



## 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

2014

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**Board meetings are held the  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.**

**See back page for calendar of events.**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Student Assistance Awards:** During the month of May, CAFCI completed two of our most important programs: Student Assistance Awards presentation and Cultural Diversity Day. This year, the Student Assistance Awards Program was held at the Village Country Club in Royal Palm Beach to facilitate the much larger number of scholarship recipients and their families. The ceremony was well attended with a number of dignitaries, local officials and educators. This event was made possible due to contributions from members and supporters, CAFCI's Annual Friendship Ball, grants and donations from many champions for education. A special thanks to the Winn Dixie Foundation, our largest sponsor; and to the various Wal-Mart stores that gave generously. Thanks also to our members and supporters who contributed. The evening also highlighted awardees of the Vivian A. Ferrin Memorial Scholarship Fund (VAFMSF), an affiliate organization of CAFCI. Three scouts from Troupe 111 were awarded scholarships from VAFMSF. A special thank you to Dr. Elaine Ealy, the Student Assistance Program Chair, and her entire committee (Dr. Cedric Lynch, Junette Powell, Pearlina Roomes and Nadine White-Boyd) for selecting the recipients. Thanks also to all who worked hard to solicit and raise funds, the garage sales, and the endless hours that the Committee put into the event.

**Cultural Diversity Day:** Our Cultural Diversity team, in partnership with the Village of Royal Palm Beach and the Palm Beach Cultural Council, had an extraordinary day at Veterans Park on May 10<sup>th</sup>. As usual, we had a diverse group of performers who kept the crowd entertained. There were many vendors, from all over the Caribbean and beyond, selling various ethnic foods and other novelties. All in all, it was a wonderful day in the park. Thank you to the members of the Cultural Committee led by Elet Cyris (Marjorie Aiken, Paul Baker, Henworth Ferguson, Hope Francis, Ernie Garvey, Margaret Granda, Winsom Martin, Shirley Morrison and Genieve White) for putting this event together.

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### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

M. Beverly Downes  
 Joan Bisasor

*Happy Birthday:*

**JUNE 16 - 30**

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

**JULY 1 - 15**

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

### CONDOLENCES TO:

Marjorie Aiken on the loss of her cousin, Michael Brown  
 Junette Powell on the loss of her cousin, Carl Gordon

### GET WELL WISHES TO:

Uriah Belle

### 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  
 Samuel Baxter ..... 798-2864

*NOTE: Special thanks to Monte Reddish for providing the photographs of the picnic in the May issue of the NEWS*

### 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.*

## President's Message (cont'd)

**SAVE THESE DATES:** This year, CAFCI is celebrating our 25th year as a charitable organization. We have a series of programs planned to commemorate our proud history. The activities for the month, which we call a "September To Remember," will take place on Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup> with Membership Recognition and Appreciation Night - a wine and cheese celebration; September 6<sup>th</sup>, International Games Night; September 14<sup>th</sup>, an Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving; and September 20<sup>th</sup>, the grand finale - our Annual Friendship Ball at the Kravis Center, featuring Jamaica's lady of song, Marcia Griffiths. Please see enclosed flyers with more information about these events as well as ways you, your family, friends or colleagues can support our fundraising efforts.

Dennis Wright  
President



### GENERAL MEETING

**Saturday, June 14 at 7 p.m.**

*Harvin Center, Royal Palm Beach*

Join us for a very informative evening and learn how to safely dispose of unused medications. Our guest speaker will be Sandra Discala, PharmD, who will be speaking on **"Medication Disposal Safety Tips; Keeping you and your family safe."** Judicial Forum: We have invited four candidates running for County Judges to speak after our meeting as follows: Jaimie Goodman, Peggy Rowe-Linn, Maxine Cheesman, Judge Lewis. Also at the meeting information will be provided about upcoming events, including the July 5th fundraiser; the 25th Annual Friendship Ball and the 25th Anniversary celebrations. Tickets and flyers will also be available for our upcoming events. Come out and obtain information about getting involved in CAFCI's activities.



### "HOME OF OUR OWN" FUNDRAISER

**Saturday, July 5, 2014 at 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.**

*Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center. Royal Palm Beach*

Please come out and Join CAFCI and Friends at A Fundraiser Party on Saturday, July 5, 2014 at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center (see flyer in this issue for more details). Donations of cash or kind will be accepted to defray some of the cost for the party in order to maximize the money raised for this fundraiser. To make a donation of any kind or for more information, please call Millie Hampton at (561) 790-1751 or Norma Rose at (561) 333-0932.

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

Last month we received three potential property leads. Unfortunately none of these were feasible for our needs. We continue to actively look for land, a building or home in the western communities (Royal Palm Beach, Loxahatchee, Acreage, and Wellington). Assistance is still needed to check out potential properties to get an idea of the level of effort to put the property to use and to determine if pursuing the lead is feasible. Knowledge of home building and repairs helpful.



**The new date for the Golf tournament is October 4th** at the Village Golf Club in Royal Palm Beach. We are beginning to put together a list of golfers. If you know of anyone who would be interested or can bring a foursome please send their

contact information to Radcliffe "Woody" Brown at 561-791-3344 or send an email to [radcliffewoody@aol.com](mailto:radcliffewoody@aol.com) or [cafci@bellsouth.net](mailto:cafci@bellsouth.net) so we can provide them with



registration information as soon as it is available.

The Buy-A-Brick program is still in force and provides everyone an opportunity to participate in this venture. Please visit the web page at [www.cafciabc.org](http://www.cafciabc.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 will be accepted for a \$1,000 brick and \$150 for a \$3,000 brick.



#### 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 ([junettep@hotmail.com](mailto:junettep@hotmail.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.

## CELEBRATING OUR DIVERSITY AT CULTURAL DIVERSITY DAY

*Submitted by Elet Cyris, Chair and Marjorie Aiken*

The Cultural Committee did it again for our Cultural Diversity day, held on May 10, 2014. We were blessed with a beautiful Florida day with cool breezes. The Cultural Diversity Day represents our core mission “to maintain and sustain the quality of life for the community consistent with the culture and tradition of our diverse ancestral heritage.” The event featured food vendors, crafts and live entertainment all put together by the Cultural Committee, chaired by Elet Cyris. Thanks to Antonio Falla who taught the youngsters his craft. Various cultural groups entertained; including Mi Ma Lion dancers and the group from Ecuador. There was also a bounce house and a face painter among the day’s attractions.



*Photograph provided by Winston Davis*

## RELAY FOR LIFE

*Submitted by Nova Brown, Chair*

Relay for Life Royal Palm Beach 2014 held their wrap-up meeting on Thursday, May 29, 2014. CAFCI was awarded a certificate for achieving the “Bronze Fundraising Level” in donations. CAFCI’s total donation to the American Cancer Society was \$2,655.36 and was the fifth highest of participating teams. We did ourselves proud!

Thank you once again to everyone who contributed to help make us surpass our goal! Maybe next year we will push ourselves a little more and aim for a goal of \$3,000.00.



## CAFCI HONORS STUDENTS AT THE STUDENT ASSISTANCE AWARD CEREMONY

*Submitted by Dr. Elaine Ealy, Chair*

Yes! A lovely evening it was on May 3, when CAFCI held its 22<sup>nd</sup> Awards Ceremony at Village Golf Club in Royal Palm Beach. Many turned out to celebrate with the hard working students and their families as they prepare to enter an anticipated phase of the educational journey. The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Anthony Lockhart, Principal of Atlantic High School. Seventeen well-deserving students earned \$1,000 each for academic excellence and school and community involvement. This was made possible through grants, proceeds from the annual ball and personal donations made by members and community stakeholders. Three Eagle Scouts were each awarded the prestigious Vivian A. Ferrin Scholarships of \$1,000 made possible through the Vivian A. Ferrin Scholarship Fund. Two students received CAFCI 2014 Junior Citizen Awards of \$500 each. Two of the seventeen awards were made in memory of the late Amanayea Abraham for her contribution to community service and the late Martin Roomes for his contribution to education which were presented by Commissioner Jess Santamaria and Pearline Roomes, respectively. Special thanks to the Winn-Dixie representative, Farrah Shoukry, who made it possible to attend the ceremony and also shared information about the Winn-Dixie BI-LO Foundation. Winn-Dixie’s grant of \$5,000 made it possible to award five students. Many thanks to CAFCI Student Assistance Committee members: Dr. Cedric Lynch, Junette Powell, Pearline Roomes and Nadine White-Boyd for their contribution to making the ceremony a success.

Make your pledge now to help us achieve our goal for next year. To all CAFCI members who helped to make the evening so successful, thank you.



*Nadine White-Boyd, Dr. Elaine Ealy, Junette Powell, Pearline Roomes, Dr. Anthony Lockhart*



*Award recipients with Dennis Wright and Dr. Anthony Lockhart*



*Friends of CAFCI  
Cordially Invite You To Their  
Home of Our Own Fundraising Party*



**Saturday July 5, 2014**

**7:00 pm to 1:00 am**



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

**Cost: \$25.00 (Includes Dinner and Beverage)  
Attire: Casual**

*Bring your dominoes and other games*

**For Tickets and Information, contact**

**Percival Woods: (561) 514-1788**

**Alvin Nembhard: (561) 670-8113**

**Lawrence Logan: (561) 791-0162**

**Millie Hampton: (561) 790-1751**



**DJ: ERNIETONES AND TOP RANKING**

**CAFCI**  
CARIBBEAN AMERICAN FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN FLORIDA, INC  
A 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

*Invites You to Their*



# 25<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL



*Please Join Us As We Celebrate*

*25 Years of Commitment to our Community*



*Performing Live*  
**MARCIA  
GRIFFITHS**

*Hosted by*  
**ANDREA 'DELICITA' WRIGHT**

SATURDAY 7:00PM  
**SEPT. 20<sup>th</sup> 2014**  
**RAYMOND F. KRAVIS CENTER**  
FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS  
COHEN PAVILION

701 OKEECHOBEE BLVD. WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33401  
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [WWW.CAFCIPBC.ORG](http://WWW.CAFCIPBC.ORG)

TICKETS  
\$100 PER PERSON

FORMAL DINNER, DANCE, CONCERT & SILENT AUCTION

DANCE TO THE MUSIC OF  
**DJ MANSTA & TOOTS**

**TABLE RESERVATION FOR BUSINESS, CHURCH, & SOCIAL GROUPS**

CAFCI 561-790-4002 • DENNIS WRIGHT 561-653-1586  
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**CAFCI 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY FRIENDSHIP BALL**

Cohen Pavilion at the Kravis Center  
701 Okeechobee Boulevard, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401  
**Saturday, September 20, 2014 at 7 p.m.**

**MEMBER MESSAGE**

*(Due by August 15, 2014)*

**Be a Part of History!!!**

**SUPPORT CAFCI'S STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND BUILDING FUND  
BY PLACING YOUR PERSONALIZED MESSAGE IN  
THE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR JOURNAL**

**Cost**

**\$20 Message**

(text only - max 20 words)

**\$75 Business Card size Message**

(digital photo & text - max 40 words)

**Examples of personalized message:**

- *We salute and congratulate CAFCI on 25 years of commitment to the community*
- *Congratulations on Graduation, Newborn, Engagement, etc.*
- *In loving memory of / Birthday greetings to*

Business Card size Message: Submit image and message to cafc@bellsouth.net. Include in the subject line "25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball Business Card size Message"

**Message**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **Caribbean American for Community Involvement**

Mail: *Attention - Sponsorship & Journal Committee,*

*1030 Royal Palm Beach Blvd. P. O. Box 11, Royal Palm Beach, Florida 33411*

Charge my credit card the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Visa  MasterCard  Discover  Amex

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_





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**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

*(Due by August 15, 2014 for inclusion on Anniversary Ball Journal)*

- BRONZE SPONSOR: \$1,000**
  - Two (2) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
  - Full page color advertisement in ball journal
  - Recognition in video presentation
  - Acknowledgment in ball journal
- SILVER SPONSOR: \$2,500**
  - Four (4) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
  - Full page color advertisement in ball journal
  - Recognition in video presentation
  - Acknowledgment in ball journal
- GOLD SPONSOR: \$5,000**
  - Six (6) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
  - Full page color advertisement in ball journal
  - Recognition in video presentation and in ball journal
  - Recognition as a Gold Sponsor on CAFCI's website for one year with direct link to sponsor's website
- PLATINUM SPONSOR: \$10,000**
  - One table (10 tickets) for the Annual Friendship Ball
  - Full page color advertisement in ball journal (inside back cover)
  - Recognition in video presentation and in ball journal
  - Recognition as a Platinum Sponsor on CAFCI's website for one year with direct link to sponsor's website
- PRESENTING/TITLE SPONSOR: \$20,000**
  - Acknowledgement as Title sponsor on all collateral and advertising including but not limited to invitation, tickets, flyers etc.
  - Advertising on CAFCI website with direct link to web site as Presenting/Title Sponsor
  - Two tables (20 tickets) for the Annual Friendship Ball
  - Full page color advertisement in ball journal (outside back cover)
  - Recognition in video presentation and in ball journal
  - Recognition as a Presenting/Title Sponsor on CAFCI's website for one year with direct link to sponsor's website

**ADDITIONAL SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES**

- I/We would like to support CAFCI's Annual Friendship Ball and its mission with a contribution of:  
\$500   \$250   \$100   \$\_\_\_\_\_
- I/We would like to purchase \_\_\_ tickets at \$100 each.
- I/We would like to reserve a table of ten (10) for \$1,000 (\$950 if payment received by July 31<sup>st</sup>)  
*Tickets are also available via our website at www.cafcipc.org*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

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Charge my credit card the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_    Visa    MasterCard    Discover    Amex

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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**ADVERTISEMENT REQUEST**

Please check (✓) the type of advertisement required and complete the Payment and Setup Section below. We request that the Advertiser retain a copy of this document for his records. All advertisement requests are due on or before **August 15, 2014.**

Type of Advertisement	Price	(✓)
Inside Back Cover	\$600	
Full Page	\$400	
Half Page	\$250	
Quarter Page	\$125	
Business Card	\$75	

**All advertisements which are not type-set and photo ready will be subject to additional setup charges. Send final ad to cafcipbc@bellsouth.net; Include in the subject line "25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball Ad"**

Name of Advertiser	
Contact Person	
Address	
City, State Zip	
Telephone	
E-Mail	
Signature of Advertiser	Date
Signature of CAFCI Member	Date

PAYMENT	
Type of Ad, Setup Charges, Donation	
Ad Price checked Above:	\$
Picture(s) \$10 each:	\$
<b>Complete Ad Setup Charges:</b>	
Bus. Card - \$15	\$
¼ page - \$20	\$
½ page - \$25	\$
Full page - \$35	\$
Typeset changes to copy (\$5 minimum)	\$
Additional Tax Deductible Donation	\$
<b>Total payment enclosed</b>	<b>\$</b>

Make check or money order payable to:  
**Caribbean American for Community Involvement in Florida Inc.**  
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 1030 Royal Palm Beach Blvd, Box 11  
 Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411  
 Or  
 Pay Online by Pay Pal  
 Website: www.cafcipc.org.





# CAFCI's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## "A September To Remember"

**Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 7pm**

**Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center**

***Take A Trip Down Memory Lane***

***A Wine & Cheese Celebration of 25 years of Community Service, Membership Recognition and Membership Appreciation***

**Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 5:00pm**

**Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center**

***International Games Night***

***Food, Entertainment, Dominoes, Cards, Scrabble, Ludo & more...***

**Sunday, September 14, 2014 @ 5:30pm**

**Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center**

***Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving***

***A Multi-Faith Celebration followed by Refreshments***

**Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 7:00pm**

**The Cohen Pavilion at the Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts**

***25<sup>th</sup> Annual Friendship Ball and Silent Auction***

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### CAFCI'S EVENTS

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

JUNE 14: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

JULY 5: *Home of Our Own* Fundraiser at 7 p.m., Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

JULY 12: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

AUGUST 9: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

AUGUST 23: Talent Show

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29: *25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* **Membership Appreciation Night** at 7 p.m., Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6: *25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* **International Games Night** at 5 p.m. - midnight, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

SEPTEMBER 13: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14: *25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* **Interfaith Service** at 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20: *25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* **Friendship Ball and Silent Auction** at 7 p.m., The Kravis Center

OCTOBER 4: *Home Of Our Own* Golf Tournament, Village Golf Club, Royal Palm Beach

OCTOBER 11: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

NOVEMBER 8: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

DECEMBER 13: General Meeting at 7 p.m., Harvin Center

DECEMBER 31: New Year's Eve Celebration

**CAFCI**  
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**JUNE IS NATIONAL CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH!** Since the declaration in June 2005, the White House has issued an annual proclamation recognizing June as Caribbean American Heritage Month. BELOW IS AN EXCERPT FROM PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION of 2013.

“National Caribbean-American Heritage Month, 2013: National Caribbean-American Heritage Month is a time to celebrate those enduring achievements. It is also a chance to recognize men and women who trace their roots to the Caribbean. Through every chapter of our Nation’s history, Caribbean Americans have made our country stronger -- reshaping our politics and reigniting the arts, spurring our movements and answering the call to serve. Caribbean traditions have enriched our own, and woven new threads into our cultural fabric. Again and again, Caribbean immigrants and their descendants have reaffirmed America’s promise as a land of opportunity -- a place where no matter who you are or where you come from, you can make it if you try.”

For more information visit [www.caribbeanamericanmonth.org](http://www.caribbeanamericanmonth.org).



**AROUND TOWN.....**

Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>: EVI presents **West Palm Beach Carnival** at the South Florida Fairgrounds which includes performances by Benjai, Ragga, Eddie Charles and much more. For more information, go to [www.westpalmbeachcarnival.com](http://www.westpalmbeachcarnival.com).

Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.: The Caribbean Democratic Club of PBC in celebration of Caribbean American Month presents **All Spice Flavors of the Caribbean**, at the Borland Center, 4885 PGA Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens. For more information, call 561-331-1894.

Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.: FreeSpirit Outreach presents **Jamaica Night** at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center with Sweet Justice Band and Mutabaruka. For more information, call 561-692-1508.