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EDITORS' HIGHLIGHTS

- Titchfield Easter Bun Project: The closing date to place your order is February 9, 2019; This is a great deal as you will be able to purchase a \$15 Easter Bun for \$9.50. See the flyer on page 9.
- JC Old BOYS establish 11 Scholarships for students pursuing different academic disciplines at Jamaica College. You can hear more about these scholarships on February 9, 2019 at J.C Old Boys' breakfast. See the flyer on page 3.
- For \$30 (pre-sold) or \$35 (at the door), you can be a part of St. Andrew High School Old Girls' Cocktails & Canapes event on February 16, 2019. More information about this event is found on page 10.
- UJAA MEGA Raffle: Here is your chance to support either your "branch" alumni association's fundraising in New York, or other alumni associations. See Page 2.

We heard from 2 groups whose participation in the December 2018 walkathon was financially rewarding. Congratulations to Dr. Carmen Nicholas and the UWI Alumni Association, and Ms. Diana Moo-Young and Wolmer's Alumni Association on their effort. We would love to get feedback from other groups on their walkathon effort.

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JAMAICA COLLEGE OLD BOYS (FLORIDA) ESTABLISH 11 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR JC STUDENTS: SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NAMED IN HONOR OF GRIFFIN BREAKFAST AWARD RECIPIENTS



The Jamaica College Old Boys Association of Florida ("JCOBAFL") has established 11 annual Scholarship for Academically gifted and socio-economically disadvantaged students attending our Alma mater. The Scholarships are awarded at the JCOBAFL Griffin Awards Breakfast in the name of Alumni who have excelled in each respective discipline. The awards are focused on currently matriculated students who aspire to

careers in the disciplines for whom they are named. The recognized disciplines include, inter alia, Journalism, theatre, medicine, law, business, and engineering. Accompanying the awards is a monetized disbursement aimed at defraying the attendant costs associated with pursuing the respective delineated discipline. Each Scholarship would be in an approximate amount of J\$40,368.

The annual Griffin Award Scholarship Breakfast is celebrating its fifth anniversary. The next Jamaica College Old Boys Association of Florida Annual Griffin Awards Breakfast will be on February 9th, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Woodlands Country Club 4600 Woodlands Boulevard, Tamarac, FL 33319. Entertainment at the event will include internationally acclaimed saxaphonist Mark Bunney; Jamaican Tenor extraordinaire Steve Higgins; and multitalented percussionist Cornell Burton who will be a Special Guest at the event. For more information see - <u>http://jcobafl.org/</u> The awardees will be announced at the 2019 breakfast.



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The following are the scholarships for 2019:

- Dr. Jason Scott Hamilton Engineering/ Robotics Scholarship 2019
- Lr. Donald Dixon Science/Medical Scholarship 2019
- Dr. Paul Kahn Science/Medical Scholarship 2019
- Louis Hoyes Law/Humanities Scholarship 2019
- Karl Marshall Business/Accounting Scholarship 2019
- Danny Williams Business/Accounting Scholarship 2019
- Steve Epstein Business/Accounting Scholarship 2019
- Hugh Osborne Business/Accounting Scholarship 2019
- Basil Bernard Business/Accounting Scholarship 2019
- Rick McCalla Journalism/Education/Theatre & Visual Arts Scholarship 2019
- Franz Hall Journalism/Education/Theatre & Visual Arts Scholarship 2019.

About the Jamaica College Old Boys Association of Florida: The Jamaica College Old Boys Association of Florida established in 2004 as a 501(c) (3). The Jamaica College Old Boys Association of Florida is committed to uphold the traditions of excellence of Jamaica College as one of the foremost educational institution in the country of Jamaica and to support the school in the development of its students.

MONA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PROMOTES ART OF NETWORKING

(Jamaica Observer, January 27, 2019)



While Jamaican universities are graduating students who are theoretically brilliant, many young graduates lack the requisite skills of networking and socialising which are needed to succeed in any industry across the world — according to Mayple Dorrington, Toronto-based strategist and banking specialist.

Dorrington, a graduate of Mona School of Business and Management (MSBM), who has worked in the financial sector for more than 30 years and in 27 countries across the world, was speaking at a professional development session which she conceptualised under the theme 'Networking With A Purpose' —exclusively for MSBM alumni as part of the institution's strategy to encourage lifelong learning, including personal and professional development, among its graduates.

The session, which was hosted by the MSBM Alumni Association at The University of the West Indies earlier this month, saw participants receiving training in networking to attract, develop and maintain mutually beneficial relationships. The professional development session examined the key characteristics of networking including how to make an impact in the first five seconds of meeting someone and how it should move into forming relationships.

Dr Shaun Barrett, MSBM MBA alumnus and lecturer of business and information technology at the University of Technology, had high commendations for the content presented as well as the presenter.

"The session and the presentation were very practical and informative, and I love that the content presented can be implemented immediately. I currently teach a course on personal development at UTECH which includes networking, and it's refreshing to see that the information presented is in line with what I have been teaching my students," she said.

Another participant, Layton Taylor, loan portfolio supervisor at the National Housing Trust, said since leaving the MSBM over 10 years ago the institution has continued to contribute to his professional development through similar sessions. At those events, industry leaders and experts are invited to share with graduates, insightful information and perspectives on various topics, which help to broaden their outlook.

The MSBM Alumni Association is dedicated to providing a range of learning opportunities for its members to contribute to their personal and professional development, including public lectures, conferences, seminars and other events hosted by the association or the wider MSBM and UWI.

"We have an engagement strategy to ensure that even after our students have left the institution, we can help them to develop the necessary skills they need to succeed in their respective careers and lives in general," said Dawn Morgan, student and alumni services officer at MSBM.

A CENTURY FOR DC! DECARTERET AT 100

Jamaica Observer, (January 28, 2019)



Ground-breaking for the deCarteret College Sixth Form College. The facility is being built in honour of late principal Millard McLeod.

MANDEVILLE, Manchester — Founded on January 19, 1919 as an outreach of the Anglican Church, deCarteret College here is in its centennial year.



The institution, which was started by Bishop George Frederick Cecil deCarteret, who was originally from England, had expatriate headmasters in its early days. Over the years it has moved from being a preparatory school to an all-boys' private institution, to today a co-educational grant-aided secondary school, going up to the sixth form level.

Last Monday, in observance of the milestone, ground was broken for the Millard McLeod Sixth Form College. McLeod, who died in 2017 after

serving for more than two decades as principal of deCarteret College, is credited for reviving the sixth form programme.

The Sixth Form College is being structured to maintain the current offering in the day school while facilitating, in a more flexible manner, persons interested in, for example, re-sitting examinations and doing short courses. Partnerships are also expected to be forged with other educational institutions to address some of the needs of the community

Celebratory activities so far include the ground-breaking, a Founder's Day Service at St Mark Anglican (Mandeville Parish Church), the inaugural Bishop George Frederick Cecil deCarteret fund-raising and awards banquet, and a float parade in the town of Mandeville.

NCU CELEBRATES 100 YEARS IN MANCHESTER

Jamaica Observer (January 25, 2019)



NORTHERN Caribbean University (NCU) commenced its yearlong celebration of 100 years in Manchester with a thanksgiving service held recently at its main campus in Mandeville. NCU President Dr Lincoln Edwards told the gathering that institutions that survive for 100 years are to be considered with some measure of awe because longevity is a trait that is difficult to come by in the postmodern era. He said that

staying the course for the long haul is a characteristic that NCU epitomises.

"Northern Caribbean University has had a varied and exciting history, serving this community for 100 years and changing lives for eternity," Dr Edwards stated. God's leadership, he added, has been the secret of the university's success. He pointed to two recent achievements: the gaining of institutional accreditation from the University Council of Jamaica and NCU students winning first place in the International Business Model Competition for 2018.

The church service is the first of several events to take place in 2019 to mark the institution's contribution to the development of the parish and central Jamaica. The year-long celebration is being held under the theme: "Serving Community for 100 Years, Changing Lives for Eternity." NCU was founded in 1907 as the then West Indian Training School in Riversdale, St Catherine, and later relocated to Mandeville in 1919. Several civic leaders from Manchester were among celebrants at the thanksgiving service held January 19 on the NCU's main campus in Mandeville. They included Custos Rotulorum of Manchester Sally Porteous, Mayor of Mandeville Donovan Mitchell, Member of Parliament Mikael Phillips and Councillor Jones Oliphant.

In her remarks, Porteous noted that "NCU has played a pivotal role in shaping the lives of so many, and all those persons who worked to make (the institution) the success that it is, are to be commended for their efforts". She added that at a time when the country needed strong leadership NCU has come forward and has given of its best, for which the country is grateful. Phillips said "not only have you given of yourselves to those of the Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) faith, but you have given yourselves to everyone around this parish and this nation. You have shown us that nothing is wrong in putting God at the centre of everything that we do."

Mayor Mitchell's scriptures and his reference to SDA pioneer, Ellen G White's statements on "True Education", delighted the congregation. Meanwhile, Councillor Oliphant, an NCU alumnus, said that NCU's coming to Mandeville made it possible for the "ordinary young man and the ordinary young lady from the country area to become extraordinary citizens of this great land – Jamaica".

HAMPTON HIGH CELEBRATES 160TH ANNIVERSARY

(Observer, January 07, 2019)



Hampton School Choir performs 160th anniversary song.

MALVERN, St Elizabeth — Iconic all-girls' school Hampton last year celebrated the 160th anniversary of its establishment by the Munro and Dickenson Trust.

A release from the school noted that Robert Hugh Munro, in his will, left the residue of his estate to his nephew, Caleb Dickenson, and the Church Wardens of St Elizabeth and their successors for a school to be built and maintained for as many poor children as possible.



As a result, the Potsdam property was bought and opened in 1857 as an all-boys' school (Munro College). Hampton School started the following year at the Great House of the Potsdam Estate. In 1885, the school moved to its current location closer to the centre of Malvern.

"During the 160 years since establishment, and under the direction of 14 outstanding headmistresses and numerous supporting staff, Hampton School has been a major contributor in delivering quality education to a number of women in Jamaica who have gone on to make significant contributions to nation-building," the release said.

As part of last year's anniversary celebrations, Hampton hosted a number of events closing with a lunch and awards ceremony early last month at which 16 outstanding members of the community and staff were honoured.



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- **Final Payment Due:** 7/15/2019
- **For details about the cruise ship and room options <u>CLICK HERE</u>**.
- **4** A Payment Plan is available, and all currency is listed is USD.
- Open to all former students (regardless of year of graduation/attendance), friends and supporters of the schools as well.
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