



# 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.

October

2017

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**Board meetings - 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month**  
**See back page for calendar of events.**

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL:

The new date for our annual Friendship Ball is **Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 1 am** at the Hilton Palm Beach Airport Hotel. The Mistress of Ceremony will be Ms. Winsome "Lady C" Charlton and the entertainment line-up will be provided by the DWHAS Reggae Band and DJ Mansta. Your support and contributions help to provide funds for all of CAFCI's programs. We still have a way to go to reach our target attendance of 275. If you have not purchased your ticket yet, please do so now and invite some friends. This promises to be an enjoyable event.

#### INTERNATIONAL GAMES NIGHT:

This year's International Games Night will be held **Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 11 pm** at the Recreation Center, 100 Sweet Bay Lane, Royal Palm Beach (NOTE LOCATION CHANGE.) Please invite friends, members and supporters as well as other local organizations to participate. The goal is to bring together as many people as possible from different nationalities and their descendants to share games, food and traditions that represent their respective cultures. This is also part of CAFCI's efforts to diversify our membership and to let other organizations know about CAFCI and what we are doing in the local community. For more information, please see flyer elsewhere in this newsletter.

Dennis Wright, *President*

*Welcome  
New Member  
Sam Roman*

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

#### OCTOBER 16-31

Charmaine Henry	16
Inez McCallum	20
Britt Deviney	23
Babbette Bodden	26

#### NOVEMBER 1 - 15

Barbara Sangster	02
Eaton Richardson	04
Nova Brown	07
Myrna Adams	11
Pamela Fraser	12

### CONDOLENCES:

Elet Cyrus  
on the loss of her son  
Winsom Genus-Martin  
on the loss of her aunt  
Hope Francis  
on the loss of her sister-in-law

### GET WELL TO:

Hazel Harris, Hyacinth Wilson,  
Eution (Keith) McLarty,  
Livingston Weathers, Alfred Nelson.

### 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 Cyrus, Chair ..... 561.791.9087  
Paul Baker ..... 561.784.0067  
Samuel Baxter ..... 561.798.2864

## INTERNATIONAL GAMES NIGHT

**Saturday, October 14, 2017; 7 pm**

Royal Palm Beach Recreation Center 100 Sweet Bay Lane, RPB

Please come out to CAFCI's International Games Night on **Saturday, October 14 at 7 pm** at the Royal Palm Beach Recreation Center. There will be no general membership meeting in October. You are invited to join your fellow CAFCI members and friends and share your favorite International dish and desserts. Please call 561-653-1586 to confirm what you will bring. Bring your favorite game (e.g., scrabble, domino, cards, ludo); refreshments and entertainment are included. We are looking forward to an evening of fun and games. A \$10 donation is recommended. All CAFCI events are posted on CAFCI's website ([www.cafcipbc.org](http://www.cafcipbc.org)) and you may also visit the CAFCI Facebook page. Updates for upcoming CAFCI events, including the Annual Friendship Ball on October 28, 2017 will be announced; if you do not already have tickets, you can purchase them as well. Check out our website for more information ([www.cafcipbc.org](http://www.cafcipbc.org)).

### 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

## ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL

**Saturday, October 28, 2017; 7 pm**

Hilton Palm Beach Airport, West Palm Beach

CAFCI will present its 28th Annual Friendship Ball on **Saturday, October 28, 2017** from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Hilton Palm Beach Airport in the new and larger ballroom. The theme for this year is "CAFCI and its Community, Together We Grow." Entertainment will be provided by DWHAS Reggae Band and DJ Mansta; the emcee for the evening will be Lady C of WAVS 1170 AM. Tickets are available for purchase on the CAFCI website, [cafciipbc.org](http://cafciipbc.org) via PayPal or from any CAFCI contact listed on the flyer. Be sure to indicate your preference for entrée which are (1) baked chicken breast; (2) cedar plank salmon; (3) prime rib or (4) baked vegetable lasagna. There will be prizes, raffles and surprises – Don't miss out! See the flyer in this issue of the newsletter or visit CAFCI's website for more information.

## CAFCI MEMBERSHIP CORNER

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

It has been a challenging 30 days. You have "worked hard", and now it is time to "play hard". CAFCI's Annual International Games Night will be on **Saturday, October 14, 2017** at the Royal Palm Beach Recreation Center from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM. I know that many of us have treasured memories of past International Games Night, but now is the time to create new ones while celebrating CAFCI.

Come and enjoy a fun evening of eating delicious international food, playing your favorite games and listening to some great music. We look forward to seeing everyone! Let the games begin! Please bring a friend. We love to meet and greet new visitors, and will be giving a prize for the individual who brings the most guests. If you would like to volunteer for the International Games Night, feel free to call Pamela Fraser at 561-506-2348.

October is an exciting month! The Friendship Ball will be Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Palm Beach Airport Hilton Hotel. This will be a celebration of the CAFCI legacy. Our Ball Committee has been working hard for several months. We appreciate the many sponsors who have made this event possible, and look forward to giving away close to \$3,000 in door prizes. This promises to be the event of the year. Don't miss it! Tickets are still available through members and [cafciipbc.org](http://cafciipbc.org).

CAFCI is about you! If you have any suggestions, please email Pamela Fraser, Chair of the Membership and Recruitment Committee at [pamela.fraser@yahoo.com](mailto:pamela.fraser@yahoo.com). Thank you for being a part of our CAFCI Family.

*"Without community service,  
we would not have a strong quality of life.  
It's important to the person who serves as well as the recipient.  
It's the way in which we ourselves grow and develop."  
Dorothy Height*

Submitted by  
Pamela Fraser, Chair and Cindy Beckles  
Membership and Retention Committee

**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.*

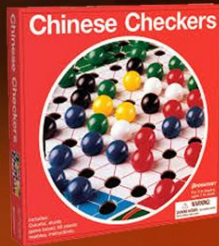
**DISCLAIMER:** *The views and opinions expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily the views and opinions of CAFCI's members and/or the Newsletter Committee members.*

**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.*



Caribbean American  
For Community Involvement, Inc.  
**INTERNATIONAL**  
*Games Night*



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017  
7:00PM TO 11:00PM**

**THE ROYAL PALM BEACH RECREATION CENTER  
(TEEN ACTIVITY ROOMS C & D)**

**100 Sweet Bay Lane Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411**

GREAT GAMES | POTLUCK DINNER | FELLOWSHIP

Celebrate and learn more about CAFCI while playing dominoes, Scrabble, bingo, card games and enjoying your favorite dish with family and friends.

**ENTRY DONATION- \$10**

For information:

Cindy Beckles 479-305-8002 | Lawrence Logan 561-791-0162

[www.cafcipc.org](http://www.cafcipc.org)





THE OFFICERS & MEMBERS OF  
CARIBBEAN-AMERICAN FOR  
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT  
IN FLORIDA, INC.

CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THEIR

# *Annual Friendship Ball*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

7:00 PM - UNTIL 1:00 AM

HILTON PALM BEACH AIRPORT

150 AUSTRALIAN AVE • WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33406

Dinner Served at 8:00 pm

*Dress Semi-Formal*

**NEW  
DATE**

***Tickets \$90.00 per person***  
***Advanced Ticket Sales Only***

***Tickets can be  
purchased  
using PayPal.***

MC: Winsome "Lady C" Charlton  
(Hi Class Promotions of 1170 AM WAVS Radio)



**DJ Mansta**

**DOOR PRIZES  
CASH BAR**



**DWHAS  
Reggae Band**

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

We are currently targeting other potential opportunities and working on a different approach to acquire something. As usual, confidentiality must be maintained so that the deal is not jeopardized. Properties west of the Seminole Pratt Whitney and in West Palm Beach are being checked out to see if further pursuit is feasible. The search continues in earnest.



Participation in the Home of Our Own project is available through the Buy-A-Brick program. Visit the web page at [www.cafcipc.org](http://www.cafcipc.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 to raise funds. Just send an email to [cafcip@bellsouth.net](mailto:cafcip@bellsouth.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).



Radcliffe "Woody" Brown, Chair  
CAFCI Home Of Our Own

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## AROUND TOWN.....

**CAFCI will be putting together groups for shows for the 2017-2018 Season at the Kravis Center. The first group will be the Gospel Gala concert on December 12, 2017. Please contact Genieve White at 561.876.4161 for further information.**

**Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 4 pm to 10 pm: Tropical Cooler Fest**, the ultimate Reggae, Soca, Kompa and RNB Event. Pack your cooler with your favorite drinks, hard or soft, and come have a fantastic time. Bicentennial Park, 190 E. 13th Street, Rivera Beach, Florida. For more information, call 772.245.6888 or 561.352.5042 or visit website at [tropicalcoolerfest.com](http://tropicalcoolerfest.com).

**Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 5 pm: Palm Beach Vegfest** at the outdoor Meyer Amphitheatre in West Palm Beach. Come enjoy the good vibes, play games, and spoil your taste buds with your favorite vegan treats. It's not just food! There will be a variety of vendors selling yoga apparel, tea, essential oils, jewelry, skincare, and more. Bring a friend who loves eating, shopping, and lawn games! Want to be a vendor? Please email [mike@pbvegfest.com](mailto:mike@pbvegfest.com). This event is FREE!

**Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm:** EVI presents **"Across the Bridge"**, a soul searching theatrical stage play starring Leonie Forbes at Palm Beach Central High School Auditorium, 8499 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, FL 33411. Early bird: \$27; general admission: \$30; reserve - \$35; VIP - \$40. CAFCI members will be granted a 10% discount if purchased directly from designated CAFCI representative. For more information, contact 561.929.2654 or visit [www.eviinternational.com](http://www.eviinternational.com).

**Every Wednesday at 7 pm:** Looking for ways to improve your public speaking skill? Join Toastmasters. Riverwalk Toastmasters meets weekly on Wednesdays at 7 pm at the Royal Palm Beach Fire Station, 1040 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Royal Palm Beach. For more information about Riverwalk Toastmasters, contact Cindy Beckles at [cindybeckles@yahoo.com](mailto:cindybeckles@yahoo.com) or visit [riverwalk.toastmastersclubs.org](http://riverwalk.toastmastersclubs.org).

**Every Friday Night:** Happy Hour, Reggae Night & Ladies Night at E.R. Bradley's, 104 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, FL / Reggae Friday on the waterfront stage from 6-9pm. Extended happy hour pricing from 6-9pm at our outdoor rock bar. Live DJs on the main stage for Ladies Night 10pm - close. Ladies drink \$4 champagne and \$5 martini specials. Special Ladies Night menu. \*Please check with Bradley's as these specials may change. For more information, call 561.833.3520 or visit [www.erbradleys.com](http://www.erbradleys.com).



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**2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

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

Submit your membership dues online at [www.cafcipbc.org](http://www.cafcipbc.org) OR

Mail to CAFCI Attention: Lawrence Logan 1030 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Box 11, 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, October 14: **International Games Night**, 7 pm at the RPB Recreation Center, 100 Sweet Bay Lane, RPB

**Saturday, October 28, 2017, 7 pm  
CAFCI's ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL  
Hilton Palm Beach Airport**

Saturday, November 11: **General Membership Meeting**, 7 pm at the Harvin Center

Saturday, December 9: **General Membership Meeting ~ Toys for Tots/Pot Luck**, 7 pm at the Harvin Center

Saturday, December 31: **New Year's Eve Party**, 8 pm, Location to be announced

Monday, January 15: **Martin Luther King Day Celebration**, 9:30 am, Location to be announced

Saturday, March 31: **Annual Picnic**, 1 pm at Okeeheelee Park, Micanopy Pavilion

Saturday, May 5: **Student Assistance Awards Ceremony**, 7 pm, Location to be announced

Saturday, May 19: **Cultural Diversity Day**, 3 pm at the Veterans Park