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OUR 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Today's Quote

“We’ve come this far by faith.”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifjoKIhZAdg>

II Corinthians 5: 7



CELEBRATE THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS CELEBRA EL ANIVERSARIO XX DEL PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS



Alonso and Carmela Gobern
invite you to the 20th Anniversary Virtual Celebration
of the Panama Cyberspace News
on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 7 p.m. (Panama time)



Alonso y Carmela Gobern
le invita a la Celebración Virtual del XX Aniversario
del Panama Cyberspace News
el Lunes 1 de Marzo de 2021 a las 7 p.m. (Hora de Panamá)

“You are welcome to dress with a little flavor of Panama” – “Vestimenta con un toque panameño opcional”

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**PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS VIRTUAL 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021 – 7 P.M.
CELEBRACION VIRTUAL CONMEMORANDO EL VIGESIMO ANIVERSARIO
DEL PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS
LUNES 1 DE MARZO DE 2021 A LAS 7 P.M.**

PROGRAMA - PROGRAM

VIDEO OF THE CELEBRATION – VIDEO DE LA CELEBRACION:

<https://panamacybernews.com/services/20th-anniversary-virtual-celebration>

Maestra de Ceremonia – Mistress of Ceremonies Nailah Govern-Lee

Palabras de Apertura - Opening Remarks by Nailah Govern-Lee

Opening Song: “We’ve Come This Far by Faith”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifj0KlhZAdg>

Invocacion Religiosa – Opening Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Lesley G. Anderson

Bienvenida/Welcome by Kajali Govern (Spanish) and Jamila Govern (English)

Un Momento de Silencio para los suscriptores que han fallecido

A Moment of Silence for our late CyberNews Subscribers (pages 4 and 5)

Background music: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S3tk4Ts0W30>

Introduccion de GRUFOLPAWA – Introduction of GRUFOLPAWA by Nailah Govern-Lee

Video: **Baile Típico de Panama - Panamanian Folkloric dance by GRUFOLPAWA**

Presentar a los 36 suscriptores de 20 años

Introduce the 20-Year Subscribers by Alonso and Carmela Govern

Reseña Histórica del Panama Cyberspace News

Historical Background of the Panama Cyberspace News – by Carmela Govern

Simultaneous translation by Tomas Edghill.

Video: Baile del Palo de Mayo - Maypole Dance by GRUFOLPAWA

Agradecimientos – Acknowledgements by Carmela Govern

Simultaneous translation by Tomas Edghill.

Bendición/Benediction by Bishop Stanley Webb

Culmina la celebracion oficial - End of the official celebration.

Second Part - Interactive

Hora Social - Social Hour (Allow folks who would like to say a few words)

Zoom under the coordination of Breasia Productions: <https://www.breasiaproductions.com/>



IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

OF OUR LATE CYBERNEWS SUBSCRIBERS

IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR LATE CYBERNEWS SUBSCRIBERS

DECEASED BETWEEN MARCH 1, 2001 AND MARCH 1, 2021.

NAMES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER BY FIRST NAMES (225):

Music: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S3tk4Ts0W30>

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| 1. Adelaide Jones | 35. Caroline Savage | 69. Dubois Andrews |
| 2. Adell Hall | 36. Carolyn Rose | 70. Earl Hines |
| 3. Agerette Armstead | 37. Castalia Meyers | 71. Earl Williams |
| 4. Albert McClure | 38. Cecil Callender Sr. | 72. Eduardo Martinez |
| 5. Alberto James | 39. Cecil Inniss | 73. Edward Ingleton |
| 6. Alberto Yard | 40. Cecil Stennette | 74. Edward White |
| 7. Alex Archbold | 41. Cecil Williams | 75. Eladio Reid |
| 8. Alfonso Bodden | 42. Cecilia Atherton | 76. Elena Quinlan |
| 9. Alfonso Gill | 43. Cecilia Goddard | 77. Elizabeth Leigh |
| 10. Alfonso Joseph | 44. Celestina Carter | 78. Elma Townes |
| 11. Alfred Jones | 45. Cirilo McSween | 79. Ernesto Campbell |
| 12. Alfredo Bonilla | 46. Claudette Smith | 80. Esmeralda Stewart |
| 13. Allan Lovell | 47. Clemente Stevens | 81. Estella Williams |
| 14. Alonso Wilson | 48. Cleveland Cooper | 82. Eugene Johnson |
| 15. Aminta Allen | 49. Cleveland Nelson | 83. Eugenia Wallace |
| 16. Amos Cox | 50. Cliff Lever | 84. Everton Trotman |
| 17. Amy E.C. de Boyce | 51. Clifford Callender | 85. Florencia Gamble |
| 18. Ann Higginbothan | 52. Constance Warner | 86. Francis Lucas |
| 19. Antonio Grandison | 53. Cynthia Brown-Franklin | 87. Franklin Lashley |
| 20. Arturo Branch | 54. Cyril Landers | 88. Fulvia Bowen |
| 21. Aubrey Wilmont | 55. Dalton Downs | 89. George Caesar |
| 22. Barbara Gordon | 56. Damian Albeo | 90. George Findlay |
| 23. Barbara Harper | 57. Daniel Dacres | 91. George Millington |
| 24. Berta Small | 58. Danilo Nelson | 92. George Priestley |
| 25. Beryl George | 59. David Jemmott | 93. George Simpson |
| 26. Beryl Melvani | 60. Delenia Johnson | 94. George Taylor |
| 27. Blanca Moore-Vélez | 61. Dennis Josiah | 95. George Thomas |
| 28. Briceida Chambers | 62. Dolores Parris | 96. Gerald Lewis |
| 29. Bruce Codrington | 63. Dominga Watson | 97. German Martinez |
| 30. Byron Lee | 64. Donna Callender | 98. Gilbert Young |
| 31. Carlos Ford-Livene | 65. Dora Barthlow | 99. Gloria Inniss |
| 32. Carlos Russell | 66. Doris Burns | 100. Gregory Fletcher |
| 33. Carlos Wilson | 67. Dorotea Lowe Bryce | 101. Guillermo Evers Airall |
| 34. Carmen Martino | 68. Dorothy Haywood | 102. Harold Beale |

103. Harold Titus
104. Heriberto Thomas
105. Hortensia Atkinson
106. Ivan Alfaro
107. Ivan Alphonse
108. Ivan Klasovsky
109. Ivy Clarke
110. Jacob Ehrler
111. Jaime Morgan
112. Janet Levi
113. Jean Burns
114. Jerome Boyce
115. John Albritton
116. John Clark
117. John Dupre
118. John Jones
119. John Ridgeway
120. Joscelyn Russell
121. Joseph "Charlie" Martin
122. Joyce Findlay
123. Joyce O'Meally
124. Judith Lewis
125. Judith Winter
126. Judy Dixon
127. Julia Collymore
128. Julio Nieves
129. Kenneth McFarlane
130. Leon Benjamin
131. Leon Cumberbatch
132. Leon Headley
133. Leopold Welch Jr.
134. Leroy Mignot
135. Lester Forbes
136. Lidia King
137. Lincoln Jackson Jr.
138. Lisle Davis
139. Liz Adams McSween
140. Lloyd Hogan
141. Lorna Ellis
142. Lorraine Brown
143. Lucille Myrie
144. Luis Armstrong
145. Luis Prescod
146. Lyndelle Tiemann
147. Lyndon Pritchard
148. Magdalena Graham
149. Magdrie Callender
150. Marcelino Bowen
151. Marcia Bayne Smith
152. Marcia Espinosa
153. Marcos Avila
154. Maria Brown
155. Marion Smith-Waison
156. Maritza Dixon
157. Marjorie Gerhart
158. Martha Beecher
159. Mary Callender
160. Maxine Rhodes
161. Melida Hibbert
162. Mercedes Brown
163. Merle Goddard
164. Merle Laing
165. Mirka Murrell
166. Norma Francois
167. Norman Perch
168. Norman Thorpe
169. Osbert Haynes
170. Owen Blanchard
171. Pablo Kirven
172. Patricia Blades Cox
173. Patricia Cousins
174. Patricia Ettrick
175. Patricia Rowe
176. Paul Kodzwa
177. Pauline Andrews
178. Pearl McLean
179. Pearl Thompson
180. Ramon Hogan
181. Raquel Swans
182. Reginald Austin
183. Ricardo Brown
184. Ricardo Edwards
185. Ricardo Fonseca
186. Ricardo Honeywell
187. Robert Evering
188. Robert George
189. Roberto "Bob" Lowe
190. Roberto Benn
191. Roberto Caesar
192. Roberto Christy
193. Roberto Reid
194. Rodolfo Soley
195. Rogelio Davis
196. Rogelio Hackett
197. Rosita Payne
198. Roy Bryce-Laporte
199. Roy Edwards
200. Roy Hogan
201. Roy Palmer
202. Roy Prescod
203. Ruby Savory
204. Rudolph Myrie
205. S. Isador Monteso
206. Sandra Gallimore
207. Sarah Williams
208. Shirley Clarke
209. Sidney Harris
210. Stanford Levy
211. Thelma Lovell
212. Veronica Dutton
213. Victor Joshua
214. Victor Smythe
215. Vilma Best
216. Vilma White
217. Violet Erskine
218. Virginia Searles
219. Virginia Smith-Jordan
220. Vranda Barclay-Goebel
221. Walter Clarke
222. Welton Barclay
223. Wilfred McFarquhar
224. Wilfred Morgan
225. William Callender
226. William Lokay
227. Wilma Monlouis
228. Winnifred Callender
229. Winston Douglas

PRESENTACIONES CULTURALES CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS



Video: **Baile Típico/GRUFOLPAWA: Grupo Folklorico de Panama en Washington, DC**
Bajo la dirección de la Dra. Norma Small-Warren

Video: Panamanian Folkloric Dance:
GRUFOLPAWA: Panamanian Folkloric Group of Washington, DC
Under the direction of Dr. Norma Small-Warren

GRUFOLPAWA (Grupo Folklórico de Panamá en Washington) is a non-profit association, founded in 1976 by Olga Maria Warren de Small (now deceased). The mission of the group is to spread the Panamanian folklore with interpretations of music and dances of the diverse regions of Panama. GRUFOLPAWA has been delighting audiences of the metropolitan area of Washington, DC, at a variety of activities both public and private. The current Executive Director is Dr. Norma Small Warren and the current business manager is Beverly Oglivie.

VIDEO: BAILE DEL PALO DE MAYO
GRUFOLPAWA: Grupo Folklorico de Panama en Washington, DC
VIDEO: MAYPOLE DANCE
GRUFOLPAWA: Panamanian Folkloric Group of Washington, DC



Maritza Cornejo, Cecilia Bowen, Carmen A. Bell, Janys Nolan, Albania Tristan, Judy Buchanan, Fabiola Wheelles, Beverly Oglivie, Arianna Chew, Norma Small-Warren (not in photo)



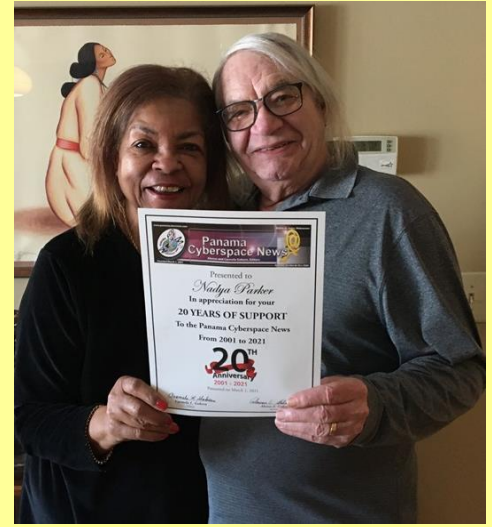
OUR 36 SUBSCRIBERS WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US SINCE 2001:



Lesley and Verna Anderson
(Kansas)



Marcia Smith Williams
(Texas)



Nadya Parker and Wilmer Sigwarth
(Minnesota)



Roberto and Carmen Murdock
(Panamá)



Pamela Jones-Jimenez
(Texas)



Ruthwin and Jeannette Samuels
(New York)

OUR 36 SUBSCRIBERS WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US SINCE 2001:



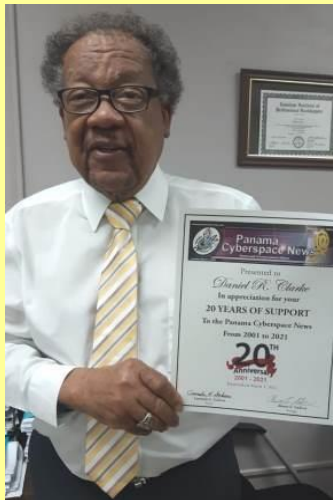
Ricardo Richards (Panamá)



Charles Monlouis (Florida)



Ines Sealy (Panamá)



Daniel Clarke (Panamá)



Linda Daniel (Panamá)



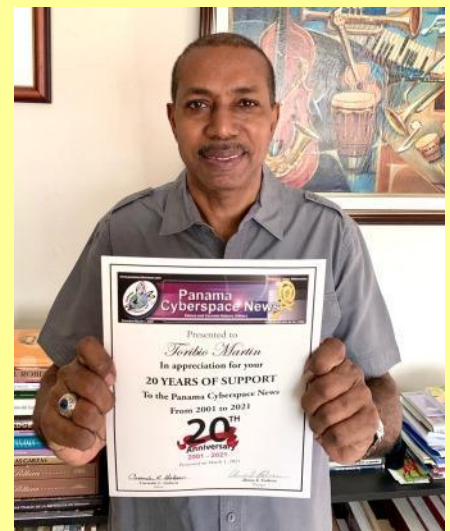
Tom and Gale Cellucci (Panamá)



Paul Eastham (Panamá)

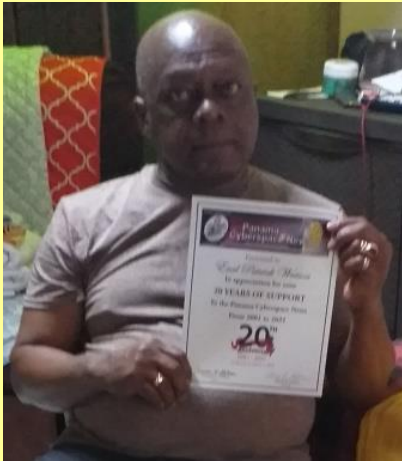


Emily Butcher (Panamá)



Toribio Martin (Panamá)

OUR 36 SUBSCRIBERS WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US SINCE 2001:



Earl Patrick Watson (Panamá)



Mariela and Leonard Beckford (Panamá)



Joseph Bishop (Panamá)



Reynold and Ellen Chandler (Panamá)



Cedric Gittens (Panamá)



Melva Lowe de Goodin (Panamá)

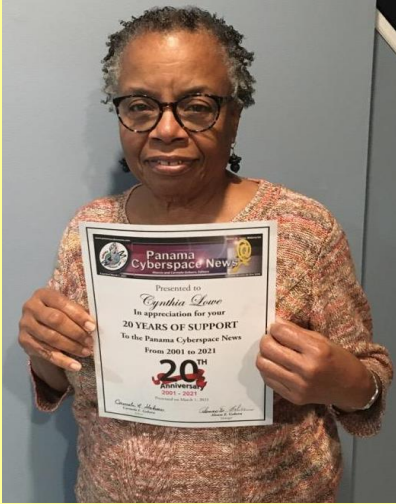


Rowena and David Thomas (Maryland)



Roberto and Maritza Chan (Panamá)

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Cynthia Lowe (Florida)



Alban Bailey (California)



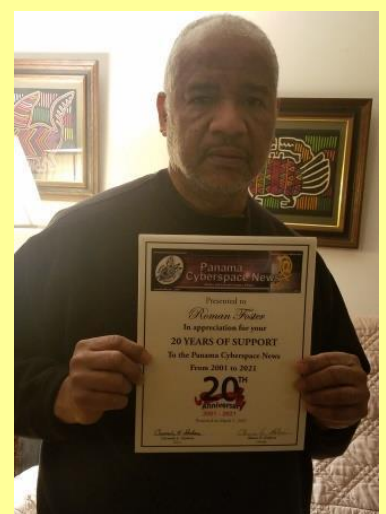
Eva de James (Panamá)



Claudia and Antonio DunnMoodie (New York)



Eneida Shan (New York)



Roman Foster (New York)



María and Lloyd Perkins (Florida)



Sheila and Basilio Wilkinson (Panama)

OUR 36 SUBSCRIBERS WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US SINCE 2001:



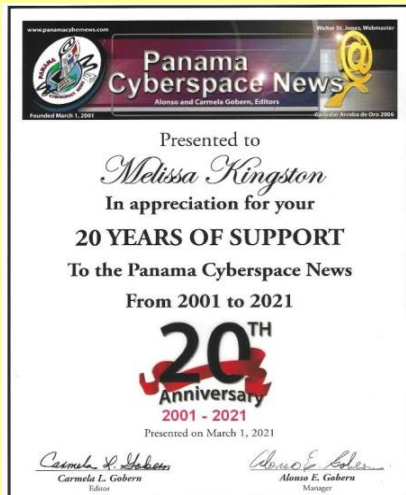
Carlos and Emilia Gordon
(Panama)



Mortimer and Veronica Jordan
(Michigan)



Stanley and Pearl Webb
(Pennsylvania)



Melissa Kingston (Maryland)



Melinda Stevens Merritt (New York)

RESEÑA HISTORICA DEL PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS
HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF THE PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS
BY CARMELA LOWE DE GOBERN

A pleasant good evening to friends, CyberNews subscribers, relatives and acquaintances worldwide. On behalf of Alonso and myself, I am sharing a few highlights of our publication.

1. PANAMA CYBERSPACE NEWS LOGO AND BANNER:

Our Logo was created by graphic artist Jorge Robinson and the banner was created by Webmaster Water St. Jones.

2. PANAMANIAN AROUND THE GLOBE:

The CyberNews has promoted and hundreds of Panamanians around the Globe, males and females young, middle-age and of advanced age who have excelled in many different facets of life.

3. GETTING TO KNOW OUR SUBSCRIBERS:

Getting to Know our Subscribers is my favorite CyberNews segment because it allows me to put a face to an email. Our youngest subscriber is 25-year old Dakarai Barclay, Chicago, Illinois. We are proud to announce that our oldest subscriber is Emily Butcher, Panama and she is 105 years old.

4. SOCIALES:

Our Social column has allowed us the privilege of sharing newborns, birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, family reunions, class reunions, Panamanian reunions, workshops, conferences, contests, ethnic celebrations, folkloric shows, patriotic parades among others.

5. OBITUARIES:

Although some folks shy away from reading the obituaries, others tell me it is something that they look forward to since they learn of friends and acquaintances who have departed this life. Additionally we offer once a month, as a courtesy to the community, Obituaries and Announcements.

6. CONTRIBUTORS TO THE CYBERNEWS:

We currently have three regular contributors to the Panama Cyberspace News:

Bishop Stanley Webb has been sharing his Inspirational Thoughts from 2013.

Chef Yadira Stamp has been sharing her culinary tips from 2019.

Terence Biggs has been sharing technology from 2020.

Cecil Archbold Jr. assisted us in promoting the CyberNews with Voice Over Services:

7. CYBERSHARING:

The segment known as CyberSharing allows us the opportunity to share with local charities or organizations in need. Through our CyberSharing segment we have also supported Fundación Pro Niños de Darien since the year 2004.

8. SALES AND SERVICES:

We have announced and sold many things through our Sales and Services segments: Mugs, Pollera dolls, buns, calendars, books, maps, aprons, coasters, key chains, souvenirs, watches, CDs, DVDs, funeral plots, real estate, patio sale items; and we have also given away mangoes, Focus tourism magazines and El Visitante newspapers. We have also promoted tourism transportation services.

9. AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS AND CERTIFICATES:

Our 20-year journey has allowed us the privilege of having been the recipients of several awards, certificates of appreciation, honors, community organizations, class reunions and other recognitions. The Arroba de Oro was an award received in 2006 for the Most Voted Web Site, a contest which was sponsored by Corporation La Prensa.

The Business Excellence Award 2020 recognized us internationally as the Best Online Panama News Portal Web site, an award which originated in the United Kingdom.

10. EXCURSIONS:

Our publication has blossomed into other activities such as excursions. We initially used the services of Rafael Tello from Conozca Panama Primero serving as our tourism guide. We have also used the services of tour executive Enrique "Quique" Pesantez from Pesantez Tours. Alonso and I eventually assumed the total organization of our excursions, became submerged in our Panamanian culture and as such we enjoyed various national fairs, festivals, parades sightseeing, eating of typical meals in the company of many of you.

11. ROSE PARADE:

We did make one international excursion to the Rose Parade in Pasadena, California in January 2014. At the Rose Parade we proudly watched our Panamanian Marching Band Herberto Lopez under the direction of Irving Rodriguez de la Escuela Jose Daniel Crespo in Chitre province of Herrera. Our Panamanian band graced the streets of Colorado Boulevard in Pasadena and made an outstanding participation. This was indeed a memorable experience.

12. ACTIVITIES:

Some of our most enjoyable moments have been the activities we have hosted on the terraza of our home. These include the following: Seminars, Open House with free snow cones (raspaos), showing of the Roman Foster's film The Diggers, Playing of the Museo del Centenario Game with the creator Luis Huerta, playing of the game Transiting the Canal with the creator Eric Bellance, a seminar with chiropractor Dr. Marco Belizaire, a workshop of **Show and Tell** and a mid-morning get together of **Jokes and Quotes**.

13. TO CONCLUDE OUR WEB SITE:

When you came into our zoom meeting this evening you were automatically taken to the Home Page of our Web site www.panamacybernews.com. Walter St. Jones became our Webmaster in September 2002, and he has dedicated many hours on transforming, updating, improving and keeping the website current. I am going to ask Breasia Productions to spotlight Walter and his beautiful wife Sandra from their home in Florida with the special plaque that has been presented to them by the Panama Cyberspace News, where he will say a few words. Walt: The plaque represents a small token of our appreciation for all you have done for the Panama Cyberspace News. We appreciate those sleepless nights and challenges in keeping the web site current.

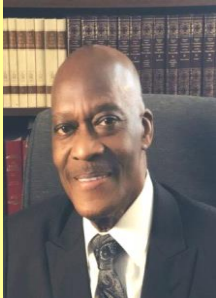
Needless to say this has been and continue to be a most educational, enriching, rewarding experience for Alonso and myself during these 20 years and as long as the Lord allows us the health, strength and creativity, we will remain committed to producing this unique newsletter.

CURRENT CONTRIBUTORS

INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT:

The following is an inspirational thought from
Subscriber Bishop Stanley Webb (Pennsylvania):

“Storms make a strong tree and suffering often makes a strong person.” Isaiah 43: 2



For biblical answers, send questions to biblicalcounseling@live.com

Leadership & Technology Corner

Born in The Republic of Panama, **Terence H. Biggs II**, Founder, President and CEO of Marketplace Dynamics, LLC, and MyWebCompliance.com (both based in Princeton, NJ, USA). Mr. Biggs is a web accessibility executive, an author, keynote speaker, leadership trainer, and executive coach. Terence serves as a Senior Editor of the international digital journal, [Revista Inglomayor](http://RevistaInglomayor), as a leadership and technology writer for the Panama Cyberspace News, and a board member on several boards. Contact: [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/in/terencebiggs) or at Terence.Biggs@MyWebCompliance.com



CULINARY TIPS BY CHEF YADIRA!



FORMER CONTRIBUTORS



Pastor Rachel Small



Deborah Morrison



Rev. Ricardo Archibald

AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS AND CERTIFICATES

ARROBA DE ORO – 2006

BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARD - 2020



In 2006 the Panama Cyberspace News Web Site received the Arroba de Oro for the most voted Web site.

The Panama Cyberspace News Web site was the recipient of the Business Excellence Award 2020.

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- Calendar Marketing Association, CyberNews Online Calendar 2020, Gold Award
- Class of 1968, Rainbow City High School, July 28, 2018
- FUNDACION JESTEMAC, September 15, 2018
- Eventos Angela, LLC, March 8, 2018
- Asociacion Afrodescendientes Panameños Unidos (APU), September 2018 and 2017
- Class of 1967, Paraíso High School, February 25, 2017
- Clínica Hospital San Fernando, May 31, 2016
- The American Society of Panama, May 30, 2014
- Foro Afropanameño, March 21, 2014
- Panama Canal International Alumni Association (PCIAA, INC), 2007
- La Alcaldía de Panama, Juan Carlos Navarro, Alcalde de Panamá, May 15, 2006
- Grupo Folklorico de Panama en Washington DC (GRUFOLPAWA) – Sept. 17, 2005



AGRADECIMIENTOS – ACKNOWLEDGMENTS FOR MARCH 1 PROGRAM

Alonso and I first wish to express our thanks to our Heavenly Father for allowing us this unique opportunity of sharing and promoting our beautiful country of Panama.

Next we thank the members of our family, our siblings, our children and extended family members and dear friends for your support and your advice towards the improvements of this project throughout the years.

We wish to express our appreciation to all of you who at one time or another has been a CyberNews subscriber. Thank you for allowing this venture to grow. We are conscious that without your support there would not be CyberNews.

Over the years many of you have gone over and beyond to keep us moving forward: I will not call any names, but you will recognize who you are, for example:

1. Some of you have served as our tourist guides in our initial years and others have assisted on our Panama Canal transits;
2. Some of you have enriched our publication with your photographs, videos, web site services, and promotional Voice Over Services.
3. Many of you keep us posted with news, social events and the sad departure of individuals.
4. There are a key number of you who assist us with translation services.
5. Quotes and poems shared by others of you have definitely enriched our publication.
6. The regular contributors to our biweekly publication certainly adds to keeping the CyberNews at its highest level.
7. Our hearts have been warmed by the phone calls, visits, text messages from so many of you just to “check” on us to ensure we were okay. **To all of you; THANK YOU, THANK YOU.**

In tonight’s 20th anniversary program we would like to thank the participation of the following:

1. Grupo Folklorico de Panama en Washington DC (GRUFOLPAWA) directed by Norma Small
2. The Rev. Dr. Lesley Anderson for the invocation or opening prayer;
3. Our three children Kajali and Jamila for giving the welcome and Nailah for serving as MC;
4. Tomas Edghill for his expertise in providing simultaneous translation services
5. Bishop Stanley Webb who will be giving the benediction in a few minutes.
6. And finally the expertise of Breasia Productions under the direction of our son in law Jamal Lee and his assistant Clayton Wyke; and at this time we are going to allow a short clip on the services that are offered by Breasia Productions team:

Friends: To conclude this segment of acknowledgments.....I am sharing a chest with all of you. This chest is not an ordinary chest or box. It holds many memories that represent the contributions many of you have willingly made to ensure that the CyberNews continues to survive and grow. These contributions are your gifts of love and unselfish support that have nurtured this effort. We are grateful, because you took the time to share with us, you responded when we called, and many times you shared without being asked. So upon closing our chest tonight, we would like you to know that we treasure your kindness, love and support – not only in this chest – but in our hearts (**close chest**).

Bishop Stanley Webb, Bishop of New Life Church of God in Philadelphia and of the Church of God Victory in Brooklyn, New York will officially close this segment of our program with the benediction and again we ask you to remain with us to allow anyone who would like to say a few words.

FROM OUR E-MAILBOX: “Thanks to all those of you who have written.” CLG (Carm

THE FOLLOWING ARE COMMENTS RECEIVED FOLLOWING THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

Carmela and Alonso: This was an AWESOME tribute to you and the work you put in this outstanding publication. May God continue to guide you and bless you for all you do. Every word said has been a sincere expression and appreciation of your true dedication to your work. The following is an acrostic using Carmela’s name:

Courageous for taking on this challenge

Always answers your call for help

Resilient

Marvelous

Excellent friend

Loving

Always available

Beverly Oglivie (Maryland)

Dear Carmela: Congratulations to you and Alonso on the 20th Anniversary of your bi-weekly publications of the Panama Cyberspace News. Your publications have replaced the defunct weekly Panama Tribune, founder Mr. Sidney A. Young and Dr. George W. Westerman, Editor and Publisher. You have done a superb Job over these few years to keep your subscribers in Panama and abroad well informed. May God continue to bless you and Alonso with health and prosperity for many more years.

Clarence Gordon (Panama)

Hermana: This program was so beautiful!!!! Thank you and your family so very much! I love you so much!!! Talk soon! Love you,

Leila “Lee” Llewelyn (California)

Comadre: You outdid yourself once again. Great job. God bless you and Alonso 🙏🙏

Carmen McSween (Panama)

Carmela and Alonso: What an awesome way to celebrate your 20th Anniversary! It was well done! Way to put on a first class act and agenda! I submit a salute and a toast for a successful tribute. May God continue to bless both of you to fulfill your purpose.

Marcia Smith Williams (Texas)

Dear Carm: The 20th celebration of the Panama CyberNews was excellent! Nailah was excellent and also Kajali and Jamila; Nailah is Carmela's junior. It is amazing all what you and Alonso have done throughout these years to keep Panamanians here and around the globe informed. Plus all the other activities you have coordinated for the subscribers. Congratulations once again and just continue doing what you have started.

Carla Boyce-Smith (Panama)

Morning Carmela and Alonso: Just want to congratulate you both, your children and Breasia Productions for the excellent job that was done for the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Cyberspace News. The program was most enjoyable and even though it was long it was a lot of fun. I know that a lot of hard work went into this event so you both need to get some rest and relaxation. May the Lord shower His many blessings upon you.

Mortimer Jordan (Michigan)

Amiga: It was such a beautiful event last evening. The children did an amazing job, and you and Alonso are deserving of all the accolades.

Frances Williams-Yearwood (Florida)

Carmela, the 20th celebration last night was excellent - a job well done. I pray for God's continued blessing on the work you and Alonso perform. I just wanted to sit and listen to the number of lives you have touched positively. Mélida spoke for both of us. Indeed we are thankful, having experienced ourselves the impact of Cyberspace News in our lives. Again, a job well done. God bless.

Leo Collymore (New Mexico)

Hola Carm y Alonso: Nuestras felicitaciones por el aniversario No. 20 del Cyberspace News y muchas gracias por el certificado de apreciación que nos diste por los 20 años de haberlos apoyado. En realidad para nosotros fue un honor habernos embarcado en esta aventura y al hacerlo, no sabíamos que iba a ser tan divertido y tan instructivo este viaje. Disfrutamos recibir el periódico y nos sorprendíamos ver cómo cada vez iba creciendo más y más, haciéndose cada vez más interesante.

Maritza Chan (Panama)

Congratulation Alonso and Carmela Gobern and the support staff on the grand 20th Anniversary Virtual Celebration of the Panama Cyberspace News. It was a well-organized five-star event. The Panama Cyberspace News has filled a gap of the defunct Panama Tribune. It serves as a means to keep the community of residents, expats, citizens and friends of the Republic of Panama informed on what is happening in Panama and abroad. We look forward to continue receiving the Cyberspace News for many years to come.

Carlos and Beverly Bennett (Panama)

Thank you for the beautiful 20TH ANNIVERSARY VIRTUAL PROGRAM last night render with you and family. Twenty Years-sharing, memories of our beautiful country and cultures up to date with us. Giving informative issues what is transpiring in our homeland. I applaud you for passing the Power of Wisdom and Knowledge to the next generation, taking such a powerful step to continue your Achievement. God Bless each one with best of "Health, Peace and Love."

Dorothy Edwards (New York)

Dear Carmela: Verna and I extend our warmest best wishes to you and Alonso, as well as your family and friends for the magnificent celebration commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Panama Cyberspace News. Congratulations! The event last evening, filled with heart moving tributes to you and Alonso, have left an indelible print of joy and happiness on our minds. We were pleased to see your children and son-in-law play an important role in their unified support for the occasion. In addition, the individual and corporate contributions of your sisters and relations added to the overall success of the event. God bless you all!

Lesley Anderson (Kansas)

Querida Carmela: Thank you so much for the wonderful 20th Anniversary celebration, it was wonderful!!! I was so proud to see all of the attendees and strength of the Panama CyberNews community. Bless you, Alonso and your beautiful family, Con Cariño,

Delhia Emanuel (Massachusetts)

Good morning:.Thank you for your nice Zoom presentation and we got to meet your family.

Bienvenida "Nida" Fernandez (California)

Hello Carm: I want to let you know that your Anniversary presentation was done in excellence and with such grace. I had an opportunity to see your children as adults and so well versed. I had a wonderful time and enjoyed every bit of it. I know you guys no longer think of La Boca as home, but it is the point of our connection and the love our parents had for each other. Please express my congratulations to Alonso and continue to be your sweet self. You have really been a treasure to so many and, I know to me. Hope to join you whenever we are able to travel. Love you dearly,

Marva Barnett Garnes (Florida)

I am taking this opportunity to congratulate you for founding and sustaining your newsletter for twenty years, to allow your readership to remain current with cultural events in the Afro-Panamanian Diaspora!

Edith Jackson (Maryland)

Congratulations on your many years of service. May God continue to bless, guide and keep you both. THANK YOU for all you do. Peace and Blessings. Much love.

Ilka V. Chavez (Virginia)

Hi Carmela: I enjoyed your 20th Anniversary Virtual Celebration. You and your family did an excellent job. Kudos to all of you. This was a labor of Love. The program was well organized and it was such a pleasure to see the smile on each of one and everyone. Congratulations, may the Good Lord continue to give you health and strength so that we can continue getting the Cyberspace News. We could not ask for more. Rowena Conley and Maritza Johnson, told me to tell you they enjoyed the Celebration and saw many people they had not seen in years. God bless.

Marcia Atherley (Georgia)

Saludos Carmela and Alonso: Congratulations on your 20 years of outstanding journalism. God's continued blessing on you both, the supporting staff and the entire CyberNews subscribers who have made this twenty (20) years a success.

Donna Knotts (Texas)

Congratulations for the wonderful job you have been doing during all these years, your CyberNews keep me up to date with all the important things in our country and abroad. May the Good Lord continue to give you and yours the strength and health to continue for many more years to come. Felicidades.

Lydia Pritchard (Florida)

Dear Carmela: I want to congratulate you on the 20th Anniversary Celebration of Cyberspace News. How time flies! This information has been vital to the West Indian population in Panama and the United States. You, your husband, your staff, and family members have done an outstanding job in keeping us alive and relevant. I wish you all many more years of continued success. May God bless you with the strength and fortitude to carry on our heritage. Take good care of yourselves and continue your good work.

Marva Gordon (Texas)

I want to take this time to congratulate you on such a big achievement. 20 years is a great accomplishment which shows passion, dedication, and patience; lots of patience. I am sure that during those 20 years you had to overcome many obstacles, as well as dealt with so many issues, from different personalities, to differences in opinion, to demanding clients, but you stayed the course nevertheless, and that is to be admired. Thank you so much for finding a little space in your newsletter for me to share a little of my culinary knowledge with you and your clients; or for even spreading the word on a short notice. I greatly appreciate all what you do and I look forward to enjoying many more years of very informative newsletter. Be blessed! Warm regards,

Chef Yadira Stamp (Maryland)

Mi dear Carmela and Alonso: It was a pleasure to be a part of your 20th celebration tonight. The production was impeccable, made me tear up at times, and I just loved seeing your children rising to the occasion. You were intuitive in recognizing the need for local news coverage some 20 years ago. CNN, MSNBC and US networks just don't cut it in keeping community and cultures alive. In expressing the hopes and aspirations of a people. Thanks for keeping a vital part of Jamaica alive in Panama. I am just so proud of the work, the discipline and the faith in a higher power that has kept you both going. I am humming, "Your grace and mercy . . ." by the Mississippi Mass Choir.

Jean Asher (Maryland)

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR THESE WONDERFUL MESSAGES OF SUPPORT.

Stay safe,

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