## 39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE CARIBBEAN, THE AMERICAS AND THE ATLANTIC REGION OF THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION (CPA) BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS-JULY 25TH TO AUGUST 2ND 2014

THEME: Forging Ahead in a Hostile Global Environment

VENUE: Barbados Hilton Hotel, Needham's Point, Bridgetown

## **PROGRAMME**

# Friday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**ALL DAY:** ARRIVAL OF DELEGATES TO THE 7<sup>TH</sup> CWP

CONFERENCE, CPA SECRETARY GENERAL AND

STAFF, REGIONAL SECRETARY ETC.

Delegates will be met at the Airport by Conference

Staff and transported to the Hilton Hotel.

REGISTRATION – Pre-Function Area, Hilton Hotel

# Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014

[ALL DAY: ARRIVAL OF REGIONAL EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Delegates will be met at Airport and transported to

Hilton Hotel

REGISTRATION - Pre Function Areas, Hilton Hotel]

# COMMONWEALTH WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS CONFERENCE Garrison 1 & 2 Hilton Hotel

9.00 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. Brief Opening Ceremony

9.30 – 9.45 a.m. Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians Delegates

and Officials assemble in hotel lobby for Official

Photograph.

10:00 am – 12:30 pm

**Session 1** [Coffee Break Provided]

**Topic:** Understanding and countering the assumptions related to the historical and cultural basis for the defined or perceived status of women.

**Presenters**: Hon Jeane Atherden (Bermuda) (Trinidad)

12.30 - 2.00 p.m.

Lunch – Lighthouse Restaurant

2:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Session 2 [ Coffee Break Provided]

**Topic:** Creating effective partnerships with civil society, government and other state agencies in the implementation of strategies for the advancement of women's issues.

**Presenters:** Senator the Hon Miss Maxine McClean

(Barbados) (Jamaica)

(Cayman Islands)

6:15 p.m.

CWP Delegates depart for dinner

7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

Deputy Speaker's Dinner for CWP & Regional

Executive

Venue:

Deputy Speaker's Residence,

Mapps, St. Philip

Sunday July 27th, 2014

[ALL DAY

ARRIVAL OF ALL OTHER DELEGATES / OBSERVERS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS OF THE 39<sup>th</sup> REGIONAL CPA CONFERENCE. Delegates will be met at Airport and transported to Hotel.

REGISTRATION – Pre Function Area, Hilton Hotel

## COMMONWEALTH WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS CONFERENCE continues Garrison 1 & 2 Hilton Hotel

9:30 am - 12:00 noon Session 3 [Coffee Break Provided]

> Topic: Is there an agenda for Women Parliamentarians to pursue in their parliamentary and political input? If so, what

is that agenda? If not, why not?

Presenters: (Bahamas)

(Jamaica)

(Barbados)

Venue: Barbados Hilton; Garrison 1 and 2

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 pm

(1) Lunch for CWP Delegates – Lighthouse Venue: Restaurant, **Barbados Hilton** 

(2) Regional Executive Committee Luncheon Meeting Venue: Boardroom, Barbados Hilton

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Discussion on CWP Constitution and fine tuning of strategic action plan;

Closing Remarks and end of CWP Conference.

7.00 pm - Until.

**Dinner Vouchers at hotel** 

# Monday July 28th, 2014

## 39th ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE CARIBBEAN, THE AMERICAS AND THE ATLANTIC REGION OF THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY **ASSOCIATION (CPA)**

9:00 - 11:00 a.m. OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY

> Venue: Needham's Room 1 & 2

> > **Barbados Hilton Hotel**

11:00 a.m. Official Photograph of all Delegates, Secretaries

and dignitaries;
RECEPTION

Venue: Pre-function area, Hilton Hotel

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Plenary Session 1

Topic: Addressing the Peculiar Challenges of Small Island Developing States.

## Presenters:

1. Barbados: Dr. Justin Robinson

2. Cayman Islands

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

**Barbados Hilton Hotel** 

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. LUNCH – Lighthouse Restaurant

2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Plenary Session 2 [Coffee Break available]

Topic: The role of *Parliament in Combating Non-communicable Diseases: Is it Legislative or Moral? Its Place on the Legislative Agenda.* 

## Presenters:

1. Jamaica

2. Bahamas

3. Turks & Caicos

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

4:00 - 5:15 p.m. **Plenary Session 3** 

Topic: A New Development Model: How Can We Effectively Emerge From the Global Financial and Economic Crisis?

#### Presenters:

1. Barbados: Dr. Don Marshall

2. St. Lucia

6:30 p.m. Depart hotel for Governor General's Residence

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Welcome Reception hosted by the Governor

General's

Venue - Governor General's Official Residence,

**Government House** 

# Tuesday July 29th, 2014

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Plenary Session 4

Topic: Challenges to Government Subsidized Health Care in Small to Developing States. What Are

the Options?

Presenters:

1. Trinidad and Tobago

2. Barbados: Hon. John Boyce, MP, Minister of Health

3. Grenada

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

10:30 – 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 p.m. Plenary Session 5

Topic: Enhancing Parliamentary Democracy: A Roadmap for Co-operation Between Government and Opposition.

Presenters:

1. Guyana

2. Cayman Islands

3. British Virgin Islands

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch

Venue: Pre-function area, beach-side.

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Plenary Session 6

> Topic: The Role of the Youth In Ensuring the Survival of Parliament Democracy.

Presenters:

1. Anguilla

2. Trinidad and Tobago

3. Nevis

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Coffee Break

3:45 - 5:15 p.m. Plenary Session 7

Topic: Securing our Borders; our Shared

Responsibility

Presenters:

1. Barbados: Hon. Adriel Brathwaite, QC., MP., **Attorney General** 

2. Guyana

3. Bermuda

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

6:30 p.m. Depart hotel for dinner reception

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Reception hosted by the Prime Minister Venue: Ilaro Court, Prime Minister's Official

Residence

Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014

9:00 – 12:00 a.m. Regional Annual General Meeting

Venue: Needham's Room 1&2

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 - 5:00 p.m. FREE FOR SHOPPING

ALL DAY ARRIVAL OF YOUTH PARLIAMENT

**DELEGATES** 

Delegates will be met at Airport and transported to

Hotel

REGISTRATION – Pre Function Area, Hilton Hotel

4:00 p.m. **AND** 6:00 p.m. Delegates depart for Limegrove Lifestyle Centre as

desired

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Presiding Officers Function

Venue: Limegrove Lifestyle Centre

10:00 p.m. Visit to Crop Over activity - OPTIONAL

Thursday July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Island Tour

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. **Evening of Cultural Entertainment and Dancing** 

Venue: Charles Fort, Hilton Hotel

Visit to Crop Over activity - OPTIONAL

Friday August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Youth Parliament

Venue: House of Assembly

Parliament of Barbados

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch – Members' Dining Room

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Visit to National Heroes Gallery & Museum of

Parliament

4:30 Depart Parliament for Hotel

8:00 p.m. Visit to Crop Over activity - OPTIONAL

# Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

ALL DAY: OFFICIAL DEPARTURE OF ALL DELEGATES,

OBSERVERS, ACCOMPANYING PERSONS, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND

YOUTH PARLIAMENTARIANS