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It has been my distinct pleasure to meet Almena King. She is a phenomenal lady. What a gem of a person! Almena King is well known for her keyboarding method which she has popularized in much of North America and the United Kingdom. Almena has come down to Cayman on her own steam so to speak, and has been giving some master classes at the University of the West Indies, Open Campus. In just two short sessions one student, Aliz Almanza, has moved from 31 wpm to 65 words per minute. The other students all learned the keyboard in just one lesson. The ease with which our students progressed is impressive. The method has inspired our students and we hope to move from success to success.

Almena has shared many of her motivational secrets with us and with the students. There has always been a keyboarding component in the Basic Computer Course, which is a computer literacy course, but now it will take on new significance and will be a more important part of the course. We shall also make available a keyboarding component which may be done independently for those who need to improve their productivity on the computer. We shall do the speed testing with software that Almena has so kindly donated to the centre and I am truly amazed.

We here at the Open Campus are excited and pleased at the outcome of this exercise and we would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Almena for what she has done for the Open Campus here in Cayman and for her fine contribution to education in the Cayman Islands and by extension the wider Caribbean. We look forward to receiving Almena again sometime in the near future anytime Cayman is on her itinerary and we hope that we have a cadre of graduates at 80 wpm to be able to present to her next time around.

Sincerely,

*Robert Geofroy*

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