

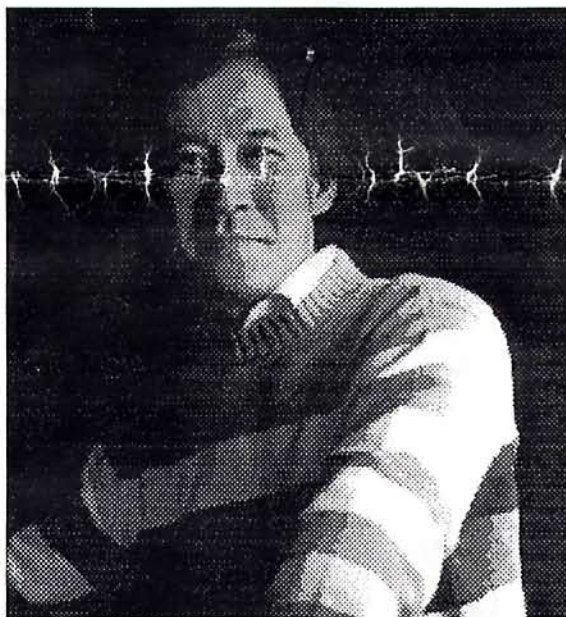


Q.C. NEWS!

Queen's College of Guyana
 Alumni Association (Toronto) Inc.
 March 1997

Ray Luck piano recital 15th March!

Internationally renowned pianist Ray Luck will be giving a recital in aid of the Queen's College Restoration Fund. Also in town for the event will be Ms. Lynette Dolphin who was QC's Music Mistress for several years and QC alumnus Hugh Sam, famous Guyanese pianist and composer.



The concert will be held on
Saturday 15th March
 at 8:00 p.m.
 at the
**Markham Theatre for the
 Performing Arts,**
 171 Town Centre Blvd.,
 Markham.
Tickets:
(905) 305-7469
 Balcony \$20.00,
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PROGRAM

Barcarolle in F Sharp Major, Op. 60 Frédéric CHOPIN
 Nocturne in E Major, Op. 62 No. 2 (1810-1849)
 Tarentelle in A Flat Major, Op. 43

Sonata in C Minor, D. 958 Franz SCHUBERT
 (1797-1828)

Allegro
 Adagio
 Menuetto & Trio: Allegro
 Allegro

INTERMISSION

Folk song Improvisation on
 "Uncle Joe"/"Hol' 'im Joe"
 Suite Napoli (1925)

Hugh SAM

Francis POULENC
 (1899-1963)

Barcarolle
 Nocturne
 Caprice italien

From *Années de Pèlerinage*.
 Deuxième Année: Italie

Franz LISZT
 (1811-1886)

Venezia e Napoli

Gondoliera
 Canzone
 Tarantella

The taking of photographs or use of recording equipment are not allowed during the concert.

Letter from the editor

Hello again, fellow QC alumni! 1997 has come roaring in along with low interest rates, budget cuts and the spectre of megacities and federal elections. The 'Jobless Recovery' chugs along, existing only in the minds of politicians and economists. Despite these challenges, Guyanese Canadians as well as various other Canadians somehow manage to survive and to feel optimistic. The soon-to-be-famous QC computer lab is a reality and scores of bright, eager young Guyanese students are soaking up cyber-training even as we speak (move over, Bill Gates!). Ray Luck will be here in two weeks' time to lighten our hearts with nocturnes and sonatas. Plans for the New York QC reunion are in place and Labour day in Brooklyn is on the horizon. Time to plan for our 97 Caribbana effort and with our Annual General meeting upcoming, new board members, new projects.. lots to look forward to! The QC Alumni Association is always happy to hear from Alumni who wish to become involved in planning and executing various activities. Membership fees were due on 28th February. Please complete and mail the form on page eight along with your cheque for \$25.00 and come on out to support your association!

Andy "Prof" Knight

CONDOLENCES

We of the Toronto Chapter wish to pay our respects to the bereaved of the late:

Neville Moonswammy.

Major Forbes M. Clavier, MC, died early October.

S. A. Stephenson, (QC '29 - '37), died 26th December in his 80th year.

Dr. Malcolm Stoby, died 1st December, in Canada.

QC BOOK OF RECORDS

Copies of this popular book by Laurence Clarke are available from Krish Mahesh (416)439-9691 or Leyland Muss (905)666-0237

SCHOOL TIES RETURN TO QC

One thousand QC ties, 100 of each house colour, were donated by Franklin Ishmael of the UK chapter. The ties will be mandatory for the first forms only.

The Newsletter Team

This newsletter was published through the joint efforts of
Kathryn Eytle, Lionel Mann and Andy Knight.

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Articles on 3.5" DOS format diskettes in WordPerfect, Word, Pagemaker, TIF scan images would be most welcome.

U.K. NEWS

Election of Non-Executive officers

Lloyd E. Bascom was returned unopposed as President for a fifth term. Five of last year's six VP's were re-appointed: Brigadier David A. Man, John O. V. Rafferty, MBE., Dr. Ronald F. Hall, Clive H. Lloyd, CBE and the Rt. Hon. Sir Anthony J. D. McCowan, PC. The exception was former VP Clarence I. Trotz (QC Headmaster 1974 - 80) who has returned to Guyana following his retirement. The VP appointed in place of Mr. Trotz was Sir Shridath S. ('Sonny') Ramphal, GCMG, OE, OM(Jam), OCC. Mr. Ramphal recently joined the QCGUK as a life member. Also returned unopposed were the seven members of the management committee:

J. R. Gary Ramprashad Chairman

J. H. (Jimmy) Matheson Hon.
Secretary

K. I. (Ken) Brewster Hon.
Treasurer

Neville L. Beharry

(Dr.) Neville O. Linton

R. R. (Peter) McKenzie

C. Ian C. Wishart Charity
Correspondent

Derek G. Hugh Co-opted

Ivor E. Ying Co-opted as
Membership
Secretary

(Derek and Ivor had been ineligible to stand for re-election under the 'three-year' rule, but as both are centrally involved in the organisation of major activities the rule was waived).

Hugh Sam,

Pianist and Composer

Queen's College alumnus Hugh Sam is an accomplished pianist and composer who won many prizes in both piano and composition in Guyana Music Festivals. One of these compositions, "*Caribbean Seascape*", so impressed the well-known English pianist, Kendall Taylor, that he gave a performance of this composition in Trinidad during his Caribbean tour in 1957. Hugh Sam also won the History and Culture competition with his piano arrangement of three Guyanese folk songs "*Itanami*", "*Timber Man*" and "*Satira Gal*".

These arrangements were performed by Jocelyn Loncke and the Guyana Police Band.

Hugh Sam wrote the music for "*Stabroek Fantasy*", which was based on piano compositions he had already written and produced the musical "*The Future is Bright*" written by Helen Taitt. He was also Musical Director of "*The Fantastics*" performed at the Theatre Guild. His interest in ballet also manifested itself while he was pursuing a Master's degree at Brooklyn College and wrote the music for the ballet "*Metempsychosis*". He was also an active jazz musician and recorded an album, "*Saxful of Harry*" with saxophonist Harry Whittaker. When the Guyana Police Choir toured Montreal for Expo '78, Hugh was the official arranger and pianist.

After leaving Queen's College, Hugh Sam studied piano and harmony at the Guildhall School of Music, London, and secured his Bachelor of Music degree in musical composition from the Manhattan School of Music. He served on the piano and theory faculty of Turtle Bay Music school for over twenty years and is currently on the

piano faculty of the Third Street Music School Settlement in Manhattan. Hugh has given faculty recitals which revolved around particular themes. His recent recital "*The Romantic Melodists*," included compositions by Chopin, Brahms, Liszt and Sam.

Hugh gave a piano recital in 1994 to mark the sesquicentennial celebrations of Queen's College. His program included an arrangement of "*Laude Gratemur Scholae*" and some of his folksong arrangements. He has stated that he has tried to do for Guyanese folk songs the same thing that Chopin did for Polish folk songs and Brahms for the Hungarian folk songs, that is;

make concert versions for these wonderful songs. Among other compositions are arrangements of popular tunes in the style of classical and romantic composers and a song cycle, "*Childworld Views*" based on Robert Louis Stevenson's "*A Child's Garden of Verses*" which was also performed at Third Street Music School Settlement.

Several of Hugh's compositions and arrangements have been performed by Pianist Ray Luck who will be visiting Toronto in March of this year.

(Article submitted by Leyland Muss)

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Lynette Dolphin celebrates 80th.

Ms. Lynette Dolphin joined the staff of Queen's College in September 1943 as Prep Form Mistress and Music Teacher. (This was during the era of H. V. 'Paupée' Taitt). During the Sanger-Davies years the Prep form was abolished. Mr. Taitt retired and Lynette then became Music mistress, serving in this role until she was appointed to head up the Department of Culture. Ms. Dolphin retired a few years ago. Her birthday was marked by a mass which included a performance by the Woodside Choir under the leadership of Billy Pilgrim. A party followed. It was attended by some of Lynette's former students from the Teachers' Training College as well as several friends and well-wishers. The house overflowed with flowers and cards including one from President Cheddi Jagan. Some days later a larger celebration was held in her honor at Queen's College, arranged by QC headmistress Diana Rutherford in cooperation with QCOSA. Tributes were paid by Master of Ceremonies Vic Insanally, QCOSA Past President and Chancellor of the Judiciary Aubrey Bishop as well as QCOSA President and Commissioner of Police, Laurie Lewis. Also present were Lynette's sister Coreen Roberts (widow of Lloyd) and former Bishops' High School Headmistress Carmen Jarvis (nee Peterkin) who began her teaching career at Queen's.

(Excerpt from a QCOSA article).

Q.C REUNION '97

New York

AGENDA

On the evening of Friday August 29th there will be a Welcome Reception and informal sip-and-chat.

Saturday August 30th: Morning and afternoon - Pre-arranged tours of New York City, Circle Line boat tour of Manhattan, tour of the World Trade Center.

Saturday Evening - Formal Ball (dinner and dance) and Award ceremonies.

Sunday August 1st: Morning ICQC Meeting.

Sunday afternoon - Reunion Bar-B-Que and fete.

Monday, September 1st: (Labor Day):

All day until 6pm - West Indian Carnival parade, Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn.

Continued socializing at Yvonne's Restaurant, Crown Street and Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, during and after the parade.

Further information regarding accommodation and transportation, will be published in subsequent newsletters.

GET WELL SOON

The Board of Directors and the Editorial staff of the Toronto Chapter wish President Dr. Cheddi Jagan a speedy recovery.

QCAA V.P. Arthur Henery and Past V.P. Roland Carroll are also sent our best regards.

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Aubrey Bishop awarded Order of Roraima

In the recent 30th Independence Anniversary Honours List, the Hon. A F R Bishop, Chancellor of the Judiciary, received Guyana's second highest award, the Order of Roraima (OR). Aubrey attended QC from 1943-50 and was a former President of the Guyana Old Students Association. He was Chief Justice before assuming the post of Chancellor.

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Computer Learning and Resource Centre



According to the Queen's College Old Students' Association (Guyana) January 1997 newsletter, the Computer Learning Centre has been completed and was scheduled to be officially opened on Friday 17th January 1997 at 8:45 a.m. Computer studies courses will henceforth be included in the school curriculum.

The computer lab contains:

- 25 PC's,
- 8 printers with ribbons,
- 8 APC Surge protectors,
- 3 Tripp-Lite Voltage Regulators,
- 3 Air-Conditioner units.

The QC Old Students' Association has selected Mr. Lance Hinds M.Sc., Computer Science, and Ms. Tessa Oudkerk M.Sc. Computer Systems Engineering, to manage the computer centre the first year, during which time permanent teaching and management staff will be recruited.

Mr. Hinds has had ten years' experience as a computer professional in Guyana and the US., while Ms. Oudkerk has been in practice for four years. Both of these QC graduates will be providing their services on a

voluntary basis.

In order to sustain the computer lab at the highest standards and to implement security systems for the protection of the equipment, cost recovery systems are planned. These include the offering of computer training courses to the general public on a commercial basis.

The formation of a Queen's College Computer Society is also planned.

Dr. Richard Alsopp's Magnum Opus Dictionary of Caribbean English Usage

Dr. S.R.R. Allsopp's Dictionary of Caribbean English Usage [697 pp, Oxford, \$50], covers Caribbean English words and phrases used in the region bounded by Guyana, Belize, the Bahamas and the Leeward-Windward islands. The dictionary contains over 20,000 entries, full etymologies trace each entry to its African, Indian, Amerindian, Chinese, French and other European roots. Dr. Allsopp and his team of assistants spent twenty years researching the dictionary and travelled widely in order to explore the roots of such words as *backra*, *dougl*, *mauga*, *gody*, *mako-man*, *payass* and *stelling*. A French and Spanish Supplement edited by Dr. Allsopp's wife Jeannette (nee Mercurius) is also included. He is a member of the Editorial Board of the New Oxford English Dictionary. Dr. Allsopp, who lives in Barbados, recently retired from the UWI where he was Reader in English Language and Linguistics.

Karl Brown

Mr. Brown taught Geography in the fifties and left Queen's in 1960 to take up the position as principal of Anna Regina Secondary. He and his lovely wife Moira have been residing in Scotland for sometime now.

At the invitation of the Anna Regina Alumni Assoc. (Toronto), the Browns will be visiting Toronto in late September 1997. A Grand Ball is being arranged by the ARSS Alumni Assoc. And the Browns will be happy to see as many of their old friends as possible.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday April 20th 1997

Notice is hereby given that the 6th Annual General Meeting of the Queen's College of Guyana Alumni Association (Toronto) will be held on Sunday April 20th 1997 at the All Saints Anglican Church Hall, 315 Dundas Street East (near Sherbourne St) at 1:30 p.m. (Parking at 210 Dundas Street East - 1 block from the Church Hall)

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Minutes of 5th Annual General Meeting
3. Matters Arising
4. President's Address
5. Adoption of Statement of Accounts for the year ended January 30th 1997 and the report of the Auditor
6. Election of office bearers for 1997/1998
7. Appointment of an Auditor
8. Amendment to Constitution
9. Notice of Motions
10. Any other business
11. Adjournment

By order of the Executive Committee

Roderic Allsopp

Secretary

N.B.

1. Notice of Motion must reach the Secretary forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting.
2. Members who are unable to attend the meeting in person are requested to date and sign the enclosed proxy form.
3. A member may execute a maximum of three (3) proxy votes, except for the Secretary, who may receive mailed proxies.

Light refreshments will be served

PROXY VOTE

I/We, the undersigned, being members in good standing, hereby nominate and second the following person(s) for the undertmentioned position(s).

President _____

Vice President #1 _____

Vice President #2 _____

Vice President #3 _____

Secretary _____

Asst Secretary/Treasurer _____

Director #1 _____

Director #2 _____

Director #3 _____

Director #4 _____

Nominated by: _____
Signature

Seconded by: _____
Signature

Name in full _____
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Date _____

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(Membership costs \$25.00 per year, payable on 28th February)

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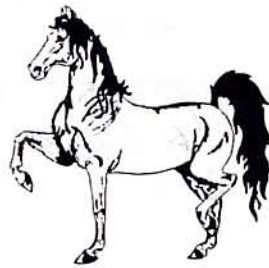
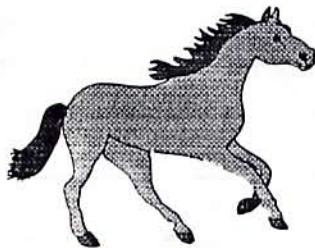
Please return, along with \$25.00 cheque to: QC Alumni, 701 - 205 Wynford Dr. Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3P4

A DAY AT THE RACES... WHAT A DAY!

Article by Joe Permaul (alumnus)

On Sunday September 22, 1996, forty-two persons, alumni, family members and friends paid \$24.95 each and had a whale of a time at the Ontario Jockey Club's Woodbine Race Track. Not even the rain was able to put a damper on the occasion which had been previously postponed due to a strike by parimutuel employees. Folks came from as far West as Brantford and from Whitby in the West.

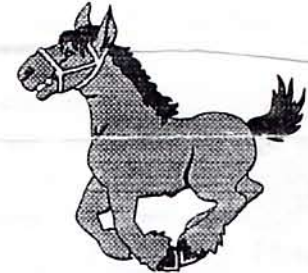
A full thoroughbred racing card kept the punters busy all afternoon at the betting machines, but probably not as busy as the 3-hour "all-you-can eat" buffet lun



Seated in the Post Parade section of the Club House, everyone had an unobstructed view of the entire track and were most vociferous, to say the least, in rooting for their chosen horse or jockey as the case might be. The air was charged with excitement. For those of us who spent our Prep Form days in the Girl Guide pavillion opposite the Durban Park track in Guyana, fond memories of racing days were rekindled.

From what I saw and heard, quite a few members of the group went home richer than when they had arrived. Everyone seemed to be

having a great time, so much so that one repeatedly heard the words.... "WE HAVE TO DO THIS AGAIN!""LET'S MAKE THIS AN ANNUAL EVENT" and such like.



For \$24.96 (taxes and gratuities included), the Ontario Jockey Club provided admission, program, free parking, table bar service, and of course that 3-hour buffet lunch. And the horses? Great stuff! The QCAA executive wishes to thank all those who attended. We look forward to your future participation in... "A DAY AT THE RACES" Your comments and suggestions are most welcome.

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