

## This Week:

Fortress will hold its sixth annual **Investment Forum** on Thursday at **Frank Collymore Hall**.

The event, which runs from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., will feature a panel discussing the topic **Financing Your Future In Uncertain Times: What Could Be Next For Barbados And What To Do About It**.

There will also be a pre-forum seminar at 5:15 p.m. at which financial specialist Michael Lashley will be the guest presenter.

## This Date:

**2007** - Twenty Sandy Lane employees institute a work stoppage for 45 minutes, voicing concerns about various outstanding grievances.

A statement issued through the club's public relations firm Al-Hart said discussions concerning staff matters were ongoing with the workers' representative, the Barbados Workers' Union.

"They have gone extremely well thus far and there is no reason that we are aware of for this... incident," a statement said.

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEM:

A work of art believed to be the world's largest painting of cats - featuring 42 felines on a 75 inch by 102 inch canvas - sold for US\$826 000 in New York.

Sotheby's in New York announced the painting **My Wife's Lovers** by Austrian artist Carl Kahler, sold last Monday for the staggering sum after first going on display three days earlier at the auction house on a wall specially constructed for the oversized piece.

Polly Sartori, head of 19th Century European paintings for Sotheby's in New York, said the painting was done when Kahler visited the United States in 1881. (upi.com)

# Award for Apes Hill home design

Jenny Blanc Interiors Limited, the London-based internationally acclaimed design company with a design showroom in Barbados, has won a major international award for its work at the Apes Hill Golf & Polo Club in St James.

Jenn Blanc Interiors won the award for **Best Interior Design Of A Private Residence** when the Americas category of the 2015 **International Property Awards (IPA)** were recently hosted at Hilton Barbados.

Competing in the Caribbean section of the IPA event, the award winning design team submitted a family residence in Apes Hill, which was judged by a panel of 70 experts.

The Apes Hill private residence competed against the submissions of several of the region's most accomplished interior designers and in the end Jenny Blanc walked away with a five-star award.

With such a high score, the

company will now go on to represent the Americas in the final stage of the IPA competition next month in London. There it will be competing against other winning companies from Asia Pacific, Africa, Arabia, and Europe for the coveted crown of **World's Best Interior Design**.

The award winning project at Apes Hill features "wonderful views of the golf course, towards the sea", and the Jenny Blanc design team worked with architects to fine tune interior finishes and produce a property in keeping with their client's aspirations for a house full of light, Caribbean elegance and tropical influences.

"We are all absolutely delighted to have won this impressive award which highlights the creativity and good work of our team in Barbados and London. We are looking forward to the finals and hoping for even bigger things in December,"

said Jenny Blanc.

The company, which opened its Barbados office in Holetown in 2011, has won several international awards for projects over the past eight years. (SC/PR)

From left, Lord Caithness, Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Tourism and International Transport Senator Irene Sandiford, Barbados Tourism Invesment Inc. chief executive officer Stuart Layne, designer Jenny Blanc, and members of her interiors team Sue Thomas Richardson, and Abigail Heanly. (GP)

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