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Diamonds International supports celebrity themed Bahamas Red Cross fundraiser

Nassau, Bahamas - When the Bahamas Red Cross Society (BRCS) reestablished their tea party fundraiser in early December, Diamonds International's participation added delight and dazzle to this high society-themed affair.

This Bahamian Celebrity Christmas Tea Party was held under the patronage of Lady Clara Smith, wife of the Governor General, and hosted by Lady Darling, a former patron and past president of the BRCS. Several women were honoured as "celebrities" who had worked tirelessly with this non-profit. These great women included Dame Marguerite Pindling, Lady Darling, Lady Foulkes, Cynthia "Mother" Pratt and Beverly Wallace Whitfield, MVO.

"Over the past 50 years, our leaders and their spouses have supported The Bahamas Red Cross Society, said Lady Darling. "We have invited them as our country's celebrities, to support this important fundraising event."

Shivan Sareen, general manager of Diamonds International Bahamas was pleased that their company could support the Bahamas Red Cross. They oftentimes work behind the scenes assisting those in need and in this instance, wanted to share the spirit of the Christmas season by providing giveaway bags to each guest, including a Safi Kilima Tanzanite necklace as a raffle prize. Team members Chardio Knowles, Robertha Smith, Carenda Jean and Safiya Whyms had a memorable time as they mingled with Dame Marguerite Pindling and Cecilia Cooper, wife of the Deputy Prime Minister, including businesswoman and philanthropist, Elaine Pinder and her two sisters at a beautifully decorated table.

"The tea party was a wonderful experience," stated Robertha Smith, a manager at the main DI store. "Dame Marguerite Pindling was delightful and down to earth, and it was a pleasure for us to speak to her in this informal setting and receive some of her great wisdom."

Other celebrities were Ann Marie Davis, spouse of the Prime Minister, who was joined by members from the Office of the Spouse, Equity Bank and friends, including Ruby-Ann Darling who attended with Mrs Pratt.

"In the history of The Bahamas Red Cross, high teas were held in the gardens at Government House to aid the Society. After many years, we are reintroducing this exciting event," said Terez Curry, the president of the BRCS. Government House is currently under renovation and therefore, it is anticipated that next year's tea party will return to that historic venue.

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Photo captions:



Photo 1
Dame Marguerite Pindling, honoured as a celebrity at the Bahamas Red Cross Society's Bahamian Celebrity Christmas Tea Party is shown with Carenda Jean (left) of Diamonds International Bahamas. Photo by Deja Rigby.



Photo 2
Diamond International Bahamas's team enjoyed their high tea experience at the Bahamas Red Cross Society's fundraiser. Show in the photo from left to right are Chardio Knowles, Robertha Smith and Safiya Whyms. Photo by Deja Rigby.



Photo 3
Pat Sweeting (center) and Cynthia "Mother" Pratt (right) wear regally styled hats for the Red Cross Society's high tea fundraiser. Gillian Curry-Williams, a committee member is shown at the left is distributing gift bags provided by Diamonds International which each guest received. Photo by Azaleta Ishmael-Newry.



Photo 4
What's a tea party without fancy hats! Guests at the recent Bahamas Red Cross event picked up their gift bags from Diamonds International Bahamas. Photo by Azaleta Ishmael-Newry.



Photo 5 Lady Darling, (left) hostess of the Tea Party and a patron of the BRCS with PR veteran Azaleta Ishmael-Newry, current tea party public relations committee member and a former long-time volunteer of the Bahamas Red Cross; At the Bahamian Celebrity Christmas Tea Party held in early December 2022.



Photo 6 Beverly Wallace Whitfield (right), a former president of the Bahamas Red Cross Society attended the Bahamian Celebrity Christmas Tea Party with her son Vincent Wallace Whitfield. She was a celebrity, especially recognized for her contributions over the decades to the Bahamas Red Cross Society. Photo by Azaleta Ishmael-Newry.



Photo 7 Ann Marie Davis (right) spouse of the Prime Minister and Ivlynn Cassar (left) Chairman, Equity Bank Limited, both model their outfits and splendidly paired matching hats at the BRCS tea party. Photo by Azaleta Ishmael-Newry.



Photo 8 Lady Foulkes was one of the many celebrities was recognized for her work with the Bahamas Red Cross Society. Photo by Azaleta Ishmael-Newry

MEDIA COVERAGE on various outlets, new stations and below:

https://www.bahamaslocal.com/newsitem/288447/Diamonds_International_supports_The_Bahamas_Red_Cross_Celebrity_Themed_Fundraiser.html



DAME Marguerite Pindling with Carenida Jean (left) of Diamonds International Bahamas. Photo: Deja Nigby

TOP photo, Ann Marie Davis (right), spouse of the Prime Minister, with Ivlynn Cassar, chairman, Equity Bank Limited, and, bottom photo, Lady Foulkes; Azaleta Ishmael-Newry

DIAMONDS ARE THE RED CROSS' BEST FRIENDS

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