CAFCI's board or general meeting. The information presented must pertain only to your high school years (9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades) Please do not include copies of newspaper clippings, certificates, etc.

**Mail/Return Application to:**  
**CAFCI**  
**Attn: Student Education Assistance Committee**  
**675 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Suite 134**  
**Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411**  
**Phone 561-790-4002**  
Applications also available online at  
[www.cafciabc.org](http://www.cafciabc.org) and  
[www.palmbeachschools.org](http://www.palmbeachschools.org)

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**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



# Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida Inc.

## College Student Assistance Application - 2019

### **SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION**

**HONORS AND AWARDS** *(State year and nature of honors or awards)*

| <b>YEAR</b> | <b>NATURE OF HONORS AND/OR AWARDS</b> |
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**SCHOOL ORGANIZATION(S) OF WHICH YOU WERE A MEMBER** *(State name of organization and year(s) of membership)*

| <b>ORGANIZATION</b> | <b>YEAR(S) OF MEMBERSHIP</b> |
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**SCHOOL LEADERSHIP** *(State name of organization, office(s) held and number of years)*

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**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_



# Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida Inc.

## College Student Assistance Application - 2019

### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS** *(State year and nature of awards or honors)*

| <b>YEAR</b> | <b>NATURE OF HONORS AND/OR AWARDS</b> |
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#### **OFFICES AND POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP** *(State name of organization(s), position held and year(s))*

| <b>ORGANIZATION</b> | <b>POSITION(S) HELD</b> | <b>YEAR(S) HELD</b> |
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#### **CIVIC ACTIVITIES AND/OR VOLUNTEER WORK** *(List organization(s) and your participation)*

| <b>ORGANIZATION</b> | <b>PARTICIPATION</b> |
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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE** *(List place/s of employment, position held, period of employment, and average time employed each week)*

| <b>PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT</b> | <b>POSITION HELD</b> | <b>PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT</b> | <b>AVG HRS / WEEK</b> |
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*I attest that the information presented in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.*

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guidance Counselor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Principal Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



## CAFCI's NIGHT TO REMEMBER

CAFCI's "A Night To Remember" was indeed such a night from the beautifully decorated room to the scrumptious food provided by Tuck's which was enjoyed by all. Thanks to everyone who supported this worthy cause. Special thanks to Mark and Leonie Escoffery and Finance Committee members Radcliffe "Woody" Brown, Barbara Walker, Peter Scott and Genieve White for taking the lead on this fundraiser as well as everyone who contributed their time and made donations. DJ Shocking had everyone on the dance floor dancing the night away. Special mention to: Rhonda Ferrin-Davis, Winsom Genus-Martin, Michelle Henriques, Neil and Junette Powell, Shauna and Lauriston Simms, Fae Smith, Norma Thornhill, Loretta Watson, Nadine White-Boyd and Dennis and Yvonne Wright. Net proceeds from this event not only raise funds but also establish our ability to generate a steady stream of funds to help us to finance CAFCI's building - a home of our own!





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

*Last month we indicated that we were investigating a site outside of the western communities to see if it would be a good fit for our organization. Unfortunately, this location did not work out for us. The search for a permanent location continues.*

*Thank you to all who supported the Home Of Our Own fundraiser "A Night to Remember" on Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the American Polish Club in Lake Worth. Special thanks to Mark and Leonie Escoffery for taking the lead on this event. Support of this and other upcoming fund-raising events are crucial. Net proceeds from these events not only raise funds but also establish our ability to generate a steady stream of funds if we need to finance our building.*

***You can also assist in the effort to find a home for CAFCI by putting on an event to raise funds. Just send an email to [cafcibellsouth.net](mailto:cafcibellsouth.net), [radcliffewoody@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:radcliffewoody@aol.com).***

*Participation in the Home of Our Own project is available through the Buy-A-Brick program. Visit the web page at [www.cafciipbc.org](http://www.cafciipbc.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.***



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## **AROUND TOWN.....**

### **KRAVIS CENTER GROUPS:**

We are putting together groups to see performances at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts starting from November 2018 through May 2019. To ensure preferred seats, shows must be reserved and booked at the beginning of the season, well in advance of the presentations. Some favorites are: Gospel Gala, Lion King, Patti Labelle, Soweto Gospel Choir in honor of Nelson Mandela's 100 birthday and many more. If you are interested in joining our group, please let us know the presentations you would like to see, your preferred seating, and call or email Genieve White at 561.876.4161 or [gen\\_white@msn.com](mailto:gen_white@msn.com); Junette Powell or Audrey Campbell. For more information about the performances, visit the Kravis Center website at [kravis.org](http://kravis.org)

**Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm:** Jamaicans of the Palm Beaches, Inc. has a fundraising event at their headquarters, 408 17<sup>th</sup> Street, West Palm Beach. For more information, call 561.577.7162 or 561.385.1621.

**Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 10 pm:** Grace Foods presents its 17<sup>th</sup> annual Jamaican Jerk Festival at Markham Park, 16001 W. St. Rd 84, Sunrise, FL 33326. For more information, call 754.273.9166 or visit [jerkfestival.com](http://jerkfestival.com).

**Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 8 am:** Free Spirit Outreach presents their Annual Prayer Breakfast at Caribbean Teaze Restaurant and Lounge, 6295 Lake Worth Road, Greenacres, FL 33463. For more information, contact Ms. Chinny at 561.692.1508.

**Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm:** Comedy Plus Entertainment presents International Comedy Plus at Coral Springs High School, 7201 West Sample Road, Coral Springs, FL 33065. For more information, call 646.500.9600 or 561.501.9096.

**CAFCI**

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

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

Saturday, November 10: **General Membership Meeting**, 7 pm,  
RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane

Saturday, December 8: **General Membership Meeting ~ Board Elections, Toys for Tots/Pot Luck**, 7 pm,  
RPB Recreation Ctr, Room C, 100 Sweet Bay Lane

Monday, December 31: **New Year's Eve Gala**, 8 pm, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

Monday, January 21: **Martin Luther King Day Celebration**, 9:30 am, Location to be announced

Saturday, April 21: **Annual Picnic**, 1 pm, Micanopy Pavilion, Okeethee Park

Saturday, May 4: **Student Assistance Awards Ceremony**, 6 pm, Location to be announced

Saturday, May 11: **Cultural Diversity Day**, Location to be announced