



Q.C. NEWS!

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

LAST LAP LIME '97

It's Another Big One, Caribana Monday.

Once again staged jointly by the Queen's, Saints, Bishops, St. Rose's and St. Joseph's alumni associations, this year's lime will be held on Monday August 4th at the Tam Heather Country Club, 730 Military Trail, Scarborough.

The Lime starts at 7:00 am. with breakfast of salt-fish bakes, bacon & eggs then continues through the day with coconut

water, drinks and curry and roti, children's games, steel pan music by Tommy Crichlow and much, much more.

The dance starts in the evening and continues all night.

Tam Heather Country Club is on Military Trail which runs West off Morningside Avenue in Scarborough.

LAST LAP LIME TICKETS:

\$10.00 for Lime & Dance

or

\$5.00 for the Lime only.

For more details, see the flyer included with this newsletter or call Aubrey (905) 792-9855

Q.C International Reunion New York, 29th Aug. to 2nd Sept.

Reserve your tickets now!

Revisit old friends and make new ones! The third international reunion in New York next month is open to QC grads and your spouses as well as friends and well-wishers.

Come to New York to wine, dine, socialize and plan the future of the International Alumni Association! The reunion, hosted by the New York chapter, starts at 767 Washington Avenue in Brooklyn and continues on with tours of New York, Labour Day Parade in Brooklyn, Barbecue and games.

(please see page 3 for schedule)

Krish Mahesh elected President at Toronto Chapter A.G.M.

At the meeting on 20th April, Krish Mahesh was elected President. New faces on the board are Aubrey Kennedy, Ataur Bacchus, Lionel Singh and Ronald Wharton (see page 2)

Karl Brown formal ball, 13th September

The Anna Regina Secondary School alumni association is hosting a formal ball in honor of Karl and Moira Brown at the Quality Inn on Saturday 13th September (details on page 3)

Opportunities in Botswana!

Professor Charlie Cambridge is looking to recruit Engineers from various fields for a Botswana Government project. Competitive wages and benefits are offered (see page 3)

Upcoming Events Schedule

A full schedule of 1997 events may be found on page 4.

Sports Agenda:

Sizzling Soccer, Cricket Picnic

The annual QC vs Saints soccer and cricket matches will be staged on 26th July & 7th September respectively. These events are always great fun, friendly rivalry and aching bones. The Cricket match will be combined with a picnic. QC will surely break their losing streak this year (turn to page 3)

A message from the President of the Toronto Chapter

It is a pleasure to send this first message to all alumni since having been elected President in the April 1997 elections. In keeping with our objectives, our support to Queen's College over the years has come from donations and the profits realized from fund-raising activities. Our alma mater is grateful and we thank you for your continued support. For the future we would like to make an even more significant contribution to Guyana and feel that this could be achieved with greater attendance at our functions. As an immediate step, if you are not already a financial member of our Toronto Chapter, please consider joining today! I also urge you to participate fully in the activities planned for the 97/98 year as shown in this newsletter. Please enter the dates in your diaries and spread the word to others!

In particular, I would like to encourage our alumni in Canadian to attend the 1997 International Reunion in New York City (Aug 29 - Sept 2) This would be a golden opportunity to renew old acquaintances from so many countries, share memories and contribute financially to the maintenance of the glorious traditions of Queen's College. Hope to see you there!

On behalf of the new executive committee, I extend warmest greetings to all of you, our members and your families.

Krish Mahesh,
President,
QCAA Toronto Chapter

New QC Alumni Executive

At the Annual General Meeting of 20th April 1997, the following board was elected..

President..... Krish Mahesh
Vice-Presidents.. Gerald Alleyne,
Kathryn Eytle,
Albert Ramprasad
Secretary..... Aubrey Kennedy
Treasurer..... Lionel Mann
Asst. Secty/
Treasurer..... Lionel Singh
Directors..... Roderic Allsopp
Ataur Bacchus
Syed Rayman
Ronald Wharton
Past President..... Leyland Muss

Guyana Q.C. Alumni Executive

President..... Laurie L. Lewis
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Secretary..... Marcel Gaskin
Treasurer..... Daniel Wallace
Asst. Secty/
Treasurer..... Mark Kirton
Phy. Ed.
& Sports..... Henry Greene
Public Relations John Yates
Committee
Members:
Andrew Arjoon, Lance Hinds,
Raymond Kahlil, Tessa Oudkink,
Terry Housty, Romeo Dabee.

Articles Wanted!

Kindly submit articles, opinions,
suggestions, photographs (black &
white on matt finish) to:

Editor, QC NEWS,
305 - 1050 Stainton Drive,
Mississauga L5C 2T7

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

Letter from the editor

I recently spoke with Charlie Cambridge who is now a Professor of Business Studies at the California State University in Chico and some old memories came flooding back. I think the year might have been 1964.. 'Slanty' Rodway and 'Breezy' Eyre were trying to teach us English and 'Salvete' Hetram was thundering around spewing Latin and wearing his hair in the fashion of the Roman senators. Charlie Cambridge and his older brother were already as big as bears and as mean as junk-yard dogs. Tall, wiry Johnathan Exeter (from Wakenaam) was looking for 'a little respect'.

I don't know who started the quarrel or why, but the rumour circulated that Exeter and Cambridge were going to fight it out on Friday afternoon on the playing field. This was going to be a great battle!

Now that was around the time that the Russians had put the dog into orbit in Sputnik, and myself, Derrick Bernard, Frederick Sam-Lindo and Micheal Choo-Hum were busy trying to develop our own rocket fuel in an attempt to emulate the Russians. Our amateur rocketry society was under siege from David Fitt and his espionage group whose mission was to infiltrate our society and destroy our blueprints.

I missed that epic Exeter/Cambridge battle.. I still don't know the outcome!

Andy "Prof" Knight

Happy 50th Anniversary, Clement and Enid Yhap!

Best wishes go out to Clement 'Balance' Yhap and his wife Enid on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. The QC Alumni Association wishes you many more happy years together.

Correction

The donation of 1050 school ties was incorrectly reported in our March '97 issue.. The QC ties were donated by the UK QC Alumni Assoc. and generously supplied at cost by Franklin Ishmael

QC International Reunion Schedule

Friday 29th August - Registration, 7:00pm. followed by Welcome Reception and informal sip-and-chat, at Wyhaus, 767 Washington Avenue.

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

Saturday Evening - Formal Ball Dinner-Dance and Award ceremonies:

Glen Terrace Ave. N., Brooklyn NY.

Sunday August 31st:

11:00am. - ICQC Exec. C'tee. meeting.

2:00pm. - Bar-B-Q and fete.

Monday Sept. 2nd: (Labour Day):

All day to 6:00pm - West Indian Carnival parade.. Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn.

There will be lots of socializing at Yvonne's Restaurant, Crown Street and Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, during and after the parade.

Tickets are \$100.00

This fee includes:

One admission to formal ball, reunion, barbecue and fete.

One engraved souvenir pen,

One engraved portfolio,

One souvenir magazine.

Spouses & guests:

\$65.00 for formal ball,

\$5.00 for barbecue.

**The reunion will be held at
767 Washington Avenue
(between St. John & Sterling
Place) Brooklyn, New York.**

We plan to charter a bus and to rent a block of hotel rooms so that alumni may enjoy bargain rates for the occasion. The projected costs are \$60 per bus seat, \$60/night per hotel room. Reserve your seats early before they're all sold out!

Call Syed Rayman at (416) 412-0103

Cybernauts may register by visiting the New York QC Alumni Website at:
www.kaieteur.com/qcsite/reuinfo

Cricket match and picnic

The annual QC vs Saints cricket match will be held on Sunday, 7th September at noon to 6:30pm. at Sunnybrooke Park (Leslie at Eglinton Ave. East) in Toronto.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy some great cricket, meet some old friends and make some new ones. Bring your picnic basket, ghetto blaster, come out and have a great time! There will be refreshments on sale, organized games of volleyball, soccer, tug-of-war, as well as kids' games such as tug-of-war, egg-and-spoon races, etc. If you are a cricketer yourself, there may even be an opportunity to display your skill.

Hope to see you there! For more information please contact **Albert Ramprasad at (905) 728-2255.**

Soccer Match

The annual QC vs Saints' soccer match will be held on Saturday 26th July at 3:00 pm. at Malvern Park (McLevin at Neilson). This year the QC Alumni hope to break their losing streak (this match is traditionally won by Saints). If you wish to join the QC team, call **Stanley Chang-Choon (416) 499-1787**

Karl Brown

Karl Brown and his lovely wife Moira will arrive in Toronto on the 12th September. The Anna Regina Secondary School Alumni Assoc. has arranged a formal dinner/dance in their honor on Saturday 13th September at 7:00pm. at the Quality Inn at Hwy 401 /Warden. Tickets are \$30 each. The Browns will be happy to see as many of their old friends as possible.

**For further information contact
Syed Rayman at (416) 412-0103**

Botswana Engineering opportunities

Prof. Charlie Cambridge of the California State University is leading a Botswana Government project which is seeking to recruit Civil, Electrical, Mechanical & Sanitation Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors and Engineering Project Leaders.

Wage range: \$US \$20k to \$45k. There is also a generous tax-free end-of-contract gratuity of up to 30% of total gross salary. Charlie is anxious to hear from interested QC graduates

Contact Charlie Cambridge..

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Ray Luck piano recital

Article by Jane Chin

It wasn't 'summertime when the livin' is easy'. It was smack bang, right in the middle of winter. The forecast said, "SNOW STORM!" and kept Ray Luck, the featured soloist, snowbound in Lynchburg, preventing him from arriving until the very day of the concert.

Lynette Dolphin, 'Guyanese icon'

Lynette Dolphin was on hand, as a special guest of the QC Alumni Assoc., to introduce Ray Luck.. "An icon", the QC Alumni Association President said, when he introduced Lynette Dolphin. 'Head of the Music Department at QC'. Yes, that she was indeed. But she was infinitely more than that! Lynette was the mover and shaker of the Music Teachers' Association, the Music Festival, and together with her sister Celeste, the Guyana Broadcast to Schools program. Continued on page 4..

Schedule of 1997 Events

- July 26th :** Soccer, QC vs Saints (3pm).. Malvern Park (McLevin/Neilson)
- Aug 4th :** Last Lap Lime (7am. - 1am).. Tam Heather Country Club, 730 Military Trail, T.O. Tickets \$10, \$15 avail from Board members.
- Aug 29th -** QC International Reunion in New York
- Sept 2nd : Tickets \$100, \$65, - Lionel Mann (416) 495-8708
 Travel arrangements - Syed Rayman (416) 412-0103
- Sept 7th :** Cricket, QC vs Saints.. Sunnybrooke Park
 - Albert Ramprasad, (905) 728-2255
- Nov 7th :** Dominos/Cards night.. The Roof Gardens, Lawrence/Markham - Lionel Mann, (416) 926-7054
- Nov 15th :** Literary evening - Albert Ramprasad, (905) 728-2255
- Nov 8th :** Fall Dinner-Dance (7:30pm).. Lithuanian Community Center, 1573 Bloor St. W. Toronto. Tickets are \$30 each.
 - Gerald Alleyne (416) 868-7952

arrangement of *Uncle Joe/Hol' Im Joe*, dedicated to Miss Dolphin and first performed by Ray in Guyana, 1997. As a fellow West Indian, I feel Joe would not know he had to hold the donkey in *'the donkey want water'*, so modernistic and aesthetic was it. The icing on the cake was undoubtedly Robert Schumann's *Traumerei*. The audience loved it.. so unpretentious and delicate, the feeling not at all hard to find.

Hugh Sam presents Hall of Fame award

At the end of the evening, Ray's willingness and generosity were formally recognised when he was presented with a Hugh Sam's 'Hall of Fame' Award. (Hugh explained that there *should* be a Guyanese Hall of Fame and in anticipation of this, he designated Ray Luck as the first award winner. During a pause in the recital, Ray was startled and rendered speechless when a member of the audience put our thoughts into words by loudly and sensually proclaiming, "Ray, I *love* the magic you do with the ivories!" Bravo! (Jane Chin is a Guyanese living in Toronto and a *pupil of Miss Dolphin's to this day*)

Ray Luck Recital (cont'd)

Purveyor par excellence of the music of the great composers in Guyana, and Keeper of Guyana's music culture. Stunning in a full length Moroccan dress, Lynette treated us to a comprehensive overview of Ray Luck's musical career, from Town Hall performances "as a kid in short khaki pants" to his concert appearances the world over, the master classes and his Fulbright Fellowship in the Caribbean. Lynette reminded us that we are

inseparable from our roots. We are nurtured by our roots and rise and fall by them.. Guyanese we are and Guyanese we shall always be! The concert was a mellower, vintage Ray - academic, a sense of history and occasion, lyrical, technically sound. The program treated us to a theme based mostly on Naples and Venice, and thus the *barcarolle* and *tarentelle*. There were examples of these forms from Chopin, Schubert, Poulene and Liszt. Also included was Hugh Sam's

Membership Application & Information Update Form

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

Please renew my membership Please enrol me as a member Please update my file

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Please return, along with \$25.00 cheque to: QC Alumni, 10 Calora Ct., Scarborough, Ontario M1W 2Z9