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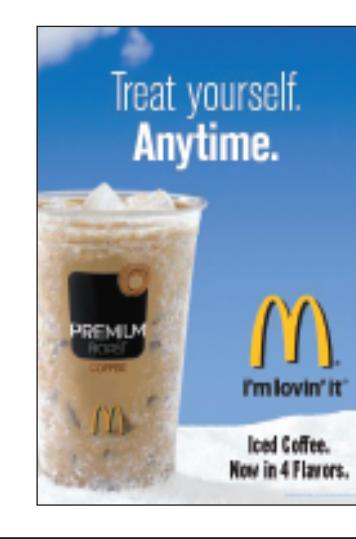
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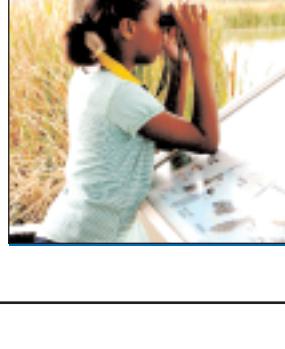


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# Tell all, MP told in website 'hack' row

Radio talk show caller quizzed about 'hacking'

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**COME CLEAN CALL:**  
Brent Symonette

AFTER a frequent radio talkshow caller was arrested for reportedly "hacking" the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' website, Deputy Prime Minister Brent Symonette called on PLP MP Fred Mitchell to come clean with all he knows on how the site was originally created.

C Allen Johnson, more commonly known by his radio persona, 'Critical Thinker', was arrested and questioned by investigators from the Fraud Squad in Nassau on Thursday.

After being grilled for a few hours, he was released and informed he would be called in for questioning again sometime early next week.

A few weeks ago, Mr Johnson appeared on the talkshow 'The New Nation' with host Lincoln Bain and demonstrated to their listeners that he had purchased the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' internet domain name after the

government reportedly failed to keep up with the payments of the site.

According to Mr Bain, Mr Johnson had purchased the website for a nominal fee of \$2. This practice, Mr Bain said, had been repeated on a number of sites, with Mr Johnson owning the rights to Mr Bain's own ControversyTV.com website and lincolnbain.com as well.

"So it's not a big deal. After the website domain expired, Fred Mitchell kept bringing up the fact that the website was not being updated. I then heard the Minister (Mr Symonette) say that the website was not being updated because they lost the password.

"So I knowing this not to be the truth, we took the road of civil disobedience to show that it was not the truth. At that point we decided to go publicly on the radio station and informed the public that we would be showing that the government didn't lose the password and would show

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Country's first 'six-legged' roundabout set to open

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MOTORISTS will need their wits about them when driving in the area of JFK Drive, Bethel Avenue and Farrington Road in the near future as the country's first "six-legged" roundabout is set to open to the driving public.

While roundabouts are well known in New Providence, a traffic island of this size with six exits/entrances will be a new feature of the Bahamian road system.

The Ministry of Works and Transport issued a press release yesterday advising that the new roundabout will open before the end of the month and is intended to "improve traffic flow conditions at the presently signalised intersections of John F. Kennedy Drive and Bethel Avenue and Farrington Road and Thompson Boulevard and to accommodate the newly constructed link from West Bay Street (corridor five of the New Providence Road Improvement Project)."

Meanwhile, two more "four-legged" roundabouts will soon be brought into full operation.

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**UP IN SMOKE: FIRE-FIGHTERS TACKLE CAR BLAZE**



**HOT WORK:** Rochelle Cartwright lost her 94 Wyndham to fire yesterday at the Butler's Bargain Mart & Home Centre on Baillou Hill Road and Wellington Street. The Fire Department Green Watch responded

Jury returns open verdict in Christoph Cooper death

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IT took a seven-member jury in the Coroner's Court less than an hour yesterday to return with a unanimous "open verdict" into the death of Christoph Cooper who was killed after a high-speed chase with police ended in a car crash.

Cooper suffered fatal injuries from the crash which was initially believed to have caused his death. However,

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CHRISTOPH COOPER

Forecasters keep watchful eye on Tropical Storm Earl

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TROPICAL Storm Earl could influence weekend weather over the Bahamas but forecasters say it is too early to tell if the system's path will bring it close to the islands.

Last night, the centre of the weather system was located near a latitude of 15.7 north, and a longitude

43.6 degrees west, some 1,300 miles just east of the northern Leeward Islands.

The tropical storm was moving slowly towards the west at 17mph in the Atlantic, but it is expected to gain in strength next week.

Wayne Neely at the Meteorological Department said yesterday: "We expect this motion to continue through Sunday, with maxi-

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Law school applicants say they are losing out to foreign students

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FRUSTRATED applicants to the Eugene Dupuch Law School claim they have been denied acceptance in favour of foreign students despite meeting the required entrance exam scores.

However, school officials say those exam takers who were not immediately offered acceptance simply did not

score high enough on the entrance test.

"If they had scored well, they would have improved their chances of being offered a place," said School Principal Tonya Bastian Galanis.

Yesterday, some angry students say school officials have different responses on acceptance requirements and feel they are being marginalised.

"A few of us Bahamian students, we sat the entrance exam in June or July and they told us the passing mark is

200 points – me and a few other persons we scored above that. Now they are telling us that they don't have enough space while they are accepting students from the British Virgin Islands and Antigua," said one of the frustrated students who applied for the school's two-year bar programme.

"They have me on a wait list essen-

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## LOCAL NEWS

# Brent Symonette: Illegal immigrant apprehension exercises set to resume

THE Department of Immigration will resume illegal immigrant apprehension exercises on September 1 after a grace period for voluntary repatriation ends, said Foreign Affairs and Immigration Minister Brent Symonette.

In a statement released recently, the minister aimed to clear up the "confusion" over his ministry's repatriation and apprehension policies while maintaining that he has always been consistent in his remarks on the issue.

"There appears to have been some confusion relative to comments I made in an interview with the media on August 25 as to the time frame for the resumption of apprehension exercises of illegal immigrants from the Republic of Haiti or any other country," said Mr Symonette, who is also the Deputy Prime Minister.

"On August 16, I issued a statement noting: 'Persons who are found to be in the Bahamas illegally will be repatriated forthwith.'

"In the interest of allowing illegal immigrants who wished to leave immediately and voluntarily to do so, the government has allowed for a brief period of voluntary repatriation. That period will end on August 31. Apprehension exercises will resume as of September 1, consistent with my statement of August 16 relative to the resumption of such exercises."

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effect, all illegal immigrants are requested to leave the Bahamas voluntarily.

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"I also wish to recall the humanitarian decision of the Bahamas in suspending for a short period both apprehension and repatriation exercises following the devastating earthquake in Haiti in January of this year," said the August 16 statement.

Since a catastrophic earthquake devastated Haiti's capital city, the Bahamas has resumed repatriation exercises for illegal immigrants from that country.

Over the past six months, 772 Haitian and 183 Jamaican nationals have been repatriated to the Republic of Haiti and Jamaica respectively.

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# FNM: We hope to make library best in region



**KEYED UP:** Ten-year-old Goshawilliams.

THE FNM constituency association for Elizabeth yesterday officially began its new partnership with the Elizabeth Estates Library by pledging to overhaul and update the facility's entire IT infrastructure.

Speaking at a presentation at the library, Dr Duane Sands, who ran for the Elizabeth seat but lost to Ryan Pinder in a bye-election in February, said that FNM's vision is to make the library the best equipped, up-to-date facility in the region.

"When this initiative is completed, the entire library will be outfitted with state-of-the-art hardware including desktops and flat-screen monitors, appropriate software and networking tools, printing capacity and disposables," he said.

Dr Sands said the library is a "quiet yet critical institution which plays such a pivotal role in the strengthening of community and country."

"There is little doubt in my mind that our medium and long-term strategy for addressing the root causes of our various challenges must be based on the empowerment of our people through education and life-long continued learning," he said.



**HANDS-ON APPROACH:** Four-year-old Kyra.

**PHOTOS:** Felipe Major/Tribune staff

## Bahamas joins five Caribbean nations in signing controversial Copenhagen accord

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THE Bahamas joined five other Caribbean nations in endorsing the controversial Copenhagen accord this week.

By signing on to the agreement devised at the 15th United Nations climate change conference held in December last year, the Bahamas will be entitled as a developing country to receive fast-track funding in order to adapt to climate change.

Developed countries would provide \$30 billion for adaptation and mitigation efforts in the developing world between 2010 and 2012 under the agreement.

Beyond that, developed countries committed to jointly mobilising \$100 billion annually by 2020 to address the climate change needs of developing countries.

"This funding will come from a wide variety of sources, public and private, bilateral and multilateral, including alternative sources of finance," the agreement noted.

But the Copenhagen accord is not legally binding and critics say it is woefully inadequate if the planet is to win the battle against climate change.

Panos Caribbean reported:

"Climate change threatens rising sea levels and the loss of coastal livelihoods; increase in

sea levels and the loss of certain marine species; as well as an increase in extreme weather events, such as hurricanes and droughts."

Meanwhile the accord makes allowances for an increase in global temperatures by up to two degrees Celsius.

It was essentially decided by five countries - the United States, China, India, Brazil and South Africa - and Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Guyana and the Bahamas joined 131 countries when endorsing it on Thursday.

### Emissions

Minister for the Environment Earl Deveaux said: "If there was no agreement between the developing economies about carbon emissions, and they didn't change the developed countries' agreed rigid standards for emissions, the world would continue to see climate change, so they couldn't do a deal without everybody's involvement."

However the Caribbean nations did not sign onto the accord without reservations.

Science adviser to the Caribbean Community Climate Change Center Ulric Trotz told Panos Caribbean: "It is not that they (Caribbean countries) agree with the accord, but that there are things in the accord

that the region can take advantage of."

"Our official position really is, accept the accord in the sense that you write to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), but at the same time you should mention reservations."

The Jamaican ministry of foreign affairs noted the accord does not replace or pre-empt negotiations towards a legally binding, ambitious and comprehensive agreement under the UNFCCC and the Bali roadmap.

Jeffrey Spooner, the Latin America and Caribbean representative on the Adaptation Fund Board, and one of Jamaica's climate negotiators, said: "It is a way forward. At least it has identified the importance of climate change and the importance of tackling it now."

"And to be honest, there is nothing to lose in associating ourselves."

He added that the fight to secure a legal binding agreement is "not over".

"There is a lot of work to be done, but at least the accord has kind of set the stage," Mr Spooner said.

"There are some countries who are totally opposed to the accord and as such it is going to be very difficult to negotiate anything to do with the accord."

## LOCAL NEWS

**WHY YOU VEX?**

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CITY Market CEO Derek Winford has assured employees that he is working to retain staff and ensure survival of the business after Fox Hill MP Fred Mitchell expressed serious concerns about the future of the company.

The PLP representative said he visited all eight City Market stores in New Providence and three in Grand Bahama where he found broken equipment, declining inventory and nervous staff concerned about their job security.

He called for the Ministry of Labour to intervene and protect the interests of

700 employees. But Mr Winford said City Market is working to ensure the company survives and jobs are retained.

"We are in business to stay in business," he said.

"The company will continue to strive to improve its cost management, with a particular focus on inventory management."

**Reductions**

Although workforce reductions were necessary in the cost management process, the restructuring will continue to return profits, Mr Winford said.

He asked customers to be patient as stores prepare to roll out promotions

and rewards during the busy holiday season. He said stores were hit with the "perfect storm" of an economic downturn and equipment failure during the traditionally slow business period between July and September.

But the company is working to improve inventory management and has instituted stricter inventory and financial controls to ensure no process remains unchecked and high levels of shrinkage are counteracted, he said.

"Our employees are the key to making improvements in this area," Mr Winford said.

"We are, and will continue to be, in constant communication with our employees and their union to keep them abreast of all matters.

"They are the key to keeping our customers happy and satisfied, which is a critical success factor for our business."

The CEO apologised to customers for failing refrigeration systems which have now been fully repaired at stores in Harbour Bay, Cable Beach, Lyford Cay and South Beach.

Work is now being done to address refrigeration problems in the Oakes Field store, and Mr Winford said extensive repairs and refurbishment at other locations will soon be complete.

He added: "Our loyal customers have been supportive and patient during this challenging time."

"The City Markets team, all 700 of us, hugely appreciate your business and support."

**You can continue learning outdoors, National Trust reminds schoolchildren**

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SCHOOL children filled with anticipation of returning to the classroom this week are reminded by the Bahamas National Trust (BNT) that they can continue learning outdoors through the Trust's educational initiatives.

The ever-expanding Discovery Clubs and Parks Pal programme which takes students on field trips across the islands will return in full force this year, with children of all ages invited to participate, the BNT said.

High school students can work with BNT scientists to take transects on the rocky shores and assess the bio-diversity of these areas, while younger children can learn the basics on outdoor excursions or in classroom presentations by experts at the Trust.

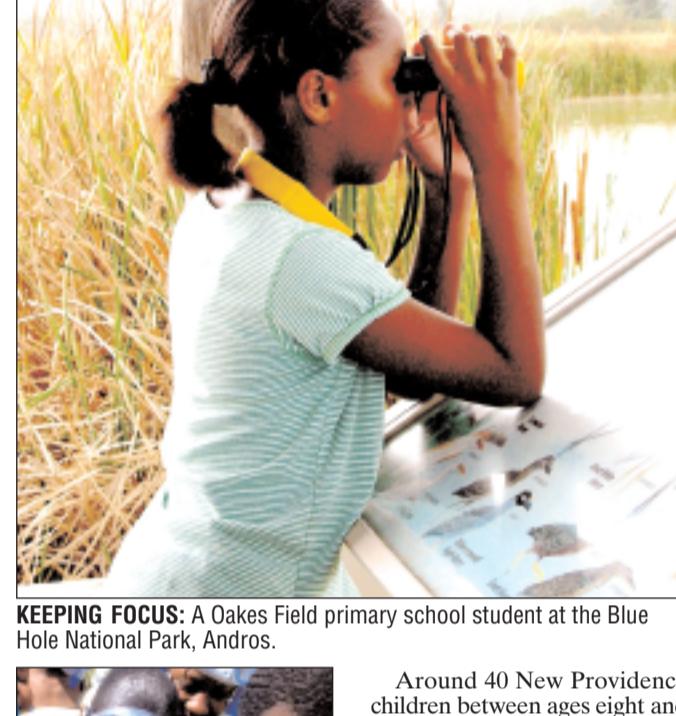
Schools are invited to take trips with the BNT to New Providence's three national parks so young people can enjoy bird watching at Harrold and Wilson Ponds, snorkelling in the mangroves of Bonefish Pond and exploring the plants and animals of the Retreat Gardens on Village Road.

Or they can take advantage of the Parks Pal programme's partnership with Bahamas Ferries to go on day or overnight trips to Abaco, Andros, and very soon, Eleuthera, where the Leon Levy Native Plant Preserve botanical garden is set to open, the BNT said.

As students explore the pine forests, blue holes, wetlands and beaches of the undeveloped Family Islands, they can learn how the natural environment sustains both wildlife and communities which depend on natural resources for economic benefit.

Education officer Shelley Cant said: "Unfortunately in the Bahamas we have a lot of people growing up so detached from their environment that they are petrified of everything and therefore they destroy everything."

"They see the bush as bad and the way to get them to appreciate everything is by taking them out there. Field trips provide a different experience from the classroom and it gives us the opportunity to reach dif-



**KEEPING FOCUS:** A Oakes Field primary school student at the Blue Hole National Park, Andros.



**INTERESTING FIND:** Students examine baby lobsters found at the Bonefish Pond National Park.

ferent types of learners.

"The classroom setting isn't for everybody and we hope to reinforce some of the things we teach in the classroom in another way, that kids might remember."

"And often the troublesome students who usually sit in the back of the class will shine when you take them out in the field."

Students are taught to distinguish between native plants and non-native species (which ironically includes the national flower the yellow elder), how to prepare for a camping trip, what lives in what habitats, and what should be preserved and protected.

Around 40 New Providence children between ages eight and 14 focused on the importance of the environment in a two-week summer camp at the Retreat Gardens this summer, including an overnight camping trip to Rose Island.

While Grand Bahama children had their own camp, and in Andros the BNT ran a camp for four weeks.

Specially selected students and competition winners were lucky enough to spend a week on an eco-camp at Forfar in central Andros, the BNT said.

But the students and schools which cannot afford to participate in field trips this year can still take advantage of the BNT's free classroom presentations on various subjects tailored to meet the class's individual needs, the Trust said.

And after school, students can take part in activities run by around 30 existing Discovery Clubs on seven islands, or establish their own at any school, church or community centre with equipment, support and training provided by the Trust.

Club leaders are trained at a symposium every summer, and teachers are also trained in a summer workshop held by the BNT to learn how they can enhance their curriculum by working with the Trust.

**'King of the High Wire' attempts to break Guinness World Record in the Bahamas**

PERFORMANCE artist Nik Wallenda will attempt to break the current Guinness World Record for the highest bicycle ride without a safety net when he takes to the high wire suspended between the Royal Towers at Atlantis today.

Suspended more than 26 stories above ground, Mr Wallenda – known as the "King of the High Wire" in his field – will attempt two death-defying stunts.

The bicycle ride on the high wire will take place from the Royal Tower East to the Royal Tower West at 2.30pm. The acrobat will then walk between the West tower and the Cove Atlantis at 4pm.

Mr Wallenda belongs to the seventh generation of The Great Wallendas – a family of acrobats, jugglers, clowns, aerialists and animal trainers who began working as a circus troupe in the 18th century.

He is also a direct descendant of Karl Wallenda, founding member of The Flying Wallendas.

Mr Wallenda set a Guinness World Record in 2008 for the longest distance and greatest height ever travelled by bicycle on a high wire when he walked and then bicycled 150 feet out on a high wire which was suspended from the roof of Newark's Prudential Building in New Jersey without a safety net.

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**US struggles with image in Pakistan**

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. efforts to help Pakistani flood victims will give America's image there a boost, but not much of one.

The U.S. reputation in a country the Obama administration sees as crucial to defeating the Taliban and al-Qaida already is so tarnished that even millions of dollars from Washington and the work of U.S. soldiers and diplomats probably will do little to change the thinking of most Pakistanis.

After all, U.S. flood aid is only a drop in a bucket already filled with billions of American dollars that have been shipped to Pakistan since the September 11, 2001, terror attacks against the United States.

All that money, apparently, has done little to impress. A recent Pew Foundation poll found nearly six in 10 Pakistanis viewed the United States as an enemy; only one in 10 called it a partner.

Still, the Obama administration does not have the option of doing nothing.

The U.S. interest in helping goes beyond easing the suffering of the more than 17 million people affected by the floods. Washington also wants Pakistan's weak civilian government to succeed so that it does not lose ground to the aid work of Muslim charity groups associated with militants.

Making sure the pro-U.S. government looks good, or at least competent, is important to the Obama administration as it encourages Pakistan in its fight against militants operating along the border with Afghanistan, where the United States is fighting a 9-year-old war.

Rajiv Shah, administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, said late Tuesday during a visit to Pakistan that the country will have to demonstrate it can spend relief funds transparently and well if it wants more help in rebuilding.

The Pakistan government says about \$800 million in emergency aid has been committed or pledged so far. But there are worries internationally about how the money will be spent by the government, which has a reputation for inefficiency and corruption.

Robert Hathaway, director of the Woodrow Wilson Centre's Asia programme, warns against expecting U.S. aid to immediately turn around the deep distrust many Pakistanis feel toward America. "This relationship has a lot of baggage, and it will take an incredible amount of hard work over many years really to rebuild," Hathaway said.

Many in Pakistan see the United States as interested more in killing insurgents than in helping the country's poor. Past U.S. support for former Gen. Pervez Musharraf and oth-

er military rulers has fuelled a perception that Washington cares little about Pakistan's democracy. Then there is the idea in Pakistan that the United States is anti-Muslim, a view that could be strengthened by opposition to a mosque planned near the World Trade Centre site that Islamic extremists destroyed in 2001.

Dan Feldman, the Obama administration's deputy special representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, recently bristled at the notion that U.S. relief work is an attempt at image improvement. "We're doing it as a response to a humanitarian crisis," he said.

Still, the United States has made sure to spread the word of its response to the floods aggressively, with senior U.S. officials, including Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, making regular statements.

Feldman said in a briefing this week that the United States is providing up to \$150 million in aid. U.S. military helicopters have evacuated thousands of people and delivered hundreds of tons of relief supplies. Among those supplies are 700,000 mosquito nets to help families ward off malaria, giant water treatment machines to provide safe drinking water and tens of thousands of blankets and inflatable boats to help isolated villages.

For people saved from rising waters by U.S. helicopters or given lifesaving medicine or food, America's image will rise. U.S. aid cannot reach every flood victim, however, and not everyone getting the aid will know it is from the United States.

Along with worrying about helping as many people as possible, the Obama administration also must keep an eye on insurgents who know the people and the terrain and can use the flood to build support among its victims. Jason Campbell, a South Asia analyst at the Rand Corp. think tank, said Washington understands that any "gaps in U.S. assistance will likely be filled by charities that, if not directly tied to militant groups, are at least sympathetic with them."

The U.S. aid could provide another boost to counterinsurgency efforts. The sooner the Pakistani military can scale down its relief work, the sooner it can return to fighting insurgents.

Teresita Schaffer, a former State Department South Asia specialist, said the United States must do everything it can to help.

But, she said, "I don't think there will be an attack of the warm fuzzies just because we're providing some helicopters."

(This article was written by Foster Klug of the Associated Press).

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## EDITOR, The Tribune.

Herein are some suggestions for consideration by our public. Those persons with some authority may wish to consider implementing.

Passport photographs of applicants to join law enforcement agencies to be published in newspapers and the public be asked to comment in confidence on their suitability by calling a special number. Information received to be investigated before admission or rejection. This would improve the system of vetting the applicants.

Re-enactment of the Seat Belt Law. It could Save Lives. Bahamian Residents to consider lobbying for its re-enactment.

Legislation prohibiting smoking in public places. The Cancer Society, Medical Practitioners and concerned citizens must lobby the Minister of Health for action. The smoke is killing us.

Legislation to increase penalties for the possession of firearms and ammunition, eg: two years imprisonment for handguns and five years imprisonment for assault weapons, such as; the AK47, the uzi and the sawed-off automatic shotgun. The latter are the weapons used by terrorists. The sentences should be mandatory. Provide for a gun court to hear all such cases expeditiously.

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**Perry Christie and possible challenges to PLP leadership**

## EDITOR, The Tribune.

THERE are ponderings in the PLP with different factions in the Party challenging Leader Christie.

This thought has been contemplated for weeks now and that attempts would be made for the Leadership but this attempt would be defeated.

It is said that Christie has not changed and he still only looks out for the elite and not the grassroots.

His best friend now is Ryan Pinder, the man who did not support him during the last Convention - they are now two peas in one pod - see one you see the other.

It is said most of Christie's long, long, long time supporters have withdrawn their support from him.

I was at a house in the east where there was a political discussion with both FNM and PLP having cocktails and

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inner city of Nassau. Raise the money by selling shares to the public similar to PI Bridge. Consider a multi-storey building southwest of the Post Office. Paid parking for users. Shops and restaurants on the ground floors. Physical and Technical Security presence.

Legislate for a Public Transportation Corporation to organise and control the Public Transport System in New Providence. Bus owners to become shareholders. Proper routes, monthly weekly and daily bus fares or passes, drivers vetted, and tested, uniforms and sheltered bus stops with seating and printed schedules on arrivals and departures. It is very present in England, Canada, USA, Bermuda and Barbados, to name a few. It will not be accomplished by the bus owners.

Recruit and train suitable persons for School Security. Many of the present personnel are not physically capable for the patrols and confrontation required. Setup an Intelligence Unit among Students, Teachers, Security Officers and the Police.

Eliminate social promotions in all public schools. It is responsible for the low grade

average. Consider experimenting with boys and girls in separate classes. Such an experiment held in Freeport, Grand Bahama many years ago met with success. There are boys and girls schools all over this region. It appears that they are producing better students.

The Road Traffic Authority to consider regulations allowing for "left turns on the red light" at certain junctions. There are several streets that can accommodate such a move to keep traffic flowing. The RTA must stop the renting of Public Service Licence Plates by persons without the vehicles.

Police vehicles equipped with GPS would be an asset to crime fighting and rapid response. It will also be a gas saver. The taser for police use would reduce police killings. An indoor range for small arms and shotguns would be an asset to firearms training. Many officers armed with weapons are no getting the constant training required to master the art. With the indoor range in close proximity to the city officers could go practising when off duty. Gun licensing applicants could be made to qualify there to obtain a shotgun licence.

PAUL THOMPSON Sr  
Nassau,  
August 25, 2010.

to my surprise as an FNM they do not only support PLPs but certain FNMs like Desmond Bannister and Edison Key.

I also have information that they are planning major events honouring Sir Lynden from August 26, 2010 through March 22, 2011.

I sense that the Caucus Group are "Power" brokers so, it would be very difficult to unseat Perry Christie as Leader because the Leader of the Caucus still supports Christie and if not I am certain without a doubt as a personal friend of Brave Davis if any attempt is made to go after the Leadership he would lean toward Brave Davis.

Also, in another conversation over the weekend it is said that the Caucus is running a serious membership drive to hit 40,000 which would be from the PLP and FNM.

I am told they already have 10,000 members and are taking to the Family Islands with Abaco, Grand Bahama, Andros, Cat Island, North and mainland Eleuthera in that order. So until next time.

TYRONE JACKSON  
FNM/Caucus Member  
Nassau,  
August 16, 2010.

**Achievements of our young men should receive more prominence in the paper**

## EDITOR, The Tribune.

I am an avid reader of The Tribune and most times I am pleased with the articles. However I am very sad that our young basketball athlete Magnum Rolle who placed number 51 in the 2010 NBA draft was placed on the 12th and 14th of July 2010 pages of your paper.

Further a very small picture of Magnum Rolle was used and if I was not thoroughly reading my paper I would have missed his story.

Please continue to highlight our positive young men, as examples to other Bahamian young men.

Our young boys need to see what this young man has achieved and that they can also aspire to excel on the world scene. Many who would see him would say that if he can do it, so can I.

And yes if they have their parents supporting them, good male models, the church and your newspaper more of our young men will succeed globally.

Please print bigger pictures of our positive young men and their stories in your newspaper.

SYBILENE CUMBERBATCH

Nassau,

August 9, 2010.

## LOCAL NEWS

# Four Bahamians receive Chinese Government scholarships



**PRESENTATION:** Christian Dion Adderley receives his scholarship certificate. He is pictured with Chinese Ambassador to the Bahamas Hu Dingxian and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Immigration Brent Symonette.



SCOTT ROKER



ITALIA HUTCHINSON

FOUR Bahamians have been given an opportunity to study in China starting this coming Fall semester.

They have been awarded full scholarships by the Chinese government to pursue tertiary level education in China in a cross-section of disciplines.

The recipients of the scholarships are Christian Adderley in the field of economics at Southwestern University of Finance and Economics in Sichuan; Scott Roker in the field of Chinese languages at Dongua University in Shanghai; Simone Bridgewater in the field of sociology at Nanjing University in Jiangsu, and Italia Hutchinson in the field of anesthesiology at Central South University in Hunan.

A fifth Bahamian, William Seymour, has also been awarded a scholarship to continue studies in China.

During the official award ceremony held on Wednesday at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Immigration Brent Symonette congratulated the recipients and expressed gratitude to the Chinese government.

"The Bahamas and The People's Republic of China established diplomatic relations in May 1997," said Mr Symonette.

"Since then, Bahamian students have pursued higher education at the Bachelor's and Master's levels in a range of disciplines, from manufacturing and design of clothing and apparel, to medicine, astrophysics/astronomy, international business management, marketing, Chinese culture and languages and architecture."



SIMONE BRIDGEWATER

tecture."

Chinese Ambassador to the Bahamas Hu Dingxian said it was a pleasure to award the scholarships.

"China and the Bahamas are both developing countries with the common task of developing their national economies," said Ambassador Hu.

"To attain this goal we need a great number of talented young people and their hard work, especially with the rapid development of modern science and technology and their extensive application in production nowadays, the quality of human resources will play a more and more important role in economic development."

The four scholarships awarded will bring the number of Bahamian recipients of the Chinese government scholarships to 24.



**HONOURED:** Pictured left to right: Scott Roker; Simone Bridgewater; Italia Hutchinson and Christian Dion Adderley.

(BIS Photos/Kristaan Ingraham)

# Grooming future decision-makers

## Local Government Junior Council pilot project

By REUBEN SHEARER  
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STATE Minister of Lands and Local Government Byran Woodside said he is hoping to bring young people to the decision-making table through a Local Government Junior Council pilot project that will engage 1,381 students of the tenth and eleventh grades from six Family Island schools.

The pilot project is expected to improve the Bahamas' local government in the future by educating the country's young people about the system today.

"The project will be officially launched on September 16, 2010, in Freeport, Grand Bahama. It will last for eight months ending in April 2011, at which time the final evaluation will be conducted," Mr Woodside announced on Wednesday during a press conference at the Department of Public Service.

Twelve public officers from the local government districts of Freeport, Central Abaco, the Berry Islands, North Andros and San Salvador travelled to



BYRAN WOODSIDE

Nassau last week to participate in a workshop for coordinators who will carry out the pilot project. Coordinators will convene on a weekly basis in the various functions of central and local government, and at least eight junior councils will emerge once the programme commences. According to Mr Woodside, the project "will not only improve local governance, but will also positively impact all aspects of Family Island communities."

### Skills

He said the programme is expected to annually have 300 participants with increased capacity and skills sets that will bring a higher degree of public service, advocacy and transparency to local government. During the work-

shop, coordinators were supplied with the information necessary to manage the various processes of the pilot project. "It is the ministry's hope that the system of government administration in the Bahamas will be dramatically changed by local government," said Mr Woodside.

"It allows every-day persons to participate in community efforts. Local government has proven to be an important component of democracy within the Bahamas. In our Family Islands it has assisted with economic development, improved the quality of life of our citizens and encouraged residents' participation in the decision-making process of government," he said.

The state minister said he hopes that those involved in the project will get to impact some of the decisions made by local government.

Students involved will hail from Jack Hayward High School, St George's High School, Abaco Central High School, North Andros High School, San Salvador High School, and RN Gomez All-Age School in the Berry Islands.

## Move to deal with problem of unlicensed street vending

By DENISE MAYCOCK  
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FREEPOR - State Minister for Finance Zhivargo Laing said the government and the Grand Bahama Port Authority want to bring some order to the unlicensed street vending problem on the island.

Mr Laing said the issue is a "sympathetic" one because there are not many jobs available and people are only trying to make a living during these tough economic times.

"The economy is still in very bad shape in Freeport, let nobody fool you about that. Lots of people continue to be unemployed and under-employed, and lots of businesses continue to be challenged," he said.

Concerns have been raised in recent weeks over the significant increase of street vendors and peddlers, especially in the Freeport area. People stand along the roadside selling phone cards, peanuts, soft drinks, water and newspapers.

Senior Assistant Police Commissioner Quinn McCartney has warned that it is illegal for persons to sell items to the public without the proper licence or permit.

Grand Bahama Port Authority officials said while they issue permits to persons selling newspapers and/or peanuts, they do not issue permits to persons engaged in selling phone cards and other food items.

Persons without roadside permits have been given until the end of the month to cease trading.

Mr Laing, who is also MP for the Grand Bahama constituency of Marco City, said the government wants to ensure that street vendors sell under proper regulations.

"The government has an interest in ensuring that there is some order to street vending so that people are not put at unnecessary risk and there are no safety issues, while at the same time we want to ensure that people who are entrepreneurs have an opportunity to live."

"My understanding is the Port is also looking at the issue, but there is likely to be some means of accommodating vendors reaching the same kind of balance the government wants to reach in terms of assuring that street vending is done in an orderly manner."

"I think the Port understands from my own discussions with them, just as we understand and sympathise that people are trying to make their way, trying to make a living, trying to feed their families."

"So it is a balancing act and I think that at the end of the day there will be some accommodation reached," Mr Laing said.

The minister stressed that anyone who is trading in the country has to have a licence.



ZHVARGO LAING

"That is the law, but we know that many people operate without a licence and without regulation in many instances, and that presents a

problem because there are people who pay licence fees and taxes, so it is a matter of order and seeking to ensure we are fair to everybody," he said. Minister Laing said people on Grand Bahama have demonstrated that they have the potential to be self-employed and run their own businesses.

"There are fewer jobs out there and people are trying to find whatever creative means they could find to make ends meet. It is clearly a sign of the economic times," said Mr Laing.

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## LOCAL NEWS



## ■ ST CECILIA URBAN RENEWAL CENTRE

# Parents urged to help teachers with children



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LINING UP: CHILDREN lined up in an orderly fashion to collect books, pencils and other supplies from Rev Roberta Rolle, manager of the St Cecilia Urban Renewal Centre.

ST Cecilia Urban Renewal Centre handed out school supplies to at least a hundred students on Wednesday and encouraged parents to get more involved with their children's school work.

"We really don't have a challenge as such, but we need the parents to get involved. I think that's the biggest challenge," said Rev Roberta Rolle-Walkner, manager of the centre.

"We would call meetings and maybe six or seven parents would show up. We have a band in this community and if your children are coming to band practice, every week, twice a week, the least you could do is come out and hear what is going on with them."

Inspector Hartman Nixon from the Grove Police Station spoke to the children about personal safety techniques designed to protect them from becoming victims or participants in crime. He also gave them guidelines on the proper behaviour that adults expect to see from children.

"Inspector Nixon told the children how they should act in school and how they can avoid violence by not taking shortcuts when walking home from

school," said Mrs Rolle. "He also warned them about watching the friends they have and the company they keep."

Pastor Arlington Rolle from Peniel Kingdom Ministries on Market Street and Palmetto Avenue prayed with the children before they received their school bags.

He advised them to make a habit of attending church and participating in Sunday school.

"He told them they would live better lives and their schoolwork would be easier for them if they get involved with the activities of the church," said Mrs Rolle.

## Closely

St Cecilia Urban Renewal Centre works closely with the school teachers in the community at both Mable Walker and Yellow Elder Primary Schools. They said they observed that children get more attention from their teachers because teachers spend more time with the kids than the parents.

"I feel that if the parent would appreciate the teachers more, the people who are teaching their children eight

hours a day, and take time to think about it, they would participate in what their children are doing," said Mrs Rolle.

"Some feel that the government pays the teachers so it's a must, but they don't know that teaching is a gift from God. Even though you have the academics, you don't just stand up and teach. The wisdom and knowledge you need to teach children comes from God."

St Cecilia is primarily a small business community, with entrepreneurial and working class people.

The Urban Renewal Centre has many undisclosed corporate and individual sponsors that work along with the government programmes and donate their time and supplies to keep the centre in operation.

They provide law and health clinics to educate the community about what is happening around them socially, centre officials said.

"St Cecilia is a great community and people here cooperate with us. We have community walkabouts with the Grove police station at least twice a month. The community is close knitted and we don't have a crime problem per se. Everyone in the area knows one another so they try to stick together and do what they have to do," said Mrs Rolle.

## ■ FOX HILL

# After-school programmes help youth gain educational skills

IN addition to offering the children of Fox Hill after-school programmes to teach them educational and social skills, the area's Urban Renewal Centre this week handed out much needed back-to-school supplies.

"The challenges we see in Fox Hill are educational. We have an after-school programme during the months that schools are open. We offer homework help, the boys' club and girls' club, a band practice, liturgical dance lessons, these are talented children and we try to enhance their talents," said Brenda Murray, assistant manager facilitator for the Fox Hill Urban Renewal Centre.

"We find that children are better one-on-one, so our programmes run from three in the afternoon to five, and some until seven. We go beyond our working hours. But if it helps the child, then it is worth it in the end."

The Fox Hill Urban Renewal Centre held a back-to-school giveaway for the children on Wednesday and handed out packages with books, pencils, geometry sets and book bags, donated by Fox Hill businesses and outside corporate philanthropists.

Mrs Murray said they were expecting about 150 throughout the day to come in to collect school supplies.

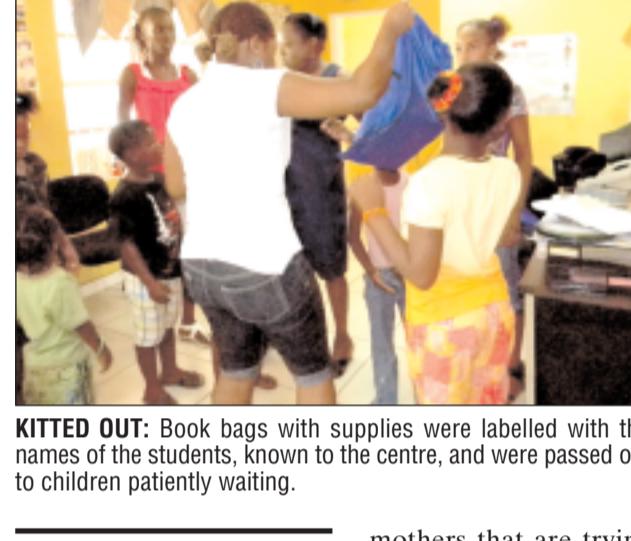
"We have enough for everyone. Community businesses and people outside the community will donate to Fox Hill Urban Renewal and we are grateful for them," she said.

She said many Fox Hill parents are employed in the hotel industry, working flexible hours, which causes children to be on their own a lot.

"Sometimes a parent might work three to eleven or seven to three, different hours because most of our parents work in the hotel industry. When their children stop here, we do the



Gena Gibbs/BIS Photo  
GETTING READY: A small school boy is prepared for the new school year as he collects his school package which was donated by Fox Hill businesses.



Gena Gibbs/BIS Photo  
KITTED OUT: Book bags with supplies were labelled with the names of the students, known to the centre, and were passed out to children patiently waiting.

**"I find that most parents are involved and when they can't be involved they come to us and say they need help."**

mothers that are trying to do the best they can. Some of them are not working so we help them with resumes and job searching right now," said Mrs Murray.

The centre also serves as mediator when there is a breakdown of communication between unmarried mothers and fathers, who are not on speaking terms but care about the welfare of their children. Some fathers feel uncomfortable going to the house of their children's mother.

"The men respond but it is not at a high percentage. I find the ones that do respond are caring fathers. Their communication has not broken with their children but it has broken with the mother," said Mrs Murray.

"We are like a medium here where the child would be here and the father would come here and give the child lunch money.

"I would truly say the fathers are trying, but they need a medium besides the court. We see it all the time but we don't interfere," she said.

best we can to help them with their homework or give them a snack to go home," said Mrs Murray.

"I find that most parents are involved and when they can't be involved they come to us and say they need help."

## Unemployment

Single parents make up the majority of the parent population in the Fox Hill community. The centre helps with unemployment issues that parents may have, including writing resumes and job placement.

"There are a lot of single

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## LOCAL NEWS

# Tell all, MP told in website 'hack' row

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them what the real situation was; that the domain had expired and had been bought."

Accessing the website on air, Mr Bain said Mr Johnson modified the site as it now rightfully belongs to him.

"As far as I know with my knowledge of the internet, there is nothing illegal with buying a domain name," Mr Bain quipped.

However, Minister Symonette did not share the same opinion.

In a telephone interview with *The Tribune* yesterday, the Minister said that he has turned the entire matter over to the police for a "full investigation".

"I heard Mr Mitchell and others on the radio briefly lately. Perhaps Mr Mitchell would like to confirm to the Bahamian people how he set this website up. Was this an official website or something outside of the auspice of the government? Perhaps he should tell us all he knows about," Mr Symonette said.

When asked to respond to this charge, Mr Mitchell laughed and dismissed the Minister entirely - stating only that he would have a full statement at a later time.

As for what charges the police had to take Mr Johnson in for questioning, the host of *The New Nation* said that as far as he was aware it was something relating to a 2003 law regarding the "misuse of a computer".

"Now I don't know how using a computer to



**UNDER FIRE:**  
Fred Mitchell

not up to par.

"He (Mr Mitchell) bought the domain name and paid for it with the Ministry's credit card. After the PLP left government, and the FNM took over, the government allowed the domain name to expire. Now I don't know if that was negligence or intentional.

"But I'm letting (the police) know I will keep this in the public's eye and if they even think of arresting me I will sue them, the government, and everyone else involved. This is a simple matter. C Allen has already said he would turn everything over to the government if they simply asked for it. But instead of asking for it, they are acting like the Gestapo and arrested him; wasting the people's resources," Mr Bain said.

## Country's first 'six-legged' roundabout set to open

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"On corridor five, the link between Saunders Beach and JFK Drive/Thompson Boulevard, a new four-legged roundabout is being constructed in its junction with Turnquest Avenue and Oakes Field Distributor.

"At the junction of corridor five with West Bay Street, adjacent to Saunders Beach another four-legged roundabout is nearing completion. Although four-legged, one of the legs of the roundabout only provides access to new beautification, facilities and parking area adjacent to Saunders Beach," said the Minister.

The Ministry said the introduction of new roundabouts

into the country's road network should not represent a problem for motorists given the fact that most people will have experience navigating the numerous roundabouts on Tonique Williams Darling Highway.

However, the statement adds that the Ministry intends to conduct a "comprehensive outreach campaign" as the roundabouts are brought into operation to ease any potential "teething problems."

"The Ministry plans to hold a series of information meetings at which it will explain in detail, for example, what a driver needs to do when travelling from JFK Drive to Bethel Avenue (North), from Thompson Boulevard to Farrington Road, etcetera. These

meetings also will be supplemented by fliers and handouts, similar to those distributed at the time the Baillou Hill Road/East Street roundabout was introduced and larger informational drawings will be displayed at a number of locations including the Post Offices, Malls, schools, Ministry Buildings and sent to private sector companies for display in their foyers."

"In addition, Ministry staff will appear on both radio and television and take calls from the general public. Flyers will be distributed via a major e-blast to thousands of e-mail addresses and will also be uploaded on to the Ministry website for easy access by the general public," the statement added.

## Jury returns open verdict in Christoph Cooper death

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autopsy revealed that he had also sustained a gunshot wound to the head.

Police were reportedly pursuing Cooper and his brother Lavar who were in a dark Nissan Sentra on the morning of May 3, due to reports that they were armed.

Within half an hour, the six woman one man jury returned with an unanimous open verdict informing Coroner William Campbell that they were not sure whether the crash had been due to the driver swerving off the road or due to the gunshot.

Coroner Campbell had left three verdicts to the jury. He informed them that they could find that Cooper's death was accidental; that he had died as result of a gunshot wound to the head or return with an open verdict, meaning that there were too many unanswered questions for them to make a decision on either of the first two verdicts.

Both officers claimed the car was travelling east on Robinson Road at about 80 miles per hour at the time and subsequently crashed. The car crashed into Miracle Tours Travel Agency and a neighbouring house on Robinson Road.

According to a firearms examiner, the bullet found in

Cooper's head had not been fired from officer Anton nor officer Canter's gun. ASP Cleophilus Cooper who investigated the incident told the court yesterday that the case was still open and that the firearm used to shoot the deceased has not yet been found.

### Fired

Officer Anton claimed that he had fired one shot at the car from a 9mm machine gun. His partner, Officer Canter, told the court he had fired two shots at the car from a .357 revolver.

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# Murder inquiry launched after woman, 62, dies

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their vehicle on foot and hit Mrs Johnson in the process.

All three were rushed to hospital for treatment, but Mrs Johnson died of her wounds on Thursday.

An autopsy concluded that the shooting led to her death, and Superintendent Leon Bethel in charge of the Central Detective Unit (CDU) classified it as murder yesterday.

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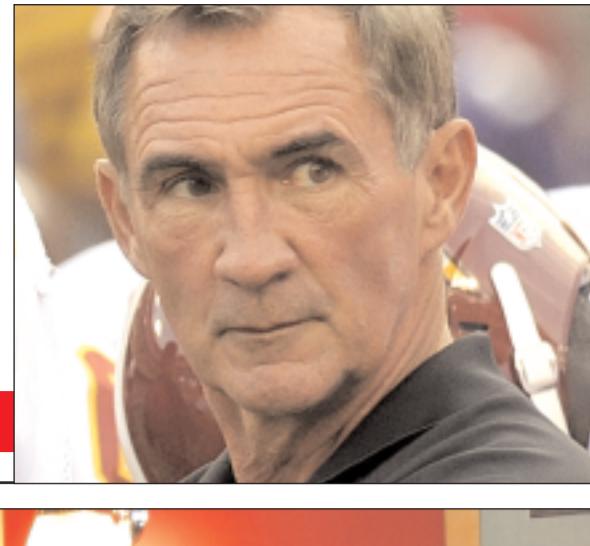
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100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 22 (Series B) +	FBB22	100.00	0.00	Prime + 1.75%				19 October 2022	
100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 13 (Series C) +	FBB13	100.00	0.00	7%				30 May 2013	
100.00	100.00	Fidelity Bank Note 15 (Series D) +	FBB15	100.00	0.00	Prime + 1.75%				29 May 2015	
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0.55	0.40	RND Holdings	FBB17	0.35	0.40	0.55	7%				
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30.13	29.00	ABADB	CFAL	30.13	31.59	29.00	4,540	0.000	9.03	0.00%	
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2.9265	2.8266	CFAL MSI Preferred Fund	2.9101	0.80%	0.19%	2,902.023	2,906.145			31-Jul-10	
1.5479	1.4842	CFAL Money Market Fund	1.5479	2.71%	4.29%	1,531.489	1,515.417			13-Aug-10	
3.2025	2.8522	Royal Fidelity Bahamas G & I Fund	2.8216	-0.47%	-0.40%					31-Jul-10	
13.6388	13.0484	Royal Fidelity Prime Income Fund	13.4110	0.33%	3.32%					30-Jun-10	
109.7299	101.6013	CFAL Global Balanced Fund	105.9355	5.02%	7.60%	107.570620	103.987340			30-Jun-10	
10.7725	9.3398	FG Financial Equity Fund	100.1893	-1.52%							

# sports

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2010



INSIDE • Shanahan takes charge of Redskins

# Major makes weight

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MEACHER 'Pain' Major said he likes the way he looked going into tonight's co-main event bout on the War at the Shore professional boxing and mixed martial arts show.

Yesterday, Major weighed in at 133 pounds, just slightly lighter than his lightweight partner, who topped the scale at 135 for their bout at the Virginia Beach Convention Center in Virginia Beach.

"It should be a great night. I know all of the fans over here are excited about the show, so I just want to perform because I'm down here training with a competitor who I recently lost too," Major pointed out.

"But we are now great friends and so it's just a great experience for me to be working out with him. So I hope to go out and do my best. I'm going to give it 110 percent."

Major is referring to American Dorin Spivey, who pulled off a fourth round technical knockout decision over Major in their June 11, 2009 10-round fight for the NABA lightweight title at the Convention Center in Buffalo, New York.

Spivey, by the way, headlines the show before his home crowd tonight.

Scheduled for six rounds, Major said because of the condition that he is in, he

chance to look over his opponent, Jamar Saunders, Major said he's just "going to go out, stick to the game plan and do what my corner tell."

"I feel great, excellent. I feel strong," said Major in an interview with The Tribune yesterday after the weigh-in. "I got my weight down and I was able to maintain a healthy diet."

"Thanks to my trainer Nat Knowles and the trainers down here, I'm in excellent shape and I'm just looking forward to go out and execute and come out victorious at the end of the night."

Although the 28-year-old native from Kemp Road got a



FIGHT READY: Meacher Major (right) squares off with his opponent Jamar Saunders (left) at the weigh-in yesterday.

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Meacher Major

doesn't expect that his bout will last that long.

"I'm 100 percent sure about that," he predicted. "The

weigh-in went very well. It was the first weigh-in that I went to and everything was on time.

"We all had to sacrifice and dried out for 24 hours. So they did everything on time so that we could get sufficient time to eat and rest up for the show."

Major takes a 17-4-1 win-loss-draw record with 14 knockouts into the fight. He is coming off a sixth round decision on points over American Robert DaLuz on November 4, 2009 at the Kendal Isaacs Gymnasium.

Saunders, 25, is a native of

Atlanta, Georgia, has a record of 5-6-1. Currently under contract with X-Cel Worldwide, headed by American Nick Garone, Major said he's hoping that he will eventually get a world ranking at the 135 pound.

But he noted that he's definitely going to have to go out and put on a show tonight to impress the powers that be that he deserves to move up the ladder.

## New Breed rally to defeat Mighty Mitts

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THE Y-II Shipping New Breed have shown that they know how to win by holding off their opponents. Thursday night, they proved that they can do in come-from-behind fashion.

In probably one of the greatest come-back victories so far this year in the New Providence Softball Association, New Breed rallied from a 6-1 deficit in the fourth inning to prevail with a 14-7 decision over the hapless Mighty Mitts.

Jordan Gibson, the lil dynamo at third base, proved why manager Martin 'Pork' Burrows Sr had him batting in the clean-up spot when he cracked a three-run homer to lead a seven-run rally that gave New Breed an 8-7 advantage.

Then in the fifth, left fielder Garfield Bethel, who came through with his third consecutive hit, ripped a run-producing double for the game ending walk-off victory in a six-run fifth inning.

"I felt pretty good. Our team started off slow, but at the end we picked it up," said Jordan, one of the youngest members of the youthful New Breed team at age 16.

Placed an unique position as the fourth batter in the

• HERE'S A LOOK AT THE TEAM STANDINGS AFTER THURSDAY'S ACTION:

TEAMS	W	L	Pct.	GB
<b>LADIES' DIVISION</b>				
Proper Care Pool Lady Sharks	10	2	.833	-
Pineapple Air Wildcats	7	3	.700	2
Bommer G Operators	6	4	.600	3
Sigma Brackettes	5	7	.416	5
Black Scorpions	0	12	.000	10
<b>MEN'S DIVISION</b>				
Commando Security Truckers	10	1	.909	-
Dorin United Hitmen	10	1	.909	-
Y-II Shipping New Breed	9	2	.818	1
Freedom Farm Horsemen	6	2	.750	2 <sup>1/2</sup>
Outlaws	6	5	.545	4
Del Sol Arawaks	4	7	.363	5
Dorsey Park	3	10	.230	7 <sup>1/2</sup>
John's Buccaneers	1	9	.100	8 <sup>1/2</sup>
Mighty Mitts	0	12	.000	10 <sup>1/2</sup>

line-up, Jordan said Burrows Sr expected him to come through in the situation he found himself and he was pleased to deliver the towering homer.

"When it came off the bat, I just knew that it was gone," said Jordan, of the one-ball pitch that he sent sailing over center-field of losing pitcher Dion Whyte.

Jordan and his team-mates celebrated as they continued the assault on Whyte, forcing Mighty Mitts' manager Alfonso 'Chicken' Albury to bring in reliever Adderick John in the inning to face another young player in second baseman Angelo Butler.

By then, New Breed had already began their impressive come-back and they continued to pour on the hits, producing four and five respectively in the fourth and the fifth.

With the win, New Breed improved their third place position at 9-2 behind the idled front-running Commando Security Truckers and Dorin United Hitmen, both at 10-1.

The loss kept the Mighty Mitts at the bottom of the nine-team field at 0-12.

Mighty Mitts came up with six runs in the top of the first inning as they took advantage of New Breed's decision to

start some of their less experienced players.

Winston Hanna Jr. got the starting nod for New Breed, but after he gave up the first five runs, highlighted by a RBI single from Miguel Hanna and a RBI walk from Vaughn Griffin, he was replaced by Eugene Pratt, who came over from first base.

Pratt was able to hold off the Mighty Mitts, retiring them 1-2-3 in both the second and third before he gave up a lead off single to Chris McPhee, who eventually scored on a two-out RBI single from Austin Hanna.

Like they did in the third,

New Breed turned a double play on the Mighty Mitts in the fifth to stop them from further scoring.

### Outlaws 11, Buccaneers 1

In another abbreviated game in the opener, the Outlaws blasted the John's Buccaneers as Shawn Adderley fired a one-hitter with a strike out for the win on the mound.

The Buccaneers got their only run in the top of the first when Prescott Wilson walked to lead off the game and scored on an error.

Marcellus Hall had the only hit for the Buccaneers in the fourth on a single.

For the Outlaws, who blew the game open with eight runs in the first and added one in the second and two more in the third, they worked losing pitcher Angelo Dillette for six hits.

Darryl Ranger led the attack with a perfect 2-for-2 night with two runs. Kito Johnson was 0-for-1, but he scored three runs and Clayton Bowles went 1-for-3 with two RBI and a run scored.

• The NPSA will continue with a double header tonight at the park. The following games are on tap: 7 p.m. Bommer G. Operators vs Black Scorpions (L). 8:30 p.m. Freedom Farm Horsemen vs Commando Security Truckers.

## sports NOTES

### JUDO

#### BAHAMIAN CHAMPION DEF.

#### INDIAN CHAMP

• CYNTHIA Rahming became the first Bahamian ever to win a match at the world level in Judo at the Youth Olympic Games (YOG). She defeated a very capable opponent from India who was a medalist at the Asian Games.

The Bahamas Judo Federation extends thanks to the Bahamas Olympic Committee and Adidas, sponsors for the Youth Olympic Games.

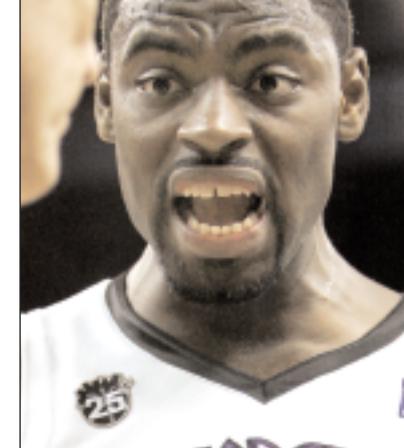
Rahming practices at the national training center on Joe Farrington Road 24 hours a week during the school year.

She is also an honor roll student at St. Augustine's College, and has an active church and family life.

"So much time is idly spent by children in our society," says D'Arcy Rahming, president of the Bahamas Judo Federation. "Between video games and the internet we are losing the fact we all stand on the shoulders of past generations who know how to work and commit themselves to something."

"This is a significant milestone in our program. My hope is that we will inspire others to do much with very limited resources."

The Bahamas Judo Federation is signing up new students for the fall semester. Persons interested may call 242-364-6773 for classes or go online at www.bahamasjudo.com.



RECKLESS: Tyreke Evans

## NBA suspends 3 players for separate incidents

BASKETBALL  
NEW YORK  
Associated Press

BRANDON Rush of the Indiana Pacers was suspended for five games by the NBA on Friday for violating the league's drug agreement, while Tyreke Evans of the Sacramento Kings and Kenny Hasbrouck of the Miami Heat drew suspensions for driving offenses.

Rush was suspended without pay for five games for violating the terms of the NBA/NBPA Anti-Drug Program.

He started 64 games for the Pacers last season and averaged 9.4 points.

Pacers president Larry Bird said in a

statement that the organization would support Rush.

"We have been made aware that Brandon Rush has been suspended for violating the NBA's anti-drug policy," Bird said. "We will do what we can to provide Brandon help going forward."

Evans, the NBA's Rookie of the Year, was suspended without pay for one game for pleading no contest to reckless driving in California. He averaged 20.1 points last season.

Hasbrouck, a former Siena guard, was suspended without pay for two games for pleading guilty to driving while intoxicated in New York.

Rush's suspension was the latest blow to Indiana's attempts to clean up its

image.

The Pacers released the core of their team the past several years while trying to repair a reputation damaged by the brawl between Pacers players and Pistons fans in 2004 and several incidents after that in which Pacers players had brushes with the law.

Most recently, second-round draft pick Lance Stephenson was arrested earlier this month in New York on assault, menacing and harassment charges. Prosecutors said he pushed his girlfriend down a flight of stairs, then grabbed her and hit her head on the bottom step. The Pacers have not announced how they will deal with that incident.

### BASKETBALL

#### BOMMER GEORGE BASKETBALL

• THE first Bommer George Engleston Basketball Classic continued on Thursday night at the park in Engleston with the following results posted:

**18 and Under Male Category**  
Rockers def. Rollers 47-45.  
Pro-Line Shockers def. Raptors 38-23.

**Open Male Category**  
Home Team Ballers def. Spartans 38-32.  
Engleston Highflyers def. Grave Diggers 28-27.  
Patch Ballers def. T-Boys Engleston Heats 29-19.

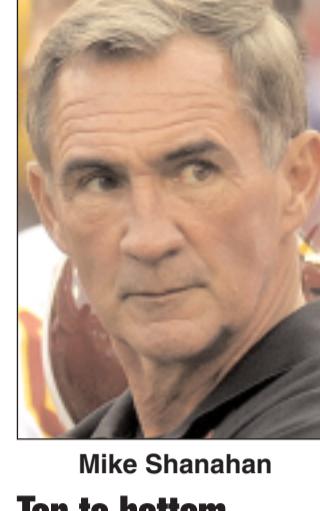
## SPORTS



Patrick Hanna/Bis Photo

**SPECIAL HONOUR:** 'King' Eric Gibson is shown above sailing with his crew on the Queen Drucilla.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF



Mike Shanahan

**Top to bottom,**  
**Shanahan takes**  
**charge of Redskins**

**FOOTBALL**  
**ASHBURN, Va.**  
**Associated Press**

LESS than a month after taking the job of Washington Redskins coach, Mike Shanahan called a meeting.

A big meeting. Everyone who works for the franchise was invited, from secretaries to marketing people to the employees based at the stadium on the other side of D.C. The only people not there were the players, who were off because it was February.

It took place in the Redskins Park auditorium and lasted about an hour. Shanahan gave a power point presentation of some 50 points he thought were "very important for the organization."

"You talk to everybody," Shanahan said in an interview with The Associated Press. "And everybody's got a job to do. And you let everybody know how important their job is to the success of this organization. For us to win a Super Bowl, it's going to take everybody, not just the players, not just the coaches. We've got to have the best of the best in all different areas, secretaries, marketing, stadium personnel. Everybody's got a job to do, and that was the essence."

No one at Redskins Park had ever seen anything like it, not from a coach. Joe Gibbs, as the joke goes, was so football-focused he probably couldn't have found the marketing department if he tried. Steve Spurrier couldn't remember the names of his players, much less the random people he might meet in the hallway. Here was a new coach trying to unite the entire organization, an important step as he went about setting a new tone of order, discipline and control for a franchise that has been a roller-coaster of inconsistency for more than a decade and was coming off a 4-12 season.

While the players weren't at the meeting, they quickly got the message as well. When Shanahan made the following comment at a chamber of commerce speech in May, he might as well been speaking directly at a certain unhappy defensive lineman named Albert Haynesworth.

"I like the standard set high," Shanahan said. "The one thing that I found out players want is consistency. Once you give a special player or a star player extra attention or let him get away with things, it takes way the morale of the team."

So Shanahan is in charge — in full, unyielding charge — of one of the most storied organizations in the NFL, having been given contractual control by Dan Snyder, who seems to really, really mean it this time when he says he's become a hands-off owner. Gibbs, though in the Hall of Fame, never wanted his picture on the front of the media guide, but Shanahan is there in grand style — holding a football while lined up ahead of the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument and U.S. Capitol.

It's certainly valid to say he's earned it, having won two Super Bowls in the late 1990s with the Denver Broncos. He's tied for 16th with 154 regular-season and postseason wins, only 17 behind Gibbs. He turned 58 this week, so he should have plenty of vigor left, and he's had a year off to recharge the batteries after being fired by the Broncos at the end of the 2008 season.

# Two-day regatta event to honour 'King' Eric

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AFTER making a tremendous contribution to the sport of sailing as both a sponsor and administrator, King Eric Gibson is gearing up for the biggest recognition that he has ever received.

A group of local businessmen have come together to honour Gibson by hosting a two-day regatta in Montagu Beach that was postponed from this weekend to next Saturday and Sunday, September 4-5.

"I'm thrilled to death," said Gibson, a native from Acklins, who came to New Providence in 1974 and have been involved in the formation and the operation of the Bahamas Boat Owners and Sailors Association ever since.

"I never dreamt of this happening to me. Craig Flowers started the whole thing and everybody else just

came on board to help make it happen. I've never had anything like this done for me. It's really an honour."

Along with Flowers, the proprietor of FLM Group of Companies, Sir Durward 'Sea Wolf' Knowles; Canadian fashion designer Peter Nygard; Al Collie and Mike Stubbs, have all come together to sponsor the event.

"What I want to do is to let all the kids know that it's good to do good in school because it will come back to help you in so many ways," said Gibson, who has assisted so many in the sport.

"I would never dream that the amount of money that they are putting out is to show their appreciation to me. I'm so thrilled to death. But I encourage all of the young kids to go out and do good in life and you will reap your reward some day."

The 75-year-old Gibson, a long-time entertainer who founded the local band, King Eric and the Knights, has also been an advert

golfer and administrator for many years.

But he admitted that because of his kindness to so many people that he's "never experienced a hard day in my life yet. I've had people helping me one way or the other."

Some \$40,000 have been put up by the sponsors to stage the regatta.

A skippers party for all of the participating boats will be held on Tuesday. It's anticipated that eight A Class and 11 B Class boats will be participating.

Already confirmed to participate in the A Class are the Courageous, Anna Nicole, Southern Cross, Red Stripe, Who Dat and Ed Sky.

In the B Class are Queen Drucilla, Ants Nest, Eudeva, Passion, Barbarian, Healthcliff, Six Sisters, the Cobra, Lady Nathalia and Storr's Plumbing.

"All of the boats are coming," Gibson stressed. "I'm very happy that they are all participating. It just shows the appreciation that I've received

**"I would never dream that the amount of money that they are putting out is to show their appreciation to me. I'm so thrilled to death."**

**'King' Eric Gibson**

from the sailing community."

Races start at 10:30 a.m. on both days and will comprise of three races in the two classes. At the conclusion of the regatta, the awards presentation is expected to staged on Gibson's 76th birthday on September 23rd.

# Meacher Major back in action

TONIGHT, Meacher 'Pain' Major will step back into the ring for another appearance on the X-Cel Worldwide promotions card.

This time, Major will be fighting American Jamar Saunders in a six-round co-main event at the Virginia Beach Convention Center in Virginia Beach.

It's the new training site for Major, who has teamed up with one of his most recent opponents, Dorin Sprivey. On June 11, 2009, Sprivey stopped Major in the fourth round in New York.

But that has not deterred the flashy lightweight.

Major, 28, has made the necessary adjustment when he moved out of Hollywood, Florida to Buffalo, New York where his training site was located.

Promoter Nick Garone, who along with Daryl DeCroix of Daryl DeCroix Promotions are sponsoring tonight's show, said he's been quite impressed with Major's work ethic and his commitment to succeed.

He has promised that as long as Major can continue to improve in the ring, he can guarantee the native of Kemp Road that he can look forward to not only getting a world ranking, but also a world title fight.

When Major left Ray Minus Jr and First Class Promotions for the US, he noted that his main goal to secure another world title for the Bahamas.

He's right on pace to achieving that goal.

Garone has nothing but high hopes for Major. Now it's up to him to go out there and perform.

## BARR'S COMEBACK

Right on the heels of Major's fight, Freeman 'the Natural' Barr will be returning to the ring in what has been his "home away from home" in Punta Gorda, Florida when he compete on Tuesday night.

The native of Andros has not been in the ring since November 28, 2006, due to a series of injuries.

But his long-time manager Steve Canton said Barr's career has been rejuvenated under new promoter, former NFL player Jeff Brady and they're looking for bigger and better things.

Unlike Major, who has had a steady climb up the ladder, Barr has gone through his share of ups and downs. But throughout it all, he has not given up hope.

At age 37, one would think that Barr's career could and should be over. But, now fighting as a light heavyweight, Barr said he just want to get a chance to prove the critics wrong.

Canton, who took over Barr's career at his SJC Boxing Club in Fort Myers from the time he left Everette Jackson after his first four fights in the Bahamas back in 1994, said he's never seen a fighter with intestinal fortitude as Barr.

And if that is any indication, coupled with the fact that he said Barr has never stopped training (even through his adversities), then we could really look out for a great comeback.

## THE KING HONORED

Over the years, we have heard so much about the contribution of King Eric Gibson, whether it was as an entertainer, a golfer or a sailor.

This coming weekend, however, Gibson is expected to receive some of the accolades that many felt have eluded him for so many years.

Gibson, 75, will be recognised by a popular group of local businessmen in a two-day regatta that will take place on Saturday and Sunday, September 5-6 in Montagu Bay.

With some \$40,000 in prizes, eight A Class and 11 B Class boats will sail in three races each as the sailing community join in and honor the veteran sportsman.

Gibson said it's an honour that he's appreciate, but it's definitely one that he deserve, especially considering the fact that too many times, we wait until such icons are passed away before they are recognised.

He's getting his "flowers" while he is alive and those responsible such be commended for the gesture. There's nobody want fitting the tribute than the "King" himself, Eric Gibson.

## STUBBS



## OPINION

**GREAT JOB:**  
St. Louis Cardinals' Albert Pujols reacts with teammate Yadier Molina after his 400th home run in the fourth inning of a baseball game with the Washington Nationals at Nationals Park in Washington Thursday, Aug. 26, 2010.

**Alex Brandon/**  
**AP Photo**

400 AND COUNTING



## LOCAL NEWS

**TOURIST INJURED IN BIKE CRASH**

Photo: Tim Clarke/Tribune Staff

**CRASH SCENE:** A tourist reportedly lost control of his rental scooter yesterday afternoon and ran into a wall on East Bay Street. He sustained injuries to his face and was taken to hospital.

**Forecasters keep watchful eye on Tropical Storm Earl**

## FROM page one

mum sustained winds of 45 miles per hour with higher gust."

As the tropical storm continues to develop, forecasters advise the public to stay tuned for future alerts from the Department of Meteorology.

Mr Neely said the Met Office is also monitoring a system with a similar track as Hurricane Danielle, which last night was heading towards Bermuda.

If the as yet unnamed system continues its present path, then the Bahamas will be spared, Mr Neely said.

"By early next week we will be able to give a more definitive answer on whether it will affect the Bahamas," he told *The Tribune*.

"We are watching another area of low pressure behind Earl which has the possibility of strengthening, because of ocean and atmospheric factors.

"Some forecasters have this storm projecting further west, and if that happens then there's a possibility we can be affected by that one. But right now it's too early to tell, and by early next week or mid next week we should know."

Weather models currently show the system approaching a weakness in the subtropical ridge and should begin to turn more west-northwest with a decrease in speed.

**Law school applicants say they are losing out to foreign students**

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tially, I think the foreigners should be on the wait list."

Another student, who scored just above 200 points on the entrance test, acknowledged that exam takers were warned of the school's limited space but feels all those who pass the test should be afforded the opportunity to study at the law school. He said he is now considering costly study options abroad so that he can accelerate his plans to begin practising law.

"They need to make these things clear, they need to simply tell us what is the passing mark. If the minimum mark is 200 everyone who gets 200 should be accepted. I would prefer completing my Bar studies here at home because we have the facilities, we have very competent lawyers who administer the programme here and I don't see why I have to go elsewhere because they deny me space in favour of a foreigner," complained the law student.

**Degree**

Ms Bastian explained that because the law school is not operated by the Bahamian government but is an established law school of the Caribbean Council of Legal Education, students from campuses of the University of the West Indies (UWI) who have a bachelor's degree in law studies, or LLB, are automatically accepted into the school.

LLB holders from other accepted schools must sit an entrance exam and score 45 per cent of the total mark or 225 out of 500 points to pass. However, even if a student passes the exam they may not be accepted due to limited space. Ms Galanis said that acceptance offers are doled out from the highest mark to the lowest until the class is filled.

According to Ms Bastian, this year 28 UWI students were eligible for the school's programme leaving space for another dozen or so students. The school's registrar said that 13 students, all said to be Bahamian, who sat the exam in July have been accepted.

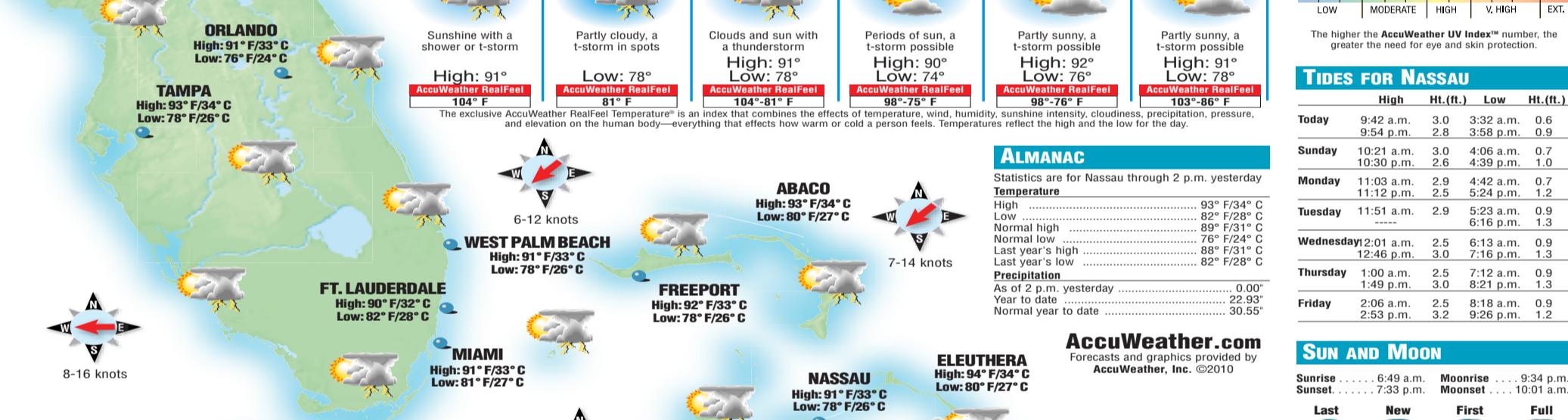
Ms Bastian said a class of 40 is pushing the school's limits, which operates out of two classrooms at the College of the Bahamas' School of Hospitality and Management on Thompson Boulevard.

She said the government pledged to construct a permanent building for the law school when its doors opened in 1998 but have not yet made good on their word.

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## 5-DAY FORECAST



## UV INDEX TODAY

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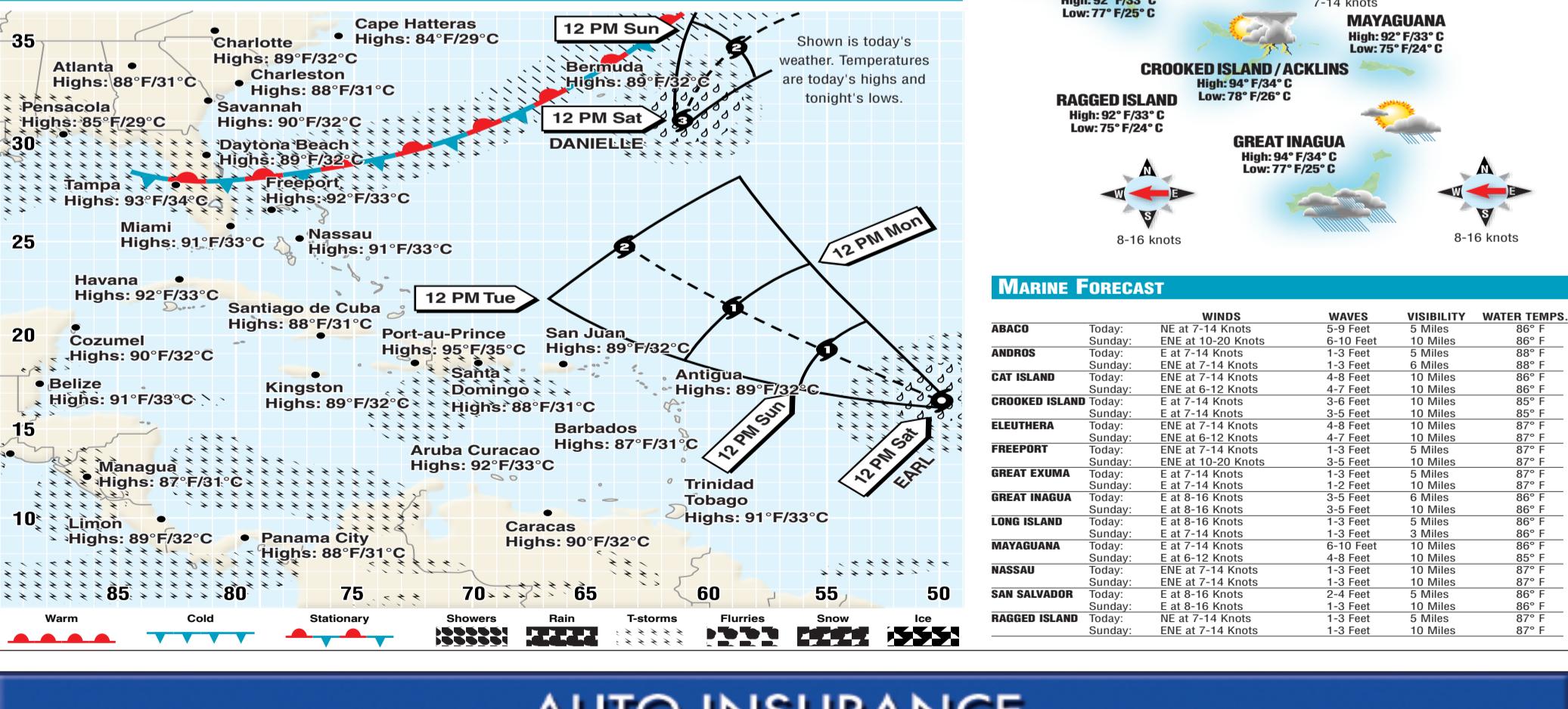
## TIDES FOR NASSAU

	High	Ht.(ft.)	Low	Ht.(ft.)
Today	9:42 a.m.	3.0	3:32 a.m.	0.6
	9:54 a.m.	2.8	3:58 p.m.	0.9
Sunday	10:21 a.m.	3.0	4:06 a.m.	0.7
	10:30 p.m.	2.6	4:39 p.m.	1.0
Monday	11:03 a.m.	2.9	4:42 a.m.	0.7
	11:12 p.m.	2.5	5:24 p.m.	1.2
Tuesday	11:51 a.m.	2.9	5:23 a.m.	0.9
	11:59 p.m.	2.6	6:16 p.m.	1.3
Wednesday	12:01 a.m.	2.5	6:13 a.m.	0.9
	12:46 p.m.	3.0	7:16 p.m.	1.3
Thursday	1:00 a.m.	2.5	7:12 a.m.	0.9
	1:49 p.m.	3.0	8:21 p.m.	1.3
Friday	2:06 a.m.	2.5	8:18 a.m.	0.9
	2:53 p.m.	3.2	9:26 p.m.	1.2

## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	6:49 a.m.	Moonrise	9:34 p.m.
Sunset	7:33 p.m.	Moonset	10:01 a.m.
Last	New	First	Full
Sep. 1	Sep. 8	Sep. 15	Sep. 23

## INSURANCE MANAGEMENT TRACKING MAP



## MARINE FORECAST

	WINDS	WAVES	VISIBILITY	WATER TEMPS.
ABACO	Today: NE at 7-14 Knots Sunday: ENE at 10-20 Knots	5-9 Feet 6-10 Feet	5 Miles 10 Miles	86°F 86°F
ANDROS	Today: E at 7-14 Knots Sunday: ENE at 7-14 Knots	1-3 Feet 1-3 Feet	5 Miles 6 Miles	88°F 88°F
CAT ISLAND	Today: ENE at 7-14 Knots Sunday: ENE at 10-20 Knots	4-8 Feet 4-7 Feet	10 Miles 10 Miles	86°F 86°F
CROOKED ISLAND	Today: E at 7-14 Knots Sunday: ENE at 10-20 Knots	3-6 Feet 3-5 Feet	10 Miles 10 Miles	85°F 85°F
ELEUTHERA	Today: ENE at 7-14 Knots Sunday: ENE at 10-20 Knot			

## LOCAL NEWS

**DOCUMENTARY: HAITI AND THE EARTHQUAKE AFTERMATH**

Collapsed building.



Day to day life.



Day in the life.



ICU tent.



Outskirts of village.



Still standing.

# 100 days and beyond

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**A** DOCUMENTARY created by the United Association of Haitians in the Bahamas highlighting the experience of Haitians following the devastating January 12 earthquake is set to be aired for the first time in Nassau next week.

The 45 minute film entitled "100 Days and Beyond" features testimonials and other insights into the conditions in which Haitians found themselves living and struggling to survive in the wake of the 7.0 magnitude quake.

It illustrates the fact that despite the massive humanitarian efforts and pledges of support internationally for Haiti and those living there in the immediate aftermath of the disaster, conditions are still dire and financial and material assistance are still required to improve the daily plight of much of the population.

Robert Dieudonne of the Nassau-based United Association of Haitians in the Bahamas (UAHB), which is behind the making of the film, said: "I was inspired by conversations among the Diaspora and spectators in world, where when you heard people speak about Haiti 100 days on, people were saying, 'Haiti should be okay, with all the money they received'. Even with friends and families they were saying that, because of the billions raised in Haiti's name. I was like, 'we've got to go down and show them nothing's happened and that people still need help'."

Mr Dieudonne said that in the film, which will be shown at the Galleria movie theatre at 8pm on September 2, and made available on DVD, audiences will see the reality of a post-earthquake Haiti.

"They will see that after 100 days there are persons still living in tents, they will see some persons still not getting enough food, who are still desolate, people who don't want to leave hospital because they don't even have a tent to go to. They will also see the resiliency of Haitian people, laughing and smiling as they are waiting on a new prosthetic leg to replace their amputated limb. Thanking God despite losing their family," said Mr Dieudonne.

The documentary is just one of the ways in which the UAHB has sought to address the plight of Haitians after the earthquake.

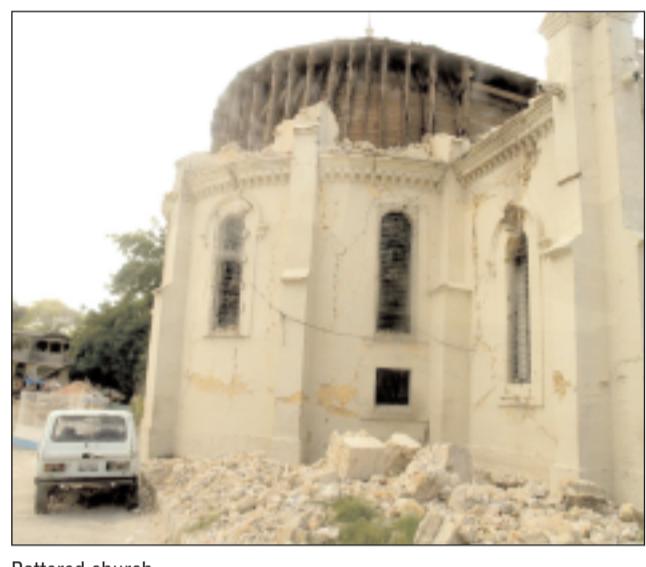
UAHB also set up the "Haiti Direct Aid Programme" which seeks to ensure that cash and other much needed items were sent "directly" into the hands of those who needed them most.

The organisation is still working to identify individuals who would benefit from such donations, putting Bahamas residents who wish to help in touch with those who need it.

Part of the purpose of the film is to provide evidence of how the donations made to "Haiti Direct Aid" have been used to benefit people on the ground in the impoverished country.

Pastor Antoine St Louis, president of UAHB, said in a statement on the film: "The 'Haiti Direct Aid' programme has proven to be one of the most effective programmes up to date in responding to assist the earthquake victims. Yet there is much more we can do. As the song goes by Kirk Franklin and Friends, 'Is there anybody out there listening? Is there anybody out there know my name?'. Let us continue to respond by saying, 'yes we hear your cries and your pain. But we are here and we care'."

"May this documentary film ignite your commitment just as we are continuing to assist those individuals in need in Haiti!"



Battered church.



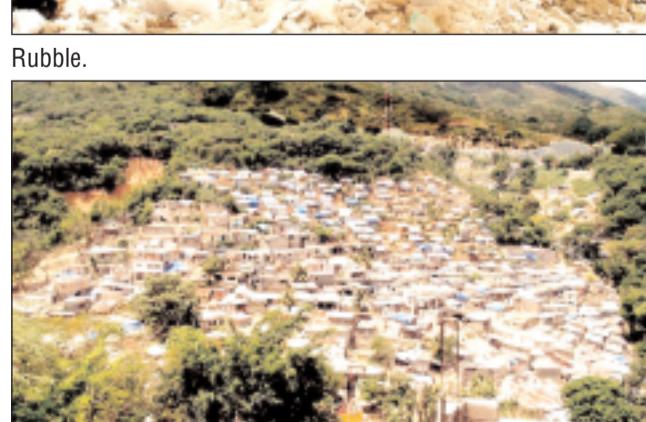
Housing tents.



Mobile dispatch.



Rubble.



Ruined village.

(Photos courtesy of the United Association of Haitians)