



H. LAVITY STOUTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

INFO UPDATE

STAFF NEWSLETTER

March 30, 2015

Church Service Marks College Founder and 25-year milestone

On Sunday March 1st 2015, the College's anniversary celebration continued by our participation in the Sunday Morning Service at Zion Hill Methodist Church during which Hon. H. Lavity Stoutt's contribution to the territory and the College was recognized. There was representation from the Board, administration, faculty, staff and students at the service. The HLSCC Singers sang, Dr. Angel Smith and Dr. Dawson (Methodist Lay Preachers) assisted in the service while Dr. Sauda Smith read a scripture and Mr. Richard Georges, a poem. The next activity being considered is participation in the Virgin Gorda Easter Festival.

President elected to lead ACTI

HLSCC President Dr. Karl Dawson was elected president of the Association of Caribbean Tertiary Institutions (ACTI) at their Annual Conference and General Meeting held in Bermuda from February 4-6. Dr. Dawson previously held the post of first vice president. He will lead an executive that includes colleagues from Cayman Islands, Bermuda and Jamaica. ACTI is in its 25th year and in the process of reviewing its purpose and place on the Caribbean higher education landscape. ACTI's membership includes over 40 colleges and universities from across the Caribbean. HLSCC is a founding member.

On a related note, Dr. Dawson will serve as co-chair of the Caribbean Educational Leadership Institute which is hosted by the ACTI with support from the CARICOM Education for Employment programme which in turn is supported by Colleges and Institutes Canada. This year's leadership institute is targeted at persons at the levels of deans and department heads and seeks to enhance leadership capacity in the sector in the region. Faculty members include colleagues from around the region and Canada.

Georges Makes Top Ten Writers

Richard Georges has been longlisted from 53 entries to the top 10 finalists for the coveted Hollick Arvon Caribbean Writers Prize, a prize for the genre of poetry. Now in its 3rd year, judges have stated that the 2015 Hollick Arvon Prize can boast of poets who shuttle an ability to manipulate language to create poetry that is narratively fluent and thematically current and engaging. The Hollick Arvon Caribbean Writers Prize is an annual award which allows emerging Caribbean writers living and working in the Caribbean to devote time to advancing or finishing a literary work, with support from an established writer as mentor. Richard's entry is a part of his unfinished poetry manuscript attached to his doctoral studies.

The other contenders for this prize include 2 Jamaican writers, 2 from the Bahamas, 1 from Puerto Rico, and 4 from Trinidad & Tobago. The Hollick Arvon Prize, has a total value of £10,000 (approx. US \$15,000), and consists of a cash award, a year's mentoring by an established writer and travel. The winner will be announced on Saturday 2 May at the 2015 NGC Bocas Lit Fest in Port of Spain, Trinidad which Richard will be attending.



New Appointments

Following a decision made by the Board of Governors, Dr. L. Sauda Smith has been appointed to serve as the new Associate Vice President of Operations, Quality Assurance and Human Resources following the resignation of Dr. Christine Hodge. The Associate Vice President's role will continue to oversee the Facilities and Human Resources departments, but will now include oversight for Information Technology department, bringing together these three key operational support units.

Additionally, Mrs. Bernandine Louis has been appointed to serve as the new Dean of Workforce Training Division following her temporary acting position which expired on January 31 2015. The new Dean will be expected to lead programme expansion in the Workforce Training Division while ensuring high quality standards and customer satisfaction.

Staff Updates

With effect from 15 March 2015, Security Officer Fred Freeman has left the HLSCC Family.

Mozart to Marley Timeline of Music Donation to HLSCC



On Tuesday 10th March, the H. Lavity Stoutt Community College received a generous donation of boxes filled with collectible music on compact disks from the estate of the late Aileen Malcolm, a long time resident of Tortola. The extensive collection spans over two decades of music and captures a unique transition of music from the classical and romantic eras to the rhythm and blues, dance, and pop eras of some of the best selling artists of all time. The outstanding voice and melodies comprise of music genres from Opera, Pop, Rock and Roll, Jazz, R&B, Country, Gospel, Reggae, and even Soca that were once cherished by the late Aileen, now passed down by her daughter Ravenna Narizzano through local friends and residents Ms. Bobbi Fawcett and Lisa Gray to a new home at the College.

Announcements

Birthday wishes for the Month of March

Abreu Penn	3rd
Janice Dawson	4th
Egberth Donovan	4th
Carlton Caesar	6th
Yanique Smith	12th
Pramarand Ramphal	16th
Medita Wheatley	18th
Julieth Smith	19th
Michelle Grant	20th
Kirlin Lettsome	22nd
Fitzroy Warner	22nd
Margarita Freeman	23rd
Esmie Stephen	27th
Violet Freeman	28th
Bryan Penn	28th
Lorrain Charles	29th

Upcoming Events

- *Public Holiday - Good Friday
April 3, 2015
- *Public Holiday - Easter Monday
April 6, 2015
- *Pre-Registration Summer/Fall
April 7, 2015
- *Stingray Stingers in Concert
April 25, 2015
- *Fall Application for Admission
April 30, 2015
- *Math/ Science Fair
April 30, 2015
- *Performing Arts Spring Concert
May 16, 2015

Students as well as the general public will have the opportunity to come and listen to collections of the Beach Boys, Kenny G, Ray Charles, Culture Club, Beethoven, Elton John, Ottis Redding, Nat King Cole, The Brubeck Quartet, Rolling Stones, Mozart, Dizzy Gillespie, Gloria Estefan, Celine Dion, Bob Marley, Basie, and Toni Braxton just to name a few. Ms. Joan Lindsay Acting Director of the Learning Resource Centre (LRC) expressed her sincere gratitude on behalf of the College, to the donor's representatives as the collection is a tremendous addition to the existing music collection maintained by the LRC particularly to be donated by one individual.



The late Aileen Malcolm was a painter, romance novelist, poet and songwriter who had strong beliefs of using art as a vehicle of expression, education and activism. Music is an art in many ways and given her mother's strong beliefs, Ravenna thought twice about discarding the collection. Instead, she strongly felt that her mother would be proud to know that her collection is at the College where it may one day inspire creative ambitions artistically in some way to an individual. "Despite travelling the world, Tortola was my mom's favorite and it became her home for 25 years," Ravenna exclaimed. Aileen's passion for Tortola can be seen through her meticulous artwork. One of her paintings is currently on display at the Old Government House Museum, and other paintings can be found at Images Custom Framing and Gallery, or at www.aileenmalcolm.com.