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Leadership Cayman looks at Sister Islands

The Leadership Cayman group went to Cayman Brac on March 10 & 11 to learn more about the governance, administration, and business & operations of the Sister Islands. In addition to the seminar presentations the group was given a tour of the District Administration Building, Brac Power and Light, and Faith Hospital.

The seminar was organised by programme participants David Kirkaldy, Lillian Curbelo-Bush and 2010 Inaugural Graduate Phil Jackson, and sponsored by Bodden & Bodden Attorneys-at-Law, Brac Reef Hotel, and Cayman Airways.

The speakers for the seminar were Honourable Deputy Premier Juliana Y. O'Connor Connolly, LLB, JP, Deputy Premier, Minister of District Administration, Works and Gender Affairs, and Mr. Moses I. Kirkconnell, JP, 1st Elected Member, Cayman Brac & Little Cayman who discussed issues facing the Sister Islands from a government perspective.

Mr. Ernie Scott, JP, District Administrator; Ms. Yvette Dilbert RN, SCM, BScN, MScPPM, Faith Hospital Administrator; Dr. Srirangan Velusamy, MD, Director, Sister Islands Health Services; Ms. Trudy Viers, General Manager, Brac Reef Hotel; Mr. Kenny Ryan, MBE, JP, Project Manager, Cayman Brac Power & Light; Ms. Lynne Walton, RN, Co-owner, Walton's Mango Manor Guest House also on topics relating to the Health Services Authority, private business ownership, and the Civil Service in the Sister Islands.

"It was an honor to participate as a speaker at the Leadership seminar and to interact with leaders from within the Cayman community who demonstrated their interest in learning more about Cayman Brac and Little Cayman and understanding some of the issues and challenges we face and how these impact the sustainable future of these two islands. Some of the panel discussions were stimulating and helpful in identifying potential opportunities and innovative ways to shape the future of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman." **Ms. Yvette Dilbert RN, SCM, BScN, MScPPM, Faith Hospital Administrator**

"I want to again express sincere thanks to all members of Leadership Cayman for their efforts to plan and execute travel arrangements in coming to Cayman Brac. It is through such combined efforts that the Sister Islands community will be able to develop and execute activities to address the many issues raised throughout the sessions and achieve the desired results. Having such a broad spectrum of skills and experiences as Leadership Cayman provides for us to learn from will certainly bode well for our future endeavors." **Mr. Kenny Ryan, MBE, JP, Project Manager, Cayman Brac Power & Light**



The Chamber's Leadership Cayman programme (LC) was developed in answer to a need to ensure men and women of all types of backgrounds could access the information and experience to help them develop as leaders within our community. The six-month programme is designed to allow participants a deeper understanding of social, economic, business and political issues affecting us all, whilst they develop their own personal leadership styles and nourish their community spirit.

Class members interact with diverse, high-level community leaders and decision makers by organising and attending a series of seminars and retreats in areas ranging from business, government, education, media, social services, criminal justice, diversity, the arts and more. A trip to the Sister Islands also introduced the group to some of the unique issues facing Cayman Brac and Little Cayman as our smaller and less developed communities. Meeting typically every other Thursday of the month (5:00 – 9:00 p.m.), the LC group forges strong friendships as they take this inspiring journey together. Each graduating class will be invited to join the LC Alumni Association and use it to network both here in the Cayman Islands and also with similar overseas programmes.

