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## A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2009

The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held on Sun. 27 Sept., 2009, at the Knox Presbyterian Church Hall, 4156 Sheppard Avenue East, Toronto. The President and representatives of the various sub-committees of the Executive presented reports on the activities of the concluding year. A motion was moved and passed for amendments to the Constitution, including a change to the Executive. In accordance to these changes, elections were held, and the following were elected to the Executive :

**President** : Errol Chapman    **Vice-Pres.** : Godfrey Whyte  
**Secretary** : Arthur Veerasammy    **Asst. Sec.** : Paul Archer  
**Treasurer** : Beverly Vandeyar    **Asst. Treas.** : Renuka Persaud

#### Directors

Paul Camacho                      A. Rupert De Castro  
Roger Devers                      Neville Devonish  
Hugh Hazlewood                  Vibert Lampkin  
Shevin Naraine                      Marcelline Ramcharran  
Bunty Phillips (*Past President*)



Front (L. to R.) : Paul Archer, Arthur Veerasammy, Godfrey Whyte, Errol Chapman, Beverly Vandeyar, Renuka Persaud.

Back (L. to R.) : Paul Camacho, Marcelline Ramcharran, Shevin Naraine, Rupert De Castro, Roger Devers, Bunty Phillips.

Absent : Neville Devonish, Hugh Hazlewood, Vibert Lampkin.

### INCOMING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the 2009 Annual General Meeting, the out-going President (Bunty Phillips) stated that the Association's finances and fund raising activities during this past year have been affected adversely by the world-wide economic downturn as well as by the impact of other organizations competing for the same clientele at similar functions.

Although our Association has tried to address the clash with other organizations in the past, I shall ensure that new solutions are pursued vigorously to rectify this situation during my term. Also, it has always been difficult to expand the membership of our Association, so we now need to try to encourage non-Alumni to join our Association as Associate members and enjoy the benefits of volunteerism. We shall continue to do whatever is necessary to help our Alma Mater to regain its former prominence in the education of Guyanese children. However, the experience gained by some of our Executives at the recent Reunion seems to indicate that we need to change our strategy to be more reactive than proactive in our evaluation of the school's needs. I will try to introduce the necessary strategies to accomplish this.

I shall arrange a meeting of the Executive and any other interested members to establish a new plan of action for the 2009 - 2010 term and, if necessary, changes to the 2009 - 2013 Strategic and Tactical Plans.

Finally, I wish to impress on all of you that the Association desperately needs your support as well as the support of many others. Therefore, I am appealing to you to continue giving your support and to try to enlist the help of as many more people as you can to ensure the continued viability of our Association.

Thank you for electing me as your President for the next year, and I offer best wishes to all of you.

*Errol Chapman*

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