



CHMI'S 1ST HOSPITALITY & TOURISM WEEK MARCH 2 – 6, 2009

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WHAT'S NEW AT CHMI - NASSAU

- Training Seminars/Workshops offered through the Industry Training Department:
 - Safe Food Handlers Workshop
 - Train-the-Trainer Workshop
 - Housekeeping Skills Workshop
 - Business & Professional Etiquette Workshop
 - Conflict Resolution Workshop
 - Food Service Workshop
 - Supervisory Skills Workshop
- Personal Development Courses offered through the Industry Training Department:
 - Gourmet Cooking I & II
 - Bahamian Cuisine
 - Bread Making
 - Cake & Pastry I & II
 - Cake Decorating & II
 - Asian Cooking
 - Healthy & Nutritious Cooking
 - Holiday Baking

The CHMI Campus is buzzing with excitement as the Faculty and students in the Hospitality and Tourism disciplines prepare to showcase the Institute during this upcoming week of activities, which is under the theme, "Alternative Tourism Options".

HOD Ms. Ruth Gardiner, Assistant Professors Dr. Sophia Rolle and Mrs. Lesley Seymour-Rahming are all working tirelessly to ensure that this week is a success!

To commence this week of activities on Monday, 2nd March, 2009, Mr. Bill Coteron, Vice President/General Manager of Conference Services & Banquet Operations, Atlantis. Mr. Coteron will be presenting on the 'Inner Workings of Conference Services in a Mega Resort'. Other guest speakers during the week will include: Mr. Arthur Leuden, Director, Hospitality and Tourism Institute, Suriname and another proposed speaker includes Mr. Dionisio D' Aguillar. The week of activities will end with a symposium.

INDUSTRY TRAINING DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

- *Internship 2008*
 - There were seventeen students on internships in Nassau and the Family Islands: namely:
 - SANDALS
 - MINISTRY OF TOURISM
 - BRITISH COLONIAL HILTON
 - BREEZES SUPERCLUB
 - BAHAMAS HOTEL ASSOCIATION
 - SHERATON RESORT
 - CIGATOO RESORT
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 - ATLANTIS

- *Internship Spring 2009*
 - Presently, there are twelve students on internships in Nassau and the Family Islands, namely:
 - SANDALS
 - BRITISH COLONIAL HILTON
 - BAKER'S BAY RESORT
 - COMFORT SUITES
 - LYFORD CAY
 - COCO CAY
LITTLE STIRRUPS CAY
THE BERRY ISLANDS
 - SHERATON HOTEL
 - BAIR'S LODGE
SOUTH ANDROS
 - RIU
 - ATLANTIS

INDUSTRY RELATIONS /TRADESHOWS:

The following initiatives were conducted through the Industry Training Department during 2008:

- *30th Annual Ministry of Tourism Careers Fair*
 - In January 2008, Industry Training Department joined industry partners in a collaborative effort to showcase the Bahamian tourism product.
- *Caribbean Hospitality Industry Promotional Service(CHIPS), CHMI and Bahamas Hotel Association(BHA)*
 - In January 29th and 30th, 2008, Industry Training Department strengthened relations through a collaboration with CHIPS and BHA to offer expert seminars.
- *S.C. McPherson Junior High School's Career Fair*
 - In February 2008, Industry Training coordinated this effort and sent a representative to apprise the student population of the many opportunities in the culinary field of tourism.

- *Career's Day Fair at the Old Bight High School in Old Bight, Cat Island.*

- In March 2008, Industry Training and the Ministry of Tourism worked collaboratively at this Career Fair to heighten tourism awareness in the Family Island schools

- *Job Readiness Boot Camp Workshop*
 - In May, 2008, the Ministry of Education, Bahamas Hotel Association and CHMI joined collaboratively to formulate this workshop for 12th grade students. This workshop was designed to provide students with the necessary skills to ensure that they are prepared for the job market. The workshop was a success and plans for next year are in the works.

TRAINING SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS:

The following initiatives were conducted through the Industry Training Department during 2008:

- *Ministry of Health, Public Health Department, Housekeeping Skills Training*
 - In April 2008, the Industry Training Department was requested by the Ministry of Public Health to provide Housekeeping Skills training for Housekeepers at the various Public Clinics.
- *World Association of Chef's Societies(WACS)*
 - In April CHMI collaborated with the Bahamas Culinary Association and the World Association of Chef's Societies(WACS) to offer unique workshops namely,
 - The Professional Chef &

Certification

- Mediterranean Cuisine
- Current Culinary Trends
- Preparing for Food Competitions & Shows

• ServSafe Certification Training

- In June 2008, nine members of faculty and staff of CHMI along with colleagues from industry and education successfully completed the ServSafe Sanitation training conducted by Mr. Ricardo McQueen of Food, Health & Environmental Safety Laboratory Services Ltd.

• Lyford Cay Club

- In September, October 2008 and January 2009 training was conducted for all employees of The Lyford Cay Club in the areas of Customer Service and Food & Beverage. Mrs. Duane Williams and Mrs. V. Hamilton facilitated Customer Service and Mr. Everette Coakley was the facilitator for the Food & Beverage sessions.

• Gerace Research Centre, San Salvador

- In November 2008, Mrs. V. Hamilton, Industry Training Department facilitated Basic Supervisory Skill training and Chef Devain Maycock facilitated Basic Culinary Skills training for some of the staff.

• College Council

- In 2009, Dr. Lincoln Marshall and Mrs. V. Hamilton made a presentation to the College's Council advising them of CHMI programming.

• Tourism Ambassadors Initiative

- The Ministry of Tourism has engaged ten of our CHMI's Hospitality and Tourism students to work as Tourism Ambassadors for three hours on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

• Cacique Scholarship Awarded to CHMI Student

- Mr. Waylon McCardy, a freshman in the Bachelor of Science program was awarded a four-year Cacique Scholarship.

• CHMI Student in Canadian College

- Mr. Bradon Pratt, Tourism major is presently at Nova Scotia Community College in Nova Scotia, Canada.

• CHMI Senator Afforded Mexican Summer Opportunity.

- Miss Brooke Sherman, Tourism major will be participating during a semester abroad in Mexico this Summer.

• Canadian Scholarship Awarded to CHMI Student

- CHMI's Dennise Newton who is a senior in Tourism and Hospitality Management was one of two students who were awarded a Canadian Government scholarship. The scholarship is in the amount of ten thousand dollars and will be used to complete her academics at Holland College in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.

• President Scholars Programme

- This programme is for students who maintain a grade point average of 3.5 and above. Miss Crystal McCoy a Tourism student and

Neucasha Greene a Culinary student are both in this programme.

• Cacique Scholarship Awarded to CHMI Student

- CHMI's Dennise Newton who is a senior in Tourism and Hospitality Management was awarded a scholarship from the Cacique Scholarship Fund. Miss Newton hopes to further her education and obtain a MBA with a concentration in Marketing at Queens University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. In the meantime, Miss Newton will be going to Dijon, France for nine months and while there she will be a Teacher's Aide.

CHMI FACULTY NEWS:

- *Chef Mario Adderley and Chef Addiemae Farrington* were Advisors for the Bahamas Culinary Olympic Team who won bronze medals in the Hot Food competition and a diploma in the Cold Food competition. This years Culinary Olympics was held in November in Frankfurt, Germany. The members of this team were Chefs Tracey Sweeting, Basil Dean, Emmanuel Gibson, Jason McBride, Wayne Moncur and Alpheus Ramsey.

- *Chef Mario Adderley and Chef Addiemae Farrington* were Team Coaches for The Bahamas Junior National Culinary Team, who participated in the Culinary Super Challenge Team Competition in Orange County, Florida in September. Team Bahamas which comprised of Apprentice Chefs D'Angelo Charlton, Keeshad Glass, Antoino Huyler, Devan McPhee and Jamal Small braved inclement weather brought about by Hurricane Ike, to win silver medals in their competition. The team comprising of D'Angelo Charlton, Devan McPhee, Antonio Huyler won three silver medals and Remia Knowles and Simone Percentie won two bronze medals.

- *Assistant Professor & Head of Department, Ruth Gardiner* received the Professional Certificate in Event Management via the University of the West George Washington University.

- *Assistant Professor & Head of Department, Ruth Gardiner* was one of a contingent of Faculty members who were guests on board the MV Explorer, as guests of the Institute for Shipboard Education. The MV Explorer is a cruise ship that was converted into a floating university to house its Semester at Sea Programme, an initiative that began in 1963.



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