SPBS Newsletter

President Greetings

Wherever you are - welcome to the new virtual world! We got restless like everyone else and learned to connect using Zoom where friendly faces



brought fresh ideas and motivated us to simply step into action. We initiated a "Covid Fund" to help SKN. We took decisive action! We chose one idea which was championed by Jean and Ambassador Thelma Phillip-Brown - to support college students stranded in the US. With the able contribution of SPBS and other well-wishers like Granville Wrensford and Steve Phillip, we made timely monetary contributions

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Chairman



President

"We give back so others can move forward "

SCHOLARSHIPS 2020 NOW OPEN!





Vice President

S.P.B.S HAS ASSISTED THE ST.KITTS/NEVIS STUDENTS AFFECTED BY THE COVID VIRUS. THE STUDENTS WHO HAVE BENEFITED ATTEND SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE US AND CANADA.

SPBS Generates COVID-19 Fund and Donates To Students

This is a moment in time when, wherever you are, you feel bound to step up and act. Change is now more than a metaphor. Change is here. We know the individual and family commitments all too well. We accept the boundaries that our leaders put in place. As an organization we became restless as we simply wanted to help. We wanted to give to "country" – to St. Kitts and Nevis.

In response to our duty to country during this pandemic, we thought it best to donate PPEs, test kits, gloves and masks. We began raising funds. Unfortunately procuring these items for donation were met with some unforeseen challenges. We hope to deliver on this PPE commitment in the near future.

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We are not in this alone. Other groups and individuals have stepped up. We particularly want to recognize Dr. Hanna Guishard, a robust partner with SPBS, who gave generously to support additional students as well. Collectively we

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Chairman: Trevor Duggins President: Stewart Williams Vice President: Mervyn Richardson Secretary: Eloise Herbert Asst. Secretary: Colette Joseph Treasurer: Trevor Hanley Asst. Treasurer: Leah Joseph PRO: Terniqua Osborne Collectively we delivered support to more than 25 students and have inspired other organizations to participate in this effort.



The Sandy Point Benevolent Society (SPBS) is a nonprofit organization which bears as its mantra "We give back so others can move forward." The Charles E. Mills Secondary School (CEMSS), formerly the Sandy Point High School, is the main benefactor of our fund-raising activities. Every year we offer scholarship awards to deserving students who have attended or are still attending the said institution. These students are chosen based on different categories and criteria. We have a US Chapter which

oversees the functions of the entire organization and is ably led by Dr Stewart Williams. Our St Kitts Chapter is led by Ms. Shermin Stevens and our newest addition of an Anguilla Chapter is led by Emris Rogers.

We encourage citizens at home or abroad in good economic standing or charitable mind to consider similar assistance for persons in need. We pray for our beloved Federation daily, and in particular the hard-working efforts of the national Covid-19 task force and all of our essential workers. We hope that our Federation, as well as residents here in the USA can return to some normalcy after an easing of the burdens caused by this pandemic. Continue to be safe as we ride through this storm.

Dr Stewart Williams President, SPBS US Chapter.

NEED MORE INFORMATION ON COVID - 19 CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW

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SPBS 2020 <u>SCHOLARSHIPS</u> IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS ONLINE!!!!

About Us:

OUR MOTTO: Empowerment through Education

OUR MISSION:

To Strengthen Our Hometown SandyPoint Community via Support for Educational Institutions & Positive Youth Activities. We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

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