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The start of 2007 finds the University community engaged in Strategic planning for the period 2007-2012 and planning for the celebration of UWI’s 60th anniversary in 2008. It is imperative that UWI alumni make their voices heard and their presence felt in these very important exercises. Many of you now have children either at UWI or who have themselves graduated from UWI. How can we best serve a second and third generation of UWI families? How can you help us make a deference for your children and grandchildren? We would be thrilled to hear from you. This edition of The Tower once again demonstrates that we have much cause for celebration of the achievements of UWI alumni, staff and students. We look forward to your support in 2007.

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Antiguan Dale Destin made history when he received his Bachelor of Science degree at the October 2006 graduation with an unprecedented triple major in information technology, meteorology and mathematics and with First Class Honours. This achievement is no small feat by any means and is even more to be celebrated when the challenges which Dale overcame are taken into account. Having grown up in very depressed circumstances, not passing the 11-plus examination on the first try for reasons other than ability, and then going to work in the construction industry on leaving secondary school, Dale came to UWI Cave Hill in 2003 when he was awarded a scholarship by the World Meteorological Organisation. He credits his outstanding achievement to determination and the encouragement of persons who urged him to pursue his education.

The Second Annual Principal’s Awards of Excellence were presented during the Annual Awards Ceremony in December. Professor of West Indian Literature Mark McWatt was awarded for his outstanding academic and research accomplishments and for winning three best books awards in 2006; Professor of Public Law Albert Fiadjoe also won his award for outstanding research accomplishments and for being recognised internationally for his work in the area of Alternative Dispute Resolution; Physicist Dr. Upindranath Singh was awarded for outstanding academic and research accomplishments, for his work in the area of molecular and liquid crystals and having successfully established an Experimental Physics Laboratory as well as supervising the first PhD graduate in Physics from the Campus. J’Anne Rudder was honoured for exemplary service in the Administrative, Technical and Service Staff category for her outstanding organising and problem solving ability, creativity and innovativeness.

Shontelle Layne, a Barbadian student in the Faculty of Law, is on a roll following her songwriting success with the 2005 Crop-over hits “Roll” sung by Alison Hinds and “Colours”, winner of the Party Monarch and Road March, sung by UWI alumna Natalie “Natahlee” Burke (B.A., Class of 1999). Shontelle, a final year student, song writer and performer, has landed a seven-album contract with one of the most prestigious recording labels in the world, which also produces for Damian Junior Gong Marley. She is also a member of the writing and production team working with Barbadian singing sensation Rihanna.
In honour of the launch of the Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination, we take a look at three alumni Wayne Willock and Ophelia and McCarthy Marie who have made unique contributions to two Caribbean music genres - tuk in Barbados and creole music in Dominica. We had the pleasure of welcoming Ophelia Marie back to the Campus to perform at the launch of the Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination in December.

WAYNE “POONKA” WILLOCK
KING OF TUK

Wayne not only writes and sings both calypso and folk music, but also performs as a percussionist in these genres, as well as jazz. He plays most percussion instruments, as well as commercial drums, piano and flute or penny whistle. He conducts workshops in drumming for the National Cultural Foundation and has been percussionist with the Crop Over Festival Band from its inception in 1974. Not satisfied with this, he is now learning to play the steel pan. He started singing calypso in 1983 and reached the Barbados national calypso monarch semi-finals on nine occasions and the finals on four occasions during the period to 1995. In 1996, he recorded a CD called “Best of Poonka”.

What Wayne is most well known for though is his pioneering role in defending, preserving and promoting tuk band music, which is an indigenous art form that has its origins on the slave plantations and is based on the rhythms of the bass and kettledrum. Poonka is the first musician to immerse tuk band music into calypso. Almost single handedly, he has taken tuk from a bank holiday music, played mostly in rum shops to a well-accepted and celebrated part of Bajan culture. He is the leader of Ruk-A-Tuk International Inc, which has won the tuk band competition on seven consecutive occasions and has represented Barbados over the past 15 years in places like New York, England Scotland, Cuba, Martinique, South Carolina, New Orleans and Germany. Since incorporating in 1999, Ruk-A-Tuk Inc. has developed brochures on the history of tuk and produced CDs of tuk music, including one of Christmas tuk music. “It takes a lot of guts, individuality and perseverance to be successful in this business,” Wayne said of his involvement in the music industry. For the past six years, he has been coordinator of the Cultural and Historical Exposure for Kids in Schools (CHEKS) programme for the Ministry of Education. In this capacity, Wayne supervises the instruction of stilt-walking, tuk band music and Landship dance to young students. He is also coordinator of the Junior Calypso Monarch Competition for the National Cultural Foundation.

The name Poonka should probably be included in the Dictionary of Caribbean English. When a Bajan tells you that you are “like Poonka” they mean that you are difficult to find, that you are “all over the place”, in the words to the popular calypso penned by Wayne “Poonka” Willock (Class of 1978). When Poonka says he is “all over the place”, he is serious. Teacher, educational administrator, musician, entrepreneur - these are just some of the roles Wayne Willock performs on a daily basis. At the Alleyne School in Barbados he is a Senior Teacher and Year Head. Wayne is well trained for these roles. In addition to the Bachelor of Arts degree (1979), he holds the Diploma of Education (1985) and the Certificate of Educational Management and Administration (1998) from UWI. As a musician,
Think about creole music and the nature isle, Dominica, immediately springs to mind. Synonymous with Dominica and creole music is the name Ophelia Marie, one of the first and most renowned proponents of the genre. Ophelia and her husband, McCarthy Marie, both graduated from UWI Cave Hill in 1976 & 1972 respectively. McCarthy also obtained his Master of Science in Agricultural Economics at UWI St. Augustine in 1975. After embarking on careers in traditional fields (he first as an Assistant Lecturer in Economics at Cave Hill from 1977 to 1979 and then as an Economist in the Ministry of Planning in Dominica and she as a teacher), both went on to dedicate themselves to the development and promotion of creole music.

Ophelia released her first album in 1978, after winning the Dominica Patois Song Contest in 1970, 1971 and 1975. To date, she has recorded 13 albums, including one live in Paris at the prestigious Theatre de la Renaissance, the first live album of a Caribbean female artist. In 1992, Ophelia released her first video album entitled “Dominica Sweet”. She has performed extensively in France and the Caribbean, as well as in England, Germany and the USA. Among her many accolades and awards is the Maracas d’Or award in 1981 for her contribution to Caribbean music. She is the first artiste from a non-French country to receive this award. She has also received many awards in Dominica, including the Prominent Women’s Award (1985), the Fame Lifetime Award (1986) and the Sisserou Award of Merit (1999), the second highest national award of honour, for her contribution to Dominica’s culture and heritage.

McCarthy, who describes himself as “an entrepreneur in the music business”, is a songwriter and Ophelia’s manager. He is a recognised expert on copyright administration and has worked to establish the payment of copyright fees by major music users in Dominica, St. Lucia, Antigua, St. Kitts and Montserrat. He is an agent of the Performing Rights Society Ltd in Dominica and has chaired the Steering Committee of Dominica’s Guild of Songwriters and Composers Inc. He has also established the Mark Off recording studio at which young artistes have an opportunity to expose their talent and get on-the-spot coaching, as well as a feel for what a career in music could entail. But music is not the Marie’s only business interest. They also run the Chez Ophelia Cottage Apartments at Copt Hall in the Roseau Valley. The couple has two children and one granddaughter.
Barbados Chapter Celebrates Alumni Month 2006

October was a busy month for members of the Barbados Chapter. The month of activities got off to a start with a Church Service at the Lady Queen of our Universe Catholic Church in Black Rock. Alumni joined the congregation where blessings were rendered for the UWI and all members of the UWI community. President of the Chapter, Maxine McClean, addressed the congregation and invited alumni to get involved in the association and to join in the activities during the month. The second annual alumni lunch was held on October 8 and saw the introduction of the UWI Alumni Student Centredness Award. The inaugural lecture in the Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series was delivered on October 19, 2006 by distinguished alumnus Senator Sir Roy Trotman and a Career Development Workshop was put on by a group of alumni from the Sandy Lane Hotel Human Resources team for final year students and recent graduates on October 25. The annual Sports Evening was rained out on two occasions and so the alumni were not able to avenge their defeat in 2005. A series of promotional spots for television were produced to promote the events and there was excellent coverage in the local press. All in all, it was another successful effort to engage UWI alumni with their alma mater.

Photographs compliment Samuel Cumberbatch (B.Sc. Political Science with Public Sector Management 2001)
UK Chapter Hosts Student For The Summer

The UK Chapter has embarked on an "Alumni Apprenticeship Programme" for students in their second year on any Campus. According to President Vernon Barrett, "our aim is to initiate a regular opportunity for second year UWI student(s) in management and business studies to visit the UK during the summer break (prior to their final year) and experience life and work in another country." Alumni contribute to this exercise through mentoring the visiting student, providing job opportunities, engaging in a practical manner with the student and supporting further development of the alumni network. The Chapter welcomed Jamaican Yolande Hylton for six weeks during the summer of 2006. She visited London, Birmingham and Wales and got the chance to meet a UWI alumnus, who is a Senior Lecturer at Cambridge University Business School; Prevista, a UK management consultancy company; and J. Wray and Nephew a famous Jamaican company in London headed by a Jamaican alumna. If you would like to support this initiative, contact the UK Chapter at info@uwialumniuk.org.uk.

Inaugural Lecture
In Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series

Human resources practitioners, trade unionists, academics, students and alumni were among those who turned out on October 19, 2006 to hear alumnus Senator Sir Roy Trotman (B. A. General, Class of 1969) deliver the inaugural lecture in the Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series. Sir Roy addressed the topic "The Concept of Decent Work and its Implications for the Modern Workplace". In his usual calm, but hard-hitting style, Sir Roy noted that decent work was "an ideal devoutly sought after, frequently not found".

He said that the elements of "decent work" were first expressed by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) in a report entitled "A Fair Globalisation", which stated that "employment must be freely chosen; must provide an income sufficient to satisfy basic economic and family needs; rights and representation must be respected; basic security attained through one form or another of social protection; and adequate conditions of work assured."

Sir Roy cautioned that the stated intention of the Decent Work Agenda to make people considerations at least co-equal with economic matters would experience "significant testing" in the modern era. "One will find new efforts at denying rights and benefits previously enjoyed, or those which are basic and fundamental," he said. He urged governments and employers not to pursue wealth and employment creation without attention to social justice. Sir Roy affirmed that while the trade union movement accepted the need to embrace change, it would only accept a "Decent Work Plan for change" which meant social dialogue from a position of respect for the rights of workers.
A new award was launched during the October 2006 Alumni Month celebrations to recognise academic and frontline administrative staff who through their exceptional dedication, caring attention and commitment to the delivery of excellent service to students are considered role models within the University community. The award was developed by the UWIAA Barbados Chapter, the Campus Office of Alumni Relations and the UWISTAT Ambassadors Corps to bring attention to the vital link between positive student experiences and the creation of alumni affinity.

The first recipients of the Student Centredness Award were Cynthia Layne, Administrative Assistant in the Social Sciences Faculty Office and Jeff Cumberbatch, Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Law. Both Cynthia and Jeff expressed surprise, delight and a tremendous sense of pride when the awards were presented. “I consider it an honour to have been the first recipient of this award. Allow me, however, to give credit to those who preceded me and on whose shoulders I stand today. As a student in the Faculty of Law, I would have observed and admired many of my lecturers at that time, Professors Carnegie, Menon, and Chaudhary; Ms Norma Forde, Andrew Burgess and others. They brought us students not only proficient scholarship, but also approachability, concern and friendship. If today I am found deserving of honour for displaying such qualities, then I can only say that I have been well taught,” said Jeff. Cynthia said “I was rather surprised when I heard that I had been nominated for this award. This has been most unexpected. I am humble by this kind gesture and award and wish to thank the Alumni and all those responsible for this wonderful gesture. My number one priority has always been to assist students and be recognised in this way for what I did naturally, is truly humbling.”

In both categories, award recipients are required to: be a present member of staff; be regarded as making a great impact on students; and serve as a role model by epitomising sensitivity to the needs of students. In addition, the administrative staff awardee is required to: exemplify excellence as a frontline service provider; exhibit contagious enthusiasm for students’ welfare and success; and demonstrate delight in assisting students in the achievement of their academic and personal development goals. The academic staff member should: exemplify excellence as an educator; exhibit contagious enthusiasm for students’ learning and the ability to influence, motivate and inspire students to learn; demonstrate initiatives in developing innovative strategies in his/her teaching methods; and demonstrate delight in assisting students in all areas of academia.

We salute Cynthia and Jeff for their outstanding contributions to the development of students past and present!

Rose-Anne Maxwell (left) from the Alumni Office presents Mrs. Layne with her award while Gloria Grant, Vice-President of UWIAA Barbados Chapter looks on.

President of UWISTAT Cave Hill Garth Wilkin presents Mr. Cumberbatch with his award.
Jefferson Cumberbatch, one of the leading labour lawyers in the Commonwealth Caribbean, joined the Faculty of Law in 1980. Jeff has been always been regarded by students as one of the very best lecturers in the history of the Faculty. He demands excellence from his students and is also approachable, helpful and genuinely cares about students’ well being. His lectures are always compelling and thought provoking, encouraging students to carefully examine what they are learning and its impact on the wider society. In his teaching of the Law of Contract, generations of students have learnt from Jeff to view this subject which is otherwise technical and challenging, as intellectually accessible and “sexy”, (because parties consent, and discharge by performance or frustrate). His research and publications in this subject are nothing short of outstanding and have been cited in a leading English text. His teaching in the Law of Tort has been similarly top-draw as has been his course in Employment Law. He has served as Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Law for longer than any other person in the history of the Faculty and has served on numerous Campus and University Committees. In the area of service to the Barbadian and West Indian society, Jeff has employed his immense talent in the service of drafting important consumer legislation and serves on numerous important national bodies such as Chairman of the Small Claims Tribunal, Chairman of the National Insurance Tribunal, and Deputy Chairman of the National Task Force on Money Laundering. He sits as a director of the Advocate Newspaper and writes a weekly column in that newspaper which provides useful socio-legal insights into various contemporary issues. He shares his considerable knowledge in employment law with participants at numerous seminars and workshops in Barbados. Indeed, his expertise in this area is recognised regionally and internationally.

Mrs. Cynthia Layne is the Administrative Assistant, Faculty Office, Social Sciences. She joined the staff of the University, thirty-four years ago in 1972 as a Secretary in the UWI/Sussex University Research Project in Multi-racial Studies. Cynthia went on to hold appointments in the Bursary, the Department of Economics and the Faculty of Social Sciences where she has remained, but for brief pioneering stints in the Caribbean Justice Improvement Project and CERMES. Cynthia can be regarded as one of that famous trio of herself, Frank Alleyne and the late Wendell McClean, who overcame all odds in establishing what, has become the largest faculty on the Campus. Cynthia has become known across the campus for her excellence as an office professional—indeed, the benchmark against which other office professionals can be measured. She has been a practising proponent of “student friendliness” and “NISEness”, long before these terms became common currency. In that regard, she has not only seen several generations of alumni in the Faculty of Social Sciences but has contributed in no small part to their success through her interest, caring and counseling.

Extracted from the citation prepared by Andrew Burgess, former Dean of the Faculty of Law (LLB, Class of 1974) and former student Lisa Greaves (Class of 1996, 1999)
Jewel Garner (LLB. Class of 2004) joined the list of UWI students and alumni to demonstrate that beauty and brains are not mutually exclusive when she won the Miss Barbados Universe pageant on November 5, 2006. Of course, the most famous of our UWI beauty queens is Wendy Fitzwilliam (LLB, Class of 1996), who won the Miss Universe competition in 1998. Current student, Sascha Andrew-Rose from the Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences, also represented her home country St. Lucia twice - first at the 2004 Miss World Pageant in China and again at the Miss Universe Pageant in 2006 in Los Angeles. We wish Jewel the best of luck as she competes later this year! Here is how The Nation Newspaper reported on Jewel's win:

"I now have to balance beauty queen Jewel with attorney-at-law Jewel, so at this moment I’m not ready. I need to settle into my work life and see how my time management skills come into play, so over the next month or two I’ll be gradually preparing myself. By January I should be on my way to being ready," said the six-foot-tall queen, whose mother Heather is a teacher and former pageant winner and whose father Joel is a cricketing legend. "I think I can do a good job . . . but I wanted to achieve first. I didn’t want to be 'becoming' or 'in the process of' but I wanted to say 'I am'," she said, explaining that she wanted to earn her degree before entering the show of her dreams.

So why Law for this catwalk queen who speaks three foreign languages? "I wanted to be an interpreter, and did Spanish and French at 'A' level. I also studied German but not in the sixth form. I was hooked on the idea of international relations," she recalled. But a French penpal made her aware that this field was saturated, so Law, her second interest, became the subject and career of choice. It wasn’t a bed of roses after leaving her rather sheltered existence for a three-year stint in Trinidad. But her grades were high, and eventually she grew to enjoy the second and final years as she became more exposed to Law practice and assisted with legal aid.

Extract reproduced with the kind permission from an article in the Barbados Nation newspaper of November 10, 2006 written by Ricky Jordan
The development of the 3Ws Oval into a First Class cricket ground dates back to April 2003 when the world champion Australia Test Team visited the Caribbean. The event saw a UWI Vice Chancellor XI oppose the Australian Team in a three day (first class) match. The England Test team visited the Caribbean in March 2004 and played another first class game at the facility.

The recent installation of international cricket floodlights (October 2006) at the 3Ws Oval and the expansion of the Pavilion again reflect the progress made at the facility. To further complement the cricket programme at Cave Hill, the M. Sc. Cricket Studies, offered through the C. L. R. James Cricket Research Centre, began in the January 2007 semester. The programme is designed to develop managerial talent and improve understanding of issues related to West Indies cricket culture, management and leadership among cricket administrators, players, media experts, coaches and physical education teachers. The Sports Agronomy Research Unit (SARU) in the Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences was also recently established to conduct applied research in grasses and sports turfs for the Caribbean environment. SARU won a contract for test cricket pitches around the region for ICC World Cup 2007.

Cave Hill welcomed the cricketing world to the Campus. Many came out to support the Guild of Students during the warm up matches as they managed The UWI Posse Stand which provided live DJ, food and bar. The UWI Guild prides itself on being the first to accomplish this feat!

The Journey To Career Realisation: My Experience

By Shermaine Doughlin (B. Sc. Tourism and Hospitality Management, Class of 2005), a First Class Honours graduate and national of Grenada, who lives in Barbados with her husband Leonard and 15 month son Asaph

Having completed my degree, I was eager to put my knowledge and ideas to some productive use for the success of some business within the Tourism Industry. However, my excitement soon perished after several attempts to find employment failed. I was perplexed and very disappointed, feeling that I worked so hard at UWI only to discover that the transition into the world of work was not as easy as I had anticipated or perhaps been led to believe. Nevertheless, I sought to shake off the depression and to take action.

I decided to try less traditional methods of ‘getting my foot in the door’. Alternatively, I thought of seeking the assistance of the Alumni Office. So, I called the Office to explain my dilemma over not being able to obtain a job. As in a game of chess, making the right move is critical to the success of the game. As it turned out, that call was essential to what would follow.

When I made the call, the answering machine picked up, so, I went ahead and left my name and number, something that I seldom do. A few weeks after, I received a call from the Administrative Assistant. Fortunately, she needed some assistance in the office with preparatory work for the Alumni Month of activities and the alumni database project, but could only accept me as a volunteer. I was elated simply by the fact that I had some form of employment. I quickly accepted the offer and the next day I was at the office.

I knew that being in that office would provide me with the prime opportunity to network with alumni across various business sectors in Barbados. More than that, the attachment afforded me a chance to develop administrative and professional skills. I was also privileged to assist with the coordinating of a Career Development Workshop carded for final year students and alumni which was hosted by the Sandy Lane Alumni group. This workshop was timely and provided essential information. It highlighted practical methods of conducting job searches and helped those present to assess their career development options. I embraced the advice given on how to handle interview questions, particularly those that catch you unaware such as, identifying your weaknesses. A practical suggestion was to be very tactful when answering, go ahead and name a weakness but be sure to indicate your attempts to remedy this challenging area. Such an answer demonstrates that you are honest with yourself and with your potential employers. At the end of the workshop, we, the participants, came away with much food for thought.

Following that session, I sought to put these helpful tips to the test and I am delighted to report that I was recently successful in obtaining a job as a Supervisor/Trainer at the Barbados Community College, Hospitality Institute.

By Steven R Leslie (B.Sc. Computer Science & Accounting, 2006), Sports Coordinator in the C. L. R. James Cricket Research Centre at UWI Cave Hill and post-graduate student in the MSc. Cricket Studies programme.
On Thursday, December 7, 2006, Cave Hill celebrated the establishment of a new and long awaited member of the academy - the Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination. Named in honour of the Right Excellent Errol Walton Barrow, national hero and former Prime Minister of Barbados, the centre will work to nurture and promote the making, study and appreciation of the arts. As an arts village for artists, students, faculty and community, the centre will be a hub for creative expression and the creative cycle: creation, production, distribution, appreciation and preservation of art. An exciting programme is being developed under the leadership of Director, Professor Gladstone Yearwood, renowned Barbadian film scholar. A range of professional development, bachelor’s and master’s degree programmes will be offered through the School of Interdisciplinary Arts (SIA). The Bachelor of Fine Arts curriculum will allow students to explore individual creative expression in a variety of arts disciplines (Dance, Theatre, Creative Writing, Art and Design, Motion Picture Arts, Music) while studying theory, history and criticism of the arts. The Master of Arts in Arts Management and the Master of Fine Arts will also be offered, while research will be conducted through the proposed Caribbean Centre for Research, Education, Arts and Technology Empowerment (CREATE). An Annual Arts Calendar will present performances, lectures, film screenings, film festivals and exhibitions for the university and general public, while the campus and community arts outreach programme will involve community arts, youth and schools activities, technical assistance, lectures, exhibitions and performances as well as master classes and workshops.
The Office of Alumni Relations and the UWIAA Barbados Chapter teamed up with the Guild of Students last August in its annual “Meet and Greet” programme to welcome new students as they arrived at the Airport. The programme grew out of a desire to make the transition of non-Barbadian students to UWI and to Barbados as easy as possible. The experience was for me surprisingly heart rending and an “eye-opener”, since my son is just a few years away from moving on to University, perhaps outside of Barbados. I understood the look of anxiety on the faces of the freshers and their parents. In thinking about the many challenges we face in helping the freshers to settle in and how to prepare myself and my son for his leaving the nest for university, I realised that:

1. Preparation for University begins long before leaving home through the skills, attitudes and habits inculcated in the child – especially self-sufficiency, cultural openness and self-confidence.

2. Parents should ensure that their child’s accommodation is arranged well in advance – in particular they should have a realistic idea of the cost of living, including accommodation, what options are available off campus and what transportation is like.

3. If possible, a parent should accompany the child to the country, especially if it is their first time living away from home on their own.

4. Parents should try to make contact with other students who are still on campus or who have graduated so that they can get tips on accommodation, life on campus and other information that may be relevant.

5. A check should be made about the items that it will be necessary to bring. Some freshers came with everything from home except the kitchen sink!

The experience provided the opportunity to serve at a critical time and to ensure freshers a warm welcome to UWI.

Freshers paying rapt attention at the Annual Orientation 2006
Seeking Lost Friends

I am trying to reconnect with some lost friends. I graduated in 1996 under Joy E. Sawyer. Please let me know if you can help me reconnect with Gail Imhoff (Class of 1995), Patrick Smith (Class of 1996) and Christopher Symmonds (Class of 1996).

Joy Ferrell (nee Sawyer) (Class of 1996)
Please contact the Alumni Office and we can give you Joy’s email address.

Alumnus Heads 3M Asia Pacific

UWI Mona alumnus, Dr. Carlisle Boyce, (B.Sc. 1965) returned to the country of his birth, Barbados, to deliver the prestigious Annual Sir Winston Scott Memorial Lecture, hosted by the Central Bank of Barbados in honour of a former Governor General of Barbados on November, 2006. He received a standing ovation at the end of his presentation on the topic "Asia Pacific As An Emerging Powerhouse: Implications for Barbados and the Caribbean". Dr. Boyce is currently Executive Director, Industrial and Transportation Business of 3M Asia Pacific, part of the Minnesota based US Fortune 500 corporation, which operates in 60 countries and produces worldwide sales of more than US$15 billion from its range of 50,000 products. Dr. Boyce has been a member of the Board of Directors of 3M India since 2005. He began his career with 3M in London, Ontario as an Analytical Chemist. His contribution to business and academic life in London was recognised when he was appointed to the Board of Directors of the University of Waterloo (1989 - 1995).

Dr. Boyce presented an in-depth discussion of the economic growth models of three of the Asia-Pacific giants - China, India and Singapore - over the last fifteen years. He ended with a set of very interesting predictions of how economic growth in the region will impact the world in the next decade, forecasting that:

- The capabilities and sophistication of China and India will increase with efficiencies and economies of scale driving down costs. Chinese and Indian brands will proliferate in Western markets (e.g. Haier refrigerators, computers, TVs etc)

- China will replace Detroit as the world’s automobile centre by 2012, which will mean more plant closures and job losses in North America and Europe. Geely and Chery cars will be common in the Caribbean.

- China will transition to be a net foreign direct investment provider, with Chinese transnationals proliferating globally, more acquisitions of Western companies and more Chinese expatriates as employers and in senior management.

- The ability to speak Mandarin will be a big asset.

- European and North American tourists to the Asia-Pacific region will increase sharply, posing a threat to Caribbean tourism.

Source: Central Bank of Barbados
1960s
Barbadian Dr. Courtroy Holder (B. A., Class of 1966) passed away in September 2006 at the age of 79. Dr. Holder was a retired lecturer of the UWI School of Education at Cave Hill, Chairman of the Erdiston Teacher’s College, and former school teacher of St. Jude’s Primary, St. Leonard’s, Parkinson and St. George Secondary schools. He also served as an Education Officer in the Ministry of Education.

1970s
Harold Codrington (B. Sc. Economics, Class of 1977) and wife Delores (BA General Studies 1978) celebrated the graduation of their daughter, Kamilah, from UWI Cave Hill in October. Kamilah earned a BSc. Economics degree with First Class Honours. Their son Kofi also graduated from St. Augustine Campus with Upper Second Class Honours (B.Sc. Mechanical Engineering 2006). Son Kito is currently an undergraduate in the Faculty of Social Sciences pursuing a B.Sc. Economics and Management degree.

1980s
Barbadian Pauline Franklin (B.A., Class of 1989) passed away in October 2006 at the age of 63. Pauline was a dedicated educator, having taught at the St. Leonard’s and St. George’s Secondary schools. In 1984, she was promoted to the post of Principal of the St. Matthew’s Primary School, where she served until her retirement in 2004. She wrote two books - one on the St. Matthew’s School and the other about St. Luke’s Anglican Church where she worshipped.

Senator Sir Roy Trotman (B. A., Class of 1969) was awarded the honorary Doctor of Laws at the October 2006 graduation ceremony and delivered the feature address. He had another great reason for celebration. His daughter, Lesley, also graduated at that ceremony, with a LLB.

Jennifer Barrow (B. Sc. Management Studies with concentration in Hotel Management, Class of 1983) was appointed Deputy Director of Tourism by the Tourist Board of the British Virgin Islands. Jennifer brings twenty years of experience to the position, having worked with several hotels in Barbados, the Barbados Tourism Authority and as Worldwide Director of Sales and Marketing for the Elegant Hotels group. Jennifer holds a Masters Degree in Tourism Management from the University of Surrey and has served as President of the Association of National Tourist Office Representatives (ANTOR) in Canada.

2000s
Khalil Goodman (B.A. English Literature, Class of 2004) was the recipient of three awards in photography at Barbados’ National Independence Festival of Creative Arts held in November. Khalil who is a reporter at the Barbados Advocate and a contributor to The Tower, accepted his Gold Award from Prime Minister Owen Arthur (Class of 1974).
The 3Ws Oval at the Cave Hill Campus entered the record books when it hosted the first of four International Cricket Council (ICC) World Cup 2007 Warm Up matches. The Test playing nations who benefitted from the magnificent facilities at the 3Ws Oval included 1996 World Cup champions Sri Lanka, along with New Zealand, Scotland and Bangladesh.

Monday March 5, 2007, was the date on which all members of the cricketing-loving public across the world got their first opportunity to measure the capabilities of the Caribbean people to host a world class event here at the 3Ws Oval. A seating capacity of approximately 5000 was provided for this event. Since the naming of the facility in 2003 after the famous trio of West Indian cricketers Worrell, Weekes and Walcott, a number of major national and regional cricket matches have been hosted at the UWI.

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