

MARTIN FAMILY REUNION COMMITTEE

HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

AUGUST 30, 1992 – DECEMBER 31, 2013

Submitted by Founding Members
Michael Headley (4th) & Wilbur Walrond (5th)



Matriarch Floris Walrond 2008 – Present
Playing Sudoku
At 95 yrs of age – October 10, 2013.

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THE MARTIN FAMILY SYNOPSIS

August 30, 1992 – January 13, 2013

By Wilbur Walrond (5TH) Founding Member
<http://members.shaw.ca/chowmartin/>

THE FAMILY MATRIARCHS

1992 - 1992



Florence (No-No) Dasent

1992-1999



Naomi (Nezzie) Martin & Great Great
Great Grand Niece Aryana Durham

1999 – 2008



Elaine (Cooksie) Smith

(Rear Right – Late Joy Worrel)
1st Family Historian

2008 - Present



Floris (Lee-Young) Walrond

A. BACKGROUND

Reunion of the Martin Family Cousins Michael Headley (4th) during various stages of euphoric years commencing in 1980 while many annual Carnival

It was not until the end of Michael conscripted his older a Committee of older Martin and stage the first Martin Family



was first conceived by and Wilbur Walrond (5th) bliss that spanned several trying to recuperate after indulgences.

Carnival February 1992 that brother Clayton to spearhead Family members to organize Reunion that year.

B. THE FIRST COMMITTEE - 1992

The first Working Committee under the name of the MARTIN FAMILY REUNION COMMITTEE consisted of the following members:



WORKING COMMITTEE

Sitting (L to R):

Carol Gomez, Sister Dominic Savio, Joy Worrell, Barbara Johnson, Monica Headley, Alma Walrond, Yolande Chin, Jennifer Martin, Selwyn Lee Young.

Standing (L to R):

Wilmot Martin, Sally Homer, Joy Martin, Clayton Headley, Marva Martin, Edmund Headley, Kenneth Martin, Michael Headley, Lennox Dacot, Wilbur Walrond, Max Richards, Leo Martin, Adelaide Wee, Ann Marie Desent, Tony Lee Young, John Martin, Lisa Nunes, John Headley.

Absent: Max Richards (Honorary Member)

C. THE VISION

1. To spend the first few years bringing the family together through various social gatherings with the hope of establishing strong ties and lines of communication for the next steps ahead.
2. At the same time we should try to avail ourselves of any opportunity to demonstrate by example whenever or wherever possible, how members of the family could indeed benefit in areas such as education, social welfare, health and improved quality of life for seniors.
3. Research and formulate plans for the eventual formation and sustaining of a Martin **Family Foundation (MFF)**.
4. Develop a Business Plan that would see a lasting progressive legal link between family members at large and their eventual active participation in the future organization and running of the Family Foundation and thereby ensuring its sustainability for the benefit of its members in perpetuity.

D. THE REUNION

On August 30, 1992 at the home of Professor George Maxwell Richards (4th) then Chancellor of the UWI in St Augustine, the Chairman of the first Reunion Committee Clayton Headley, put the above Vision and its sentiments into perspective.

He expressed the hope that that first Reunion would see the continuation of many more similar family gatherings and that a Foundation Fund would eventually mature to render assistance to deserving cases in the family such as for example, advanced education and health care, and that the Martin Clan would serve as an inspiration to other family groups to pool their talents and resources toward the improvement of the quality of life for their respective family members.

That 1st Reunion saw an attendance by some 500 known and unknown family members from Venezuela, the United States, and Canada, Barbados and Norway – to name a few countries – as well as the unveiling of the Family Tree featuring some 800 names together with a preview of the 1st Family History Book compiled by the late Joy Worell.

E. MISSION STATEMENT and FAMILY CREST

On April 12, 1994 a group of members assembled at the Valley View Hotel in Port of Spain, under the Chairmanship of Kermitt Walrond (5th) to establish a Family Mission Statement.

On April 16, 1994 a second session was held at Michael Headley's Salybia Beach Resort and the following Statement was ratified:

"Our Mission is to utilize our skills and talents to promote **Family Unity** and in so doing become exemplars to other families".

D.1 the CREST



Subsequently that Statement was amended to read:

“Our Mission is to utilize our skills and talents to promote Family Unity”

On March 18, 2000, the Mission Statement was once again finally amended to read:

“Let our Skills and Talents keep us united” as shown in the family CREST which was designed in 1996 by Lawrence Walrond (5th).



See also website <http://members.shaw.ca/chowmartin/mission.html>

F. FAMILY UNITY THROUGH SOCIAL EVENTS

During the first fifteen (15) years of its existence successive Martin Family Reunion Committee consisted mainly of surviving members of the 1992 Committee or at least those original members who chose to remain active despite constant concerted efforts to woo the younger 5th and 6th generations into taking a leadership role on the Committee.

During the above period, the following social functions and communication lines were organized as a means of keeping the family together.

- 1993 & 1994 – two successive Parang Brunch Parties were held at the Valsayn home of ‘honorary’ family member Steve Marcano. The Martin Family newsletter, the CLANSMAN was started followed later by the family **Website** which is still maintained by its designer Roger James (5th) in Winnipeg. <http://members.shaw.ca/chowmartin/>
- August 30, 1995 – the official special launching of Joy Worrell’s Family History Book as a fund raiser, was held at the Victoria Gardens residence of Chairman Clayton Headley.
- 1996 – The 2nd family reunion to celebrate our 4th Anniversary of the 1st reunion was held once again at the St. Augustine campus home of Max and Jean Richards (4th). The Matriarch was Naomi (Nezzie) Martin (3rd)



FAMILY UNITY THROUGH SOCIAL EVENTS (Cont'd)

- October 8, 1998 – 1st and only South Family fete - “Wet & Glorious” thanks to southerners Dereck and Antoinette Smith, Gillian Walters and Terry Ali for their organization skills under the patronage of Matriarch Naomi (Nezzy) Martin. See **Photo bottom left** Page 6– with great, great, great, niece Ariana Durham.
- August 2002 – 10th Family Reunion at Michael Headley’s Salybia Resort with family Matriarch Cooksie Smith. **See photo bottom right page 6.**
- December 19, 2004 – Christmas Social at Government House under the patronage of our Republic’s President Prof. George Maxwell Richards & Lady Dr. Jean Ramjohn – Richards (4th) in the year of their inauguration.

1



The Venue

2



Matriarch Cooksie Smith & Floris Walrond

3



Hosts President Max & Lady Jean Richards (4th)

4



Chairperson Carol Gomez & her committee

- October 26, 2007 - 15th Family Reunion at Headley's Salybia Resort.

1



Special presentation to Venue Host Michael Headley by Cousin President Max Richards. MC Wilbur Walrond.

2



Special presentation by His Excellency Cousin President Max to Matriarch Cooksie Smith at her nursing home residence with fellow residents, shortly before her passing in 2008.

- September 7, 2008 – 16th Anniversary Celebration La Vega Family Day organized by the new 2007 MFRWG. - Another wet but enjoyable event thanks to Yolande Chin.



The special Guest Speaker at this function was our family member Dr. June Marion James (4th) of Winnipeg Manitoba seen at left with John Martin a member of the Council of Elders.

June has been the recipient of several prestigious awards recognizing her professional and community achievements such as:

- The Physician of the Year Award from the Manitoba Medical Association (2000),
- The Citation for Citizenship from the Federal Government (1993)
- The Canada 125th Anniversary Medal (1992)
- The 2002 Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal,
- The Award of the Yam Dinamba (Nigeria) Society
- YWCA Woman of the Year (1981)
- Honorary Diploma Red River College (2004)
- **See also** <http://members.shaw.ca/chowmartin/pdf/past-familyfellowship.pdf>

G. MILESTONE DATES

- 2002 – The original and long standing first Martin Family Reunion Committee (MFRC) consisting primarily of 4th and 5th generation members finally saw the changing of the guard when Chairman Clayton Headley happily relinquished the chairmanship to Carol Gomez (4th) a member of the original Reunion Committee. Membership now comprised 4th, 5th and 6th generation members. **See photos 1 & 2 below.**

1



Lawrence Walrond (BC Rep) Carol Gomez Chair, Arthur Gomez, Joy Worrell (Absent Roxanne Soverall & Karen Carew)

2



Alma Walrond, Monica Headley, Joanna Headley, John Martin, Yolande Chin, Rene Hicks (Smith Rep) Clayton Headley, Michael Headley, Stokeley Headley. (Missing Wilbur Walrond – photographer)

H. THE NEW REGIME

- May 3, 2007 – Selected members on the 5th and 6th generation from the membership at large were invited by Committee Chairperson Carol Gomez, to attend a special meeting of the then MFRC which was slated to be chaired by Wilbur Walrond 5th generation.

(a) The purpose of that meeting was to first acquaint these selected young members with the history and purpose of the Family Reunion as had been presented to the membership at large at that landmark first 1992 Reunion at which most, if not all of those invitees, would have been young teenagers at that time.

(b) Secondly, it was hoped that the first democratic Board of the MFRC would be elected at that meeting thus eventually leading to a progression line of family members through the ranks starting with the MFRC and leading on to membership on the envisioned future Martin Family Foundation (MFF).

That particular item on the agenda had been discussed before hand with Chairperson Carol Gomez and Wilbur Walrond as well as with Tony Lee Young who was shown the Agenda and the Chair's pre-amble beforehand. The Agenda also had the blessing of senior family member Max Richards as being the proper way to proceed if the future Vision of the MFRC as presented to the family in 1992 was to be realized.

Fortunately or unfortunately, that was not meant to be. For no sooner had the meeting been called to order than the Chairmanship was unparliamentarily taken over by Tony Lee Young who then proceeded to appoint his own Committee for 2007-2008 with himself as the new Chairman. Thus the Youth take over which had been hoped for over the past several years finally came to pass.

Next all of the members of the original MFRC were relegated “upstairs” by the new Chairman and to be henceforth referred to as the **Martin Family Council of Elders (COE)**. See photos below.

1



2007-2008 Leader Tony Lee Young, Alastair Martin, Pat Brancker, Crysande Hoescht, Roxanne Soverall, Carol Gomez Past Chair, Tricia Lee, Karen Carew

2



2007 Council of Elders Leo Martin, Clayton Headley, Wilbur Walrond, Michael Headley, Stokeley Headley, John Martin

- May 3, 2007 – The start of the new MRFC under the Chairmanship of Tony Lee Young (5th) (2007-2008)
- February 14, 2008 - Finally the **Martin Family Foundation (MFF)** was duly incorporated by the COE. See **Appendix A pages 20 – 22**.
- October 3, 2008 – the official launching of the **Foundation** which saw new donations push our total since 1992 to over the \$100,000 mark. See website <http://members.shaw.ca/chowmartin/> See also **Appendix B page 23**.
- 2008 – 2009 - Bylaws were drafted by this writer in order to realize a possible working relationship and progression line between the COR, MFRC and the MFF and presented to the **MFRC** and **COE** for their review and comments.
- March 10, 2009 – Following receipt of the draft of MFRC by-laws, Chairman Alastair Martin responded by reporting a concerted lack of interest by his committee in having any MFRC by-laws whatsoever and advised that the **MFRC** name had been changed to the **Martin Family Organizing Committee (MROC)** and appended their own “**Declaration of Intent**” (DOI) See pages 12 – 14 and **Appendix C page 24**.
- Subsequently that name was again changed to the present **Martin Family Reunion Working Group (MFRWG)**.
- For the purposes of this report **MFRWG** and **MFRC** may be construed to mean one and the same.

I. BENEVOLENCE

Prior to the legalizing the MFF and to show good faith:

- Vocational & Educational scholarships were awarded to young family members.
- Special funds were raised from among family members to assist in providing foreign specialized medical assistance to one young family member.
- Financial healthcare assistance and Benevolence have been extended to some senior family members in need - whether temporary or otherwise.

NOTE: *Funds for the above as well as to cover the regular shortfalls due to the ensuing social functions were usually personally provided gratis by various members of the then MFRC pending the future incorporation of the MFF.*

J. THE MARTIN FAMILY FOUNDATION (MFF)

October 8, 2008.



The first Sponsors 1992

Following the incorporation and official launching of the Foundation on October 8, 2008 at the Coblenz Inn, Port of Spain, (<http://members.shaw.ca/chowmartin/foundation.html>) the next step envisioned was to get the MFRC and the COE to determine ways and means whereby the aims and objectives as laid out in the MFF Constitution could be achieved for the benefit of the family at large.

However before that could be done, it would be necessary that the respective draft By-laws linking the MFRC and the MFF be first reviewed and ratified by the MFRC / WFRWG and the COE.

However, based on the new **MFRWG's** response and its 2009 "**Declaration of Intent**" (**DOI**), which was completely averse to the original modus operandi as envisioned by the founding members, together with the outright rejecting of the Draft by-laws for both the **MFRC** and the **MFF**, a rejection that was eventually fully supported by the majority of the **COE**, it was now quite obvious that the death knell for the **MFF** had been sounded. **See Section K pages 12 – 14 and Appendix C page 24.**

K. MFRWG 2009 DECLARATION OF INTENT

K.1 Introduction

March 10, 2009 - Via E-mail

*From: Alastair Martin [mailto:almart1@tstt.net.tt]
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 4:33 PM
To: Chowmartin
Subject: "Martin Family Reunion Working Group".*

Hi Wilbur,

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with you on 17/2/09. It was indeed a most communicative meeting from 4.30 pm to 7.00 pm, as we learnt the full meaning and intent behind your proposed draft MFRC by-laws. All attendees were well exposed to the Parliamentary procedures for meetings and Roberts Rules for meetings.

As we indicated, in May '07, Anthony Lee Young (ALY) volunteered to lead a committee to take over the role of several of the functions of the MFRC. He was supported by several other "young" attendees at that meeting. Several of those members continue to be committed to our meetings to this day!

ALY has indicated his personal failure in activating other MFRC operational areas besides the reunion organization. At 17/2/09, he offered his personal apology to WW, liaison officer to the Council of Elders (COE) for his failure.

After nearly 2 years of effort, and 2 Reunion events, we believe the current group members are committed to organizing reunions, in a format and frequency that the group will finalize.

We simply do not have the commitment capability to become responsible for the necessary development of the other areas of the MFRC at this time, even on paper.

As promised, we have reviewed and discussed your draft by-laws document at our monthly meeting of 4/3/09. We believe your document to be well prepared and to be a good draft that should be carried forward to the entire MF membership for their review and comment.

*One key comment we would make is that the MFRC be renamed the **Martin Family Organizing Committee**, as that would appear to be a more suitable name for this all-encompassing, umbrella committee.*

We congratulate your efforts in codifying the principles, policies and procedures for the MFRC/MFOC. When it is operational, please do let us know.

Our members may also wish to be members on the MFRC/MFOC: they will make their own individual decisions in joining.

*We fully support your efforts to have written principles, policies and procedures. Your document has caused us to examine ourselves. As a result, our **Declaration of Intent** is attached. We would most certainly welcome your comments. Indeed, please publish our document on the MF website: we would like to advertise the document and invite the entire MF membership to comment on the*

document and to join our group as we work in support of the MFF. In the mean time, this is our base document for our operation. We will update it as necessary.

I trust you will relay this email and its attachment to all COE / MFOC and MFF members. Pls cc us in that email.

*Best Regards,
Alastair Martin
Leader (May '08-May'09)
Martin Family Reunion Working Group*

K.2The Memorandum

We are a group of committed Martin Family members and friends, who have volunteered our work as the "Martin Family Reunion Working Group".

We recognize, respect and promote the role of the Martin Family Foundation.

We will work within the vision statements of the MFF.

We acknowledge the existence several other committed MF bodies/members such as Council of Elders, the MFRF/MFOC, the MF website, the Martin Family Facebook group and various family history authors and tree publishers, and the many committed MF members and friends) and welcome the opportunity to work with them in the development of the MFF.

We welcome all MF members' participation, support and contributions to our work.

*We believe: activity will lead to MFR events will lead to visibility will lead to belief will lead to participation will lead to support will lead to financial support of the MFF,
We must always act with mutual respect and courtesy, we must always maintain a sense of purposeful, democratic family unity, and even more critically, a sense of humour!*

Our specific intent is to organize Martin Family Reunion events in a format and frequency we can commit to.

FUNDRAISING

We will not seek any funding from the MFF.

We will operate on a minimum of 10% surplus budget plan for each event.

All our surplus income will be paid to the MFF at the end of each event.

We will take no commission, payment, fee, gratuity or payment of any kind for our work.

Our financial records will be open to inspection to all group members.

GROUP MEMBERSHIP

We welcome all committed Martin Family members as group members.

Meaningful physical attendance at our group meetings is taken as a basic sign of commitment to the group.

We will accept all MF friends as group members on the basis of a majority vote at the first meeting the friend attends.

Any member who does not attend 3 consecutive, monthly meetings is deemed non-committed and off the committee,

Any previous member may re-join by simple meeting attendance.

GROUP MEETINGS

Voting rights are restricted to members physically present at the meeting.

Regular monthly meetings are held at a time, date and venue as determined by the group leader.

(As of 4/3/09, meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month, from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm, at Lee Young & Partners, 14-16 Dere Street, Port of Spain, Trinidad, until further notice).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our May meeting will be advertised widely to the MF membership.

The May meeting is an opportunity for the entire MF membership to join our working group and to provide nominees for our leadership, by their physical attendance.

GROUP LEADERS

We have a leader, an outgoing leader and an incoming leader, who all serve for 12 months, from May to May.

The leader should nominate a new incoming leader candidate at the AGM.

If there are no competing candidates, the new incoming leader is accepted.

The previous incoming leader becomes the leader.

The previous leader becomes the outgoing leader.

Our leader will designate his/her operation method of running the group's meeting and activities as s/he sees fit.

CURRENT GROUP MEMBERS

As of 4/3/09:

Alastair Martin - Leader 08/09

Tricia Lee - Incoming Leader 09/10

Anthony Lee Young - Outgoing Leader 07/08

Michel Nicholas

Lisa Martin

Pat Brancker

Christiana Lee

L. SUSTAINING THE MARTIN FAMILY FOUNDATION (MFF)

One proposed concept

The Directors/ Incorporators of the **Martin Family Foundation** sincerely believe that the funding and sustaining of the Foundation should be such as would make every family member, regardless of age and socio-economic standing, feel proud to be an integral part of its formation, existence and continuing growth whether or not that participation is on an individual or collective basis - for example through fund raising measures.

In order to accomplish the above, each member of the family could well be invited to become a full fledged active and participating member of the **Foundation**, by making a financial contribution to the best of his / her financial ability and frequency on behalf of themselves and / or on behalf of any other of their immediate family regardless of his or her age.

Members may also wish to honor other family members and/or to celebrate special occasions such as births, marriages anniversaries or even to commemorate the celebration of the life of a dearly departed loved one, by making a special donation on such occasions to the Foundation.

As a further incentive, and to commemorate the launching of this milestone in the history of the Martin Family Reunions, all financial subscribers to the Foundation on or before October 3, 2008, were suitably recognized as **JOHN 'CHOW' MARTIN CHARTER FOUNDATION MEMBERS**. See **Appendix B page 23**.

M. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MFRC/WFRWG & THE MFF

An idea in the making

A. The MFRC / WFRWG

The Martin Family Reunion Committee (regardless of any subsequent name change) has been and should always be the organizing and Operating Body of the Martin Family Clan and to that end:

1. Members of **MFRC** Board of Directors should be elected annually by and from within the ranks of all subscribing members of the **Martin Family Foundation**. *(Thus the family at large would be encouraged to first become supporting members of the **MFF** and aid in helping to achieve its sustainability)*
2. This **MFRC** should always be the first point of contact for the family members and should be responsible for the organizing of all fund raising functions, inter alia, for the welfare of the **Martin Family** and the sustaining of the **MFF**.

B. The MFF

The Board of Directors of the MFF should be elected annually and could be represented by member(s) from within the following categories:

1. Past and current Presidents (Chairpersons) of the Martin Family Reunion Committee (**MFRC**) and who have subscribed financially of their own choosing to the Foundation.
2. Member(s) at large who have served on previous and current Reunion Committees and who have subscribed financially to the Foundation.
3. All members who have subscribed financially to the Foundation.

Note: The Reunion Committee, MFRC and the Foundation MFF should not be viewed as separate entities per se, but rather MFRC being the creator of the MFF would be expected to nurture its offspring until such time that the latter could stand and function on its own similar to any parent / child relationship.

Election of the 1st Board of Directors

The current interim Board of Directors of MFF should be comprised of the '**Incorporating Directors**' as well as some of the members of the Reunion Committees to date.

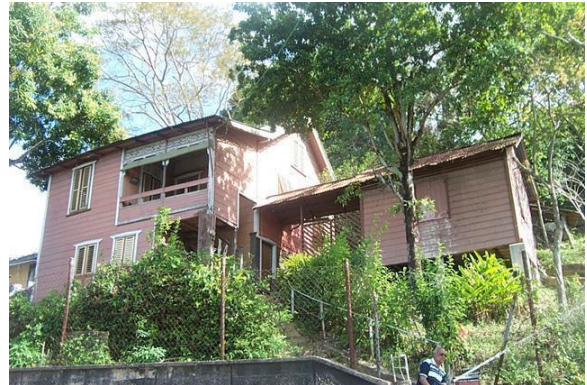
Following the Launching of the Foundation on October 3, 2008, the election of the first Board of Directors should have been held at a general meeting consisting of all financial subscribers to the Foundation.

Unfortunately this has so far egregiously not been done especially after the subsequent 2009 receipt by the COE of the MFRWG's above noted **DOI** followed by the letter of support from the **COE**. **See Appendix C page 24.**

N. EDNA MARTIN LIMITED & SUSTAINING THE FOUNDATION



Following the passing of the Henrietta Odessa (Nee Martin) Richards on September 15, 1999 - the last surviving inheritor of the 'Old House n the Hill' in San Fernando now commonly known as the Vistabella Lands - the said property was duly inherited by the surviving



Richards' family siblings. **See photo right.** (*Demolished circa 2005 due to structural decay*)

On January 30, 2004, following negotiations with all of the Richards' siblings, EDNA MARTIN LIMITED (EML) was incorporated in the memory of Aunt Polly Martin (3rd), an Educator. This company consists of seven (7) Martin Family shareholders five (5) of whom were members of the original 1992 Martin Family Reunion Committee.

A legal agreement was made between the Richards' siblings and EML to transfer the Vistabella Lands to EML with the understanding that the said lands would in some way be used as a means of financially sustaining the Foundation (MFF) for the benefit of the Martin family as a whole.

Personal Comment by this writer

As a founding member of the MFRC, it was therefore this writer's opinion that in view of the pending demise of the MFF as noted in **Section J page 11**, the need for **EML** as a source for sustaining the **MFF** no longer seemed to be necessary, and neither would **EML**.

Hence as a direct result of the above situation pertaining to the **EML**, this writer, as one of the shareholder Trustees of EML, eventually turned his shares in the company back to EML as requested by the majority of the remaining shareholders and took leave of the Company, which was now under the Chairmanship of Selwyn Lee Young. **See Appendix D pages 25 – 26.**

O. CONCLUDING REMARKS

As of 2009 I ceased being involved with the MFRC with sincere thanks from the COE and as of January 2013 my involvement as a shareholder with EML and therefore with the MFF came to a close.

This then is my final report to the Martin Family Membership at large and I apologize for it being some four years late in the coming to you since a large number of files and documents had to be sifted through in my free time during its process.

I trust therefore that it has served the purpose of bringing everyone up date with the passage and turn of events during the first seventeen years of the existence of the MFRC under my stewardship and that it will also serve to answer two very important questions which have been posed to me in the past few years and as hereunder summarized in very short form:

1. By several members: "What has been happening with the MFRC and,
2. By at least one family member: "What have YOU done with the money you took from the members?"

A. MFF

With respect to the Foundation Account, to the best of knowledge it is still under the safe care and capable protection of the family Treasurer John Martin - as are all of the other Martin Family accounts - and the latest statement that I have on hand pertaining to the MFF is dated May 31, 2008. **See Appendix B page 23.**

B. EML

With respect to EML I understand that it is under the Chairmanship of Selwyn Lee Young (4th). **See Appendix C page 24.**

C. MFRC / MFRWG

With respect to the MFRWG its last President to the best of my knowledge was Tricia Lee 2009-2010 under the direction on Tony Lee Young, both of whom should be contacted for further information. This group is under the direction of the COE. **See Appendix D pages 25 - 26.**

This concludes my final Report on the Martin Family Reunion as I know it to be during the years **1992 – 2009.**

P. THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

I sincerely thank the Family at large for allowing me this once in a lifetime opportunity to journey along with them and for their years of support, during this wonderful experience as together we strove to bring the Martin Family together through the morphing of past acquaintances into what we today hope would be lasting friendships.

Friendships made through the continuing fun, laughter and fellowship amongst ourselves where ever our travels may take us throughout the world, which thanks to modern travel, is no longer as vast as we once thought it to be.

My one regret however, is that we came within inches of achieving our goals – so close and yet now so far away.

But I can still hope that with the remaining **COE** now 20 years older and wiser and still at the helm, that they will be able to formulate a goals that would see the younger working together **with** them toward placed before them in 1992, be different to theirs today, journey and not a destination.

I trust that 2014 will a New Year, a everyone and that:



new plan or at the very least set new generation of the Martin Family the Vision or its facsimile that was though the road thus travelled may success of course always being a

New Venture, and a New Life for

Our Skills and Talents will continue to Keep Us United.

Q. A WORD FROM MOTHER TERESA

People are often unreasonable, Illogical, and self-centred:
Forgive them anyway.



If you are kind; People may accuse you of
selfish, ulterior motives:
Be kind anyway.

If you are successful; you will win some false friends
and some true enemies:
Succeed anyway.



A WORD FROM MOTHER TERESA Cont'd



What you spend years building; someone could destroy overnight: Build anyway.



The good you do today; People will often forget tomorrow: Do good anyway.



You see, in the final analysis, It is between you and God; It never was between you and them anyway.

If you are honest and frank; People may cheat you: Be honest and frank anyway.



If you find serenity and happiness; they may be jealous: Be happy anyway.



Give the world the best you have; and it may never be enough: Give the world the best you've got anyway.



APPENDIX A – INCORPORATING THE FOUNDATION

Form 3

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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Company No.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1995

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

MARTIN FAMILY FOUNDATION

Name of Company

I hereby certify that the above-mentioned Company, the Articles of Incorporation of which are attached, was incorporated under the Companies Act, 1995 of Trinidad and Tobago.



[Signature]
Dep. Registrar of Companies

14th February, 2008
Date of Incorporation

G.P., Tr./To.~

APPENDIX A – INCORPORATING THE FOUNDATION

Form 2

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE COMPANIES ACT, (CHAP. 81:01)

(Sections 9 and 309)

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

NON-PROFIT COMPANY

SCHEDULE 'A' – ITEM 4

1. MARTIN FAMILY FOUNDATION
(Name of Company)
2.
(Company No)

3. Restrictions on the undertaking that the Company may carry on:

REGISTERED

The Company is established for the purpose of carrying out the following undertakings only:

- (1) To carry out research into and preserve the history of the Martin Family and more specifically the lineal descendants and antecedents of John "Chow" Martin and his wife Margaret (nee Augustus) and to promote fellowship and co-operation between members of the Martin Family.
- (2) To assist in the relief of poverty, suffering and distress and the provision of financial and other assistance for disadvantaged Martin Family members and their dependents in Trinidad and Tobago and members of the public of Trinidad and Tobago.
- (3) To promote the advancement of education for Martin Family members in Trinidad and Tobago in particular as well as members of the public of Trinidad and Tobago including, but without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, the establishment and/or maintenance of schools, colleges, scholarships or prizes; the provision of school teachers and the promotion of education in the arts, sciences and languages.
- (4) To promote the benefit of Martin Family members and/or to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare including facilities for leisure time occupations with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said Martin Family members and other members of the public of Trinidad and Tobago.

Date: 28/1/2008

DIRECTOR/INCORPORATOR.....

APPENDIX A – INCORPORATING THE FOUNDATION

Form 2

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE COMPANIES ACT, (CHAP. 81:01)
(Sections 9 and 309)

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

NON-PROFIT COMPANY

SCHEDULE 'B' – ITEM 7



1. MARTIN FAMILY FOUNDATION
(Name of Company)

2.
(Company No.)

7. Other provisions if any,

- (1) The members of the Company may at any time wind-up the Company whereupon the assets of the Company, after payment of all debts and liabilities of the Company, shall be distributed in accordance with Section 316(2) of the COMPANIES ACT, (CHAP. 81:01)

Names and Occupations	Addresses	Signatures
Clinton Martin Headley Businessman	64 Victoria Gardens Diego Martin	REGISTERED
Selwyn Carlyle Lee-Young, Civil ENGINEER	14-16 Dere Street, Port-of-Spain	
John Bannerman Christopher Martin, Chartered Accountant	11 Idlewild Road, Knightsbridge, Cascade	
Wilbur Alexander Walrond, Civil ENGINEER	23 Palm Drive, Champs Fleur	

Date: 28/12/2007

DIRECTOR/INCORPORATOR.....
Wilbur Alexander Walrond

APPENDIX B – FOUNDATION ACCOUNT As of May 31, 2008

Donors List

(This Report, based on information provided by the Treasurer is subject to verification and updating by Treasurer John Martin
Any Errors or Omissions of Donor names please contact Treasurer)

		Martin Family Foundation Account as provided by		
		John B.C. Martin Treasurer May 31, 2008		
Item	Date	Donor	Amt	Comment
Grand Total		Items 10,11 & 12 below	\$131,453.28	Funds on Hand as of May 31, 2008
Less Payables			\$2,300.00	Item 35 below
Balance			\$129,153.28	
Pre- MFF Inc				
Funds on Hand	As at Sept 8, 2008		\$39,874.29	Acct No.1
Funds on hand	As at May 31, 2008		\$35,098.99	Unit Trust C. Money Market Fund
Donations MFF Launch	Total		\$56,480.00	Re MFF Launch October 3, 2008
Donations to MFF				
	1	Leo Martin	\$5,000.00	
	2	John B.C. Martin	\$5,000.00	
	3	Paula Lai Quong	\$2,000.00	
	4	Lystra Henry	\$530.00	
	5	Clayton Headley	\$5,000.00	
	6	Thalia Martin	\$500.00	
	7	Alastair Martin	\$2,000.00	
	8	Edmund Headley	\$3,000.00	
	9	Michael Headley	\$5,000.00	
	10	June, Robert, Megan Roger James	\$3,000.00	
	11	Claude & Anita Lee Young	\$2,000.00	
	12	Lawrence & Beth Walrond	\$3,000.00	
	13	Arva, Kevin, Stephanie Walrond	\$2,100.00	
	14	Floris, Wilbur Ariana Walrond	\$7,000.00	
	15	Kevin Durham Jessel Aquing	\$1,000.00	
	16	Arthur & Carol Gomez	\$1,000.00	
	17	Alma, Ian, Anya, Randall, Alan Walrond	\$4,000.00	
	18	Patricia Branker	\$5,350.00	
Payables	Total		\$2,300.00	
	1 Dec 25 '04	Rene Hicks	\$500.00	Re Joy Worrell
	2 Dec 25 '05	Rene Hicks	\$1,000.00	Re Cooksie
	3 Sept 19 '96	Crysande Martin Scholarship	\$200.00	
	4 Oct 17 '96	Crysande Martin Scholarship	\$200.00	
	5 Dec 18 '96	Crysande Martin Scholarship	\$200.00	
	6 Dec 20 '96	Crysande Martin Scholarship	\$200.00	
	7 Aug 10 '05	Contribution to Living Expenses Schol	?	Amt unknown
		Reimburse Stacey Paul		

APPENDIX C – COE CORRESPONDENCE
July 21, 2010

From: Selwyn Lee Young [mailto:selwynleeyoung@lyp.co.tt]
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 7:30 AM
To: Wilbur A. Walrond
Cc: claytonheadley@hotmail.com; Stokemon@cablenett.net
Subject: Martin Family

Dear Wilbur,

Thank you for your e-mail of July 19, 2010. I took the opportunity to meet with Clayton, Stokley and John yesterday and I have been assured that Tricia will be responding very positively to you in her move forward.

Meanwhile the joint feeling is that we should let the existing set-up remain. The Senior Group will continue to liaise with the Juniors who are doing an excellent job. John has agreed to continue securing and managing the monies.

The feeling at yesterdays' meeting was that as a sincere Family, the need for By Laws, etc., is not really necessary; also, should any of the contributors disagree with the set-up and require a refund, this could be accommodated. However, I don't see this happening.

Let us go with the above. The fund is safe and secure. The young team is doing an excellent job in following with the tenets set by you and the original group.

Regards

Selwyn
Lee Young and Partners
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APPENDIX D – EML MEETING MINUTES
January 13, 2013

**Minutes of Meeting of Edna Martin Limited on Sunday January 13, 2013
starting at 2.00 p.m.**

The meeting was held at the home of Kenneth Martin and the following were present:-

Selwyn Lee Young – Chairman
John Martin
Kenneth Martin
Elton Martin
Gillian Walters (Kenneth's daughter)
Leo Martin

Absent: Clayton Headley
George Malcolm Richards
Wilbur Walrond

The main purpose of the meeting was to determine the future of the Edna Martin Limited Company. Due consideration was given to a number of realities:-

- Current shareholders are getting on in age and there was a need to pass on some of the responsibilities to younger members of the family.
- Members recognized the earlier desire to establish an educational facility in memory of Edna Martin who had devoted her working life to education.

Gillian drew reference to Aunt Nezzie's "dreams" of providing assistance to children.

- Development of the site (13/15 Vistabella Road) would involve a substantial capital outlay.

Because of the nature of the terrain, physical development would be very difficult.

Selwyn reminded the meeting of the earlier period when he was quite active in moving the planning of the project forward.

Meetings had been held with the Town and Country Planning Division and it was clear that an architect would have to be employed.

John pointed out that the separate plot at 17 Vistabella Road was sold in the last quarter of 2011. The proceeds of that sale are not currently earning any interest and he suggested that the Company should place the funds into a suitable interest-bearing account.

The Members present agreed unanimously to this recommendation.

After some discussion on the current status and the realities facing the Company, Members agreed to the following:-

- Sale of the properties at Nos 13 and 15 Vistabella Road. Valuation of the properties was conducted in October 2003 and again in October 2009. It may be necessary for an up-to-date valuation to be carried out.
- Establishment of a Martin Family Trust. Funds from this Trust to be available to assist members of the Martin Family as appropriate. Trustees to include younger members of the Martin Family.
- Closure of the Edna Martin Limited (EML) Company and transfer of all funds to the Trust.

Kenneth advised the Meeting that Henckel, owners of the property along the southern boundary had expressed interest in purchasing the properties at 13/15 Vistabella Road.

The Meeting recognized that appropriate legal services will have to be employed in order to achieve the agreed objectives.

Members present recorded their appreciation for the contribution that Kenneth had made through the years in assisting the Aunts with the administration and maintenance of the premises at No. 15 Vistabella Road.

They recognized his current physical limitations which necessitated the employment of caregivers on a roster and offered the assistance of the Company in offsetting some of his expenses.

Gillian pointed out that she and her husband had been meeting her father's expenses and would be happy to continue to do so. Gillian, however, promised that should the need arise, she would get in touch with Members.

The Meeting recognized that it would be necessary at the appropriate stages to hold meeting(s) with the wider Martin Family in order to properly implement the agreed decisions.

Members expressed their appreciation to Kenneth and Gillian for their hospitality and for taking the necessary steps to make the meeting possible.

The Meeting ended at 3.00 p.m.

Signed by:

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Selwyn Lee Young
Chairman

