



## 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.

August

2012

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

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

*"Membership Appreciation"*

**Saturday, August 11 at 7 pm**

*Harvin Center, Royal Palm Beach Blvd.*

The General membership meeting will be dedicated to recognizing and appreciating our members for all their hard work and dedication to CAFCI as without you there would be no CAFCI. We will also feature "getting to know you games" as the Olympics are taking place in London. Come out and see what the Membership Committee has in store for you our members. We will be addressed by Robert Gillingham, a motivational speaker.

### ANNUAL YOUTH TALENT SHOW

**Saturday, August 25 at 6 pm**

*Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center, Royal Palm Beach*

Come debut your talent. Calling all performers - amateurs and experienced. **Auditions will be held on Friday, August 10th from 6 to 9 pm** at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center, 151 Civic Center Way. Contact Marsha at 561-386-3146; Shirley at 561-719-6508; Nadine at 561-351-6895 or email [cafc@bellsouth.net](mailto:cafc@bellsouth.net). Remember we brought you talent who performed with the great and legendary MICHAEL JACKSON! See the enclosed flyer for more details!

### CAFCI 2012 ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL

**September 22, 2012**

*Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center, Royal Palm Beach*

Our annual Friendship Ball date is rapidly approaching. Tickets are \$65.00 per person and can be obtained by contacting: Alvin Nembhard (670-8113); Elet Cyris (791-9087); Millie Hampton (790-1751); Lawrence Logan (791-0162); Junette Powell (793-7370); Genieve White (876-4161); Dennis Wright (653-1586); Jerome Wright (386-5204). Please get your tickets early this year and do not wait until September.

Purchase an ad in CAFCI's program booklet to congratulate CAFCI on its work in the community, and/or to promote your business. Use the form that is enclosed to purchase an advertisement or have a friend purchase an advertisement. Raffle tickets are also on sale. Proceeds from the ball will benefit CAFCI's scholarship program.

### SAVE THE DATE

**CAFCI'S ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP BALL**

September 22, 2012

*Members, see back page for how to win a free ticket to the Ball.*

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

#### AUGUST

Elet Cyris	19
Norma Morris	20
Eulalee Coke	22
Ledlo Powell	25
Hope Francis	25
Shirley Morrison	27
Sybell Dawson	29
Prudel Belle	31
Lorna Johnson	31

#### SEPTEMBER

Inez Millender	02
Lydia Patterson	03
Percival Wood	08
Hazel Hamilton	09
Dorothy Bell	11
Roy Harvey	12
Sherma Buck	14
Jennifer Jaikissoo	15
Elroy Sangster	15
Eugene Wright	15

### GET WELL WISHES TO:

Jerome Wright  
 Elaine Ealy

### CONDOLENCES TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dawson  
 on the loss of nephew and stepmother

### 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  
 Marjorie Schleifer ..... 793-4861

## 50 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE

The year was 1962 and it would be a year of immense change for two small but important English speaking Caribbean islands. It was a time when social and political change was taking place in the region. For one small island on midnight August 6, 1962 the Union Jack (The British flag) was lowered and the black green and gold flag representing an independent island for the first time was raised. This island was Jamaica the third largest island in the Caribbean.

Similarly, exactly twenty five (25) days, later another island raised their flag too on August 31, 1962 joining Jamaica in becoming an independent nation after being under British rule for centuries. This island was Trinidad and Tobago.

Over the past nearly fifty (50) years, since both islands gained independence, they have grown as nations with a wide diversity of culture, their people have excelled in various fields both locally and internationally.

This year marks the Golden anniversary of their independence from British rule.

### JAMAICA

From Savannah-La-Mar to Morant Bay, from Above Rocks to Port Maria, as the clock struck midnight on August 5, 1962, the strains of the Jamaican national anthem were heard for the first time while Union Jacks were lowered and the Jamaican flag unveiled.

Ceremonies took place in parish capitals across the island. In many cases, fireworks lit up the skies punctuating the August 6 birth of the Dominion of Jamaica. At the National Stadium, then Prime Minister Sir Alexander Bustamante, decked out in formal wear presided over what was described as a stirring event.

"The entire evening was just tremendous," says statesman Hector Wynter, enthusiastically recounting the shared excitement and delight that reverberated through the packed Stadium where over 20,000 people proudly joined in the celebration of movement from colonialism to self-government.

Kingston and all other parish capitals were resplendent with flags and bunting, and many civic and social events took place, including dancing in the streets, maypoles in town squares, jonkonnu, bonfires, float parades overflowing with beauty queens, as well as tree planting and religious ceremonies.

Theodore Sealy was appointed Chairman of the Independence Committee which was charged with choosing the island's national symbols, flag, and anthem. Hector Wynter, who, like all sitting Senators at the time, had the opportunity to serve on this committee, remembers that experience as a smooth process in which all were united by enthusiasm. As it turned out, Wynter recalls, "the colour choice and design for the flag proceeded quite smoothly. The only hitch was that our initial design was apparently very similar to that chosen by Tanganyika. So we

made our gold saltire cross broader." Wynter adds, "it may remind you of the Union Jack in design as both have saltire crosses, but our vibrant colours, the gold set against black and green triangles, made it our own."

Our anthem married the words of the Reverend High Sherlock to the music of Hon. Robert Lightbourne, both of which were chosen out of many anonymous entries submitted in a public contest. The 300-year old coat of arms was retained but a new motto "Out of Many, One People" a reminder that the nation is composed of people of many races who have long lived and worked in harmony, was added.

*Excerpt from Jamaica Grand Independence Ball "Golden Year" Journal, 7/28/12, Rebecca Tortello*

### TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Trinidad and Tobago gained its independence from Great Britain on August 31st, 1962. At midnight on 30th August, 1962, the Union Jack (British flag) was lowered and the Trinidad and Tobago flag was raised for the first time. Bells tolled and sirens rang out to herald the birth of the newly independent nation. This first Independence Day was marked by more than a week of festivities and events across the country from August 28 to September 05, 1962. Several international dignitaries were present for this auspicious occasion including the Queen's representative Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal who read the message sent by Queen Elizabeth II, relinquishing her rule.

Today, Independence Day is celebrated with military-style parades held at the Queen's Park Sailors on parade Savannah, Port of Spain and in Scarborough, Tobago. In Trinidad, the parade is inspected by the Head of State who, from 1962-1976, was the Governor General (i.e. the Queen's representative in Trinidad and Tobago). When Trinidad and Tobago achieved its status as a Republic in 1976, the President then assumed this role. The Chief Secretary, who is the leader of the Tobago House of Assembly, heads the Tobago parade. After the official activities at the parade grounds, the contingents march through the streets to the accompaniment of live music played by the bands of the various forces (e.g. Police, Fire and Prison bands). Cheering spectators line the parade route creating a carnival-like atmosphere. The evening is usually marked by the presentation of National Awards in a ceremony held at the President's House. These awards, which were first presented in 1969, honour the outstanding achievements of citizens of Trinidad and Tobago in various fields.

Finally, this day of celebration comes to a close with fireworks displays at the Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain and the Port Authority Compound, Scarborough Tobago. Thousands of people gather from early in the evening to get a strategic vantage point to view these shows.

*Excerpt from Trinidad and Tobago National Library and Information System Authority*



# CAFCI

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# 2012 Youth Talent Show

Saturday,  
August 25, 2012  
at 6:00 PM



Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center  
151 Civic Center Way  
Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411



**TALENT SHOW AUDITION**  
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 10, 2012**  
**6PM - 9pm At**  
**RPB Cultural Center**

**ADMISSION**  
**Adults: \$ 10.00**  
**Children: \$ 3.00**  
**12 & under**

**MC: Christi Knight**

For info please call Marsha: 561-386-3146 • Shirley: 561-719-6508  
Nadine: 561-351-6895 or CAFCI Office: 561-790-4002  
or visit our website: [www.cafcipc.org](http://www.cafcipc.org)

**DOOR  
PRIZES**



Proceeds benefit CAFCI Student Assistance Program

THE OFFICERS & MEMBERS OF  
CARIBBEAN AMERICAN FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT in Florida, Inc.  
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THEIR

# Annual Friendship Ball

**Saturday, September 22, 2012**  
**7:00 pm - until...**

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

Dinner Served at 8:00pm  
BYOB • Semi Formal

**\$65.00**  
per person

**Music Master:**  
**Sweet Odysey**  
Featuring  
**DJ Howard**

**FOR INFO, CALL**

Alvin Nembhard  
561-670-8113

Lawrence Logan  
561-791-0162

Dennis Wright  
561-653-1586

Jerome Wright  
561-386-5204

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**DOOR PRIZE**

Advanced Ticket  
Sales Only



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## Caribbean American For Community Involvement, in Florida, Inc.

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Caribbean-American For Community Involvement in Florida, Inc. (CAFCI), a 501(c)(3) organization, will be hosting its twenty third Annual Friendship Ball on **Saturday, September 22, 2012** at the Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center, 151 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach, Florida 33411. The Annual Friendship Ball, our premier event, is a grand affair and generally attended by a wide cross section of our community. Proceeds from the Ball are earmarked for our annual Student Assistance Awards and community outreach programs, such as the Youth Talent Show, Annual Martin Luther King Day Celebration and Cultural Diversity Day as well as other events that benefit the community at large.

We are submitting a request for your sponsorship or purchase of advertisement in our Annual Friendship Ball Journal. The circulation of the journal provides our sponsors and advertisers significant recognition and visibility. Enclosed please find the following:

- Advertisement/Sponsorship Request Form
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- Brochure summarizing CAFCI over the past 23 years

We also extend an invitation to you, your staff, family and friends to attend the Friendship Ball. Tickets are \$65.00 each. If you have any questions or would like to purchase tickets, please contact any of the persons listed below, CAFCI's office at 561-790-4002, cafcipbc@bellsouth.net or our website at www.cafcipc.org.

- Audrey Campbell at 561-792-1129, acampbell@cruiseplanners.com
- Dennis Wright at 561-653-1586, denban22@aol.com
- Genieve White at 561-876-4161, cafcipbc@bellsouth.net

Your kind consideration and support would be very much appreciated and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Genieve White  
President

Audrey Campbell  
Journal Coordinator

Dennis Wright  
Project Manager



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## Advertisement Request and Donation

### Annual Friendship Ball-Fundraising Dinner and Dance – September 22, 2012

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 27, 2012**.

Type of Advertisement	Price	(✓)
<b>Outside back cover</b>	\$600	
Inside Back Cover:	\$500	
Inside Front Cover	\$500	
Full page	\$400	
Half Page	\$250	
Quarter Page	\$125	
Business card	\$75	
<i>CAFCI MEMBER – 2 LINE GREETING</i>	\$20	

**All Advertisements which are not type set and photo ready will be subject to additional setup charges.**

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Name of Advertiser

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Advertiser

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of CAFCI Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### Setup charges, Donation, Payment

Ad Price checked Above:	\$
Picture(s) \$10 each:	\$
<b>Complete Ad Setup:</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>	\$

**Make check or money order payable to:**  
**Caribbean American for Community Involvement in Florida Inc.**  
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 Or  
 Pay on Line by Pay Pal  
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#### ***SPONSORSHIP LEVELS***

##### **BRONZE SPONSOR: \$1,000 - \$1,749**

- Two (2) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
- Half page color advertisement in ball journal
- Recognition in video presentation
- Acknowledgment in ball journal

##### **SILVER SPONSOR: \$1,750 - \$2,499**

- Two (2) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
- Full page color advertisement in ball journal
- Recognition in video presentation
- Acknowledgment in ball journal

##### **GOLD SPONSOR: \$2,500 - \$3,499**

- Four (4) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
- Full page color advertisement in ball journal (inside back cover)
- Recognition in video presentation
- Acknowledgment in ball journal

##### **PLATINUM SPONSOR: \$3,500 or above**

- Six (6) tickets for the Annual Friendship Ball
- Full page color advertisement in ball journal (outside back cover)
- Recognition in video presentation
- Acknowledgment in ball journal

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##### **ADDITIONAL SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES**

- TABLE SEATING OF EIGHT (8): \$520
- TABLE SEATING OF TEN (10): \$650

**Contribution of any amount would be greatly appreciated.**

*Please make check payable to:*

**Caribbean-American for Community Involvement**

**Attention: Sponsorship and Journal Committee**

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

**CAFCI**

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**MEMBERSHIP CORNER:**

The Membership Committee is continuing to work to revitalize the membership of CAFCI. The Committee is asking all members to participate. **The current member who brings in the most new members will receive a complimentary ticket for CAFCI's signature ball in September.** The winner must bring in at least two (2) new members to qualify. If there is a tie for first place, there will be a drawing to determine the winner. The competition will end at the September meeting prior to the ball. Membership application packets, including informational brochures, will be made available at upcoming events. Packets are also available from committee members. If you would like a membership application packet via e-mail, please send your request to Lorna Hughes at [lornahughes@bellsouth.net](mailto:lornahughes@bellsouth.net).

Congratulations to the following member who has brought in a new member in July: Lorna Hughes

*"You can have everything you want in life, if you just help enough people get what they want in life."*

*Zig Ziglar*

**CAFCI'S 2012 EVENTS**

- AUGUST 11 ..... General Meeting – Membership Appreciation
- AUGUST 25 ..... Talent Show
- SEPTEMBER 8.... General Meeting
- SEPTEMBER 22.. Annual Friendship Ball
- OCTOBER 13..... International Night
- NOVEMBER 10... Annual Meeting
- DECEMBER 8..... General Meeting – Christmas Party Potluck & Toys for Tots
- DECEMBER 31 ... New Year's Eve Party



**WELCOME  
NEW MEMBER  
Sherry Case**