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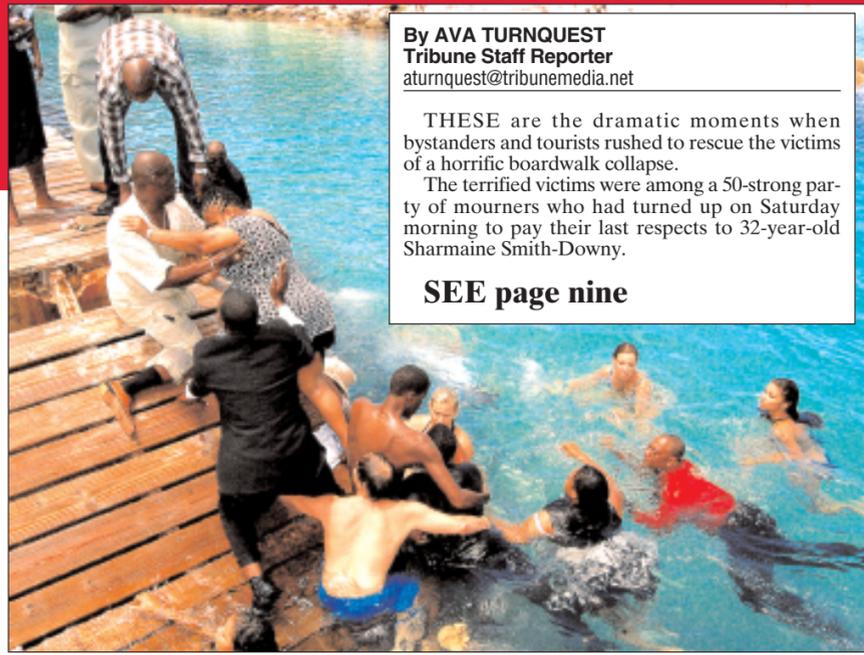
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## MOURNERS IN DRAMATIC BOARDWALK RESCUE



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THESE are the dramatic moments when bystanders and tourists rushed to rescue the victims of a horrific boardwalk collapse. The terrified victims were among a 50-strong party of mourners who had turned up on Saturday morning to pay their last respects to 32-year-old Sharmaine Smith-Downy.

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# HORROR WEEKEND

## Fishing guide is murdered in Exuma

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POLICE are questioning four men following the murder of a well-known fishing guide in Exuma.

Cely Smith, 45, was at his home in Stuart Manor on Sunday morning when four gunmen with dreadlocked hair kicked down his door and fired gunshots in his direction.

Mr Smith later died of his injuries at a local clinic.

Sources close to the investigation report that four men helping police with their inquiries were arrested by Drug Enforcement Unit officers off the Montagu shore.

It is believed that after shooting Mr Smith, the culprits fled to Staniel Cay where they commandeered a white coloured go-fast boat and headed for New Providence, however police were last night tight-lipped over the details.

It is understood that in

addition to the four men assisting police two others are being sought.

Chrislyn Skippings, press officer of the Royal Bahamas Police Force, said there was no information to suggest the incident was drug-related at this time.

Police have also disputed claims that the incident was linked to a fight which took place yesterday in a nightclub in Black Point, a settlement 15 minutes away from Stuart Manor, where two men got into an altercation which resulted in one of them being gun butted and flown to hospital in Nassau.

According to relatives, Mr Smith had seven children and had lived at his two-storey home in Stuart's Manor for nearly 15 years.

On the morning of his shooting, four of his sons were present – two of whom are still in high school.

A family member said:

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## WOMAN QUESTIONED AFTER MAN STABBED TO DEATH



THE BODY is removed from the scene on East Bay Street.

Felipé Major/Tribune staff

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A 43-YEAR-OLD woman was last night being questioned by police after a man believed to be her hus-

band was stabbed to death in a parking lot.

The killing took place in the vacant lot located between the Green Parrot bar and Bahamas Air Sea Rescue Association (BAS-RA) headquarters on East

Bay Street.

While the victim has not been formally identified, *The Tribune* understands his surname is Williams.

A manager at the Green Parrot Bar and Grill, which is next to the site of the

death, said Mr Williams was arriving for his work shift at about 9pm on Saturday as a security guard securing property belonging to US-based civil engineering firm

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## Two die in tragic opening to the crawfish season

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FREEPORT – The opening of the crawfish season on Grand Bahama was marked with tragedy when two men died in separate crawfishing incidents in the West End and East End areas.

According to police reports, the body of one man was pulled from the waters near Memory Rock on Monday. His identity is being withheld by police.

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## \$600,000 worth of drugs seized after chase, shootout

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FREEPORT: Grand Bahama Police seized almost \$600,000 worth of illegal drugs and arrested two men, one of whom was shot during a high-speed chase and shootout with officers.

Assistant Superintendent Hector Delva said police are searching for a third man who escaped after the vehicle being pursued by officers crashed into a tree.

According to reports, DEU officers were

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## 400 attempt to illegally enter Bahamas in two days

LOCAL and international law enforcement agents in the past two days have apprehended more than 400 people attempting to enter the Bahamas illegally.

The influx has caused the Royal Bahamas Defence Force to increase its patrols at sea and in the air. The US Coast Guard has reportedly done likewise.

The first group, 159 Haitians, were apprehended on Friday north west of Great Inagua by the US Coast Guard

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LOCAL NEWS

# Police in Florida confident they have found remains of Bahamian woman

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POLICE in Florida are confident they have found the remains of a Bahamian woman who went missing there in 2006.

Cocoa Police Department believe the body to be that of 22-year-old Darice Knowles. They were tipped off to the location by a prison inmate.

Barbara Matthews, a spokesperson for the Cocoa Police Department in Brevard County, Florida, told a local newspaper that police had not "positively identified" the remains, but were nonetheless "certain" that they belong to the Bahamian.

"She's pretty much intact and you can make out the outline of her remains," said



MISSING WOMAN:  
Darice Knowles

Ms Matthews.

The discovery of Darice's suspected remains revives what had become a cold case file for local police.

Darice was said to have flown to the US from Nassau in March 2006 to visit male friends from the Bahamas when she went

missing. Her disappearance was not reported to police until three months later. Foul play was suspected, but no one has ever been taken into custody in connection with the matter.

A former Miss Bahamas contestant and law student, Darice is the only child of Mario and Princess Knowles. According to Darice's cousin, Dana Munnings, many of her family members in Nassau have been locked in a state of denial over the disappearance.

This weekend, detectives were said to be unwilling to discuss what may have happened to Darice, but said it was likely she knew her attacker.

One of the suspects in the matter went with police to the scene to help find where Knowles' body was located,

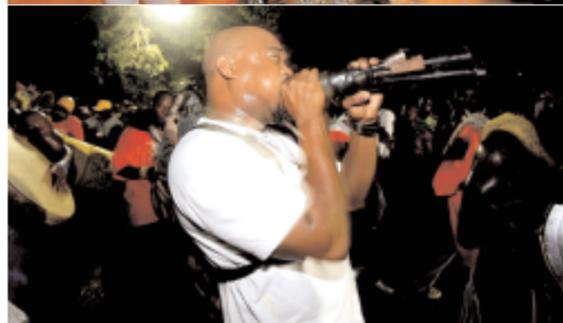
according to local reports.

The first signs that law enforcement officials may have found Darice's remains came on Friday when police were able to locate a foot bone at a wooded site off State Road 524 in Brevard County.

They were reported to have unearthed yet more bones yesterday, a week after police called in heavy equipment to begin clearing the area where they believed her body may have been located.

"Part of the thing that has kept us driven for the last four years to find her body was the fact that we wanted to give the family closure," said Ms Matthews. "Of course, after we do what we need to do, everything will be turned over to the family so they can give her a proper burial."

EMANCIPATION DAY PHOTOS/FELIPE MAJOR



SCENES from the Emancipation Day Junkanoo parade at Fox Hill yesterday morning. Crowds and Junkanoo groups took to the streets to celebrate the historical date.

## Police receive information, but have yet to identify body

By DENISE MAYCOCK  
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FREEPORT – Grand Bahama Police have received information from the public that could possibly help identify the decomposed body found inside a high voltage building on Kings Road.

"We have an unconfirmed identity of a person who was

known to frequent the area, but we are still trying to make some determination and so we are awaiting the results of an autopsy," Inspector Hector Delva told *The Tribune*.

On Wednesday, police discovered the partly decomposed body of a black male, dressed in white t-shirt and dark trousers. A dog was also found dead.

A Grand Bahama Power Company statement said: "We are saddened to learn of the recent loss of life found at our premises on Kings Road.

"We are satisfied that every reasonable precautionary measure was taken to prevent such an unfortunate mishap from happening."

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# Marsh Harbour airport renovations set to take off

## Architectural design contract awarded

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LONG-AWAITED renovations for Marsh Harbour airport were set in stone yesterday as a contract for the new architectural design was awarded yesterday.

Minister of Public Works Neko Grant flew to Abaco with a team of delegates from his department to award the \$600,000 contract for the \$10million development to Freeport company The Architects Incorporated in Marsh Harbour.

An estimated 200,000 passengers pass through the Marsh Harbour airport every year, and Abacoians expect many more will visit when the expansion is complete.

They hope the expansion promised in the FNM's 1992 manifesto will drive down high international ticket prices and encourage more direct travel between the United States and Abaco.

The 24,000 sq ft single storey terminal and fire crash facility to be built west of the existing terminal has been designed with space for expansion in all directions, as it replaces the existing 3,315 sq ft facility which will be converted and utilised.

Mr Grant said the new building will give visitors a "sense of place" as well as offer more facilities, including indoor arrival and departure lounges, airline offices and storage areas, and offices for the police, security staff and airport manager.

"Abaco continues to develop at a rapid pace," the minister said.

"It has the third largest population after New Providence and Grand Bahama.

"Furthermore, it is estimated that in excess of 200,000 passengers utilise the Marsh Harbour International Airport annually.

"It is against this background that the government is proceeding with this plan to construct a larger, modern, state-of-the-art facility."

The Marsh Harbour airport project follows completion of a new 6,100 ft jet runway, conversion of the original runway into a jet taxi-way and installation of new signage and lighting.

Eight Bahamian architecture firms submitted fee proposals for the works, and The Architects Incorporated won the bid with a fee of six per cent of the construction cost and a commitment to provide tender documents for construction within three months.

# Bahamian film 'Rain' makes a splash at signing

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WRITER, director and producer of Bahamian film 'Rain' signed copies of the newly-released DVD for fans this weekend.

Filmmaker Marian Govan's film about a 14-year-old girl's journey from Ragged Island to inner city Nassau in search of her estranged mother after her grandmother's death has won critical acclaim around the world since its release at the Bahamas International Film Festival (BIFF) in December 2008.

It premiered on the US cable TV channel "Showtime" in January and was released on DVD this week, to be sold on Internet shopping giant Amazon.com as well as stores across the United States.

Sales of the DVD will not only repay Bahamian investors in the film and afford them some profit, it will also support the success of the film at large.

During the filming, the crew and cast stayed at a Cable Beach hotel, rented trucks and cars from local businesses, hired local caterers, musicians and



actors to support the film.

Ms Govan said: "We have to realise that investment in film is really important, in that it impacts the entire economy.

"It's time we begin cultivating alternative means of generating income while utilising our creative talent.

"Bahamians are such a creative people and yet our cultural landscape can feel void at times.

"As we face forward, culture will need to take a front seat.

"Film is a powerful vehicle that can serve our community on so many levels both spiritually and practically.

"So for those of you who wish to support new, creative, Bahamian industry, buy a copy of 'Rain', buy two, and tell your friends and family to do the same.

"I do believe it is a film that will leave you proud to be Bahamian!"

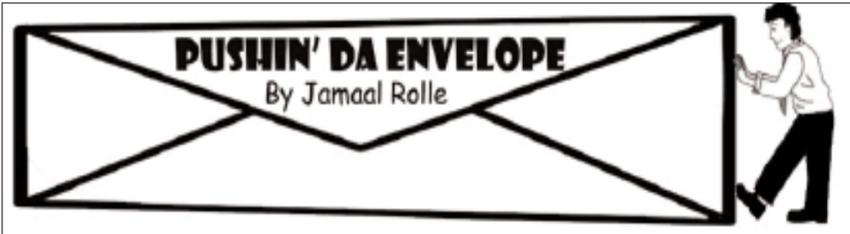
The common Bahamian story of a child who forgoes the sheltered simple life of her home in Ragged Island after the death of her grandmother, played by Irma P Hall, to seek out her estranged mother in the big city of Nassau, told in 'Rain', is also a universal coming of age tale.

Ms Govan described how Rain's dreams of a loving reconciliation are quickly shattered when she meets Glory, played by Nicki Micheaux, a scarred, proud, guarded woman bearing no resemblance of the mother she had

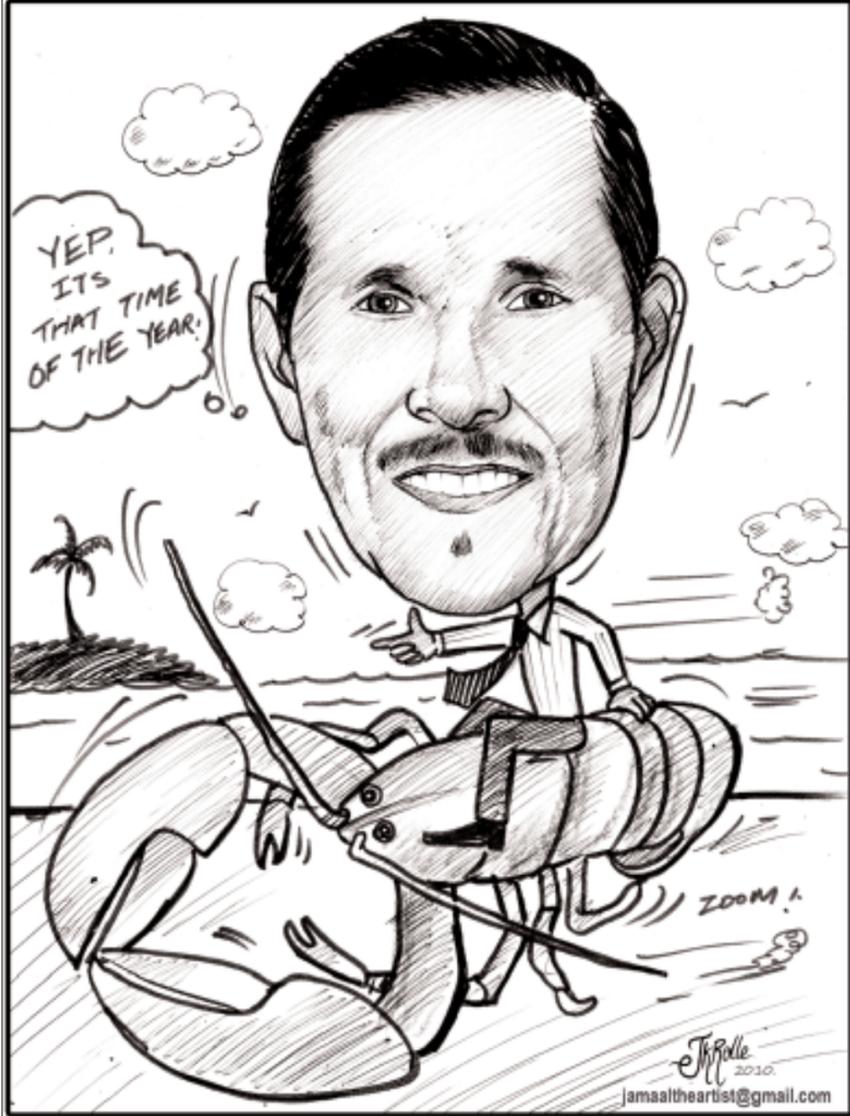
hoped for. Glory's self-destructive lifestyle, diminished by drug abuse is rudely awakened by the imminent role of motherhood.

"Confronted by unforeseeable trials, Rain's passion for running and deeply-rooted spirit brings two allies into her life: An insightful and inspiring track coach, played by CCH Pounder, and a charming rebellious teenage neighbour. In time, Rain's spirit and talent take her to unimaginable heights," Ms Govan said.

"Shot in a style that combines gritty realism, a bold and unforgettable colour palette, soulful Bahamian music, and the use of local actors alongside seasoned pros, 'Rain' takes us on a journey into the heart of a child, the pulse of a country and the spirit of its people."



# CRAWFISH SEASON BEGINS



# WEATHER NEWS METEOROLOGY DEPT EYES TROPICAL DEPRESSION

THE Department of Meteorology is paying close attention to a tropical depression which has formed in the Atlantic and which had reached very near tropical storm status last night.

According to Senior Meteorological Officer Geoffrey Greene, it is too early to say if the weather system will directly impact the Bahamas as it is a "good

way off". However, the forecasters said that by Friday or Saturday evening, meteorological officers will be able to make a better determination in this regard.

The tropical depression is the fourth of the hurricane season, and if it does further develop, it may become Tropical Storm Colin.

At present, it is on a trajectory which sees it headed

for the US Atlantic seaboard and the Carolinas, but it may yet "swing out to sea", according to reports.

Its location at 5pm yesterday was recorded by the US National Hurricane Centre as: 13.0 degrees north, 42.5 degrees west, moving west north west at 16 miles per hour with maximum sustained winds of 35 miles per hour.

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# No trade without help on undeniable climate change

By SIR RONALD SANDERS

(The writer is a Consultant and former Caribbean Diplomat).

CLIMATE change is now undeniable according to a new study headed by the US National Oceans and Atmos-

## insight WORLD VIEW

pheric Administration. It is already having a disastrous affect on small island states. The very existence of some

of them, particularly in the Pacific and the Indian Oceans, is threatened. Caribbean islands too are endangered as are countries such as Belize and Guyana with low lying coastlands.

In the latter case, coastal erosion is reducing beaches that are crucial to the tourism industry on which all of the small Caribbean islands now depend. The Atlantic coasts of both Guyana and Belize are below sea level, but it accommodates most of their populations and their agricultural lands. Sea-level rise, therefore, threatens all of them.

The challenges that climate change poses to small states are not only overwhelming, they are impossible to meet from the scarce resources of the governments.

In a recent speech in Trinidad and Tobago, the Prime Minister of St Vincent and the Grenadines put the matter in clear terms when he said: "In mountainous States like my own, over 80 per cent of our major infrastructure is located along our coastline, within a few feet of the inexorably rising seas. The cost of adaptation and preservation of our infrastructural developments are daunting, and beyond our individual capacity to address."

While small states are the primary victims of climate change, they are the least contributors to the greenhouse gas emissions that, as many studies have confirmed, are causing climate change and global warming. Together, the harmful emissions of greenhouse gases from all small states account for less than 0.1 per cent of the global total.

In a fatuous argument, the US Department of Energy's Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Centre had rated Trinidad and Tobago at number 9 in the worst emitters of harmful gases in the world in the year 2007. However, the measurement was based on population size, not on the volume of emissions. To underscore the



SIR RONALD SANDERS

silliness of the argument, the tiny Caribbean island, Montserrat, with a population of 10,000 people and no manufacturing or industrial production of any magnitude, was rated at number 17 in the world.

The reality is that, despite the *per capita* argument that developed countries and international institutions are fond of using to measure a range of issues to procure a desired (but illusionary) result, small states contribute little to global warming but they are its primary victims as evidenced by sea-level rise, stronger and more frequent hurricanes, flooding and other natural disasters.

These same small states are also the victims of the worst trading arrangements in the world.

The World Trade Organization (WTO) makes no provision for their special circumstances, nor does the International Financial Institutions (IFIs) such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank. Hence, small islands such as St Lucia (100,000 people) and St Kitts-Nevis (50,000 people) are treated in the same way in the WTO as the United States (350 million), Canada (33 million) or the European Union (400 million). No special rules apply.

In the IFIs, many small states – and certainly all those in the Caribbean – are "graduated" from concess-

sional financing because, on the measurement of *per capita* income, they are rated as middle-income countries.

The point is that small states are the casualties of climate change but the large industrialized nations that cause the problem are doing little to help them cope with the difficulties that have already been created and that are worsening. The member countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), which are the world's most industrialized countries, are responsible for an estimated 77 per cent of the total greenhouse gases which were emitted in the past.

The IFI's that are controlled by the OECD governments have no machinery in place to provide small states (especially those in the Caribbean who have been graduated from concessional financing) with soft loans or grants to help them mitigate the impact of climate change, on their key trade sectors, including agriculture, fisheries, forestry and tourism.

And, the terms of trade are punitive rather than helpful. A case in point is the Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) between the European Union (EU) and individual small countries in the Caribbean and the Pacific. Nowhere in the EPA is there an acknowledgment by the EU that its greenhouse gas emissions are adversely affecting climate change and harming small island states and states with vulnerable coastlines. And, nowhere is there a correlation drawn between the cost of such harmful effects and trade benefits that could be granted.

Indeed, small states are punished twice for their innocence. Their key trade sectors are compromised by climate change caused by industrialized nations, and then they are made to open up their markets for a flood of goods and services from the industrialized nations on the false idea of reciprocal treatment.

The WTO admits that "global greenhouse gas emissions have roughly doubled since the beginning of the 1970s. Current estimates indicate that these emissions will increase by between 25 and 90 per cent in the period from 2000 to 2030."

China, India and Brazil (now G20 countries) will be three of the large developing countries contributing to the projected increases, and they too have a responsibility to face up to the harm that they are doing to small countries that lack the financial means to pay for adaptation and mitigation.

There is clearly need for a major change in the IFIs in their policies toward small and vulnerable economies. The insistence on *per capita* income as a measure to graduate countries from concessional financing has proven that, by itself, it is an illogical calculation for the capacity of small countries.

But, the trade rules in the WTO also have to be adapted to cater for small and vulnerable states more widely and effectively than they do. A special category of special and differential treatment for small states is necessary both to provide these countries with the means to cope and, also, to make the WTO relevant to their needs.

Small countries should refuse to sign any more agreements until their plight is acknowledged and machinery established to address the harmful effects of climate change on them.

A growing body of literature now exists on the problems of climate change and trade for small states. But, the governments of small states themselves should be making the case in the WTO and the IFI's in a persistent fashion.

A high-level team drawn from the Caribbean, Pacific, and the Indian Oceans should be created to press their case at the next meeting of the G20. It would be a good occasion for frank talks between offenders and sufferers on an issue of human survival.

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## Woman questioned after man is stabbed to death

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American Bridge, which is located in the dirt lot, when he was attacked.

American Bridge's Bahamian subsidiary, American Bridge Bahamas Ltd, is constructing part of the new Arawak Cay port, which is being developed by a public-private partnership made up of the Government and 19 private sector stakeholders.

According to the Green Parrot manager, a woman and the victim arrived together in a maroon-coloured Chevrolet Blazer. She followed him out of the car. He was stabbed a number of times.

The man, who was wearing khaki pants and a black stripe shirt, died at the scene. Witnesses reported that a young boy, thought to be his son, was in the car at the time.

There were a number of witnesses to the attack, including someone who was

still sitting in their car in the parking lot when the stabbing occurred.

They are said to have run in to Green Parrot to alert security officers, who contacted the police.

Another witness was a Green Parrot chef who arrived on the scene shortly after Mr Williams was attacked.

According to the manager at the Bar and Grill, a woman was still standing over the body when the chef arrived.

"She was freaking out. She told him to shine his flashlight on the body," said the manager.

Peter Moree, owner of the Green Parrot Bar and Grill, expressed his sadness and that of his staff at the killing.

"It's an absolute

tragedy," he told *The Tribune*.

Nonetheless, fearing that it could hurt his business, the owner also distanced his establishment from the crime, pointing out that none of those involved had been patrons of the bar that evening and the attack took place outside of the bounds of the popular hangout.

"I called ZNS when I saw their report which said it happened at Green Parrot to tell them it was not actually us, it was the American Bridge property," said Mr Moree, acknowledging that Green Parrot does utilise the space as a parking lot on busy evenings.

Police yesterday identified the woman being questioned as a resident of Nassau Village, and a "relative" of the deceased.

## Fishing guide is murdered in Exuma

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"Three of them escaped, the oldest one and the two younger ones, one stayed behind, but he was unharmed. I think the older one tried to wake him up but he wasn't getting up so he escaped with the younger ones."

The three sons reportedly jumped from an upstairs window and ran into nearby bushes.

Mr Smith is the country's 55th homicide, and police confirmed a team of officers from the Central Detective Unit have been flown into Exuma as investigations on the island continue.

Though married, family members said Mr Smith had been separated from his wife for several years.

He had 12 brothers and five sisters, and his mother, Mrs Eugene Smith Sr, 74, has lived in Stuart Manor for nearly 60 years.

Mrs Smith described her son as a good boy during his childhood, however she said she could not account for his life as a man.

Mrs Smith said: "The whole island is in shock, this is the first major crime in this settlement. We never had no crime, I hardly lock my doors. Sometimes I lock my doors or when my children come they will lock the door."

## Two die in tragic opening to the crawfish season

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Senior Assistant Quinn McCartney reported that the victim and two other men were out crawfishing. Two of the men had dived overboard to retrieve traps while the victim waited on the boat.

"Our preliminary investigations indicate that the person in the boat fell overboard. The boat went out of control and he sustained serious injuries that resulted in his death," said Mr McCartney.

The victim's body was brought to shore at Old Bahama Bay and transported by hearse to the Rand Memorial Hospital, where an autopsy will be held to determine the cause of death.

In East End, residents there

are saddened following the apparent drowning of 35-year-old Nixon Mitchell, of Sweeting's Cay.

The fishermen were checking on their crawfish traps on Sunday when Mr Mitchell failed to surface after a reasonable time.

He was pulled from the sea bottom by his brother, who performed CPR. A doctor pronounced him dead at the scene.

High Rock MP Kenneth Russell said Mr Mitchell's death is a shock to the East End community.

Mr Russell is urging people to make sure that they are well trained before they go diving for crawfish.

Police are investigating both incidents.

## 400 attempt to enter Bahamas illegally

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Cutter (USCGC) Legare.

Meanwhile, that same day, the Royal Bahamas Defence Force removed 177 Haitians (129 men, 43 women and five children) from Channel Cay in the southern Bahamas.

These migrants were apprehended by police and Immigration officials in Exuma after their vessel reportedly ran aground on the island.

It is believed this latest group was onboard a Haitian sailing sloop the Defence Force had been searching for since Wednesday morning.

During the operation, a Haitian man jumped overboard while being transported. A search for him is under way.

The following day, the USCGC Chandelur, with a Bahamian ship rider (Defence Force Marine) onboard, stopped a go fast boat in the area of Memory Rock, north of Grand Bahama, transporting 15 illegal migrants.

When officials boarded the boat, they found five Jamaican men, four Haitian men, four Haitian women, one Peruvian man, one Peruvian woman and four Bahamians.

The four Bahamians and 15 illegals were handed over to the police and immigration authorities in Freeport.

Later on, 99 Haitians were apprehended in the Exuma chain by the Royal Bahamas Defence Force.

While on patrol, Defence Force vessel EF 27 spotted a Haitian sailing sloop in the area of Shroud Cay. Upon further investigation, they discovered 75 men and 24 women) aboard the vessel.

The operations conducted over the two days has netted 450 illegal migrants apprehended by police, immigration, USCG and the RBDF.

All of the Haitians are expected to be transported back to Haiti by the United States Coast Guard.

"The RBDF is concerned with these recent events and has since increased its patrols at sea and in the air. The US Coast Guard has reportedly done likewise," a statement released by the RBDF yesterday said.

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LOCAL NEWS



THE collapsed boardwalk after Saturday's accident.

# Mourners in boardwalk rescue

FROM page one

They had earlier attended a funeral service for Mrs Smith-Downy at Christ Community Church, on Bellot Road, and gathered at the boardwalk near the Beach Club Café, Sandport, to scatter her ashes into the sea.

But panic broke out when a section of the boardwalk, which is connected to an adjacent gazebo, collapsed underneath about 25 people, including children as young two.

Almost immediately, people in the area pitched in to rescue the fallen loved ones, some of whom had slipped underneath the broken planks.

Five people were taken to hospital by emergency medical services for minor injuries, one of whom was said to be an elderly woman who had suffered a seizure in the water.

Some mourners, who had safely crossed the boardwalk on to the gazebo and were subsequently trapped, were rescued by a fisherman's boat.

Ulric Woodside, the photog-

rapher hired to document the ceremony, said he heard the nails on the boardwalk give way underneath the weight of people, just before it collapsed.

"It was really a community effort, he said, "as soon as it happened everybody came over and assisted, jet-ski operators, beachgoers, tourists as well."

Mr Woodside said the remaining mourners continued the ceremony and scattered Mrs Smith-Downy's remains into the sea after the situation was under control.

Garth Buckner, president of Sandport Development Company, said the company had little details concerning the incident but had launched an investigation into the matter.

Mr Buckner said: "The dock is private property, so the public is welcome to use it but we do ask that we be informed before any events are put on so that we can provide adequate security and prepare. We were not informed, so we were not prepared for anything."

Police are investigating.

# \$600,000 of drugs seized

FROM page one

on patrol around 11.25pm on Saturday when they observed a white 2000 Chevy Astro van exiting Magellan Road.

The occupants were acting in a suspicious manner so officers pursued the vehicle and a chase ensued.

ASP Delva said there was an exchange of gunfire between the suspects and police.

The driver of the Astro van eventually lost control of the vehicle and collided into a tree on Tarleton Road, where two suspects were apprehended. A third fled into bushes.

While searching the vehicle, officers discovered 584lbs of suspected marijuana with an estimated street value of \$584,000.

The officers also discovered that one of the suspects was shot in the upper shoulder. They were both taken into custody and received medical treatment for their injuries. Investigations are continuing.

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# 'Inappropriate invasion of privacy' at Lyford Cay

By LARRY SMITH

IN the Bahamas, everything is a plot and everyone has an agenda.

We are conspiracy mongers of the worst kind – a tendency that is amplified by the anonymity offered by the internet, the difficulty of accessing accurate information, the lack of professionalism of many in the media, and the inability of some to think critically, which is a legacy of our failed education system.

The plot at Lyford Cay these days is that behind the gates of this sinister private community are rich, white foreigners who are getting away with murder and deploying advanced weaponry with impunity.

Well, there are certainly rich, white foreigners living at Lyford Cay – along with many members of our own black and white elite. And it is most definitely a private community. I have been admitted only twice in the last two decades – on both occasions to attend a social event.

But the narrative subtext that has lately been attached to the activities of this very reserved community is best captured by the



word "sinister". One poster on the popular Bahamas Issues website put it this way:

"Is it not the job of the police to investigate crime? Or was this action egregious because it involved a Lyford Cay resident. Every day regular Bahamians have investigations levied against them by RBPF, so if this was Tony who lives in Bain Town, and the police received information that weapons were seen on the premises, what should the police do? No one is and should be above the law."

Well, by that logic if I tell the police that Hubert Ingraham and Perry Christie are stockpiling weapons at their old law office to mount a coup, Commissioner Greenslade should order his special force commandos to handcuff the former law partners together while picking through their things for several hours without a war-

rant. After all, no one is and should be above the law.

That's the first point I wish to make about the recent events at Lycay – just how ridiculously inappropriate this invasion of privacy was. It raises serious questions about judgment.

Lawyers say that when the police have reasonable suspicion, a warrant is not required to search for firearms or dangerous drugs in the Bahamas. They can enter your home or business at will. This right of entry, they say, is based on the need for police officers to react immediately to intelligence reports in the public interest. It is a hangover from colonial times aimed at countering armed insurgencies in the former British Empire.

## Judgment

But although police can enter premises without a search warrant from a judge, it is expected that a high degree of common sense, good judgment and ordinary decency will be applied, one lawyer told me. "Normally the appointment to particular duties carries with it standing and assumed authority from the commissioner that generally empowers detectives to hunt for firearms and drugs.

"However, it is easy to abuse such a system, and our police often do not go for warrants even when there is the time, or the circumstances are appropriate to do so. Partly, this is because of the scale of the task they face, but there is also a disturbing trend of just showing up and demanding entry to search for firearms or drugs. This erodes our civil liberties and sophisticated criminals can and do impersonate officers using the same words.

"These things are very hard for international persons, especially Americans, to understand, because their rights of privacy and premises are so well entrenched in law. This means that although international second home owners should not be consid-

ered above the law, there needs to be greater sensitivity by the authorities in such circumstances."

However, in this case the object of the search and seizure was not a firearm, which brings me to the second point.

Both traditional and internet "news" sites reported as if it were gospel the obviously cooked-up story that the "firearms" in question at Lyford Cay were advanced military-grade sonic blasters that could injure people and damage property. According to one "knowledgeable" report, the equipment was of "a type which is used by Israeli intelligence and has the affect of causing you to get loose bowels."

Well, we don't know what kind of "intelligence" the police employed in this case, but we did hear a broadcast on Island FM just before the raid when a talk show caller bracketed Commissioner Greenslade about ultrasonic weapons being used with impunity by rich, white foreigners at Lyford Cay. Greenslade said he would deal with the matter expeditiously because, after all, no one is or should be above the law.

But these "ultrasonic weapons" were actually high-end outdoor speakers (google Meyer Sound SB-1). They are easily purchased in the US and were legally imported. Police returned the speakers no less than three hours after they were seized. And although they have yet to make a public statement, an inquiry is said to be underway and meetings have been held to soothe ruffled feathers at Lyford Cay.

The speakers were used at Point House, the home of American financier Louis Bacon, as a response to aggravated and continual noise harassment from the adjacent property of Canadian fashion mogul Peter Nygard.

According to a spokesman for Bacon, "the intent was to counterbalance loud music that originated from the Nygard property (by directing) it back to the specific location of the music. This was intended to repulse music originating from Nygard's property after it reached a certain decibel level.

"It is unfortunate that the police were diverted from their work by such a

frivolous complaint," the spokesman said. "With respect to the health risks associated with these speakers, there are none – unless, of course, they were knocked over and fell on your foot."

This brings me to the main point.

Property owners clearly have a longstanding issue with Nygard's development and operation of a major resort over many years at the western tip of the Lyford Cay peninsula. In fact, there is a lengthy history of complaints about noise pollution emanating from the Nygard property as well as other land use issues associated with unauthorized dredging and reclamation of the sea bed to the detriment of neighbouring properties.

After initially trying to resolve these issues amicably, Bacon turned to the Lyford Cay Property Owner's Association to register these complaints. At least 16 complaints were made to police and Lyford Cay security in the first half of this year alone, the spokesman said. "The continued escalation of Nygard's late night parties and his refusal to abide by Lyford protocols left few options, but an effort to return in kind the music that he broadcasted."

Nygard acquired his property in 1984 and it is well known that construction has been non-stop for the past 20 years, continually disturbing neighbours and the Lyford community in general. There are apparently no specific covenants that prevent "lawful" activities on the Nygard property, but the site is zoned for single family use and the conflict with the residential nature of the exclusive community is obvious.

Until a large portion of the resort burned down last November due to an electrical fault, advertised facilities included a disco with a 100-person dance floor, a human aquarium, water-slides, movie theatre, two yachts, swimming pools, tennis, volleyball and basketball courts, 10 bedrooms and a helicopter landing pad. Nygard has been seeking government approvals to rebuild the resort.

At one point, Nygard wanted to build a restaurant on nearby Golding Cay, a Bahamas National Trust bird sanctuary. He also sought to import exotic animals, add a dolphin enclosure and build a shark tank. Dredge pumps have been used almost continuously for years to move sand from the bay onto the shoreline at the resort.

But a report prepared in 2008 for the Lyford Cay Property Owners Association by Melanie Roach (a former public works director) determined that Nygard did not have a hotel

or business license, and there was no record of building approvals granted for resort amenities. There was also no record of a permit being issued for a helicopter landing pad at the property.

All these facilities and more – were being advertised on various travel websites up to the time of the fire. For example, Unusual Villa & Island Rentals of Richmond, Virginia promoted Nygard Cay like this:

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## Resort

Since the fire last year, Nygard has been seeking government approval to rebuild the resort. In recent months he has been making press statements about a \$50 million investment, touting the many jobs this would create: "I want to do it like Atlantis in two or three years (and) that would take a lot of people," he said recently.

Observers say it is no coincidence that the police raid on Bacon's property occurred several days after it was reported that Nygard received a letter from the Office of the Prime Minister demanding that he restore his property to its original deeded footprint. "What has now become increasingly evident is that much of the expansion and continued work at Nygard Cay has occurred on Crown land without permits."

The letter from the OPM ordered Nygard to "remove any structures that would have been erected on this land over the years" and advised that "going forward no applications for construction on, or occupation of, the accreted land will be approved by any agencies of the government."

So, does the plot thicken? It will certainly be interesting to see how this unfortunate melodrama plays out in the weeks and months ahead.

What do you think? Send comments to [larry@tribunemedia.net](mailto:larry@tribunemedia.net) Or visit [www.bahamapundit.com](http://www.bahamapundit.com)



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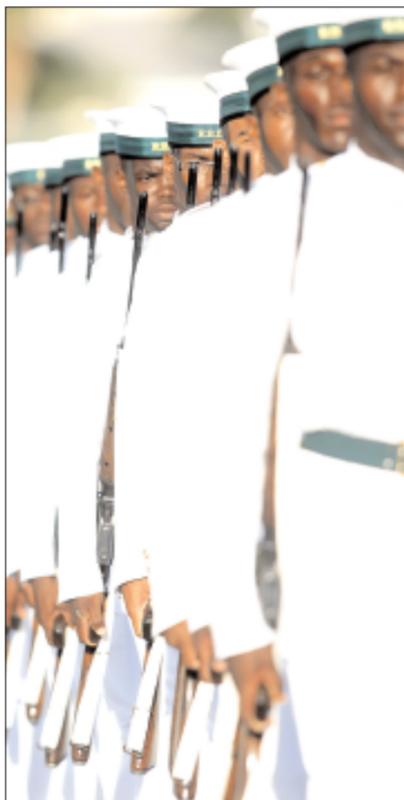
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- ✓ Bills for the service period June 15th to June 30th were estimated with a billing date of July 15th at the old rates. The bills for this abbreviated period are due for payment on August 6th;
- ✓ The new rate comes into effect for the service period commencing July 1st, 2010. Meter readings for this service period will take place at the end of July, and bills will be sent out in mid-August. Payment for this period will become due on September 6th, 2010.

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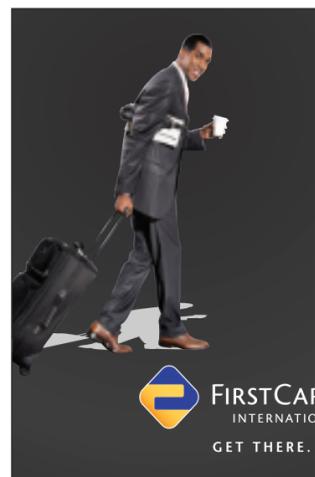
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# RoyalFidelity Market Wrap

**By ROYALFIDELITY CAPITAL MARKETS**

It was a slow week of trading in the Bahamian stock market. Investors traded in four out of the 24 listed securities, with two advancers and the other securities remaining unchanged.

lead advancer, trading 21,100 shares to see its stock close the week up by \$0.05 at \$2.55.

Commonwealth Bank (CBL) followed, trading 7,298 shares to see its shares close the week up by \$0.02 at \$6.04.

**BOND MARKET**  
There was no activity in the bond market last week.

**COMPANY NEWS:**  
Earnings Releases:  
Commonwealth Bank (CBL) released its unaudited financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2010, reporting total comprehensive income of \$13.9 million,

an increase of \$3.8 million or 37 per cent from \$10.1 million reported in the same quarter in the previous year.

It was noted that while net interest income of \$27.2 million increased slightly by \$1 million or 3.9 per cent, up from \$26.2 million in the comparative period, loan impairment expense fell significantly by \$4.5 million or 59.6 per cent - from \$7.6 million to \$3.1 million.

Management noted that the improvement in loan impairment expense was due to improved credit quality and the stabilisation of its non-performing loans, which

remained flat over the last two quarters.

CBL's non-interest expense of \$13.5 million increased by \$1.5 million or 12 per cent year-over-year, due primarily to higher general and administrative expenses.

Earnings per share for the quarter were \$0.13, compared to \$0.09 in the 2009 second quarter, an increase of \$0.04.

Total assets and liabilities of CBL were \$1.4 billion and

\$1.17 billion respectively, compared to \$1.38 billion and \$1.15 billion at year-end December 31, 2009.

It was noted that while CBL grew its deposit base over the six-month period by \$15 million, its loan receivables declined by \$24 million, with the offset being seen in increased cash/deposits with banks and investments by CBL, which rose collectively by \$53 million during the period.

**Dividend Notes:**  
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**EQUITY MARKET**

A total of 29,648 shares changed hands, representing an increase of 3,128 shares compared to the previous week's trading volume of 26,520 shares.

Colina Holdings (CHL) was the volume leader and

**EQUITY MARKET - TRADING STATISTICS**

Week ending 30.07.10

BISX SYMBOL	CLOSING PRICE	WKLY PRICE CHANGE	VOLUME	YTD PRICE CHANGE
AML	\$1.04	\$-	0	-11.11%
BBL	\$0.30	\$-	0	-52.38%
BOB	\$5.00	\$-	400	-15.25%
BPF	\$10.63	\$-	0	-1.02%
BSL	\$ 9.42	\$-	0	-6.36%
BWL	\$ 3.15	\$-	0	-0.00%
CAB	\$11.11	\$-	0	11.32%
CBL	\$ 6.04	\$0.02	7,298	-13.71%
CHL	\$2.55	\$0.05	21,100	-6.25%
CIB	\$9.74	\$-	0	-2.50%
CWCB	\$2.41	\$0.09	0	-15.44%
DHS	\$2.00	\$-	0	-21.57%
FAM	\$6.07	\$-	0	-6.47%
FBB	\$2.17	\$-	0	-8.44%
FCC	\$0.27	\$-	0	-0.00%
FCL	\$4.65	\$-	0	-2.52%
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**BOND MARKET - TRADING STATISTICS**

BISX SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	VOLUME	PAR VALUE
FBB13	BB Series C Notes Due 2013	0	\$1,000
FBB15	FBB Series D Notes Due 2015	0	\$1,000
FBB17	FBB Series A Notes Due 2017	0	\$1,000
FBB22	FBB Series B Notes Due 2022	0	\$1,000

**INTERNATIONAL MARKETS**

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BUSINESS

# RoyalFidelity Market Wrap

**By ROYALFIDELITY CAPITAL MARKETS**

It was a slow week of trading in the Bahamian stock market. Investors traded in four out of the 24 listed securities, with two advancers and the other securities remaining unchanged.

lead advancer, trading 21,100 shares to see its stock close the week up by \$0.05 at \$2.55.

Commonwealth Bank (CBL) followed, trading 7,298 shares to see its shares close the week up by \$0.02 at \$6.04.

**BOND MARKET**  
There was no activity in the bond market last week.

**COMPANY NEWS:**  
**Earnings Releases:**  
Commonwealth Bank (CBL) released its unaudited financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2010, reporting total comprehensive income of \$13.9 million,

an increase of \$3.8 million or 37 per cent from \$10.1 million reported in the same quarter in the previous year.

It was noted that while net interest income of \$27.2 million increased slightly by \$1 million or 3.9 per cent, up from \$26.2 million in the comparative period, loan impairment expense fell significantly by \$4.5 million or 59.6 per cent - from \$7.6 million to \$3.1 million.

Management noted that the improvement in loan impairment expense was due to improved credit quality and the stabilisation of its non-performing loans, which

remained flat over the last two quarters.

CBL's non-interest expense of \$13.5 million increased by \$1.5 million or 12 per cent year-over-year, due primarily to higher general and administrative expenses.

Earnings per share for the quarter were \$0.13, compared to \$0.09 in the 2009 second quarter, an increase of \$0.04.

Total assets and liabilities of CBL were \$1.4 billion and

\$1.17 billion respectively, compared to \$1.38 billion and \$1.15 billion at year-end December 31, 2009.

It was noted that while CBL grew its deposit base over the six-month period by \$15 million, its loan receivables declined by \$24 million, with the offset being seen in increased cash/deposits with banks and investments by CBL, which rose collectively by \$53 million during the period.

**Dividend Notes:**  
FOCOL Holdings (FCL) declared a dividend of \$0.04 to all shareholders of record date as at July 30, 2010, payable on August 10, 2010.

**AGM NOTICE:**  
Bahamas First Holdings has announced its AGM will be held at the British Colonial Hilton Hotel on August 4, 2010, at 5pm.

**EQUITY MARKET**

A total of 29,648 shares changed hands, representing an increase of 3,128 shares compared to the previous week's trading volume of 26,520 shares.

Colina Holdings (CHL) was the volume leader and

**EQUITY MARKET - TRADING STATISTICS**

Week ending 30.07.10

BISX SYMBOL	CLOSING PRICE	WKLY PRICE CHANGE	VOLUME	YTD PRICE CHANGE
AML	\$1.04	\$-	0	-11.11%
BBL	\$0.30	\$-	0	-52.38%
BOB	\$5.00	\$-	400	-15.25%
BPF	\$10.63	\$-	0	-1.02%
BSL	\$ 9.42	\$-	0	-6.36%
BWL	\$ 3.15	\$-	0	-0.00%
CAB	\$11.11	\$-	0	11.32%
CBL	\$ 6.04	\$0.02	7,298	-13.71%
CHL	\$2.55	\$0.05	21,100	-6.25%
CIB	\$9.74	\$-	0	-2.50%
CWCB	\$2.41	\$0.09	0	-15.44%
DHS	\$2.00	\$-	0	-21.57%
FAM	\$6.07	\$-	0	-6.47%
FBB	\$2.17	\$-	0	-8.44%
FCC	\$0.27	\$-	0	-0.00%
FCL	\$4.65	\$-	0	-2.52%
FCLB	\$1.00	\$-	0	-0.00%
FIN	\$8.90	\$-	850	-4.09%
ICD	\$5.59	\$-	0	-0.00%
JSJ	\$9.95	\$-	0	-0.00%
PRE	\$10.00	\$-	0	-0.00%

**BOND MARKET - TRADING STATISTICS**

BISX SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	VOLUME	PAR VALUE
FBB13	BB Series C Notes Due 2013	0	\$1,000
FBB15	FBB Series D Notes Due 2015	0	\$1,000
FBB17	FBB Series A Notes Due 2017	0	\$1,000
FBB22	FBB Series B Notes Due 2022	0	\$1,000

**INTERNATIONAL MARKETS**

FOREX Rates

CURRENCY	WEEKLY	% CHANGE
CAD	0.9730	0.77
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# 'Great injustice' for contractors

By NEIL HARTNELL  
Tribune Business Editor

THE Government's decision to increase the Business Licence fee rate by 50 per cent for most contractors "serves a great injustice" on the Bahamian construction industry, the Bahamian Contractors Association's (BCA) president told Tribune Business, and fails to recognise the "extremely high risk" firms could lose money on projects.

Speaking after this newspaper revealed that the Government had abandoned initial plans to place "all construction companies" in a special category where they paid a Business Licence fee equivalent to 0.5 per cent of annual turnover, Stephen Wrinkle said: "We're extremely disappointed, and it's serving a great injustice to our industry."

"We had met with Minister Laing last year, and expressed our concerns and views, and made some proposals as to how to accommodate the construction industry. By and large, they've been totally ignored."

The BCA and its members are now working with the Chamber of Commerce to arrange another meeting with the Government in a bid to change the revised Business Licence Bill, which requires contractors generating turnover of greater than \$500,000 per annum to pay a 0.75 per cent rate.

Given that many perform on multi-million dollar jobs, most Bahamian contractors will be pushed from a 0.5 per cent rate to a 0.75 per cent rate, yet Mr Wrinkle pointed out again that in most cases they acted as project managers, handling huge sums that were paid out to sub-contractors, tradesmen and suppliers, and retaining only a small portion as their fee.

Yet Bahamian contractors are being taxed on the gross amount of these contracts, something Mr Wrinkle agreed was unfair. Comparing a contractor's role as project manager to that of an attorney holding funds in escrow for a client, the BCA president said attorneys were taxed on their net receipts, while contractors were hit on the gross.

"They've put us into a category inconsistent with the fiduciary responsibilities of a contractor," Mr Wrinkle told Tribune Business. "The realtors and attorneys are able to hold large sums of money, but are not taxed on the gross receipts, just the net receipts."

"The general contractor is more of a project manager role rather than the actual builder. Most of the proceeds from a construction contract go to sub-contractors, specialist workers and suppliers. One has to look at the industry as a whole, and begin to realise the cost will not be absorbed by contractors and will be passed on to consumers."

Mr Wrinkle said several large contractors had told him the revised Business Licence Bill

BCA chief says Business Licence fee changes fail to recognise 'extremely high risk' nature of construction industry

could add more than \$100,000 to their annual fee payable to the Government.

Referring to last year's discussions with the Government, the BCA president added: "It's not fair. Construction is a very volatile industry. The risk of losing money on a project is extremely high."

"No consideration has been given for such losses. No consideration has been given for non-payment by the client. No consideration has been given for growing your company at a time when unemployment in the Bahamas is high."

Mr Wrinkle added that unlike most other countries, the amount of taxes levied on Bahamian contractors and other businesses appeared to increase the more they expanded, and the higher their revenues (turnover) and profits became.

As a result, he lamented that there was "no incentive to grow our business. The larger you get, the more they want to tax you".

Khaalis Rolle, the Bahamas Chamber of Commerce's president, confirmed that his organisation was arranging a meeting with Mr Laing on the contractors' behalf to discuss their concerns.

"It's a process of we talk about it, and hopefully arrive at a solution that makes sense," Mr Rolle said. "What I've found with Mr Laing is that if you present a reasonable case, he will go to bat for you."

"That's why I try to work closely with him, because he understands the country's commercial issues."

"We'll try and discuss every single issue that arises and reach a middle ground, which has been the case of late."

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**Wednesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm...Registration.....The Diplomat Center  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm...Orientation session.....Dr. Myles Munroe  
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm...**Session 1** (Plenary) - "The Kingdom Theology of the Bible".....Dr. Myles Munroe

**Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
8:00 am - 9:00 am...**Session 2** - "The Kingdom Theology of Jesus".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
9:00 am - 10:00 am...**Session 3** - "The Kingdom Theology of the Apostles".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
10:00 am - 10:30 am...Refreshment Break  
10:30 am - 11:30 am...**Session 4** - "Keys For Building a Kingdom Community Culture".....Dr. Richard Pinder  
11:30 am - 12:30 pm...**Session 5** - "The Kingdom Concept of Colonization".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm...Luncheon Break  
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm...**Session 6** - "The Church and Community Impact".....Dr. Darrell Wilson  
2:30 pm - 7:00 pm...Free Time, Relaxation, Private Study  
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm...**Session 7** - "Kingdom Culture of Community Wealth".....Rick Kendall  
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm...**Session 8** - "The Kingdom Concept of Culture & Community".....Dr. Myles Munroe

**Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
8:00 am - 9:00 am...**Session 9** - "The 20 Manifestations of Kingdom Community Culture".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
9:00 am - 10:00 am...**Session 10** - "The Church as the Kingdom Community Impact Agency".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
10:00 am - 10:30 am...Refreshment Break  
10:30 am - 11:30 am...**Session 11** - "Kingdom Influencing Contemporary Culture".....Pas. Martin Williams  
11:30 am - 12:30 pm...**Session 12** - "The 10 Pillars of Kingdom National Impact".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm...Kingdom Community Lunch Break  
1:30 am - 2:30 pm...**Session 13** - "Fruit of the Spirit - Qualities of Kingdom Culture".....Dr. Jerry Horner  
2:30 pm - 7:00 pm...Free - Relaxing Private Study Time  
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm...**Session 14** - "The Principle of Environment and Culture".....Dr. Pepe Ramnath  
8:30 pm - 9:15 pm...**Session 15** - "How To Cultivate a Contemporary Kingdom Culture".....Dr. Myles Munroe

**Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
8:00 am - 9:50 am...**Session 16** - "How to Teach the Kingdom in the Marketplace".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
10:00 am - 10:50 am...**Session 17** - "The Strategy for Kingdom Community Missions Impact".....Dr. Myles Munroe  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm...Small Group Research/Discussion/Project Development Forum, Panel Discussion and Review - Dr. Jerry Horner, Rick Kendall, Dr. Darrell Wilson, Dr. Richard Pinder, Pas. Pepe Ramnath & Dr. Myles Munroe

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# Renewable energy training plan for Bahamas unveiled

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"Our goal is to have a fully Bahamian workforce under APS, and develop a market where other companies enter the field with people who have been accredited. The reality is that there is no way we as a company can provide all the renewable energy sources for the entire Bahamas.

"We want to lead the transition to a renewable energy industry, and our goal is to create employment. We don't want a foreign workforce. We want trained Bahamians."

Apart from Mr Lyn, APS also provided other lecturers to the UWI's renewable energy technology courses. Mr Gilbert said APS ultimately wanted to take its school to all regional nations, as the aim was to educate a Caribbean market.

Mr Lyn told Tribune Business that when it came to renewable energies, the key for the Bahamas was the "right education" for consumers and the industry, and then to "get on with it". The IDB-funded contracts require APS to supervise the installation of the PV systems and solar water heaters on the selected number of Bahamian homes.

"We're excited as to what we could do, We get sun 365 days of the year, so we might as well take advantage of it," Mr Gilbert said.

Touting renewable energy's benefits, he added: "It reduces the carbon footprint, and the Bahamas at some point will be able to take advantage of carbon credits."

APS undertakes a lot of its own research and development, extensively testing renewable energy products before bringing them to the Bahamas, to ensure they can withstand the rigors of practical application.

The company is now set to commence testing a wind turbine which only requires two miles per hour winds to start generating electricity, as opposed to most contemporaries that need 12-13 miles per hour winds.

# Venture capital fund's 193 jobs

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entrepreneurs because banks in this nation did not accept payments via PayPal and the Internet.

Arguing that Baker Tilly Gomez "give more service than we get", in the sense that the work it does on the Bahamas Entrepreneurial Venture Fund is worth more than the fee it receives, Mr Gomez said the fund had worked in the sense that there had been no political interference impacting its operations.

"I'd say that over the five years of this fund, no political pressure has been applied at all," Mr Gomez said, adding that there had been no calls from politicians along the lines of urging them to approve and finance a particular business idea.

"Half the MPs did not know this fund ever existed," he joked.

Acknowledging that the Bahamas Entrepreneurial Venture Fund had "crossed over a bit" with the Bahamas Development Bank's (BDB) lending activities, Mr Gomez said one notable difference between the two was that the fund

was far more involved with its entrepreneur clients.

Apart from the Board seats it had taken in the 12 companies in which it had equity stakes, Mr Gomez said the fund provided a source of constant advice and training, even going as far as paying for services the entrepreneur needed, such as accounts.

"The BDB does not offer these kind of value added services," Mr Gomez said. "The BDB, once you get the loan, usually will not see you unless you default on it. Default on the loan, and they will come looking for you."

He added that the BDB and other organisations in the Government's small business support infrastructure, such as the Bahamas Agricultural and Industrial Corporation (BAIC), did not have enough staff with the skills required, pointing out that many had been transferred into these agencies from other government departments and ministries.

In response to audience questions, Mr Gomez said the Bahamas Entrepreneurial Venture Fund had received virtually no business plans and applications

related to the agricultural sector.

"I can only remember one project in five years that had anything to do with agriculture, and that young gentleman did not have a clear vision of how to do it - get a few acres here, through a few crops there," Mr Gomez said.

"We may need foreign help. We have to consider that - that we need foreign help in agriculture in our economy. We may have to accept that."



JEROME GOMEZ

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Orientation  
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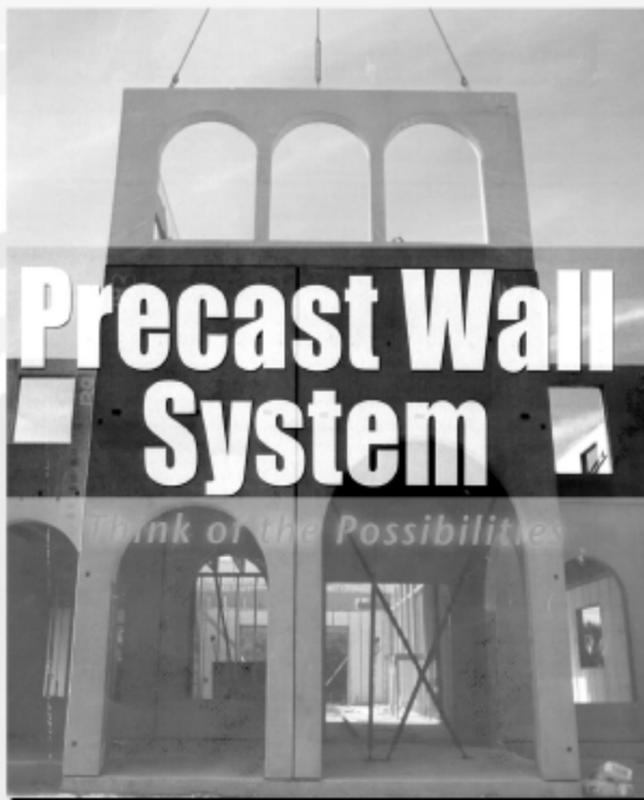
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## BUSINESS

# BTC offer sparks competition fear

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the Government got the best strategic partner both in terms of purchase price and terms/conditions.

Cable & Wireless was described by one source as "really well suited as the strategic partner. The committee believes they're very

interested in this asset, and have the right idea about value, but there are some important issues that would need to be negotiated".

"Some very fruitful discussions" were said to have taken place between the BTC privatisation committee and Cable & Wireless, in a bid to get to a point where the Government might find its proposal attractive.

# Bahamas 'far beyond Wild Wild West'

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now the highest in his lifetime, Khaalis Rolle said many Bahamian businesses were now afraid to conduct commerce at night, as criminals seemed to have no fear of the law.

Arguing that guns were seemingly as commonplace as cars in the Bahamas, Mr Rolle said the First-Caribbean armed robbery and high speed chase/shoot-out between the crooks and the police showed just what a lawless, dangerous society this nation had become.

"It's extremely frightening to do business in this country now," Mr Rolle said. "When you get to the point where the criminals have equal or better ammunition than the police, and have absolutely no fear of the law, what's the alternative? What do we do?"

Recalling a reggae song that described Jamaica as a 'Cowboy town', the Chamber president added: "The Bahamas is far beyond a Cowboy town, the Wild Wild West. Every single day there is a report of some armed robbery or attempted armed robbery. The criminals just don't have any fear of the law.

"I think about 10 years ago I spoke at a Toastmasters meeting, and I had a conversation with a politician. I said the Bahamas was becoming an increasingly

dangerous society and something had to be done. His response was as if there was no concern, and we're at the point now where business-people are extremely afraid to do business after dark."

Pointing to the Supreme Court break-in at Justice Jon Isaacs' office, Mr Rolle said this showed that "no place is off limits".

"The criminals are so daring that they do what they want to do during the day, and the one entity where you'd have thought they would be off limits is no longer. The fellow broke into the courts. This is extremely serious," the Chamber president added, pointing out that the implications went beyond just the immediate negative impact on business and the Bahamian economy.

Warning that it would "not be long" before travel advisories and media reports declared the Bahamas an unsafe destination, Mr Rolle added: "Everyone seemingly has a gun. Guns seem to be as ubiquitous as vehicles. Guns are everywhere; cars are everywhere. Gun crime is far more pervasive than it has ever been in my life.

"The mindset has degenerated to the point where people do not believe there is a penalty attached to their actions, and if there is some penalty attached, people don't care."

Acknowledging that it was

"easy to point the finger" of blame at the Government or Royal Bahamas Police Force for this nation's crime problems, Mr Rolle told Tribune Business: "There's a huge implication for society as a whole.

"I believe this problem goes far deeper, and if we do not resolve it now, or at least start taking preparatory steps to, we're going to be in significant trouble in five years. In five years' time, the Bahamas will not be the same Bahamas we see now.

"We've got some issues that are going to impact this country, and even though I speak on behalf of the business community, the implications far beyond. It goes back to deficiencies in the education system, deficiencies in the social system, and we have to address these deficiencies and do it proactively."



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The Public is hereby advised that I, **KENSON FERGUSTE** of Freeport, Grand Bahama, Bahamas intend to change my name to **KENSON FERJUSTE**. If there are any objections to this change of name by Deed Poll, you may write such objections to the Chief Passport Officer, P.O.Box N-742, Nassau, Bahamas no later than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice.

## PUBLIC NOTICE GAMING BOARD FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 36(3) of the Lotteries and Gaming Act Chapter 387, notice is hereby given that Treasure Bay, G.B.I. Ltd. a company incorporated under the laws of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas, has in accordance with the provisions of Section 34(2) of the said Act, made application to the Secretary of The Gaming Board for The Bahamas for a licence to manage a casino on the premises situated at Our Lucaya Hotel in Freeport, on the Island of Grand Bahama, one of the Islands in The Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

And notice is also given that on Friday, August 20th, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. at the Magistrate Court, Garnet Levarity Justice Centre, Freeport, Grand Bahama, one of the Islands of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas the application of Treasure Bay, G.B.I. Limited will be considered by the Gaming Board.

Notice is also given that any person who desires to object to the grant of the licence shall send to the Secretary of The Gaming Board for The Commonwealth of The Bahamas, P.O. Box N-4565, Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas or deliver to the offices situated in the Renaissance Building, West Bay Street on or before noon on Thursday, August 12th, 2010, two (2) copies of a brief statement in writing of the grounds of objections.

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The Public Hospitals Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Tender(s).

BUSINESS

# Economic reports give stocks big start for August

NEW YORK

THE stock market began August with a huge rally after reports from around the world revived investors' faith in the global recovery, according to Associated Press.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 208 points Monday. All the major stock indexes rose about 2 percent.

The first day of the month brought a stream of news that reassured investors who have worried about a slowing of economic growth in the U.S., China and Europe. Manufacturing was a common thread:

- The Institute for Supply Management's index of U.S. manufacturing activity during July was better than the market expected. Traders were pleased because the report still



showed that manufacturing is growing.

- A manufacturing report for the 16 countries that use the euro was revised higher for July and showed that the European economy is recovering faster than expected. Strong earnings reports from European banks also pleased the market, especially after the continent's rising debt problems helped trigger

a spring plunge in stocks.

- From China came news that industrial growth was moderate enough that Beijing isn't likely to take steps to slow that country's economy. Investors have periodically sold stocks on concerns that China's economy would slow and pull others down with it.

Monday's news was encouraging after months of reports that showed the recovery was weakening. Those reports pulled the major stock indexes off their 2010 highs in late April and contributed to sharp swings in stock prices since then. The ISM report is significant because it is the first major reading of the economy from July, and investors are trying to determine just how strong the recovery will be in the second half of the year.

The big advance was a bit of a surprise for traders who are used to more subdued trading as August arrives. Over the past 12 years, the Dow has fallen nine times on the first trading day in August, although it has risen the past three years. August in general is seen as a volatile month for stocks, largely because many traders are away on vacation. That makes for low trading volumes and exaggerated price moves.

Some analysts were cautious even as stock prices jumped.

Alan Gayle, senior investment strategist for Ridge-Worth Investments in Richmond, Virginia, said Monday's news, while good, showed only small changes in the economy. "Fundamentally, I do believe the pace of the (economic) expansion is slowing and I think that's going to weigh on the markets as we go through the second half of the year," he said.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 208.44, or 2 percent, to 10,674.38. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 24.26, or 2.2 percent, to 1,125.86, while the Nasdaq composite index rose 40.66, or 1.8 percent, to 2,295.36.

Six stocks rose for every one that fell on the New York Stock Exchange where volume came to a light 1 billion shares.

With stocks looking more appealing, bond prices fell because investors felt less need to seek the safety of government securities. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note, which moves opposite its price, rose to 2.97 percent from 2.91 percent late Friday. Its yield is often used as a benchmark to set interest rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

Stocks were up across the market. Industrial and materials stocks, including 3M Co. and General Electric Co., rose after the ISM report. Investors were encouraged in particular by several key components of the index. Production and new orders both improved, as did companies' willingness to hire new employees.

3M rose \$1.8799, or 2.2 percent, to \$87.41, while GE rose 29 cents to \$16.41.

Energy companies rose as the price of oil gained on expectations that a healthier economy will lift demand. Exxon Mobil Corp. rose \$2.26, or 3.8 percent, to \$61.94, while

Chevron Corp. jumped \$1.59, or 2.1 percent, to \$77.80.

Benchmark crude rose \$2.53 to \$81.48 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Financial stocks rose on the strong earnings reports from European-based banking giants HSBC and BNP Paribas, which convinced investors that the continent's financial sector is not being hurt by the debt problems.

HSBC shares trading in the U.S. rose \$2.66, or 5.2 percent, to \$53.74. Bank of America Corp. rose 40 cents, or 2.9 percent, to \$14.44. JPMorgan Chase & Co. rose \$1.36, or 3.1 percent, to \$41.64.

**COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS 2009**

**IN THE SUPREME COURT**

**COMMON LAW AND EQUITY DIVISION CLE/GEN/00509**

**BETWEEN**

**BANK OF THE BAHAMAS LIMITED**

**Plaintiff**

**AND**

**JAMAAL R. HORTON**

**Defendant**

**SUMMONS**

LET ALL PARTIES concerned attend before Deputy Registrar, **Tabitha Cumberbatch** of the Supreme Court, Supreme Court Building, Bank Lane, Nassau, The Bahamas on **Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D., 2010 at 11:00 o'clock** in the fore noon for the hearing of an application on the part of the Plaintiff for an Order for leave to enter Judgment in Default of Appearance pursuant to Order 73 of the Rules of the Supreme Court for the amount claimed in the Statement of Claim with interest, as therein claimed and costs.

TAKE NOTICE that a party intending to oppose this application or to apply for a stay of execution should send to the opposition party or its Attorneys to reach them not less than three (3) days before the date above mentioned a copy of any Affidavit intended to be used.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D., 2010

**REGISTRAR**

*This Summons was taken out by Messers. Gibson, Rigby & Co., Ki-Malex House, Dowdeswell Street, Nassau, The Bahamas, Attorneys for the Plaintiff.*

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION**

of

**BKNV LIMITED**

Notice is hereby given that liquidation of above company commenced on the 29 day of July, 2010. **Credit Suisse Trust Limited** of Bahamas Financial Centre, Shirley & Charlotte Streets, Nassau, The Bahamas has been appointed Liquidator of the Company.

**Credit Suisse Trust Limited**  
Liquidator

Legal Notice

**NOTICE**

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (No.45 of 2000)

**LISCARD MANAGEMENT LTD.**

In Voluntary liquidation

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Section 137(4) of the International Business Companies Act No. (45 of 2000) **LISCARD MANAGEMENT LTD.** has been Dissolved and struck off the Register according to the Certificate of Dissolution issued by the Register General on the 21st day of June, 2010.

**John Fleetwood**  
PO Box 521,  
9 Burrard Street, St. Helier  
Jersey, JE4 5UE  
Liquidator

**COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS 2010**

**IN THE SUPREME COURT CLE/qui/529**

Common Law and Equity Division

**IN THE MATTER** of The Quieting Titles Act, 1959

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of all that piece or parcel of land comprising One and Twenty-four Thousandths (1.024) acres situate approximately 300 Feet East of Wally's Restaurant on the East Side of the Township of Marsh Harbour on the Island of Great Abaco one of the Islands of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of the Petition of **SADIE'S PLACE LTD.**

**NOTICE**

**THE PETITION OF SADIE'S PLACE** in respect of:-

In respect of all that piece or parcel of land comprising One and Twenty-four Thousandths (1.024) acres situate approximately 300 Feet East of Wally's Restaurant on the East Side of the Township of Marsh Harbour on the Island of Great Abaco one of the Islands of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas and bounded NORTHWARDLY by vacant land and running thereon for a distance of 255.45 feet and EASTWARDLY by a 10 feet wide road reservation and running thereon 138.47 feet to a point thence SOUTHWARDLY 20.89 feet to a point thence EASTWARDLY to a point and running thereon 14.33 feet thence SOUTHWARDLY by land now or formerly the property or estate of Ednar Gottlieb and running thereon 227.51 to a point thence WESTWARDLY and by land 5.04 feet to a point thence SOUTHWARDLY to a point and running thereon 12.18 feet thence WESTWARDLY by land now or formerly the property of Ruthie Nedabylek and running thereon 169.73 feet to a point and continuing by land now or formerly the property of Viola Gordon and running thereon 37.78 feet to the beginning.

Sadie's Place claims to be the owner of the unincumbered fee simple estate in possession of the said land and has made application to the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas under Section Three (3) of the Quieting Titles Act, 1959 to have it's title to the said land investigated and the nature and extent thereof determined and declared in a Certificate of Title to be granted by the Court in accordance with the provisions of the said Act.

Copies of the Petition and Plan of the said land may be inspected during normal office hours in the following places:

1. The Registry of the Supreme Court, 2nd Floor Ansbacher Building, East Street North, in the City of Nassau, Bahamas; and
2. The Chambers of Lockhart & Co., #35 Buen Retiro Road, off Shirley Street, Nassau, Bahamas.

NOTICE is hereby given that any person having dower or right to dower or an Adverse Claim or a claim not recognized in the Petition shall on or before the expiration of Thirty (30) days after the final publication of these presents, file in the Supreme Court and serve on the Petitioner or the undersigned a Statement of his claim in the prescribed form verified by an affidavit to be filed therewith.

Failure of any such person to file and serve a Statement of his Claim on or before the expiration of Thirty (30) days after the final publication of these presents shall operate as bar to such claims.

**LOCKHART & Co.**  
**Chambers**  
**#35 Buen Retiro Road**  
**Off Shirley Street**  
**Nassau, Bahamas**

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52wk-Hi	52wk-Low	Security	Previous Close	Today's Close	Change	Daily Vol.	EPS \$	Div \$	P/E	Yield
1.34	1.00	AML Foods Limited	1.04	1.04	0.00	0.250	0.040	4.2	3.85%	
10.75	9.67	Bahamas Property Fund	10.63	10.63	0.00	0.050	0.200	212.6	1.88%	
6.25	5.00	Bank of Bahamas	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.598	0.260	8.4	5.20%	
0.58	0.30	Benchmark	0.30	0.30	0.00	0.877	0.000	N/M	0.00%	
3.49	3.15	Bahamas Waste	3.15	3.15	0.00	0.168	0.090	18.8	2.86%	
2.15	2.14	Fidelity Bank	2.17	2.17	0.00	0.055	0.040	39.5	1.84%	
12.50	9.62	Cable Bahamas	11.11	11.11	0.00	1.408	0.300	7.9	2.70%	
2.84	2.50	Colina Holdings	2.55	2.55	0.00	0.511	0.040	5.0	1.57%	
7.00	5.00	Commonwealth Bank (S1)	6.04	6.04	0.00	0.460	0.230	13.1	3.81%	
3.65	2.23	Consolidated Water BDRs	2.41	2.40	-0.01	0.111	0.052	21.6	2.17%	
2.55	1.60	Doctor's Hospital	2.31	2.31	0.00	0.627	0.110	3.7	4.76%	
6.99	5.94	Famguard	6.07	6.07	0.00	-0.003	0.240	N/M	3.95%	
10.90	8.75	Finco	8.90	8.90	0.00	0.168	0.520	53.0	5.84%	
11.40	2.52	FirstCaribbean Bank	2.74	2.74	0.00	0.729	0.350	13.5	3.59%	
5.53	3.75	Foccol (S)	4.65	4.65	0.00	0.366	0.170	12.7	3.86%	
1.00	1.00	Foccol Class B Preference	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.000	0.000	N/M	0.00%	
5.59	5.00	IGD Utilities	5.59	5.59	0.00	0.407	0.240	13.7	4.29%	
10.50	9.95	J. S. Johnson	9.95	9.95	0.00	0.952	0.640	10.5	6.43%	
10.00	10.00	Premier Real Estate	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.156	0.800	64.1	8.00%	
BISX LISTED DEBT SECURITIES - (Bonds trade on a Percentage Pricing basis)										
52wk-Hi	52wk-Low	Security	Symbol	Last Sale	Change	Daily Vol.	Interest	Maturity		
99.46	99.46	Bahamas Note 6.95 (2029)	BAH29	99.46	0.00	6.95%		20 November 2029		
100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 17 (Series A) +	FBB17	100.00	0.00	7%		19 October 2017		
100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 22 (Series B) +	FBB22	100.00	0.00	Prime + 1.75%		19 October 2022		
100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 13 (Series C) +	FBB13	100.00	0.00	7%		30 May 2013		
100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 15 (Series D) +	FBB15	100.00	0.00	Prime + 1.75%		29 May 2015		
RoyalFidelity Merchant Bank & Trust Ltd. (Over-The-Counter Securities)										
52wk-Hi	52wk-Low	Symbol	Bid \$	Ask \$	Last Price	Daily Vol.	EPS \$	Div \$	P/E	Yield
10.06	7.52	Bahamas Supermarkets	9.42	10.42	14.00		-2.945	0.000	N/M	0.00%
8.00	6.00	Caribbean Crossings (Pref)	2.00	6.25	4.00		0.000	0.480	N/M	7.80%
0.55	0.40	RND Holdings	0.35	0.40	0.55		0.001	0.000	256.6	0.00%
CFAL Securities Ltd. (Over-The-Counter Securities)										
41.00	29.00	ABDAB	30.13	31.59	29.00		4.540	0.000	9.03	0.00%
0.55	0.40	RND Holdings	0.45	0.55	0.55		0.002	0.000	261.90	0.00%
BISX Listed Mutual Funds										
52wk-Hi	52wk-Low	Fund Name	NAV	YTD%	Last 12 Months %	NAV 3MTH	NAV 6MTH	NAV Date		
1.4825	1.4387	CFAL Bond Fund	1.4825	3.04	6.98	1.460225	1.438700	30-Jun-10		
2.9265	2.8266	CFAL MSI Preferred Fund	2.9199	1.14	0.85	2.911577	2.886947	30-Jun-10		
1.5438	1.4804	CFAL Money Market Fund	1.5438	2.43	4.28	1.527368	1.511377	23-Jul-10		
3.2025	2.8522	Royal Fidelity Bahamas G & I Fund	2.8522	-8.49	-8.08			30-Jun-10		
13.6388	13.0484	Royal Fidelity Prime Income Fund	13.4110	0.33	3.32			30-Jun-10		
109.3929	101.6693	CFAL Global Bond Fund	109.3929	5.20	7.60	107.570620	103.987340	30-Jun-10		
105.7795	93.1998	CFAL Global Equity Fund	100.1833	-1.52	3.56	105.779543	101.725415	30-Jun-10		
1.1177	1.0000	FG Financial Preferred Income Fund	1.1177	2.52	5.19			30-Jun-10		
1.0917	1.0000	FG Financial Growth Fund	1.0785	0.98	5.29			30-Jun-10		
1.1162	1.0000	FG Financial Diversified Fund	1.1162	2.34	5.45			30-Jun-10		
9.5795	9.1005	Royal Fidelity Bah Int'l Investment Fund Principal Protected TIGRS, Series 1	9.5439	2.52	6.25			30-Jun-10		
11.2361	10.0000	Royal Fidelity Bah Int'l Investment Fund Principal Protected TIGRS, Series 2	10.0344	-6.84	5.63			30-Jun-10		
10.0000	9.3299	Royal Fidelity Bah Int'l Investment Fund Principal Protected TIGRS, Series 3	9.3299	-6.70	-6.70			30-Jun-10		
7.9664	4.8105	Royal Fidelity Int'l Fund - Equities Sub Fund	7.3073	-5.31	16.22			30-Jun-10		
MARKET TERMS										
YIELD - last 12 month dividends divided by closing price										
Bid \$ - Buying price of Colina and Fidelity										
Ask \$ - Selling price of Colina and Fidelity										
Previous Close - Previous day's weighted price for daily volume										
Today's Close - Current day's weighted price for daily volume										
Change - Change in closing price from day to day										
Daily Vol. - Number of total shares traded today										
DIV \$ - Dividends per share paid in the last 12 months										
P/E - Closing price divided by the last 12 month earnings										
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**HOT WRIST:** Pandora bracelets (above and below) have become one of the hottest, must-have jewellery pieces nowadays.

# Pandora's Charm

By **JEFFARAH GIBSON**  
 Tribune Features Writer

In 1999, the Pandora jewelry manufacturers introduced for the very first time a charm bracelet to rival all charm bracelets. Pandora charm bracelets put a spin on the classical trinkets and captures some of life's most precious memories.

When the Pandora line was first introduced to the Bahamian public seven years ago by Bahama Republic, a local jewelry store located East By Street, it took jewelry lovers a while to catch the Pandora fever.

Now, Pandora has become one of the hottest must-have jewelry items today. Women, teens, and tweens have all indulged in Pandora's "charm".

But what is it that actually puts them on the most wanted list? Is it because they are made with precious metals like gold, oxidised and sterling silver? Is it because they can be customised? Or is it because they are affordable and make great gifts?

Tribune Woman spoke to Natalia, an assistant manager at Bahama Republic who said the answer to that question is all of the above.

"What makes a Pandora bracelet a must have item is they make great gifts. You might have a family member you may want to purchase a gift for, you can purchase her a Pandora bracelet or if she already has one you can purchase a bead as



reminder," she said. The idea of collecting beads to fill the entire patent threaded novelty is what makes it fun. Swapping charms to suit attire and mood is another reason women have fallen head over heels for Pandora.

"The charms can reflect your mood. You can switch them up. For instance if you are feeling happy you can choose a bead that signifies your happiness. If are feeling blue you can select a bead that suits your mood," Natalia explained.

However, one of the main reasons women have fallen weak to Pandora's "charm is because it allows them to tell stories with each

bead. For three women, Pryia Simmons, Cara Bethel, and Alesha Cadet the bracelets don't just make fashion statements. They make statements about their lives and some of the people in it.

Pryia Simmons has a few special beads on her bracelet. They are an angel, a suitcase, a heart stopper, and flowers.

She said: "I got the angel because I am my dad's angel. I got the suitcase because I love to travel. The heart stopper represents my boyfriend because he keeps everything in place in my life and the flower is so that my life could flour-



ish," she told Tribune Woman. After having her first son last October, Cara Bethel is customising a bracelet to record every milestone in his life. She even named the bracelet after him. She calls it 'The Dylan Bracelet.'

"My Pandora is a permanent reminder of the milestones in my baby's life. So far, I have two blue coloured beads, a little boy because he is a boy of course, a baby carriage, a mama monkey holding a baby monkey because his nursery has a monkey theme and a gift box because he is the best present I ever got," Mrs Bethel said.

Alesha Cadet started her

bracelet with a home bead. She said: "Home is where the heart is and that is Eleuthera. I got the number 21 charm when I turned 21. I am going with light colours for my charm bracelet because they match my spirit. I am light hearted and happy," she said.

One of her charm in particular represents a past love. She chose that bead because she said it motivates her to keep moving forward.

"The teddy bear is a reminder of an ex special love. Whenever I want to pick up the phone to give him a call, I look at it and it is a reminder of what to never get myself into," she told Tribune Woman.

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WOMAN

# Romantic Love

By **MAGGIE BAIN**

JUST thinking of a series of articles about love produces a slideshow of picture memories, moving through our mind. Even better, we can control it ourselves; replay, fast forward, rewind and even pause at the highlights.

First loves, summer loves, crazy puppy loves, one-sided loves, and the list goes on. Decades later, we bask in the warm glow of happy flashbacks and amaze ourselves by how we survived the lows.

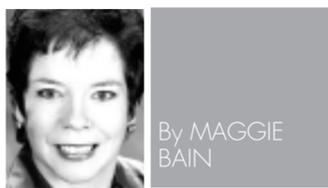
As we journey around the world, we realise that the nature, process, and biology of love are universal; no society is exempt. Outwardly we may look different, speak different languages, have been brought up with different values and beliefs, but when it comes to love, we are the same.

In our early years of innocence, we dreamt of being someone's Cinderella or gallant Prince Charming. We had visions of being swept

away on a wave of eternal love and leaving the ugly world behind. For many, romantic love conjures up images of tenderness, candlelight, pastel colours and a sense of peace and contentment. This is the perfect love we all desire to obtain – at least once in our lives.

Visible for all to see is a new inner glow that speaks of our inner happiness. The mere thought, touch or sight of our love stimulates our brain's dopamine receptors, and we are on a 'high'. Our newfound motivation is accompanied with a steely determination. We find ourselves automatically reshuffling our priorities and full attention directed to that special person. Our newfound energy and focus allows us to believe that anything is possible. It is not unheard of to feel you would go to the ends of the earth, even to sacrifice your life for them.

Intense thoughts of our lover are fueled, day and night, by this newly channeled energy. It motivates us,



By **MAGGIE BAIN**

but at the same time leaves us feeling naked in our vulnerability. It is exhilarating, floating on 'Cloud Nine', but we quickly discover that any small disappointment can send us on a free-fall. The result is a craving for more, and the strong attachment becomes all consuming.

Only when you have experienced this particular euphoria can you truly appreciate the saying, 'Love is a drug'. The dependence and obsessive nature of romantic love could essentially class persons as addicts.

Rejection, unreciprocated love, and break-ups trigger similar with-

drawal symptoms, as in other recognised addictions.

This analogy may seem incongruous to some, but is backed by scientific research. What makes it all the more interesting is that candidates also included those who were experiencing unrequited love, rejection or the end of the relationship. In all cases, the right ventral tegmental area (VTA) and the right caudate nucleus in the brain were stimulated. These are the dopamine rich areas associated with reward, motivation, and also affected by cocaine use.

Romantic love speaks of true motivational drive, and possibly acts as a constant reminder of human reproduction. It is quite different from sexual drive because of its specific ability to conserve energy and focus on one individual. In fact romantic love is possible with out sex, and is often described as emotional or spiritual love.

Knowing this allows us to understand those who mutually decide to

abstain from pre-marital sex. Their constant state of elation allows for a deepening of emotions, and in turn satisfies their deep cravings. We then go on to comprehend those who are able to maintain long distance relationships, communicate only by written word, or who are physically challenged. To close your eyes and dwell in the pure joy that it produces, can be equated to great sex for others.

If you are going through life feeling fulfilled but not being able to relate to this description of romantic love, then perhaps you need to review your relationship or dating life. Remember we only have one life to live and love fully, and no time to waste.

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## Weeks of fashion in India...



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## HEALTH

# Understanding depression in women



By  
SARAH  
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## SWEET NOTHINGS

SUGAR'S seductive power is proven in the fact that the actual American consumes 150 pounds of sugar per year. This all despite warnings from doctors who say it spikes blood sugar levels and leads to the storage of fat!

The American Heart Association (the people responsible for efforts to reduce death associated with cardiovascular disease) is the latest agency to release data on the dangers of sugar.

Where does the sugar come from? Mostly soft drinks and candy, followed by cakes, cookies and pies. But don't give a knowing smile if you turn your back on these kinds of snacks: sugar sneaks into items you'd never believe, including fruit-flavoured yogurt (eight ounces can have six teaspoons of added sugar) and frosted whole grain cereal (3 teaspoons in one cup).

The next professional to warn against sugar intake may be your skin therapist, as new findings show sugar does impact skin.

Collagen, essential to skin strength and elasticity, is a protein. A diet rich in sugar can create excess waste products in the form of glucose. Instead of "burning off," this glucose (sugar) attaches to proteins in our skin. This process is classified as glycation, and leads to the formation of Advanced Glycation End-products (AGEs), which increases inflammation in the body. Inflammation breaks down collagen and leads to the loss of elasticity: in laymen's terms, this means wrinkles, sagging and loss of tone.

To check for added sugar, look at the label for sugar, corn syrup, fructose, dextrose, molasses or evaporated cane juice in the ingredient list. And doctors and dietitians say moderation is one way to keep skin and body healthy, but keeping active is also key.

As part of healthy aging diet, eschew refined sugars for whole grains, fruits and vegetables, and topically treat skin with AGE Smart products that include Glucosamine, Soy, Genestein, Vitamin A, licorice, and the unique Argine/Lysine Polypeptide which binds and traps sugars to help prevent formation of AGEs.

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**SIGNS & SYMPTOMS** of depression in women include lack of energy and fatigue.

Depression is a serious condition that can impact every area of your life. It can affect your social life, your family relationships, your career, and your sense of self-worth and purpose. And for women in particular, depression is common.

If you're feeling sad, guilty, tired, and just generally "down in the dumps," you may be suffering from major depression. But the good news is that depression is treatable, and the more you understand depression's particular implications for and its impact on women, the more equipped you will be to tackle the condition head on.

### Risk Factors for depression in Women

- Family history of mood disorders
- Personal past history of mood disorders in early reproductive years
- Loss of a parent before the age of 10 years
- Childhood history of physical or sexual abuse
- Use of an oral contraceptive, especially one with a high progesterone content
- Use of gonadotropin stimulants as part of infertility treatment
- Persistent psychosocial stressors (e.g., loss of job)
- Loss of social support system or the threat of such a loss

### Signs and symptoms of depression in women

The symptoms of depression in women are the same as those for major depression. Common complaints include:

- Depressed mood
- Loss of interest or pleasure in activities you used to enjoy
- Feelings of guilt, hopelessness and worthlessness
- Suicidal thoughts or recurrent thoughts of death
- Sleep disturbance (sleeping more or sleeping less)
- Appetite and weight changes
- Difficulty concentrating
- Lack of energy and fatigue

### Specifics about depression in women

Seasonal affective disorder-depression in the winter months due to lower levels of sunlight is more common in women

Women are about twice as likely as men to suffer from depression. This two-to-one difference persists across racial, ethnic, and economic divides. In fact, this gender difference in rates of depression is found in most countries around the world.

There are a number of theories which attempt to explain the higher incidence of depression in women. Many factors have been implicated, including biological, psychological, and social factors.

### Biological causes of depression in women

#### Postpartum depression -

Many new mothers experience the "baby blues." This is a normal reaction that tends to subside within a few weeks. However, some women experience severe, lasting depression. This condition is known as postpartum depression. Postpartum depression is believed to be influenced, at least in part, by hormonal fluctuations.

#### Perimenopause & menopause -

Women may be at increased risk for depression during perimenopause, the stage leading to menopause when reproductive hormones rapidly fluctuate. Women with past histories of depression are at an increased risk of depression during menopause as well.

### Social and cultural causes of depression in women

#### Role strain -

Women often suffer from role strain over conflicting and overwhelming responsibilities in their life. The more roles a woman is expected

to play (mother, wife, working woman), the more vulnerable she is to role strain and subsequent stress and depression. Depression is more common in women who receive little help with housework and child care.

Single mothers are particularly at risk. Research indicates that single mothers are three times more likely than married mothers to experience an episode of major depression.

#### Unequal power & status -

Women's relative lack of power and status in our society may lead to feelings of helplessness. This sense of helplessness puts women at greater risk for depression. These feelings may be provoked by discrimination in the workplace leading to underemployment or unemployment. Low socioeconomic status is a risk factor for major depression. Another contributing factor is society's emphasis on youth, beauty, and thinness in women, traits which to a large extent are out of their control.

#### Sexual and physical abuse -

Sexual and physical abuse may play a role in depression in women. Girls are much more likely to be sexually

abused than boys, and researchers have found that sexual abuse in childhood puts one at increased risk for depression in adulthood. Higher rates of depression are also found among victims of rape, a crime almost exclusively committed against women. Other common forms of abuse, including physical abuse and sexual harassment, may also contribute to depression.

#### Relationship dissatisfaction -

While rates of depression are lower for the married than for the single and divorced, the benefits of marriage and its general contribution to well-being are greater for men than for women. Furthermore, the benefits disappear entirely for women whose marital satisfaction is low. Lack of intimacy and marital strife are linked to depression in women.

#### Poverty -

Poverty is more common among women than men. Single mothers have the highest rates of poverty across all demographic groups. Poverty is a severe, chronic stressor than can lead to depression.

### Psychological causes of depression in women

#### Coping mechanisms -

Women are more likely to ruminate when they are depressed. This includes crying to relieve emotional tension, trying to figure out why you're depressed, and talking to your friends about your depression. However, rumination has been found to maintain depression and even make it worse. Men, on the other hand, tend to distract themselves when they are depressed. Unlike rumination, distraction can reduce depression.

#### Stress response -

According to Psychology Today, women are more likely than men to develop depression under lower levels of stress. Furthermore, the female physiological response to stress is different. Women produce more stress hormones than men do, and the female sex hormone progesterone prevents the stress hormone system from turning itself off as it does in men.

#### Puberty and body image -

The gender difference in depression begins in adolescence. The emergence of sex differences during puberty likely plays a role.

Some researchers point to body dissatisfaction, which increases in girls during the sexual development of puberty. Body image is closely linked to self-esteem in women, and low self-esteem is a risk factor for depression.

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# Low-carb diet trumps low-fat on 'good' cholesterol

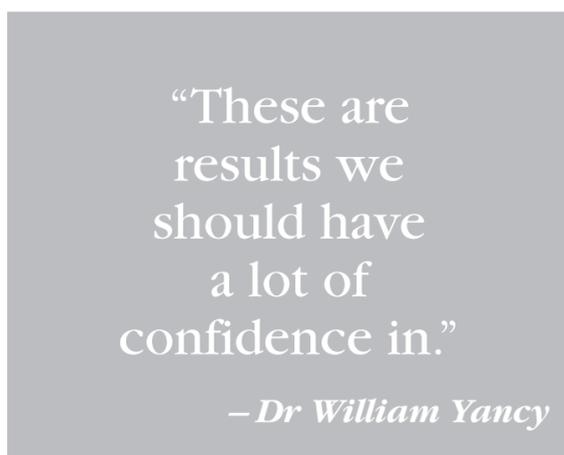
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NEW YORK (AP) — Over the long term, a low-carb diet works just as well as a low-fat diet at taking off the pounds — and it might be better for your heart, new research suggests.

Both diets improved cholesterol in a two-year study that included intensive group counselling. But those on the low-carbohydrate diet got a bigger boost in their so-called good cholesterol, nearly twice as much as those on low-fat.

In previous studies, low-carb diets have done better at weight loss at six months, but longer-term results have been mixed. And there's been a suggestion of better cholesterol from low-carb eating.

The latest test is one of the longest to compare the approaches. At the end of two years, average weight loss was the same for both — about 15 pounds (6.8



— Dr William Yancy

kilograms) or seven per cent.

The key difference was in HDL, or good cholesterol: a 23 per cent increase from low-carb dieting compared to a 12 per cent improvement from low-fat, said Gary Foster, director of Temple University's Center for Obesity Research and Education, who led the federally funded study.

He said the low-carb boost is the kind one might get from medicines that improve HDL.

"For a diet, that's pretty impressive," Foster said.

The findings, published in Tuesday's *Annals of Internal Medicine*, are based on a study of 307 adults, two-thirds of them women. Participants were obese but didn't have cholesterol

problems or diabetes.

Half followed a low-carb diet modelled after the Atkins' plan and half went on a low-calorie, low-fat diet. All attended group sessions to help them change bad eating habits, get more active and stick to their diets.

The volunteers had periodic checks of their weight, blood, bone density and body composition. After two years, there was no major differences between diet groups, except in good cholesterol. Why the low-carb diet had a bigger effect on good cholesterol isn't known, the researchers said.

As low-carb plans became popular, experts feared the diet would drive up the risk of heart disease because it allows more fat. The latest results suggest those concerns are unfounded, Foster said. In the low-carb group, there was an early rise in "bad" cholesterol, the kind that builds up in arteries. But after two years, both groups

ended up with similar improvements to bad cholesterol.

The study's strengths include its size, length and its multiple locations — Denver, Philadelphia and St Louis, said Dr William Yancy, of the Durham VA Medical Center in North Carolina.

"These are results we should have a lot of confidence in," said Yancy, who has done similar diet research but was not involved in the study.

Foster, the study leader, said dieters should be less concerned about which diet to use, and focus on finding the support or technique — like writing down what they eat — that keeps them on track.

"It doesn't make a difference for weight loss how you get there," he said.

With the current obesity epidemic, more than one way is needed to attack the problem, Yancy said. "Both of these are options. These diets work," he said.

GARDENING

# August - The end or a new beginning?

WHEN I put my book *A Year With Gardener Jack* together I started with September and ended with August, a month that in many ways is the low point of the growing year but in many other ways is remarkably fecund.

All the vegetables we grow during the cooler months are absent from the veggie plots. We may have a few cherry tomatoes and peppers to boast about but beyond that we only have very hardy producers like okra, Malabar spinach and snake beans to comfort us.

In the absence of prime vegetables it might be wise to cover your veggie plots with clear plastic, a process called solarisation. The plastic will stop weeds growing and will also sterilise the soil. August gives the last opportunity to solarise before the new vegetable growing season gets under way. Make sure your soil is wet to a depth of 5-6 inches before covering it.

August is a wonderful time for tropical fruits. The last of the Barbados cherries may still be around while the first carambolas ripen. In the garden and along the shore, sea-grapes can be found in several stages of development and ripeness. August is also the beginning of the guava duff season with guava trees hanging with fruit.

Many flowering shrubs are at their best during August. Hibiscus, oleander, crepe myrtle, bougainvillea and bridal bouquet give abundant colour while yellow poinciana (*Peltophorum pterocarpum*) takes over from royal poinciana as the main flowering



EARLY TOMATOES have to be sown early. Jack will be trying Solar Fire this year to get really early tomatoes.

tree. Back to vegetables. Many gardeners look upon early tomatoes as a priority. Normal tomatoes set fruit at 68

degrees or lower and we ordinarily experience suitable nighttime temperatures in late October. There are some hybrid tomatoes developed

during the past decade that were developed for Florida - Solar Fire is an example - and set fruit at a higher temperature and therefore are candi-

dates to give the earliest crops. Even regular tomatoes can set fruit early if exceptional conditions happen along. Tomatoes at the flow-

ering stage may be triggered into fruit production by a cool tropical storm during September.

Bahamian gardeners are divided over whether to sow tomatoes in August in the hope that the right conditions come along (including the absence of hurricanes) or leave the task until September. If you plan to aim for early, sow your tomatoes in pots that can be easily moved and allow the seedlings to develop in semi shade. Harden them off by increasing the amount of direct sunlight every day over a week or two until the plants can take full sun, then transplant them into their prepared growing area.

Peppers are natural warm weather vegetables and are best started early. Cabbages and cucumbers are also candidates for an early start.

Any early vegetables will be at the mercy of hurricane activity, which is more likely in September than any other time. That said, if a hurricane strikes one of the last things we will be worrying about is tomatoes. Plants in their pots can be brought inside for a day or two without doing them any harm.

If your lawn is not looking good right now, it never will. Fertilize with a high nitrogen mix at least every month during the rainy season and you will maintain a good colour well into the dry season. If you have St. Augustine grass it will grow profusely whether you fertilize it or not. Add fertilizer and it will grow but be much more verdant.

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## THE WEATHER REPORT



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### 5-DAY FORECAST

Location	Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ORLANDO	Partly sunny with a shower or two High: 92° Low: 78°	A shower early; partly cloudy High: 91° Low: 79°	Clouds and sun with a thunderstorm High: 91° Low: 79°	Partly sunny; a shower; breezy High: 91° Low: 78°	Sunny to partly cloudy High: 92° Low: 78°	Sunny High: 91° Low: 78°
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FT. LAUDERDALE	High: 90° Low: 78°	High: 91° Low: 79°	High: 91° Low: 79°	High: 91° Low: 78°	High: 92° Low: 78°	High: 91° Low: 78°
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### TIDES FOR NASSAU

Time	High	Low
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Wednesday	2:22 p.m. 2.8	8:51 p.m. 1.2
Thursday	2:32 a.m. 2.4	8:45 a.m. 0.6
Friday	3:22 p.m. 3.0	9:54 p.m. 1.0
Saturday	4:37 a.m. 2.5	10:47 a.m. 0.1
Sunday	5:55 a.m. 2.8	11:45 a.m. 0.0
Monday	6:50 a.m. 3.0	12:37 a.m. 0.1

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Statistics are for Nassau through 2 p.m. yesterday

Temperature	Value
High	90° F/34° C
Low	82° F/28° C
Normal high	89° F/31° C
Normal low	79° F/24° C
Last year's high	90° F/33° C
Last year's low	81° F/27° C

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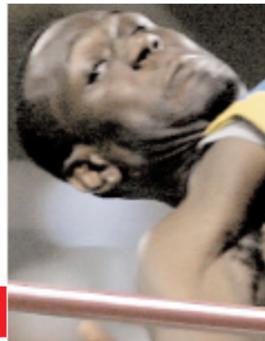
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Charleston	91° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Savannah	94° F/34° C	75° F/24° C
Daytona Beach	92° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Freeport	91° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Miami	91° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Nassau	92° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Havana	90° F/32° C	75° F/24° C
Santiago de Cuba	87° F/31° C	75° F/24° C
Cozumel	90° F/32° C	75° F/24° C
Port-au-Prince	97° F/36° C	75° F/24° C
San Juan	89° F/32° C	75° F/24° C
Santa Domingo	87° F/31° C	75° F/24° C
Antigua	90° F/32° C	75° F/24° C
Barbados	86° F/30° C	75° F/24° C
Aruba/Curaçao	90° F/32° C	75° F/24° C
Trinidad	91° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Tobago	91° F/33° C	75° F/24° C
Caracas	92° F/33° C	75° F/24° C

### MARINE FORECAST

Location	WINDS	WAVES	VISIBILITY	WATER TEMPS.
ABACO	Today: SE at 4-6 Knots	2-4 Feet	6 Miles	85° F
ANDROS	Today: ESE at 7-10 Knots	2-4 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
CAT ISLAND	Today: ESE at 8-16 Knots	2-4 Feet	10 Miles	87° F
CROOKED ISLAND	Today: ESE at 7-14 Knots	2-4 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
ELEUTHERA	Today: ESE at 7-14 Knots	2-4 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
FREEPORT	Today: ESE at 4-8 Knots	1-3 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
GREAT EXUMA	Today: SE at 7-14 Knots	1-2 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
GREAT INAGUA	Today: E at 10-20 Knots	3-5 Feet	10 Miles	84° F
LONG ISLAND	Today: E at 8-16 Knots	2-4 Feet	10 Miles	84° F
MAYAGUANA	Today: E at 10-20 Knots	3-6 Feet	10 Miles	84° F
NASSAU	Today: E at 8-12 Knots	1-2 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
SAN SALVADOR	Today: ESE at 8-16 Knots	1-3 Feet	10 Miles	85° F
RAGGED ISLAND	Today: SE at 8-16 Knots	1-3 Feet	10 Miles	85° F

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Thomas, Barry jump high for gold and silver...

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**NUMBER ONE:** Valentino Knowles captured a gold medal in the men's light welterweight division at the CAC Games in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, on Saturday.

# Valentino wins gold

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Becomes third Bahamian to win boxing medal at the CAC Games

In the twilight of the XXI Central American and Caribbean (CAC) Games, the country's most decorated amateur boxer added to his legacy and won the Bahamas' final medal.

Valentino Knowles captured a gold medal in the men's light welterweight division on Saturday in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

Knowles put some of his best boxing skills on display at perhaps the timeliest point in the tournament, with a dominating round three to defeat Luis Romero of Venezuela, 6:2 on points.

Both fighters failed to score a single point over the course of the first two opening rounds and headed into the decisive third round 0:0.

The 21-year-old Knowles outboxed Romero 6:2 in the third round to secure the gold.

He became the third Bahamian to win a boxing medal at the games following Nathaniel Knowles who won the silver medal in 1973 and Marvin Smith who won silver in 1986.

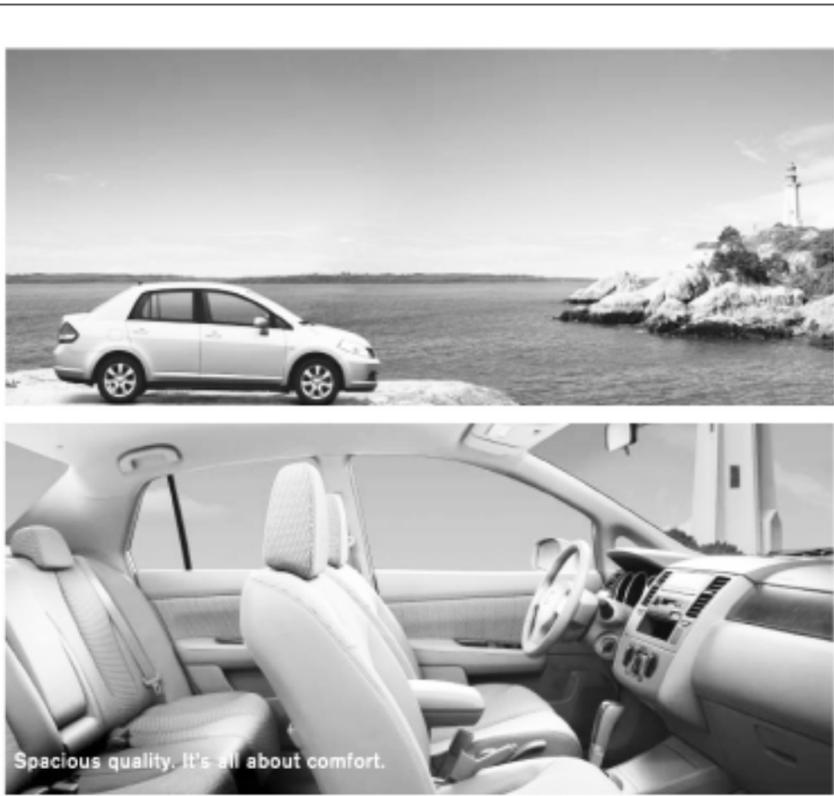
Earlier this year, Knowles moved up from the 60 to the 64 kilo weight class after he won the Bahamas' first medal at the AIBA World Championships in 2009. He followed with the highest honour of any Bahamian fighter ever at the Commonwealth Boxing Championships when he won a silver medal.

Along with Carl Hield, he also competed in the Continental Elite Championships in Ecuador in June.

In the CAC semifinals, Knowles defeated Juan Pablo Romero of Mexico 7:5 on points to earn a berth in the gold-medal match.

A dominant first round ultimately paved the way for the win as Knowles came out with an aggressive first round to outscore Romero, 4:1. He continued to hold a decisive advantage following the second round as both fighters managed to score a single point.

Romero won his first round of the match in the third, but the 3:2 was far from enough to close the three-point deficit. He defeated Ricardo Garcia Tejada 6:5 in the other semifinal to advance.



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# Team Bahamas hauls in record 18-medal total



**PUSHING HARD:** Jamaica's Allodin Fothergill (left) leads the sprint to the finish line followed by Bahamas' Demetrius Pinder in the men's 4x400 meter relay at the Central American and Caribbean Games in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, on July 30, 2010.

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THE largest team ever assembled under the current Bahamas Olympic Committee administration, with more than 100 athletes participating, delivered a series of noteworthy performances and brought in the largest medal total ever for the Bahamas at the Central American and Caribbean (CAC) Games.

Team Bahamas won a record-setting total of 18 medals which included seven gold, five silver and six bronze at the 21st edition of the games which concluded yesterday in Mayaguez Puerto Rico.

The team medalled in four disciplines, beginning with swimming that won eight medals, track and field finished with six, the tennis team won three medals and boxing finished with one.

The Bahamas finished 10th overall in the final medal standings.

Mexico topped the overall medal count with 384 medals which included 133 gold, 129 silver and 122 bronze.

Venezuela finished second with 322 medals (114g, 104s,

104b), Colombia was third with 260 (100g, 84s, 76b), Puerto Rico fourth with 167 medals (48g, 44s, 75b), while the Dominican Republic rounded out the top five with 133 medals (31g, 37s, 65b).

Jamaica was the leading medal winner of all English-Speaking Caribbean countries with 42 total medals (15g, 10s, 17b).

The represented disciplines included athletics, bowling, judo, rugby, sailing, swimming and tennis.

Arianna Vanderpool-Wallace became the story of the games early on for Team Bahamas as she hauled in a total of six medals and set a pair of new meet records.

The 20-year-old Olympian won four individual medals, including gold in 50m and 100m butterfly and a pair of bronze medals as a member of relay teams.

On the tennis court, Larika Russell won a bronze in the women's singles and teamed with Nikkita Fountain to win gold in doubles play.

In track and field, a trio of Olympians returned to top form when Leevan Sands, Donald Thomas and Christine Amertil took gold in their respective signature events.

Valentino Knowles won the final medal of the games for the Bahamas in the boxing ring when he took gold in the welterweight division.

The Bahamas surpassed its medal total of 10 from the 2006 CAC Games in Cartagena, Colombia, when they totalled 10 medals, six silver and four bronze.

In 2002 in El Salvador, the team won just two silver medals.

In 1998 in Maracaibo, Venezuela, the Bahamas won eight medals, two gold, two silver and four bronze and in 1993 in Ponce, Puerto Rico they totalled four medals, one gold and three bronze.

It was the third time Puerto Rico hosted the CAC Games, they also hosted in San Juan in 1966 and Ponce in 1993.

Approximately 5,000 athletes participated in 39 sports held across Puerto Rico, from July 17 to August 1.

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**SKY HIGH:** Bahamas' Bianca Stuart competes in the women's long jump at the Central American and Caribbean Games in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico July 30, 2010.

(AP Photo)

## Bahamas loses opening match but rebounds to take game 2

EARLY into their historic bid against the world's best in youth baseball, the Bahamas has been on both sides of the win-loss column after two games.

At the Pony-13 World Series in Fullerton, California, the Bahamas lost in its opening match but rebounded to take game two over the weekend. The team got off to a slow start against Chula Vista, California, when they were shutout 10-0.

In game two, the Bahamas rebounded to take a game two win over the hosts Fullerton, California, in a hard fought one run win, 14-13.

The Bahamas advanced for the first time in the country's nine year Caribbean Zone participation.

After hosting the Caribbean Zone Tournament, which also included an area host team from the Grand Bahamas and the Panama Champions, the winner of the pool advanced directly to the Championship with the top seed.

The team from Nassau got off to a rough start in their first two games to the Bahamas area team from Grand Bahama 18-8 and 9-6. They rebounded and took a 4-3 win over Panama but lost 9-3 in its second contest.

Nassau made history in the Championship, when they beat Panama 10-2 to become the country's first Zone Championship and securing a spot in the PONY-13 World Series for the first time.



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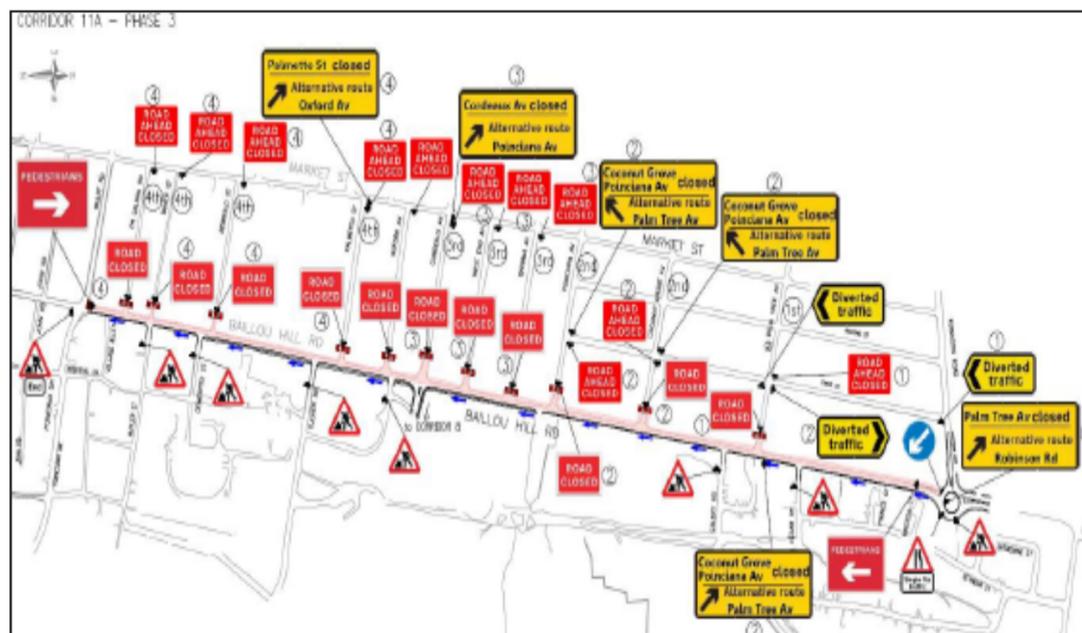
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SPORTS



**UP AND OVER:** Bahamas' Donald Thomas clears the bar during the high jump at the Central American and Caribbean Games in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, July 30, 2010.

**GETTIN' UP:** Bahamas' Trevor Barry clears the bar during the high jump at the CAC Games July 30, 2010.

(AP Photos)

# Thomas, Barry get gold and silver in high jump

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- Bianca Stuart jumps long for bronze
- Men's 1,600 relay team win silver

AFTER several days marred with disqualifications, injuries and disappointments, the Bahamas ended the athletics competition at the XXI Central American and Caribbean Games with four medals won on the final day. Three medals won in the

field, and another added in the finale on the track brought the total medal count in the athletics discipline to six.

Donald Thomas and Trevor Barry highlighted the final session for the Bahamas with a gold and silver finish in the men's high jump.

Both recorded the winning jump of 2.28m, however, Thomas cleared the mark on his first attempt for the gold, while Barry was unsuccessful on his first attempt and cleared in round two.

Wagner Miller of Colombia finished third with a leap of 2.19m.

Thomas entered the competition at 2.16m, cleared on his first attempt, and followed to do the same at 2:19.

The former IAAF World Champion and Pan Am Games silver medalist fouled both first attempts at 2.22m and 2.25m but cleared on the second.

Barry entered the contest at 2.10m and cleared on his first attempt. He passed on 2.13m but followed to clear 2.16m and 2.19m on first



**IN FLIGHT:** Bahamas' Bianca Stuart competes in the women's long jump at the CAC Games July 30, 2010.

(AP Photo)



**ALL FOR ONE:** Athletes compete (Team Bahamas far right) in the men's 4x400 meter relay at the CAC Games in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico on July 30, 2010.

attempts. Barry failed two attempts at 2.22m before clearing on his third and also failed on two attempts at 2.25m before advancing.

In the women's long jump, Bianca Stuart needed just a single jump to secure her standing atop the medal podium and claim the bronze medal. Stuart recorded the mark of 6.50m on her first attempt for the third place finish. It was one of only two successful attempts for Stuart over the six rounds of the competition.

Rhonda Watkins of Trinidad and Tobago set a new meet record to win the gold medal with a leap of 6.67m to surpass the old mark of 6.61m. Jovane Jarrett of Jamaica finished with a silver medal

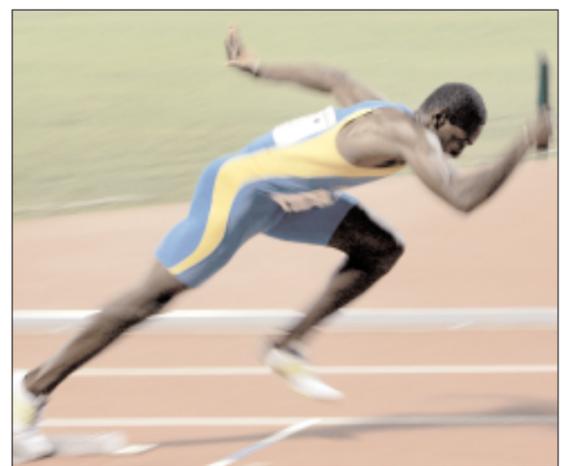
with her mark of 6.52m. Watkins started the competition with a list of 6.55m and held the top position for the duration of the contest.

Stuart took hold of second place with her jump, but was surpassed by Jarrett in round two. Her only other recorded mark of the competition was a leap of 6.21m in the fourth round.

The men's 1600m relay team finished with a silver medal just behind Jamaica who set a new games record in 3:01.68s.

The team of Andretti Bain, Michael Mathieu, Le'Sean Pickstock and Demetrius Pinder finished in a new season's best time of 3:01.82s.

Trinidad and Tobago finished third, also in a season's best time of 3:04.07s.



**HE'S OFF:** Bahamas' Andretti Bain starts the men's 4x400 meter relay at the CAC Games on July 30, 2010.

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