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1. Trinity College CyberNation Makes History as FTC Robot Alliance Finalists

Trinity College made history this year with the launch of its first-ever FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) robotics team, **CyberNation**, which earned the distinction of **Robot Alliance Finalists** in its debut season. Led by team captain **Malik Howard**, alongside teammates **Donavan Semper**, **Joshua Mills**, and **Jodaiah Austin**, the team spent months designing, building, and programming their competition robot while competing against some of the country's top student robotics teams. Under the guidance of coaches **Dale Dolly** and **Janalee Samaroo**, CyberNation's success marks an exciting milestone for Trinity College.

The team also benefited from the support of the Trinity College Alumni community, including **Brian Chambers** of the North American Chapter, whose contribution of robotic spare parts helped make the season possible. The Trinity College Alumni Association further supported the team by providing uniforms for competition.

As CyberNation prepares for the 2026/2027 season, the team hopes to continue growing and inspiring the next generation of innovators at Trinity College. **Support is Always Welcome** feel free to reach out.

2. 1st Impression Project

On 4th July, the TCAA Executive, fellow alumni, the PTA, students, and staff came together for a project to improve and beautify designated areas of the school ahead of Form One Registration and the new academic year.

Activities included power washing floors, scraping and painting walls, painting desks and the guard booth, cleaning drains, and minor landscaping. The initiative was well supported, with all objectives successfully accomplished.

The TCAA extends its thanks to all alumni and stakeholders who contributed, with special appreciation to the TTCF's 1st Battalion for turning out in numbers to lend a hand.

The TCAA hopes to make this an annual initiative that can eventually encompass the entire College. Alumni will be invited to support future projects by volunteering, sponsoring materials, or simply spreading the word.

3. 1st Inaugural Moka Dash 5K

The inaugural Moka Dash 5K was held on 23rd August, bringing together more than 300 participants, including students, parents, teachers, alumni, community residents, other 5K enthusiasts, and several junior CARIFTA champions.

The race took participants along the roads of Moka and surrounding areas, promoting fitness and healthy living while giving alumni the chance to revisit familiar surroundings and landmarks, creating a nostalgic experience and bringing back fond memories of their time at the College. Music was provided by Assistant Secretary Jomei Henry-Ali, helping to create a lively atmosphere throughout the morning.

Organizers hope the Moka Dash 5K will become an annual fixture on the College calendar. The TCAA encourages alumni to support its growth by participating, volunteering, sponsoring, or simply spreading the word, helping to build a lasting tradition for the College and Moka community.

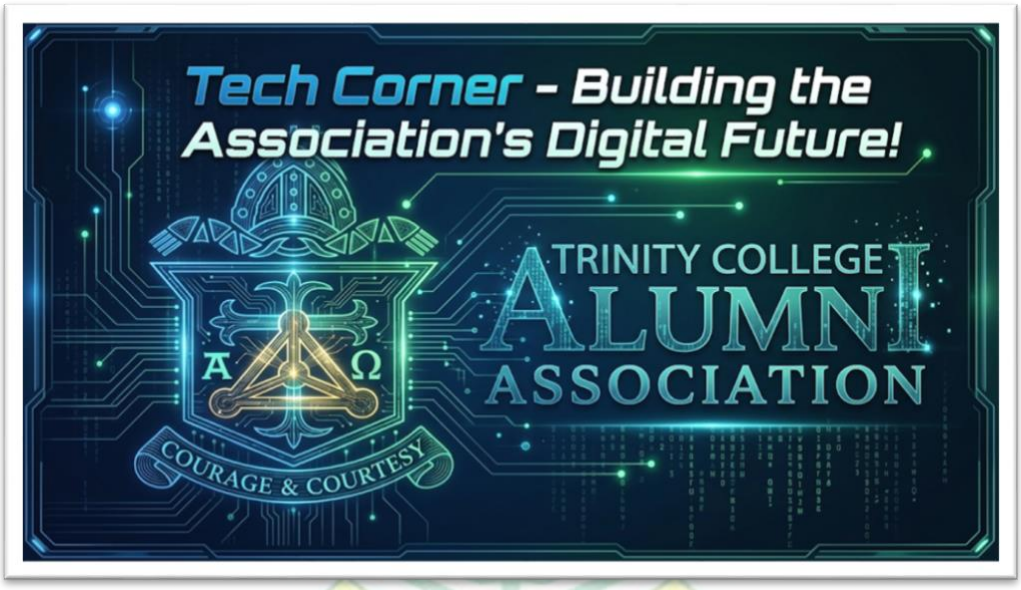
4. TCAA Advances Strategic Plan for 2026–2029

The TCAA Executive is in the advanced stages of developing its **Strategic Plan 2026–2029**, which will help guide the Association's priorities and initiatives over the coming years.

Following the collection and review of survey responses and interviews with key College stakeholders, the Executive held a strategic planning workshop at PwC on 16th August. The information gathered will inform the final draft, which is expected to be presented for approval before being shared with the wider alumni community.

The TCAA extends its appreciation to **PwC** and **Shiva Ramroop** for facilitating the workshop, and to **Assistant Secretary Kofi Boxill** for organizing the session.
The completed Strategic Plan is expected to be presented to alumni at a Special AGM in November.

5. Tech Corner – Building the Associations Digital Future!



Tech Corner - Building Our Digital Future. The TCAA has launched its new digital workspace and official executive email system under the tcaa.org.tt domain, strengthening communication, security, and record management. Work is also underway on a centralized Alumni Directory to help reconnect alumni worldwide. Alumni who have not yet registered are encouraged to do so through the TCAA website via ***https://www.tcaa.org.tt/register-2/***

The ***info@tcaa.org.tt*** inbox is now live and streamlines alumni inquires! Feel free to reach out for any inquiries.

Visit the Trinity College Alumni Association upgraded website to stay connected! #TCAAConnect

6. TCAA Executive Mandate - Update #2

This Second Issue of our now bimonthly ***TCAA CONNECT Newsletter*** highlights the priority that the 2026 – 2027 TCAA Board and Executive continues to give to *Galvanizing, Organizing and Mobilizing* our Alumni Community to participate in, promote and pursue our shared vision of realizing the fullest potential for the TCAA to voluntarily give back to our Alma Mater.

- **GALVANIZING** our Alumni Community:
  In July and August 2026, we reached out to include as many members of our Alumni Community in the TCAA as possible through two key initiatives/instruments:

  - TCAA Membership Outreach and Online Registration Drive/Form; and,

  - *General Alumni Stakeholder Survey* as part of our TCAA Strategic Planning Process.

- **ORGANIZING** our Alumni Association (the TCAA):
  Based on our commitment to the growth and governance of the TCAA, during the past two months, we have either commenced, completed or are currently engaged in the following organizational development and strengthening processes/projects:

  - *Alumni Community Engagement (ACE) Network*: The ACE Network will include 2 – 3 representatives from each Alumni Class Group by year of entry, who will facilitate communication about/participation of members of class in TCAA activities.

  - *Bye-Laws Review, Revision, Amendment and Adoption:* The 1st Phase of the review and proposed revisions to the previous TCAA Bye-Laws, including membership provisions, will be circulated to the TCAA membership for consideration by 21 September 2026, for further and final proposed amendments by 19 October 2026, and for adoption at a TCAA Special General Meeting (SGM) NLT 16 November 2026. ***Alumni in the legal profession are particularly invited to contact the TCAA President or Assistant Secretary Anthony St. Clair to assist in this important review process.***

- *NPO Compliance*: The TCAA Comptroller is currently engaged in ensuring NPO Compliance, which will be reported on at the SGM to be held NLT 16 November 2026.

- **MOBILIZING** our Alumni Community Representation, Relationships and Resources:
  During July and August 2026, the TCAA deepened, renewed and strengthened our relationships with and supported stakeholder activities with TCAA resources, as follows:

  - *Trinity College Form 1 Registration on 9 July 2026*: TCAA was represented by Alumnus – Chakiel Maloney.

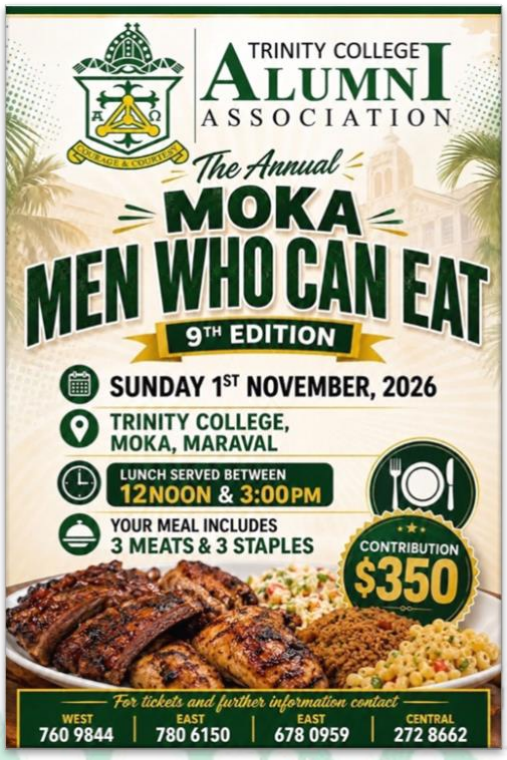
  - *Memorial Service for former and 3rd Principal of Trinity College on 11 July 2026:* TCAA Tribute delivered by Alumnus – Dr. Godfrey St. Bernard. TCAA President and Assistant Secretary attended. Principal Clarke to be inducted into TCAA Hall of Fame.

  - Meeting of Governing Board of Trinity College (GBTC) on 23 July 2026: TCAA was represented at this meeting by the TCAA President.

  - *Inaugural Trinity College Stakeholders Site Walkthrough and Meeting on 27 August 2026*: TCAA was represented at this initial stakeholder meeting by the TCAA President and Assistant Secretary Anthony St. Clair, together with two members of our Alumni Community – Colin Charles and Shelford Sammy.

7. Upcoming

I. Moka Men Who Can Eat – November 1st!



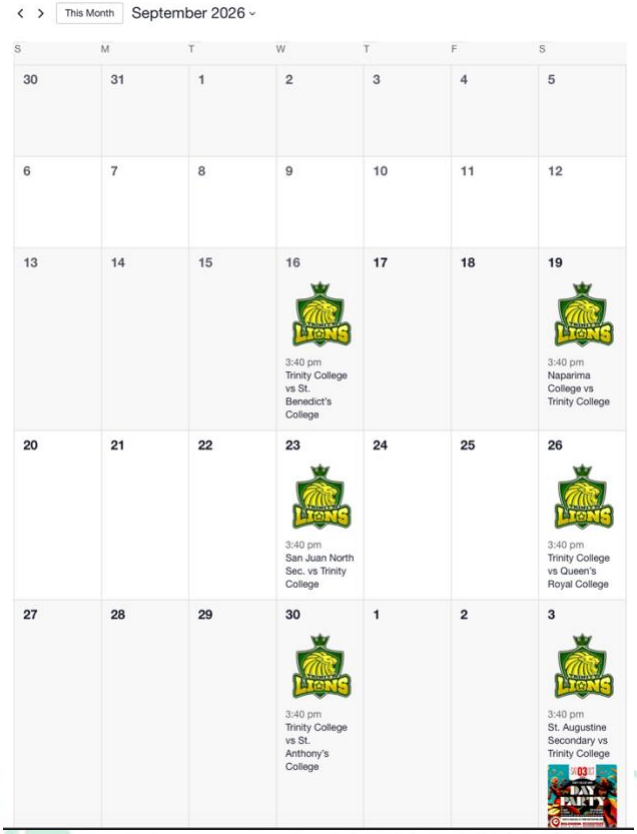
This 9th Edition of the principal annual fundraiser for the TCAA will this year be both a major Galvanizer of our Alumni Community, particularly our younger alumni and female alumnae, as well as a significant fundraising initiative to enable a meaningful and much needed financial contribution to our Alma Mater.

We have secured 15 cooks so far and we would need at least 15 more to make this fund raiser a success.

The committee has also incorporated **Metropolitan Book Store** on Ariapita Ave as a ticket outlet and a door prizes of gift vouchers for the bookstore. This store is owned and operated by alumnus Brett and Marc Cassim.

TCAA looks forward to your support!

II. What's Happening Next?



Never miss an event, meeting, fundraiser, or alumni activity.

From alumni events and fundraisers to school activities and volunteer opportunities, our online Events Calendar is your one-stop source for everything happening in the Trinity community.

View the Events Calendar

www.tcaa.org.tt/events

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