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Greetings to members of Florida's Alumni Community!

We hope your new year started out well and you are looking forward to a healthy and very productive year. Let's hope that there will be no mid-week blues and that each day will be just as bright and fulfilling as the other.

Our alumni community is alive and well and you will see 4 events for February and March 2022 on pages 4-6. We are certain there will be more events on the horizon, and we look forward to them.

This year, Jamaica will celebrate its 60th year of independence. We do hope that there will be an event that the alumni associations can "own" that will be a part of South Florida's 60th Independence celebration. If you have any ideas about what our alumni community could do to celebrate Jamaica's 60th year of independence, please share them with us.

Alumni Spotlight



For 2022 we will be including an "alumni spotlight" feature in our newsletter. This may include interesting individual or school stories, anecdotes and happenings in your association. This month we shine the spotlight on DeCarteret Past Students' Alliance (See pages 2 – 3). Please send us any of the items above and we will be happy to include them in the newsletter. The February 2022 newsletter will be published the first week of February 2022.

Members of Clarendon College Alumni will be happy to read that their alma mater won the ISSA Champions Cup by defeating Dinthill Technical High School 1 – 0. This is Clarendon College's first ISSA Championship and makes them the second rural area team to win the Champions Cup title after Cornwall College's triumph in 2018. ***Congratulations Clarendon College!!***



Alpha Academy Alumna and attorney at law **Dahlia Walker-Huntington** has re-located her office to 261 N University Drive, (500-13), in Plantation, Florida. A former student of the CONVENT OF MERCY (ALPHA Academy), Dahlia is a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA). Her firm focuses on immigration and family law; and family and county court mediation. We are thankful for Dahlia's encouragement over the years, and for her role in helping to strengthen this umbrella organization.

We close with this cliché, "a rising tide, floats all boat". The idea here is that an improved and vibrant alumni community benefits ALL stakeholders in our community. Please continue to support your association and the others when they are having events, because by so doing you will be helping the "alumni tide" to rise, and ALL boats in our alumni community will float.

Sandra G Rupert

SPOTLIGHT ON DECARTERET PAST STUDENTS' ALLIANCE (DPSA)

Calling all DCites to Support Our de Carteret with your funds, resources and time. Thanks in advance

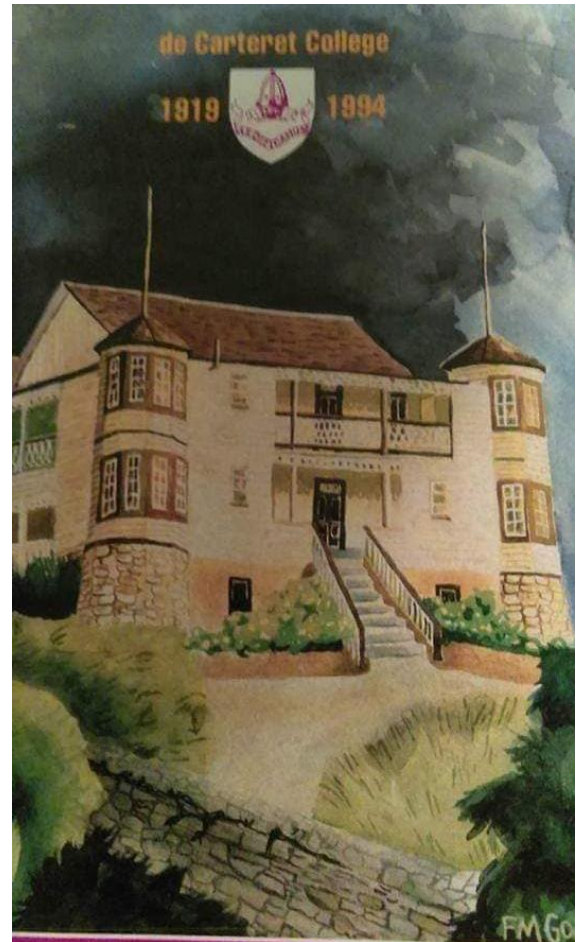


You may ask, and with reason, why should a school as good as de Carteret College have any questions as to its' future continuance. And the answer, paradoxically, is that just because it is such a good school, is the very reason why that continued existence is now endangered. It's because the school has been more interested in making progress, than in making profits – more intent on giving a fine and rich education to its youngsters, than in enriching its own treasury."

Your support is very much needed and welcomed. Let's all keep the Purple and White flying high.

DeCarteret Past Students Alliance (DPSA) is a collective of DeCarteret College Past Students whose aim is to serve the needs of financially challenge students in the form of a school nutrition program.

DPSA was started January 18, 2020. DPSA is a very young organization with a current goal of expanding its membership by reaching out to DeCarteret College alumni in hopes that everyone can make a monthly financial contribution that will make a difference in a child's life. It is also our aim to have members of every cohort represented on various committees and sub-committees. We will establish an outreach program where every member will be tasked with connecting with members of their graduating class in order to expand and strengthen



the Alliance. In a nutshell DPSA was born around the mantra that "to whom much is given much is expected." The lasting effect of this outreach will enable DPSA to establish chapters in North America, United Kingdom and Jamaica. Thereafter a non-profit organization will be registered in the Alliance's name. The Vision The vision is based on the deficiencies that all founding members witnessed along with the stories of others that was of hardships during and after our attendance at DeCarteret College. These challenges prevent many students from taking advantage of many

critical educational and extra-curricular opportunities available to them. As a group we decided that we can make a difference by creating a foundation of substance that will assist our beloved alma mater DeCarteret College in its nutrition program and special projects by providing essential necessities, financial and otherwise through its fundraising activities that will have a positive and profound effect on our alma mater and all its students past, present and future. "Together we continue to build."

From the [Facebook](#) Page

THREE JAMAICANS RECEIVE US COLLEGIATE RECOGNITION

Paul Reid

Jamaica Observer

Friday, January 14, 2022



Three Jamaicans attending Clemson University were recognised by the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) as the Indoor Track and Field Performers of the Week on Tuesday.

Former Kingston College runner Tarees Rhoden and throwers Roje Stona and Marie Forbes were outstanding at Saturday's Orange and Purple Elite Meet hosted by Clemson at their indoor facility in South Carolina.

Rhoden, who transferred from Division 2 Oklahoma Baptist, set the school record and new personal best in the 600m after clocking 1:17.81 minutes that currently ranks fourth nationally.

Rhoden led throughout the race and finished more than 50 metres ahead of his nearest competitors on the final lap, a release from the ACC said.

Stonja, formerly of St Jago, won the shot put with a personal best throw of 18.31 metres, 14th best nationally thus far and is third all-time on the Clemson list.

Forbes, who attended Vere Technical and Cloud County Community College before moving to Clemson, equalled the meet record with a throw of 18.91m in the weight throw, just off

EVENTS ON THE HORIZON



HOLY TRINITY ALUMNI FLORIDA CHAPTER
PRESENTS

A VALENTINE'S DINNER

UNDER THE *Stars*

MENU SELECTIONS

CHOICE 1	CHOICE 2
RUM GLAZED SALMON WITH ROASTED ALMOND & HERB GARLIC COUS COUS WITH VEGGIE MEDLEY	5 SPICE CHICKEN & SCALOP POTATOES WITH VEGGIE MEDLEY

CATERED BY *Chef* DENNIS

**CASHBAR
TICKET**
COST
\$35 PER PERSON
\$60 PER COUPLE

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MC GARFIELD ALLEN
MUSIC BY
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**FUN AND GAMES
GAME ROOM**
Plus
MORE

SATURDAY,
FEB. 12TH, 2022 @ 5PM - 10PM

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Save the Date



STATHS SFL ALUM

presents

A *Spring* Virtual Solar Fundraising Event

March 5, 2022

8pm - 12am

FEATURING

Raffle drawing and other prizes and surprises with a line up of exciting performers and a special tribute to the late **VOLIER "MAFFI" JOHNSON**.

Production by DMR Production

FURTHER DETAILS TO FOLLOW...

ARDENNE ALUMNI FLORIDA
Presents
FUN DAY PICNIC

**FEB
26**

**SATURDAY
12 PM - 5PM**

LUNCH INCLUDED

PROCEEDS IN AID OF ARDENNE



MUSIC BY DJ CAPONE

MARKHAM PARK SHELTER 1

16001 W SR 84
SUNRISE FL 33326

PRICE \$25.00

501

FUN DAY PICNIC

**SATURDAY
FEB 26TH**

**LUNCH INCLUDED
12 NOON**

MARKHAM PARK SHELTER 1

MUSIC BY DJ CAPONE

PRICE \$25.00

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Immaculate Conception High School
Alumnae Association – Florida Chapter
8th Annual



**FISH FRY
& B.B.Q**

Drive-Thru

Sat March 12TH 2022

12:00 Noon – 4:00PM

**MARKHAM PARK
SHELTER 5**

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**\$20
FISH DINNER
FRIED OR ROAST**



**\$15
CHICKEN
DINNER**




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