

THE FOUNDATION FOCUS

CONNECTING GRADUATES.....BUILDING FUTURES!



REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Mrs. Florence Darby

As we approach the end of another impactful year, I am pleased to reflect on the strides we have made together and to share some updates on our journey.

This quarter, while we await the approval of the building permit for our much-anticipated Wellness Center, we are encouraged by the continued generosity of our donors, including our Alumni Chapters,

who believe in the vision of creating a safe and nurturing space for our students. As Alumni your contributions are the cornerstone of this project, and we are deeply grateful for your unwavering support.

We have successfully completed the 2023 audit for the Foundation, ensuring transparency and accountability in all we do. This was a challenge this year due to time of constraint for our volunteers. Recognizing that there was only one way to change this is to engage a part-time employee for the Foundation who can provide the dedicated hours needed to keep us on track, this is now completed. As we prepare to close the year, in the coming weeks we will not only be reflecting on the achievements of the Foundation, but also setting the stage for an even brighter future.

Looking ahead, the **Optima 5K Run**, initially scheduled for November this year, will now be held on **February 2, 2025**.

This event is not just a fundraiser but a celebration of community, wellness, and the incredible potential of our students. To make this event a success, we need your help. With an estimated cost of **\$1.2M**, we are calling on all alumni to rally behind this cause. Your support, whether through sponsorship, participation, or donations, will ensure the event's success and the fulfillment of our mission.

As we enter this season of reflection, family, and joy, I extend my heartfelt wishes for a blessed Christmas and a wonderful start to the new year. May the coming year bring health, happiness, and opportunities to make a difference in the lives of others, particularly those within our Ardenne Community. Together, let us continue to build a legacy of hope and empowerment for future generations.

Deo Duce Quare Optima

Flo Darby
Chairman



INFLOWS

Total Inflow:	\$3,253,849
Includes:	
Donation to the wellness centre	- \$ 2,944,623
Optima 5K Run	- \$ 102,176

Financial Highlights October, 2024



OUTFLOWS:

Total Outflows:	\$1,547,011
Includes:	
Wellness Centre expenses	- \$1,492,500
Optima 5K Run	\$ 20,000

Highlights:

Surplus year to date

\$1,706,838

Bank account Balances:

JMD: \$584363.9
USD: \$103,121.32

NOTE: The audit of the financial statement is now completed for 2023. We are awaiting the finalize set of statement from the auditor for distribution to the chanters

Net Balance Wellness Center Fund

\$15,690,993



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS OCTOBER 2024

WELLNESS CENTRE UPDATE



Our application was finally accepted by the KSAMC and we are now awaiting their feedback. We have made recent checks with the KSAMC and they have indicated their review is not yet completed, they are however within the timeframe for approval of the building permit. We anticipate a positive response before the end of December 2024.

Fundraising Update

We are excited to share that we have received three new donations for the period October to November 2024. In October, the Atlanta Chapter represented by Uton Henry & Horace Sinclair travelled to Jamaica to make the presentation of USD\$19,334.00 as their initial contribution toward the building of the wellness placing them on the Donor Board. We are aware of the hard work the members of the Atlanta Chapter have put into the various fundraisers that contributed toward this donation, and we are grateful for their support.



Included in photo: *AAF Directors: Esther Tyson, Flo Darby, Jermaine Heslop, Uton Henry, AAA Committee Chair Horace Sinclair, AAF Director Vilma McDonald & Dr. Jacqueline Pinto, Acting Principal.*

We were also excited to receive a further donation of US\$1,095.80 from the members of the Florida Chapter as they continue to support the wellness centre building project. Thank you!

Donations were also received from the Tri-State group totalling US\$4,700.00, collected and delivered by Myrna Merchant on behalf of the group to Chairman Flo Darby in Montego Bay recently. We are so grateful for the collective efforts of the group and their support for this project. Thank you!



Project Managers

Florence Darby, Attorney-at-Law/Chairman, Ardenne Alumni Foundation
Dean Burrowes, Quantity Surveyor & Project Manager, Ardenne High School

November 20, 2024

Other fundraising activities:

Optima 5K Run

We had lots of fanfare and excellent promotion spearheaded by Trudy Williams, member of our Marketing and PR team. The 2024 edition of the Optima 5K Run was launched in October 2024 at Ardenne High School with our new Race Manager - Running Events Limited. The date for the run was scheduled for November 16, 2024. Our thanks to everyone who participated in ensuring this Launch Event was a successful one. Special thanks to the team led by Our Chairman Flo Darby, which included Trudy Williams, Marcia Germain, Grace Silver, Denzil Davis, Rosemarie Henry, Marie Nembhard and Jermaine Heslop. Excellent work team. Thank you!



We were however disappointed to have had to announced, shortly thereafter, the postponement of this second staging of the Optima 5K Run. The increment weather and the recommendation of the Race Manager saw us shifting the date to **February 2, 2025**. *More time to do more, to reach more!*

Our team is ready and rearing to go. This year we will be bigger and better than ever, and we encourage you to keep this date in mind and look out for further communication, as we need your continued support and participation. Let us, together, make this event better than 2023! Look out for communication not just in the AA General group but also on all our social media pages. We welcome volunteers to assist in all areas! Please reach out to us. Send us an email or give us a call at 876 881-5355.



OPTIMA RUN
RUNNING EVENTS
JAMAICA

SUNDAY FEB 2, 2025
5K
RUN/WALK
REGISTER NOW

Race Starts at Ardenne High School | 6:30AM

Proceeds In Aid of The Ardenne
Alumni Foundation Wellness Centre

Contact Information
Telephone : (876) 967 4903
Email : runningeventsja@gmail.com



ORDER NOW !!

OPTIMA 5K RUN T-SHIRTS

J\$1,500 each

US\$12 each



LIMITED SUPPLIES AVAILABLE !!

"We Can't Wait To See You" FOR OUR OPTIMA 5K RUN will be **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 02, 2025!!**

REGISTER NOW & PURCHASE YOUR OPTIMA RUN T-SHIRTS!! @ runningeventsja.com & <https://spurropen.com/a89a0a8c>

A SIMPLE ACT For A Significant Cause, #ArdenneAlumniFoundationWellnessCenter

Your school year group or you as an individual want to donate? For more information on how you donate to the Run/Walk or to get involved, please refer to the Foundation contact details shown on page 10.

Thank you for your continued support!

WELLNESS CENTRE FINANCIAL TARGET & DONOR BOARD UPDATE

FINANCIAL TARGET UPDATE

PERIOD	AMOUNT RECEIVED	TARGET	FUNDS TO BE RAISED
November, 2024	\$19,730,481	\$64,000,000	\$44,269,519

All funds are quoted in Jamaican Dollars | New funds received in the months of October and November 2024

DONOR BOARD UPDATE:

←-----DONOR CATEGORY-----→

DONOR	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM
Paul Barnett Legacy Fund				11,328,695
AAA Chapter Toronto		1,000,000		
AA Chapter Atlanta (US\$19,309)		2,944,623		
AAA Chapter Florida (US\$23,096)			3,466,988	
Audrey Chen (Director - AA Foundation) (US\$5,000)	750,000			
Myrna Merchant on behalf of the Tri-state group (US\$4,700.00)	716,750			
TOTAL	1,466,750	3,944,623	3,466,988	11,328,695

All funds are quoted in Jamaican Dollars

YOU!!!



YOU NEED TO BE REPRESENTED HERE!!!!

DONATE NOW

BECOME PART OF
HISTORY

JOIN THE DONOR
BOARD

SILVER

J\$1,000,000 -
J\$2,999,999

BRONZE

J\$500,000 -
J\$999,999

GOLD

J\$3,000,000 -
J\$9,999,999

PLATINUM

J\$10,000,000
AND OVER

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FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING THE WELLNESS CENTRE/ARDENNE 100

As we race toward Ardenne's 100-year celebration, our Chapters across the world are holding fundraising and fellowship activities, some of which directly supports the wellness centre. We encourage your participation in these activities and urge you to share, where possible, with your friends and family, so maximum support can be received. We thank you in advance.

Here some of the activities happening in 2025 *"SAVE THE DATES" and see you there!!*

JAMAICA

ARDENNE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
presents
BASIL DAWKINS'
FIRST LADY
DIRECTED BY TK DAWKINS
THE LITTLE LITTLE THEATRE
Friday February 7, 2025 @ 8:30PM

Ticket Price: \$4000
Contact for Tickets: 876-504-9487
Email: ardennealumni@gmail.com

Proceeds in aid of student welfare & the Ardenne Wellness Centre Project

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FLORIDA

ARDENNE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA

SPRING Ting Weekend

SPRING TING AT THE PARK
Saturday FEB 22 2025
12PM-5:30PM
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
DJ CAPONE
HOSTED BY
LADY VEE
CONTACT:
MAXINE 954.839.0661
GEORGIA 954.854.4404
CAROL 954.415.7630

WELCOME RECEPTION
Friday FEB 21 2025
LA VERANDA 8320 W SUNRISE BLVD PLANTATION, FL 33322

PICNIC MENU PRE-ORDER PREFERRED
FRY FISH
JERK CHICKEN
CURRY GOAT
PORK
VEGETARIAN DISH
\$30
GREAT FOOD...MUSIC...
GAMES...RAFFLE

SPONSORS:
LYNDEN HOMETRUST REAL ESTATE INC

CB SMITH PARK
900 N FLAMINGO RD
PEMBROKE PINES FL 33028
PAVILION 22 | \$3 PER VEHICLE.

Tickets are now available!!

OTHER UPDATES

Scholarship Programs

With the new school year in full force, the Foundation on behalf of the various chapters have been working with Mrs. Hyacinth Miller, Vice Principal of Ardenne to ensure disbursement to all awardees of scholarship and grant. To date we have distributed scholarships on behalf of Jamaica and Atlanta Chapter and is now in the process of doing the same for the Toronto. We are grateful to the chapters for their support in this area.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

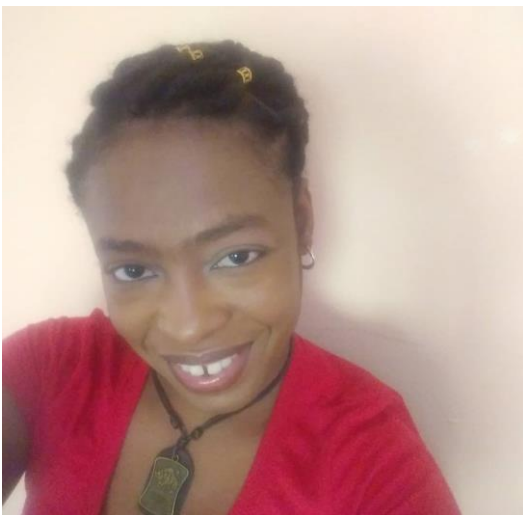
New Signage:

Finally, with a sign heralding our whereabouts on the school campus, you now know where to find our office which is shared with the Alumni Association. We will provide information on office hours as soon as it is finalized. See you there soon! New sign is shown below:



Changes to team

Please join me in welcoming three (3) new addition to the team, two (2) permanent and 1 volunteer member:



Shareika Harris (Office Manager)



Marie Nembhard (Public Relations Officer)

Marcia 'Coleen' Germain, shown below, also joins us in the role of Project Coordinator - Optima 5K Run, working with the marketing and sponsorship teams.



We warmly welcome these ladies to our team.

MEMBERS OF THE FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Officers:

Chairman	- Florence Darby
Deputy Chairman	- Esther Tyson
Corporate Secretary/Accountant	- Rosemarie A. Henry

Directors:

Members:

Jennings ‘Max’ Gordon	- Member, Special Project Committee
Audrey Chin	- Special Projects Director
Vilma McDonald	- Fundraising Director
Jermaine Heslop	- Representative (Jamaica): Ardenne Alumni Association

Chapter Reps:

Florida	-	Dennis Livingston
Atlanta	-	Uton Henry
Toronto	-	Paul Barnett
New York	-	Roan Wallace

Supporting Team:

Office Administrator/Manager	- Sherika Harris
Public Relations Officer	- Marie Nembhard

Need to get in touch with the Foundation? Contact details below:



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ARDENNE ALUMNI FOUNDATION

Wishes You

A Merry Christmas

May this Christmas end the present year on a cheerful note and make way for a fresh and bright New Year. Here's wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!