

Almost Sold Out!

Tell your friends that they haven't totally missed out on FAS 2010. We still have limited availability. Have them give our agents a call at 1-800-466-2719 and we'll hook them up!

Blue Notes



Look what's coming in the next issue of Blue Notes

There's just so much going on it's impossible to let you know everything that will take place on Festival at Sea in just one newsletter. Here's what coming in the next **Blue Notes**:

- * African American Idol Talent Show
- * Daily Itinerary at a Glance
- * Teen & Kids activities
- * Karaoke & Night Clubs
- * More Entertainment
- * Down Home Blues Fun

The Festival at Sea Staff: Their Goal... "Give the People What they Want"

Why is **Festival at Sea** the oldest and the most popular African American Theme Cruise in the World? Because over the last 19 years the Festival at Sea Staff has been planning cruises the way you want them. Days full of Fun and Nights full of Action. **As the O'Jay's say, "Give the People What They Want"** and the 2010 Festival at Sea Staff is ready to do just that. **People Want: Great Entertainment.** Turn the page and see just the beginning of the top named entertainment we have planned for you. **People Want: To Party.** Our DJ's will keep you partying day and night. **People Want: Nonstop**

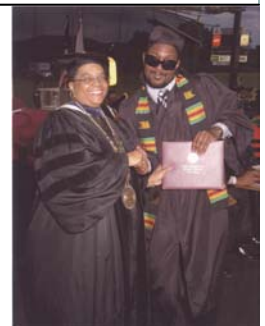
Onboard Fun. Join the Choir, go to Bible Study, Renew your Wedding Vows, Play Family Feud, Speed Date, Bid for a handsome date in the Bachelor Auction, Play Guitar Hero, take Salsa, Urban Ballroom, or Chicago Steppin' lessons or show your talent in the African American Idol show. And that's not even half of the fun our Festival at Sea Staff has planned for you! Finally, **People Want Cash Money:** but we'll leave that to Lady Luck and the on board Casino's on the Carnival Valor!

"School Daze" Theme Night

Was your high school or college experience like **Cooley High** or **Animal House**? Either way, you'll get a chance to relive it because we're going back to school with this years **School Daze Theme Night Deck Party.** The suggestion came from FAS cruiser **Juliet Ugwuegbulam Garwood** from London,

England. Plan on getting "decked out" in anything that has to do with school. **Graduation Cap and Gown, School Teacher, Principal, Nun from Catholic School, Street Crossing Guard, Janitor, Lunch Counter Lady, Track Coach, School Nurse, School Uniforms, or Sports Team Player.** Bring it on, **Cheerleaders, Nerds, Bookworms, School Marching Band Members Fraternity Brothas', Sorority Sistas'.** Put on those **Sweaters with Block Letters, or even bring**

out those Oxford Shoes and Lettermen Jackets. Don't forget those **Backpacks and Lunch Boxes!** (What's in that Thermos?) Prizes will be given for the best **Man, Woman, Couple, Group and Family.** This is one school bus you don't want to miss!



Kevin Yarbrough's School Daze

ASK IKE:



Twitter

Q: IKE: Can you explain what Twitter is and can I Tweet Festival at Sea?

A: Ya Mon, Twitter is your direct link to Blue World Travel and Festival at Sea. On @FestivatAtSea I post news items and chat about onboard activities, entertainment, etc. It is also another way to connect with your fellow passengers all over the country. Here is a quick

breakdown on how to tweet!!

1. You need to go to www.twitter.com and set up an account. (it is just like an email account)
2. You need to find Festival at Sea by going to the search column on your page and type in Festival at Sea.
3. Click on @FestivalAtSea, then click FOLLOW. Now you are following Festival at Sea and will receive all of our tweets.
4. Click Home to go back to your home page and see all of our Tweets and post your own tweets to us. In order for us to read your tweet to us, you must have @FestivatAtSea somewhere in your tweet. There is a limit of 140 characters so get right to the point. On Fridays I will be answering all questions you may have asked.



Q: IKE: Is Festival at Sea on Facebook too?

A: Ya Mon, we're also on Facebook. If you have a Facebook account, you can become a fan on our Fan Page. You can Post your Photos, Videos and comments. You can also let other cruisers know how much you're looking forward to the Pre Cruise or the School Daze Deck Party. On Facebook you hook up with your friends in your own city, state, across the country or even as far away as London. If you don't have a Facebook account you can create one by going to www.Facebook.com and follow the instructions to sign up. Then go to the search box and put in Festival at Sea. Hope to see your Face!!!



Dining Forms

Enclosed you will find your dining forms. **Only one dining form is needed per table.** Call your traveling companions and determine who will fill out and submit the dining form. If you are **part of a Group** your group leader has been sent a dining chart for your entire group. Check with your group leader to confirm that your dining has been submitted on your behalf. Please return dining forms by April 30th.

That Takes the Cake!

If you are celebrating an event such as an **anniversary or birthday** and would like to have a **cake at your dining room table**, you can go online and order it in advance. Go to www.carnival.com under My Cruise and select Shop Gifts and Services. There you can look up occasion cakes and see a display of what is available. Prices start at \$7.95. **You will not be able to order until July when we receive your individual booking numbers from Carnival. You may also order cakes onboard the Valor.**

Children's Book Drive-Bring a Book, Make a Difference

This year we are happy to announce that our annual Children's Book Drive will be held in Grand Cayman. Each year we ask our Festival at Sea Passengers to be so kind as to bring one children's book with them to donate. We will send you a sticker to fill out and put in the book so the children will know who donated the book and what state and/or country they come from. So as you get ready for the cruise don't forget to bring a children's book with you. **We have almost 3000 people. Let's try and reach a goal of 3000 new children's books for the Children of Grand Cayman.**



Book Donation at the Montego Bay Pier

Join the FAS CELEBRATION CHOIR

Hi FAS Family, let's start off Festival at Sea 2010 with a song in your hearts. This is your **choir Director Fred Hamilton** coming to you with an invitation to join our **2010 Gospel choir**. Help me and **Marcus Dyson** set this year's cruise off with a Praise. I'm sure we'll have a great turn out this year and we will have a great time learning songs, meeting new people, reuniting with old friends and celebrating God's grace and mercy with our **FAS Pastor, Rev. Darrell Armstrong** and **Deacon Fred Brown**. Colors & songs coming soon. Please e-mail me if you have any questions, comments or requests that would enhance our celebration of worship for 2010. Fred Hamilton's e-mail: r.Hamilton@sbcglobal.net



Fred Hamilton



Marcus Dyson

FAS Celebration
Choir and Musical Directors



FAS VARIETY

Blue World Travel Presents

The O'Jays



Walter Williams, Sr., Eric Nolan Grant & Eddie Levert, Sr.

The O'Jays are living legends... American treasures. But after 40+ years of making such international hits as "Back Stabbers," "For The Love Of Money," "Darlin' Darlin' Baby," "Love Train," "I Love Music," "Use Ta Be My Girl" and "Stairway to Heaven," The O'Jays are light years away from easing up on the gas. And like fine wine, The **O'Jays** just get better with time. Through the years, they were blessed to have had the late great choreographer Cholly Adkins around. Adkins taught them the importance of showmanship and how to execute their steps while still delivering their songs. The stage, whether in America or on international soil, is where The **O'Jays** let it all out, they blow away the competition with their soulful singing and bring in "standing room" only audiences. On the road several months during a year, The **O'Jays** still enjoy the accolades and rave reviews of fans and media. All generations love the **O'Jays**, which is why their "For The Love" album, (released in 2001), was a chart-topper, and in 2002, that album was nominated for a **Grammy Award**. In addition to their many nominations each year for the past 43 years, The **O'Jays** continue to receive many awards from various shows and organizations, while still making guest appearances. Says Walter Williams, Sr., (continued on page 4)

Double Soul Sister Power with Tamia and Deborah Cox



Deborah Cox

It's not often that you can get star power like this on one stage! These two Queens have teamed up to show you what real Soul Sister Power is all about. **They'll perform together as well as individually.** These dynamic ladies have come a long way and the best is yet to come as they bring a lifetime of music to **FESTIVAL at SEA TWENTY TEN!** Here is a review of their talented careers.

DEBORAH COX: Deborah knew that she wanted to be a performer from the age of 6 or 7, to do what she saw people doing on television. Growing up in the 1970s and '80s, she absorbed many of the popular styles of her day - Michael Jackson, Gladys Knight, Stevie Wonder, Cyndi Lauper, (continued on page 4)



Tamia

HOST COMEDIAN DAMON WILLIAMS



Welcome Back! Damon Williams will be back with us on Festival at Sea 2010! This former Subway sandwich shop owner from Chicago began his

career at All Jokes Aside Comedy Club. Damon's numerous television appearances include BET's Comicview annually since '94 including his own hour special. He's been featured on BET LIVE, Comedy Central's Premium Blend, The Tom Joyner Skyshow on TV ONE and HBO's P Diddy's Bad Boys of Comedy. Williams even **hosted several episodes of the legendary Showtime at The Apollo**. He has also performed as the opening act for the highly successful Kings of Comedy Tour establishing him as one of the elite comics in the nation. **Damon is a crowd favorite on the college, club and concert circuit as well as Festival at Sea!!!**

Continued from page 3 - The O'Jays

"We have three generations at our concerts...the kids, the moms and dads, and the grandmas and granddads." "This popularity among generations is rare in music today, an exception rather than the rule and that is why **The O'Jays** are a phenomena", says the management team of Rosalind R. Ray, Esquire and Andy Gibson. Ray and Gibson add, **"The O'Jays are more than legends.** They are the architects of music that have proven timeless and priceless".

Eddie Levert, Sr., Walter Williams, Sr., Eric Nolan Grant...**The O'Jays**...have proven time and time again that the mixture of "ol' school" and contemporary is a winning formula...a formula which always reflects **The O'Jays** uncompromising stance on love and relationships.

Now this storied trio adds yet another cornerstone to their impressive track record with IMAGINATION... their new CD recorded for Music World Music Records. IMAGINATION... will capture your inner thoughts and allow you to imagine that you are on the front row of a live **O'Jays** performance. In 2004, **The O'Jays** were inducted into the Vocal Group Hall of Fame in Sharon, Pa. In March 14, 2005, **The O'Jays** were inducted into **The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, OH**. It's been a long journey; thanks to the fans the **LOVE TRAIN** is still going strong! Blue World Travel is proud to welcome **The O'Jays**.



More Entertainment Announcements including DJ's, Clubs, Karaoke, more Dance Instructors in the next Blue Notes

Continued from page 3 Tamia & Deborah Cox

the Police, the Eurythmics, Bob Marley and the reggae scene. She attended the Claude Watson Schools for the Performing Arts in Toronto, where she was exposed to even more music, always singing in a vocal quartet or a jazz choir. She remembers seeing her first live jazz concert in the late '80s - with Miles Davis, no less. "I almost didn't go!," she recalls. "That concert was kind of a turning point because it opened me up to the real depths of what music was about."

Her first album, **DEBORAH COX** was released in 1995, and achieved **platinum status, yielding R&B/pop hits like "Who Do U Love?," "Sentimental" and "Where Do We Go From Here,"** and in 1997 she scored her first big dance hit with **"Things Just Ain't the Same" from the "Money Talks" soundtrack.** That first dance hit has lead Deborah to becoming one of the most popular dance artists in the world and she has scored an impressive **nine #1 hits on Billboard's Hot Dance Club Play chart.**

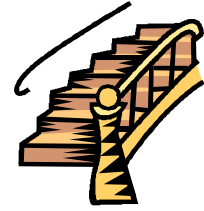
Her second Arista release, **ONE WISH** (1998) also achieved platinum sales, garnering the **two smash hits, "We Can't Be Friends" and "Nobody's Supposed To Be Here," which holds the record for being the longest running #1 R&B single for 14 consecutive weeks.**

TAMIA

For the love-starved man who craves the warmth of a good woman, **Tamia's** songs ignite flames of hope that romance and love still exists. Songs like **"The Way I Love You", "Too Grown For That", "Stranger in My House" and "Can't Get Enough Of You"** fuse **Tamia's** sinfully smothering vocal abilities with Darkchild's signature bounce to every beat. Don't forget the **woman's anthem of 2007,** that you can hear coming out of every house window and car stereo, **"Me". Tamia's** big break came when she was featured on **Quincy Jones' Q's Jook Joint** album, with her own solo effort following a few years later. During that time frame, this previously unknown singing sensation received three Grammy nominations: Best Female R&B Vocal Performance for **"You've Put A Move On My Heart;"** Best R&B Performance By A Duo Or Group with Vocal for "Slow Jams," which she performed with Babyface and Best Pop Collaboration with Vocals for her work with Brandy, Gladys Knight and Chaka Khan on the single **"Missing You"** from the Set It Off soundtrack. To top it all off, the amazing **Tamia** was also **nominated for her fourth Grammy in 1999** for her duet with **Eric Benet, the #1 "Spend My Life With You."**

Not only can she sing and perform she volunteers her time on a variety of charities. **Tamia** is an ambassador for the **VH1 Save the Music** program, a celebrity friend to the Ronald McDonald House, a board member to **Prevent Child Abuse America** and also works with the following charities: **Habitat for Humanity, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) awareness in Canada, The Tamia & Grant Hill Foundation** as well as touring an African American art collection around the U.S. Blue World Travel welcomes these two great Queens of Soul to Festival at Sea 2010.

FAS FASHION VOGUE



FORMAL PROM NIGHT: "STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN"

In keeping with our School Daze theme we thought it would be great to call our Formal Night "Prom Night". Guys, ask your Ladies to accompany you to a beautiful night of dinner and dancing. Order flowers or maybe a wrist corsage. **Gents, this is the night to get sharp.** Bring out your tuxes or white dinner jackets or you can also order them online at www.carnival.com. Now some of you might still have those old Blue Tuxedos with white ruffle shirts. If that's how you roll, its ok! If you have any snapshots of your senior prom, or even your graduation picture, you might want to bring them to dinner to show your traveling companions how you looked back in the day. **Of course we'll crown a Prom King and Queen that evening! If you have any suggestions on how to select our Prom King or Queen, email us at FAS@blueworldtravel.com.** This is going to be a fun night and as the song goes, by the time the evening is over you'll be "Climbing the Stairway to Heaven... Step by Step!"

Sign up to Jump the Broom at our Renewal of Wedding Vows Ceremony

One of our most exciting and beautiful events is our renewal of Wedding Vows Ceremony. **Officiated by Reverend Darrell Armstrong, Deacon Fred Brown and coordinated by Peggy Presley,** this event gives couples a chance to renew their commitment to their marriage. Cruising is a romantic vacation and on Festival at Sea, this event takes place **on our African Attire Night** which allows couples to dress in traditional African

clothing while exchanging their vows. **After your vows are taken, you jump the broom** while a photographer snaps your picture. You will receive a **Certificate as a memento of this wonderful event.** Signups begin on **April 1st.** If you want to participate in this year's **Renewal of Vows,** go to www.festivalatsea.com and select "event signups" from the Caribbean 2010 drop down menu or give us a call at 800-466-2719.



Renew your Vows on African Attire Night!



COOL WHITE NIGHT

White night has become a Favorite Festival at Sea theme. Each year passengers look forward to coming out for dinner, dancing and great shows. On **Monday is the night to break out your cool white linen, gauze, cotton or whatever fabric you like!** We'll party under the stars that night and 3000 folks all decked out in white is a sight to remember.

Weekly Attire at a Glance

Here is the scoop on what your fellow cruisers will be wearing on board. White Linen attire for Monday Night, Formal Wear for Tuesday's Stairway to Heaven Prom, School Clothing for Thursday's School Daze Theme night, and African Attire for Friday's African Attire Formal Night.

Date	City	Dress
Sunday Aug 1	Miami	Resort Casual
Monday Aug 2	Nassau, Bahamas	Cool White Linen Night
Tuesday Aug 3	At Sea	Stairway to Heaven Prom Night
Wednesday Aug 4	Montego Bay	Resort Casual
Thursday Aug 5	Grand Cayman	School Daze Theme Night
Friday Aug 6	Cozumel	African Attire Formal Night
Saturday Aug 7	At Sea	Resort Casual
Sunday Aug 8	Miami	



It's Raining MEN! 4th Annual Scholarship Bachelor Auction Benefiting the UNCF Sign Up's



Alright Gentlemen, the time has come for you to once again **Step up to the Plate and Go to Bat for our 4th Annual Scholarship Bachelor Auction.** Last year we had a terrific time and the auction alone raised over \$15,000. Guys, don't think you have to be "20 something" to join in on this auction. **Our highest bid was made on one of our gents who was "60 something!"**

Ladies and Gents this is a "tastefully done" auction that is not to be missed. Single Men who want to have great fun and raise money for Black college students, **beginning on April 1st** you can sign up by **going to www.festivalatsea.com and select "event signups" from the Caribbean 2010 drop down menu, or call 800-466-2719.** Great prizes will be given

and it's for a wonderful cause. Once you sign up you will be sent a Bachelor's Auction form to be completed and returned. **Auction winners will win champagne and front row seats with your date at one of our concerts. Ladies, get ready for a fun afternoon bidding on one of our fine Festival at Sea Brothers.** Ladies, you do not need to sign up in advance. Just come to the Auction and Bid for your Bachelor!



UNCF SILENT AUCTION

Our Silent Auction is one of our three events that benefit the United Negro College Fund. With the weak economy, our College Students need our help more than ever. Auction items are donated by our *Festival at Sea* Passengers and bid on during the week. **We encourage you to bring an auction item including art, electronics, or anything that others can bid on and take home with them.** Help us make the 2010 FAS Auction a great success by bringing an item to support our African-American youth through higher education. A donation receipt will be provided to you.

Annual Scholarship Raffle Win a Free Cruise for two Festival at Sea 2011



When you get on board you'll have the opportunity to buy a **\$5.00 raffle ticket to win a free cruise on Festival at Sea 2011.** Proceeds from this raffle will go to the United Negro College Fund. Just think... with almost 3000 passengers onboard **we could raise almost \$15,000** if everyone purchased a ticket on board. That would support a year's tuition at many of our Black Colleges. **Gail Walton and her crew will be in charge of this event so when you see her with those raffle tickets don't run away!!!** Buy a ticket and support our College students.



AA Pre Cruise Raffle

American Airlines has been a great partner for our Festival at Sea Cruisers. This year they are coming down to our Pre-Cruise Party in Miami. They are going to set up a **booth for photos and will have a raffle every hour for \$100.00 American Airlines Gift Cards.** As a reminder, if you have not booked your airfare, now is the time to do so. **American Airlines is offering a 5% discount to Miami.** Just go to www.aa.com and click on "Make Reservations." You will be prompted for a discount code at the bottom of the reservations page. **Use Promotional Code # 1770AF. (use cap letters)** If you do not want to book online, Blue World Travel will be happy to make your reservations for a service fee of \$35.00 per person. **Just call us at 800-466-2719.** BWT recommends that you book your return flight time after 1:00 PM if possible to allow for any delays during debarkation due to U.S. Customs processing. Finally, if you are trying to find low airfares, you might want to check Ft. Lauderdale as an alternate airport. **Transfers from Ft. Lauderdale are higher,** however, if you get a airfare that is substantially lower, you might want to consider this alternate airport.

Airport Transfers

Many of you have asked about Airport Transfer to the pier. Here are some suggestions.

- 1. You can take a Taxi from the Airport to the pier or to your Hotel.** The approximate cost will be \$25.00-\$30.00 per taxi from Miami. If you are flying into Ft. Lauderdale the taxi cost could be between \$70.00 and \$75.00. Remember, however, if there are two of you this is the cost of one taxi.
- 2. If you are flying into Ft. Lauderdale you can reserve a private car with ACE Tours @ 1-877-438-2645 or www.acetoursinc.com.** Rates are \$70.00 for a private car one way for 1 or 2 persons. A private car for 3 or 4 persons is \$80.00 one way. You must book 1 week ahead of time.
- 3. If you are flying in on August 1st, Carnival Cruise Lines provides transfers online at www.carnival.com.** The cost from Miami is \$16.00 one way and \$32.00 per person round trip. The cost from Ft. Lauderdale is \$30.00 one way and \$60.00 round trip per person. **You will be able to book transfers in July after we have been given your individual booking number by Carnival.**



Guitar and DJ Hero on FAS 2010! Wanna Play?



In the next issue of Blue Notes, a preliminary **Daily Itinerary** will be available so you can plan your busy week on Festival at Sea. You're going to love all of the games going on including our **Bid Whist, Dominoes, and a Golf Tournament**. For those of you who want a little "non sports related competition, our **Relationship Hat Chat** gives Men and Women a chance to talk about issues of today's relationships. We've got the **Newlywed and Not so Newlywed Game** for couples, and the **Family Feud Game**. For the gamblers there is **Casino Competition** as well as the old favorite, **Bingo**. For those of you who are looking to hook up with **Mr. or Ms. RIGHT**, you're who we need at our **Speed Dating Evening**. After all of this excitement you're going to need to get recharged with our "**Spoken Word**" poetry session. No matter what the name of your game, you'll get a chance to win big on Festival at Sea.

GOLF TOURNAMENT to be held at the Cozumel Country Club



Golfers, THE CHALLENGE IS ON!! Win our annual Golf Tournament and be the King of the Greens! Our tournament will take place at the **Cozumel Country Club which is listed by Golf Digest list for 2008/2009 as one of the Best Places to Play**" The course is a Nicklaus Design, the global golf course design firm founded by golf legend Jack Nicklaus, privately owned by the Nicklaus family and is widely regarded as the world's leading golf course design firm. Tournament Price is \$159.00 and includes Round Trip Transfers, tournament fee, 18 holes of golf, Elite Golf Cruises Professional escort to run the tournament, cart and green fees, insurance, FAS Hat, Water Bottle and Certificate of Participation. Awards are for 1st Place, 2nd Place, Closest to the Pin and Longest Yard. Save on costly airline luggage expense and rent a set of Nike clubs from Elite Golf Cruises for \$35.00. **Beginning on April 1st you can sign up online by going to www.festivalatsea.com and select "event signups" from the Caribbean 2010 drop down menu, or call Blue World Travel at 800-466-2719.**

Steppin' with Carolyn A. Patterson & Anthony "Tykmyn" Allen



Carolyn



Tykmyn

We are excited about this years Steppin' classes. Back with us again is Carolyn A. Patterson who has technical training in ballet, modern, tap DC Hand Dance, Zumba and Chicago Steppin. **Carolyn is the co-founder of Takin' it Step by Step Dance Company in Atlanta in 2002**, which offers group fitness instruction with a specialty in dance for active adults. She has a decade of experience as a dance instructor, is a Certified Group Fitness Instructor through the Aerobics Fitness Assn. of America and CPR certified. Takin' it Step by Step has been cred-

ited for being pioneers as the first organization to offer formal Chicago Steppin' classes in the Atlanta area. To learn more about Chicago Steppin and to watch a Steppin' demonstration, visit her website at www.letstep.com. Carolyn is also instrumental in getting a special treat for this years Festival at Sea Class. Her partner will be the **legendary Chicago Stepper Master Instructor, Anthony Tykmyn (pronounced "Tickman") Allen**. Tykmyn's sultry, smooth execution in his unique, boundless style has donned him title wins in over 13 steppin' competitions since 1997, nine of which were awarded at Radio V103 World's Largest Steppin' Competition held annually in Chicago. He teaches workshops and holds classes from coast to coast and is usually the spotlighted guest Stepper for over 90% of the various Steppin' Conventions, balls and events held across the country. Tykmyn also starred in the documentary, "Steppin': A Chicago Dance", which debuted at the 2009 Hollywood Black Film Festival. Tykman is the most sought-after Chicago Steppin' instructor and dancer nationwide and we at Festival at Sea are honored to have him aboard this year!



Medical Notice

If you have any medical conditions, or are pregnant, please contact Blue World so that we can notify Carnival. In addition, **if you are bringing your own wheelchair**, we need to notify Carnival in advance. **If you need a wheelchair**, Scooter, etc, **Special Needs Group of Ft. Lauderdale provides a service and will have a wheelchair waiting for you in your cabin. Call 1-800-513-4515 or log onto www.specialneedsgroup.com**. Let them know you are part of the Blue World Travel Charter. Also if you do not have a pre-existing condition you can still **insure your vacation** by calling **Travelex at 800-228-9792** or www.travelex-insurance.com. **Your Festival at Sea cruise Location # is 05-1094.**



FAS Message Center

The message center is a chance for our passengers to communicate with other Festival at Sea passengers throughout the USA and abroad. You can fax or email information about anniversaries, honeymoons, weddings, birth announcements and any FAS parties you plan to have prior to the cruise. FAX: 415 882-9985 or email FAS@Blueworldtravel.com.

Cupid's Arrow



Thanks for calling in to let us know about your celebration. **CHEERS!** Congratulations to our very own aerobics instructor **Becky Singleton and Crandal Hardy** who were married on Feb 13th and will honeymoon on FAS. **Mia Vance and Byron Gordon** will celebrate their 3rd anniversary on May 11th. **Eddie & Terry Wilder** will celebrate 5 years on Sept. 24th. **Anthony and Shirley Johnson** will celebrate 7 years on Aug 22nd. **Marcus and Jhera Woodard** will be married for 9 years on June 23rd.

Kevin and Diane Wright will celebrate their 10th Anniversary on Nov. 24th. Congratulations to **Carolyn and Andre Price** who will be married for 20 years on August 16th. **Hezekiah and Vanessa Wiggs** will celebrate 20 years on Aug. 4th. **Luke and Elaine Hadnot** will celebrate 35 years of marriage on June 28th. **Robert and Tamara Wade** will celebrate their 37th Anniversary on July 7th. It will be their 1st cruise! **Ulyses and Diane Martin** will celebrate their 40th anniversary on May 9th. Best Wishes to **Brandy Brown and Darrell Mooring** who were engaged in March. First time cruisers **Kenneth and Trelinshelia Harrison** will be married 16 years on July 20th and celebrate on FAS! **Antoinetta and Harver McFarland** will celebrate their 6th Anniversary on August 7th. **Anthony & Shirley Johnson** are celebrating their 7th anniversary on 8/23. **Toye and Nathaniel Stokes** celebrate 29th on 7/30. **Willie and Martha Mason** will celebrate their 30th Anniversary on May 24th. **Latoya Johnson and Armon Borders** will honeymoon on FAS. **Vershunda Jones and Steve Lee** will also Honeymoon on FAS.

GRADUATES!

Congratulations to **Clementha Ingram** who will receive her Masters Degree in Nursing. **Loryn Barbosa** will graduate from Dallas Ranch Middle School. **Dezari Alexander and Nadya Cannady** will finish Hercules High School in CA.

RETIREMENTS

Elliott Shaw is retiring from coaching at De Anza High School. **Elmer Reed** is retiring after 25 years as a correctional officer.

July Blue Notes will be sent via Email In Living Color

You can view this Spring Blue Notes issue online in Color. Beginning in July, **if we have your email address we will send your Blue Notes to you over the internet.** If you don't have an email address we will mail your copy to you.

Birthday Shout-Outs!

7/28 Nathaniel Stokes **7/31** Benita Bailey **8/1** Wayne Hooker, Kazette Dickerson Jomal Johnson, Larry Hines, Terri Wilder, Verda Howard & Martha Bussie **8/2** Emil Hearne & Elizabeth Price **8/3** Bertha Davis, Monique Barclay & Michelle Whiteside **8/4** Geraldine James **8/5** Tori D Moore, Brandy Brown, Una Stephens & Josana Powell **8/6** Mr. Arnell Dean, Azizi Raymore & Tristane Santa Lucia **8/8** Dorothy Jackson-Smith & Winston Livingston **8/9** Christopher Carter & Allison Clay-

ton **8/10** Bibi Kahn **8/11** Jaqueline Herron **8/12** Jeanette Crump & Deshawn Gill **8/13** Albert Moore **8/14** Stephanie Porter **8/15** LaWonda Darris **8/16** Shalina Boyd, Annie Juarez & Kathleen Powell **8/17** Lynn Chess & Zara Madison **8/18** Debbie Ellis Brown, Ebony Tinsley & George Mickler **8/20** David Miles **8/21** Tracey Walker, Marvin Bell & Nomjikelo Okonji **8/22** Bobby Boyd, Stephanie Blake & Donn Brantley **8/24** LaTanya Barrett & Bianca Omebe Williams **8/25** Essence West **8/26** Yvette Sylvester **8/27** Oscar Jones & Wanda Bradwell-Miner **8/29** Margaret Shamberger, Charlene Miller, Roslyn

Livingston, Trevelia Andrews & Garrette Jackson, **8/31** Darion Craig

BIRTHDAY MILESTONES!

35 Years

Shyla Martinez 8/5

50 Years

Our own Gospelcise Instructor **Belinda Haywood** on 8/24.

Jeanette Crump also celebrates # 50 on 8/12, **Wendy Potlongo** celebrates on 4/12

60 Years

Celebration the big 60 are **Vivian Wigington** 1/31, **Barbara Hall** 2/12, **Hattie Martin** 5/2 and our own committee member **Elaine Pearsall** 8/30

75 Years **Mary Oliphant** 8/10 and **Albert J. Moore** 8/13



PASSPORT & Correct Name Info

If you have not obtained your passport as of yet, it is critical that you apply immediately. For information about obtaining a United States Passport go to www.travel.state.gov. Passports are not difficult to get, however you do have to plan ahead. Ordinarily a passport can take up to six weeks to be processed and mailed back to you, but in busier travel periods like the summer, it can

take a lot longer. In addition, if you are traveling with a minor who is not your own child, you must have a notarized letter stating that you have permission from both parents to take the minor out of the country. Also, please make sure that the first and last name you have given Blue World matches your passport name. **Please take time to look at your invoice. If anything is incorrect we need to know immediately.** In addition to

your name being spelled accurately, or if you have purchased the pre cruise package, please look at your cabin number to make sure you are in the correct category. Note, your Deck location and category are two different items. For example Category 4A & 6A are on Deck 1. If you have any questions about where you are located onboard or if your invoice has any discrepancies, please let us know immediately. After your documents are issued, **a fee of \$100.00 will be charged to reissue.**