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**A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

## TORONTO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AND CHARITABLE SOCIETY ELECT 2012 - 2013 EXECUTIVES

### SSC Alumni Association Toronto

At the Association's Annual General Meeting, held in Toronto on Sun. 30 Sept., 2012, the following were elected to the Executive Committee for the 2012 - 2013 year :

**President :** Rupert De Castro

**Vice-President :** Vibert Lampkin

**Secretary :** Godfrey Whyte

**Assistant Secretary :** Roger Devers

**Treasurer :** Andrew Insanally

**Assistant Treasurer :** Beverly Vandeyar

**Directors :** Paul Archer, Paul Camacho, Frank Delph, Hugh Hazlewood, Renuka Persaud, Albert Smith, Arthur Veerasammy, Godfrey Whyte

**Immediate Past President / Director**  
Errol Chapman

### SSC (Guyana) Alumni Society

At the Society's Annual General Meeting, held in Toronto on Sun. 30 Sept., 2012, the following were elected to the Board of Directors for the 2012 - 2013 year :

**Chairman of the Board :** Bunty Phillips

**Vice-Chairman :** Errol Chapman

**Directors :** Rupert De Castro, Ken Cumberbatch, Frank Delph, Des Jardine, Vibert Lampkin

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**Public Relations Officer :** Godfrey Whyte

**Officers-at-large :** Hugh Hazlewood, Albert Smith

## SAINTS YOUNG 'UNS

We, at the St. Stanislaus College Alumni Association Toronto, want you.

We want you to help us to help SAINTS. WE have been "at it" for 20 years and are still going strong. We are one of the most successful Guyanese organizations helping our fellow countrymen back in the "Land of Many Waters".

We need new blood and new ideas on how we can help SAINTS. We hold our **monthly meetings** on the 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Thursday of every month** at the **Century 21 office at 4544 Sheppard Avenue East** (between Brimley and McCowan). We start at **7 p.m.** and seldom go beyond 9-9:30 p.m. We discuss debate, disagree, and agree, always bearing in mind the objective of raising funds to help SAINTS. All are welcome, even your friends who may not have attended SAINTS.

WE are looking for our future leaders to take the Association to the next level and beyond. We "circle the wagons" when we need to, but we also open our hearts to welcome new blood into the fold (smile).

We never ask you to contribute more time and/or effort than you can. We ask of you no more than we ask of ourselves, and WE NEED YOU.

We are considering forming an auxiliary organisation from

which our future leaders will emerge. We are willing to fund such an organization to get it on its feet. We are together in this. We want to attract motivated, committed people to help enhance our fund-raising activities in the future.

Come on out to one of our monthly meetings. Hey! We will even pick you up if you need transportation. Beer and wine and the like are always "on tap".

Call any of our Executive members with any question you may have.

We WANT and NEED you.

*A. Rupert De Castro, CMA, President*

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### ADDRESS TO GUYANA RELIEF COUNCIL OF FLORIDA

*This is an address to the 6th. Annual Gala of the Guyana Relief Council of Florida, given on Sat. 13 Oct., 2012, in Sunrise (near Fort Lauderdale), Florida, by Saints Alumnus the Hon. Justice (retd.) Vibert Lampkin.*

Friends, fellow Guyanese, our homeland is in serious trouble. It is not among the 20 poorest countries in the world – the majority of those are in Africa – but it is listed as No. 3 of the top ten poorest countries in the western hemisphere. We follow Haiti and Nicaragua; Honduras, Bolivia, Paraguay, Guatemala, El Salvador, Ecuador, and Belize make up the other ten. Guyana, with the capital Georgetown, home of St. George’s Cathedral, one of the tallest wooden buildings in the world, known as the Garden City of the Caribbean when I was growing up in the 1940’s and 50’s, is in a poor state. In the 7 September, 2012, issue of *Kaieteur News*, Ray Chickrie states in a letter to the Editor that Georgetown may very well be Caricom’s most unattractive capital. He paints a very bleak picture of Georgetown and the state of the nation.

There are causes for this terrible situation, this terrible fall from grace. There are causes for everything that happens in this world. We need not go into what happened in the intervening 60 years because this is not a political speech – suffice it to say that mismanagement of the country’s assets is a part of it; corruption is a part of it; even bad weather, be it drought or too much rainfall, each of which plays havoc on the country’s ability to feed itself and export its produce, plays a part. No one country has a lock on mismanagement of its assets. It was recently reported that a film producer in Toronto received \$550,000 in grants: \$250,000 from the Government of Canada, \$150,000 from the Province of Ontario, and \$150,000 from the City of Toronto, all through the Arts Councils of those levels of Government. You would never guess what those grants were for – so that this producer could run workshops on how to make pornographic films! Well, I pay taxes to each of those levels of Government and I certainly did not pay taxes for that purpose, and I rather suspect that most right-minded folks feel as I do – not when there are homeless people sleeping on the streets and in parks of Toronto in the dead of winter.

Notwithstanding that gloomy picture, today Guyana rates unbelievably high in one respect in which we can all take some pride and comfort. The World Giving Index, commissioned by the Charities Aid Foundation, is the biggest study to take a global snapshot of how people give their time to organizations, donate money to charities, and extend a helping hand to a stranger in need. In 2010, the Index ranked 153 countries representing about 95 per cent of the world’s population, using survey data from an ongoing international Gallup survey, and found that, if you take actions into account as well as financial donations, the world is quite a giving place. The Index authors wrote “when

‘generosity’ is assessed in broader terms than money alone, the countries to come to the fore are not necessarily the same ones who are most commonly thought to be the most ‘philanthropic’”. The survey found that the top seventeen rankings for the most charitable countries in the world in 2010, and their scores on the Giving Index, were:

1. Australia and New Zealand, giving index of 57%,
3. Canada and Ireland, giving index of 56%,
5. Switzerland and the USA, giving index of 55%,
7. Netherlands, giving index of 54%,
8. United Kingdom and Sri Lanka, giving index of 53%,
10. Austria, giving index of 52%,
11. Laos and Sierra Leone, giving index of 50%,
13. Malta, giving index of 48%,
14. Iceland and Turkmenistan, giving index of 47%,
16. **Guyana** and Qatar, giving index of 45%.

The Index showed that no other Caribbean nation made the top twenty. Moreover, Guyana was rated a more charitable country than China, the richest country in the world today, which placed 151<sup>st</sup> out of the 153 countries rated, India, arguably the second or third richest country in the world, Germany, the industrial giant of Europe, and the well developed countries of France and Russia, not to mention two countries on our borders, oil-rich Venezuela and Brazil which has about the fastest growing economy in the world. Last year, the order changed somewhat. The United States has shot up to No. 1 as the most charitable country globally with a giving index of 60%, the first time any country has reached a score of 60%. Iceland has gone to No. 2 while Australia and New Zealand have fallen back to Nos. 3 and 4 respectively. The United Kingdom is now No. 5 and Canada has fallen from No. 3 to No. 7. Guyana, while still maintaining the same giving index of 45% is now rated as the 18<sup>th</sup> most charitable country globally, just two slips down – but still ahead of China, India, Germany, France, Russia, Venezuela, and Brazil. And still ahead of any other Caribbean country.

Perhaps that ought not to be surprising. A 2011 study, co-authored by Dr. Michael Kraus, Assistant Professor of Psychology at the University of Illinois, found physiological evidence to suggest that less privileged individuals are more compassionate. And look at the work that your organisation does, run entirely by volunteers. The Guyana Relief Council first based in Guyana, has for some 18 years consistently and non-discriminately provided relief in a timely manner to Guyanese in dire circumstances throughout Guyana. This includes foodstuff, cooking utensils, clothing, mattresses and bedding, as well as temporary housing. Then, in 2006, you got

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yourself incorporated in the USA as a tax exempt, non-profit organization so that overseas Guyanese and friends of Guyana, both corporate and individuals, could contribute financially to assist persons in Guyana affected by natural and man-made disasters in Guyana.

The same occurs in Toronto. In the beginning, before the formation of organisations, Guyanese, as happens throughout the Diaspora, would send home money and barrels of foodstuff and clothing to needy relatives and friends. Today, there are 75 organisations registered with the Guyana Consulate in Toronto of which about 47 are active. Not all are organized for assisting Guyanese at home. Many, such as the Senior Guyanese Friendship Association, look after senior Guyanese living in Toronto, providing entertainment, cruises, trips to Guyana, and so on.

But many are for the specific purpose of giving assistance to our homeland. One of the better-known organisations is Guyana Christian Charities (Canada) Inc., a volunteer, non-profit charitable organization. Don't let the word 'Christian' in its name fool you. The organization assists needy Guyanese in Guyana of every denomination, Christian and non-Christian, of every ethnic group, irrespective of political affiliation. Every Thursday between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Guyanese take clothing, books, computers, bicycles, mattresses, cooking utensils, dinnerware, etc., to a location where the items are sorted and packed for shipment to Guyana. This year, the Charity has shipped four 40-foot containers crammed with medical supplies, beds, walkers, crutches, clothing, and other articles to Guyana. And they have been doing that for 25 years. There are no paid employees. They are all volunteers. They raise funds for scholarships for children in Guyana through donations. They hold three dances each year and bake sales to pay for shipping and to cover other costs. One of their main on-going projects is raising funds to rebuild the St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital that was partially destroyed by fire in May 2010.

Another Toronto based organisation that is doing yeoman service for Guyana is the Guyana Burn and Health Care Charitable Foundation, also a volunteer, non-profit charitable organization. In November 2002, the Burn Care Unit was officially opened at the Georgetown Public Hospital (GPH). It was the first of its kind in Guyana and consisted of a 3,500 square foot, 6-bed burn care unit. The task of the GPH was to provide space by reconfiguring an area within the institution to accommodate the Unit. The Toronto Foundation raised \$120,000 (Can) to get the Unit on its feet. Before the unit was instituted, patients nursing severe burns were treated in the open ward in poor conditions. Within two years, the mortality rate for burn victims at the GPH had a marked reduction from 44% to 16%. For

the past several years, the Foundation has organized a group of doctors and nurses, both Guyanese and Canadian, to travel to Guyana, inter alia, to provide medical services to patients and training to the medical and nursing professions. In May 2010, the Foundation provided a special needs bus to the Cheshire Home for the use of persons with cerebral palsy. Just two weeks ago, the Regional Municipality of York donated two ambulances to the Foundation to enhance ambulatory care in Guyana, which are now en route to Guyana, due to arrive at the end of October. In addition to donations from corporations and individuals, the Foundation raises funds through brunches and concerts. Practically every Guyanese high school has an alumnus association in Toronto. Each association holds dances, galas, cultural evenings, and so on throughout the year to raise funds for various projects to assist their alma mater. You can go to a Guyanese function every weekend of the year, sometimes several in one night. At this very moment my alumnus association, St. Stanislaus College Alumni Association, is having its Fall Ball in Toronto. Next year, we will be celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We also hold an annual Golf Tournament, and have recently achieved charitable status so that donors are issued charitable receipts for tax purposes.

I am sure you all know about Caribana, now known as the Scotiabank Toronto Caribbean Carnival. Caribana started in 1967, the year of our arrival in Canada. Originally, it was an event to display Caribbean foods, jewellery, music, and culture. The first Monday of August is Simcoe Day, a public holiday in Ontario, and Caribana was limited to that holiday weekend. It has now grown to be a three-week festival with queens and kings and bands of the festival being crowned on the Friday night before the Monday holiday. The climax of the festival of course is the parade on the Saturday preceding the Monday holiday. It is now the biggest summer festival in North America. I know, I know, there is the New York West Indian Labour Day Parade in September each year – but Caribana is Caribana!

Then there is Last Lap Lime. In 1995, Noel Denny, a St. Stanislaus alumnus, came up with the brilliant idea to invite Queen's College, Bishop's High School, St. Rose's High School (known in my day as the Ursuline Convent), and St. Joseph's High School (known in my day as the Mercy Convent) to join with Saints to hold a 'Last Lap Lime' on the holiday Monday. He met with fierce opposition at first – many thought it would be logistically impossible to execute with five schools and that it would fail because people would be tired and broke by Caribana Monday. But he persisted and won everyone over and, in 1996, Last Lap Lime was born. It is held at a huge fair ground in Toronto and attracts thousands, not only Guyanese but also others from the Caribbean and beyond. Guyanese and Caribbean food and drink in abundance,

**MEMBERSHIP**

The following is the list of alumni who are currently paid-up members in 2012. The names in *italics* are alumni who have paid since the last issue of the newsletter was published.

<b>CANADA (127)</b>	Peter De Freitas	Aubrey Kellawan	Albert Smith <sup>1</sup>	
Lance Alexander	Andre De Peana <sup>4</sup>	Greg Kellawan	Winston Sparrock <sup>2</sup>	<b>U.K. (5)</b>
Terry Angoy	Frank Delph	John King	Albert Sweetnam <sup>2</sup>	Christopher Cho-Young <sup>4</sup>
Glenmore Armogan <sup>1</sup>	Vyvyan Deryck	William Lall	Michael Teixeira	Richard DeCaires
Bernard Austin	Roger Devers <sup>1</sup>	Vibert Lampkin <sup>7</sup>	Walter Tiam-fook	Julio Faria
Gregory Badley	Terry Devers <sup>1</sup>	John Lopes <sup>1</sup>	Beverly Vandeyar	Tony Gomes <sup>5</sup>
Malcolm Barrington <sup>3</sup>	Neville Devonish <sup>2</sup>	Geoffrey Luck <sup>4</sup>	Arthur Veerasammy <sup>2</sup>	Neville Jordan <sup>2</sup>
Gerard Bayley	Frederick Dias <sup>5</sup>	Dereck Mahanger <sup>4</sup>	Vibert Vieira <sup>1</sup>	
Rene Bayley <sup>1</sup>	Ronald Dias	<i>Sherlock Martin</i>	John Vincent <sup>1</sup>	
<i>Teddy Boyce</i> <sup>1</sup>	Jerome D'Oliveira	Gerard Martins	Howard Welshman <sup>2</sup>	<b>U.S.A. (24)</b>
Randy Bradford <sup>3</sup>	Terry D'Ornellas	Michael Mendes de Franca <sup>1</sup>	<i>Godfrey Whyte</i>	<i>Luke Abraham</i> <sup>4</sup>
Ian Camacho <sup>5</sup>	Edward Driver	Vincent Mendes de Franca <sup>5</sup>	David Wong <sup>5</sup>	Anthony Bollers
Paul Camacho	Paul Duarte	Richard Miller <sup>2</sup>	Raymond Wong <sup>2</sup>	Fr. Andrew Chan-a-sue
Wilfred Carr	Carlton Faria <sup>5</sup>	Perry Mittelholzer <sup>2</sup>	Gerry Yaw	Ronald Chanderbhan <sup>5</sup>
Joseph Castanheiro	Joe Faria <sup>9</sup>	Stan Niccols	Brian Yhap <sup>1</sup>	Brian Chin <sup>2</sup>
Antony Chapman	Raymond Fernandes <sup>2</sup>	Clarence Nichols <sup>3</sup>	John Yip	Lawrence Correia <sup>1</sup>
Errol Chapman	Nigel Fisher <sup>4</sup>	Anthony O'Dowd <sup>2</sup>	<b>AUSTRALIA (2)</b>	Peter Fernandes <sup>1</sup>
Vernon Chaves <sup>1</sup>	Keith Fletcher	Malcolm Pequenezza	Michael Wight	Bernard Friemann
Bob Chee-a-tow	Sonny Francis	Leslie Pereira <sup>5</sup>	Lennox Yhap <sup>2</sup>	Vic Gonsalves
Ivor Chee-a-tow	Leslie Fung <sup>2</sup>	Desmond Perreira <sup>1</sup>	<b>BARBADOS (1)</b>	Guy Goveia <sup>2</sup>
Sydney Chin	Richard Gomes	Michael Persaud <sup>2</sup>	Geoff De Caires <sup>1</sup>	Edward Gouveia <sup>1</sup>
Ivan Choo <sup>1</sup>	Trevor Gomes	Bunty Phillips	<b>BERMUDA (1)</b>	Philip Greathead
Tony Clarke <sup>2</sup>	Neil Gonsalves <sup>2</sup>	Carl Ramalho	Francis Grenardo <sup>2</sup>	John Grenardo <sup>2</sup>
Paul Crum-Ewing	Alfred Goveia	Marcelline Ramcharan	<b>BRAZIL (1)</b>	Michael Heydon <sup>2</sup>
Ken Cumberbatch <sup>4</sup>	Orlando Goveia <sup>3</sup>	Linden Ramdeholl <sup>3</sup>	Stephen De Castro	Edwin Jack <sup>8</sup>
Vivian D'Andrade	Ken Hahnfeld <sup>5</sup>	Harold Rampersaud		Kenneth Jordan <sup>6</sup>
Clive Da Silva	Brian Hall-Stevenson	Cecil Ramraj		Jolyon King <sup>4</sup>
Edward Da Silva	Albert Hamilton <sup>1</sup>	Mary Rayman		Carl Marx <sup>4</sup>
Ivor Da Silva	Hugh Hazlewood <sup>1</sup>	Ramon Rego	<b>DOM. REP. (1)</b>	Brian Ramphal <sup>4</sup>
Jerry Da Silva <sup>4</sup>	Paul Hazlewood	Herman Reid <sup>3</sup>	Deep Ford <sup>4</sup>	Peter Rodrigues
Terry De Abreu <sup>1</sup>	Jocelyn Heydorn	Joe Reis <sup>1</sup>		Evan Phillips <sup>4</sup>
Tyrone De Abreu	Desmond Hill <sup>5</sup>	Romeo Resaul <sup>2</sup>	<b>TRIN. &amp; TOB. (3)</b>	John Sparrock <sup>1</sup>
Dennis De Cambra	Ivan Holder	Bryan Rodrigues	John Jardim	Leyland Thomas <sup>8</sup>
<i>Hilary De Cambra</i> <sup>1</sup>	Andrew Insanally <sup>2</sup>	Philip Rodrigues <sup>2</sup>	<i>Richard Harford</i> <sup>4</sup>	Horace Walcott <sup>3</sup>
Benedict De Castro <sup>1</sup>	Richard James <sup>5</sup>	Raphael Rodrigues	<i>Ronald Harford</i> <sup>4</sup>	<b>VENEZUELA (1)</b>
Gabriel De Castro <sup>1</sup>	Des Jardine	Peter St. Aubyn <sup>4</sup>		Michael Chin-a-loy
Gregory De Castro	Clayton Jeffrey <sup>2</sup>			
Rupert De Castro	Anthony Jekir			

Of the 166 paid-up members, 135 are renewals from last year.

Notes to Membership List :

1. These (27) alumni have paid in advance through 2013.
2. These (25) alumni have paid in advance through 2014.
3. These (7) alumni have paid in advance through 2015.
4. These (16) alumni has paid in advance through 2016.
5. These (11) alumni has paid in advance through 2017.
6. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2018.
7. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2019.
8. These (2) alumni has paid in advance through 2020.
9. This (1) alumnus has paid in advance through 2022.

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music, and entertainment. There is genuine intermingling between all attendees regardless of politics or station in life or any of the other barriers that we as adults build between ourselves. Seventeen years later, it is still a success, with the profits split between the five schools.

In addition to assisting charities within the Canadian society such as the Abused Women's Shelter, Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, Hospital for Sick Children, and the Caribbean Diabetes Association, the five Alumni Associations have assisted their schools in Guyana in various projects such as the electrical re-wiring of the schools, the upgrading and purchase of computers and computer related equipment, the upgrading and purchase of new equipment and textbooks, the funding of scholarships, the repair or replacement of windows and roofs of schools, the construction of fences around the school premises, and the total renovation of laboratories.

So far, I have spoken of what groups have done and could do. What about individuals? Each of us has at least a moral obligation to help the land that gave us birth for the simple reason that, after we have passed through the door and enjoyed a certain measure of success, we must not close the door behind us – there are others whom we could help to pass through that same door. We must seek to provide hope where there is despair. As we well know, the poor are always with us.

None of us has the star attraction and power of the late Lou Rawls who in the last 25 years of his life held an annual national telethon, originally under the name '*The Lou Rawls Parade of Stars Telethon*', subsequently changed to '*An Evening with the Stars*'. Lou Rawls raised more than \$200 million dollars for the United Negro College Fund. In the Guyana context, the only person I could think of who not only raised money for St. Stanislaus College, his alma mater, but also personally helped to finance the school in the years when it received no Government subsidy, is John Fernandes Sr., familiarly known as 'Honest John'. And I am delighted that his son, Dr. Peter Fernandes, is here with us tonight.

St. Stanislaus College was not the only institution that John Fernandes supported. In 1950, St. Bernadette's Hostel was started by The Ladies of Charity to assist young women who had gone to Georgetown, far from home, to seek work, or who had graduated from St. Ann's Orphanage and had no place to go. John Fernandes financed the purchase of a property on Lamaha Street in Georgetown for St. Bernadette's. In addition, he donated his monthly salary from the then Legislative Council to the hostel. He was further engaged in many other charitable works. Small wonder that, in 1965, he was awarded by royal appointment the CBE – Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the

British Empire - for his public services to the country. John Fernandes is arguably the greatest Guyanese philanthropist ever. And he did all that while caring for his wife and fourteen children.

But you do not have to be a Lou Rawls or a John Fernandes to give assistance to Guyana, and sometimes it will not even cost you a cent – no more than legwork and gasolene for your car.

Before law reports were available on-line in Canada, every lawyer in Ontario received each week a hard copy of eighty or ninety pages containing important recently decided Ontario cases. After ten Parts were issued numbering about 800 pages, a bound volume of all the cases in the Parts was issued to each lawyer. The lawyer would then take the various Parts and throw them into the waste paper basket because he now has the bound volume. I started to collect my Parts and those of my partners, put them together, pack them into cartons and, in due course, deliver them to the Consulate for transport to Guyana for use in the Law Library. Both Canada and Guyana inherited the common law and much of the criminal law from England and, although there are differences here and there, Canadian cases would be of persuasive authority in Guyana. When I went on the bench in 1982, I received not only reports of Ontario cases but also the Canadian Criminal Law Reports from across the country, which I similarly sent to Guyana.

Then I had a windfall. The wife of one of my friends was the librarian of the Bora Laskin Law Library. Her husband told her about my project and she offered me a whole library of law books and law reports, both English and Canadian, that had been donated by retired lawyers. I spent the entire month of August 1986 packing hundreds of cartons of law books and law reports and transporting them from downtown Toronto to my home where they were stored in the garage until they could be sent to Guyana through the Consulate. I was subsequently informed that those Law Reports stocked the entire Law Library in New Amsterdam. I continued to send law books and law reports to Guyana until my retirement in 2008.

Now, many of you good men and women here tonight attend conferences or continuing education courses. I attended an average of three such conferences or courses for each of the 25 years I was on the bench. I would similarly send the courses to Guyana. But, more than that, I would obtain the consent of the Conference Chairman to collect all the pencils and/or ball-point pens already paid for by the Judges' Association, left lying around at the end of the day, and send them off to Guyana's schools. Do the math – about 100 judges attending a three-day conference and at the end of every day, they leave their pencils and ball point pens lying around to be collected by me!

I throw out these ideas ... just look around. You might be surprised at the impact a small

**OBITUARIES**

\* **Alumnus Dr. Frederick Ignatius Campayne** died on Monday, 8 October, 2012, in Trinidad. He was the son of the late James and Ora Campayne of Guyana, brother of **alumnus Louis** (deceased), Hazel, **alumnus Winston** (Alma), Waveney, Berenice (deceased) and Joan (Arthur), uncle of many nieces and nephews, and a very dear cousin of Marjorie (Conrad) as well as many others.

A former lecturer in Physics at the University of Guyana and at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus, Trinidad, he also tutored Secondary School students in Maths and Physics at Advanced levels. Esteemed as a brilliant academic, he was trusted, respected, and loved as a great teacher, a valued colleague, a loyal friend, and a truly humble man of faith.

Science Bursaries will be set up in his name, and donations should be made out to "Sister Hazel Campayne" with a notation "In memory of Dr. Fredrick Campayne" and mailed to :

*Sister Hazel Campayne, c/o Rosar-Morrison Funeral*

*Home & Chapel, 467 Sherbourne Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M4X 1K5*

\* **Alumnus Harry Christiani** died on 15 November, 2012, in Toronto. Like his late brothers, **alumni Cyril and Robert**, he represented British Guiana in cricket.

\* **Clarence Albert Fitzgerald Hughes** died on Friday 9 November, 2012, at the age of 77 years in Guyana after a prolonged period of illness. He was the father of prominent Attorney-at-Law and **alumnus Nigel Hughes**.

\* **Joseph Insanally**, brother of Alumnus and Toronto Association Treasurer **Andrew Insanally**, died in October, 2012, in Guyana.

\* **Evelyn Khan**, wife of radio personality and **alumnus Rafiq Khan**, died in November, 2012, in Jamaica.

We ask you to remember these deceased and all whom they have left behind in your prayers.  
*Requiescant in pace.*



**SINGING AROUND THE CAMP-FIRE**

On Saturday 15 September, 2012, some of the alumni with family and friends gathered around a camp-fire in the President's backyard to enjoy an old-fashioned singing of Guyanese folk songs and other popular hits.

→  
**PRESENTATION TO ALEXANDRA ARCHER**

Association President Rupert De Castro presents university student Alexandra Archer, daughter of alumnus and Association Executive member Paul



Archer, with a new laptop computer in grateful appreciation of the week she spent during her vacation in Guyana in helping to upgrade the IT skills of the College staff.

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gesture might have on your school in Guyana or any organisation of your choice, without waiting on the Relief Fund to raise funds to purchase all the stuff.

Let me tell you a story. We once went to a small summer party. At the end, I saw a Guyanese woman collecting all the plastic knives, forks, and spoons. I could not resist asking her why. Her response was: "This might seem extreme to you and my family, they all laugh at me, but I once visited an orphanage in Guyana and could not understand why the children did not all eat at the same time. When I enquired why they seemed to be eating in this relay fashion, I was told that there was not enough cutlery. So I collect all this plastic cutlery, sterilise them, and ship them to Guyana. You would not believe the gratitude".

Now, I recognise certain dangers in all of these projects.

The main criticism is that the donations might create a dependency syndrome not only in the donees who might not make a real effort to help themselves but also in the government's failing to provide for its people. Notwithstanding that fear, take courage from the example of people like John Fernandes, Lou Rawls, Charles and Edgar Bronfman of Canada who have recently joined the Giving Pledge, a campaign started two years ago by Bill Gates and Warren Buffet, two of the richest men in the world, to encourage the wealthiest people to make a commitment to give most of their wealth to philanthropic causes.

Let us also take pride in our place on that world generosity scale. Let us continue to give not only our money, but also our time and caring ways to those less fortunate than ourselves.

Just remember, however, never make the mistake of giving your money directly to the government of any stripe.

### **Toronto Association Celebrates 20 Years in Canada**

Why are we celebrating?

Although a "Johnny-come-late" on the scene, the St. Stanislaus College Alumni Association Toronto has proved to be one the most effective fund-raising Guyanese organizations in Canada.

Over the short 20 years, we have shipped the equivalent in materials, equipment, and funds totalling over half a million of dollars (yes, Canadian dollars) to the College. Through over contacts, we once backed up a 5-ton truck at the Old Wellesley Hospital and loaded it up with stainless steel kitchen and laboratory equipment, library shelves etc., and shipped all to Georgetown. Estimated value? Over \$150,000 (Canadian).

We are not suggesting that other organizations do not approach the sourcing of equipment, materials, and funds for their constituents with the same enthusiasm as we do. What we are saying is that we move with "lightning speed" when there are "FREEBIES" to be had (smile).

We are celebrating a successful organization. We are recognizing individuals in our Association who have contributed immensely to our success. We are "throwing a fete" (a **Formal Evening Gala**) at the **SPIRALE Banquet Hall** on Don Mills Rd. between Lawrence and Eglinton Aves.

Although a celebratory evening, the official part of the evening will be kept to a minimum (1/2 hour). We will dine on a scrumptious meal, with mouth-watering desserts, and wine and liquor flowing as freely as water (an all-inclusive

event). We will dance until two in the morning to the popular Fuh Fun band, and we will leave one another with "hugs and kisses" when the evening is over, all for a contribution of **\$80.00 per person**. We encourage you to purchase tickets in tables of 10 so that you may enjoy the evening with your special friends.

It promises it to be an evening of much fun - a gathering of old friends, a mingling of husbands, wives, boyfriends, girlfriends from SAINTS and other schools. Can anyone imagine the THOUSANDS of Guyanese walking the earth today who are the products of marriage unions of us "kids" from High Schools in Guyana (smile)?

We Guyanese are a people of much talent. We are contributors to the world in an immensely greater capacity than our little 750,000 "Land of Many Waters" people. Our people are blessed with talent. We work hard. We play hard. Yet, we never forget those we left behind. We give freely of our time, our money, our love. We do not walk away.

Come on out for a celebration of commitment, of duty, of loyalty to those of our people who are less fortunate than we.

*"If you want to walk quiet, walk alone. If you want to walk far, walk together."* (African proverb)

Let us walk together in celebration. We guarantee a fabulous evening. Reserve this date: **Friday 10 May, 1213...** and book your tickets NOW!

*A. Rupert De Castro, CMA, President*

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**COMING EVENTS**

Date	Event	Location	Cost
Sat. 20 Apr., 2013	Spring Dance	West Rouge Community Centre	tba
Fri. 10 May, 2013	Gala Banquet and Dance	Spirale Banquet Hall, 888 Don Mills Rd.	tba
Sat. 20 Jul., 2013 8:30 a.m.	Golf Tournament	Bethesda Grange Golf Course (formerly Rolling Hills Golf Club) 12808 Warden Ave., Stouffville	tba
Fri. 2 Aug., 2013	Caribjam	West Rouge Community Centre	tba
Mon. 5 Aug., 2013	Last Lap Lime	Woodbridge Fairgrounds	\$15 pre-event \$25 on the day

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