

Fellow Alumni, please see letter taken from Face Book on behalf of injured alumnus Linden Lord (QC '77-84').

Hello all - Family info,

Thanks for your support so far.

Summary of Linden:

Linden was attacked by bandits on Oct.14, 2011 and was shot in the head, they got away, the police are still investigating.

There are a lot of rumors which you need not listen to . I will update you when the police get back to me - they have not made any release as yet.

He was stabilised at Mandeville regional Hospital and transferred to UHWI. He had left hemicraniotomy (part of the skull bone removed) done to facilitate the cerebral oedema (brain swelling).

He is presently in ICU at UHWI on a ventilator, breathing for himself, opening his eyes occasionally and is tube fed.

The last plans on Friday from his doctors is that they may have to put a tube to the stomach (PEG tube) so that he can have improved diet and a tube by his throat (tracheostomy) for proper toileting of his airway as he recovers.

We are trying to get him to Jackson's Memorial but the insurance company in J'ca is unable to stand the overseas cost. The hospital in Miami needed downpament up front and we are unable to supply same.The air ambulance to transport him cost ~ \$24, 000.00. The ICU care is \$7,000 US /day - we are looking at 4 week so far it can be more or less followed by the rehabilitaion process which can take months to years.The latter may not be as costly.We are looking at \$234- 300, 000 US to start with.

Persons are willing to contribute so I offered them the account # of my sister in USA to do same - no one has since contributed to last pm - promises are for next week.

I have put the car up for sale and the house we paid for (still completing documentation) for sale. I have given up our home in Mandeville after it was broken into during the week so as not to incur more expenses.

I am presently trying to get Kathryn down to be with John in Kingston - I am living at the hospital....

On Thursday, we were given an offer for Boston at the Brigham Women's hospital - we are presently exploring the financial aspect of same.The Neurosurgeon - Dr. Gates - the Neurosurgeon, has accepted him and has spoken to Linden Neurosurgeon here - Dr. Carl Bruce. A Health foundation there is willing to pay 50% of the cost; the hospital administration are seeking ways to cover the other 50%. We will be responsible for the air ambulance which will be \$50,000 US. We are awaiting word of the other 50% from Boston.

Please continue to pray for his miracle ASAP.

That's all for now.

Please feel free to share any info you may deem appropriate at this time.

*Love,
Carol*